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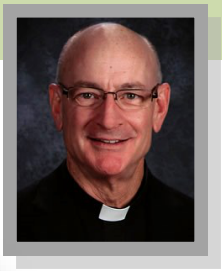

~ Mass Schedule ~

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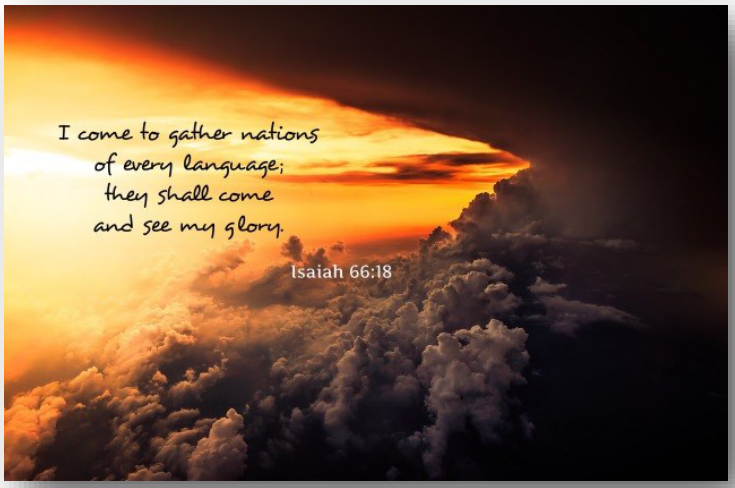
Monday: ***No Mass***
Tuesday: 5:30 pm
Wed - Fri: 8:15 am
Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9 :00 am
11:00 am

~ Sacrament of Reconciliation ~
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm on Saturday or Anytime by Appointment

~ Eucharistic Adoration ~
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm on Tuesday



~ Mass Intentions ~

Tuesday, August 23
5:30 pm Kitty Shymansky †
Robert Wise †

Wednesday, August 24
8:15 am Vince Seyer †

Thursday, August 25
8:15 am Barbara Doerfler †

Friday, August 26
8:15 am Danielle Hensley †

Saturday, August 27
4:30 pm Jill Schuele †

Sunday, August 28
9:00 am Joseph Reichle †
Parishioners of St Agnes
11:00 am Agnes Moscardelli †

A message from Fr. Dan...

More inspiration from the Prophet Isaiah who lived in dark times yet was filled with hope! In the midst of chaos and abandonment and captivity the Israelites turned to the Good News Prophet and were not disappointed. Isaiah speaks on the Lord God's behalf. He tells a broken and seemingly forgotten people that: *"I come to gather nations* (of Israel) *of every language; they shall come and see my glory."* God's glory is synonymous with Israel's glory. This glory in inextricably intertwined! This Glory cannot be separated! That means God and Israel are ONE!

This Glory is now the New Testament Glory of Jesus Christ! So after 2.5 years of COVID-19 we can now begin to feel the Glory of God with warm rays of sunshine and healing. The Good News is that we can now draw a "line in the sand" and begin to put much of the darkness behind us and begin a new day of Glory Here and NOW! This is our day, this is our time and it is because of Our God who so graciously wills it as He gathers us together again into His Loving Arms!

COMMUNION LINES BACK TO "NORMAL" BEGINNING THIS WEEKEND AUG. 20 & 21. This weekend we will take another step toward restarting all of our ministries. The center Aisle will be "2-Lanes" with distribution of Holy Communion by Two ministers at the front of the Sanctuary (wooden floor). The side aisles will continue as always.

GIFT BEARERS, READERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED If you have ever wanted to carry up the Gifts of Bread and Wine or Proclaim the Word of God or Minister the Body of Christ, now is the time to raise your hand and let us know. Please email Tami, our parish secretary, and let her know (tdillon@stagnescatholicparish.org). We will begin training soon!

SCHOOL BEGINS Please keep our children / students and parents as well as our staffs and faculty of the various schools our parishioners attend, in your prayers as we embark upon a new school year!

As the family goes, so goes St. Agnes Parish (Church & School)
-Fr. Dan

We are off to a great start! All grades are in full swing this week, including our Pre-K 3 & 4 classes! Please remember that school starts at 8:00 am. Take into consideration drive time, other traffic and the morning drop off time to ensure your children are arriving before 8:00 am so we can get our day of learning started with minimal delays. Thank you for your continued support of our school.

Rachel Cunningham, Principal
St. Agnes School

~ IN THE NEWS ~

For up to date information visit: https://stagnescatholicparish.org/school

Monday, August 22

- Pre-School (3yr & 4yr) Classes Begin
- Full Day Classes Begin (K-8)

Looking Ahead...
Wednesday, August 31

- Back to School Night, 6:00pm

...and it all started with Fee Day...

Scouting Religious Awards

Scouts of all ages can earn religious patches and emblems through the Catholic Committee on Scouting. Activities include the Rosary, the lives of saints, Mary, the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy and more. Emblems and Recognition awards are available for Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and Scouts BSA members. All are invited to a virtual open house on Sunday, August 14 at 7:00 pm to learn more. To register for this virtual event, please contact the Catholic Committee on Scouting at scouting@dio.org. To learn more about the Catholic Committee on Scouting, please visit http://scouts.dio.org. Or call Kyle Holtgrave at the Catholic Pastoral Center, (217) 698-8500, ext. 154.

New! New! New!
Safe Environment Certification

The Diocese of Springfield recently updated their Safe Environment class and background check procedures. The process is now all on-line allowing new volunteers to be added at any time. *All volunteers, in any capacity, in all parish or school programs need to be in compliance.* ***If you are a new volunteer, new parent at the school or are due for a background renewal, you will be sent information how to log on to the new system.*** Contact Cathy Becker at the parish office if you have any questions.

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This Weekend, August 13-14:

4:30 pm
Reader: *Sharon Mast*
Euch. Minister: *Jane Locascio, Mary Mucciante*
Altar Servers: *Al Mast, Mike Caveny*
Videography: Stephanie Knauer

9:00 am
Reader: *Holly Kesterson*
Euch. Minister: *Tom Frost, Julie Davis*
Altar Servers: *Mark Gebhards, Mike Reed*

11:00 am
Reader: *Sr. Joan Sorge*
Euch. Minister: *Sr. Angelene Biderbost, Kelle Lee*
Altar Servers: *Willenborg Family*

Next Weekend, August 27-28:

4:30 pm
Reader: *Lee Bloome*
Euch. Minister: *Ralph & Roslyn Brookens*
Altar Servers: *Emma Johnson, Michael Johnson*
Videography: *Hugh Beeler*

9:00 am
Reader: *Sue Hartl*
Euch. Minister: *Bob & Kathy Sherman*
Altar Servers: *Josh Becker, Leah Becker*

11:00 am
Reader: *Chris Young*
Euch. Minister: *Rich & Meredith Koerper*
Altar Servers: *Greg Goetz*

What's Happening this week

Tue Aug 23	Eucharistic Adoration	2:30 pm Church (until 3:30 pm)
	Music Lessons	4:45 pm Choir Room
	Catechist Meeting	6:30pm Parish Center
Wed Aug 24	Staff Meeting	1:00 pm Parish Center
Thu Aug 25	Executive Staff Meeting	9:00 am Parish Center
Sat Aug 27	Choir Warm –up	3:45 pm Choir Room
Sun Aug 28	Choir Warm-up	8:30 & 10:30 am Choir Room
	Coffee & Donut Sunday	between 9:00am & 11:00am Masses
	Flute Musician Rehearsal	6:30 pm Choir Room

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Weekday Mass **LIVE STREAMED** at
Facebook.com/stagnesparishspringfieldil

Tue: 5:30 pm & Wed - Fri: 8:15 am
Rosary livestreamed 30 minutes before Daily Masses

We apologize in advance for any technical difficulty that might happen preceding or during any of the live streams.

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

IS 66:18-21 ~ HEB 12:5-7, 11-13
LK 13:22-30

Are Only a Few to Be Saved? It is not uncommon for someone to ask us: "Have you been saved?" Often, they are looking for one fixed date, one specific event. But we know these truths. (1) We are saved everyday – because of God's grace. (2) God chooses to save everyone – me and them. (3) Salvation is strengthened by working for justice, by living merciful lives.

- How will I acknowledge that I am being saved by Christ ***every*** day.
- How will I cherish that everyone is saved – even those people I do not like but need to still love?
- What mercy work does this summon me to do this week?

Monday, August 22
2 THES 1:1-5, 11-19 ~ MT 23:13-22

Tuesday, August 23
2 THES 2:1-3a, 14-17 ~ MT 23:23-26

Wednesday, August 24
RV 21:9b-14 ~ JN 1:45-51

Thursday, August 25
1 COR 1:1-9 ~ MT 24:42-51

Friday, August 26
1 COR 1:17-25 ~ MT 25:1-13

Saturday, August 27
1 COR 1:26-31 ~ MT 25:14-30

Sunday, August 28
SIR 3:17-18, 20, 28-29
HEB 12:18-19, 22-24a ~ LK 14:1, 7-14

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8:00 am - Noon & 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Bulletin Deadline
Monday, 3:00 pm
tdillon@StAgnesCatholicParish.org

a FAMILY of Faith: INVESTING in Our FUTURE

A CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FOR ST. AGNES

Below are the current totals of the Capital Campaign Phase I and Capital Campaign Phase II as of July 31, 2022. We continue to work on the completion of several projects. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Original Campaign - Phase I

Total Pledged: $1,956,534.00
Total Received: $1,985,941.00

Campaign Extension - Phase II

Total Pledged: $338,443.00 (51.26% of goal)
Total Received: $256,158.00

Thank you to those families who currently give electronically. Each month our parish receives a steady and predictable stream of income from parishioners who have made the commitment to give by having a designated contribution automatically transferred to our parish through the Online Giving Program. If you would like to sign up for online giving, please follow the link below.

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www.givecentral.org/location/327/allevents
or contact Tami in the church office at 217-793-1330 for more information

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Says....

"I go of my free choice, with the blessing of obedience."

- Mother Teresa

stewardship
a way of life

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

August 13/14	Weekly Total	Total to Date
Reg. Church Support	**$17,178.00**	**$140,450.00**
Budget Goal - wk 7	$21,500.00	$150,500.00
Difference	***(-$4,322.00)***	***(-$10,050.00)***

TIME and TALENT of ST AGNES PARISH

Many individuals in our parish give their time & talent. Each week we acknowledge the groups and hours given below:

August 8-14

-- Liturgical Ministries (Readers, Servers, Euch. Ministers, Rosary):	*14 Hours*
-- Hospitality (Videography, Greeters, Ushers, etc):	*5 Hours*
-- Choir/Musicians:	*22 Hours*
-- Faith Formation / RCIA:	*6 Hours*
-- Office Volunteers / Collection Counters:	*30 Hours*
-- Heavenly Dusters (includes Altar Linens):	*7 Hours*
-- Parish Center Activities	*20 Hours*
-- *Grounds Upkeep (Butterfly Garden)*	*8 Hours*
-- Classroom / School Event Volunteers:	*0 Hours*
-- Cafeteria Volunteers:	*4 Hours*
-- School Committees (includes Fundraising/SCRIP):	*16 Hours*
-- Athletic Coaches:	*10 Hours*
Total Volunteer hours:	**146 Hours**
YTD (7/1/2022 - present)	***693 Hours***

~ THANK YOU ~

MASS ATTENDANCE

Normal Seating Capacity - 800 Virtual Capacity - Unlimited

Date	Church	Facebook	TOTALS
Aug 13/14	614	181	**795**
Aug 6/7	629	142	**771**
Jul 30/31	623	122	**745**
Jul 23/24	626	243	**869**

SAVE THE DATE!

The Family Formation Program for 2022-2023 will begin on ***Sunday, September 18, at 10:00 am*** with an orientation gathering. If you have questions please contact Cathy Becker by email at cbecker@stagnescatholicparish.org or call the Church Office at 217-793-1330.

Celebrating the Sacraments of Initiation!

Here is an update on what is happening with our youngest disciples and their sacramental preparation. Over the summer, the now 3rd grade candidates continued their journeys by interviewing their sponsors, exploring saints' names, working on their Mass Journals and studying.

On Sunday, September 11, they will gather with their sponsors for their 2nd Retreat to pray with the Eucharist and get ready for the big day! On September 27 we travel to the Cathedral to celebrate Confirmation and First Communion with Bishop Paprocki. All parishioners are welcome to join us.

While the new Confirmandi work on their discipleship projects, having been strengthened by the Gifts of the Spirit and the Eucharist, this year's 2nd graders will begin their journey to the sacraments. Preparation for First Reconciliation begins in January, 2023 and is celebrated in March. Then this group begins preparation for initiation to be celebrated in fall, 2023.

If you have a new 2nd grader in your life who will be eligible to participate in preparation, be sure to contact Cathy Becker, Director of Formation to get registered and have your questions answered.

Current Sacrament Preparation

- *Retreat II - Sunday, September 11*
- Keep working on your packets!
  Due as of June 30: Sponsor interview
  Saint choice

Interested in the Catholic Faith?

It is always the right time to inquire about the Catholic Faith. Contact Cathy Becker, Director of Faith Formation to begin the conversation. Sessions start in September for those who are ready to dive deeper. For more information, reach out to Cathy Becker by email at cbecker@stagnescatholicparish.org or call the Church Office at 217-793-1330.

The Men's Ministry is up & running!

We are so pleased to announce that beginning on Sunday, September 11, men in our parish will have the opportunity to meet for prayer, discussion and fraternity. All guys ages 18 and up are welcome to pop in at any of the scheduled times. Meeting will be on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 4:00 pm and then expand into service, sacrament, liturgy and other parish opportunities as desired. Look for more information soon! ***Meeting Schedule: Sept. 11, Sept. 25, Oct. 9, Oct. 23, Nov. 13, and Nov. 27***

Family Formation '22-'23 Registration

For families with children in grades Kdg - 5th who attend public schools, St. Agnes offers a family based formation program. Children meet on the first Sunday of the Month at 10:00 am to work with a coach catechist on the theme of the month. The whole family gathers on the third Sunday for brunch and an event. Families work on their lessons at their own pace at home. Details and registration can be found here: https://forms.gle/TUAmG3qDuahtxTSC7

This year an ***adult session has been added*** on the first Sunday for parents to share faith and learn how to support their whole family.

And on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm an open ***Formation Study Hall*** will be available for kids *and* parents to have some dedicated time to work on lessons or spend time in prayer in the Church.

For ***teens in grades 6th and up***, we are beginning a new ministry *"Emmaus."* This is also meeting on the first Sunday of the month. Each week will offer crazy fun games and short discussion on relevant topics like: How to Disciple when you are on a Team, Social Media and Discipleship, and lots of other new ideas too. All teens are welcome, no matter what school they attend.

Longest Married Couple Project

It's time to honor married couples for their long marriages! Do you know of a married couple who danced and partied in the 1930s and 1940s? Did they only listen to radio shows? If you answered YES, please nominate that couple for the Longest Married Couple Project, sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) starting today. Nominations can only be made until September 15, 2022. Go to wwme.org (Longest Married Couple link) to place your nomination, or call 321-544-3440, or email dick.diane.baumbach@wwme.org

We are thrilled to announce that ***Marriage on Tap*** will be returning in-person on Tuesday, September 13, 6:00 pm at Sunset Bistro and Banquet, Kirkwood, MO. Our speaker will be The Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski, 10th Archbishop of St. Louis! The evening, sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter, will include a seated dinner and a talk on marriage enrichment by the Archbishop. Cost is $76 per couple/$38 per person, must be registered by Tuesday, September 6. For more information, email us at marriageontapstl@gmail.com or check Marriage on Tap STL on Facebook.

Marriage on Tap STL

Accessed Formed lately?

Never been on the "Catholic Netflix"? St. Agnes holds a subscription to Formed which allows all parishioners to access the platform for free. You'll find movies, podcasts, audio books, kids programs, Bible Studies, and tons of content, fiction and nonfiction. Just go to: https://formed.org/signup. Search for St. Agnes, enter our zip code (62702), enter your email and you are in!

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Women's Day of Recollection

A *Women's Day of Recollection* will be held from 12:45 - 2:45 pm Thursday, August 25, at **Sacred Heart Church** (730 S. 12th St., Springfield). There will be two meditations given by a priest and 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. 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*.

Prayer Request

When calling one of our Prayer Line Leaders, please leave your name and contact number along with your requested prayer line message.

8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Sheila Noonan *217-546-0012* Barb Kern *217-546-7729*	**5:00 - 10:00 pm**	Maureen Brady *217-787-3423* Cinda Steinkamp *217-787-6439*

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