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SAINT AGNES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mon.-Thurs. 8:00am -12:00pm
1:00pm - 4:00pm
Fri. 8:00am - 12:00pm

SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULE

Saturday

8:00am Mass
8:45-10:00am Confessions
4:15pm Mass

Sunday

8:15am Mass
10:00am Mass

Monday

6:45am Mass

Tuesday

6:45am Mass

Wednesday

8:00am Mass
5:00-6:00pm Confessions

Thursday

6:45am Mass

Friday

6:45am Mass

TO OUR VISITORS

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



2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*"Every valley shall be filled
and every mountain and hill shall be made low.
The winding roads shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth,
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."
- Lk 3:5-6*

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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December 8, 2024 · Second Sunday of Advent



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

Wednesday 5:00-6:00pm,
Saturday 8:45-10:00am 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

Early deadlines— see page 5

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Praise the Lord! Preparing for the beginning of a new day is never easy for me. I'm not really much of a planner. I have some priest friends that are very good at planning. They plan things out for months in advance. I've always considered planning to be a bit cumbersome, but I've begun to appreciate the advantage that planning has. In today's Gospel reading we hear, "*Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.*" Preparing and planning are all part of this liturgical season. One particular way that we can plan our day is to make a morning offering. There are many morning offering prayers that can help to make our daily paths straight. When we are confronted with surprises, challenges, dilemmas and the like, a daily offering prayer can give us an added boost. A daily morning offering can give us the added graces to address those events of our lives that seem unexpected and out of place. In fifth grade I learned a daily offering prayer from Sister Helen. It has been a great help to me through the years. It reminds me that however well we may plan a day, there are always opportunities to rely on grace in the midst of our preparation. I hope you find this prayer helpful to you. It rhymes a bit and is sorta catchy, too. It helps to remember the words.

Good morning God and thank you for the glory of the sun.

Thank you for the health I have to get my duty done.

I shall devote the hours of this golden day to you.

By honoring you in everything I do.

I know there have been many days that I have whiled away.

But this is one that I will try to make your special day.

And so once more, good morning God! And please depend on me.

Because I want to honor you for all eternity. **Amen.**

May these Advent days prepare your hearts for the greatest plan that has ever existed. God's plan to save the world from its sin. He will be with you throughout your day. **Now & Forever!**

**Pax Christi,
Fr. Quinn**

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Contributions received:

November 18 – November 24
 Sacrificial Giving..... \$ 7,692.22
 Loose Offering \$ 1,040.06
 Restricted Gifts \$ 2,663.00
Total \$ 11,395.28

Contributions received:

November 25 – December 1
 Sacrificial Giving..... \$ 7,424.00
 Loose Offering \$ 690.00
 Restricted Gifts \$ 1,355.00
 Thanksgiving \$ 876.00
Total \$ 10,345.00



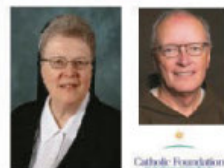
Retirement Collection — SHARE IN THE CARE

Diocesan Priest Retirement & National Retirement Fund for Religious
 December 14 & 15

Next weekend our parish will take a Retirement Collection. This will benefit two groups of people who have served us faithfully. We have the opportunity to give to the National Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps our retired sisters, brothers and religious order priests. We also have an opportunity to give to the retirement needs of the senior priests in the Diocese of Green Bay. You may donate to both of these groups, or just to one. Please use the envelope provided in your bi-monthly packet or the envelope available by the church doors. Make checks payable to St. Agnes Parish.

Retirement Collection

Diocesan Priest Retirement & National Retirement Fund for Religious



Share in the Care
 Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

In thanksgiving for our senior diocesan priests and religious, please join in supporting this Retirement Collection. Please pray for God's continued blessing on our diocesan priests, religious order priests, sisters, and brothers.

www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give www.retiredreligious.org

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Purchase scrip gift cards to give or to buy that perfect gift and earn rebates for our parish.

Circle "parishioner" and write "St. Agnes" on your scrip form.

Purchase Scrip:

- Saturday 5 to 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9-10 a.m. in the narthex at church
- Tuesday and Friday from 3 to 3:20 p.m. in the parish gym lobby at Holy Family School (Door 5 from parking lot)

Mark Your Calendar

St. Agnes Parish and Holy Family School
Paper and Cardboard Collection



January 4 & 5

Please remove Styrofoam and plastic packaging from boxes. Flatten or compact boxes.

Thank you for supporting our collection!

2024 YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS

To have contributions recognized in 2024, they must be dated 2024; received in the Parish Office prior to 4 p.m. on December 31 **or** received in the collection basket at the 4:15 p.m. Vigil Mass on December 31, 2024 **or** postmarked on or before December 31, 2024.



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CATHOLIC

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Straight Path

Ten to fifteen years ago the Department of Transportation decided that it would be fun to give everyone in my zip code something to complain about and replaced most of our major intersections with roundabouts.

This wouldn't be so irksome, I suppose, if I understood how to navigate a roundabout. In theory I do, I've read all the rules and I've watched those cute little YouTube videos where they show you which car is supposed to go at what time. But theory and practice are rather different. And the bottom line is, I never approach a roundabout without taking a deep, anxious breath and tightening my grip on the steering wheel, not entirely sure what my next move should be.

I think of roundabouts every time I hear today's Gospel reading, where John the Baptist echoes Isaiah in beseeching us to make straight the paths of the Lord. See, I always think I've made a straight path between me and God. I go to Mass. I go to Confession. I say my prayers.

He can get to me if He wants, I tell myself.

But without realizing it, I put up roundabouts. I make rules. *You go here, God, and then I go here. I'll do this, God, but first You do this. You stay in your lane, and I stay in mine.* Eventually I find myself taking a different route altogether; the road that stretches between me and Him is too daunting. I start avoiding it.

Sometimes I think God wants the path to be straight not for Himself but for us. He can handle a roundabout. But He knows that when we must run to Him, we have to do it without thinking. In the dark. In fear, in anxiety.

So, this Advent, beware the roundabouts. Make straight the path.

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman ©LPi



St. Andrew Dinner

Thursday, December 26, 2024

Calling all High School & College-age men!

Join us for a gathering of disciples open to the priesthood (age 14+). The evening includes Mass with Bishop Ricken at 5:30 p.m. and dinner/formation with the Vocations team & seminarians to follow.

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

140 S Monroe Ave, Green Bay

5:30-8:00 PM

Additional Questions & Info

Fr. Mark Mleziva, Vocation Director
vocations@gbdioc.org
www.gbvocations.org



RSVP: www.gbvocations.org/registration

AND contact the St. Agnes Parish Office

parishoffice@stagnesgreenbay.org
920-494-2534

Faith Formation

High School Students

Join us for the **Stuebenville Youth Conference** July 11 - 13, 2025 in Rochester, MN

Contact the RE Office at 920-494-6450 ASAP.

Registration opened Nov. 1. Bus will fill quickly.





Angel Tree

Select an **ANGEL** from the tree in our narthex, purchase the item listed and return to church by **next Sunday, December 15**. The item should be unwrapped with the angel attached. We are collecting gifts for:

**Golden House
St. John's Ministries
New Community Shelter**

Select a **STAR** from the tree and fill a gift bag with the items listed on the star. Return filled gift bag to church by next **December 15** with the star attached.

Gift bags are for our homebound parishioners.

St. Agnes Parish Advent Reconciliation Service

**Tuesday, December 10
6 p.m.**



Area priests will be available for individual confession.

Area Advent Reconciliation Offerings Reconciliation Service

Fri., December 13 / 6 p.m. – St. Jude

Adoration & Reconciliation

Tue., December 17 / 5-7 p.m. – Nativity

Christmas Flowers

Contribute toward the flowers/plants for the decoration of church using the envelope in your bi-monthly packet. Donations may be put in the weekend collection basket, mailed or brought to the Parish Office. **Deadline for the bulletin flower listing is Friday noon, December 13.** Please clearly print if your gift is given in memory/honor of a loved one.



2025 Parish Calendars

Parish liturgical calendars are available in the narthex.

Thank you to

**Blaney Funeral Home and
Lyndahl Funeral Home**
for providing the calendars.



LIVE THE LITURGY *Inspiration for the Week*

John the Baptist was appointed to prepare the way for the Lord. This Advent, follow his example and prepare the way for the Lord. Invite the Lord to make straight the roads in your life that wind, and to smooth all that is rough in your heart.



Widow's Support Meeting, Coffee, and Secret Santa on December 19, 1:00 p.m. **St. Gabriel Room of church/Door 4**

We will enjoy a small gift exchange and holiday treats this month, along with prayer and conversation. All widows are welcome! Bring a wrapped \$10 gift or white elephant, to participate in Secret Santa! Call 920-494-2534 or email ministry@stagnesgreenbay.org for more information. Newly widowed or widowed a long time? Consider stopping in! You do not need to be Catholic to participate.

Church Safety Team Update

Over the past 5 years, the St. Agnes Safety Team has focused on increasing the safety of parishioners during church activities. Identifying risks and improving timely responses has been a primary objective. We have brought in educational speakers, attended workshops, and responded to updates from the diocese on matters of safety.

Two current members will complete their terms in December, resulting in openings that will need to be filled. It is a dynamic group that meets on average once per month, nine months of the year.

We invite anyone interested in joining the team to our next meeting on December 18 at 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Office conference room. Please call George Kamps at 920-265-5272 or Gail Eichhorn at 920-494-2534 with any questions.



Upcoming Bulletin Deadlines

December 9 for December 22 bulletin
December 16 for December 29 bulletin
December 18 for January 5 bulletin

Mass Intentions



Monday, December 9 (Observed)

***Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

Patronal Feast Day of the United States of America

Holy Day of Obligation

6:45am † Jim Peot
12:00pm † Agnes Lepak
4:15pm † Dick Falk

Tuesday, December 10 - *Our Lady of Loreto*

6:45am † Jane Meehan

Wednesday, December 11- *St. Damasus I*

8:00am † Suzanne Van Lanen

Thursday, December 12 - *Our Lady of Guadalupe*

Patroness of the Americas

6:45am † Theresa Troglio
9:00am † Carl, Virginia and Margaret Maes
School Mass

Friday, December 13 - *St. Lucy*

6:45am † Marvin & Peggy Deterville

Saturday, December 14 - *St. John of the Cross*

8:00am † Mike Mayer
4:15pm † Wayne Peebles

Sunday, December 15 - *Third Sunday of Advent*

8:15am Pro Populo
10:00am † Gert Ryba



The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Patronal Feast Day of the United States of America

Holy Day of Obligation

Observed Monday, December 9

6:45 a.m. – St. Agnes

7:15 a.m. – St. Willebrord

8:00 a.m. – Nativity

8:00 a.m. – St. Joseph

8:00 a.m. – St. Jude

8:30 a.m. – St. John the Baptist

9:00 a.m. – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

12:00 p.m. – St. Agnes

12:05 p.m. – St. Willebrord

4:15 p.m. – St. Agnes

6:00 p.m. – Annunciation (Bilingual)

6:00 p.m. – St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

CHANGE 6:00 p.m. – St. Willebrord (**Spanish**)

6:30 p.m. – St. John the Baptist

This Week at St. Agnes

Tuesday, December 10

7:30-10:30am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
6:00pm – Parish Reconciliation Service

Wednesday, December 11

8:30am-6:00pm – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
9:00am – Buildings and Grounds
2:00-3:00pm – Staff Gathering (Parish Office Closed)

Thursday, December 12

5:45-7:15pm – Choir Rehearsal

Friday, December 13

7:30-10:30am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

ST. AGNES CONFESSION TIMES



Wednesday
5-6 p.m.

Saturday
8:45-10 a.m.



FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

DECEMBER 12

**PRAY FOR MIGRANTS,
REFUGEES & IMMIGRANTS**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Christmas Mass Schedule

Vigil of The Nativity of the Lord
Tuesday, December 24 (Eve)

4:15 p.m.

The Nativity of the Lord
Wednesday, December 25

8:15 and 10:00 a.m.



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ST. AGNES CONVENT

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Patroness of the Americas, you remind us of God's ongoing presence among us; that God looks like us, talks like us and meets us where we are at. Guide us as we work to be attentive to the lowly in the way that you cared for Juan Diego and his family. Inspire in us his faithfulness and courage, that we, too, may trust in God's providence and care. **Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us. Saint Juan Diego, pray for us.**

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