

# SAINT AGNES CATHOLIC CHURCH

### 1484 NINTH STREET · GREEN BAY, WI 54304-3061



# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

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January 7, 2024 · The Epiphany of the Lord

Parish Information



Phone (920) 494-2534

Email parishoffice@stagnesgreenbay.org

Website www.stagnesgreenbay.org

 Parish Office Hours

 Mon.-Thurs.
 8:00am - 12:00pm

 12:30pm - 4:30pm

 Fri.
 8:00am - 12:00pm

Pastor Father Patrick Beno

Parish Deacon Greg Rotherham

### SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULE

Saturday 8:00am Mass 3:15pm Reconciliation 4:15pm Mass Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am, and 11:00am Masses Monday 6:45am Mass Tuesday 6:45am Mass\* Wednesdav 8:00am Mass Thursday 6:45am Mass\* Friday 6:45am Mass\* \*Reconciliation after the 6:45am Mass

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### TO OUR VISITORS

We welcome new parishioners to our St. Agnes Parish family. Contact the Parish Office to register.



# **Parish News and Events**

#### SAINT AGNES

Saint Agnes was born in 291 into a Roman family of nobility and raised in a Christian family. She suffered martyrdom for her faith and commitment to her virginity as a young teen on January 21, 304. In art she is often portrayed holding a lamb, a symbol of innocence. Saint Agnes is the patron saint of young girls.

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Following the 6:45am Mass (Tuesday, Thursday, Friday) and Saturday 3:15 - 4:00pm or by appointment.

### Sacrament of Baptism

Parish members are to make arrangements by phoning the Parish Office at least four months before the anticipated date of Baptism.

### Sacrament of Marriage

We celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage for only our registered parish members. Arrangements are to be made with the Pastor at least six months in advance of the wedding.

**To Those Hospitalized, Home Bound or in Nursing Homes** Visits to those hospitalized, home bound or in nursing homes are upon request.

### **Parish Outreach**

If you seek assistance with rent, groceries, utilities, emergency shelter, etc., please contact the Parish Office for referral. After hours, please call The Crisis Center at (920) 436-8888.

Bulletin Deadline Monday noon J.M.J. Fr. Patrick

This is to say thank you, to express my sincere gratitude for all the kindness I received this year for Christmas and my birthday. I received many cards with prayers and thoughtful expressions that made me feel very good. I received greenbacks and gift cards, a bit of food and chocolates, and other gifts. I am treated so well and really appreciate the generosity. I am 55 now. I was told that at age 55 there are certain restaurants that give discounts. I had no idea. But I am willing to reap the benefits. I would rather probably be 9 or 19 years old. Here's a reflection from Mary DeTurris Poust:

Go outside tonight and look at the stars. What do you see, and, more importantly, what do you feel? Perhaps its cloudy and you can't see much, or you live in a city where the electric lights drown out the natural ones. Perhaps it's cold and uncomfortable. Perhaps it's perfectly clear and you catch a glimpse of the Milky Way or at least a critical mass of stars. Imagine seeing something in the sky tonight that would propel you to leave home, with your belongings on your back, in search of the one who would change the world for all time.

God of the universe, shine your light into our lives and guide us on right paths, so that we, like the magi, may never lose sight of the path to Jesus amid the struggles of our lives.



Support our neighbors down the street, Bay Family Restaurant. Scored a free meal for doing this, not too proud to stoop.

## **FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP**

#### **Contributions received:** December 18 – December 24

Sacrificial Giving	\$ 22,050.86
Loose Offering	\$ 1,469.20
Restricted Gifts	\$ 1,003.00
Total	\$ 24,523.06

**Contributions received:** December 25 – December 31

Sacrificial Giving.	\$ 20.083.00
Loose Offering	
Restricted Gifts	\$ 343.00
Christmas	\$ 9,780.00
Total	\$ 31 316.00

# Thank you for your financial support of our parish!



Consider St. Agnes Parish "Direct Giving"

"Direct Giving" allows you to make automatic contributions on either the first or fifteenth of each month from your checking or savings account. An enrollment form is available on our parish website at www.stagnesgreenbay.org.

### **SECOND COLLECTION**

Next weekend, January 13 & 14, a second collection will be taken for Heating Costs. Your contribution helps the parish with increased heating costs during the cold weather.



### PRAYER VINE

To place a prayer on our vine, call Judi at 920-405-0586 or email Corinne at cdhallfam7@gmail.com.



Consider ordering pizza tonight!



Use the Everyday ONLINE Supporter Discount

Get **30% OFF** your entire **ONLINE** order at menu price <u>and</u> **10% of your order total supports our parish!** 

> Order Online: papajohns.com Use Promo Code: STAGNES30

### New Address, New Phone, New Name?

Please inform the Parish Office:

### 920-494-2534 parishoffice@stagnesgreenbay.org

If you have a change of

- address
- phone number (or drop your land line)
- email address
- marital status
- If you, a family member or parish neighbor
  - are home bound
  - admitted to the hospital
  - enter a nursing home or assisted living residence

If you change your parish membership.

# **Shop With Scrip This New Year!**

### ① Buy Gift Cards

Purchase gift cards through the Scrip program at face value. These are the same gift cards you see sold in stores.

Choose gift cards to your favorite stores, restaurants and service providers from the hundreds of vendors available.

### ② Earn Rebates

- Each gift card has a rebate percentage that goes to our parish when you *circle "parishioner" and write "St. Agnes"* on the Scrip purchase form.
- ③ Spend Gift Cards Use the gift cards to pay for your everyday shopping expenses.



Purchase Scrip in the church narthex on weekends - Saturday 5-5:30 PM and Sunday 8:45-10:45 AM.

Or in the gym lobby (Door 5 at Holy Family School) from 2:50-3:20 PM on days that school is in session and volunteer sellers are available.

# **Local Events**

# Cathedral Book & Gift

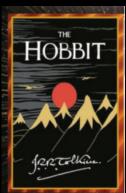
131 S. Madison Street, Green Bay

### Beat The Winter Blues Sale!

For the Month of January all books in store are 10% off. (Some exclusions may apply, see store for details.)



# **EPIC** BOOK CLUB



Our first selections will be J.R.R. Tolkien's fantasy: *The Hobbit The Lord of the Rings The Silmarillion* 

Each title is available for purchase at the store.

Let us know if you will attend! 920-432-0078

# Saturdays from 9 to 10 AM

**January 13** Chapters 1 – 7 January 27 Chapters 8 – 19

Cathedral Book & Gift COFFEE ROOM 131 S. Madison St., Green Bay

For more information: CathedralBookAndGiftGB@gmail.com

Green Bay Area Religious Special Education All are welcome to join us for Mass on Saturday, January 20 at 10:15 AM Nativity of Our Lord Church, 2270 S. Oneida St. Celebrant: Msgr. Jim Dillenburg Students with special needs read and serve at Mass. ALL ARE WELCOME!

Green Bay Area Religious Special Ed provides Religious Education, Sacrament Preparation and Faith Sharing to people with a cognitive challenge, ages six through adult.

> For more information, https://GBSpecial.ReligiousEd.org/

### <u>GOSPEL MEDITATION</u> Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

### The Epiphany of the Lord Mt 2:1-12



A stranger in a foreign land, I was exhausted and homesick as my summer Spanish immersion ended in Guatemala. The rusty minivan arriving outside my small residence filled me with joyful hope. I was flying home to the U.S. and would be, at long last, completely happy. Or so I thought. After about half an hour of being home, I thought to myself, "This place is boring. I want to go somewhere." So, I hopped in my car and left to see my friends. As I drove, I wistfully wondered, "Where am I *truly* at home?"

The feast of Epiphany has a lot to do with our notion of home. Where is our origin? Where are we going? When is our wandering done? Saint Matthew tells us of the Magi, **"They were overjoyed at seeing the star."** This star will bring them *home*, to a place where their questing will end, and they will be satisfied. Their real home is neither in the East nor in the earthly Jerusalem. Somehow, their home is wherever this boy and his parents are.

If you're a teenager or older, you probably know by now that every physical home we have is temporary. So, we look up at the countless stars in our proverbial skies: things which bedazzle and beckon us to follow toward peace. The Gospel invites us to behold that at long last — God has sent us a star to follow home, one that whispers, "Follow me! I will take you home!" Perhaps that star is your spouse. A friend. An opportunity. A cause. An intuition about a new direction. A prayer group. What is it for you? How will you know? It will lead you to Mary and Joseph and their son, and you will be home.

*— Father John Muir* ©LPi

### Eucharistic Adoration Adorers Needed: Tuesday 11 AM - 12 PM Friday 1 - 2 PM

An adorer signs up to spend quiet time with the Lord in prayer, silence, meditation or contemplation for a specific hour each week. Contact Dawn Toonen at 920-246-0913.





# **Parish Directory**

Thank you for your patience in waiting for the church directories to arrive. They were ordered

early December and holiday plant/shipping issues have delayed them.



Diocesan-wide Confirmation Liturgies Every Spring and Fall



Adult Confirmation Who Can Receive This Sacrament? "Every baptized person not yet confirmed can and should receive the sacrament of Confirmation...for without Confirmation and Eucharist, Baptism is certainly valid...but Christian initiation remains incomplete." - Catechism of the Catholic Church no. 1306

If this describes you consider Adult Confirmation to be held May 19, 2024, at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral. Registration for classes through St. Agnes Parish is open now through Feb. 14. Call the Parish Office for details and to register.

> 920-494-2534 ministry@stagnesgreenbay.org



# GRATEFUL PLATE

New Cooks Welcome! Drop off a serving of your prepared meal with serving instructions for Fr. Patrick. Call the Parish Office to schedule a date.

# Men's Club Meeting

Please join us for a Men's Club meeting at 7 PM on Thursday, January 11, in the parish social hall.



The short meeting will be followed by snacks and fellowship. We enjoy seeing new and also familiar faces of men who can help us plan for our annual events that benefit St. Agnes Parish and the community. *Come join us!* 



### Widow's Support Meeting & Coffee January 18, 1:00 PM

St. Gabriel Room—Use church door 4

Please join us for prayer, conversation, and fellowship! All are welcome, bring a friend. Email Gail at <u>ministry@stagnesgreenbay.org</u> or call 920-494-2534 for more information.



# PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21 8:00-11:00AM ST. AGNES CHURCH, 1484 NINTH ST., GREEN BAY



# **Mass Intentions**



6:45am Vocations
Tuesday, January 9
6:45am † Fr. John Hampsch
Wednesday, January 10
8:00am † Richard Sloniker
Thursday, January 11
6:45am † Larry Staszak
9:00am † Mark Parmentier
School Mass
Friday, January 12
6:45am † David Schumacher
Saturday, January 13 - St. Hilary
8:00am † Richard Vogel
4:15pm † Fr. Jerry Falk and Fr. Bob Falk
Sunday, January 14 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Tim
8:00am For the People of St. Agnes Parish
9:30am † Aiden McClure
11:00am † Gerald Heyrman

# This Week at St. Agnes

Monday, January 8 12:00-1:30pm – Art & Environment Meeting Tuesday, January 9 7:30am-noon – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Wednesday, January 10 8:30am-5:45pm – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 11:00am – Safety Committee Meeting 5:00-5:30pm – Children's Choir Thursday, January 11 5:45-7:15pm – Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm – Men's Club Meeting (Parish Social Hall) Friday, January 12 1:00-5:00pm – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

### **Reporting Sexual Abuse**

If you know of an incident of sexual abuse of a person who is <u>now under the age of 18</u> by a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer,

PLEASE IMMEDIATELY CALL THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES AND THEN THE DIOCESE.

If the person was abused as a minor, but is now an adult, please contact: Office of Safe Environment Diocese of Green Bay



920-272-8174 or 1-877-270-8174 (toll free) We always encourage you to report

the incident to civil authorities. YOU MATTER TO US – THERE IS HOPE!





CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED Wedding Feast & Epiphany

### **Question:**

How are the feasts of the baptism of Jesus and the account of the wedding feast of Cana related to the Epiphany celebration?

### Answer:

The Epiphany season focuses on revealing Jesus to the world. Following the Christmas celebration, the liturgical year lays out a series of manifestation points in which Jesus is made publicly known. From its very beginning, the Christian community highlighted three events in the life of Jesus. These are the Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord and the wedding feast at Cana.

The Epiphany discloses Jesus to the world of the Gentiles, represented by the magi from the East. The accounts of Jesus' baptism reveal his identity and mission, along with exposing him to those to whom he was sent to minister. The miracle of turning water to wine at the wedding feast of Cana, unique to John's Gospel, is the first public sign that Jesus performs, thus manifesting his public identity and his powers.

Today in the Roman Church, these are usually celebrated on three successive Sundays: Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord which is usually the next Sunday, and the wedding feast of Cana, which is proclaimed on the 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time in lectionary year C.

These feasts connect around the concept of epiphany, public manifestation of Jesus to the world. They help us get to know more intimately who Jesus is and what he is about. Spend some time delving more deeply into your understanding of who Jesus is. Continue to cultivate these "epiphany" moments in your life. ©LPi

# **Contact Information**

### **PASTORAL TEAM**

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ST. AGNES CONVENT

Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity

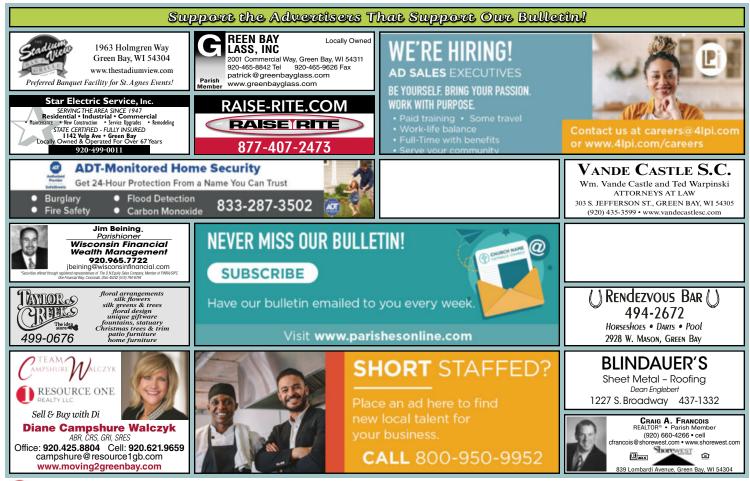


This Week's

The Baptism of the Lord January 8



Saint Hilary Bishop & Doctor of the Church January 13



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