



# ST. AGNES PARISH

## MASS SCHEDULE

<b>Saturday</b>	4:30 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.
<b>Monday</b>	5:30 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:15 a.m.
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 a.m.
<b>Thursday</b>	8:15 a.m.
<b>First Friday</b>	8:15 a.m., 12:10 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 8:15 Mass until noon.

(No daily Mass on Fridays except for First Fridays)

**Holydays** Consult the bulletin prior to the Holyday

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Call the Parish Office to schedule other times.

## ST. AGNES PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Loved and chosen by God, we are the St. Agnes Parish family. Through Baptism we share responsibility for continuing the mission of Jesus. We are called to be a community whose members enable and support the gifts given to each by the Spirit. We are sent to make Christ visible in our world through worship, proclamation of the Word, and service to all God's people. We, the people of God, in the Catholic Christian community of St. Agnes, in northwest Springfield, Illinois, commit ourselves to seek first the Kingdom of God in our life together.

## WELCOME!

If you're new to our community and not yet registered, we invite you to call or stop by the Parish Office.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Call the Parish Office to arrange a time.

## INFANT BAPTISMS

Infant Baptisms are celebrated on the **first and third Sundays of the month** at 12:30 p.m. Attendance at the Pre-Baptismal Preparation Class is required. Call the Parish Office to register for the class and to arrange for a Baptism.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is open to the unbaptized who are interested in joining the Catholic faith, those baptized Christian who are considering becoming a Catholic, and baptized Catholics who are not fully initiated. Inquiry sessions for those interested in joining the Catholic faith are held periodically throughout the year. Please call the Parish Office for additional information.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements for weddings must be made at least six (6) months in advance. Please contact the Parish Office.

## PARISH STAFF

- Rev. Robert J. Jallas, Pastor
- Rev. Pawel Augustyniak, Parochial Vicar
- Deacon Roy A. Harley
- Karen Ferguson, Music Director
- Kathy Vizral, Parish Administrative Assistant
- Tami Dillon, Parish Secretary
- Nancy Wilderson, PSR Coordinator
- Ryan Dillon, Maintenance
- Mathew Fitzgerald, Maintenance

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

- Parish Office..... 793-1330
- Parish Fax..... 793-3212
- Parish Email..... sac245@comcast.net
- Parish Website..... stagnescatholicparish.org

## SCHOOL STAFF

- Rachel Cunningham, School Principal
- Karen White, School Administrative Assistant
- Sharon Swehla, School Secretary

- School Office..... 793-1370
- School Fax..... 793-1238
- School Website..... stagnescatholicsschool.org
- School Email..... info@stagnescatholicsschool.org

## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACT PERSONS

- Caregiving Ministry..... Barb Kern
- Choir & Song Leaders..... Karen Ferguson
- Communion Ministers..... Elaine Arisman
- Gift Bearers..... Debra Mann
- Greeters..... Barb Kern
- Holy Name Society..... Mike Noonan
- Readers..... Deacon Roy A. Harley
- Parents' Club..... Jen Graves
- Parish Council..... Carrie Becker
- Right to Life..... Cliff Erwin
- School Board..... Carrie Harrison
- St. Vincent de Paul Society..... Jim Ketchum
- Young at Heart..... Jane Snyder, Linda Hurley



**ST. AGNES PARISH**

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 17**

5:30 p.m. Frank Sullivan (Mark & Monica Polistina)  
And Living and Deceased Members of St. Louise de Marillac

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18**

8:15 a.m. Matt Penning (Gerald & Ann Mack)

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19**

6:30 a.m. Judith M. Heim (James Wilfinger)

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20**

8:15 a.m. Frank Owens (Susan Owens & Family)

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21**

No Mass

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22**

4:30 p.m. Betty McGann (Family)  
And Sharon Bourland (Family)

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23**

8:00 a.m. Fran Schwartz (Frank & Dody Katalinich)  
9:30 a.m. Ronald Oller (Family)  
11:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Agnes

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17  
**Tuesday:** Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25  
**Wednesday:** Jgs 13:2-7,24-25a; Lk 1:5-25  
**Thursday:** Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38  
**Friday:** Sg 2:8-14; Lk 1:39-45  
**Saturday:** 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56  
**Sunday:** Mi 5:1-4a; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**DECEMBER 18, 20:**

8:15 a.m. Emma Markwell, Tori Vizral  
8:15 a.m. Maria Bartletti, Jailyn Rienbolt

**DECEMBER 22-23:**

4:30 p.m. Louis Bartletti, Rose Bartletti, Maria Bartletti  
8:00 a.m. Tom Frost, John Brunzman  
9:30 a.m. Peyton Blackburn, Grant Blackburn, Jaycie Cole  
11:30 a.m. Elena Jebson, Emma White, Lilly White

**READERS, DECEMBER 22-23**

4:30 p.m. Kevin Klemm, Sharon Huck  
8:00 a.m. Linda Distlehorst, Tammie Klein  
9:30 a.m. Bill Snyder, Rob Fafoglia  
11:30 a.m. Julie Davis, Sandra Kelley

**COMMUNION MINISTERS**

**DECEMBER 22-23**

**4:30 p.m. Team A,** Karen Beckmann, Rudy Kink, Kathy 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, Kelle Lee, Jane Locascio, Keith & Marie Washburn

**11:30 a.m. Team S,** Camille Arisman, Mara Arisman, Anna Curtis, Ben Rogers, Alison Sommer, Lisa Sommer

**SHARE THE WORD MINISTERS**

**DECEMBER 22-23**

Pre K4 & K  
1st & 2nd  
3rd

**Christmas Break**

**PRAYER LINE REQUESTS**

8:00 AM-5:00 PM: Sheila Noonan 546-0012  
Barb Kern 546-7729  
5:00 PM-10:00 PM: Maureen Brady 787-3423  
Cinda Steinkamp 787-6439



As many of you are aware by now, St. Agnes is in the preparation stage of a capital campaign to pay off the debt and fund much needed maintenance projects. In order to conduct a successful effort, we must assemble a strong volunteer team to reach out to church families.

We are thankful that several members of the St. Agnes community have already stepped up to help provide the necessary leadership. The following parishioners have agreed to serve as the campaign General Chairs:

**Mark and Krista Arisman  
Tammie Klein**

In their role, the General Chairs will oversee the effort and assist Fr. Bob in implementing a successful campaign. One of their first responsibilities will be to help recruit additional volunteers. **If you would like to help, please contact Kathy in the Parish Office by calling her at 793-1330 or emailing her at sac245@comcast.net.**

You can help make a difference for St. Agnes Parish. Please consider lending your talent to this important cause!

Advent blessings,

*Fr. Bob*

**Breakfast with Santa** Have Breakfast with Santa in the Parish Hall after all Masses on Sunday, Dec. 23. Parents and grandparents – take the kids to see Santa that morning. (The adults are invited to come too!) Remember to bring your cameras to take pictures of the kids (and their families) with Santa. Sponsored by the Holy Name Society.



**Advent Reconciliation Service:**

Our common communal penance service with Blessed Sacrament and Christ the King parishes in preparation for Christmas will be held on Monday, December 17, 7:00 p.m. at Christ the King Church. In addition, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held here at St. Agnes on Thursday, December 20 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. as well as on Saturday, December 22 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.



**CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS:**

You may make a donation for Christmas decorations in memory of a loved one. There is a special envelope in your December packet for this purpose, "Christmas Flower Offering." Please put in the amount of donation, and **on the reverse side, who the donation is in memory of.** You may put the envelope in the collection or mail to the Rectory. A list of memorials will be in the bulletin in January.

**The Filipino Community of Springfield**

invites all to their nine-day novena Masses known as "Simbang Gabi" December 13-21 at 6:00 p.m. to be held at Blessed Sacrament Parish Church. Bishop Paprocki will preside the closing Mass on Dec. 21. Light refreshments.

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 ★ **Christmas Mass Schedule:** ★  
 ★ Monday, December 24, ★  
 ★  Christmas Eve: 5:00 p.m. and ★  
 ★ 10:00 p.m. (Choir begins at 9:30 ★  
 ★ p.m.) ★  
 ★ Tuesday, December 25, Christmas Day: ★  
 ★ 10:00 a.m. ★  
 ★ Monday, December 31, New Year's Eve ★  
 ★ (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God): 5:30 ★  
 ★ p.m. ★  
 ★ Tuesday, January 1, New Years Day: ★  
 ★ 10:00 a.m. ★  
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**ST. AGNES SCHOOL**  
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Monday, December 17

- Advent Wreath Lighting in gym at 8:15 a.m.
- After school is the Student Council Christmas party until 4:15 p.m.

Thursday, December 20

- Enrollment Marketing Meeting in the meeting room at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, December 21

- Advent Wreath Lighting and Christmas Prayer Service in the school gym at 9:30 a.m.
- Classroom parties follow, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
- Dismissal for Christmas vacation will be Friday, December 21 at 1:30 p.m. There will be no late day this day. Enjoy your Christmas vacation!



**SHG Placement Test** will be offered on Saturday, January 12, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. Doors open at 8:00 a.m. Becky Jones, Tuition Manager, and Sr. Katherine O'Connor, President, will be available to answer parents' questions at 8:30 a.m. in the Choral Room. Please contact our Registrar at 217-787-1595, ext. 126 if you are unable to take the test. Students will need to bring #2 Pencils and \$10 testing fee. No calculators will be allowed. Pre-registration online is required by Friday, January 11. Use the following link to register: <http://bit.ly/SHGPlacementTest2019>.

**St. Aloysius' Mini-Mega-Raffle** is in full swing! Raffle Tickets are \$20, with a grand prize of \$5,000.00 on Thursday, December 20. Raffle Tickets are available at the parish and school office for sale. For more information call the Parish Office at 217-544-4554 or the school at 217-544-4553. Thank you for supporting St. Al's School.

**Funeral Luncheon Dishes** have been brought in for funeral luncheons but never picked up. Please stop by the parish hall and claim your casserole dishes and bowls. We will be disposing of unclaimed items. Thank you for your assistance!



**St. Agnes Auction**  
**Saturday, January 26, 2019**  
**In the School Gymnasium**  
**5:30-10:00 p.m.**



**Come help us kick off Catholic Schools Week!**  
 Italian Extravaganza catered by **The Dublin Pub**  
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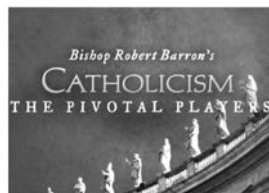
### CONTRIBUTIONS, DECEMBER 8-9:

Regular Contributions: \$15,472

St. Agnes Parish Capital

Improvements Fund: \$1,193

**MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!**



### Catholicism: The Pivotal Players, Volume One

In this film series, Bishop Robert Barron helps to unlock the truth behind some of the Catholic Church's most influential people. From St. Francis of Assisi to St. Catherine of Siena, from St. Thomas Aquinas to Michelangelo, all the way to Blessed John Henry Newman and G.K. Chesterton Christ's Incarnation is on display through the minds and lives of his Church's members. Facilitated by Vicki Compton, Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Cathedral school basement, beginning January 8, 2019.

*Thank You* Thank you to all parishioners who donated cookies for our annual "Cookies for the Homebound" program. Thanks also to those who helped package and deliver them. There was such a good turnout and the homebound residents were so appreciative. Thanks again for taking time out of your busy schedules to help brighten their day.

**Surviving Divorce:** Christ the King Parish is pleased to announce a new ministry that will bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. Surviving Divorce features twelve video presentations that cover topics such as shock and grief, anger and forgiveness, money issues, dealing with children and a former spouse, and annulment and remarriage. This program is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. It also includes personal testimonies of Catholic men and women who have experienced the breakdown of their families. They courageously share their stories with heart, humor, and wisdom. The cost of the program for participants is \$15, which includes all program materials. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic Church teachings. The program begins on Thursday, January 24, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., at Christ The King Parish Library. Please call the Parish Office, at 217-546-3527 to register. For additional information, contact John Marruffo, 494-3366.



### Courses for all Catholics - University of Dayton

**Online Learning** – Sign up for the online courses through the Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF), a program of the Institute for Pastoral Initiatives at the University of Dayton. These adult faith formation courses support the Church's catechetical ministry and are for all Catholics. Registration for 2019 Cycle 1 is now open and closes January 16. The courses run January 20 through February 23, 2019 at a cost of \$50 per course/\$40 per seminar. The course calendar can be found at: [https://vlcff.udayton.edu/calendar/#cycle\\_1\\_2019\\_English](https://vlcff.udayton.edu/calendar/#cycle_1_2019_English) For more information, visit our website at [dio.org/catechesis/vlcff.html](http://dio.org/catechesis/vlcff.html) or the VLCFF web site at [vlcff.udayton.edu](http://vlcff.udayton.edu)



### Bulletin Schedule for the Holidays:

- The December 23 bulletin has already been submitted.
- Articles for the December 30 and January 6 bulletin must be received in the Parish Office no later than 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 20.

FAX: 793-3212

EMAIL: [sac245@comcast.net](mailto:sac245@comcast.net)

You can send your articles as early as you want; just indicate which bulletin you want it in.



## Young at Heart (YAH) Activities

Watch the bulletin for more information on the following activities to relieve the winter doldrums:

\* **Seventh Annual After the Holidays Dinner** at Bella Milano: **Sunday, January 6.** Starting time is 6:00 p.m. The address is 4525 Wabash Avenue. Tables will be set up for groups of four. If you have four people who want to sit together, please indicate that when you make your reservations. If you do not have anyone particular to sit with, you can sit wherever you find an open seat when you arrive. You can order the "Family Special" for all four people or you can order off the menu. (For more details on the Family Special or other menu items, check Bella Milano's website at [www.Bellamilan.com/Springfield/](http://www.Bellamilan.com/Springfield/) where you find all kinds of information.) To make a reservation or for more information, please call Cliff Erwin at the number below or e-mail at [erwin5@comcast.net](mailto:erwin5@comcast.net). Please make your reservations by Sunday, December 30. We have space for 60 people. We hope to see you then.

\* **Paint Day:** Our next Paint Day will be on **Sunday, February 10** from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. We will have sign-ups on the weekends of January 26-27 and February 2-3. Contact Jane Snyder at the number below or watch the bulletin for more information.

\* **Wine and Appetizer Social: February date** to be determined.

\* **Coffee and Donuts:** We will sponsor coffee and donuts after all the Masses on **Sunday, February 24.**

Please contact any of the following officers if you would like to get involved in any YAH projects or if you have suggestions for future activities:

- \* Co-chairs: Jane Snyder (546-7084) and Linda Hurley (708/218-3741)
- \* Secretary: Jane Locascio (306-3037)
- \* Treasurer: Bill Snyder (546-7084)
- \* PR Coordinator: Cliff Erwin (787-7017)
- \* Potluck Coordinator: Barb Kern (546-7729)

**Pancake and Sausage Breakfast** will be held on Sunday, January 6 at the Riverton K of C Hall from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Adults \$8, children under 12 \$4 and under age 3 are free. There will be NO fish fry in January. Our fish fries will return February 1.

**Calvary Cemetery:** Premium graves are now available in the older section of Calvary Cemetery. Two- to twelve-grave lots are being offered for burial sites where the middle gate once stood. There is a beautiful cigar tree very nearby. If you have been considering purchasing your burial plot, these premium spaces won't last long. If interested, please contact our office at (217) 523-3726 to set up an appointment. Payment plans are available.

**St. Valentine's @ the Villa** – February 10, 2019, 5:30 p.m. – Why not celebrate the joy and humor of Christian married love with your sweetheart this St. Valentine's Day? Cocktails, dinner, dessert, photo booth and a comedy show featuring Steve Bruner. Cost is \$50 couple (Dating, Engaged or Married) <https://www.dio.org/familylife/events.html>

**New Year, New Name, New Mission** – January 6, 2019 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Location: Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception – What's Your Mission from God? Come with your spouse for an afternoon of learning, prayer, and discussion about how to determine the unique mission God has given your family. No cost to attend, but space is limited, so please RSVP. <https://www.dio.org/familylife/events.html>



## RIGHT TO LIFE CORNER

For unborn children: That by the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, their human dignity will be recognized, respected, and protected by all from the moment of conception;

*We pray to the Lord....*



**2019 Wednesday Bible Study** – Jesus said, “This is my Body” and “This is my Blood.” Some say they’re merely symbols of remembrance. Others say they’re really the Body and Blood of Christ, but can’t explain how that’s possible. The Eucharist is the center-point of the Mass – but why? The answers are here. With deep insight, Dr. Brant Pitre gives a fresh perspective for understanding the mystery that is the Eucharist. The popular Lectio series offers Eucharist, a video-based study from the trusted presenters at the Augustine Institute. The 10-session series will be offered on Wednesdays, 9:30-11 a.m., in Christ the King’s Parish Center. It will start January 16. Please call Mary Kay Hinkle at 787-9750 or email by January 2 to sign up and have a book ordered for you. Cost will be around \$25.

**Carols at the Cathedral**

– Celebrate the Advent season with Scripture and carols led by the Cathedral priests and the Cathedral choir. Cathedral, Sunday, December 16, 7:00 p.m.  
 – Mark Gifford, Cathedral Organist, plays an hour of Christmas Carols on the Cathedral Pipe Organ. Free and family friendly. Cathedral, Wednesday, December 26 at Noon.

**2019 Catholic Calendars Available.** The Butler Family of Organizations invites you to stop by any of their locations (Kirlin-Egan & Butler Funeral Home—Springfield, McCullough-Delaney & Butler Funeral Home—New Berlin, Boardman-Smith Funeral Home—Springfield, and Staab-Polk Memorial Home—Chatham) to pick up a complimentary 2019 Catholic calendar.

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