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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms

Saturday 6:15 PM St. Patrick's

Sunday 11:00 AM St. Agnes

by previous arrangement after

conclusion of Baptism Preparation Class

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:15 PM and by appointment

5:15 PM at St. Patrick's

Marriage

Call rectory at least one year in advance

MASSES FULFILLING SUNDAY OBLIGATION

Saturday	4:00 PM	St. Agnes
	5:30 PM	St. Patrick's
Sunday	8:00 AM	St. Agnes
	10:00 AM	St. Agnes
	*5:30 PM	St. Agnes
	*Life Teen Mass—Academic Year Only	

MASSES FULFILLING HOLY DAY OBLIGATION

Eve of Holy Day	5:30 PM
Holy Day	8:30 AM

WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday	8:30AM Mass
First Friday	8:30AM Mass
Holidays	8:30AM Mass

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 10:30AM-4:30PM

MISSION STATEMENT

We are a faith filled, welcoming parish that seeks to give glory to God through prayer, worship and service.

SAINT AGNES CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



As we open our hearts to God, may we extend our hands in friendship to one another. May all who have come to worship know that they are sincerely welcomed in this house of God.



SAINT AGNES CHURCH

Saturday, August 7, 2021

4:00pm- John McGarry
Req. by family
Linda Sal Scialabba
Req. by family

Sunday, August 8, 2021

8:00am - Special Intention
10:00am - Daniel Winton
Req. by Jim and Colette Molineaux

Monday, August 9, 2021

8:30am - Special Intention

Tuesday, August 10, 2021

8:30am - In Thanksgiving

Wednesday, August 11, 2021

8:30am - Ralph Osborn - 8th Anniversary
Req. by family

Thursday, August 12, 2021

8:30am - Timothy Kushi - 9th Anniversary
Req. by family

Friday - August 13, 2021

8:30am - Katherine Osborn DiNicola - 5th Anniv.
Req. by family

Saturday, August 14, 2021

4:00pm- Laura Lussier
Req. by family
Mary Fenwick
Req. by The McCauley family

Sunday, August 15, 2021

8:00am - Special Intention
10:00am - Patricia Waelti
Req. by Jim and Colette Molineaux

SAINT PATRICK'S CHURCH

**No Masses at St. Patrick's until further notice.
All Mass Intentions scheduled for St. Patrick's
will be moved to the Saturday 4:00pm Mass at
St. Agnes.**



WE WILL CONTINUE TO

LIVE STREAM ALL ST. AGNES MASSES:

DAILY MASS MONDAY - FRIDAY @ 8:30AM

ON SATURDAY @ 4PM AND

SUNDAY @ 8AM AND 10AM

Visit us on the web at:

www.saintagnesc.com

Previously Recorded or Repeat

Of a Past Mass will be posted

On-line on our web page

**Note: There will not be any Masses at
St. Patrick's until further notice.**

OUTREACH TO HOMEBOUND

Saturday Mass is being televised **LIVE**
at **4PM on both Pittsfield Cable** TV Channel
1301 **on Dalton Cable** TV Channel 1301

Readings for the week of August 8, 2021

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/
Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51

Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20
[12a]/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn
12:24-26

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17
[cf. 20a and 10b]/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-
6/Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and
24/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11
[cf. 5a]/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10,
11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56



NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—AUGUST 8, 2021



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."
- Jn 6:51

PRO LIFE REFLECTION

From today's 2nd Reading, Ephesians 2: ***"All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting and reviling must be removed from you, along with malice."***
Perpetuate life with hope and charity.



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Please be generous to your parish. Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure is all our responsibility. Our parish is funded and operated by your generosity and involvement. Please help us with our parish deficits by increasing your sacrificial giving amounts, joining Parish Pay, or more consistent use of offertory envelopes. Our Parish and School rely on your generosity. Thanks for all who sacrifice to help.

20/20 CLUB

The winner for last week:

Judy MacCartney

Once again Fundraising Committee would like to thank everyone who signed up for this club which started March 20th. We thank our many faithful past members, as well as our new members. We want to wish everyone "Good Luck". Any questions, call Henry Trudell @ 684-0928.



We're Collecting
Food for the Needy.
Can You Help?

Our Food Pantry is in Need of

Coffee, juice, Beef Stew, Spam, Hamburger Helper and toilet paper. **Please hold** on pasta, pasta sauce, tea, peanut butter and Knorr Pasta Sides.

Please NO baby food or frozen foods.
PLEASE DO NOT DONATE ANY OUT-DATED FOOD. The Food Pantry is open Thurs. from

5:30PM to 6:00PM. Any questions, call Georgie Morrissey at 841-0342.

PROTECTING OUR YOUTH

The Diocese of Springfield and St. Agnes Parish is committed to keeping children and youth safe. We have policies and procedures which are spelled out on our parish website at www.stagnesc.com.

For questions regarding Child Safety issues, please contact our parish Child Advocates: Lisa Stankiewicz 684-1803 or Fadia Makdisi 684-3143.

This Week's Events

ROSARY WITH ADORATION - CANCELLED
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - CANCELLED

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

What's Your Hearth Cake?

"Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you." I've been to a lot of meetings in my years of work in the Church, and you can take my word for it: the ones with snacks just seem to go better.

I don't know what it is exactly. Maybe it's just that people are in a more agreeable mood if you show up with donuts. Or maybe it's about the very real sense of community and camaraderie that is created at a table where people are engaging in that most human of tasks — eating — beside one another. I think a big part of it comes down to the simple fact that we're all just nicer people when we're fed.

This rings true spiritually, too. We simply must remain fed if we, in turn, are to feed others. Think of a time when you have neglected your relationship with God — when you haven't fed yourself with whatever it is that you need to remain committed to the journey of a Christian life. Is it Mass attendance? Is it prayer or Scripture reading? Is it time with your small group, or conversation with a trusted friend who knows your soul? What sustains your ability to be a good disciple, a good steward? What inspires you to give more freely, to love more abundantly?

Whatever it is, that's your hearth cake. That's your jug of water. Don't neglect it. The Angel of the Lord is nudging you in your sleep: "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you."

ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY MEMORIAL TREE PROGRAM

Throughout time, trees have held a special place in the lives and traditions of mankind. It is in appreciation for trees and a desire to remember or celebrate a loved one with a living tribute that St. Joseph Cemetery has launched a tree planting program to replace trees recently lost to disease. Memorial trees will be planted primarily along Pecks Road where a number of trees had to be cut down earlier this year. If enough donations are received, trees will be planted along the main roads of the cemetery where old trees were removed.

The cost for a Memorial Tree is \$500. A Memorial Tree plaque will be on display on cemetery grounds. No plaques or markers can be placed on or near the Memorial Trees.

Please call Diana at the Cemetery office at 499-1317 or email her at stjoec@verizon.net for more information or to sponsor a tree.

Are YOU Being Called?

Deacons serve in a unique way.

The Office of the Diaconate is seeking Catholic laymen to transition into Deacons. Catholic men are invited to attend a Diaconate Formation session for the Diaconate Class of 2026. Married? Invite your wife to attend with you! (Note: Age minimum at time of ordination is 35.)

Wednesday, July 21, 6-8PM

Bishop Marshall Center, Springfield

Saturday, July 31, 10AM-Noon

St. Joseph's Church Parish Center, Pittsfield

Saturday, August 7, 10AM-Noon

Bishop Marshall Center, Springfield

Wednesday, August 11, 6-8 PM

St. Joseph's Church Parish Center, Pittsfield



Preach. Teach. Serve.

First, the deacon is to be active in charitable work and any work of service. This may involve ministry to the sick, the aged, the poor, prison ministry, campus ministry, or youth ministry. The possibilities are limitless; the deacon is called to initiate ministries where needs are perceived.

Second, the deacon preaches the Word. At liturgical services he reads the Gospel and may preach the homily. He also preaches the Word by working in adult education, religious education programs, sacramental preparation, etc.

Third, while the deacon does not celebrate the Eucharist as do the bishop or priest, he assists at the Eucharist. He is an ordinary minister of the Eucharist. He may also officiate at Benediction, administer sacraments, baptize solemnly, bless marriages and preside at wakes, funerals and burials.



**Diaconate Formation Program
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Contact the Office of the Diaconate:
413-452-0674 | diaconate@diospringfield.org
spfddiaconate.org



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Phone: 413-684-1803

Churchlady35@gmail.com

Grades K-8: Sundays, 10:45 – 11:45 a.m.

Or Monday 3:15 – 4:30 p.m.

Life Teen (grades 9 & 10) Sunday
twice a month following

5:30 p.m. Life Teen Mass

Confirmation (Gr. 11 or 12)

Sun. 9:00 a.m. or 6:15 p.m.

Calendars at church entrances and

On parish website: www.stagnescc.com

A TIME FOR REMEMBRANCES

During these challenging times, Knights of Columbus Council #411 is soliciting prayer intentions.

Prayers in memory of those deceased and on behalf of others in difficult and trying circumstances can be requested. Names will be listed in the St. Agnes prayer journal and a candle will be lit for each individual. Prayer intentions can be sent to:

joe@jgrandecommunications.com or mailed to

K of C Council #411, 108 Pinecrest Drive,
Dalton, MA 01226.

Prayer During A Health Crisis

Compassionate and Loving Father,

In the face of confusion and concern
impart to us the calm of your presence.

In You, allow us to find hope and healing.

Be with those who serve the sick and give them Your caring hands. Be with those who lead and give them Your Spirit of wisdom. Be with those who have fallen ill and give them Your comforting heart.

Wrap your arms around our world and hold us in your love. Allow us at this time of trial to then serve as instruments of that love to all we meet.

We ask this in Your Name. Amen.

**3 EASY STEPS
TO KEEPING YOURSELF
& OTHERS HEALTHY!**



**WASH YOUR
HANDS**



**DON'T TOUCH
YOUR FACE**



**KEEP YOUR
DISTANCE**

Stay Connected While You're Away.



Go to www.parishesonline.com to view your church bulletin and stay up to date.

SUMMER BLESSING

May we make our homes
places of relaxation,
joy, love, peace and safety.
May we be generous and considerate,
not thinking only about ourselves,
but helping others enjoy
the blessings of the Summertime.
Lord God, Creator of all things,
guide our steps and
strengthen our hearts
during these months of Summer
and vacation days.
Grant us refreshment
of body and mind.
May we constantly strive to
make a meaningful difference
in the lives of our loved ones
and in the world around us
as we enjoy the warm days
of summertime.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

"WORD ON FIRE" PROGRAM

The "Word on Fire" program presents an opportunity for all members of the parish to access the entirety of Bishop Robert Barron's ongoing work in theology and spirituality, accessibly and conveniently.

Bishop Barron is a best-selling author of numerous books, essays and articles that illuminate some of the most important questions about our faith.

Bishop Barron has contributed as a religious correspondent to all major networks. "Word on Fire" is now available by registering through **Flocknote** or is available on the **MyParish App**.

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Dear parishioners,

St. Agnes Academy is Unique. Although we did what many schools could not do and we just finished the COVID year with all students in person all year! I cannot help but reflect on what makes St. Agnes Academy so unique and different from other schools.

The St Agnes difference is our faith. The power of being able to freely speak about and live Catholic Christian values in a school setting cannot be underestimated. Students and staff do not have to “compartmentalize” everyday life routines and practice of religion-they are integrated in all that we do. Being able to have complete integrity between what we profess and how we live our daily lives provides a model for our students not found in most other schools.

The St Agnes difference is our faculty and staff. This is a group of dedicated individuals who come to school everyday to give the best they have to give to our children. They plan incredible lessons, engaging activities, and many special projects to ensure that our children’s education is rigorous and relevant. They give of their time and talents because they care about children.

The St. Agnes difference is a challenging curriculum that prepares students for top Catholic, private or public high schools and for life.

The St Agnes difference is our parents and our parishioners. You go above and beyond in so many ways! You volunteer in small ways and big ways. And all of this is done with love for all of St. Agnes’ children and care for the school. This year has been challenging and we could not enjoy community engagement as we usually do. We are looking forward to next year!

The St. Agnes difference is service, which is an integral part of being Catholic. The Academy and each classroom participate in service learning/social justice projects in which the students learn about issues and then create an action plan to address that issue. They raise funds or collect clothing or write letters to support a cause. Each Student has the opportunity to contribute in various ways; some big-some maybe not as big-but just as important, especially to those on the receiving end.

The St. Agnes difference is a safe, loving environment where you do not have to worry about the safety of your child, where you can trust other parents to be there if you need them, where you see your child being taught by loving teachers, where the teachers are role models of their faith, and where Jesus is evident in everything we do.

Those of us that work at St. Agnes Academy are the luckiest people; we get to come to “work” each day and have the privilege of being delighted and inspired by God’s beautiful children! We promise to provide the finest environment to nurture and help grow these young people into well-educated, happy, productive, Christ-centered adults.

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