

Rev. Rayappa Konka Pastor Susan Flohr Pastoral Minister

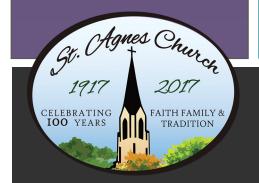
<u>Mass Schedule:</u> Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 am

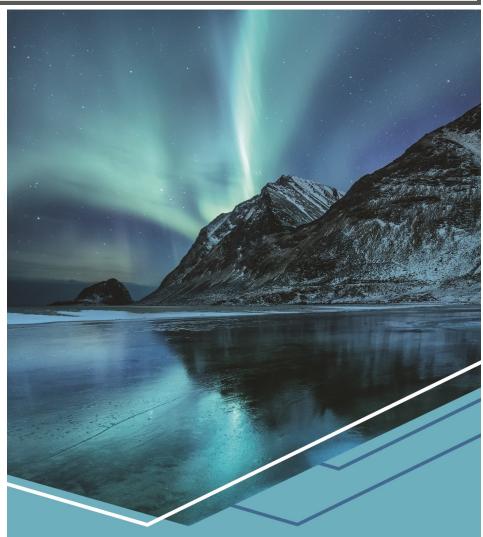
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 7:00 am Wed 8:15am

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





31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.'" And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." - Mk 12:32, 34ab

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Saint Agnes Catholic Church

<u>Today's Readings</u> Deuteronomy 6:2-6 Psalm:18

Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 12:28<u>b-34</u>



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<u>Music Ministry Director</u> Jessica Mikoloyck (308-631-6290) jes.mikoloyck@gmail.com The Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

All Our Strength

I didn't realize how much my arms would hurt when I became a mom.

It occurred to me first during Mass when my daughter was just a few weeks old. She was the kind of kid who could only sleep in someone's arms. I desperately wanted her to stay quiet during the service, so I held the swaddled bundle in front of me like it was a bomb, not daring to move. By the homily, my arms were on fire.

I quickly realized this was a common scenario of my new life as a parent. Holding, rocking, bouncing, restraining, dragging — honestly, my weak little chicken-arms had never been worked out like this before. It took all my strength.

But isn't that the way it is with everything that's worthwhile? It takes all your strength. Not some of it. Not most of it. All of it.

I am a fairly active Catholic. My faith impacts a lot of areas of my life. But there are still boundaries that I've drawn around God. There are places I haven't let Him in. Things I keep "for myself." Experiences that are just so full of *me*, so full of my own plans and my own desires.

But God desires everything. Not because He is selfish, but because He is good, and wise. Because He knows that the places we keep from Him will become filled with something else. He wants to get there first. He wants to lay His claim.

He wants all our strength. All our heart. All our soul. All our mind. Not most of it. All of it.

Can we give it to Him?

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments - By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

This Week's Schedule

Monday, November 4, 2024 Daily Mass (8:15am) Intention: Katie Marie Hronich by Pat Donovan Kimberly Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm) Tuesday, November 5, 2024 Daily Mass (8:15am) Intention:†Laurie Kohmetscher by Rod & Ellen Ramig Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm) Wednesday, November 6, 2024 Daily Mass (8:15am) Intention: †Mary Carson by St. Agnes Students & Staff Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm) Contemplative Prayer (6:00pm)

Thursday, November 7, 2024 Daily Mass (8:15am) Intention: †Buford & Benita Williams Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm) Friday, November 8, 2024 Mass (8:15am) Intention: †Leona Rochon by Connie McDonnough Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm) Saturday, November 9, 2024 Weekend Mass (5:00pm) Intention: Dot Phillipson by Margie Rood Sunday, November 10, 2024 Weekend Mass (8:00am) Intention: Barbara Miller by The Overman Family Weekend Mass (10:00am) Intention: For Our Parish

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This Week's Readings

Welcome

Monday	Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1bcde, 2,
	3/Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday:	Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27,
	28-30ab, 30c, 31-32//Lk
	14:15-24
Wednesday:	Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-
	14/Lk 14 : 25-33
Thursday:	Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-
	5, 6-7/Lk 15:1-10
Friday:	Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3
	-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 16:1-8
Saturday:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-
	3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11,
	16-17/Jn 2 : 13-2
Sunday:	1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8
	-9, 9-10 (1b)/Heb 9:24-
	28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-
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REVISED November 2024 Rosary Leader Schedule

Saturday, Nov. 2 5pm: Ashlee Wilson Sunday, Nov. 3 8am: Daniel Warburton Sunday, Nov. 3 10am: Jackie Seymour

Saturday, Nov. 9 5pm: Daniel Warburton Sunday, Nov. 10 8am: Claire Songco Sunday, Nov. 10 10am: NOT FILLED

Saturday, Nov. 16 5pm: Carmen Trevino Sunday, Nov. 17 8am: Knights of Columbus Sunday, Nov. 17 10am: Angie Hilbert

Saturday, Nov. 23 5pm: Ashlee Wilson Sunday, Nov. 24 8am: Addison Peck Sunday, Nov. 24 10am: Jackie Seymour

Saturday, Nov. 30 5pm: Ellen Ramig



REVISED November 2024 Ministers

Greeters & Ushers

Saturday, 5pm: Greeters: Shelly Encinia- East Rick & Denise Forrstrom - South Ushers: Dale VonLintel (Captain) Rod Ramig

Sunday, 8am: Greeters: Danni Koeteman - East Dick & Susan Lessert - South Ushers: Terry Gass (Captain) Troy Herman

Sunday, 10am: Greeters: Mark & Robin Loose - East Jeff & Dawne Wolfe - South Ushers: Doug Pieper (Captain) Gale McGrew

SERVERS

Sat, Nov. 2 5pm: Asher Wilson & Giovanni Alvizar Sun, Nov. 3 8am: Carson Windhorst & Thomas Esselstein Sun, Nov. 3 10am: Camilla Linz & Claire Ascherl

Sat, Nov. 9 5pm: St. Agnes School Students Sun, Nov. 10 8am: John V. Songco & Isabella Songco Sun, Nov. 10 10am: Havynn Urdiales & Logan Zulkoski

Sat, Nov. 16 5pm: Aden Munoz & Tea Hill Sun, Nov. 17 8am: Kaden Blaylock & Easten Becker

Sun, Nov. 17 10am: David Hafner & Connelly Ascherl Sat, Nov. 23 5pm: Asher Wilson & Kensington Suhr Sun, Nov. 24 8am: Carson Windhorst & Andrew Peck Sun, Nov. 24 10am: William Seymour & Lillian Seymour

Sat, Nov. 30 5pm: Regan Schiff & Solarah Gould

LECTORS

Saturday, November 2 5pm: Steve Viessman Sunday, November 3 & 10 8am: Jordan Colwell Sunday, November 3 & 10 10am: NOT FILLED Saturday, November 9 5pm: St. Agnes Students Saturday, November 16 & 23 5pm: Jean Ahrens Sunday, November 17 & 24 8am: Dan Marshall Sunday, November 17 & 24 10am: Shelley Corr

Saturday, November 30 5pm: Jennifer Hiltgen

SACRISTANS

Saturday, 5pm: Shelley Thomas Sunday, 8am: Bridget Peck Sunday, 10am: Chuck & Judy Schwartz

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, 5pm: Ciborium - Diana Rohrick Travis Gould & Connie Kirchner Sunday, 8am: Ciborium - Michael Calvert Margaret Rood & Michael Esselstein Sunday, 10am: Ciborium - Casey Seymour (sub req.) Jacque Neu & Shannon Sierra

<u>Finance Corner</u>

Sunday Collections & ATW Giving

October 27, 2024

5		
\$1689.50		
\$6000.00		
\$10000.00		

October 2024 Totals

Actual	\$17202.02	
ATW	\$7715.00	
Online Giving	\$4295.04	
Gen. Church Support	\$13000.00	
Budget	\$40000.00	
Surplus <mark>(Deficit)</mark>	\$2212.06	

There is no 2nd collection for next week.

Thank you for your continued giving!

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.

Mark your calendars!



Daily Mass times will be

permanently changing from 7:00 am to 8:15 am beginning Monday, November 4th. This change is being made due to St. Agnes student parents wanting to be able to attend weekday mass. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office to visit with Fr. Konka.

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October 2024 100 **CLUB WINNERS**

\$200: Ken/Dorothy Philippsen; \$100: Steve/ Tammy Viesman, Dana/Lori Miller, Steve/Chris Lunnis; \$65: Will Bates; \$50: Gayle Rojas, Joyce Kosel, Jim/ Nancy Kerr, Tina Delgado, Jacque Neu, Rhalene Katus, Travis/Charissa Gould

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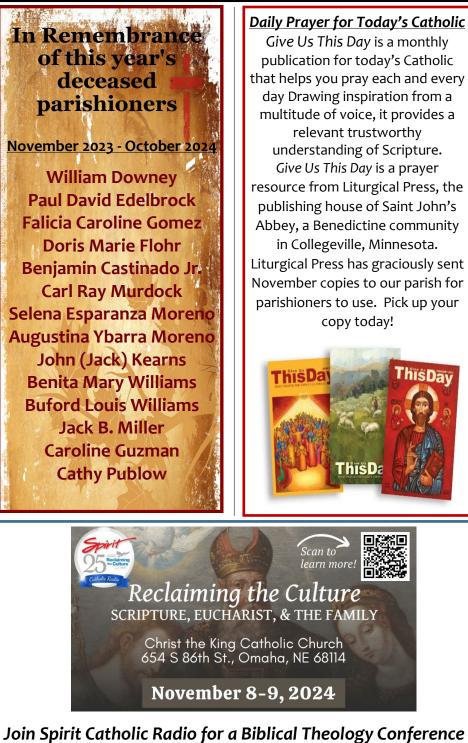


KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST BUFFET THIS SUNDAY

Knights of Columbus Council #2681 will be hosting their monthly breakfast buffet on Sunday, November 3rd. Doors will open at 8:00 am and will close at noon. The breakfast is located at 1719 1st Avenue in Scottsbluff and is an all-you-eat buffet. Adults are \$10.00 per person and children are \$5.00 each. Carry-out is available. Everyone is welcome to attend. Proceeds from the breakfasts go to help several charities in Western Nebraska groups.



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in Partnership with the St. Paul Center!

Hear from Dr. Scott and Kimberly Hahn, Dr. John Bergsma, and Dr. Brueninger at Christ the King Catholic Church in Omaha. Tickets are \$35 and are available at spiritcatholicradio.com. Come to hear the Friday evening talks, the Saturday talks, or however many your schedule allows! Friday, November 8th from 7:00 - 9:30 PM or Saturday, November 9th 8:15 AM - 4:30 PM. Lunches are available for pre-purchase at \$11.



savor and yoke ourselves to the gentle and nurturing love of God. Lori will present reflections and offer a variety of ways to sink into a deeper conversation with God through Ignatian Contemplation, nature, poetry, and other forms of prayer. This 3-day silent retreat offers abundant time for enjoying the rhythms of quiet reflection and prayer, wandering in nature, journaling, and other creative expressions.



Lori Stevens, holds a MA in Christian Spirituality & is a Certified Spiritual Director. She is a lifelong learner and retreat leader, who delights in accompanying others on their journey to God. Lori is actively involved with the Ignatian Spirituality Center of Kansas City teaching Ignatian Spirituality, guiding individuals through the Spiritual Exercises and offering group retreats.

The retreat cost is based on single occupancy and includes meals—**\$425** Check-in Thursday between 4:00 –5:00 p.m.

The retreat concludes Sunday at 2:30 p.m.



A non-refundable deposit of \$75 is requested at registration. Register by scanning the code or on-line at https://www.creighton.edu/retreatcenter/scheduleofretreats

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 <u>www.StBenedictCenter.com</u> or call (402) 352-8819.



The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday, November 5th for

Election Day. The Office Manager will be working on the Election Board that day.





DIOCESAN PTZIEST FACTS:

- Diocesan priests serve in parishes/schools assigned to them in a specific diocese by their local bishop.
- They take a vow of chastity and obedience but not a vow of poverty.
- They are allowed to own property and a vehicle and live independently.



Religious Education Program

Email—dre@st-agnes-church.com

Celebrating Sunday

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: Mark 12:28b-34

On the Way to Mass:

What do you think is the most important thing God asks of us?

On the Way Home From Mass:

Do you remember what Jesus said are the two greatest commandments?

Living the Word:

Memorize Mark 12:30-31b together: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second [commandment] is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families 2024-2025

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Parish Website www.st-agnes-church.com

myParish App In the App Store on your phone or tablet

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The Confirmation Retreat will be held on Sunday, November 10th beginning with the 10:00 Mass. Please held the Confirmation candidates in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament in April.

Nov. 1 – All Saints Day. In the early Church, the persecutions were so horrible, there were more martyrs than feast days to commemorate them, so Pope Gregory IV designated Nov. 1 as All Saints Day. This year, it's a holy day of obligation.

Nov. 3 – St. Martin de Porres (1639). A saint and mystic, St. Martin joined the Dominicans in 1594, when people of African and indigenous descent were barred from religious orders. Despite this, he founded an orphanage and cared for the needy, regardless of race or rank.

Nov. 18 – Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul. Today, we celebrate the dedications of the two Roman churches dedicated to Saints Peter and Paul, honoring their role in spreading the Gospel.

Nov. 28 – St. Catherine Labouré (1876). Born to a farming family in Cote d'Or, France, St. Catherine joined the Daughters of Charity in 1830. Our Lady appeared to her, asking to have a medal engraved. This became known as the Miraculous Medal.

Partners in Faith - November 2024



Religious Education Office—308-635-1362

<u>The Hallow App</u> - Just in time to celebrate the month of the Rosay, 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.





Week of November 03, 2024



How to Win an Argument Without Losing a Soul by Matt Fradd

Whether you're arguing with family members or Facebook friends, skeptical co-workers in the office or pushy proselytizers at your front door, it helps to have not only the facts but the skills for presenting your points forcefully and well. In How to Win an Argument Without Losing a Soul, Matt Fradd equips you with the powers of argumentation you need to be an effective debater and the right attitude for doing it with charity, humility, and patience.



The Problem of Evil with Jimmy Akin

If God is all-good and all-powerful, then why is there evil? In The Problem of Evil, Jimmy Akin tackles this most difficult of apologetics questions. He builds a biblical and philosophical case for understanding how God's perfections are not disproved by the existence of evil, but in fact allow for a world in which pain and sin may be mysteriously ordered by Providence towards a greater good.



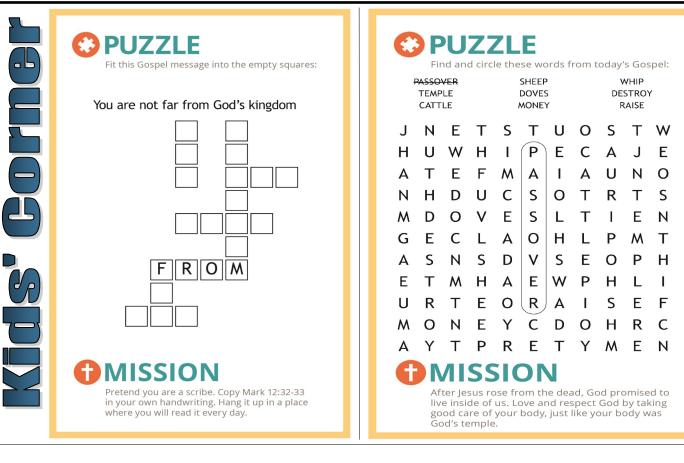
In Persona Christi: The Catholic Priesthood

The Catholic priesthood comes to us from Jesus Christ. Building on this pattern of priesthood from Old Testament times, Jesus chose twelve men to act in His place as priests of the new and everlasting covenant. This film explores the essential nature and theology of the sacred priesthood, the importance of a deep prayer life, the centrality of the Mass and Eucharistic Adoration, devotion to the Blessed Virgin, priestly fatherhood and celibacy, and the necessity of a missionary zeal.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

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Upcoming Events

<u>Wednesday, Nov 6th</u> Mass @ 8:15 2nd Grade Saint Celebration

<u>Saturday, Nov 9th</u> Student led Mass - 5:00pm

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CONGRATULATIONS!

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Honoring Academic Achievements

Twenty -six 4th and 5th grade students were honored at a special breakfast on Thursday, October 24th in recognition of achieving Scholastic Gold or Silver status in the 1st quarter of the school year. Students include: 4th grade: Zaylie Adams, William Adamson, Leo Ascherl, Ryker Dendinger, Catalina Varela, Rhett Marshall, Lewis Merrigan, Charles Vath, Erin Warburton & Allie Windhorst 5th grade: Kaden Blaylock, Zoe Calvert, Owen Engel, Sarah Kader, Matilda Kosman, Malia Linz, Holly Polk, Calliopi Schaff, Courtni Schaff, John Songco, Amelia Tritt, Wyatt Visage, Mason Warburton, Asher Wilson, Carson Windhorst





Classroom News.....

A Trip Back in Time

St. Agnes 4th grade students stepped back in time and experienced school as it was in the 1800's. Dressed as pioneer students and carrying an authentic lunch, the students ventured to the Flowerfield School in Banner County where they experienced writing with a quill, took part in an orthography bee, wrote on slates and

learned what school was like hundreds of years ago. Congrats to spelling bee winner, Allie Windhorst.







Book Fair Totals

St. Agnes School would like to thank all who supported the annual Scholastic book fair.

We are excited to report a total of \$3000 was raised through the sales

at the fair. Proceeds are used to purchase new materials for our library.

Congratulations to Book Fair raffle winners: PK - Ada Jenkins, K - Ried Colwell, 1st - Duke Suhr, 2nd - Sullivan Gauthier, 3rd - Rose Schiff, 4th -William Adamson, 5th - Isaac Ramirez





Celebrating Red Ribbon Week

St. Agnes students celebrated Red Ribbon Week the week of October 28-Nov. 1st. The BMS and SHS bands helped kick off the festivities by serenading the school with some peppy tunes to get us excited about making good choices and standing up for what is right. We enjoyed seeing lots of our alumni students. The kids enjoyed wearing crazy hair & socks, dressing as a teacher, wearing their finest attire and scaring away drugs with their Halloween costumes. The older kids enjoyed playing the Red Ribbon rendition of the game clue while the younger students enjoyed a visit from the Gering Clown group.



Hot Lunch Menu for November 4th, 2024 - November 8th, 2024

<u>Monday, Nov 4</u>	<u>Tuesday, Nov 5</u>	<u>Wednesday, Nov 6</u>	<u>Thursday, Nov 7</u>	<u>Friday, Nov 8</u>
Hamburger on a Bun French Fries Peas Banana	Tuna Salad Sandwich Broccoli Sun Chips Grapes	Tater Tot Casserole Dinner Roll Peaches Pudding	Chicken Tenders Sweet Potato Fries Celery/peanut butter Mandarin Oranges	Cheese Quesadilla Refried Beans Apricots
Helpers: Megan Covalt Seth Covalt	Helpers: Toni Warburton Tiah Alvizar	Helpers: Kika Katy Marshall	Helpers: Katy Marshall Megan Covalt	Helpers: Elise Gurrola Anthony Gurrola

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



Pre-K Class By Nicole Boness



October was a fun and busy month. The kids got to go to the pumpkin patch at the B.E. Farm. They had a blast and enjoyed every minute of it! There was a lot of fun activities for them to do and they enjoyed each bringing home a pumpkin. As a class, we have started our community unit. We have a center where they get to dress up as different community workers. They will be learning about different people that work in our community, as well as, what they do and how they help.

Pre-k had their first Halloween party. They got to dress up all day

and enjoy some fun activities. As a class, we enjoyed making ghost, bats and spiders to hang in the classroom. The kids also really enjoy the water table. I put orange and purple orbi's with spiders, eyeballs, and rings in it.

In math, we have been working on shapes. They are learning how to sort shapes, learning how many sides they have, and how to draw them. November is almost here, and I am excited to see what these kids learn this month. Hope you all had a great October!





Second Grade Class <u>By Lori Svitak</u>



The month of October is going so fast! There are a lot of fun learning opportunities to enjoy! We have been working on one and two step story problems in math. These are both fun and challenging. We have learned that drawing out some of the story problems helps us solve them. We are also practicing our addition math facts. We have a 5-minute quiz every Friday. We try to beat our former score.

In science, we will detour out of our book for a while and talk about owls and other night creatures. We will read stories about owls and bats and make some cool projects. It should be interesting and fun!

In reading, we are on the unit about fables. We have read <u>The Tortoise and the Hare</u> and <u>The Boy Who Cried Wolf</u>. It's a great way to talk about moral lessons!

The month of October is a great month for story writing. We are putting our imaginations to the test. We have written stories about Halloween and haunted houses. The students will be reading their stories to each other in class. I hope they are not too scary!

Happy Birthday to Killian Dudley and Henry Preston.









