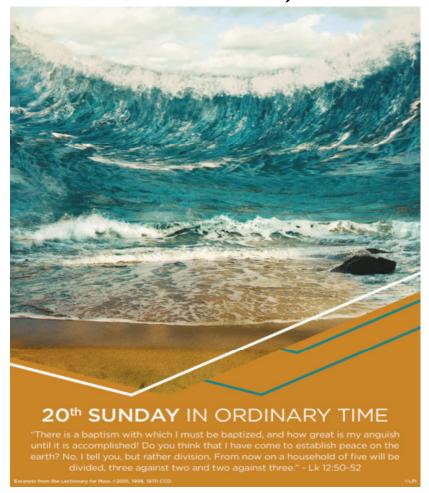
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SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism - Baptisms are celebrated on the **third** weekend of the month. To register for a preparation class, call Amy Martin at St. Agnes 715-359-5675.

Sacrament of Marriage - Contact the parish office at least 1 year in advance of the wedding date. Couples need to complete a FOCCUS inventory. Also, couples will register for a Deanery Marriage Preparation Class. These requirements are needed prior to the wedding date.

RCIA: If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, receiving the sacraments of first communion and confirmation or just learning more about the Catholic Church, call Father Greg (ext. #3) at the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick—Anointing is offered at weekday Mass if you are aware of upcoming surgeries or if you are ill.

Website

www.stagnescatholicparish.com

Welcome New Parishioners

For Registration Materials Contact the Parish Office or Check the Website Above

Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:30 PM Mass
Sunday 8:30 AM Mass
Wednesday and Friday 8:00 AM Mass
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Sunday 8:00am

Parish Contact Information

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Bulletin Articles are due Tuesdays at noon.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 14, 2022

Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/Heb 12:1-4/Lk

12:49-53

Monday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-

27/Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt

19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 14, 2022

Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Maximillian Kolbe,

Priest and Martyr

Monday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday: St. Stephen of Hungary

Friday: St. John Eudes, Priest

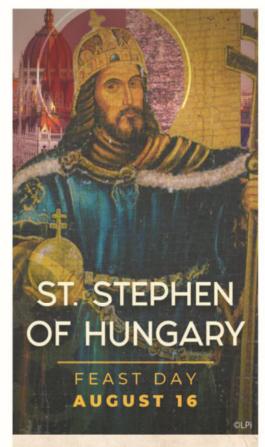
Saturday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Pius X, Pope

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

There is a "great cloud of witnesses" found in the official saints of the church and in ordinary people we meet every day. They are faith-filled inspirations who, by their example, help us to persevere in our faith. Living in a sea of conflict, change, challenge, and confusion, it is easy to grow tired and get weary. With so many things in competition for our attention, it is challenging to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus and the Kingdom of God. We have to keep running the race and continue proclaiming the Good News. This message is not always welcome. It can cause division, challenge accepted mindsets, ruffle peoples' feathers, and cause some folks to become defensive. God's ways are not always our ways. Even though often rejected by the world, the message of God in Jesus Christ must continue to be preached. We can rely on the examples of faith before us and around us and not lose heart. As Jesus endured the voices of opposition, so too can we.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Born a pagan in the 10th century Saint Stephen was baptized as a boy when his father converted to Christianity. Saint Stephen married Gisela, daughter of Duke Henry II of Bavaria who would become Saint Henry II. He succeeded his father as leader and began to transform the nation into a Christian kingdom.

Pope Sylvester II proclaimed him the first king of Hungary in 1001, sending him a crown and gold processional cross. The crown, made in the Byzantine style, has become a symbol of Hungarian nationhood.

King Stephen's reign was a relatively peaceful and prosperous time. He outlawed paganism, mandated church building, and tithing for support of the parish, and commanded all to marry except clergy and religious. He founded a Benedictine monastery, and Hungary became an important place along the route to the Holy Land for many pilgrims.

Unfortunately, Stephen's son and heir died in a hunting accident, causing much conflict over the succession when the saint died. Eventually the kingdom was won back for Christendom and father and son were canonized in 1083 by Pope St. Gregory VII. Saint Stephen I is now patron saint of Hungary.

MASS SCHEDULES

August 15, 2022— August 21, 2022

Monday, August 15

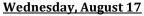
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00am Mass at St. Florian only



St. Stephen of Hungary

No Mass



8:00am Mass †Jim Jennison by Family

Thursday, August 18

No Mass

Friday, August 19

St. John Eudes

8:00am Mass †Geraldine Krolikowski by James & Susann

Spranger

Saturday, August 20

St. Bernard

5:30pm Mass †Edwin & Lucille Stankowski by Danny & Nancy Newville

Sunday, August 21

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30am Mass †Tony LaCalamita by Flo LaCalamita

> Mass Intentions are full for the year 2022. Intentions for 2023 are now being taken in the office.

STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE AUGUST 7, 2022

Adult Envelopes \$6,888.00 Loose Collection \$ 383.00 Students \$ 0.00 Votive Lights \$ 77.00

Total \$7,348.00

God does not lead His children around hardship, but leads them straight through hardship. But He leads! And amidst the hardship, He is nearer to them than ever before. Otto Dibelius

MINISTER SCHEDULE

Weekend of August 20th & 21st, 2022

Saturday, 5:30pm

Greeters Jenni Van Ert, Kathy

Westergard Molly Schultz

Reader Molly Schultz
Eucharistic Ministers Pam Pisca
Sacristan Janet Emmer

Ushers Sy Hintz, Frank Pietrzak
Servers Madeline & Natalie Huntington

Sunday, 8:30am

Greeters Need Volunteers
Reader Judy Majerle

Eucharistic Minsters Ed Flanders, Mike & Lisa

Schroedel

Sacristan Judy Bartnik

Ushers Bud Lewens, John Dorshak,

Ed Purull, Dan Snyder

Servers Woodrow Frisch, Levi Baker

If you cannot be at Mass for your assigned ministry please be sure and call a sub from the minister schedule that you received. Thank you.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, August 15, 2022

Assumption Mass at St. Florian—8:00am

Thursday, August 18. 2022

HOPE Ministry BINGO—11:00am Knights for Life Blood Drive—2:30pm—7:00pm

Saturday, August 20, 2022

Brat Fry After the 5:30pm Mass All are Welcome





NEWS/NOTES



Please be sure and pick up your Sports Banquet envelope and UTV/\$10,000 cash raffle tickets in the vestibule.

The UTV/\$10,000 cash raffle is the biggest raffle that we have and we hope that our parishioners will help us out by selling or purchasing your tickets. We also need help selling tickets out in the community. So if you have a couple of hours to spare we would sure appreciate it if you could help us out. Call Terry Pisca at 715-359-6946 or check the poster board in the vestibule for time and places.

If you would be interested in making a donation—we are taking \$50 gift cards for the bucket raffle. See Deb in the office.

We cannot do this without you and we thank you in advance for your support and encouragement. Call Jerry Seim at 715-551-5285 or Deb in the office 715-359-5675 if you have any questions or need more information.

Newman Catholic Schools has an opening on our team for a Food Service Assistant. This position is 25-30 hours/week. Approx. 8:00-1:15 Monday thru Friday. Job Description includes, but is not limited to assisting with lunch prep, serving, and clean



up. Position starts August 22, 2022 and runs through June 1st. Great opportunity for a parent with kids in school, or any individual looking for part time school year work. Ideally Monday thru Friday hours are preferred but we are open to making it a shared position if you are only available for 2-3

Please consider what you can give to the students of Newman. No experience necessary, just a good work ethic and open to learning new things. Please contact Jennifer Derks 715-570-8380 or iderks@newmancatholicschools.com if you are interested or have questions. Application and further description can be found on our website under careers.



KNIGHTS FOR LIFE – BLOOD FOR LIFE"

The Knights of Columbus Sacred Heart Council serving St. Mark, St Agnes and St Therese Parishes is sponsoring a Blood Drive. The "Knights for life - Blood for Life" blood donation drive will be held on Thursday, August 18th from 2:30-7:00pm in Abts Hall at St Agnes. The

Blood Bank's levels are low now and they are in need of blood for our community. We are asking families and friends to help support this effort by donating blood to give life to those in need. You can go to the website of the "Blood Center of Northcentral Wisconsin" for more information regarding donating blood. https://www.bcnwi.org/ You can call the Blood Bank to make and appointment 715-842-0761.

Wedding Banns

Iared Bartnik and Chandra Dewitz will be married at St. Agnes on Saturday, August 27, 2022 at 1:00pm.

Brat Fry

Come Join us for our annual Brat Fry this Saturday, August 20th after the 5:30pm Mass. We will have hamburgers, brats, and all the fixins! Weather permitting we will be outside enjoying what is left of our summer! Everyone is welcome and there is no sign up or cost. Hope to see you there!



Come to Me for Understanding since I know you far better than you know yourself. I comprehend you in all your complexity; no detail of your life is hidden from Me. I view you through eyes of grace, so don't be afraid of My intimate awareness. Allow the Light of My healing Presence to shine into the deepest recesses of your being-cleansing, healing, refreshing, and renewing you.

Trust Me enough to accept the full forgiveness that I offer you continually. This great gift, which cost Me My Life, is yours for all eternity. Forgiveness is at the very core of My abiding Presence. I will never leave you or forsake you. When no one else seems to understand you, simply draw closer to Me. Rejoice in the One who understands you completely and loves your perfectly. As I fill you with My Love, you become a reservoir of love, overflowing into the lives of other people.

Congratulations to Cooper Laska who was brought into our Christian community through the Sacrament of Baptism on August 7, 2022.





Our next gathering for our HOPE ministry program will be Thursday, August 18th for regular bingo and cook out for lunch! Everyone is welcome and we encourage

you all to come and join us! Who knows you might even win at BINGO!!

CCD



Mark Your Calendar!!!!

The following events are coming up in Religious Ed and Youth Ministry:

Aug 21 High School Youth Group 10-11am planning

meeting @ Clean Slate Coffee

FORGOT TO SIGN YOUR STUDENT UP FOR CCD??? There is still time.

Registrations are due August 1, 2022. So act now! Final orders for workbooks and classroom supplies will be put in at that time.

Classes are held on Wednesdays. Kindergarten- 5^{th} Grade 5:15-6:15pm (once a month). 6^{th} - 10^{th} Grade 6:30-8:00pm (every week).

Our parent meeting/K-5 Safe Environment Training and first night of 6th-10th classes will be Wed. Sept 14th. 6pm for an all parent meeting, family folder pick-up and K-5th grade safe environment training. 6:30-8:00pm for our 6th-10th grade class (including safe environment training).

We would love to have you come and learn with us! Invite a friend to sign up too!

Forms available at the back of church or on our website.

Volunteers Still Needed

Main catechists

Grade 7

Grade 7 (2nd classroom)

<u>Aides</u>

Grade 9- male

Grade 9- male

Our K-5th grade regular classes meet once a month. Our 2^{nd} grade sacramental

prep classes meet 2-3 times a month.

And our 6th-10th grade meets most Wednesdays.



The Challenge of Saint John Paul II

Challenge #78

"Build your present and your future keeping your eyes fixed on Jesus. He is all."

Challenge:

Stare at a crucifix for three minutes, and tell Christ how much you love Him.

~From the Lifeteen Booklet: The Challenge of Saint John Paul II

YOUTH MINISTRY

SUMMER SLAM FUN

Our final Summer Slam of the year was tons of fun. The rain couldn't keep us from having a good time! Meatball sandwiches, faith talk, indoor bags, volleyball in the rain and a shaving cream fight made for a fun filled night.







Thought For The Day

"A lot of the dissatisfaction we experience in this lifetime comes from forgetting that we are made for mission. God didn't create us to be served; He created us to serve. If you



use something for a purpose it was not designed for, things usually start to go wrong. Have you ever tried to use a snow blower as a vacuum cleaner? Right, that's a stupid idea. Have you ever tried to use a fire extinguisher to take a shower? Right, another stupid idea. Using things for something other than what they were specifically designed for usually ends up pretty ugly. But we do it with ourselves all the time. God designed human beings for specific purposes. When we stray from the, things tend to go wrong and we start to feel dissatisfied at best and miserable at worst. You were made for mission. You will never have lasting happiness until you realize this and act on it."

~ From Amazing Possibilities by Matthew Kelly



FIRST READING

Then the king ordered Ebed-melech the Cushite to take three men along with him, and draw the prophet Jeremiah out of

the cistern before he should die. (Jer 38:10)



PSALM

Lord, come to my aid! (Ps 40)



SECOND READING

Let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus. (Heb 12:1-2)



GOSPEL

"Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." (Lk 12:51)

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

An inward transformation occurs in a person who decides to follow Jesus Christ. Things change. They see the world differently, understand their journey more deeply and profoundly, have their sights fixed on eternity and union with God and hold themselves to higher standards and virtues. It requires a conscious choice to be a Christian, and this choice must be renewed at least daily. While the basic premise of Jesus' message may appear heartwarming and straightforward: love of God, neighbor, and self, the implications of doing so are challenging. The true disciple is called to live radically, and often finds themselves at odds with the world or even with those in their own homes.

Holding ourselves to higher standards comes with a price. We have to leave other things behind. It is difficult to be people of faith, hope, and love in a world often fixated with its own fulfillment and self-absorption. Justice, temperance, prudence, and fortitude require sacrifice if they are to be lived with integrity. God's ways are not ours. This becomes crystal clear to those who have enough courage to stand against the tide. Putting love into action requires that we challenge accepted modes of doing business and fight complacency. This is what makes the saints stand out as witnesses. They are simply sinners, just like us, who persevere.

People do not want to be told that they're sailing their ships in the wrong direction. Clinging to their insistence and need to be correct, they can become defensive when challenged. This can happen even with those closest to us. As much as the Gospel calls us to unity, it also can easily create division. When we love seriously, we encounter more than feelings of warmth and acceptance. "What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like (St. Augustine)." Love also has the courage and honesty to tell people what they may not want to hear but need to, and model, without wavering, a life of humble, loving, and faithful service. Don't lose heart! There are many examples of faith before us and around us. If Jesus endured the voices of opposition, so too can we. There is no need to apologize for speaking the truth.

LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING Call

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

A Steward's Growing Pains

Have you ever written a check or seen the charge on the credit card machine that had far too many zeros on it for your comfort?

The brakes finally give up on the car you were hoping to nurse through the season. The water heater dies on the coldest week of the year. A medical procedure wasn't totally covered by insurance. We've all been here in this place, being asked to part with a not-so-small sum of money for a not-so-fun reason.

It's a little easier to bear when you're forking over dollar signs for a fun vacation or even a worthy cause like your child's education. But when it's something you weren't expecting, something negative, that uneasiness in the pit of your stomach can quickly become despair.

The next time this happens to you, embrace it. Celebrate it. Wrap your arms around it and welcome it as a growing pain.

We are often asked, in life, to give more than we wish. Our loved ones demand greater patience than we think we have. Our prayer life is stalling, and we feel God isn't holding up His end of the communication bargain. The daily grind seems to be grinding us down. We feel that uneasiness in the pit of our stomach, just as we do when we part with money we thought belonged solely to us.

That place of uncertainty propels us in life, in stewardship, in relationship. All forward motion comes from that feeling. Put out your hands and let yourself be thrust into the pit — He will stoop to take you out from the mud. Spread your arms on your cross — joy is waiting for you.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Our parish is grateful for your continued support. Thank you!





WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

My neighbor is just beginning to explore the Catholic faith but was raised agnostic. I grew up believing in God, praying, and attending Mass. How does one start from scratch as an adult to develop a relationship with God?

Answer:

Start on a personal level! How did you and your neighbor become friends? How did you begin to discuss such a personal topic as faith? Communication, spending time together, and getting to know each other are essential to forming the bonds of a relationship. Personal prayer is essential to our relationship with God. We can't be close to someone we don't know! Invite your friend to explore the stories of Jesus in the Bible. Introduce them to the lives of the saints, especially ones you think they might be interested in.

Your neighbor might also have questions about the Catholic faith that you don't know how to answer. If your friend hasn't yet enrolled in RCIA classes, invite them to Mass at your parish. Introduce your friend to the faith formation director to make a connection. Personal support can be helpful as well, especially if few of your neighbor's current friends are practicing their faith. Connect your neighbor to other people in your parish living their faith well. The good examples of other faithful people could help your neighbor to feel welcomed and supported. Our Church is vibrant and alive!



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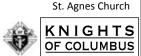
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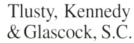
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