

May 7, 2023
5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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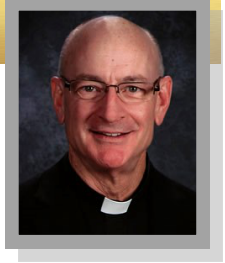
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~ MASS SCHEDULE ~

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

~ Rosary ~

Tuesday - Friday
30 minutes before start of Mass

~ MASS INTENTIONS ~

Tuesday, May 9

5:30 pm Barbara Doerfler †
Joseph Luketich †

Wednesday, May 10

8:15 am Jean Berg-Simhauser †

Thursday, May 11

8:15 am Alice Dempsey †

Friday, May 12

8:15 am Bob Cooney †

Saturday, May 13

4:30 pm Virginia Kilborn †
Charles Caveny †

Sunday, May 14

9:00 am Loretta Till †
Parishioners of
St. Agnes

11:00 am Delores Properini †
Geraldine Lagoski †



*"Jesus said: Have
I been with you
for so long a time
and you still do
not know me?"*

John 14:1-12

Good News from Fr. Dan

The Apostles have just spent 3 years with Jesus and still do not understand who He is? They do not understand who God the Father is in relation to Jesus. Neither do they understand much, if anything, about the Holy Spirit. They also struggle connecting the Creator to creation? Perhaps this sounds incredible to you? As this present age reflects upon the 2,000 years of history we must ask ourselves: Do I understand Jesus, His Father or the Holy Spirit? What is the role of our Blessed Mother? Do I connect creation to it's Creator? Do we recognize a Tri-fold God actively involved in this world and in our lives on a daily basis?

Matthew Kelly's latest book *"Holy Moments"* helps us to identify this daily interaction between our God and ourselves. **Fr. Richard Rohr** in his book *"The Naked Now"* speaks about the REAL PRESENCE of our God by focusing on the PRESENT MOMENT. **St. Teresa of Avila** said: *"You find God in yourself and yourself in God."* These "God Moments" are essential for our own understanding of the REAL PRESENCE of JESUS CHRIST IN THE EUCHARIST! To the extent you can see the GODHEAD, daily, in your life You will experience in the REAL PRESENCE of the Eucharist each time you approach the Altar and receive the Body and Blood of Christ, the Essential Bread of Life!

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST. Please prayerfully consider being a Minister of the Eucharist. Call Tami at the parish office to inquire and find out more.

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.** (ad hoc member: Tom Swoik, Part Time Business Manager)

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

CATCH OUR SPIRIT



Hang on! Because here we go - we have entered the last month of the current school year. There is still much to do, but the end is in sight. Prayers to all for a successful ending.

Rachel Cunningham
Principal, St. Agnes School

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May CROWNING &

RIBBON PINNING CERMONY



Congratulations to our

8th Grade Class!



Don't wait until school starts in August to start your SCRIP purchase requirement. SCRIP cards are available in the Church Office - M-F 8:30am-3:30pm - **ALL SUMMER LONG.**

~ IN THE NEWS ~

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

Monday, May 8

- 1:30 pm **DISMISSAL**
- School Board Meeting, 6:30 pm Parish Center

Tuesday, May 9

- Class Adoration, 2:50pm
- Class of 2019 Senior Breakfast, 8:15 am school gym
- 2nd Gr. Wax Museum, 10:00 am school gym

Wednesday, May 10

- Fr. Dan & Fr. Christopher visit classrooms - last one for the year

Thursday, May 11

- All School Mass, 8:15 am

Friday, May 12

- 8th Dance, 6:30 pm school gym

Sunday, May 14

- Student readers & singers at Mass, 11:00 am

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 13-14:**

- 4:30 pm Readers: Linda Distlehorst, Harry Mitchell
 Euch. Ministers: Mary Mucciante, Jane Locascio
 Rita Messinger, Pam Patton
 Altar Servers: Emma Johnson, Michael Johnson
 Caleb Eck
 Videography: Spencer Wieneke
- 9:00 am Readers: Susan Hartl, Bill Snyder
 Euch. Ministers: Rick Wilderson, Rita King
 Carrie Becker, Nancy King
 Altar Servers: Drew Ward, Abigail Holtrop
 Liam Cunningham
- 11:00 am Readers: Youth Readers
 Euch. Ministers: Patrick Dennis, Linda Mueller
 Rich & Meredith Koerper
 Altar Servers: Greg Goetz

Parish Office Hours

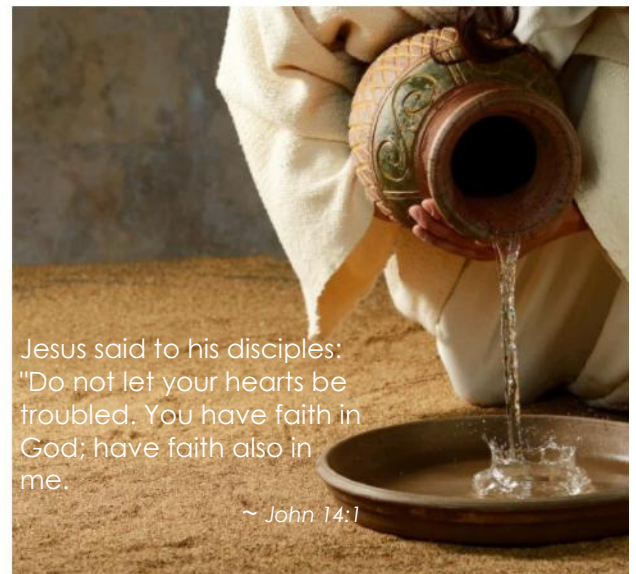
Monday - Friday
 8:00 am - Noon **AND** 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 Staff takes a lunch break Noon-1:00pm

Bulletin Deadline

Monday, 3:00 pm
 tdillon@StAgnesCatholicParish.org

Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 7

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

**Monday, May 8**

ACTS 14:5-18 ~ JN 14:21-26

Tuesday, May 9

ACTS 14:19-28 ~ JN 14:27-31a

Wednesday, May 10

ACTS 15:1-6 ~ JN 15:1-8

Thursday, May 11

ACTS 15:7-21 ~ JN 15:9-11

Friday, May 12

ACTS 15:22-31 ~ JN 15:12-17

Saturday, May 13

ACTS 16:1-10 ~ JN 15:18-21

Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 14

ACTS 8:5-8, 14-17 ~ 1 PT 3:15-18
 JN 14:15-21

What's Happening this week

Tue May 9	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 10	Bible Study	2:00 pm Parish Center
	Music Lessons	2:30 & 5:30 pm Choir Room
	Choir Practice	6:30 pm Choir Room
Thu May 11	Music Lessons	3:15 pm Choir Room
Sat May 13	Private Gathering	3:30pm Parish Center
	Choir Warm - up	3:45 pm Choir Room
Sun May 14	Choir Warm - up	8:30 & 10:30 am Choir Room
	Music Lessons	12:00 pm Choir Room
	Flute Group Practice	6:30 pm Choir Room

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Ask the Padre...



Question: Will we pray the Rosary during the Month of May?

Answer: YES! Actually we have already been praying the Rosary, Tue - Saturday, 30 minutes before Mass since Covid-19 begun. We will continue to do so through May and beyond.

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.

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 in addition to the \$330,000 already pledged.



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.

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St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Says....



"Some people come in our life as blessings. Some come in your life as lessons."

- Mother Teresa

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a way of life

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

April 29/30	Weekly Total	Total to Date
Reg. Church Support	\$18,732	\$1,016,986
Budget Goal - wk 44	\$21,500	\$946,000
Difference	(-\$2,768)	+\$70,986

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 24-30

- Liturgical Ministries
(Readers, Servers, Euch. Ministers, Rosary): 25 Hours
- Hospitality
(Videography, Greeters, Ushers, etc): 12 Hours
- Choir/Musicians: 70 Hours
- Faith Formation / RCIA: 18 Hours
- Parish Center Volunteers: 0 Hours
- Office Volunteers / Collection Counters: 20 Hours
- Heavenly Dusters (includes Altar Linens): 15 Hours
- Grounds Upkeep (Butterfly Garden): 10 Hours
- Classroom / School Event Volunteers: 15 Hours
- Cafeteria Volunteers: 18 Hours
- School Committees
(includes Fundraising/SCRIP): 30 Hours
- Athletic Coaches: 10 Hours

Total Volunteer hours:

243 Hours

YTD (7/1/2022 - present)

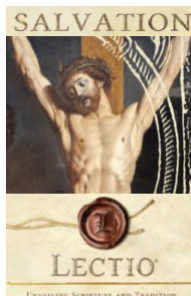
6,772 Hours

~ THANK YOU ~

MASS ATTENDANCE

Normal Seating Capacity - 800

Date	4:30 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am	TOTAL
April 29/30	237	220	230	687
April 22/23	257	230	266	753
Apr 15/16	215	245	285	745
Easter Weekend	156	558	308	1022



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.



ST. AGNES MEN'S GROUP

NEXT MEETING: TUES, MAY 9
6:00-7:30 PM

Starting with Mass at 5:30pm followed by our fellowship meeting at 6:00pm.



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.

GAME NIGHT VBS

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

EMMAUS TEENS

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THE ONE THING

JUNE 9-10
@ JIM EDGAR STATE PARK CAMPGROUND

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COST \$25 DETAILS AND REGISTRATION HERE:

- ♦ Pentecost Picnic volunteers: Sunday, June 4
- ♦ VBS team needed for Wednesdays, June 7-July 5, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
- ♦ Mission Days - service and ministry event: July 6-7-8 Get all your service hours done! (grade 7 and up)




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/6dfLtUpvizULk5qj6>

2023 Convention Dates

November 16 - 18
Thursday - Saturday





MEMORIAL DAY
CALVARY CEMETERY FIELD MASS
 2001 N. 1st St. Springfield, IL 62702
 May 29th at 9:00 AM

Join the Springfield Diocese and Bishop Paprocki for a traditional field Mass at Father Howard Altar in celebration of Memorial Day. This accessible worship event is open to the public and includes music, parking, seating, and golf cart transportation to and from the service location as needed. *Participants may bring lawn chairs if preferred.




ST. AGNES PARISH
SUN. JUNE 4-4:30PM
SOUTHWIND PARK

Let's go fly a kite!




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FIRST STEP WOMEN'S CENTER
BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG CAMPAIGN
Beginning next weekend (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. 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!



I WILL ROUSE THE DAWN
 Psalms Across Time and Space
Springfield Choral Society
 Jacobsen Woollen, conductor
 Friday, May 19th, 7:30pm
 Central Baptist Church
 Tickets available at the door - \$15 General Admission



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

5:00 - 10:00 pm

Maureen Brady 217-787-3423
 Cinda Steinkamp 217-787-6439

Prayer Request 



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