



Saint Agnes

CATHOLIC CHURCH



April 9, 2023

Rev. Rayappa Konka
Pastor

Susan Flohr
Pastoral Minister

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 am

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri
7:00 am
Wed 8:15am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays one hour prior to Mass
or by appointment (632-2541)

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the Parish Office

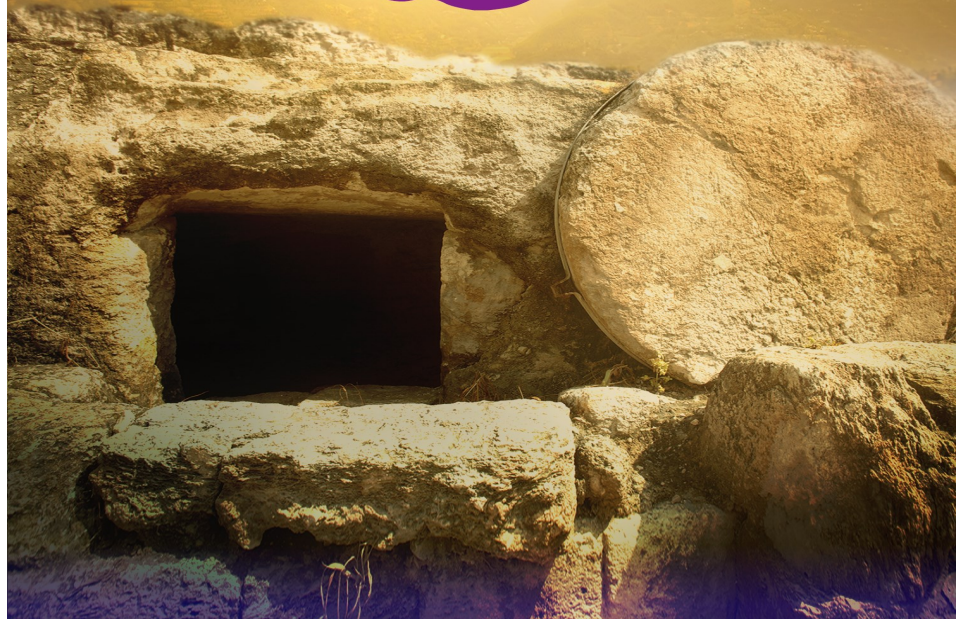
Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday-Friday, 9am - Noon
& 1pm - 4pm



EASTER SUNDAY

the Resurrection of the Lord



"Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay." - Mt. 28:5b-6

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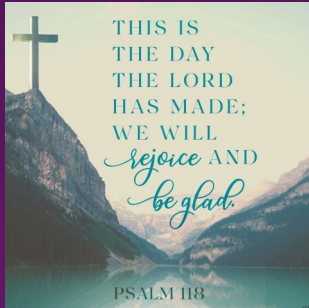
Today's Readings

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Psalm: 118

Colossians 3:1-4

John 20:1-9



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The Resurrection of The Lord

Easter Sunday and Object Permanence

When you play peekaboo with a very young baby who has not yet developed object permanence, you actually feel kind of mean. As soon as your hands obscure your face, their little eyes widen with alarm and their expression crumbles into confusion and despair.

Because they can no longer see you, they believe you no longer exist. Their little brains are unable to understand that just because a thing cannot be seen, it is still there, still alive, still full of love and care and protection.

Aw, man, you can hear them thinking. *I guess I don't have a mom anymore.*

On Easter morning, Mary Magdalene sees the burial cloth but no body. Her human mind makes sense of the situation the best way it knows how, she assumes the Lord has been taken. I'm sure I would have thought the same thing, in her position.

She cannot conceive, on her own, the reality that Christ has risen from the dead. It doesn't matter that he has told his disciples again and again that this will happen. They weren't ready to understand then.

In many ways, Easter is when the human race really achieved object permanence. But we still struggle with it, don't we? I certainly do. So often I can be heard accusing God: "You weren't there. Where were you? I couldn't find you."

But I looked for him in the flesh. I looked for him in the stale yeast of the world — in money or success or affirmation or (worst of all) convenience and pleasure. Of course, I would not find him there, among the dead.

Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. — Colossians 3:2

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS · By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

This Week's Schedule

Monday, April 10, 2023

Daily Mass (7:00am)
Intention: †RoseMary Goossens by Catholic Daughters
Communal Rosary (4:45pm)
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Daily Mass (7:00am)
Intention: Breann Hort by Connie McDonnough
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

Daily Mass (8:15am)
Intention: †Fr. Dan Gilbert by Chuck & Judy Schwarz
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)
Contemplative Prayer (6:00pm)

Thursday, April 13, 2023

Daily Mass (7:00am)
Intention: †Michael Merkel by The Merkel Family
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15pm)

Friday, April 14, 2023

Daily Mass (7:00am)
Intention: †Catherine Ryden by Dave & JoAnn Nash
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15pm)

Saturday, April 15, 2023

Weekend Mass (5:00pm)
Intention: †Rick Hilzer by Deb Hilzer & Family

Sunday, April 16, 2023

Weekend Mass (8:00am)
Intention: For Our Parish
Weekend Mass (10:00am)
Intention: †Rick Cantril by Mike & Terri Calvert

This Week's Readings



Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15
 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
 Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14
 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15
 Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

Young at Heart

Parishioners 55ish and older are invited to the Young at Heart Potluck luncheon on Tuesday, April 18th at noon in the St. Agnes Church Garden Room. Please bring a dish to share and join your church family friends for good food and fellowship.



Attention Students!!

Scholarship Opportunities!

St. Agnes Catholic School Foundation Alumni Futures Scholarship

Applications are available online at catholic-schoolfoundation.com! If you're an alumni of St. Agnes Catholic School, and a graduating high school senior, please consider applying (see our scholarship information online to determine if you meet our application criteria). If you have questions or need to request an electronic version of the application, please email Isabel at imoreno@st-agnes-school.com. We look forward to reading your applications!
Deadline: May 1, 2023

Server Schedule

Apr 15 5pm Caylie Garcia
 Quinten Gould
 Apr 16 8am Easton Becker
 Emily Esselstein
 10:00am Audrey Podlesak
 Kellan Zulkoski

Lector Schedule

Apr 15 5pm Steve Viessman
 Apr 16 8am David Nash
 10:00am Chuck Schwarz

Rosary Leader Schedule

Apr 15 5pm Charissa Gould
 Apr 16 8am JoAnn Nash
 10:00am Jackie Seymour

Finance Corner

Sunday Collections & ATW Giving

April 2023 Totals

Actual	\$4304.95
ATW	\$2395.00
Online Giving	\$677.50
Budget	\$9000.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$1622.55

Next Sunday's 2nd collection is for Haiti/Uganda

Thank you for your continued giving!

We are doing something new this year to support our families with members in sacramental preparation! It's easy to do: please take a name card this weekend to pray for a parishioner receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Eucharist. You will find a table with the names of the children/youth and their families in the Gathering Space.



Remembering Loved Ones with Easter Altar Flowers

Bud & Betty Niefert by M/M Mark Neifert; Regino Rosario, Juana M. Rosario by Rosa Rosario; Dottie Chamberlain, Pat Chamberlain, by Jacque Neu; Steve McDonnough, Fr. Jim O'Kane by Kathyann Connie McDonnough; William R. Grandy, Beatrice Grandy, Joshua Isaiah Bullock by Kathyann Bullock; Karen Koch by John Koch; H.L. & Isabell King, Tony & Treva Fisher, Sandra James, Keith Lehman, Carl Thompson by M/M William King; Ford Family & Bailey Family by Terry Bailey; Clarence Rood Jr., Richard Saucedo, Coby Saucedo, Frank & Louise Marquez, Clarence & Denis Rood by Margaret Rood; Ralph & Katheryn Castaneda, Baby Joseph Castaneda, Shane Malm, Ann Cutter, Maxine Ginther by M/M Gilbert Trevino; Harold & Bernice Seifried, Henry & Helen Koester by M/M Charles Koester; Rita Alvarado, Mildred Colwell, Esther Dobbins, Wally Allison, Billy & Mike Alvarado by M/M Jordan Colwell; Gene & Mary Guenin, Gene Schmid, D.L. Guenin by M/M Greg Schmid; Richard Hawes, Gayle & Bonnie Johnson by M/M Robert Johnson; Robert J. Reilly, Lois



Reilly, Gary Reilly, Dan Reilly by M/M Jacob Krieg; Ellen Gion, Michael & Mary Gion, Jeff Gion Family, Greg Gion Family, Lewis & Pauline Triplett by Larry Gion; David & Wesley Flohr, Fred & Helen & Leo Schaefer, Doris Flohr by Susan Flohr; Marcia Prell, Larry & Wanda Hiltgen, Justin Hiltgen, Francis Voet by Jason Hiltgen; Pedro & Tina Cano, Manuel & Ermelina Urdiales by Roman Cano & Anita Urdiales; Richard & Bernard Wlaschin, Gloria Schanaman by M/M Antonio Tecson; Marie Kozal, Nancy Wood, Frank & Ann Munch by M/M James Kozal; Rod Brooks, Larry Foxhoven, Jean Wolfe by M/M Jeff Wolfe; Tom E. Montague, Lee Tschacher, Helga Tashacher, Martin Tschacher, Reathy Montague, Bill Montague by Lynda Montague; Grace Ramirez, Rose Janda by M/M Luke Dahlinger; Fr. Vince Parsons, Sr. Vera Meis, Jan McMullen by M/M Ray Murdock; Ed Moore, Mary Nance, Baby Tran by M/M Patrick Brown; Klaas & Guzman Families by Stephen R. Klaas

EXCITING NEWS! Fr. Konka has determined it is time for our new pictorial church directory. Our date(s) for photography will be: May 22nd – 26th and May 30th – June 2nd from 2:00 PM – 8:30 PM in the Garden Room of St. Agnes.

Our scheduling process has begun! You should have received a letter in the mail this week with the details of having a family portrait taken. There are two ways to schedule a photography appointment, Online or In-Person.

When you choose to schedule your photography appointment **online**, simply go to the Universal website, www.ucdir.com, click on the yellow sunburst icon, enter **ne214** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the family Password field.

Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time.

In-person sign-ups will take place in the Gathering Space of the church following the weekend Masses on **April 15th & 16th or April 22nd & 23rd** where you can schedule your family for their portrait time. We will have volunteers eager to help you after the Masses on the above dates.

Remember, this is a terrific opportunity for a professional portrait in the comfort of our own church. Schedule your family soon!



Knights of Columbus

Knights of Columbus members, we are going to support the incoming Confirmation candidates on April 16th at the 10 am mass.

If you are in town this weekend and available, please attend this mass. Wear your Tuxedo (with inside Baldric) or black/dark suit.

Thank you for your continuous support of our local council projects.

GIDCCW Spring Assembly 2023

Save the Date

April 14-15, 2023

For registration information, please contact Joyce Moeller - 308-641-4267 or go to www.gidccw.org

Camp Comeca
Cozad, Nebraska

Half Price Registration for 1st Time Attendees



Penance

Information

Mass

Reflection

Raffle

Speakers

Door Prizes

Sharing

Social Time

Silent Auction



Abide in Faith, Hope and Love
with
Wide Open Hearts

Camp Comeca Cozad, Nebraska

Tentative Agenda

Friday, April 14

- 1:30 pm Registration opens (The park opens at 8:00 am for you to enjoy)
- 2:30 pm Silent Auction Items Preparation
- 3:00 pm Welcome – President Darleen Schulte
- 3:30 pm Penance Service
- 5:00 pm Mass
- 6:00 pm Dinner
- 7:00 pm Abiding in the Gaze of His Loving Mercy—Sister Peggy Kucera
Province Director Report—Kay Wessel
- 8:00 pm Catholic Trivia – Challenge your knowledge
Deanery Teams (each deanery will be a team (the more attendees from your deanery, the stronger your team)
Trimming Best Choice Labels—We will work this activity into the event whenever anyone has time during the days and also on Friday evening.
Assemble “Tickle your Tootsies”

Saturday, April 15

- 8:00 am Patriotic Rosary
- 9:00 am Breakfast for attendees and Deanery President's Breakfast
- 10:00 am The True Presence—Christa Pichler
- 11:30 am Commission Reports
- 12:00 pm Lunch and Evaluations
- 1:00 pm Prayer Partners and finalize auction bids
Random raffle drawings throughout afternoon
- 1:30 pm NE Catholic Conference
- 2:30 pm Raffle Give Away
- 3:00 pm Final remarks and farewell blessing

**ST AGNES
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

**100
CLUB**

\$120 ANNUAL DONATION
(BILLED MONTHLY, QUARTERLY OR ANNUALLY)

50% OF DONATIONS GO TO WINNINGS, 50% GOES TO THE SCHOOL

MONTHLY WINNERS!!!

1 - \$200 WINNER
3 - \$100 WINNERS
9 - \$50 WINNERS

Amount may vary based on enrollment

MUST BE 19 YEARS OF AGE

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

QUESTIONS? CONTACT MARY SKILES @ 641-0461.

Yes!! I want to join St. Agnes 100 Club!!

Complete this form to join 100 Club or to renew your membership. Return form to the school or place in the St. Agnes collection basket. Envelopes will be available in the gathering space the first weekend in May.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Donation Method (Please mark one):

- Monthly (\$10.00/month x 12 payments = \$120.00/year)
- Quarterly (\$30.00 every 3 months x 4 payments = \$120.00/year)
- Annually (\$120.00 x 1 payment = \$120.00/year)

Religious Education Program

Email—dre@st-agnes-church.com

Religious Education Office—308-635-1362

Celebrating Sunday
for
The Resurrection of the Lord
Gospel: *Matthew 28:1-10*

On the Way to Mass:

Imagine you were approaching Jesus' tomb that early morning. How would you have reacted to the earthquake and the angel of the Lord descending from heaven? What would you have thought about his message?

On the Way Home From Mass:

After the women were told about Jesus rising from the dead, they were told to "Go tell" this good news. How can we also "Go tell" this good news?

Living the Word:

Easter is such a wonderful feast that we celebrate it for fifty days! Change your prayer tablecloth to a white one. Throughout this season sing Easter songs and read the stories about Jesus after he rose from the dead to remind your family that we are still celebrating this great feast!

*Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families
2022-2023*



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Instagram:

[st.agnescatholicchurch](https://www.instagram.com/st.agnescatholicchurch)

Parish Website

www.st-agnes-church.com

Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics pray at an "Altar of Repose" on Holy Thursday?

On Holy Thursday night, Jesus and his disciples prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane. He asked, "*Could you not watch with me one hour?*" (Matthew 26:40). Instead, they slept while Jesus prayed in agony over His Passion. On Holy Thursday night, Catholic parishes traditionally display a temporary altar decorated with flowers and candles where the Eucharist is displayed. People are invited to come before the Eucharist and offer their prayers and love, making up for that "lost hour" in Gethsemane.



Three ways to extend God's mercy at home

Jesus said, "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy" (Matthew 5:7). In other words, the more we share God's mercy with others, the happier we will be. Here are three ways to show mercy to others and bring happiness to you both:

Avoid rash judgment. Assume the best of others, rather than the worst. For example, don't guess at others' motives because we can't know what is in others' hearts or minds. Teach children to do the right thing without worrying about why others aren't.

Extend forgiveness. Forgiveness means allowing ourselves to move on from hurt we have experienced. Reconciliation – being friends again – may not be possible or ideal, but forgiveness in one's heart always is.

Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Jesus gave this powerful prayer to St. Faustina, saying, "*Through the chaplet you will obtain everything, if what you ask for is compatible with My will*" (St. Faustina Diary, #1731). Consider praying this together on Fridays for anyone in need of mercy, especially for the dying.

Feasts and Celebrations

April 1 – St. Hugh of Grenoble (1132). As the bishop of Grenoble, France, St. Hugh labored to reform his diocese of corruption. He helped his friend, St. Bruno, found the Carthusian order.

April 16 – Divine Mercy Sunday (1935). In 1931, Jesus appeared to St. Faustina and asked that the Sunday after Easter become the "Feast of Mercy," promising special graces to anyone who honors him as King of Mercy and prays the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

April 25 – St. Mark the Evangelist (1st Century). St. Mark wrote the second Gospel based on St. Peter's perspective and accompanied Saints Paul and Barnabas on their missionary journey in Cyprus. He is credited with founding the Church of Alexandria.

April 28 – St. Gianna Beretta Molla (1962). Born into a large Catholic family in Italy, St. Gianna was a physician, wife, and mother. Despite a very difficult pregnancy, St. Gianna willingly risked her life for her child. She died a week after giving birth to a healthy baby girl.



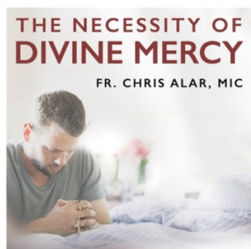
THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of April 09, 2023



Divine Mercy Chaplet | Franciscan Friars of the Renewal

Consider praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in a new way with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. This video on FORMED includes breathtaking footage of Catholics across the world performing works of mercy and asking God to have mercy on us.



The Necessity of Divine Mercy by Fr. Chris Alar

Fr. Chris Alar, MIC, reveals the urgency to live and share the powerful message of Divine Mercy. He explains the basics of the Divine Mercy feast, image, novena, chaplet, and hour of mercy, and how to incorporate them into your spiritual life.



Misery Meets Mercy: Saint Faustina

St. Faustina is known as the "secretary of Divine Mercy" because of the revelations of the Lord to her about His unfathomable mercy. Join Dr. Ben Akers and Fr. Mateusz as they discuss her proclamation of the message of Divine Mercy.

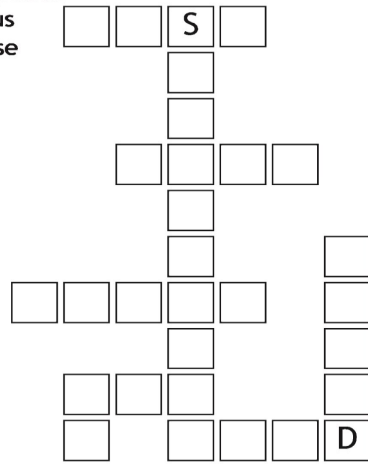
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Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

Kids' Corner

✚ PUZZLE

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

The Scriptures
said Jesus
would rise
to life.



✚ MISSION

Bake Resurrection Cookies with your family tonight. You can find the recipe online at <https://www.catholicliving.com/how-to-make-easter-story-cookies-with-a-printable-recipe/>.

✚ PUZZLE

Circle the group in each row that has **more**. Then color in all the pictures.



✚ MISSION

I will tell someone that Jesus is alive.



Connecting Students and Families through Faith
April 9, 2023



Upcoming Events

Monday, April 10th

No School

Wednesday, April 12th

Mass @ 8:15

2nd-5th Gr. attend SHS Musical

The Sound of Music



March Virtuous Students



March 31st marked the day for honoring golden rule winners and Virtuous Students of the Month. Grand Knight, John Songco, was on hand to award fifth grader, Ella Kildow, and second grader, Lewis Merrigan with the Virtuous Student of the Month award. Each received a certificate and rosary courtesy of the Knights.

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Pizza Party Celebrates Our Success

The cafeteria was filled with excitement on Wednesday, March 23, when all students and staff joined together to celebrate our amazing job of synergizing and teamwork to make the Penny Carnival a HUGE success. After meeting their goal of selling over 35,000 raffle tickets, the students were promised a pizza lunch and a night at the Drive In Movie, which will come when the weather warms up. The staff joined the party as thanks for their extra efforts in tearing apart their classrooms for game room purposes and their overall support of the school and its success. Teamwork makes the dream work!



Spring Program

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming spring program which will be taking place on Thursday, April 20th at 6:30 in the school gym. The students are hard at work preparing some fun Disney song selections that are sure to make you want to sing-a-long. Attire for the program will be colorful spring attire. More information will be forthcoming from Mrs. Taedter.



Leader In Me

Sharpen the Saw was the March Leader in Me habit of the month. Students who master the habit understand that balance feels best. They balance time amongst, school, family, friends, church and activities. They find meaningful ways to help others. Students recognized include: Adaline Behnke(PK), June Hoelsing (K), Lily Adams (1st), Leo Ascherl (2nd), Courtni Schaff (3rd), Gio Alvizar (4th), and Sakina Kader (5th).



Hot Lunch Menu for April 10th, 2023 - April 14th, 2023

<u>Monday, Apr 10</u>	<u>Tuesday, Apr 11</u>	<u>Wednesday, Apr 12</u>	<u>Thursday, Apr 13</u>	<u>Friday, Apr 14</u>
NO SCHOOL	Pulled Pork Sandwich Mashed Potatoes w/gravy Green Beans Apple Slices	Hamburger on a Bun Baked Beans Green Salad Mandarin Oranges	Corn Dog French Fries Corn Fruit Cocktail	Cheese Quesadilla Salsa Mixed Vegetables Fresh Chips Grapes
Helpers:	Helpers: Elise Gurrola Jeremy Becker	Helpers: Kika Ashby Adams	Helpers: Debbie Dudden Elise Gurrola	Helpers: Rose Owens Elise Gurrola

What's Happening at St. Agnes School.....



Third Grade Class By Megan Calvert



Wow, this school year is flying by! We have just a little over 30 days left in 3rd grade and we are going to enjoy every moment of it. We have been busy this last month in our studies. 3rd grade has been working hard on not only memorizing their multiplication tables but also learning new strategies on how to solve multiplication and see it in a different way. In social studies, the students have been learning all about how to be good citizens, what is a privilege and a right and about different people that have made huge impacts in American history.

This month we have been focusing on Lent and our journey through Lent. We discussed the importance of our Lenten promises and why we make them. We worked on a collaborative art project last week to get us ready for Holy Week. It is journey through Holy Week with Christ. Each important day is described in great detail to help the students better understand the significance of each day.

Last, we continue to work hard on our growth mindset. We are learning about the power of grit. Grit is where you stick to it, you overcome the obstacles even when things get hard. Its never giving up on the goal you are working for. We have been learning that not every task will be easy but with determination, practice and grit, we can do it. Our new motto is, if you just try your best, then you will have success.



Library Room News By Lana Payne



April brings many featured topics to the library! Books about Easter, Holy Week, and the Easter Bunny are leading the way. April is National Poetry Month. The library has a nice collection of children's poetry books for students to share and enjoy. Students will find books about the RMS Titanic featured. Students are always interested in the details and events of the Titanic, which sank in the North Atlantic Ocean on April 15, 1912. Also featured are books by some favorite children's book authors who celebrate birthdays in April such as Beverly Cleary, Barbara Park, and Graeme Base.

The library held the annual St. Agnes Used Book Sale last month. Children and parents purchased over a thousand used books during the sale! Please consider donating your used and no longer needed books for future Used Book Sales. We accept both children's and adult books, magazines, cookbooks, how-to books, etc. Donations can be made anytime throughout the year. We will store donated items until the next sale. Let us help you with your spring cleaning by taking those used books off your hands and putting them into the hands of children!

April is the last month of this year's Reading Incentive Program. Students have been working hard throughout the school year to meet their reading incentive goals and complete their projects! Thank you for supporting your readers in achieving their reading goals!

April is an Eggcellent Time to Read!



Music Room News By Cori Taedter



We have certainly been the busiest of bees this quarter, and the St. Agnes music room is buzzing with excitement! We have been rehearsing and making preparations for our spring music program, "The Movies, The Music," which will be presented on Thursday, April 20th, at 6:30 p.m. in the school gym.

Children in grades PK-5 will be taking our audience on a chronological journey through some of the most beloved children's movies of our time – many of which were created by a man named Walt Disney. What would those movies have been without the music? We are learning many favorites with songs from the movies of Peter Pan, Mary Poppins, The Jungle Book, The Little Mermaid, The Lion King, Zootopia – and more! Disney music has certainly brought pure joy into our music room over the past several weeks – and we are looking forward to sharing that joy in a few weeks.

As you can see among our other props and recorders, we will be debuting our brand new classroom ukuleles at our April concert! After learning and identifying scales and chords, the 5th grade class is excited to put their knowledge into practice – we are so blessed to have these beautiful instruments!

