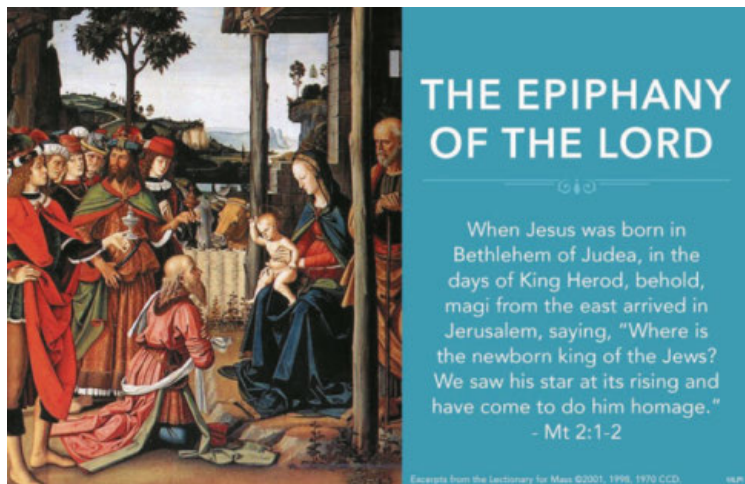


ST. AGNES CATHOLIC PARISH

"Prayerful, compassionate servants to all God's people"

January 7, 2024 · The Epiphany of the Lord

We, the people of St. Agnes, are called by God as a Catholic Christian community to be prayerful, compassionate servants to all God's people. We celebrate the spiritual life of Christ among us through a Christian lifestyle which includes scripture, sacraments and lifelong Christian formation. We proclaim and share His good news in a loving and caring way. We hope to accomplish this mission, and so we commit our lives, gifts and resources. — St. Agnes Mission Statement



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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5 p.m.

Sunday 8:00, 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

8:15 a.m.

Wednesday 5:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

First Fridays, 3-6 p.m.

Baptism

Baptism classes must be attended before the child can be baptized. Please contact the Christian Formation Office for dates and times of the next session.

Reconciliation

Saturdays, 4-4:30 p.m.

Also by appointment.

Deanery Parish Reconciliation services scheduled seasonally.

Parish Office

Hours:

8 a.m.-3 p.m. Mon-Fri.

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262-781-6998

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262-781-4996

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Bulletin articles due

Mondays by 9 a.m.

Food Pantry

Mondays, 12-2 & 5-6:30 p.m.

Anointing of the Sick & Sick Calls

Please call the Parish Office.

Marriage

Couples planning to be married here are asked to contact the parish priest before making other wedding plans, at least eight months prior to the desired wedding date. Only one wedding per weekend will be scheduled.

2 JANUARY EVENTS

Parish Membership Welcome new members! All self-supporting Catholic adults, 18 years or older, living within the parish and regularly participating in the liturgy here, are asked to register after Mass on the 4th Sunday of the month. Registration is required for Baptism, Confirmation, Marriage, Preparation for First Communion and Reconciliation, and enrollment in the Christian Formation Programs.

Readings for the week of January 7, 2024

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3)/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Step Into the Light

How strange it is to think that if not for Herod's directions, the magi would not have known where to find Jesus. They were not Jews, they knew nothing of the old prophecies. It was Herod who convened the scholars. It was Herod who pointed the way — for ulterior motives, certainly, but nonetheless, this is the part he played. It was Herod who made the Epiphany possible.

"Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance," writes the prophet (Isaiah 60:3). A king may keep to the shadows, suspicious of the light — he may foolishly imagine he can snatch it from the sky to keep as his own possession, and, upon finding the light cannot be governed, grow to loathe it, and even seek to extinguish it once and for all. But all his grand designs will come to nothing because there is no king so powerful that he can see in the dark. And even a man like Herod — a man so jealous that he sought to kill God — cannot prevent the breaking of day. The Epiphany marks the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles. It is a celebration of truth reaching places it was not expected to reach, of brightness illuminating corners of the world long ago consigned to shadow. It is a reminder that the battle has already been won, the night is over. All that remains is for us to decide: will we step into the light?

"See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory." — Isaiah 60:2

Calendar of the Week

Monday, January 8

Tuesday, January 9

11:30-1:00 pm Legion of Mary—Prayer Room

4:00-10:00 pm Mayhem at Mural Tournament—Gym

6:30-8:00 pm The Chosen TV Viewing —CF Conference Room

Wednesday, January 10

10:00-11:00 am Parish Staff Meeting—Parish Conference Room

4:00-10:00 pm Mayhem at Mural Tournament—Gym

6:00-7:30 pm CF Meeting—CF Conference Room

6:00-7:00 pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting—Hafford Hall

6:00-7:00 pm Liturgy Meeting— Church Lobby

6:15-7:15 pm Human Concerns Meeting—Prayer Room

6:15-7:15 pm Stewardship Meeting— Parish Conference Room

Thursday, January 11

4:00-10:00 pm Mayhem at Mural Tournament—Gym

6:00-7:00 pm Bell Choir—Church

7:00– 8:30 pm Centennial Choir Practice—Church

Friday, January 12

4:00-10:00 pm Mayhem at Mural Tournament—Gym

Saturday, January 13

8:30-11:30 am St. Dominic Lenten Outreach Project Meeting

9:00-10:00 am 1st Sacraments Parent Meeting—Hafford Hall

12:00-9:00 pm Mayhem at Mural Tournament—Gym

4:00-9:00 pm Chili Cookoff—Kemp Hall

Sunday, January 14

9:00-10:15 am Christian Formation Class—Classrooms

10:30-11:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word—Youth Room

12:00-9:00 pm Mayhem at Mural Tournament—Gym

4:30-6:00 pm Boy Scouts—Hafford Hall

6:00-7:30 pm Family Program #2—Kemp Hall

7:00-9:00 pm AA—Hafford Hall

Presentation of the Gifts

Presentation of the Gifts is an important part of the Mass. It is at this time that we bring to the Table of the Lord the work of our hands in the offering of Bread and Wine and our Sacrificial Treasure. At each Mass, besides offering our gifts, we also pray for a deceased relative or member of our community. The Liturgical Committee has long recommended that the family who's loved one is the Intention of the Mass be the family who presents the Gifts for the Mass. If you have requested a weekend Mass for a loved one please consider being our Gift Bearer for that Mass. We ask that you put your name on the board across from the Ministers of Hospitality Room. Thank you for participating in Mass.

3 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Feast of St. Agnes Celebration

On **Saturday, January 20th** the Mass of Anticipation will be at **4pm** followed by Fellowship and Sacred Music Concert at 5:30pm.



Annual Chili Cook Off

Join us for our annual Chili Cook Off, sponsored by St. Agnes Parish Council on **Saturday, January 13, 2024** in **Kemp Hall from 6 -8:30pm**. Come for Mass at 5pm, then join us for supper! A \$5 entrance fee will get you all the chili you can eat. Event includes music, games, beverages for purchase, and a raffle! Prizes to the top chili contestants. Interested in submitting a chili to the cookoff? **Contact Tanya Bissen at tanya.bissen@gmail.com or (414) 882-1735**. Looking forward to a night of fun and fellowship.

BOOK GROUP IS BACK!

We invite you to join the St. Agnes Book Group, meeting every **Tuesday at 9 a.m. in the Convent, starting January 30th**. We'll be reading ***Called to Question – A Spiritual Memoir*** by **Joan Chittister, OSB**. Each chapter is an engaging dialogue between Sister Joan and many different wisdom sources about such topics as God's existence and call, experience, struggle, justice, the role of women and men in society and church, living through doubt, and celebrating life.

Buy the book for yourself. Call or email the parish office to let us know you plan to join us. Read the Acknowledgements, Preface, and Prologue before the first meeting.

Group leaders: Linda Barrington and Leslie Hasenbush.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 8, The Baptism of the Lord

Tuesday, January 9, Weekday (First Week in Ordinary Time)

8:15 a.m. Georgene Gazdik (Dennis Gaidosik)

Wednesday, January 10, Weekday

5:30 p.m. The Deceased Parishioners of St. Agnes Parish

Thursday, January 11, Weekday

8:15 a.m. Thompson Family Special Intentions

Friday, January 12, Weekday

8:15 a.m. † Carlyle Verette (Burmeister Family)

Saturday, January 13, Weekday

5:00 p.m. † Lee & Carol Webers (Darlene Kocher)

Sunday, January 14, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Marilyn Drechsler (Bob & Jill Jagielski)

10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of St. Agnes Parish



If you have made changes to any of your contact information (phone number, address, e-mail address) please contact the parish office at **(262) 781-9521** or **BandkowskiA@stagnesparish.org**.

Festival Co-Chairs



The Festival Committee is seeking two people to join on as Co-chairs for the 2024 parish festival and beyond! Please **e-mail Jessica and Casey Mullins at jrheadson@gmail.com** for more information or to sign up.



St. Agnes School Mission Statement

"As one Catholic family, we are empowered by the Holy Spirit to become lifelong learners and disciples of Jesus Christ."



Our Gifts to God
Parish Financial Stewardship
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