

September 24, 2023
25th Sunday
in Ordinary Time

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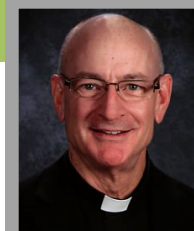
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~ MASS SCHEDULE ~

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



Messages of Hope from Fr. Dan

PRAY, TRUST, and ADJUST Jesus was always in the habit of turning common wisdom of the day upside down. Today's scripture parable from St. Matthew's Gospel is a classic example. Somehow the thought of working all day and receiving the same pay as someone who only worked for an hour seems very unjust. There are many good explanations of this parable that make a lot of sense. Taken at face value, this parable stings. Yet, there are so many things in this world that are beyond our understanding and control. Here is a suggestion. When you find yourself in such a situation perhaps you may address it with these three words in this particular order: **Pray, Trust and Adjust!**

HOLY NAME MEN'S SOCIETY - Re-organizational Meeting this Monday, September 25 at 6:00pm in the Parish Center. All men active in the Society at St. Agnes in past years are encouraged to attend, All adult men of our parish interested in joining are most welcomed to attend this re-organizational meeting as well.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Tuesday, September 26 - Twenty-six young people will receive the Sacraments of **Confirmation and First Communion** at the Cathedral with Bishop Paprocki as the Celebrant. Let's also keep them in our Prayers. On Wednesday September 27 the **Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's Convention** will be held at Sacred Heart Convent with our own Cathy Becker as the Key-note Speaker. All women of the Parish are urged to attend. Call Tami at the parish office to sign up. The Mass for this event is being hosted here at St. Agnes at 11:00 am and all are invited.

ANNUAL PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT Next weekend, September 30 / October 1, we will have a brief Financial report at each Mass. A summary will be presented and a witness talk from a parish family will be given. In the following weeks a Copy of the Annual Report will mailed to all parishioners along with the Annual Steward Renewal card to ask for your continued support to be the best of St. Agnes Parish!

BLESSING OF PETS Sunday, October 1 at 1:00 pm - See you then!

May the Grace of God urges us forward!

~ MASS INTENTIONS ~

Tuesday, September 26

5:30 pm Vicki Alewelt †
Jim Cour †

Wednesday, September 27

8:15 am Tom Cavanagh †
Vince Blair †

Thursday, September 28

8:15 am Michael Coady †

Friday, September 29

8:15 am Joseph Brockamp †

Saturday, September 30

4:30 pm Agnes Blderbost †
James Henn †

Sunday, October 1

9:00 am In Celebration of the
50th Anniversary of
John & Diane Blean
and the 50th Anniversary
of Sue & Frank† Hartl
Parishioners of St. Agnes

11:00 am Jill Schuele †
Frank Moscardelli †



This Tuesday evening our 3rd grade class, as well as our Faith Formation students, will celebrate the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist. Please keep them in your prayers. Blessings to all our Families.

Rachel Cunningham, Principal
St. Agnes School



~ IN THE NEWS ~

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

Tuesday, September 26

- Class Adoration, 2:50pm (3rd Gr)
- Confirmation / First Eucharist, 7:00pm at Cathedral (3rd Gr)

Wednesday, September 27

- Sacramental Day off (St. Agnes School 3rd Gr. students only)

Thursday, September 28

- Kdg—8th Mass, 8:15am

Friday, September 29

- NO SCHOOL

Coming up...

Monday, October 2

- 1:30 pm DISMISSAL

Wednesday, October 4

- 4th Gr attends Mission Mass, 11:00am @ Cathedral

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



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Veteran's Day Purple Heart Shirts

The Purple Heart medal is presented to service members who have been wounded or killed as a result of enemy action while serving in the U.S. military. A Purple Heart is a solemn distinction and means a service member has greatly sacrificed themselves, or paid the ultimate price, while in the line of duty. This year for Veteran's Day, St. Agnes School will donate all the proceeds to Military Order of the Purple Heart Shirt. It is our honor to honor those that serve. Students can wear these shirts on Veteran's Day and also school Spirit Days. Currently we are in need of sponsors for these shirts. Sponsor names/businesses will be added to the back of these shirts. Suggested donations are: Business Logos - \$250.00 Names of Veterans - \$100.00. If interested, please contact Kris Wellman at 217-793-1370 or email kwellman@stagnescatholicsschool.org.



ATTENTION!

School Families Attending Mass at St Agnes Church on the weekends - YOUR STARTER PACKS SHOULD HAVE ARRIVED. Please check with Tami in the church office if you have not. She can be reached by calling 217-793-1330 (M-F 8AM-4PM) or email at tdillon@stagnescatholicparish.org.

DEADLINE FOR ENVELOPE ADDITIONS &/OR CHANGES IS SEPT 29.



WE'RE HIRING! Come be a part of the Cyclone family! SHG is looking for an energetic, hardworking individual to join our cafeteria team! For more information on how to apply, please email Shawna Naudain at naudain@shg.org.

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**SEPTEMBER 30/OCTOBER 1:**

- 4:30 pm Readers: Tammie Klein, Andy Ramage
 Euch. Ministers: Lee Bloome, Sr. Angelene Biderbost
 Judy & Rob Nordstrom
 Altar Servers: Ramage Family, Caleb Eck
- 9:00 am Readers: Harry Mitchell, Vicki Bauer
 Euch. Ministers: Rita King, Kelle Lee
 Carrie Becker, Rick Wilderson
 Altar Servers: Drew Ward, Liam Cunningham
 Isabelle Robinson
- 11:00 am Readers: Sr. Joan Sorge, Chris Young
 Euch. Ministers: Tricia Hopkins-Price, Sr. Joan Sorge
 Leigh Reed, Patrick Dennis
 Altar Servers: Ayilisungu Family

COFFEE & DONUT SUNDAY!
September 24th

Join fellow parishioners in the Parish Center after the 9:00 & 11:00 am Masses.



What's Happening this week

Mon Sep 25	Holy Name Society Meeting RCIA Session	6:00 pm Parish Center 6:30 pm Parish Center
Tues Sep 26	Afternoon Adoration Music Lessons Confirmation/1st Eucharist	2:30 - 3:30 pm 3:15pm Choir Room 7:00pm @ Cathedral
Wed Sep 27	Bible Study - afternoon SDCCW Mass Bible Study - evening	2:00 pm Parish Center 11:00am in Church 6:30 pm
Thu Sep 28	Music Lessons	3:15pm Choir Room
Sat Sep 30	Choir Warm - up	3:45 pm Choir Room
Sun Oct 1	Choir Warm - up Family Formation Blessing of the Animals Flute Group Practice	8:30 & 10:30 am Choir Room 10:00 am Parish Center 12:00 pm Parish Grounds 6:30 pm Choir Room

View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com

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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sept. 24

IS 55:6-9 ~ PHIL 1:20c-24, 27a
 MT 20:1-16a

**Monday, September 25**

EZR 1:1-6 ~ LK 8:16-18

Tuesday, September 26

EZR 6:7-8, 12B, 14-20 ~ LK 8:19-21

Wednesday, September 27

EZR 9:5-9 ~ LK 9:1-6

Thursday, September 28

HG 1:1-8 ~ LK 9:7-9

Friday, September 29

DN 7:9-10, 13-14 ~ JN 1:47-51

Saturday, September 30

ZEC 2:5-9, 14-15A ~ LK 9:43B-45

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Oct 1

EZ 18:25-28 ~ PHIL 2:1-11
 MT 21:28-32

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Ask the Padre...

Question: How did the Finance Council reach our weekly collection goal total?

Answer: The Finance Council has addressed **differentiating** the **Weekly Collection Goal** from the **Weekly Budget Goal**. These are two different but related goals. The total budget income includes: *School Tuition, Fundraisers* such as *Scrip* and the *Auction*, the *Tuition Assistance Envelope* as well as the *Annual School Fund, Empowering IL* AND the *Weekly Collections*. The past few years the **Weekly Collection Goal** has been based upon the past year's actual collection plus a 3% to 5% increase.

Conclusion: Wednesday, September 6, our Finance Council met to answer this as well as many other questions. The simple answer is \$23,000 is our Weekly Goal for this fiscal year. Remember, our Weekly Collection Goal is only one of many sources of income for our total parish Operating Budget.

The Finance Council will continue to diligently monitor our Parish Finances and will begin a quarterly update in this bulletin.

Our Annual Parish Financial Report will be the weekend of Sep 30 / Oct 1 at each Mass. A full report will then be mailed to each registered member of the parish.

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: Rachel Cunningham - School Principal; Fr. Dan Bergbower - Pastor



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WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

Sept 16/17	Weekly Total	Total to Date
Church Support	\$22,752	\$259,783
Weekly Goal - wk 12	\$23,000	\$276,000
Difference	(-\$248)	(-\$16,217)

TIME and TALENT of ST AGNES

Sept 12-17

Liturgical Ministries (Readers, Servers, Euch. Ministers, Rosary):	30
Hospitality (Videography, Greeters, Ushers, etc):	14
Choir/Musicians:	22
Faith Formation / RCIA:	22
Office Volunteers / Collection Counters:	50
Heavenly Dusters (includes Altar Linens):	12
Parish Center	0
Grounds Upkeep	0
School Volunteers (Cafeteria, Recess, Classroom)	20
School Athletics	60
School Committees	0
Total Volunteer hours:	208
YTD (7/1/2023 - present)	1538



[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 your faith community. If you would like to sign up for online giving, follow the link or QR code above.

MASS ATTENDANCE

Date	4:30 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am	TOTAL
Sep 16/17	217	268	252	737
Sep 9/10	201	282	219	702
Sep 2/3	264	262	240	766
Aug 26/27	274	275	253	802



RCIA SESSIONS

Mondays @ 6:30 pm in the Parish Center on these dates:

September 25: Who is Jesus?

October 9: Scripture

October 23: What does "Catholic" mean?



Emmaus Teens in 8th grade and up will be honoring Life in October by participating in the Springfield Out of the Darkness Walk for Suicide Prevention. You can support our team by donating on our page. Or, if you are a teen or adult who would like to walk with our team-Sign Up on our page <https://supporting.afsp.org/participant/stagneseemmausteens>

Conversation in the Spirit
A dynamic of discernment in the synodal Church
Synod 2021-2024

PERSONAL PREPARATION
By entrusting oneself to the Father, conversing in prayer with the Lord Jesus and listening to the Holy Spirit, each one prepares his or her own contribution to the question about which he or she is called to discern.

Silence and prayer listening to the Word of God

"Taking the word and listening"
Each person takes turns speaking from his or her own experience and prayer, and listens carefully to the contribution of others.

At St. Agnes we will continue to pray for and participate in the Synod. Join us **Thursday, October 12 at 6:30pm** and then each second Thursday for Prayer and Conversations in Communion.

All are welcome!

ST. AGNES EMMAUS TEENS
FALL 2023

OCT 1 MORNING DROP IN
10-11AM PARISH CENTER (GR 6 & UP)

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
12-2 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED (GR 6 & UP)

OCT 8&22 NEW! GAME GROUP!
4-6PM ROLE PLAYING GAMES (GR 6 & UP)

OCT 14 OUT OF THE DARKNESS WALK
[AT] SIU CAMPUS 1-3:30 (GR 8 & UP)

OCT 15 EMMAUS CAFE 4-6PM

NOV 4 BONFIRE NIGHT
6PM LOCATION TBD (GR 7 AND UP)

JOIN THE BAND TO GET MORE INFO:
[HTTPS://BAND.US/N/AEA29EA8GC5DI](https://band.us/N/AEA29EA8GC5DI)



FAMILY FORMATION

SACRAMENT RETREAT

THIS Sunday - September 24
2:00-5:00 pm in the Parish Center

Coming up...

Sunday, October 1 -

Coaching and Parent Sessions 10:00 am
Emmaus Teen Morning Drop In 10:00 am

Wednesday, October 11 -

Saint Club (grades 3rd-6th) 3:15-4:30 pm

Sunday, October 15 -

Family Brunch: Begin with the End - sent from Mass 10:00 am

ST AGNES
FORMATION:
GRADES 3 TO 6

FAMILY SERVICE SAMPLERS

Try out those newly strengthened Gifts of the Spirit!
Ronald McDonald House Dinner: Oct 29, Jan 28
Dominican Mother House Visiting: Dec 27, April 4
Martin DePorres Pantry Sorting: Nov 11, Feb. 24

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EARN A SAINT BADGE

Explore a Saint's life-earn a badge!

Wednesdays, 3:15-4:45pm

Oct. 11 St. Pope John XXIII

Jan. 17 St. Agnes

April 24 St. Kateri Tekawitha

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SUNDAY BRUNCH

Grab a bite and join us for some fun family activities

10am on the 3rd Sunday of each month

October 15, November 19, December 17

January 21, February 18, March 17, April 21

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OCTOBER 1, 2023
11-2 **ST. AGNES PARISH** 11-2
OCTOBER 1, 2023

ST. FRANCIS BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Celebrate Mass with us 11:00 Blessing of the Animals 1:00

KEEN ON PET CARE
LAKETOWN ANIMAL HOSPITAL
LEO'S PIZZA ON WHEELS
WILD CANINE RESCUE 12-2PM

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PET OWNERS ATTENDING THIS EVENT ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE AND INJURY TO OTHERS CAUSED BY ANIMALS IN THEIR CARE.



The men's **HOLY NAME SOCIETY** will have an organizational meeting on **Monday, September 25 at 6:00 pm** in the Parish Center. Fr. Dan and President Mike Noonan invite ALL men of the parish as well as any past members to attend this meeting.



HAPPENING AT THE CATHEDRAL

Mission Mass - This year's Mission Mass is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 4, 2023, 11:00 am**, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

Blue Mass for first responders – Bishop Paprocki will celebrate a Blue Mass for emergency responders to pray for their safety and continued diligence in their work and to thank them for their selfless commitment to taking care of people in our communities. **Sunday, Oct. 1 at 10 am** at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

ADDITIONALLY...

White Mass for healthcare workers – Bishop Paprocki will celebrate a White Mass for those who work in healthcare to pray for their safety and continued diligence in their work and to thank them for their selfless commitment to taking care of people in our communities. **Wednesday, Oct. 18 at 5 pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church** on the grounds of Corpus Christi Priory in Springfield (4875 LaVerna Rd.)

Annual Respect Life Mass, Rosary Walk & Life Chain Events



Life Chain Sunday October 1, 2:00-3:30pm Pro-Life Warriors will gather for a Life Chain in various location in Springfield to stand in quiet prayer as a public witness to the sanctity of all human life from conception to natural death. Locations are: SRTL office @ 519 N. Bruns Lane - Stevenson Drive near Little Flower Church - Sangamon Avenue near St. Aloysius Church, and MacArthur Blvd between S. Grand & Laurel St.

This year's annual Diocesan Respect Life Mass and prayer procession is scheduled for Saturday, October 7 at Holy Family Parish in Granite City. Bishop Paprocki will celebrate Mass at 9:00 am, followed by a prayer procession around the abortion facility in Granite City. Lunch and speaker will follow the procession.



Mass Intentions: During the celebration of Mass, those wishing to honor a loved one who has passed or celebrate a special milestone may offer a "special intention". These 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 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
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