



ST. AGNES PARISH

245 North Amos Avenue
Springfield, IL 62702

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

5:30 p.m. Catherine Link - Nancy Schrenk

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4

8:15 a.m. Charles Gutzman -
Maury & Marilyn Neuweg

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

6:30 a.m. Delores Prosperini -
Ernest, Family & Friends

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

8:15 a.m. Henrietta Norturp Hayes -
Ann Oswald

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

8:15 a.m. Margaret O'Donnell - Mary McGrath
12:10 p.m. Dr. David Mack - Susan Wycoff

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

4:30 p.m. Norma Jeanne Fairweather -
Betty Bennett

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

8:00 a.m. Donald J. Kulek -
Joan & Dave Kerwin
9:30 a.m. Doris Savoie -
Ralph & Roslyn Brookens
And James Metz - Family
11:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Agnes

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

ALTAR SERVERS

October 4, 6:

8:15 a.m. Emily Rapacz, Kyle Rolf
8:15 a.m. Beth VonBehren, Reagan Smudde
8:15 a.m. Rose Bartletti, Anna Curtis

October 8-9:

4:30 p.m. Charlie Johnson, Steve Johnson,
Jackie Johnson
8:00 a.m. Tom Frost, John Brunzman
9:30 a.m. Emily Brenneisen, Matt Brenneisen,
Brandon Schafer
11:30 a.m. Carter Crabtree, Anna Curtis,
Lindsey Ferguson

READERS, OCTOBER 8-9

4:30 p.m. Tammie Klein, Pat Stieren
8:00 a.m. Dan Punzak, Vicki Bauer
9:30 a.m. Sr. Joan Sorge, Holly Kesterson
11:30 a.m. Erik Lyons, Pathy Ekal

COMMUNION MINISTERS OCTOBER 8-9

4:30 p.m. Team A, Karen Beckmann,
Kathy Kraft, Michael Kraft, Debra Mann, Jim
Morris, Judy Nordstrom,
8:00 a.m. Team F, Mike & Vicki Bauer,
Jean Goetz, Rita Messinger, Joan Reed,
Sr. Joan Sorge
9:30 a.m. Team L, Carrie Becker, Cliff &
Donna Erwin, Richard Koerper, Keith & Marie
Washburn
11:30 a.m. Team S, Camille Arisman,
Leah Arisman, Tom Drake, Ann Griffin, Holly
Griffin, Grace Kuchar, Ben Rogers

SHARE THE WORD MINISTERS OCTOBER 9

Pre K4 & K
1st & 2nd
3rd

Parish Mission

PRAYER LINE REQUESTS

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.: Sheila Noonan 546-0012
Barb Kern 546-7729
5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.: Maureen Brady 787-3423
Cinda Steinkamp 787-6439



Baby Bottle Boomerang, a community fundraising campaign for Lifetime Pregnancy Help Center, will run from October 1-23. Further details regarding the goals of this campaign will be forthcoming. During "Respect Life Month" you can make a difference by supporting this pro-life ministry. For information contact Diane Blean, 725-0065.

National Life Chain Sunday: Please join us today, October 2 for the National Life Chain Prayer Witness from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. Life Chain is a Silent Prayer Witness of Repentance moved from the Sanctuary to the sidewalks. We silently pray to God while holding signs testifying to the truths that "Abortion Kills Children", "Adoption is the Loving Option", "Lord Forgive Us and our Nation", "Abortion Hurts Women", and "Jesus Forgives and Heals". You may pray for 1 hour during this time frame or for the entire 90 minutes. *The location for our St. Agnes group will again be at the corner of Mac Arthur and South Grand Avenue. Signs will be provided, but please bring whatever prayer materials you want to use with you. You are also welcome to bring a folding chair if standing for an hour is difficult.*

Diocesan White Mass: Physicians, nurses, administrators, allied health care providers and all others involved in the healing ministry are welcome to join Bishop Thomas John Paprocki on Saturday, October 15, 4:00 p.m., Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, Reception and program to follow. Guest speaker Fr. Myles Sheehan, SJ, To RSVP: Bernadine Smith at bsmith@dio.org, call (217) 321-1139 or register online at www.dio.org/familylife/annual-masses.html by October 11.

GREETERS - OCTOBER

4:30 p.m. Sergio and Angela Jimenez
 8:00 a.m. Kevin and Kathy Vost
 9:30 a.m. Richard and Meredith Koerper
 11:30 a.m. Brian and Laura Wheeling

Holy Family Food Pantry: Next weekend, October 8-9, is our regular collection for the Holy Family Food Pantry. Please bring your food donations to the Gathering Space. Cash donations are always appreciated. Make checks payable to "Holy Family Food Pantry."

40 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration: Sacred Heart Church in Virden will be holding 40 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration from October 6-8. The Opening Mass will be celebrated by the Very Rev. David Hoefler at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 6. Following the Mass there will be Confessions. On Friday, October 7 there will be Mass at 6:30 p.m. celebrated by Rev. Scott Thelander, SJC with Confessions after the Mass. On Saturday, October 8 there will be Benediction and Reposition at 8:45 a.m. followed by the Closing Mass celebrated by Rev. James Palakudy, SAC. All are invited to join us.

2016 Annual Prayer in the Public Square Rosary Rally will be held on October 15 at the Illinois State Capitol Building in front of the Lincoln statue on Capitol and 2nd streets. We will pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet and sing God Bless America, America the Beautiful and more. Saturday, October 15, 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. If you would like to lead one of the prayers, contact Donna 622-8576 or email d.berte@comcast.net.



WELCOME to the following parishioners who registered at St. Agnes Parish in September:

Roseline Agbeney Family
Katie Claussen Family
Raylene and Jason Grischow Family
Matthew and Stacy Hull Family
Brian and Kate Mayland Family
Justin and Valerie Parks Family
Hannah Toricelli Family
Tin and Khanh Tran Family
Kevin and Kate VonBehren



ST. AGNES SCHOOL
catch our spirit

Annual Fund – This weekend representatives from the school's Annual Fund Committee will be speaking at all of the Masses about this year's Annual Fund Drive. We will be focusing on raising funds for second through fifth grade Social Studies books, Mathletics program for increasing math skills, Walkabouts Program for creative learning and movement, and tuition assistance. Thank you to all who support our Parish school.

Monday, October 3

- 1:30 p.m. dismissal for a faculty meeting.
- School Board meeting in the school library – 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 4

- Parents' Club Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the library.

Wednesday, October 5

- St. Agnes School 4th graders will take part in the Diocesan Mission Mass at the Cathedral. The Mass will be held at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will be provided by St. Agnes for our St. Agnes students following the Mass.
- 2nd Grade First Reconciliation Parent/Student Meeting in the Parish Hall at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 6

- All-School Liturgy at 8:15 a.m.
- Annual Fund Committee Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the school office area.

Friday, October 7

- Student Council Elections will be held on this day following a 9:00 assembly for grades 6-8 where students campaigning will present short speeches as to why they should be elected. Parents are welcome to attend this assembly. The Student Council is a very important group in our school as students are given a voice in matters that will directly affect them.

Monday, October 10 – **No Classes** due to Columbus Day.

*“Joy Springs from
a grateful heart”*



St. Agnes Girl Scout Troop 6368 will be taking orders for Fall Products including candy, nuts, and magazines after all Masses the weekend of October 8. Your purchase will help the troop earn funds to participate in amazing activities throughout the school year! Items will be available for pick-up in mid-November. For questions, please call Deborah Pilapil at 361-7165. Thank you for supporting Girl Scouts!

It's SHG Mega Raffle time! Tickets are now on sale for the SHG Mega Raffle by calling 787-9732, visiting www.shg.org, or buying from your favorite raffle seller. Seventy cash prizes will be rewarded! Get your tickets before the Early Bird drawing on Friday, October 7, for your chance to win one of twenty \$500 cash prizes. The Grand Prize drawing for \$100,000 is Friday, October 28. Buy early, buy often!

Attention 7th and 8th Graders: Join the SHG student section at the SHG vs. Rochester football game Friday, October 7! Come out to Cyclone Stadium between 6:30-7:00 p.m. and cheer the Cyclones to victory. The reserved student section is on the northernmost part of the stands, on the SHG side, closest to the jumbotron. Wear your black and gold, get your friends together, and join the fun!

An all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet will be held on October 9 from 8:00 a.m. until noon at Knights of Columbus Council 364. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids ages 6 - 12, and kids ages five and under are free. All proceeds will benefit Council 364's Seminarian Support Program. For questions, call 787-2360.

Art & Craft Show: St. Joseph the Worker, Chatham, will hold an Art & Craft Show on Saturday, October 15 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Food and drink may be purchased. For more information, please call Geoff or Rita Davis at 217-585-8079.



CONTRIBUTIONS, SEPT. 24-25:

Regular Contributions: \$14,928

St. Agnes Parish Capital
Improvements Fund: \$873

MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!



Dear Friends in Christ,

As we have entered the fall season and are heading toward the end of this calendar year, there is a tendency for more appeals for aid to come our way. In the practice of our stewardship, we wish to be generous and yet we have to pace ourselves in a sense. There are many worthwhile needs.

This weekend at St. Agnes parish, we embark upon the Annual Fund drive for our school. More information concerning this appeal is forthcoming this weekend and the upcoming week. Funds raised this year will help with purchasing new social studies books for the second through fifth grades; a "Mathletics" program; a program called "Walkabouts" (an interactive, creative, up-and-moving program) for our pre-school grades; as well as tuition assistance. Our generosity makes these possible.

Also, all should have received from Bishop Paprocki information concerning the 2016 Annual Catholic Services Appeal. Please take time to prayerfully consider what you can pledge or contribute. If for some reason you have not received this information, please don't hesitate to contact me!

Finally, a reminder of our parish mission that will take place from Saturday, October 8 through Wednesday, October 12 with Fr. John Ettensohn, O.M.I. as our presenter. The schedule for the mission is on this page of the bulletin.

Autumn blessings,
Fr. Bob

Parish Mission

"Where is God These Days?"

Mark your calendars for a time of some spiritual refreshment as we enter a parish mission from Saturday, October 8 through Wednesday, October 12.

Fr. John Ettensohn, O.M.I., a priest of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate of Belleville, IL, will be our mission presenter with the theme, "Where Is God These Days?" Fr. Ettensohn will preach at all Masses the weekend of October 8/9. There will be 4 evening presentations each evening at 7:00 p.m. from Sunday, October 9 through Wednesday, October 12. (See below). In addition, there will be 8:15 a.m. Mass, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, October 10 through the 12th with a presentation after each Mass in the parish hall. Refreshments served after all presentations. All are welcome!

Sunday, October 9

- 7:00 p.m. Presentation: "Meeting God on the Journey of Life."

Monday, October 10

- 8:15 a.m. Fr. Ettensohn presides and preaches at Mass. After Mass Talk: "How on Earth do we live the Way, the Truth, and the Life of Jesus?"
- 7:00 p.m. Presentation: "Not Just Existing, Fully Alive!"

Tuesday, October 11

- 8:15 a.m. Fr. Ettensohn presides and preaches at Mass. After Mass Talk: "Visions, Locutions, and other Spiritual Experiences."
- 7:00 p.m. Presentation: "What Freedom Really Means."

Wednesday, October 12

- 8:15 a.m. Fr. Ettensohn presides and preaches at all school Mass. After Mass Talk: "What can we do about Children who wander from the Church?"
- 7:00 p.m. Presentation: "Back to the Future from the Heart."



Young at Heart (YAH) Activities

Please mark your calendar for the following **upcoming events**. More information will be provided on all these events as they get closer.

* **Tuesday, October 4** – YAH planning meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Gathering Space. We will discuss upcoming events for fall and winter. All are welcome and encouraged to come and provide their ideas.

* **Saturday, October 8** – Tour of the St. Francis of Assisi Church and the Chiara Center starting at 9:00 a.m. with an optional brunch to follow.

* **Saturday, October 15** – Picnic and bonfire at Villa Maria Center.

* **Saturday, November 5** – Grapevine Social at *It's All About Wine*.

* **Tuesday, November 15** – Potluck in Parish Hall. Speaker to be announced.

* **Saturday, December 10** – *The Messiah* at the Cathedral.

Please feel free to contact any of the following officers for more details on any of the activities listed above or to offer suggestions for future activities: Jane Locascio (306-3037); Roslyn Brookens (622-6299); Sue Hartl (787-5849); Barb Kern (546-7729); or Cliff Erwin (787-7017).

2nd Annual Women's Health Fair held by the Knights of Columbus 4175 on Thursday, October 6 at 6:30 p.m. at 2801 West Street, Springfield. Please join us for a great evening featuring the following: Blood Pressure Screenings, BMI Check, Cancer Screening, Blood Glucose Screening, Unused/Expired Medication Disposal, Food and Nutrition Demonstrations, Flu Shots, ENT Screening and Information, and much more!! For more info, please contact Beth Mayfield at 971-2325.

Caregiver Interfaith Volunteer

Services: Are you looking for something rewarding to do with your spare time? Why not consider becoming a volunteer for Caregiver Interfaith Volunteer Services at HSHS St. John's Hospital. CIVS provides free services to older adults 55 years of age and older in order to help them remain independent in their own homes. Services provided include transportation and escort to medical appointments, grocery shopping with or for individuals no longer able to go themselves, minor home repairs, and limited respite sitting 3 hours per week, as well as caring phone calls and visits. You may do this on your own time frame and as often or as little as you choose. Our current 200 volunteers are serving approximately 350 care receivers on an ongoing basis and we need additional help.

If you or your family knows of someone who would benefit from a little assistance, please ask them to call 217-757-6621 to register for services from CIVS. The individual must be at least 55 years old and must be able to walk independently or with a cane or walker. We provide support rather than actual care.

The Caregiver Interfaith Volunteer Service program is celebrating 20 years of dedicated service of Springfield, Chatham, Rochester and Sherman. We do not charge for any of our services, but donations are accepted and wisely used to support our caregiving program. We hope you will consider becoming a part of this unique program.



RIGHT TO LIFE CORNER

Springfield Right to Life is coordinating peaceful prayer vigils to be held every Thursday when surgical abortions are performed at Planned Parenthood, 601 N. Bruns Lane. We would like to provide prayer coverage throughout the day during the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. This is an opportunity to be a voice for the voiceless and take a stand to end abortion in our city. For more information and to sign up, please contact Angela Tranquilli who is coordinating our volunteers at 217-523-2700 or info@springfieldrtl.com. You may also sign up on our website: www.springfieldrtl.org.



On-Line Giving: A reminder that we have begun on-line giving, using Give Central. You can go online through the parish website, www.stagnescatholicparish.org,

click the “donate now” button and begin. The tool is safe and secure, and is a response to parishioners’ request to make it easier to give. We certainly welcome any gift in any form but for many this is the easiest way to give. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Parish Office at 793-1330. Thank you for your generosity.

St. Katharine Drexel Parish, Springfield presents “A Taste of St. Katharine Drexel” on Saturday, October 15 from 4:00-8:00 p.m. and Sunday, October 16 from Noon-4:00 p.m. on the grounds of Sacred Heart Church, 12th and Lawrence. Join us for good food and homemade desserts. Games for kids. Tickets will be available for a \$600+ gift card raffle.



OUR SISTER PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS in September totaled \$1,710. Thanks to everyone for your generosity every month to our Sister Parish in Guatemala!

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy

Communion: Do you have an interest in sharing the Holy Eucharist with hospitalized Roman Catholics and their loved ones? Opportunities are available at Memorial Medical Center. The number of our Catholic patients continues to rise, so we would like to grow our Ministry Team to meet this larger need. Our particular needs include Eucharistic Ministers who are available any day of the week or weekends. If this opportunity interests you and you would like further information regarding this ministry, contact the Memorial Medical Center Pastoral Care Department at (217)788-3585 or email staab.nancy@mhsil.com