



Saint Agnes

CATHOLIC CHURCH



August 4, 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

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE.

— JOHN 6:35 —



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Today's Readings

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

Psalm:78

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

John 6:24-35



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The Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Food That Perishes

It's so easy to do the right thing because we want to tick all the right boxes. We want to live by the law. We want to accomplish the work of God.

Or, at least, we say that we do.

But Jesus tells us that in order to accomplish the work of God, we have to believe in the one he sent. And to believe in Christ is to be filled with the spirit of truth — to do what is right because it is right, not because we want to be filled with good feelings.

What is the difference between doing what is right because you want to be a good Christian, and doing what is right because you believe in Christ?

It's the difference between eating manna and the Eucharist. One fills your stomach and keeps you alive, and nothing more. The other satisfies a hunger you might not have even known you had, or if you did know, you called it by another name — sadness, unfulfillment, fear. One achieves a corporeal goal, and that's the end of it. The other accomplishes something invisibly, secretly, silently, and though there is physical evidence of its work all around us, you have to be shrewd to recognize it.

It's the difference between making a social media post condemning sin and enveloping a sinner (the one at our dinner table, the one on the street, the one staring back at us in the mirror) with love and concern. It's the difference between simply going to Mass and living the Gospel. It's the difference between speaking to God and saying a prayer. It's the difference between telling someone they're wrong and telling them about the truth.

There's nothing wrong doing what is right because we long for heaven, and there's nothing wrong with eating manna if you're starving. But that alone isn't enough. We must also long for the bread of heaven, the bread that gives life to the world.

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.' — John 6:35

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments - By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

This Week's Schedule

Monday, August 5, 2024

Daily Mass (7:00am)
Intention: †Lynnett Rotert by Scott & Sharon Bird
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Tuesday, August 6, 2024

Daily Mass (7:00am)
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Wednesday, August 7, 2024

Daily Mass (8:15am)
Intention: Pro-Populo (For the People)
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)
Contemplative Prayer (6:00pm)

Thursday, August 8, 2024

Daily Mass (7:00am)
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Friday, August 9, 2024

Daily Mass (7:00am)
Intention: †Fr. Thomas Ryan by St. Agnes Parish
Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm)

Saturday, August 10, 2024

Weekend Mass (5:00pm)
Intention: †Ralph Castaneda by Carmen Trevino

Sunday, August 11, 2024

Weekend Mass (8:00am)
Intention: For Our Parish
Weekend Mass (10:00am)
Intention: †James Graham by The Gould Family

This Week's Readings



Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/Mt 14:13-2
 Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10
 Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11, 12ab, 13/Mt 15:21-28
 Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23
 Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28
 Saturday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26
 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

Server Schedule

Aug 10 5pm Asher Wilson
 Coraline Hill
 Aug 11 8am Aden Munoz
 Emily Esselstein
 10:00am Charlotte Lewis
 Kellan Zulkoski

Lector Schedule

Aug 10 5pm Mary Robinson
 Aug 11 8am Toni Warburton
 10:00am Mark Loose

Rosary Leader Schedule

Aug 10 5pm Jennifer Hiltgen
 Aug 11 8am JoAnn Nash
 10:00am Jackie Seymour

Finance Corner

Sunday Collections & ATW Giving

July 28, 2024

Actual	\$3392.02
Online Giving	\$2164.00
Budget	\$10000.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$4443.98

July 2024 Totals

Actual	\$17675.07
ATW	\$7715.00
Online Giving	\$5224.50
Budget	\$40000.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$9385.43

There is no 2nd collection for next week.

Thank you for your continued giving!

The Giving Tree

Each year, St Agnes teachers provide items to their classrooms at their own expense to make their classrooms an amazing environment for all students. To help defray some of the costs, the Home & School Association has created The Giving Tree.



Please consider donating.

July 27-August 11, 2024



Take an apple from the Giving Tree in the gathering space. Once you have fulfilled the requested items, place in bag or box with the apple attached and return it to the bins provided near the tree.



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Mass Intentions & Special Requests



Requesting a Mass to be said for a loved one is a special way to honor either someone still living, or one who has gone ahead of us to the next stage of life in

Christ. If someone dear to you is having a birthday, anniversary, or a new baby, what better way to honor them? The suggested donation for a Mass is \$10. For more information, contact the parish office (632-2541).

Knights of Columbus - A Year in Review **From An Active Council to a Very Active Council**

Our local Knights of Columbus have been very active for the past Fiscal year from April 2023 to March of 2024. With the leadership of our Chaplain, **Fr. Konka**, we kept our Faith Activities intact. We have several new projects that we have started and several ongoing projects that we kept: **Monthly Breakfast Buffet** – we were able to break the record of attendance of 202 Patrons in February of 2024. Our **Monday Night Bingo** which is our main bread and butter. 3 **Fish Fry Friday** during Lenten seasons, all proceeds go to the St. Agnes School. The **Toys for Tots** – our biggest project of the year during the Christmas season and we have partnered with **Riverstone Bank** and **Abate of Nebraska**. Our **Monthly Soup Kitchen** is every 2nd Thursday of the month which we serve food to about 35 patrons monthly. We helped and cooked breakfast for the **Festival of Hope** in June of 2023. We hosted our **Annual Casino Night** which is our main fundraising event. We served and helped breakfast for the **Buckboard Academy**. We partnered with the **Scottsbluff Country Club** and were able to collect over 1000 pounds of Canned goods and collect over 110 Toys that we have added to the **Toys for Tots Program**. We have hosted 2 local food drives in November 2023 and March 2024; and were able to collect almost 10,000 pounds worth of canned goods and monetary donations. All these projects bring our Church members and our community together.

We also have children’s activities for the **St Agnes School** like **Virtuous Student for the Month** which promotes kindness to fellow students and teachers. We were a **Golden Ticket Sponsors** for the **St. Agnes Movie Night**. We helped provide food and cooked cheeseburger for the **Opening Night** of the St Agnes School. We have also provided hotdogs for the St. Agnes School for the **“Hotdog Feed”** event. We have worked side by side with **Mrs. Julie Brown** throughout the school year and also the students to be able to show them what is giving is all about during Christmas season for the Toys for Tots program. We have hosted a **Swimming Party for Altar Servers** in August 2023 and a Pizza Party in April 2024 with the coordination of our Director of Religious Education **Terri Calvert**. We also help with the **Premiere Annual Event** by opening car doors, opening the lobby doors and greeting Patrons with style (with our elegant Tuxedo and Suit).

We have supported children around our community because of our **Coats for Kids** program which we gave out \$3,000.00 worth of Coats to kids from ages 5-15. We also have the **St. Joseph Children Picnic** which is a great activity for the Children. We also hosted the **Free Throw Contest** which promotes wellness and sportsmanship for children. We have provided ice cream for the Totus Tuus students after their weeklong class. We have donated 2 x \$500 for 2 **Senior High School Catholic Students**. We have supported our Seminarians from the Diocese of Grand Island.

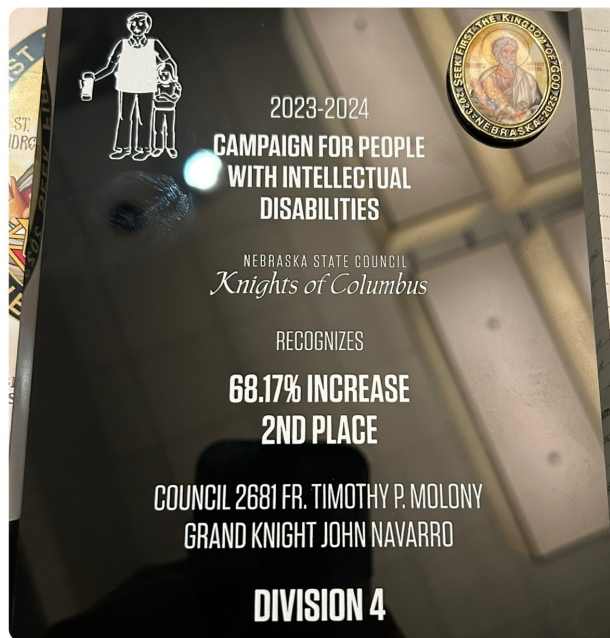
We served as **Honor Guards** for the **First Communion Candidates** in April 2023, **Confirmation Candidates** in April 2023 and for the **Funeral** of our Fellow member Ray Rezac in February 2024. We had dinner with the **Panhandle Shrine Club** – which are big supporters of our local council. We have given out **Flowers** to all mothers on **Mother’s Day** in May of 2023. We had a Eucharistic Procession Revival at St Agnes Church, and the Canopy was held by our members during the procession of the Blessed Sacrament in July 2023 and in November 2023.

We were featured on the International Facebook page of the Knights of Columbus in January of 2024. We have started featuring members of our council every month with their families. We have kick start the Round Table Council in Bridgeport, **All Souls Catholic Church** for our members at that Church. We presented the **Quilt of Valor** to our local Veterans. We were able to promote and support Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities with the support of our local Mayor, City Manager and even our **Governor Jim Pillen** from the State of Nebraska.

One of the highlights of the year was our **Tootsie Roll Drive**. We had a **67% increase** in sales last year which we were able to donate more funds to **Buckboard Academy** and **Camp Scott** locally. One of the greatest things for the Fiscal year was winning the **Silver Level Award** for our local council, which is the 2nd highest award we can get from the **Nebraska Knights of Columbus**. We attended the April 2023 **Annual Convention** and our **Grand Knight Training** in July 2023 and the **Regional Meeting** in October 2023, for the State of Nebraska Knights of Columbus in Kearney. We have great leadership from the State – Our very own **Bob Wolf** was inducted as our **State Deputy** (Highest Ranking Officer for the Nebraska Knights of Columbus) in June of 2023 – first ever from the western side of the State. Also, our District Deputy Mike Esselstein who is also from our local council.

And most of all, the highlight of the fiscal year, we have convinced **18 New Catholic Gentlemen** to join our local Knights of Columbus council.

If you have any questions, concerns and suggestions on how we can be able to help better with our Church, School and Community, please contact our local **Grand Knight John Navarro Songco** @615-9429. Thank you for your continuous support of our local Knights of Columbus project.



Religious Education Program

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Religious Education Office—308-635-1362

Celebrating Sunday

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary
Time

Gospel: *Mark 6:26-35*

On the Way to Mass:

At every Mass, we pray the Our Father. We ask God to “give us this day our daily bread.” Is this only about food? What else do we need every day?

On the Way Home From Mass:

In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells us that he is the Bread of Life. He is not just bread for today, but for life. What could that mean for us?

Living the Word:

Jesus tells the people that he is the Bread of Life. The people in the Gospel followed him because they thought he could give them the bread they needed to fill their stomachs; they did not understand that he would provide nourishment for their spiritual hunger. Discuss how Jesus satisfies the hungers of our hearts, and how we could not survive if we do not remain with him. Pray the Our Father as a family. Make a prayer card with the words “Give us this day our daily bread.”

*Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families
2023-2024*

Find Us On



Parish Website

www.st-agnes-church.com

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In the App Store on your phone or tablet

Summer Family Faith Calendar

Sunday, August 4th

Send a homemade card to a priest who is special to your family.

Monday, August 5th

Whenever you hear a siren rush past, make a Sign of the Cross and pray for the safety of all involved.

Tuesday, August 6th

In honor of the Transfiguration, come to dinner dressed in your best clothes.

Wednesday, August 7th

Practice patience..

Thursday, August 8th

In honor of St. Dominic, talk only of God and his blessings at dinner tonight.

Friday, August 9th

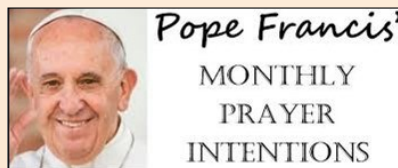
Give up a bad habit today. Ask the Holy Spirit for help.

Saturday, August 10th

Make “hero” sandwiches for dinner. While enjoying them, share stories about the heroes in your life.

Partners in Faith - June 2021

Pope Francis' intention for



August - For political leaders

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

Stewardship Opportunities Many children and young people, preschool through grade 12, will sign up this fall to learn more about Jesus and the Catholic faith. You can help them learn and grow by becoming a catechist.

Starting on September 11th all Catholic formation sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 pm. All on the St. Agnes campus.

Are you willing to share your Catholic faith with others? If so, would you be willing to be a catechists on Wednesday evenings?

As you nurture the faith of our young, you will learn and grow as well! As one long-time catechist put it, “I learn so much from the children!” You will be provided with training, materials, and support.

If you are willing to share your time and talents with the children and youth of St. Agnes please contact the Religious Education Office via Email—dre@st-agnes-church.com

You can register your child(ren) on-line today for the RE sessions by scanning the QR Code below.



THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of August 04, 2024



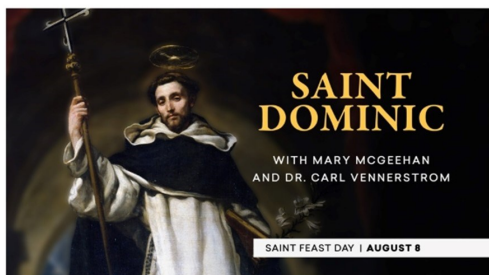
A Bible Study on the Luminous Mysteries: The Transfiguration (Part 4)

Have you ever wanted to grow in your understanding and devotion to the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary? Join Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Elizabeth Klein as they walk through the mystery of the Transfiguration, helping you to enter more deeply into its richness.



Our Mother Mary

What is Mariology? Learn about this fascinating topic in this interview with Dr. Mark Miravalle, Saint John Paul II Chair of Mariology at Franciscan University of Steubenville.



St. Dominic | Catholic Saints

During times of corruption and heresy in the world, great saints arise to bring renewal. Learn about the life of St. Dominic, who founded the Dominican Order and lived to promote the integration of the intellectual life and the life of poverty.

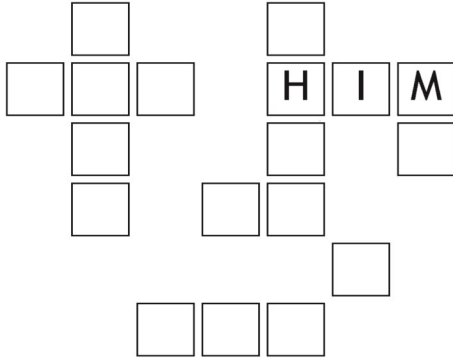
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Kids' Corner

PUZZLE

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

This is my Son, and I love him.



MISSION

Read today's Gospel with your family. What would have surprised you most about seeing Jesus like that on top of the mountain?

PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

FOOD
THIRSTY
MIRACLE

MANNA
FAITH
BREAD

LIFE
HUNGRY
COMES

- fodo f o o d
- mricael _____
- mnana _____
- berad _____
- lfie _____
- cmose _____
- hnurgy _____
- fatih _____
- thritys _____

MISSION

If you believe in Jesus, you can look forward to heaven one day. Read Revelation 21:3-7 with your family. Heaven will be wonderful!