

March 26, 2023

The 40 Days OF LENT

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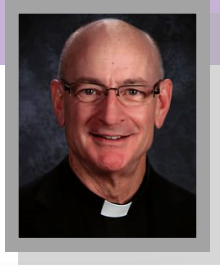
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~ MASS SCHEDULE ~

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 ~

Tuesday: 2:30 - 3:30 pm
6:00 - 7:00 pm

~ Rosary ~

Tuesday - Friday
30 minutes before start of Mass

~ MASS INTENTIONS ~

Tuesday, March 28

5:30 pm Esther Lowry †

Wednesday, March 29

8:15 am Deceased Members of
the Quinn Family †

Thursday, March 30

8:15 am Vicki Alewelt †

Friday, March 31

8:15 am Alice Dempsey †

Saturday, April 1

4:30 pm Deceased Members
of the Richiusa & Leo
Families †

Palm Sunday, April 2

9:00 am Mary Kulek †
Nubia Fokum †

11:00 am Deceased & Living
Members of the
Stack Family
Parishioners of St. Agnes



Good News from Fr. Dan

The Story of Lazarus contains a beautiful jewel in the phrase "and Jesus wept." This very human and very divine response is at the same time simple and profound. The juxtaposition is both tender and moving. It is a time to reflect upon our own sorrows in the presence of the Almighty who share our grief and suffering in the hopes the we can share in His Redeeming Love!

COFFE AND DONUTS AFTER 9:00 AM AND 11:00 AM MASSES.

This weekend stay around and enjoy visiting with friends in the Parish Center following both Masses. The 11:00 am Mass will feature the Children Choir and Student Lectors this Sunday, March 26 and then again on April 23 and May 14.

NEW STATIONS OF THE CROSS! All DONATED! Thank You.

All the 14 Stations of the Cross have been accounted for and more. Many generous parishioners have donated in memory of their loved ones. Thank you so much! The good people of St. Agnes continued to donate even though the goal had been reached. Because of that we will also be able to move forward with the lighting needed for Four of the stations. Thank You so much to everyone who donated so generously! The names of those who donated and the names of their loved ones will be published in the bulletin soon.

PALM SUNDAY AND HOLY WEEK Our Church Year begins it's crescendo starting with Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday and beyond. Please make every effort to attend as many of these Sacred Encounters beginning with **Palm Sunday** which follows our regular **Sat/Sun Mass schedule of 4:30pm, 9 & 11 am**. Then **Holy Thursday on April 6th at 5:30 pm; Good Friday on April 7th at 5:30 pm; Easter Vigil on April 7th at 7:30 pm; Easter Sunday at 9 & 11 am**. Holy, Holy, Holy!

May the Spirit of Joy fill our Hearts! Fr. Dan



With the start of spring, we enter a visually beautiful time of year where flowers are blooming, grass is turning greener and trees will be full of leaves. Not to mention the weather is warmer! We look forward to this last quarter of the school year.

It marks a certain ending for our students, but also a beautiful beginning in new adventures. Spring Blessings to you.

Rachel Cunningham
Principal, St. Agnes School

How else would you celebrate π Day?



Students and Staff got in on the action...



Even Fr. Christopher!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for 3 (possibly more) parishioner or school parent volunteers who might be interested in selling SCRIP cards after Masses on Saturday and Sunday. This would be a rotating monthly schedule during the school year. Please contact our Parish Secretary, Tami, anytime Mon - Fri 8am - 4pm for more information. 217-793-1330

REMINDER to DRIVE SLOWLY

We ask that when driving through the parking lot of the church and school, that you please use caution. And please do not drive around the existing speed bumps. Yes - we see you.

SLOW DOWN
CHILDREN PRESENT

Family Tuition Assistance

If your family is in need of tuition assistance, please go to <https://online.factsmtg.com/aid> to complete the application - Create a logon account if you have not done so, then follow the steps to complete the forms. **Deadline is May 1** to have your application processed.



~ IN THE NEWS ~

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

Monday, March 27

- Student Council Meeting, Noon

Tuesday, March 28

- Class Adoration, 2:50pm (1st Gr)

Wednesday, March 29

- Penance Service, 9:15 am (3&4)
- Penance Service, 10:00 am (5-8)

Thursday, March 30

- All School Mass, 8:15 am

Friday, March 31

- Lithuanian Dance Troupe Presentation, 10:00 am in the Gym

Family Service Hours & SCRIP

School Policy states that all families need to complete 20 hours of service per school year (10hrs for Pre-K only families). When submitting Family Service Hours on our Google Docs form, an email response should come to you stating that those hours have been received. Use this link to open form:

<http://bit.ly/stagnesfamilyservice>

The Parents' Club SCRIP program ends April 30 for this school year. Parents who have not fulfilled commitments will be asked to pay the buyout. The 2023-2024 program begins on May 1.

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**APRIL 1/2:**

- 4:30 pm Reader: Sharon Mast, Lee Bloome
 Euch. Minister: Kathe Kraft, Jane Locasio
 Altar Servers: Willenborg Family
 Videography: **OPEN**
- 9:00 am Reader: Jamie Greenwald, Vicki Bauer
 Euch. Minister: Bob & Kathy Sherman
 Altar Servers: Zak Family, Zane Shelton
- 11:00 am Reader: Chris Young, Rob Fafoglia
 Euch. Minister: Sr. Angelene Biderbost, Leigh Reed
 Altar Servers: Ayilisungu Family, Simran John

What's Happening this week

Mon Mar 27	RCIA Session Sacrament Make-Up Meeting	5:00 pm Parish Center 6:30 pm Parish Center
Tue Mar 28	Staff Meeting Eucharistic Adoration Music Lessons Men's Ministry Group Eucharistic Adoration	1:00 pm Parish Center Rm A 2:30 - 3:30 pm Church 3:15 pm Choir Room 6:00 pm Parish Center Rm B 6:00 - 7:00 pm Church
Wed Mar 29	Bible Study Group Music Lessons Stations of the Cross Choir Practice	2:00 pm Parish Center 2:30 & 5:30 pm Choir Room 5:30 pm 6:30 pm Choir Room
Thu Mar 30	Executive Staff Meeting Music Lessons	9:00 am Conference Rm 3:15 pm Choir Room
Sat Apr 1	Sloppy Joe Saturday Choir Warm - up	Drop off 7:30-8:30 am 3:45 pm Choir Room
Sun Apr 2	Choir Warm - up Family Formation Session Choir Warm - up Music Lessons NCYC Info Meeting Flute Choir Rehearsal	8:30 am Choir Room 10:00 am Parish Center 10:30 am Choir Room 12:00 pm Choir Room 4:00 pm Parish Center 6:30 pm Choir Room

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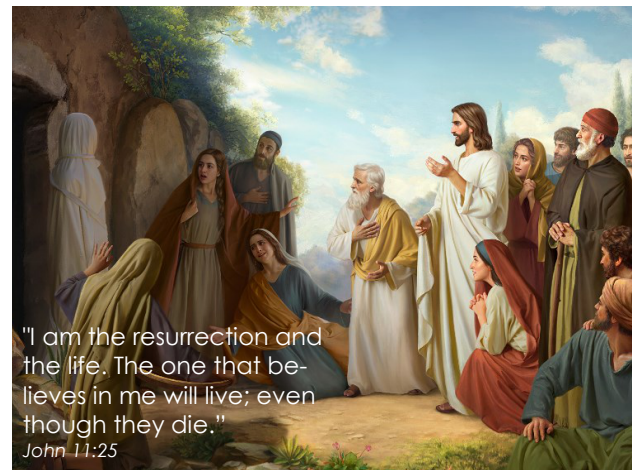
Monday - Friday
 8:00 am - Noon **AND** 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 Staff takes a lunch break Noon-1:00pm

Bulletin Deadline

Monday, 3:00 pm
tdillon@StAgnesCatholicParish.org

Fifth Sunday of Lent, March 26

EZ 37:12-14 ~ ROM 8:8-11 ~ JN 11:1-45

**Monday, March 27**

DN 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 ~ JN 8:1-11

Tuesday, March 28

NM 21:4-9 ~ JN 821-30

Wednesday, March 29

DN 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 ~ JN 8:31-42

Thursday, March 30

GN 17:3-9 ~ JN 8:51-59

Friday, March 31

JER 20:10-13 ~ JN 10:31-42

Saturday, April 1

EZ 37:21-28 ~ JN 11:45-56

Palm Sunday, April 2

MT 21:1-11 ~ IS 50:4-7 ~ PHIL 2:6-11
 MT 26:14-27:66

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 Why not now?

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Thank you to the many parishioners who have made a donation towards our new Stations of the Cross. We are very grateful and humbled with the immediate responses we received. At this time we have met and exceeded the cost of not only each Station but we are able to include the mounting and lighting needs as well. We will be recognizing these "In Memory of" donations in the near future. Again thank you - thank you - thank you!



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WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

March 18/19	Weekly Total	Total to Date
Reg. Church Support	\$25,627	\$875,276
Budget Goal - wk 37	\$21,500	\$817,000
Difference	+4,127	+\$58,276

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:

March 13 - March 19

- Liturgical Ministries
(Readers, Servers, Euch. Ministers, Rosary): 15 Hours
- Hospitality
(Videography, Greeters, Ushers, etc): 12 Hours
- Choir/Musicians: 70 Hours
- Faith Formation / RCIA: 20 Hours
- Office Volunteers / Collection Counters: 18 Hours
- Heavenly Dusters (includes Altar Linens): 12 Hours
- Parish Center Activities: 30 Hours
- Grounds Upkeep (Butterfly Garden): 0 Hours
- Classroom / School Event Volunteers: 25 Hours
- Cafeteria Volunteers: 30 Hours
- School Committees
(includes Fundraising/SCRIP): 15 Hours
- Athletic Coaches: 30 Hours

Total Volunteer hours: **277 Hours**

YTD (7/1/2022 - present) 5,500 Hours

~ THANK YOU ~

We Need Your Help!
\$10,000 will be matched



**DID YOU
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It's Match Season Time!

**Donate to St. Agnes
through Empower
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- April 15.**

**Dollar for dollar will be
matched up to \$10,000**

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St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Says....



"Be kind and merciful. Let no one ever come to you without coming away better and happier."

- Mother Teresa

MASS ATTENDANCE

Normal Seating Capacity - 800

Date	4:30 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am	TOTAL
Mar 18/19	243	225	203	671
Mar 11/12	290	170	199	659
Mar 4/5	316	240	213	769
Feb 25/26	246	266	182	694

MARCH & APRIL FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE



FAMILY FORMATION

- **Sun., April 2, 10:00 am**
 - Family Formation Session
 - Teen Talk: TBD
 - Parent Group
- **Sun., April 16, 10:00 am**
 - Family Formation Brunch
 - End of Season Celebration

Sacramental
Preparation



Sacramental Preparation
2nd Gr. Students (or older if needed)
and their Parents

Restored Order Sacrament Orientation

- ⇒ April 29, 2:00 – 5:30 pm, Sacrament Retreat #1 (includes Mass Attendance @ 4:30 pm)
- ⇒ April 30 Sponsor information due

Current 3rd Grade Reminder: if you celebrated Confirmation and First Communion in September, turn in your discipleship service project proposals. The final project report is due April 30.



RIGHT OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION
OF ADULTS

INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Catholic Inquiry is for adults who wish to know more about the Catholic Faith. All are always welcome on the following Mondays at 5:00 pm listed below.

Next dates and topics:

- ⇒ Apr 24: Death & Resurrection

For more information, reach out to Cathy Becker by email at cbecker@stagnescatholicparish.org or call the Church Office at 217-793-1330.



FEARLESS AND FREE

Experiencing Healing
and Wholeness in Christ
Thursday evenings @ 6:00 pm
March 30 - May 11
Cathedral School Library

This 6-week women's Bible study provides a firm foundation to stand on no matter what life throws our way. Based on the book of Ephesians, this study is ideal for women who long for wholeness of heart and are in need of freedom from past wounds. Call 217/522-3342 or email vcompton@cathedral.dio.org to order a book and reserve your spot.

\$20 for the book - No meeting on Holy Thursday

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NCYC FULLY ALIVE

NOVEMBER 16-18, 2023 // INDIANAPOLIS, IN

Parent/Youth Info meeting
Sunday, April 2 @ 4:00pm
St. Agnes Parish Center

We are starting to plan for our bi-annual pilgrimage to Indianapolis for NCYC. This trip is for youth who will be in HS in the fall (current 8th & up). Details, cost, fundraising etc will be covered. This is the best Catholic Youth Event you can go to! Come find out more!



RETREAT
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SPRINGFIELD, IL

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. Sign-up now! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

3/31 - 4/2/2023: Courtyard Marriott, St. Peters, MO

The Pregnancy Care Center of Springfield, Inc. 39th Annual Spring Luncheon

Monday, April 3 @ The Northfield Inn and Suites

Entertainment provided by the Rochester High School Madrigals. This year's raffle is for \$250 in restaurant gift cards. Raffle tickets are \$10. There will also be a bake sale and a silent auction. Doors will open at 10:30 am with lunch served at Noon. Make Reservations by March 27. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$240 for a table of eight. Reservations can be made by calling the office at (217) 525-5630.

Looking for a Friday Fish Fry?

Knights of Columbus have several:

Fr. Ernest A. Burtle Council 4175
2801 West St., Springfield, IL
4:30 - 7:00 pm

St. John Vianney Council 14024
902 St. John Drive, Sherman, IL
4:30 - 7:00 pm

St. Jude Council 9640
633 S. Walnut St, Rochester, IL
5:00 - 7:30 pm



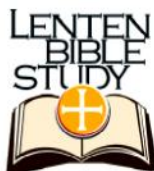


LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesday, March 29 @ 5:30 pm

Our last Stations of the Cross will be led by our Emmaus Teens who will present a living shadow stations. Our delicious Soup Supper will follow.

We encourage and invite all parishioner to experience this prayer with us as we wrap up our Lenten Season.



Weekday Bible Study

-Wednesday afternoons-
through March 29 @ 2:00 pm

Salvation Part I: At every Sunday Mass, Catholics confess that Jesus came down from heaven for our salvation. But what does it all mean? Join us as we discuss this and more.



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Mass Intentions: During the celebration of Mass, those wishing to honor a loved one who has passed or celebrating a special milestone may offer a "special intention". These special intentions are offered to God as prayers of intercession and thanksgiving. Intentions can be offered for anyone. They do not need to be parishioners or even catholic. A Mass stipend of \$10 per intention is suggested, specific dates may not be available. To schedule a Mass Intention, stop in the Church Office and speak to Tami or call 217- 793-1330 for more information.

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



ST. AGNES MEN'S GROUP

NEXT MEETING: TUES, MARCH 29
6:00-7:30 PM

Join in on Tuesdays evening with Mass at 5:30 pm group ministry from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. Meetings are weekly unless otherwise noted.



Springfield Catholic Charities
2023 Annual Fundraiser

Dual Pianos: Damien Kaplan & Mark Gifford
Silent & Live Auction

\$50 per ticket (hors d'oeuvres included)
Saturday, May 13, 2023 / 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
KC Hall / 2200 Meadowbrook Rd. / Springfield

Buy Tickets: cc.dio.org / 217.523.9201 / scan QR code



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Holy Week 2023

Mass Times & Adoration

Palm Sunday, Saturday April 2 & Sunday 3

4:30 pm; 9:00 am; 11:00 am

Holy Thursday, April 6

Mass at 5:30 pm

Adoration 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Good Friday, April 7 - Mass at 5:30 pm

Easter Vigil, April 8 - Mass at 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday, April 9 - Mass at 9:00 & 11:00 am



5:00 - 10:00 pm

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