

April 30, 2023
4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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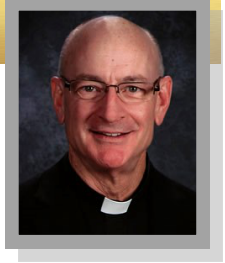
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~ MASS SCHEDULE ~

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, May 2

5:30 pm Paul Haas †

Wednesday, May 3

8:15 am Mg. William Russell
Todd †
Ramir Razo †

Thursday, May 4

8:15 am Deceased Members
of the Quinn Family †

Friday, May 5

8:15 am Vince Seyer †

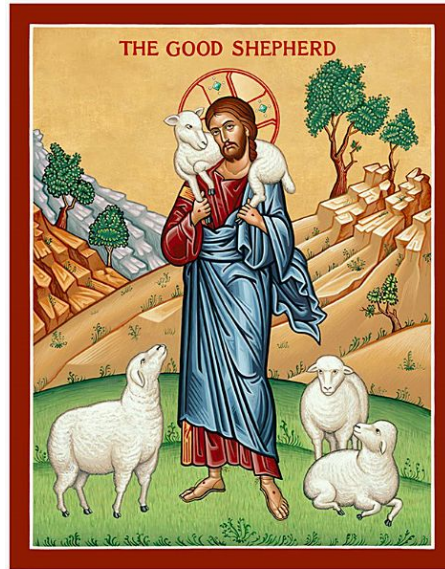
Saturday, May 6

4:30 pm Regina Tebrugge †

Sunday, May 7

9:00 am Mary Blair †

11:00 am Pearl Mary Long †
Parishioners of
St. Agnes



*"I came so that
they (you) might
have life and
have it more
abundantly
John 10:1-10"*

Good News from Fr. Dan

This Fourth Sunday of Easter is also known as Good Shepherd Sunday. Not only is Jesus the Good Shepherd, He calls each of us to follow His example and be Good Shepherds for each other!

Ask yourself: "Do I want to have life more abundantly?" The answer is most likely, of course I do! Then the formula is to be a Good Shepherd as Jesus is. Or at least give it your best shot! We are imperfect yet each of us is most capable of do perfect or "Saintly" things for the benefit of our family and community. Be the solution to our worlds problems with one simple gesture of kindness and care at a time. We cannot fix everything so let's just try to fix or help out, one person at a time. This is our call and this is our destiny. To be Christ for one another!

BIKING FOR BABIES Here is an excellent way to continue to Support Life. Fr. Dominic Vahling from SHG & the Cathedral needs sponsors. Go to: www.bikingforbabies and check it out!

THE BLOOD OF CHRIST, Receiving from the Chalice. Some parishes have already begun this reception and most others are beginning now as the "formal" end of the pandemic has been declared. Our St. Agnes Parish is offering The Blood of Christ at the two "return aisles" of the church. This is an option and another step toward unity with our Lord as we receive the Body and Blood of Christ during these three years of the Eucharist!

ASK THE PADRE RETURNS & FINANCE COUNCIL With so many things happening in our parish it is challenging to keep track. This Q & A model simplifies complex issues and helps us as a parish move forward together on important matters of faith and parish life. If you have a question just email me (Fr. Dan) using the email address on the front of the bulletin. Many of our questions in this week's column are by way of our outstanding Finance Council! We meet monthly and will soon begin a Quarterly Bulletin Insert. The Finance Council Members are: *Mark Kuchar - Chair, Tom Arisman, Melissa Bland, Mike Caveny, Kathe Kraft, Andy Lascody, Scott Norris, Andy Ramage and Kathy Robinson.* (Tom Swolk, Part Time Business Manager)

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

CATCH OUR SPIRIT



What a wonderful turnout we had to "Finding Nemo Jr"! All 3 shows were sold out! WOW!!! Thank you to those who attended. The students had so much fun in this production and it showed. Thank you also to the volunteers and staff that made this return to spring musicals possible this year.

Rachel Cunningham
Principal, St. Agnes School

Family Tuition Assistance

DEADLINE IS MAY 1

to have your application processed

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

Highlights from one of our Parish's Children's Masses (11:00am on Sundays)



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- After-school care program available

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Family Service Hours

K thru 8 families must complete 20 hours of service per school year. Pre-K only families need to complete 10 hours. Use this link to record hours: <http://bit.ly/stagnesfamilyservice>. You should get an email response stating that those hours have been received once entered.

~ IN THE NEWS ~

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

Monday, May 1

- May Crowning & 8th Grade Ribbon Presentation, 10:30 am

Tuesday, May 2

- Class Adoration, 2:50pm (6th gr)

Wednesday, May 3

- Fr. Dan & Fr. Christopher visit classrooms
- Magic Match / Donor Appreciation Reception, 6:30 pm in Parish Center

Thursday, May 4

- All School Mass, 8:15 am

Friday, May 5

- 11:30 am **DISMISSAL**
- Teacher/Staff Appreciation Lunch, 12:00 pm Parish Center
- 8th Grade Movie/Pizza Night, 6:30 pm in Gym

Saturday, May 6

- St. Agnes Derby Auction, 3:30 pm Inn @ 835

CLASS ROOM OPENINGS

Pre-K and Kindergarten classes currently have openings for the 2023-2024 school year. If you or someone you know may be interested in enrolling their child in any of these classes, please have them contact the school office 217-793-1370 or email Mrs. Cunningham at rcunningham@stagnescatholicparish.org

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**MAY 6-7:**

- 4:30 pm Readers: *Cindy Callan, Sharon Mast*
 Euch. Ministers: *Barb Kern, Lee Bloome*
Ralph & Roslyn Brookens
 Altar Servers: *Mike Caveny, Al Mast, Nick Sunder*
 Videography:
- 9:00 am Readers: *Bev Dillon, Dan Punzak*
 Euch. Ministers: *Bob & Nancy Gorman*
Conrad & Kathy Rubinkowski
 Altar Servers: *Mike Bauer, Mike Reed*
- 11:00 am Readers: *Ed Cobau, Andy Ramage*
 Euch. Ministers: *Sr. Angelene Biderbost, Kelle Lee*
Tricia Hopkins-Price, Leigh Reed
 Altar Servers: *Ayilisungu Family, Maggie Dunham*

Parish Office Hours

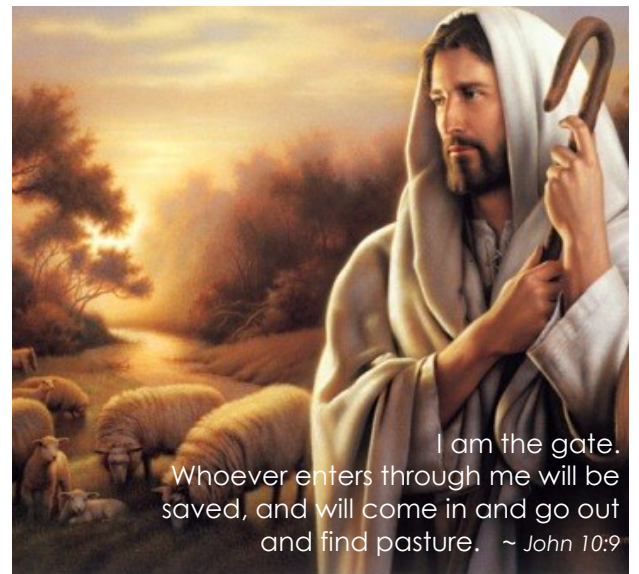
Monday - Friday
 8:00 am - Noon **AND** 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 Staff takes a lunch break Noon-1:00pm

Bulletin Deadline

Monday, 3:00 pm
 tdillon@StAgnesCatholicParish.org

Fourth Sunday of Easter, April 30

ACTS 2:14a, 36-41 ~ 1 PT 2:20b-25
 JN 10:1-10

**Monday, May 1**

ACTS 11:1-18 ~ JN 10:11-18

Tuesday, May 2

ACTS 11:19-26 ~ JN 10:22-30

Wednesday, May 3

1 COR 15:1-8 ~ JN 14:6-14

Thursday, May 4

ACTS 13:13-25 ~ JN 13:16-20

Friday, May 5

ACTS 13:26-33 ~ JN 14:1-6

Saturday, May 6

ACTS 13:44-52 ~ JN 14:7-14

Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 7

ACTS 6:1-7 ~ 1 PT 2:4-9 ~ JN 14:1-12

What's Happening this week

Tue May 2	Staff Meeting	1:00 pm Parish Center Rm A
	Eucharistic Adoration	2:30 - 3:30 pm Church
	Music Lessons	3:15 pm Choir Room
	Men's Ministry Group	6:00 pm Parish Center Rm B
Wed May 3	Eucharistic Adoration	6:00 - 7:00 pm Church
	Bible Study	2:00 pm Parish Center
	Music Lessons	2:30 & 5:30 pm Choir Room
	School Donor & Volunteer Reception	6:30 pm Parish Center
Thu May 4	Choir Practice	6:30 pm Choir Room
	Music Lessons	3:15 pm Choir Room
Fri May 5	Staff Appreciation Luncheon	12:00 pm, Parish Center
Sat May 6	Sloppy Joe Saturday	7:45-8:45 am Parish Center
	Choir Warm - up	6:45 pm Choir Room
Sun May 7	Choir Warm - up	8:30 & 10:30 am Choir Room
	Emmaus Teen Talk	10:00 am Parish Center
	Music Lessons	12:00 pm Choir Room
	Flute Group Practice	6:30 pm Choir Room

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Ask the Padre...

Question: *Is the Capital Campaign Extension over now?*

Answer: Due to the spike in Covid-19 and the Economic downturn of January 2022, the 1-Year Extension was put on hold. To date we have already collected over \$330,000 in pledges. We have received permission from Bishop Paprocki to re-engage this extension from Now (April 2023) until December 2023.

Question: *How much do we need to meet this Goal?*

Answer: The 1-Year Extension Goal Range is \$660,000 to \$1 million. Ideally we need about \$450,000 more than the \$330,000 already pledged.

Question: *What do we need this for?*

Answer: This 1-Year Extension exists to finance debt incurred during the original Capital Campaign as well as the New Air-conditioning unit for the Church and the Parking Lot upgrades.

Question: *Will the 11:00 am Sunday Family Mass continue during the summer?*

Answer: Absolutely! We have increasing Family attendance at all of our weekend Masses, especially our 11:00 am Sunday Mass.



We have updated our envelope packets starting with the May/June mailing. If you are currently not receiving offertory envelopes but would like to, please contact Tami, our church secretary, at 217-793-1330.

[www.givecentral.org/
location/327/allevants](http://www.givecentral.org/location/327/allevants)



Online Giving is a safe, secure and easy way to continue supporting you faith community. If you would like to sign up for online giving, follow the link above or use this QR code.



Words from Pope Francis....



"Truth according to the Christian Faith, is God's love for us in Jesus Christ. Therefore, truth is a relationship"

- Pope Francis

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a way of life

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

April 22/23	Weekly Total	Total to Date
Reg. Church Support	\$25,421	\$998,254
Budget Goal - wk 43	\$21,500	\$924,500
Difference	+\$3,921	+\$73,754

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:

April 17-23

- Liturgical Ministries
(Readers, Servers, Euch. Ministers, Rosary): 25 Hours
- Hospitality
(Videography, Greeters, Ushers, etc): 12 Hours
- Choir/Musicians: 70 Hours
- Faith Formation / RCIA: 15 Hours
- Parish Center Volunteers: 12 Hours
- Office Volunteers / Collection Counters: 20 Hours
- Heavenly Dusters (includes Altar Linens): 12 Hours
- Grounds Upkeep (Butterfly Garden): 6 Hours
- Classroom / School Event Volunteers: 15 Hours
- Cafeteria Volunteers: 18 Hours
- School Committees
(includes Fundraising/SCRIP): 25 Hours
- Athletic Coaches: 15 Hours

Total Volunteer hours: **245 Hours**

YTD (7/1/2022 - present) 6,529 Hours

~ THANK YOU ~

MASS ATTENDANCE

Normal Seating Capacity - 800

Date	4:30 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am	TOTAL
April 22/23	257	230	266	753
Apr 15/16	215	245	285	745
Easter Sunday		558	308	866
Easter Vigil	7:30 pm			156



WELCOME!

Interested in the Catholic Faith?

Have you been away for a while? Do you have a family member or friend who is curious or wants to return? We would love to talk! Inquiry is available all year long. Reach out to Cathy Becker - our DRE, or one of our priests and/or deacon. They are here to meet with you. No judgement, no pressure. Just ask your questions and let us get to know you. For more information, reach out to Cathy Becker by email at cbecker@stagnescatholicparish.org or call the Church Office at 217-793-1330.

Get your reservations asap! The NCYC trip is filling fast and we need to make our pilgrimage arrangements. Reservations are due by June 15. Use this QRcode:

Or you can go to: <https://forms.gle/6dfLtUpCizULk5qj6>



2023 Convention Dates

November 16 - 18

Thursday - Saturday



ST. AGNES MEN'S GROUP

NEXT MEETING: TUES, MAY 2

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. Feel free to come as your schedule allows.

Kids' Good Grief Camp

Sunday, May 7 ~ 12:30 - 4:30 pm
Erin's Pavilion @ Southwind Park

If you are a parent or guardian of a child who has experienced the death of a loved one, consider Kids Good Grief Camp. This annual camp helps young people in our community cope, understand, and handle their grief. Register at <https://www.staabfuneralhomes.com/our-services/aftercare/kids-good-grief-camp/>



GAME NIGHT

VBS

@ St. Agnes
Wednesdays
June 7-July 5
6:30-8pm

EMMAUS TEENS! - SAVE THE DATES! - DETAILS SOON!

- ♦ Pentecost Picnic volunteers: Sunday, June 4
- ♦ VBS team needed Wednesdays, June 7- July 5 from 6:30-8pm
- ♦ Mission Days-service and ministry event July 6-7-8 Get all your service hours done! (grade 7 and up)
- ♦ Summer Retreat—details below

EMMAUS TEENS

SUMMER RETREAT

THE ONE THING

JUNE 9-10
@ JIM EDGAR STATE PARK CAMPGROUND

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**PENTECOST
 PICNIC**



LOOK FOR TICKETS BEING SOLD IN THE
 GATHERING SPACE THIS WEEKEND

 **Springfield Catholic Charities**
2023 Annual Fundraiser

Saturday, May 13 from 6:00-9:00 pm
Dual Pianos: Damien Kaplan &
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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.



STARTS THIS WEEK!

Weekday Bible Study
 May 3 - 31 @ 2:00 pm
 -Wednesday afternoons-

Salvation Part II: At every Sunday Mass, Catholics confess that Jesus came down from heaven for our salvation. Finish the journey into what it all means with part two.



FIRST STEP WOMEN'S CENTER

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG CAMPAIGN

St. Agnes is once again participating in the **First Step Women's Center Baby Bottle Campaign**. Beginning the weekend of May 13/14, please take home a baby bottle or envelope in support of First Step Women's Center in Springfield. First Step, is a program which provides women with ultrasounds, pregnancy testing, and STD testing all at no cost. They also provide counseling and pregnancy information and community resource referrals. Most of the women who go to First Step Women's Center are vulnerable and facing an unplanned pregnancy. First Step Women's Center provides the care, hope, and information these women need, empowering them, and giving them the confidence to make life affirming decisions. Last year, 127 women at risk for abortion chose life after going to First Step Women's Center. Because the center is 100% funded by donations, your donation will go a long way in building a brighter culture of life in our community. *All donations are to be returned by the weekend of Father's Day (June 17/18).* Thank you!

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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