# ST. AGNES CATHOLIC PARISH

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

December 7, 2025 · Second Sunday of Advent

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



### 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. - Mt 3:4

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#### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

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

#### **Daily Mass Schedule**

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 1st

Saturday 8:15 a.m.

Wednesday 5:30 p.m.

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

**Thurs.** 9-7 p.m. (Resource Center Chapel)

#### **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

**1st Saturday:** 8:45-9:30 a.m.

2-5th Saturdays: 3-3:30 p.m.

Also by appointment.

Deanery Parish Reconciliation services scheduled seasonally.

#### **Parish Office Hours:**

8 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday - Friday

Phone: 262-781-9521

FAX: 262-781-3512

Email: info@stagnesparish.org
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#### **Christian Formation:**

262-781-6998

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11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday - Friday

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262-781-6998

#### School Office:

262-781-4996

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262-781-5712

**Bulletin** articles due Mondays by

9 a.m.

Petition Requests due by

Thursday at 12:00 p.m.

#### **Food Pantry**

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

## Anointing of the Sick & Sick Calls

After the 4pm Mass on the 1st Saturday of the month OR by calling 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 DECEMBER EVENTS**

#### Readings for the week of December 7, 2025

**Sunday**: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (see 7)/Rom 15:4-9/ Mt 3:1-12

**Monday**: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/

Lk 1:26-38

**Tuesday**: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14 **Wednesday**: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30

**Thursday**: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15 **Friday**: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/

Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

**Saturday**: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/ Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (see Is 35:4)/ Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

#### The second week of Advent (A) Peace

Dear brothers and sisters,

In this second Sunday of advent we lit the second candle of the Advent wreath that represents Peace. Like the first candle, it is also purple. Often called the "Bethlehem candle," the second Advent candle reminds us of Mary and Joseph's journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem before Mary gave birth to Jesus. Building on the meaning of the Candle of Prophecy, this second candle reminds us that after all the division, destruction, and scattering of the kingdom in the Old Testament, there can finally be peace on Earth: Jesus is coming, and so is his Kingdom of Peace.

In the Gospel this Sunday we hear John the Baptist announcing the coming of the kingdom of God in Christ Jesus. John is telling us that the messianic hope finds its fulfillment in Jesus. John's preaching happened when the people of Israel awaited a time of peace and harmony. It was a deep longing founded on the very promise of the Lord. The kingdom of God would not be a kingdom of human characteristics, but a divine kingdom clothed in power and majesty. This messianic kingdom would be like a new heaven and a new earth in which there would no longer be sin, death, or sorrow. This hope of the people of Israel contrasted with the difficulties, struggles, and sins of their history. Nevertheless, their hope never diminished. And so, John the Baptist announces to the house of Israel that, in Jesus, all that messianic expectation finds its fulfillment: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand, Prepare the way of the Lord." The Lord had spoken to us through the prophets, but now in these last days he has spoken to us through his beloved Son.

Let us keep walking with Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem as we prepare our life, hearts, families, and homes to welcome the King, our Lord Jesus Christ.

During this week we will have some liturgical feasts that will help us to connect more with God and his mercy.

- ♦ Monday December 8 The Feast of the Immaculate Conception
- ♦ Friday December 12 The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
- ♦ Saturday December 13 The Memorial of Saint Lucy

Remember.

"God loves you, God loves me, God loves us"

Blessed week,

Reverend Sergio Rodriguez

#### Calendar of the Week

#### Monday, December 8 Holy Day - Parish Office Closed

3:00-4:00 pm Girl Scout Meeting - Youth Room 4:00-5:30 pm Boys Basketball Practice - Gym 6:00-8:00 pm Cheerleading Practice - PAC

#### Tuesday, December 9

9:00-10:30 am Book Group - Resource Center 6:00-8:00 pm Outside Event - Hafford Hall

6:00-8:00 pm Strategic Planning Meeting - Kemp Hall

7:00-8:30 pm Men's Group - Resource Center

#### Wednesday, December 10

8:00-8:30 am Children's Prayer Service - Church 10:00-1:00 am Staff Meeting - Parish Conference Center 4:00-5:30 pm Boys Basketball Practice - Gym

6:00-8:00 pm Cheerleading Practice - PAC 6:00-7:00 pm Den Meeting - Hafford Hall

6:00-7:00 pm Liturgy Committee Meeting - Lobby

6:00-7:00 pm School Advisory Comm. - School Learning Center 6:00-7:00 pm Stewardship Meeting - Parish Conference Center

#### Thursday, December 11

9:00-7:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration - Resource Center Chapel

9:00-12:30 pm Legion of Mary - Prayer Room

5:00-10:00 pm Outside Rental - Gym

6:00-8:00 pm Youth Night Cookie Baking - Good Shepherd M.F.

6:30-7:30 pm Outside Rental - Hafford Hall 6:30-8:30 pm Choir Practice - Church

#### Friday, December 12

9:00-10:30 am Small Group Meeting - Resource Center

1:15-2:15 pm School Spelling Bee - Kemp Hall

6:00-10:00 pm Open Gym - Gym, PAC, Hafford Hall, Youth Room

#### Saturday, December 13

11:00-Noon Memorial Mass

Noon-4:00 pm Outside Rental - Hafford Hall 3:00-3:30 pm Confession - Prayer Room

#### Sunday, December 14

8:00-11:30 am Confirmation Service Project - Kemp Hall

9:00-10:15 am First Sacrament Prep - TCU

9:00-10:15 am Grades 9/10 CF Class - Christian Formation Room

10:30-11:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word during Mass

7:00-9:00 pm AA—Hafford Hall



#### JOIN US!

Presentation:

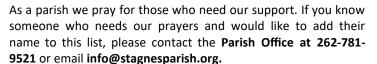
GUADALUPE

A Journey through Advent

Sunday Dec 7

6 pm in Church

## PRAYER REQUESTS



John Abel	Brian Hedrick	Ralph Schneider
Bill Baumer	Dick Hoefler	Chuck Schultz
Jay Blair	Barb Hucke	Jane Shackelford
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Candy Endres	Jason Kroeplin	Steve Steeber
Jim Endres	Fred Kurszewski	Mariann Sykes
Rick Ensslin	Daniel Mayo	Slava Tsljar
Andrew "Corky" Eremce	Baby Nelli	Gordon Wanasek
Sandy Everts	Kenneth Podewils	Rick Wilson
Steven Fyfe	Michelle Reisimer	
Cindy Glover	Maria Rummel	

#### **Cards for the Homebound**

Next weekend we will have names of the homebound for you to send a Christmas card. If you know of any homebound parishioners that would like to receive a card please call or write the parish office: 262-781-9521, info@stagnesparish.org

#### Boys and Girls Needed for Christmas Children's Choir!



Calling all boys and girls who love to sing! The Christmas Eve 4:00 PM Mass will have singing opportunities for children from ages 4 on up to 8th grade. If your child can sing Silent Night and would like to be part of a Christmas Children's Choir, please contact Mary Lemirande, Saint Ag-

nes Music Director, at <a href="mailto:lemirandem@stagnesparish.org">lemirandem@stagnesparish.org</a> or text to 414-791-1871. We will have very short practices on the two Sunday's prior to Christmas Eve, right after the 10:30 AM mass (Dec 14 and Dec 21).

#### **Virtual Golf Outing Postponed**

The event scheduled for Dec 7 has been postponed into the New Year. The new date will be advertised once it is set. Registrations will be held until the new date is posted.

#### **Memorial Poinsettias**

Anyone who wishes may purchase a poinsettia for \$21 in memory of their loved ones. They will be used to decorate the church for the Christmas season. Please enclose payment (checks made out to St. Agnes Parish) with this form and drop in the Collection Basket or leave in the Parish Office by Dec 21.

NAME OF LOVED ONE:	

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Monday, December 8, The Immaculate Conception of the BVM

8:15 a.m. † Margaret Drezek (Frank)

7:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Members of St. Agnes Parish

#### Tuesday, December 9, Advent Weekday

8:15 a.m. † Therese O'Rourke (Gundrum)

Wednesday, December 10, Advent Weekday

5:30 p.m. † Alvaro Diaz

Thursday, December 11, Advent Weekday

8:15 a.m. Meressa G.

Friday, December 12, Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:15 a.m. Juan Rivera & Family

Saturday, December 13, St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

4:00 p.m. † Barbara (Stengel) Zbikowski (Pat Abfalder)

Sunday, December 14, Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of St. Agnes Parish

10:30 a.m. † Edward Gross (Family)

**IN MEMORIAM** Our deceased family and friends. especially:

† Warren Pischke

† Dorothy Jedlicka

May they rest in peace.



Monday December 8 is the
Feast of the
Immaculate Conception
It is a Holy Day of Obligation
Please plan on attending Mass
8:15 AM or 7:00 PM

**Parish Offices Closed** 

# **Children of St. Agnes Parish Nativity Scene Contest!**Please drop off completed pictures this week to the parish office

by Friday, December 12.



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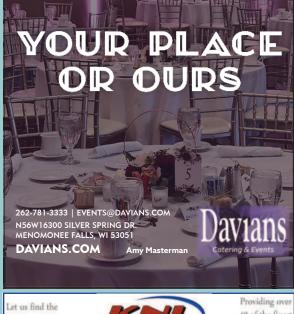
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