

# THE READING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Saint Agnes Church  
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Reading, MA

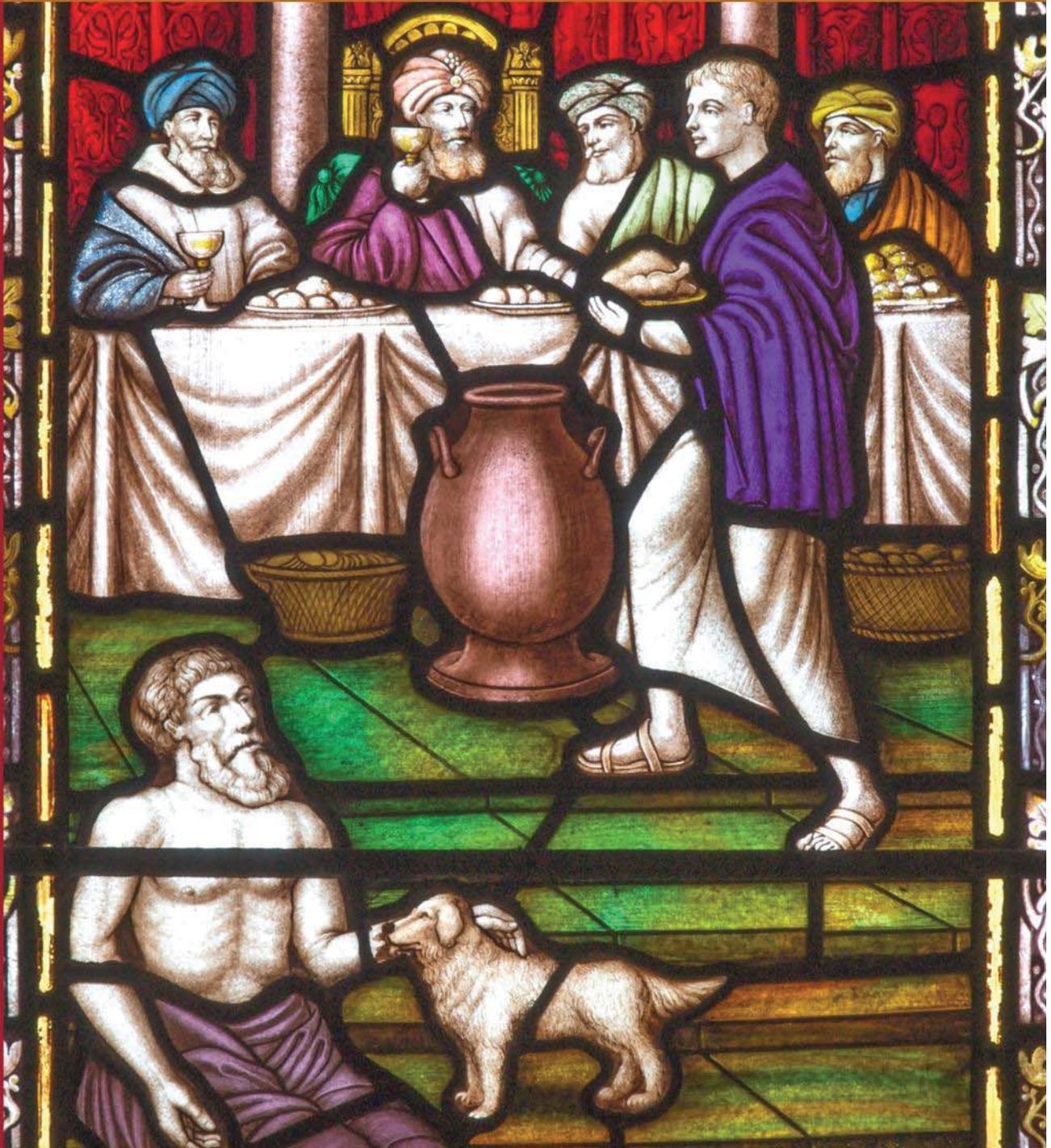
Saint Athanasius Church  
300 Haverhill Street  
Reading, MA

September 25, 2022

ReadingCatholic.org



26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented.’” Luke 16:25

## THIS WEEKEND'S MISSION APPEAL: THE APOSTLES OF JESUS

This weekend we welcome Fr. Richard O'Nyamwaro. Fr. Richard is from Kenya and is a member of The Apostles of Jesus. Over the years the Archdiocese of Boston has been very generous to the Missions. Every year each parish in the archdiocese has a visiting missionary to speak at all the Masses and ask for financial support as well as our prayers. As we welcome Father Richard please be as generous as you can.

## SUNDAY REFLECTION

### CALLED TO CARE FOR OTHERS

Today's readings tell of a reversal of fortunes. They tell us that God will upset our notion of how the world should work. Those who have plenty will suffer. Those who suffer will know fullness of life.

Jesus makes this point in a way which is particularly easy to understand. And this is a message he returns to over and over again in his teaching. Riches, esteem, and the things of this world must not distract us from serving God and his people. The rich man was so focused on his own comfort that he did nothing to help the starving Lazarus whom he saw every day. He should have known better. The law given in the Old Testament is clear that caring for those in distress needs to be a priority.

We also need to be detached from worldly goods in order to serve God. When our own comfort is our priority, then we are really just serving ourselves. Jesus calls us to join him in this mission of mercy because he wants us to know the true joy which comes from doing the Father's will.

How am I helping my brothers and sisters in need?

What are some times when others gave me a helping hand?

Are there aspects of comfort which I am too attached to?

**FAMILY CONNECTION:** Make a commitment as a family to do something this week in which you will choose to share your possessions with someone in need.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources>

## THIS WEEK'S SAINTS

### Tuesday, September 27- Memorial of St. Vincent de Paul

The Church is for all God's children, rich and poor, peasants and scholars, the sophisticated and the simple. But obviously the greatest concern of the Church must be for those who need the most help—those made helpless by sickness, poverty, ignorance, or cruelty. Vincent de Paul is a particularly appropriate patron for all Christians today, when hunger has become starvation, and the high living of the rich stands in more and more glaring contrast to the physical and moral degradation in which many of God's children are forced to live. Saint Vincent de Paul is the Patron Saint of charitable societies.

### Wednesday, September 28 - Saint Wenceslaus

"Good King Wenceslaus" was able to incarnate his Christianity in a world filled with political unrest. While we are often victims of violence of a different sort, we can easily identify with his struggle to bring harmony to society. The call to become involved in social change and in political activity is addressed to Christians; the values of the gospel are sorely needed today.

### Thursday, September 29 - Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, archangels

Each of the archangels performs a different mission in Scripture: Michael protects; Gabriel announces; Raphael guides. Earlier belief that inexplicable events were due to the actions of spiritual beings has given way to a scientific world-view and a different sense of cause and effect. Yet believers still experience God's protection, communication, and guidance in ways which defy description. We cannot dismiss angels too lightly.

Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael are the Patron Saints of grocers, police officers/first responders, radiologists.

**MASS SCHEDULE** St. Athanasius: Vigil 4:00PM, 10:00AM | St. Agnes: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM  
9:00AM Weekday: St. Agnes - Monday, Wednesday, Friday | St. Athanasius - Tuesday, Thursday  
(Livestream Mass: 4:00PM Vigil, 11:00AM, all Weekday Masses)

**CONFESSION** St. Athanasius: Saturday, 2:45PM - 3:45PM; or by appointment

**ADORATION** St. Agnes: Tuesday, 7:00 PM & Friday, 9:30AM | St. Athanasius: Thursday, 7:00 PM

## *Note from the Pastor*

Dear Parishioners,

I know that many of you attended the outdoor Mass and picnic that followed and a goodtime was had by all. Last weekend also saw the rollout of many new Community programs which if embraced by our community will help strengthen and build up a stronger community as we face the future together. Below are just a few of the things happening:

- **CHEVERUS AWARD** – To commemorate the first Bishop of Boston, Bishop Cheverus, Cardinal O’Malley instituted the Cheverus Award to be given, every three years, to outstanding parishioners of each parish. These awards are presented at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross by Cardinal O’Malley. The recipients of this year’s award for the Reading Catholic community are Marge Pearson and Rosemarie DeLacy. Both women are outstanding examples to our community of selfless giving of themselves building up Christ’s Church. They will receive their awards next Sunday at a ceremony at the Cathedral. Congratulations, Marge and Rosemarie!
- **OUTDOOR MASS & PICNIC** – Many thanks to all who made last week’s celebration such a success. The weather couldn’t have been any better and it was great seeing so many enjoying themselves.
- **PASTORAL PLAN** – After a year of meetings and honest discussions, the Pastoral Plan for our community was presented at all the Masses. Our four priorities for the next three years are: 1. Accompaniment, 2. The Sunday Experience, 3. Community, 4. Vocations.  
Please take a look at our webpage to read more about the Pastoral Plan. It is a vision of our community as a center of evangelization, for building up the Reading Catholic Community. Please consider becoming more involved in the life of our Church. (Find the Pastoral Plan under the “Get To Know Us” tab on our site: [ReadingCatholic.org](http://ReadingCatholic.org))
- **FAITH & FELLOWSHIP** – this small group faith sharing experience is a great way to build up our community. Both our parishes have a long history of these groups. If you have never tried this or maybe might be a little uneasy about it, consider coming to the Opening celebration on Wednesday, October 5, 6:30 PM. Or maybe even just join a group and try it out and see where the Lord is leading you. Joining is easy! Checkout our website for more information.
- **NEW WEBSITE** – our former website wasn’t bad but we knew that it needed a fresh look. After months of discussion and planning with a Web Designer, a parishioner, we launched our new site last weekend.

May God bless all of you. Let’s continue to pray for each other,

Fr. Steve Rock

### **Friday, September 30 - Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

Jerome was a strong, outspoken man. He had the virtues and the unpleasant fruits of being a fearless critic and all the usual moral problems of a man. He was, as someone has said, no admirer of moderation whether in virtue or against evil. He was swift to anger, but also swift to feel remorse, even more severe on his own shortcomings than on those of others. Saint Jerome is the Patron Saint of librarians, scholars, translators

## AROUND THE COMMUNITY

## 2022/2023 FAITH FORMATION OPENING WEEK, OCTOBER 2ND ARE YOUR CHILDREN ENROLLED?

ReadingCatholic.org/faith-formation

Confirmation Catechist Meeting - September 24 - 9:30 AM

Meeting at St. Agnes Parish Center

Parent Meeting - Grades 1 to 8 - September 26 - 7:00 PM

Meeting at St. Agnes Parish Center

First Day of Classes:

- Grade 1 and 2 - Sunday, October 2 - 10:00 AM
- Grade 1 and 2 - Wednesday, October 5 - 3:45 PM
- Grade 3 - Tuesday, October 4 - 3:45 PM
- Grade 4 - Tuesday, October 4 - 5:00 PM
- Grade 5 - Monday, October 3 - 3:45 PM
- Grades 6, 7, 8 - Monday, October 3 - 5:00 PM

Find this year's program information for all grades under "Faith Formation" on the site's "Grow With Us" tab.

SEEKING CATECHISTS - please contact Paula Colpitts at PColpitts@ReadingCatholic.org

## SNACK PACK DONATIONS TO BENEFIT HOUSING FAMILIES

This weekend we begin a collection of snack packs for the *Housing Families*' youth program. The collection will run through Monday, October 10th.

***Please note that due to allergy and religious restrictions, we are not accepting peanut butter, jello, or gummy snacks***

*Housing Families* is a Malden-based organization that assists families in need of stable housing. The organization provides a number of youth services including tutoring, academic enrichment, vacation camps and social and mental health support to enable children experiencing homelessness to be successful in school.

Collection boxes will be at the Woburn Street entrance of St. Agnes Church and near the restroom entrance of St. Athanasius Church. Thank you!

## OPENING CELEBRATION FOR THE FALL SESSION OF FAITH & FELLOWSHIP

The fall session of Faith & Fellowship Small

Groups will begin with our opening Mass on Wednesday, October 5 at 6:30pm at St. Agnes church. We will follow Mass with fellowship in the parish center.

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Do you have questions about your faith? About God? About the purpose of your life? Many of us have some of these basic and fundamental questions and are looking for answers. Join us as we explore our faith in small groups using the book *My Catholic Faith!*. This book offers some of the answers to these questions by looking at the Creed in a clear and understandable way.

All are welcome to attend, even if you are not already in a small group. Come see what it is all about and we can find a group for you.

"The reason I participate in Faith and Fellowship is because life is too busy. That sounds like a contradiction but setting aside one hour a week to focus on my faith assures that I am not standing still, or worse, retreating in my faith. Without this structure, one week rolls into the next without growing closer to Jesus." Nick Aiello

"I have had the great pleasure of being in several different Small Faith Sharing Groups over the course of the Faith & Fellowship Program. I have met new people from both parishes, deepened my knowledge and understanding of our faith, developed new prayer habits, and have been inspired by the Catholic community I am a part of. We learn together, pray together, care for each other and have fun!" Rosemarie DeLacy

Learn more about Faith & Fellowship small groups on our website. Find us under "Small Groups" on the site's "Grow With Us" tab. Here you will find answers to basic question about Faith & Fellowship small groups.

We look forward to seeing you!

## AROUND THE COMMUNITY

### READING CATHOLIC COLLABORATIVE PASTORAL PLAN

The Disciples in Mission Pastoral Plan Writing Team distributed the Collaborative Pastoral Plan after Masses last weekend. If you did not receive your copy last week, you may pick one up by the church entrances. You can also visit the Reading Catholic Community website, [readingcatholic.org/pastoral-plan](http://readingcatholic.org/pastoral-plan) to access the detailed working documents and other related information. If you're interested in working on an implementation team, email us at:

[PastoralPlanning@readingcatholic.org](mailto:PastoralPlanning@readingcatholic.org)

### MINISTRY MOMENT: CARD MINISTRY - INTERESTED IN JOINING THIS NEW MINISTRY?

A Grateful Disciple asks, "How can I use my talents and time to lead others to Christ?" In response to our recent Grateful Discipleship initiative, we have a newly budding Card Ministry! A word of encouragement goes a long way to comfort those who are sick or grieving, celebrate a joyous occasion, and share God's love. At the present, our Card Ministry will be sending out cards to those grieving the loss of a loved one (part of the Ministry of Bereavement).

Have questions? Would you like to join? Please call the Collaborative office for more information.

Please keep in prayer all those involved in this Ministry.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PENALTY KICK CHALLENGE

**WHEN:** Sunday, October 2, 12:30 PM

**WHERE:** Coolidge Middle School Field - rain or shine

This is a Free event.

All boys and girls ages 9-14 are invited to participate in the Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge to be hosted by K of C Reading Council 1031. The competition will be held Sunday, October 2 at 12:30 P.M. at Coolidge Middle School Field, Reading, MA rain or shine. Players test their skills by kicking a series of 15 penalty kicks. Points are awarded by kicking the ball through scoring zones in the net, lower corners 20 points, upper corners 10 points, and the middle zone, 5 points. Sign up:

[SignupGenius.com/go/30E044CADAE2EAB9-kofc8](https://signupgenius.com/go/30E044CADAE2EAB9-kofc8)

Or contact [Michael.Canavan2@gmail.com](mailto:Michael.Canavan2@gmail.com), 781-267-0187

For more information about the Knights of Columbus visit [kofc.org/join](http://kofc.org/join) or contact us at [gk1@readingkofc.org](mailto:gk1@readingkofc.org)

### MUSIC BINGO IS COMING!

The Saturday Night Club invites all to this fun spin on Bingo. Come join us for an evening of great music, great company and lots of prizes.

**WHEN:** Saturday, October 8

**TIME:** 6:30PM - 8:30PM at St. Athanasius PAC

**COST:** \$20 if paid by October 6 | \$25 paid at door

You must PRE-REGISTER by October 6

Email Jody Roffi, [tulipfrog@comcast.net](mailto:tulipfrog@comcast.net)

Invite your friends and family. This event is open to all.

### COFFEE, DONUTS & HOSPITALITY!

**St. Athanasius - every Sunday, following 10:00 AM Mass -**

Every Sunday following the 10:00 AM Mass you are invited to join us at the St. Athanasius Parish Activity Center for coffee, donuts, and hospitality! Help in setting up is always welcome. If you would like to help, we have a sign up sheet, or contact the Office with any questions.

### St. Agnes - Welcoming Sunday, October 2

Once a month, on the first Sunday, a St. Agnes Ministry hosts "Welcoming Sunday" following the 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, and 11:00 AM Masses.

Join us October 2nd at the St. Agnes Parish Center for coffee, donuts, and hospitality. All Are Welcome.

October to be hosted by Evangelization Ministry

### THE CHOSEN: BACK FOR SEASON #2

**DATE:** Saturday, October 1, 5:00 PM at the St. Athanasius Parish Activity Center (PAC)

Join us to watch **EPISODE #2 and EPISODE #3 of *The Chosen, Season 2***

Every Saturday, until November 5th, we gather together to watch *The Chosen, Season 2*. The second season focuses on the beginning of Jesus's public ministry and what happens as word of His ministry begins to spread. Join in with us, as we see Jesus through the eyes of those that met Him!

**ARCHDIOCESAN SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

- **Clergy Trust** - Last weekend the Archdiocese Special Collection was for the Clergy Trust, a collection that supports the retirement, medical and financial needs of priests in good standing throughout the Archdiocese of Boston. These priests have given their lives to faithfully serve Christ, the Church, and you. Your contribution to support this collection is greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped in the offertory, or brought/mailed to the Collaborative Office. Please memo that it is for the Clergy Trust. For more information on the Clergy Trust, please visit [www.clergytrust.org](http://www.clergytrust.org)
- **For the Holy Father and Missionary Efforts - October 2 Special Collection**  
Next week’s Archdiocesan special collection will support the Holy Father’s “Peter’s Pence” collection that provides funds for emergency and disaster relief. This collection also provides support to The Catholic University of America (CUA) that educates priests and lay people for ministry, and will assist the Inner-City Parishes of the Archdiocese of Boston. Your generosity will assist the Holy Father as well as the various missionary efforts at home and abroad.



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**OUTDOOR MASS & PICNIC**

Many thanks to all who helped, and celebrated together in community!



**GROWTH THROUGH GRIEF - RETREAT FOR FATHERS AND FATHER FIGURES**

DATE: Saturday, November 12, 2022  
 TIME: 10AM - 4PM with light lunch provided  
 LOCATION: Boston College High School  
 150 Morrissey Blvd, Boston  
 COST: \$25 per person (cash or check on November 12)  
 A day of retreat for men affected by a loss from addiction/substance use disorder. Please join us for a day to gain knowledge, skills, support, and companionship in dealing with the loss of a child due to the disease of addiction. People of all faiths welcome.  
 For more information or to register: Please contact Sister Maryadele Robinson at [maryadele\\_robinson@ccab.org](mailto:maryadele_robinson@ccab.org) or call 339-440-0859  
 Co-Sponsors: Catholic Charities Labouré Center, Archdiocesan Addiction Recovery Pastoral Support Services (AARPSS), and St. Anthony’s Shrine

**GROWTH THROUGH GRIEF - RETREAT FOR MOTHERS**

DATE: November 18 - 20  
 TIME: 5:00 PM Friday through 11:30 AM Sunday  
 LOCATION: Glastonbury Abbey: Stonecrest Building  
 16 Hull Street, Hingham, MA 20043  
 COST: \$170 Per Person-Double Occupancy  
 (sliding fee scale available)  
 Providing a weekend of healing, how to deal with grief, and methods of self-care for mothers who have lost a child to addiction/substance use disorder.  
 For more information or to register, please contact: Sister Maryadele Robinson | 339-440-0859 | [maryadele\\_robinson@ccab.org](mailto:maryadele_robinson@ccab.org)



**MASS INTENTIONS**

One way we pray for people in need, both the living and dead (canon 945 §1), is through having a Mass said for that intention. Pope Paul VI said, "The Mass is the most perfect form of prayer," and is said in communion with the entire Universal Church. Mass intentions are a great treasure of the Church and have a spiritual weight that is incalculable. An offering is given freely, by the faithful, primarily out of their concern for the Church and their desire to support its material needs. The Christian faithful who give an offering to apply the Mass for their intention contribute to the good of the Church, and by that offering share its concern to support its ministers and works (Can. 946).

**REQUESTING A MASS INTENTION**

Due to the high requests for Intentions at certain Masses, we will be following the guidelines here:

- As a rule, there will be only one Mass intention per Mass. Multiple names are acceptable and are considered one Intention.
- If the requested Mass is not available, we will counsel that the Intention may be offered on another date. When an Intention is offered at Mass - whenever that Mass is celebrated - it is in communion with the Universal Church and carries a spiritual weight that is incalculable.



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

4:00 PM - Robert D'Ambrosio - Memorial  
- Amelia D'Attorre

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 - TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:30 AM - No Mass Intention  
9:00 AM - No Mass Intention  
10:00 AM - Paul Ferguson - 1st Anniversary  
- Jean and Al Perry  
11:00 AM - Ruth Coppola - Memorial  
Franklin Coppola - 34th Anniversary

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**

9:00 AM - Denis McKeown

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

9:00 AM - Dotty Curran - For Healing

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**

9:00 AM - Kathy Velasquez

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**

9:00 AM - Ann Van Name

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

9:00 AM - Kathy Velasquez

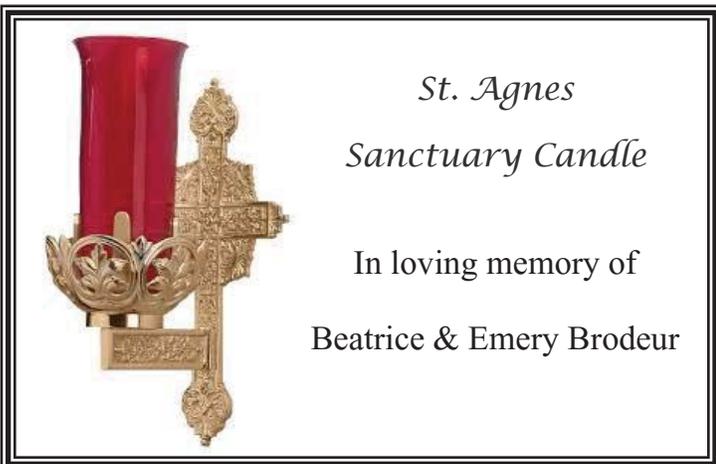
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1**

4:00 PM - Robert Savio - Memorial

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 - TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:30 AM - No Mass Intention  
9:00 AM - Frank Dee - 8th Anniversary  
10:00 AM - No Mass Intention  
11:00 AM - Ron Kiene - Birthday Memorial

*"Prayer is not asking. Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God, at His disposition, and listening to His voice in the depth of our hearts."  
~ Mother Teresa*



**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE**

The red Sanctuary Lamp by the tabernacle burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection. If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp burning in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or a special intention make arrangements with the Parish Office. The Candle will burn for one week.

**SACRAMENTS:**

† **BAPTISM:** Maximum of 6 babies at each service

† **BAPTISM PARENT MEETING:** *Parents must attend a baptism meeting prior to the baptism. Meetings are held on the 1st Friday of every month at 7:00PM, at the St. Athanasius PAC*

**St. Agnes Baptisms:**

1PM Service - 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month

**St. Athanasius Baptisms:**

1PM Service - 2nd Sunday of the month

Schedule a baptism: <https://readingcatholic.org/baptism>  
Or Call the Parish Office, 781-944-0490

**PLEASE PRAY  
FOR THE MEN AND WOMEN IN  
MILITARY SERVICE**

*God of compassion, we pray for our loved ones in the military, who offer themselves for the sake of others and who are separated from family and loved ones.*

*Grant them courage, compassion, strength, and all they need for the living of these days.*

*Sustain them through their every trial.*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray.*

*Amen*

**Please pray for all service members, especially for:**

Capt. Jared Peledge (US Army),

2LT Jeff Peledge (US Army Rangers),

Spc. William T. Fisher (US Army),

LCPL Dean Lepore, Timothy Thomas (US Army),

Cpl. Daniel Gonzales (US Marine Corps),

Capt. Nicholas Staffier (US Army),

Capt. Luke Beaulieu (US Army), Cpl. Brenden Amico,

Justin Whitmarsh, PFC Michael Goddard,

Chaplain Tom Whiteman,

USMC Major Zachary Johnson,

1st Lts. Ryan & Nolan Johnson (US Army)

PFC Christopher Lewis, USMC Capt. Katie Sliwoski,

Capt. Luke Sullivan (USMC),

Frank J. Pendergast (USMC),

Sgt. Brian A. Hartman (USMC),

LT Kevin Plumer (Navy),

Jackson Nicolo (US Army Rangers),

Stephen Campo 1LT (USMC),

PV2 Mikey Woods (US Army)

Spc4 Zachary Thomas, US Army

† **MARRIAGE:**

Arrangements are made with a priest at least six months in advance.

† **RECONCILIATION:**

Saturdays, 2:45PM - 3:45PM at St. Athanasius or by appointment with Clergy

† **ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Call the Parish Office to request. Extraordinary Ministers are also available to bring the Eucharist to the homebound.

† **FUNERALS:** visit <https://readingcatholic.org/funerals> or call the Collaborative Office, 781-944-0490

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

7:00 AM - Men's Group - St. Agnes Parish Center 2nd Floor  
9:30 AM - Catechist Mtg - Confirmation I & II - St. Agnes  
2:45-3:45 PM - Reconciliation - St. Athanasius Church  
5:00 PM - The Chosen, Season #2 - St. Athanasius PAC  
7:00 PM - Retrouvaille - Core Session - St. Athanasius PAC

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

12:00 PM - Children's Choir - 1st Rehearsal - St. Agnes Church  
7:00 PM - RCC Music Ministry - Music Soiree  
St. Agnes Parish Center

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**

12NOON - AA Breath of Life Mtg - St. Agnes Lower Church  
7:00 PM - Parent Meeting for Grades 1 to 8 - St. Agnes  
Parish Center

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

7:00 PM - Eucharistic Adoration with Rosary - St. Agnes

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**

6:00 PM - Scout Pack #735 Meeting - St. Agnes Parish Ctr  
7:00 PM - Adult Choir Practice - alternating between churches  
7:00 PM - AA Mtg - St. Agnes Lower Church

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**

12Noon - Prayer Shawl Ministry - Memorial Park  
(St. Athanasius PAC if bad weather)  
7:00 PM - Adoration & Rosary - St. Athanasius Church

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

9:30 AM - Adoration at St. Agnes  
2:00 PM - Communion Service - Bear Mtn Nursing

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1**

7:00 AM - Men's Group - St. Agnes Parish Center 2nd Floor  
10:00 AM - St. Vincent de Paul Mtg - St. Agnes Parish Center  
2:45-3:45 PM - Reconciliation - St. Athanasius Church  
5:00 PM - The Chosen, Season #2 - St. Athanasius PAC

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2**

10:00 AM - Grades 1 and 2 - St. Agnes Parish Center  
11:00 AM - Children's Choir singing at Mass  
1:00 PM - Baptism Service - St. Agnes Church  
4:30 PM - Confirmation I - Candidate/Parent Mtg - St. Agnes  
6:30 PM - Confirmation II - Candidate/Parent Mtg - St. Agnes

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### MUSIC MINISTRY, DAVID COLPITTS, DIRECTOR DCOLPITTS@READINGCATHOLIC.ORG

### SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 781-258-8767

St. Vincent de Paul is known as the "Apostle of Charity" for dedicating his life to the service of the poor. Today, the Reading Catholic Community carries on his work in the confidential support of our Reading neighbors. Please call us if we can help you.

**WINCHESTER HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN 781.756.2295**, Mary Beth Moran

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Interested in becoming Catholic? Baptized but not Confirmed?  
 Call us, we are here to answer your questions!

### ALTAR SERVERS

Contact: Michelle Goldner, 508-942-9788  
 email: chelle1127@msn.com  
<https://ReadingCatholic.org/altar-server>

**GLUTEN ISSUES** - Please see a Priest or Deacon before Mass.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday, 7PM-8PM at St. Agnes Church - with Rosary and Confessions available  
 Thursday 7:00pm at St. Athanasius Church with Rosary  
 Friday 9:30am-12Noon at St. Agnes Church

### MASS AND SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS, MASS CARDS

Call the Parish Office to schedule

**PRAYER REQUESTS** - Call the Collaborative Office or submit online at: <https://readingcatholic.org/prayer-request>

**PARISH REGISTRATION** - Call the Collaborative Office or register online at: <https://readingcatholic.org/register-with-parish>

### BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Due by Monday 12Noon for print in the upcoming weekend's bulletin. Email to: [Bulletin@ReadingCatholic.org](mailto:Bulletin@ReadingCatholic.org)



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Local clinic uses modern medical solutions to treat chronic pain and get patients back to doing the things they love with the people they love.

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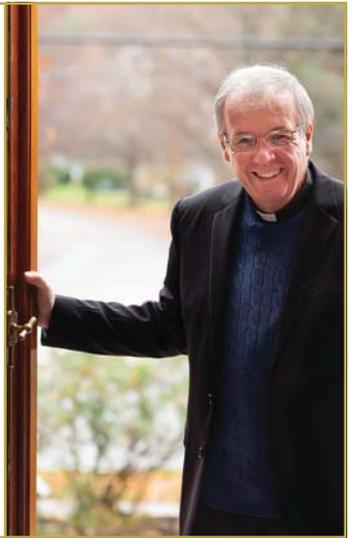
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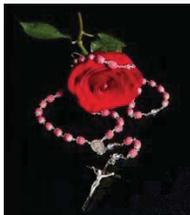
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