



Saint Agnes

CATHOLIC CHURCH



November 10, 2024

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



32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury."

- Mk 12:42-43



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Saint Agnes Catholic Church

Today's Readings

First Kings 17:10-16

Psalms:146

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44



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The Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

Giving From Abundance

If you're like me, and you're far, far below the "having buildings named after you" tax bracket, you might just think that today's Gospel has nothing to do with you.

You might kick back and relax, thinking of all the poor, rich suckers sitting in the pews, shifting uncomfortably as Jesus praises the meager gift of the widow and disdains those who only give from abundance, those whose charity results in admiration and praise and all manner of temporal reward.

"In this economy, every gift I give is from my poverty," you might think to yourself with a chuckle.

But you — and let me be clear, I'm talking mostly to myself here — would be wrong. Because we all have an abundance of something, even if it isn't money.

What I've come to realize about myself is that I find plenty of ways to give *only* from my abundance. For instance, if I answer any request with the words, "Sure, I can, but..." chances are high that I'm about to work out a way to give, but only in a way that doesn't really impact me.

I'm willing to help. I just don't want to feel it.

But here's the thing about Jesus: he cares what's in our hearts as well as what's in our hands. A good deed, an act of charity? That's great! But what's the story behind it? Because a world full of moral actions and selfish hearts doesn't do anyone any good.

When we give from our poverty — our poverty of money, our poverty of time, our poverty of patience — we are giving the gift of the widow.

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments - by Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

This Week's Schedule

Monday, November 11, 2024

Daily Mass (8:15am)

Intention: †Steve McDonnough by Connie McDonnough

Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Daily Mass (8:15am)

Intention: †Buford & †Benny Williams by Eileen Young

Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Wednesday, November 13, 2024

Daily Mass (8:15am)

Intention: †Fr. Donald J. O'Brien and Family by The Diocese of Grand Island

Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Contemplative Prayer (6:00pm)

Thursday, November 14, 2024

Daily Mass (8:15am)

Intention: Seven Sisters Apostolate by The Seven Sisters

Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Friday, November 15, 2024

Mass (8:15am)

Intention: †Henry Gieselman by Lucille Koenig

Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Saturday, November 16, 2024

Weekend Mass (5:00pm)

Intention: †Gilbert Trevino by Margie Rood

Sunday, November 17, 2024


Weekend Mass (8:00am)

Intention: For Our Parish

Weekend Mass (10:00am)

Intention: †William (Bill) Shaw by John & Rita Stinner

This Week's Readings



Welcome

Monday	Ti 1:1-9/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday:	Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday:	Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday:	Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk 17:20-25
Friday:	2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday:	3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8
Sunday:	Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

Server Schedule

Nov 16	5pm	Aden Munoz Tea Hill
Nov 17	8am	Kaden Blaylock Easton Becker
	10:00am	David Hafner Connelly Ascherl

Lector Schedule

Nov 16	5pm	Jean Ahrens
Nov 17	8am	Dan Marshall
	10:00am	Shelley Corr

Rosary Leader Schedule

Nov 16	5pm	Carmen Trevino
Nov 17	8am	Knights of Columbus
	10:00am	Angie Hilbert

Finance Corner

Sunday Collections & ATW Giving

November 2024 Totals

Actual	\$5198.59
ATW	\$3695.00
Online Giving	\$1670.50
Budget	\$10000.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$564.09

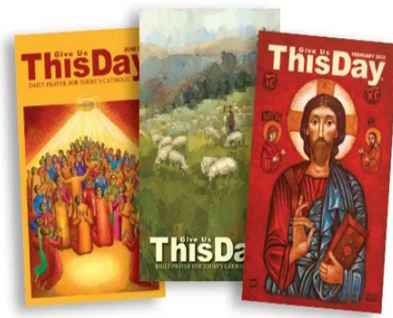
Next Sunday's 2nd collection is for Haiti/Uganda

Thank you for your continued giving!



Daily Prayer for Today's Catholic

Give Us This Day is a monthly publication for today's Catholic that helps you pray each and every day Drawing inspiration from a multitude of voice, it provides a relevant trustworthy understanding of Scripture. *Give Us This Day* is a prayer resource from Liturgical Press, the publishing house of Saint John's Abbey, a Benedictine community in Collegeville, Minnesota. Liturgical Press has graciously sent November copies to our parish for parishioners to use. Pick up your copy today!

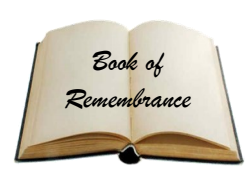


In Remembrance of this year's deceased parishioners

November 2023 - October 2024

William Downey
Paul David Edelbrock
Falicia Caroline Gomez
Doris Marie Flohr
Benjamin Castinado Jr.
Carl Ray Murdock
Selena Esparanza Moreno
Augustina Ybarra Moreno
John (Jack) Kearns
Benita Mary Williams
Buford Louis Williams
Jack B. Miller
Caroline Guzman
Cathy Publow

During the month of November, the Catholic Church honors those who have passed on to eternal life. Here at St. Agnes, you are invited to add the names of your loved ones who have died to The Book of Remembrance located at the front of the church. Your loved ones are being prayed for in a special way this month.



VETERANS DAY

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

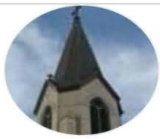
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Important Notice

Please mark your calendar that there will be a meeting for all Sacristans and Extra ordinary Ministers of Communion on **Sunday, November 10th at 1:00 pm** in the church. And a meeting for all Lectors for Sunday, November 17th at 1:00 pm in the church.



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Thank you

Thank you for helping when our parish has funeral dinners. We appreciate when we call the ladies of the parish to donate salads and cake while the funeral committee prepares the rest of the meal. After the funeral, we leave the empty dishes from the donated food in the church kitchen to be picked up by the donors the next time they come to church. We are blessed to have a long list of parishioners to call for this food. Thanks again for all the wonderful donations and don't forget to pick up your containers!



Visit Nativity Scenes:

Dec. 1 – 17, 2024; Jan. 2 – 3, 2025,
8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at St. Benedict Center. Everybody is invited to make a pilgrimage to St. Benedict Center, view God's Love made visible in nativity scenes from the Holy Land, from Africa, Asia, South & North America and Europe and pray for the peace which our world so urgently needs. No admission fee. For more information visit www.StBenedictCenter.com or call (402) 352-8819.



Knights of Columbus

What a successful "Trick or Treat" night organized by St. Agnes Catholic Church and St Agnes Catholic School led by our Director of Religious Education - Terri Calvert with the 8th Grade / Confirmation Students.

The children had fun with games and of course candies provided by the local Knights of Columbus local council.

The highlight of the night was the "scary room" which most kids enjoyed and were terrified at the same time!

What a busy Sunday morning with **193 Patrons** for our Monthly Breakfast Buffet for November. This project brings our community together for a great fellowship and of course great food! Thank you for your continuous support of our local Knights of Columbus projects.



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Dear Parish Family,

The St Agnes Altar Society would like to thank you for your support of this year's Fall Dinner Chili Feed. It was a great success and raised over \$3,500!

We would like to send special thanks to the following people as this event would not have been possible without their donations, time, and talent.

Fr Konka, Julie Brown & the St. Agnes Student Council Students, Terri Calvert, Ellen & Rod Ramig, The Seymour Family, The Gould Family, JoAnn Nash, Chuck and Linda Elley, The Knights of Columbus, Jerome and Tami Otto, Joe and Andrea Margheim, Diana Rohrick, Joyce Moeller, Jeanette Fitzgerald, Connie Kirchner, Pam Elledge, Ryan & Jody Windhorst, Rachael Ascherl, Toni Warburton, Terry Bailey, Jean Ahrens, David Hafner, Giuliani Suhr, Bella Songco, Mary Skiles, Jeanie Knudtson, Kristin Schiff, Beth Merrigan, Margie Rood, Joan Merrigan-Hiller, Liz Molina, Susan Flohr, Susan Heitman, Connie McDonough, Mary Lou Ditter, Judy Schwartz, Hollie Vath, Gretchen Chord, Lisa Johnson, Amanda Dietrich, Aurora Linz, Meghan Blaylock, The Kozal's, Dan and Julie Marshall, Jennifer Hiltgen, The Bjorlings, John Koch, Judy Krieg, Twila McCarthy, Mandi Adams, and Ana Delgado.

Apologies if we missed anyone! As you can see, we had a ton of support and greatly appreciate every one of you!!!

**Blessings,
Ashlee Wilson
St. Agnes Altar Society President**

Religious Education Program

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Celebrating Sunday

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

On the Way to Mass:

Why do you think it matters to God what we give him?

On the Way Home From Mass:

Why do you think the poor woman gave away her money? Do you think there are other ways to please God with our sacrifices, besides money?

Living the Word:

This week, come up with a small, meaningful sacrifice for your family - Maybe giving up a sweet in school lunches, or a certain amount of screen time. Next Sunday, bring a flower or a drawing from your children depicting this sacrifice, and leave it at one of the statues or holy images in the church as a reminder that our sacrifices are an act of love for God.

*Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families
2024-2025*

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St. Agnes Catholic Church

Help children love Confession

Ask children to accompany you to Confession, and you may not hear much enthusiasm. Yet the Sacrament of Reconciliation is a great gift of God’s mercy. Try these tips to brighten the family trip to Confession:

Set the tone.

Remind everyone that Jesus created this Sacrament (Matthew 16:19) because He loves us and knew we needed extra help to stay holy. It’s our chance to experience His grace and make things right with God.



Work out the jitters. Rehearse with your child so the real thing will feel familiar. She can take notes with her into the confessional if she’s afraid of forgetting something.

Set the expectation. Going to Confession regularly will strengthen the entire family. Pick a set day and time so that no one is surprised when it comes around. Mark it on the calendar and schedule around it. Then be the first person into the confessional.

Celebrate. Afterwards go out for an ice-cream treat or have special family meal to celebrate coming back into friendship with God.

Partners in Faith - November 2024



The Hallow App - Just in time to celebrate the month of the Rosary, October, Hallow will be available to all RE and School families. Now you can pray the Rosary this month using the Hallow App in your car or at home! And this is just the beginning of what is offered on the Hallow App.



Our Religious Education Program and School has partnered with

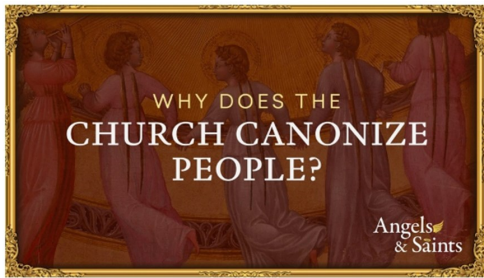
Hallow this year as a way to intentionally bring God into the lives of our students and teachers - not only in the classroom, but all the time! Please look for an email inviting your family to sign-up for the App, free!

Hallow is a Catholic prayer and meditation app with over 5,000 sessions to choose from. The content inside the app ranges from daily meditations, traditional prayers, Bible stories for sleep, kids and family prayers, mental health meditations, music, and so much more.



THIS WEEK ON FORMED

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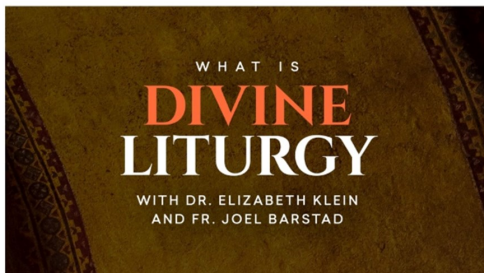
Why Does the Church Canonize People | Angels

Dr. Elizabeth Klein and Taylor Kemp discuss canonization: its definition, history, and how it works. Why do we honor the communion of saints? What leads to saints' official incorporation into public worship? What about miracles? Learn all about these topics in this episode.



St. Ephrem the Syrian | Catholic Saints

An Eastern Father of the early Church, St. Ephrem the Syrian was arguably the most important saint and theological writer for the Syriac-speaking churches. He did not write many treaties or letters but devoted himself to writing hymns to God. These hymns, however, contain a wealth of knowledge and teaching that elegantly weave together images from the Old and New Testaments.



What is the Divine Liturgy? | Catholic Rites

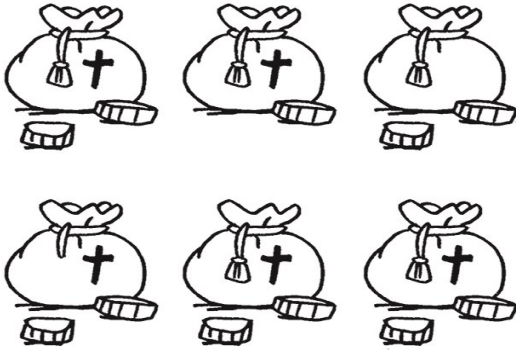
Byzantine Catholic Church, as they discuss the nature of Byzantine piety, Divine Liturgy, and the similarities and differences between the Eastern and Latin rites. This episode highlights the importance of icons, chanting, veils, and the reception of leaven bread and other key features of the Byzantine Divine Liturgy.

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Kids' Corner

PUZZLE

Find the matching pair.

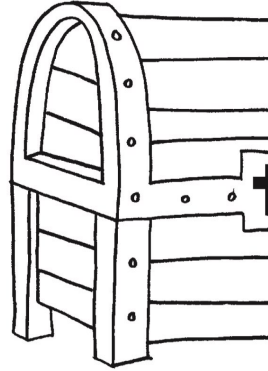


MISSION

I will give part of my money to God.

PUZZLE

Complete the picture.



MISSION

If you have a piggy bank, take money out and give it to God next Sunday. Shhhh! Remember to give it to God quietly.



Connecting Students and Families through Faith
November 10, 2024



Upcoming Events

Wednesday, Nov 13th

Mass @ 8:15

2nd Grade Saint Celebration

Friday, Nov 15th

Mid Quarter Reports - grades 3-5

Leader in Me Students of the Month

Begin with the end in mind was the Leader in Me habit of the month for October. Students who have mastered this habit plan ahead, they set goals for themselves then work to achieve them. They think about their choices and the consequences of their actions. Students recognized include: Ada Jenkins (PK), Colette Kosman (K), Selena Lara(1st), Kane Marshall(2nd), Hazel Kosman(3rd), Lewis Merrigan (4th), Holly Polk(5th).



October Virtuous Students of the Month

The October Virtuous Student of the Month and Golden Rule Ceremony was held on Monday, November 4th in the school gym. Nearly 60 golden rules were given for good deeds done in the month of October. 1st graders, Hank Nira & Bryn Calvert and 5th grader Holly Polk were recognized as the Virtuous Students of the month. Each was awarded a certificate and rosary by Grand Knight John Songco.



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Sinspirations' Golden Performance

St. Agnes Sinspirations entertained the Old West Choir Fest crowd with an inspiring program themed around never giving up. Their program included the songs: *Have You Ever Seen the Rain*, *Still I Fly* and *Life is a Highway*, all of which were performed with heart and sheer excitement. This group worked so hard for over two months and their efforts resulted in a **GOLD** rating and an invitation back to the night time Best of the Fest performance. We are extremely proud of these students who are outstanding ambassadors for our school.



Halloween Fun

Ghosts, goblins, movie characters, blow up characters, princesses, athletes and more paraded around the school and parish block as the students of St. Agnes showcased their costume choices for the annual Halloween parade. They then enjoyed games and food in their classroom parties. Thanks to the parents who provided some wonderful healthy snacks for the party. This was a new request per our school's health and wellness policy. We enjoyed some festive holiday snacks that were also healthy choices.



Hot Lunch Menu for November 11th, 2024 - November 15th, 2024

<u>Monday, Nov 11</u>	<u>Tuesday, Nov 12</u>	<u>Wednesday, Nov 13</u>	<u>Thursday, Nov 14</u>	<u>Friday, Nov 15</u>
Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Pears	Ham/Turkey Wrap Baby Carrots w/ranch Sun Chips Peaches	Chicken Sandwich Sliced Cucumbers Baked Beans Grapes	French Toast Sticks Sausage Patty Tater-Tots Banana	Chicken Stir Fry Fried Rice Spinach Salad Peaches
Helpers: Megan Covalt HELP NEEDED	Helpers: Kristin Gauthier HELP NEEDED	Helpers: Jeremy Becker Teresa Swank	Helpers: Danielle Guerrero HELP NEEDED	Helpers: Robyn Dendinger Susan Young

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



Kindergarten Class By Teri Ramirez



October has come and gone in a flash, and the kindergartners have learned so much! I have been very pleased with all my students' progress thus far. Now that the holidays are approaching and are always filled with so much excitement and energy. Sometimes it's hard to keep students focused on learning, but over the last few years, I've learned to embrace the holidays and go a little above and beyond to engage my students. This gives me the best results in terms of learning. I feel my students learn more and work harder than ever.

This month we had our first holiday celebration in our room with our Halloween party! It was a success and the students had a great time.

Kindergarten has been rocking and rolling with tons of learning opportunities and making memories with our friends.



Third Grade Class By Meghan Calvert



3rd grade has been going full steam ahead these first couple weeks of the new quarter. We have been working on our multiplication facts. It has been fun watching them learn new strategies to help them learn and understand multiplication. We are masters at 0,1,2,3,4,5, and 10 facts right now!

We recently had our Halloween party and parade. Thank you to all the parents that brought treats and goodies for our class. We had a great time wearing our costumes and having a fun party in the classroom. The students played a game where they had to wrap a teammate like a mummy in 1 minute. It was fun to see the different strategies they used for this game.

This month we are focusing on All Souls' Day. Each child brought in a picture of a loved one or animal that has passed and we hung them on our wall. We have been talking about how we must pray and remember those that have passed for them to leave purgatory and enter Heaven.

In social studies, we have been learning about our government and how it works at both the national and local levels. We have been learning about the different branches of government and how each one plays an important role. We also used the Schoolhouse Rock song I'm Just a Bill to learn the process of how a bill becomes law. It has become a classroom favorite.

