

July 16, 2023

15th Sunday
in Ordinary Time

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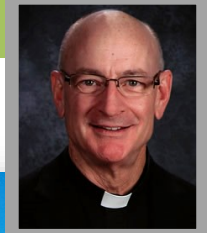
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~ MASS SCHEDULE ~

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 ~

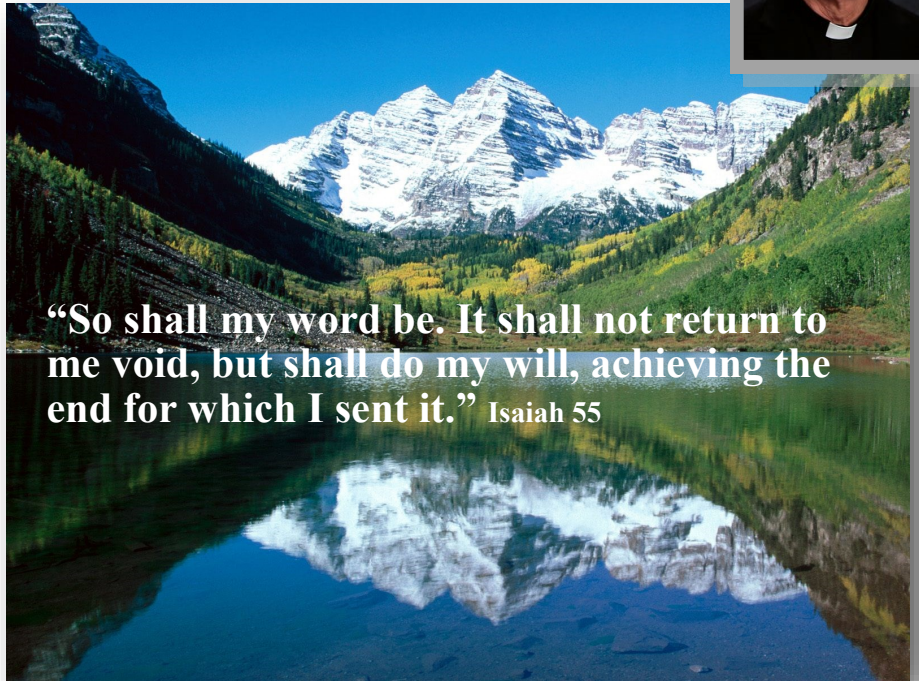
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm on Saturday
or anytime by appointment

~ Eucharistic Adoration ~

Tuesday: 2:30 - 3:30 pm

~ Rosary ~

Tuesday - Friday
30 minutes before start of Mass



“So shall my word be. It shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.” Isaiah 55

Good News from Fr. Dan

This Old Testament Scripture from the great prophet Isaiah tells us about an intriguing vestige of our God. God's WORD goes out to the world and it does not return to him void but achieves the end for which He sent it!

Just think about that for a minute. Every utterance that comes from God achieves the end for which it is sent! God's Holy Scripture is HIS word and this word is powerful. But what, may you ask, is it's intent? What is God's intent? What does He want for this world, this nation, this family I was born into and this church family that I am now worshipping in? This is a very good question!

I would suggest that God wants us to see His REAL PRESENCE in all that He has created including ALL people, places and things. Not to limit but to enter into that great mystery of life that all existence speaks to us if only we could slow ourselves down and listen. Challenge on!

FR. DAN ON VACATION TO THE COLORADO ROCKIES Fr. Dan will be on vacation in God's great mountains July 18 to 26. This annual vacation is filled with the smell of pine, cool fresh air, low humidity and hikes up 14,000+ peaks and Condo Camping (much nicer than a tent). As you know soaring vistas and clear lakes and white capped peaks ever more enhance the beauty of an already scenic cathedral of God's Majesty! Know of my prayers for you during this respite of all things majestic!

May the REAL PRESENCE of Christ in Creation inspire and revive our spirits! Fr. Dan

~ MASS INTENTIONS ~

Tuesday, July 18

5:30 pm Bill Becker †

Wednesday, July 19

8:15 am Richard Sherman †

Thursday, July 20

8:15 am George & Barbara
Doerfler †

Friday, July 21

8:15 am Deceased Members of
the Richiusa & Leo
Families †

Saturday, July 22

4:30 pm Raymond Brunner †

Sunday, July 23

9:00 am Tom Domagalski †
Parishioners of St. Agnes

11:00 am For Sr. Mary Alberta in
Celebration of 75 years
in the Dominican Order



For up to date info be sure to check emails or visit us at [Facebook.com/StAgnesSpringfield](https://www.facebook.com/StAgnesSpringfield)



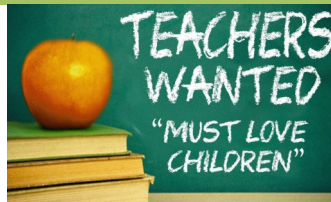
Health Exam Information

Children entering Preschool, Kindergarten or 6th grade must have a **complete written Health Exam**, with up to date Immunizations, turned in to the school office before the first day of school. Children entering Kindergarten, 2nd or 6th grade, are required to have a **Dental Exam** completed. Entering Kindergarteners must also have an **Eye Exam** by an Optometrist. Please note, **new students transferring** to Illinois from another State or from outside the U.S. must have complete Health, Dental & Eye Exams and up to date Immunizations, regardless of entering grade. All forms should be turned in to the school office on Fee Day.

Sports Physicals

Incoming 5th - 8th graders, participating in the St. Agnes Sports program, are required to have a physical in order to participate. Physicals for all incoming 6th graders are required by the school, however these school physical forms do not cover sports. The **IESA Physical Form** must be completed. A copy of the physical should be dated for the 2023-2024 school year and must be submitted before sports practices begin.

St. Agnes School in Springfield, IL is currently seeking qualified candidates for the following positions for the 2023-2024 school year:



PART-TIME ART TEACHER KINDERGARTEN - 8TH GRADE

Seeking part-time, two days per week (Monday & Tuesday) Art Teacher for grades K - 8. A preferred candidate should possess an Illinois Professional Educator's License in Elementary Education or Art Education. Ideal candidate would be a practicing Catholic who is committed to academic excellence and the mission of Catholic Schools. Send cover letter, resume, and three letters of reference to Principal Rachel Cunningham at rcunningham@stagnescatholicsschool.org.

PART-TIME PRESCHOOL AIDES

Seeking part-time Preschool aides. The ideal candidate must have a high school diploma, take good direction from the lead classroom teacher, and love working with children. If interested, please contact Principal Rachel Cunningham at rcunningham@stagnescatholicsschool.org or 217-793-1370.

Employment is contingent upon successful completion of background check.

School Summer Office Hours

- **CLOSED** - All of July
Phone messages will be checked periodically throughout the summer. A return call will be placed as soon as possible.
- **Re-OPEN** - Monday, August 7

USED UNIFORM



**JULY 22-23
AFTER ALL MASSES**

The Used Uniform Shop is OPEN!!
Enter through the south gym doors of the school.

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LUERS SUMMER SALE - JULY 17-31



**JULY 22-23:**

4:30 pm Readers: Andy Ramage, Linda Distlehorst
 Euch. Ministers: Jane Locascio, Lee Bloome
 Ralph & Roslyn Brookens
 Altar Servers: Ramage Family, Caleb Eck
 Videography:

9:00 am Readers: Rick Wilderson, Tricia Hopkins-Price
 Euch. Ministers: Rita King, Joan Reed
 Bob & Nancy Gorman
 Altar Servers: Mike Bauer, Mark Gebhards

11:00 am Readers: Rich Koerper, Melissa Bland
 Euch. Ministers: Kelle Lee, Linda Mueller
 Sr. Angelene Biderbost, Sr. Joan Sorge
 Altar Servers: Willenborg Family



ST. AGNES MEN'S GROUP
CURRENTLY ON SUMMER HIATUS

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

EUCCHARISTIC
 ADORATION



New!! WEEKDAY MORNING ADORATION
Wednesday - Friday 7:00 - 8:00 am

Holy Hour with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 Rosary at 7:45 am

Benediction, complete *incense* before 8:15 am Mass time

What's Happening this week

Tues Jul 18	Afternoon Adoration Music Lessons	2:30 - 3:30 pm 2:30 pm Music Room
Wed Jul 19	Summer Book Study Group	2:00 pm Parish Center,
Thru Jul 20	Music Lessons	3:15 pm Music Room
Sat Jul 22	Choir Warm - up	3:45 pm Choir Room
Sun Jul 23	Choir Warm - up Music Lessons Youth Drop-In Night Flute Group Practice	8:30 & 10:30 am Choir Room 12:00 pm Choir Room 4:00-6:00pm Parish Center 6:30 pm Choir Room

Parish Office Hours

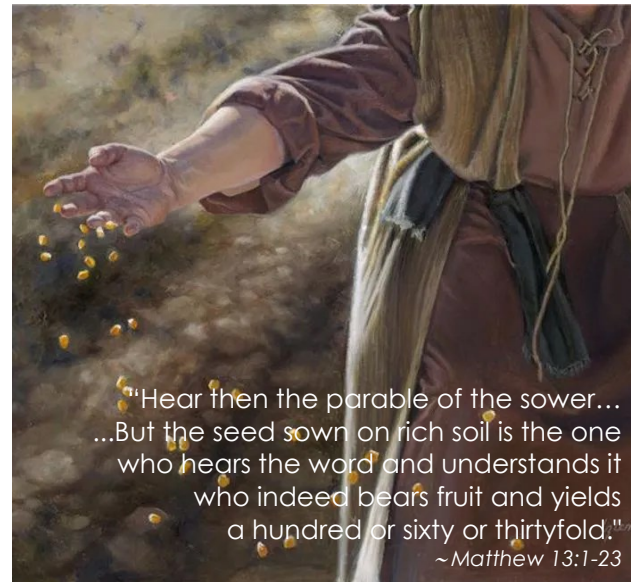
Monday - Friday
 8:00 am - Noon **AND** 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 Staff takes a lunch break Noon-1:00pm

Bulletin Deadline

Monday, 3:00 pm
 tdillon@StAgnesCatholicParish.org

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IS 55:10-11 ~ ROM 8:18-23 ~ MT 13:1-23



Monday, July 17

EX 1:8-14, 22 ~ MT 10:34—11:1

Tuesday, July 18

EX 2:1-15a ~ MT 11:20-24

Wednesday, July 19

EX 3:1-6, 9-12 ~ MT 11:25-27

Thursday, July 20

EX 3:13-20 ~ MT 11:28-30

Friday, July 21

EX 11:10—12:14 ~ MT 12:1-8

Saturday, July 22

SG 3:1-4b ~ JN 20:1-2, 11-18

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 23

WIS 12:13, 16-19 ~ ROM 8:26-27
 MT 13:24-43

Have you checked out FORMED lately?

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formed.org/signup

Ask the Padre...

Question: Can anyone bring up the gifts of Bread and Wine at Mass?

Answer: Yes! By all means! Yes! The gift table is located in the geographical center of the church, in the center aisle between the front and back pew sections. The pew is marked "Reserved for Gift Bearers" This is an especially good idea for families! Everyone may come forward and can bring the two gifts of Bread and Wine to the Priest in the center aisle.

Question: Is Fr. Dan and Fr. Christopher meeting with St. Agnes School Families this summer?

Answer: Yes! We have already met with 18 of our families. It is so delightful to see families together and to get to know one another even better. Many of our families have commented on seeing more young families in church these days. What a blessing our young and enthusiastic families are to our larger parish family. We are looking forward to many more visits before school begins.

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WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

July 8/9	Weekly Total	Total to Date
Church Support	\$22,574	\$43,156
Weekly Goal - wk 2	To Be Determined	
Difference		

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

July 1/2	Weekly Total	Total to Date
Church Support	\$20,582	\$20,582
Weekly Goal - wk 1	To Be Determined	
Difference		

TIME and TALENT of ST AGNES

We are updating our Time and Talent section for '23 - '24. If you are currently leading a volunteer group at St. Agnes Parish (church or school) please contact Tami Dillon by email (tdillon@stagnescatholicparish.org) and let us know how your group serves. Examples: we have our Hospitality Groups, Parish Center Volunteers (Funeral Luncheon, Donut/Coffee Sundays, Sloppy Joe Saturdays, etc), Heavenly Dusters, Grounds Upkeep, School or Parish Committee Volunteers, etc. Your service to our faith community does not go unnoticed and we want to make sure you are recognized for your contributions to our parish community.

~ THANK YOU ~

The St. Agnes Finance Council Members are:

Mark Kuchar - chair

Tom Arisman	Kathe Kraft
Melissa Bland	Andy Lascody
Mike Caveny	Kathy Robinson

ad hoc members: Tom Swolk - Parish Business Manager; Rachel Cunningham - School Principal; Fr. Dan Bergbower - Pastor



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

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



MASS ATTENDANCE

Date	4:30 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am	TOTAL
Jul 8/9	257	263	229	749
Jul 1/2	206	218	182	606
Jun 24/25	169	240	193	602
Jun 17/18	240	240	209	689



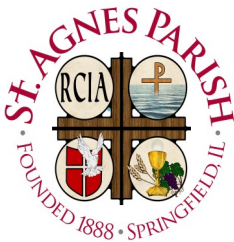
FAMILY FORMATION

FAMILY FORMATION (PSR)

Registration begins August 1

First Session for families is Sunday, September 20 at 10:00 am in the Parish Center

Family Formation is for families with children entering Kindergarten up to 12th grade who attend a non-catholic school. It is also for all families with kids in Catholic School who want to spend some family time exploring their faith and in prayer. Sessions are the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 10:00 am. More details soon!



HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Are you a "Catholic by Association" and wondering if you can become a member of the Church (someone married to a Catholic and attending Mass but never inquired)? Do you know someone who has been seeking? Are you Baptized in a different Christian tradition, or not Baptized at all? No matter where you see yourself, you are welcome here! Our group is forming now and we'd love to welcome you, too. *Sessions will begin in late summer.*

Reach out to Cathy Becker, Director of Formation (cbecker@stagnescatholicparish.org) or one of our priests to get started. We can get you started or just answer your questions.

The Turning Point Women's Bible Study **Thursday evenings from 6:00 - 7:15 pm** **Starting August 24** **in the Cathedral School Library**

The Turning Point is a 9-session Bible study experience that's perfect for women who want to get to know Jesus in the Scriptures but don't know where to start. This study will introduce you to people and stories in the Gospel of John that you won't find anywhere else in the Bible: the woman at the well; a man named Nicodemus; the woman caught in adultery; and Lazarus, the friend Jesus raised from the dead. The people in these stories were transformed by their encounters with Jesus. By entering into their miraculous stories, you will encounter Jesus in a personal way and develop a deeper relationship with him that will transform your everyday life. Register by email vcompton@cathedral.dio.org or phone 217-522-3342. Order your packet for \$15.95 <https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/turning-point-participant-program-pack/TPNT-008-PP-ENG.html>

Emmaus Teens - END OF SUMMER SPLASH!

Monday, July 31

9:00 am - 5:00 pm - \$25ea

Let's celebrate summer together at the Decatur Parks SPLASH COVE and Overlook ADVENTURE Park. Open to youth going into grades 6th - 12th. We will do some team building and challenge ourselves on the ropes course in the morning. Then cool off at the water park in the afternoon! Chaperone Drivers are needed. Price *includes: ropes course, water park admission and lunch.* REGISTER HERE:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A4FA5AF2FAAFB6-emmaus3>



COMING UP FOR OUR

ADULT PARISHIONERS...

- Fall Bible Study begins Wednesday, September 6 @ 2:00 pm & 6:30 pm - *Lectio: The Eucharist: Discovering Mass in the Bible* on Formed.org

Prayer for the Year of Eucharistic Revival

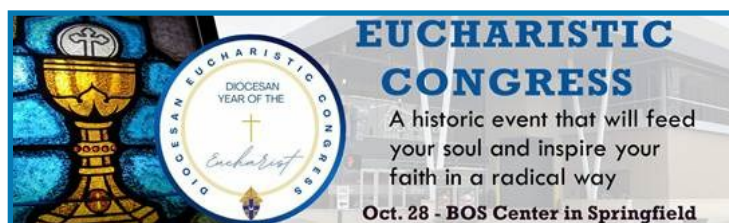
Father of love and source of all life, throughout this Year of the Eucharist we pray that you strengthen the faith of all your people.

Grant us a renewed sense of your Son's presence in the consecrated bread and wine, and through this Holy Communion, may we become what we receive.

May we be Jesus' hands and feet through which you bless the world.

Amen

Adapted from
<https://www.bostoncatholic.org/yearoftheeucharist>



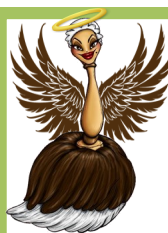
Oct. 28 - BOS Center in Springfield

The Diocese will be holding a Eucharistic Congress on Saturday, October 28 at the BOS Convention Center. St. Agnes has 116 tickets available for seat reservation. As of this writing, about half were filled. **Last day to sign up with us will be July 31st.** Beginning September 1st via the diocese general admission process more tickets may become available but may not be near the St. Agnes section. For tickets in our section please use the link below or QRcode to the right:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A4FA5AF2FAAFB6-diocesan>



For more information on the Diocese Eucharistic Congress go to: <https://dio.org/revival-bos/>



"Heavenly Dusters" We are looking to add to our existing teams of "Heavenly Dusters" to help with vital work in the upkeep of the church. Teams meet together on a specific day of the week usually just once a month. Materials are supplied. Men or Women volunteers of the Parish are greatly appreciated.

Please call Tami in the Parish Office (217-793-1330) to sign up.



There are many new resources to help you engage in the Eucharistic Revival! Here are a few:

- *Revive with Fr. Agustino* by OSV podcasts. Franciscan Friar of the Renewal Fr. Agustino Torres, along with professional actress by day youth minister by night, Solanyi Rodriguez, wade through some of the biggest Catholic conundrums and catechesis fails, all through the lens of the source and summit of the Faith: the Eucharist - <https://revive.osvpodcasts.com/>
- New video content at: <https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/video-content-sign-up>
- On *Formed.org* there is a whole section with videos, bible studies and articles. <https://watch.formed.org/eucharist>. Remember, Formed is free for all parishioners because of our parish subscription. If you have not used Formed go to: <http://formed.org/signup> to register. You can use Formed on your computer, smart tv or as an app on your phone.

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Says....



"Discipline is the bridge between goals and accomplishment."

- Mother Teresa

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