



## ST. AGNES PARISH

245 North Amos Avenue  
Springfield, IL 62702

## MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

5:30 p.m. Joseph J. Evinsky - Family

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

8:15 a.m. Ann Havey - Pat Young

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

6:30 a.m. Frances Eimer - Jim & Joyce Henn

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:15 a.m. Steve Hall - Ann & Jerry Mack

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

NO MASS

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

4:30 p.m. Cathy Bernet - Don & Judy Buckley

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

8:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Agnes

9:30 a.m. Margaret Ann Mucciante -

Susan & Barry Baatz

11:30 a.m. Gene Elliott - Mary Elliott

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Eph 4:32—5:8; Lk 13:10-17

**Tuesday:** Eph 5:21-33; Lk 13:18-21

**Wednesday:** Eph 6:1-9; Lk 13:22-30

**Thursday:** Eph 6:10-20; Lk 13:31-35

**Friday:** Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16

**Saturday:** Phil 1:18b-26; Lk 14:1, 7-11

**Sunday:** Wis 11:22—12:2; 2 Thes 1:11—2:2;  
Lk 19:1-10

## ALTAR SERVERS

### October 25, 27:

8:15 a.m. Matthew Johnson, Vance Ludolph

8:15 a.m. Jack Ramage, Olivia Prichard

### October 29-30:

4:30 p.m. Sophie Billingsley, Andrew Frierdich,  
Lauren Frierdich

8:00 a.m. Mike Bauer, Mike Reed

9:30 a.m. Kyle Ward, Jillian Goetz,  
Maddie Warrington

11:30 a.m. Max Hartwig, Sophie Kink-Tucker,  
Olivia Kink-Tucker

## READERS, OCTOBER 29-30

4:30 p.m. Children

8:00 a.m. Vicki Bauer, Mary Ann Gatten

9:30 a.m. Bob Bussing, Andy Ramage

11:30 a.m. Pathy Ekal, Jan Koltun

## COMMUNION MINISTERS

### OCTOBER 29-30

**4:30 p.m. Team D,** Judi Bloome, Susan  
Dodson, Dan & Nancy Dollison, Mary Mucciante,  
Kathy Smith

**8:00 a.m. Team I,** Mary Ann Gatten,  
Robert & Nancy Gorman, Steve & Julie  
Johnson, Louis Kink

**9:30 a.m. Team O,** Bill & Cindy Callan,  
Pamela Hargan, Jane Locascio, Doug McDonald,  
Kathy Vizral

**11:30 a.m. Team V,** Elaine Arisman, James  
Curtis, Jeff Enlow, Adrian Gandhi, Janice Gandhi,  
Annette Nelson

## SHARE THE WORD MINISTERS

### OCTOBER 30

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## 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

**Holy Family Food Pantry:** We are asking for help to provide Thanksgiving food baskets for families in need. We anticipate serving 450 families this year for Thanksgiving and can only accomplish this with your help. There is a suggested item menu list for anyone who feels they might want to help in the back of the church on the bulletin board. Donations can be dropped off in the back of church or at Holy Family Food Pantry at 120 S. 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Donations should be brought to the North delivery door—Washington Street side of the building between 8:00-1:00 p.m. from November 1-18. God bless all your efforts to help our neighbors in need.

**Women's Day of Recollection:** This coming Thursday, October 27, a Women's Day of Recollection will be offered at Christ the King Parish, from 12:45 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. The afternoon will begin with a talk in the St. Joseph Room. Then, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, two meditations given by a priest and closing Benediction. There will be a 30-minute period for silent Adoration between the meditations. The ladies may take advantage of the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and spiritual direction during this time, as well as following the Recollection. The Mothers' Room will remain available during the entire Recollection for use by mothers with infants and/or young children. All women throughout the diocese are invited to attend. The spiritual guidance at the Recollection is entrusted to a priest of the Prelature *Opus Dei*.

**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](http://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.



## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

**The Holy Name Chili Supper will be on November 13.** We need many volunteers to make this a success. There are volunteer sign-up sheets in the Gathering Space this weekend. Please consider giving some of your time and talent for this event. This is a great opportunity for older students who need service hours. We could sure use your help!

**ALSO, there are envelopes for each household in the Gathering Space. These contain Chili Supper tickets and raffle tickets. Please pick up your envelope. Any envelopes not picked up will have to be mailed.**



**ATTENTION BAKERS OF THE PARISH:** The Altar Society will have a Bake Sale and Raffle at the Chili Supper. We need your donations of baked goods. You can bring them to the School Cafeteria after Mass on Sunday, November 13. We also need volunteers to work at the Bake Sale on November 13. There are sign-up sheets in the Gathering Space. This is a perfect opportunity for adults and older students to get those service hours. You can get service hours for volunteering at the Chili Supper or at the Bake Sale, and also for providing baked goods.

**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](mailto:staab.nancy@mhsil.com)



**ST. AGNES SCHOOL**  
*catch our spirit*  
 A PeaceBuilder School

### Red Ribbon Week

This week St. Agnes school will be taking part in the National Red Ribbon Week. The theme this year is **Pledge to be Drug Free!** Students will be participating in activities to help them learn to make healthy life choices.

### Tuesday, October 25

- Student Council Meeting after school in the art room from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m.
- Grant Writing Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the school office area.

### Sacramental Meeting for Confirmation

– Wednesday, October 26 is the Confirmation meeting for parents and students in St. Agnes Church at 6:30 p.m. Attendance at this evening is required for all who are a part of this year's Confirmation class. The evening will include an enrollment in the sacramental preparation program and information helpful to students and their parents. 8th grade room parents will be speaking to parents and students following the Confirmation presentation.

### Thursday, October 27

- All-School Liturgy at 8:15 a.m. Parents and parishioners are encouraged to join our St. Agnes children for Mass.
- Sports Pictures will be taken of the fall sports teams on Thursday beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Parents are asked to refer to the information sent home in the school Newsletter regarding specific times for your child's team sport.

### Friday, October 28

- Report cards for the first quarter will be e-mailed to families Friday, October 28 for grades 1-8.

### St. Agnes Service Activities

- Halloween, October 31 – St. Agnes third graders will be going to Oak Terrace Healthcare in costume to visit the residents and share treats.
- St. Agnes second graders will be taking treats to the Dominican Sisters and showing off their Halloween costumes on Halloween day.
- St. Agnes first graders will be going to Hickory Glen to visit the residents there.
- Daily, Jr. High students serve as "Homework buddies" to students who need assistance preparing books and assignments for home.
- In each classroom, "Peacebuilder Buddies" partner with new students to help them transition to St. Agnes School.



### **Campbell's Soup Labels:**

The Campbell's Labels for Education Program has been discontinued. Campbell's will be starting a new program sometime in the future but has not released information on the new program at this time. We would like to thank everyone for giving labels throughout the years! Your labels have provided much needed school supplies here at St. Agnes. **The school is still collecting "box tops" for education.**



Thank you for your support of the tuition assistance envelopes which enables many of our families to have a Catholic education at our school. If there is any parishioner who would like to sponsor an individual student for tuition assistance, please contact Sr. Joan, principal, at 217-793-1370.

**St. Joseph Missals, 2017 edition**, will be available for purchase in the Gathering Space the weekends of November 4-5 and November 11-12.



### CONTRIBUTIONS, OCTOBER 15-16:

Regular Contributions: \$21,998

St. Agnes Parish Capital  
Improvements Fund: \$595

**MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!**

*Welcome!*

This weekend please welcome Fr. Joseph Curalli, C.Ss.R., a Redemptorist priest, from the *Liguorian* who will be speaking at all Masses this weekend for the Redemptorist magazine and publications. Welcome Fr. Curalli!

### TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY!

In announcing his decision to declare a Holy Year of Mercy, Pope Francis said, "Dear brothers and sisters, I have often thought about how the Church might make clear its mission of being a witness to mercy. Supporting the young churches throughout the world with your prayers and generous gifts is indeed a merciful witness of this mission. The collection today will help missionaries offer the poor of these areas practical help as they share the mercy of God. It will ensure the development of local dioceses, and support the work of priests, religious and lay leaders who serve those on the margins and in most need. Extend your merciful witness to the whole world through your gift in today's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith!" (Envelopes in your monthly packet.)

*Thank you*

Recently, our parish hosted a mission with the theme, "Where Is God These Days?" given by Fr. John Mark Ettensohn, O.M.I.

Many thanks for the generosity extended to the Oblate Preaching Ministries for our parish mission. A total of \$3,181.60 was contributed.



Dear Parishioners,

It has been slightly over a month since our diocese embarked upon the 2016 Annual Catholic Services Appeal. This yearly appeal funds over 20 offices and 90 ministries that serve numerous persons and groups across our Diocese of Springfield in Illinois; services such as seminarian formation, campus ministries, annulment ministry, youth ministry, and Catholic education to name a few.

Here is how it works. Each parish is assessed a goal based on its parish receipts. School income, insurance claims, and money invested with the diocese are exempt. The figure is then multiplied by 11.5%. That is the parish assessment. The diocese then mails a letter to each household asking them to help their parish meet this goal. Whatever money is collected is applied to the parish bill. Whatever is not collected must be paid from parish funds.

This year the parish goal is \$111,000. I ask each family in the parish to consider making a gift to the **Annual Catholic Services Appeal**.

To those who have already made a pledge or contribution—thank you so much. If you are in need of a pledge/contribution card and information, please do not hesitate to contact our parish office.

Autumn blessings,  
*Fr. Bob*

**BAPTISM CLASS:** The Baptism Class is required for all parents who have not taken a class before, although all parents are urged to attend. The next class will be on October 26, 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Gathering Space of the Church. Parents may take the class prior to the birth of their child. Please call the Parish Office at 793-1330 to register.

### NOVEMBER GREETERS

4:30 p.m. - Dave & Mason Mack  
9:30 a.m. - Bob & Kathy Sherman  
11:30 a.m. - Dave & Cathie Petrelli



## Young at Heart (YAH) Activities

Upcoming events:

Friday, November 4 – We are invited to Christ the King's Over 50 Potluck at 6:00 p.m. The presenter will be Ed Parkinson from the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor's Office. He has possibly prosecuted more murder cases than anyone else in the state of Illinois. Cost is \$5.00 plus please bring a dish to share. If you are interested, contact Cliff at 787-7017 to make a reservation.

Saturday, November 5 – Grapevine Social at It's All About Wine starting at 5:30 p.m., but you can come anytime and come and go as you please. No cost, but please bring an appetizer to share. Friends are welcome too. The beneficiary of any 50/50 drawing proceeds will be Catholic Charities food baskets. Call Roslyn at 622-6299 for more information.

Tuesday, November 15 – Potluck in Parish Hall. Cost is \$5.00 and includes entrée, drinks and wine. Social at 5:30 with dinner at 6:00 and speaker at 6:30. Come listen to our own Ralph Brookens give a presentation on his recent walk on the Way of St. James in Spain and France. This promises to be a very interesting session with Ralph's first hand experiences. All parishioners are invited. If you wish to hear Ralph but not attend the potluck, his presentation begins at 6:30. Otherwise, we strongly encourage you to sign up for the potluck in the Gathering Space the first two weekends of November.

Saturday, December 10 – The Springfield Choral Society will present The Messiah at 7:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. St. Agnes has a block of seats available and would like to invite all parishioners. Tickets are \$15.00 per person and can be obtained by texting or calling Roslyn Brookens at 622-6299.

Sunday, January 8, 2017 – Fifth Annual After-the-Holidays Dinner at Bella Milano. More information to come.

## 2017 St. Agnes Guide Book and Directory

– We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book and Directory for the parish. This book contains everything pertinent to our church: the various ministries and organizations plus a complete directory of all members. It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in your family over the past year. **If you have not already informed us about your changes, please call the Parish Office at 793-1330 or email your changes to us at [sac245@comcast.net](mailto:sac245@comcast.net).**

Also, this book is being provided and mailed to each family at no cost to our church, and it is being subsidized by local businesses that advertise. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call the Parish Office, 793-1330.

**Holiday Help:** Butler Funeral Homes will be hosting its annual *Holiday Help* program on Sunday, November 6 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Inn at 835 (835 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street). For those touched by a loss, we invite you to discover, uncover and nurture hope, while renewing your spirit this holiday season. Plan to attend this annual program, the most complete holiday bereavement program in the area. Grief and bereavement expert, Suzanne Howell, M.A., LCPC, will present practical ways to help you cope during the holidays and other significant days. A candle-lighting ceremony will be held to warmly remember and honor your loved one. To reserve your seat, please call (217)544-4646. Reservations requested but not required.



## RIGHT TO LIFE CORNER

One way to practice respect for life is to make a contribution of time or talent or treasure to our local Elizabeth Ann Seton Program, which assists pregnant and parenting women with a variety of needs—700 N. 7th Street, Suite B, Springfield, IL 62702; 757-6025; [info@elizabethannsetonprogram.org](mailto:info@elizabethannsetonprogram.org).

**Diocesan Youth Conference:** High school teens and their adult chaperones are invited to be a part of the next Diocesan Youth Conference! We are gathering on November 11 – 12 at Lake Williamson Christian Conference Center in Carlinville for a fun and faith-filled weekend celebrating the young church of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois! The weekend includes activities for everyone to meet new people from other parishes, inspiring music and message from our keynote artist, Lee Roessler, breakout sessions on what it means to be a young disciple of Jesus Christ, and engaging prayer time for the group. Free time will include enjoying some of Lake Williamson's facilities including the pool and black light dodge ball. Information about the conference is on the diocesan website at [www.dio.org/youthministry/dyc](http://www.dio.org/youthministry/dyc). Or contact Kyle Holtgrave, director for the Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry at (217) 698-8500, ext. 154, or email [kholtgrave@dio.org](mailto:kholtgrave@dio.org).

### **Baby Bottle Boomerang Ends Soon.**

Please remember to return your baby bottles, empty or full, on October 22-23. Your financial contributions are helping Lifetime Pregnancy Center to purchase a fully customized Mobile Medical Unit. Lifetime client services are free and confidential. For information, call Diane Blean, 725-0065.

### **2016 Diocesan Adult Enrichment Conference (DAEC):**

The 2016 DAEC will soon be here! The conference will be held at the Decatur Conference Center and Hotel November 4-5. This conference is for ALL Catholics. Our keynote speaker will be author, radio personality, and podcaster Greg Willits along with 19 other speakers. Registration can be done by mail or online. For more information you can visit our webpage at: [dio.org/catechesis/daec](http://dio.org/catechesis/daec)