

VERITAS

# The Cathedral of St. Agnes

Rockville Centre, New York



8.27.23



Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

# HOLY MASS

## SUNDAY

7AM, 8AM, 9:30AM, 10:30AM (Lower Hall, not celebrated in Summer)  
11AM, 12:30PM, 5PM

## SATURDAY

7:45AM, 5PM, 7:30PM (Lower Hall)  
7:30PM (Spanish)

## WEEKDAYS (Monday-Friday)

6:30AM, 7:45AM, 9AM  
12:10PM, 7:30PM (Monday)

## HOLY DAYS

Eve of Holy Day: 5PM, 7:30PM (Spanish)  
Holy Day: 6:30AM, 7:45AM, 9:00AM, 12:10PM, 7:30PM

# OUR PARISH

29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570  
(516) 766-0205 | parishoffice@stagnescathedral.org

## CLERGY

**Bishop**  
Most Reverend John O. Barres, D.D., S.T.D., J.C.L.

**Bishop Emeritus**  
Most Reverend William F. Murphy, D.D., S.T.D.

**Rector**  
Very Rev. Michael F. Duffy

**Associate Pastor**  
Rev. Alessandro da Luz, S.T.L.

Rev. Roger Velasquez, *Comunidad Hispana*

**In Residence**  
Rev. Matthew Browne, S.T.L.  
Rev. Lachlan Cameron, S.T.L.

**Weekend Assistants**  
Rev. Patrick Flanagan, C.M.  
Very Rev. James Kuroly

**Permanent Deacons**  
Deacon Andrew Ciccaroni  
Deacon Thomas McDaid

## STAFF

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**Outreach**  
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(516) 678-1854

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Michael Bower, *Director*  
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**Facilities Manager**  
Patrick O'Brien

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Cecilia St. John, *Principal*  
Mary Brower, *Assistant Principal*

## OFFICE HOURS

**Rectory**  
Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
(closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.)  
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
*Emergencies anytime*

**Religious Education\***  
Tuesday - Thursday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Outreach\***  
Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

\*Offices located in the Parish Ministry Building  
(corner of N. Village Ave and Quealy Pl)

## CATHEDRAL HOURS

As a reminder to parishioners and visitors alike, the Cathedral is open Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. On weekends it is open until the completion of that day's final Mass. Please remember to adhere to social distancing and mask guidelines. The Adoration Chapel (Clinton Ave. entrance) is open Monday-Saturday from 7:30am-2pm. On Sundays it will be open following the 7am Mass until 6pm.

# SACRAMENTS

## Confession

Saturday, Eve of Holy Day, and Eve of First Friday from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m. Monday Evening following 7:30 p.m. Mass. Wednesday Morning following the 7:45 a.m. Mass and the 12:10 p.m. Mass. Monday to Friday – following the 6:30 a.m. Mass and every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. (Spanish) in the Cathedral.

## Baptism

Once a month on Saturday at 12:30 p.m. and on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 1:45 p.m. Contact the Rectory Office to arrange for interview, ceremony and registration for required Baptism Preparation Class (for first time parents). Spanish Baptisms take place before the 7:30 p.m. Spanish Mass on Saturday evening. Please call the Rectory Office for more information.

## Marriage

Arrangements should be made at least 12 months in advance and prior to making reception plans. Call the Rectory for an appointment with the priest you wish to witness your wedding. All couples are required to attend Pre-Cana.

## Pastoral Care of the Sick

Priests and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion are available to bring Holy Communion to parishioners confined to home. Please call the Rectory Office to make arrangements. Those who are seriously ill should request a priest for Anointing of the Sick.

Visit the Sacraments page at [www.stagnescathedral.org](http://www.stagnescathedral.org) for more information.



# LIVE STREAM REQUEST

We are now able to stream personal services such as weddings and funerals.  
For more information, please call the rectory at (516) 766-0205.

# STAY CONNECTED



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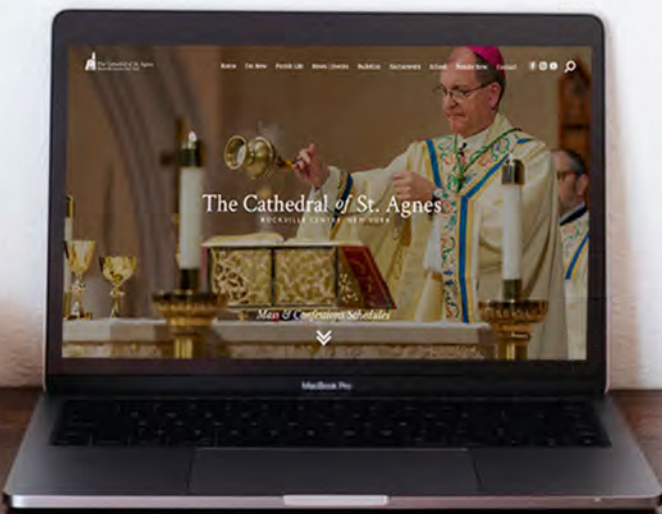


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Unable to join us for Mass? Tune in on  LIVE



## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- Monday, August 28, St. Augustine,  
Bishop & Doctor of the Church**  
*1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22*
- 6:30 Drue Kerls  
7:45 Denise Miles  
9:00 Antoinette Anzalone  
12:10 Aiden Redmond  
7:30 Joseph Wallace
- Tuesday, August 29, The Passion of St. John the Baptist**  
*1 Thes 2:1-8; Mk 6:17-29*
- 6:30 Edward Murphy  
7:45 Maureen Sichenzia  
9:00 Timothy Joseph (TJ) Kilcarr  
12:10 Raymond McRory  
7:30 Special Intentions
- Wednesday, August 30, Weekday**  
*1 Thes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32*
- 6:30 Gregory Walker  
7:45 Robert & Loretta Miniutti  
9:00 James Saville, Sr.  
12:10 Antonio & Frank Milano
- Thursday, August 31, Weekday**  
*1 Thes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51*
- 6:30 Margaret Cormican  
7:45 Mary Holland  
9:00 Diane Gilardi  
12:10 William Kuczyk
- Friday, September 1, Weekday**  
*1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13*
- 6:30 Domenica Vitale  
7:45 Lisa LaPadula Mineo  
9:00 Patricia Phelan  
12:10 Linda Spessot
- Saturday, September 2, Weekday**  
*1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30*
- 7:45 Friends & Family of Steven McDonald  
5:00 Eleanor Runkel, Olinda Vilella,  
Martha Sammartano,  
Anna Leanzo & Blanche Rodziewicz,  
Louise Dumproff & Vincent Leanzo
- 7:30 C Alberto Pedraza  
7:30 LH Mary Helen Brennan
- Sunday, September 3, Twenty-Second Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**  
*Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27*
- 7:00 Iona Fasano  
8:00 The Parishioners of St. Agnes Cathedral  
9:30 1st Lt. Ronald D. Winchester, USMC  
11:00 Mary Cerillo  
12:30 Carmine Paesano, Joseph Reali,  
Richard Signorelli,  
Antoinette Elisa Anzalone,  
The Family of Ann Inguanti
- 5:00 Patricia Lombardo

## PLEASE PRAY



### *For The Faithful Departed*

George H. McCutcheon,  
Mary Regina Zimmermann,  
Bridget Mulderrig

### *For The Sick*

Jerome Anthony DiMarco, Jacqueline Hawley,  
Sean Ware, David Sylvester Seal, Ron La Grega,  
John-Paul Yezzo, Barbara Magloire, Caitlin Nally,  
Akosua Cobb, Marie Poggelli, Tania Armstrong,  
Veronica Vargas, Gilbert Otano, Palma Giovanniello,  
Pat Englehart, Joseph Murphy, Barbara Rotunno,  
Tania Smith, Catherine Frake, Joseph Mariani,  
Jeffrey Buxton, James Walter (Child), Thomas Hayes, Jr.,  
Susan Kowalski, Maria McDonald, Stephanie Ramos,  
Lisa Pelrine-Shulman

**Sick Names for the bulletin remain for three weeks unless the Rectory is notified for an extension. Please note that requests should come from the family and the person must give permission to be listed.**

## JOIN US AT THE FAMILY MASS

The Family Mass, at 10:30am on Sundays, resumes again after Labor Day on September 10th. We would love to have readers from our families take part in the liturgy - reading God's word from the podium, leading us in the Prayer of the Faithful, and sharing the weekly announcements. ***If you are a student in grade 7-12 we hope you will consider joining us in our lector ministry.*** We will provide guidance and help. It is fun, low-pressure, and the best way to start your Sunday!! If you have further questions or just want to know more please contact Traci Maier at 516-765-5407 (text or call). Thank you!



## Holiday Schedule

The Rectory Office will be closed on Sunday and Monday, September 3rd and 4th for the Labor Day holiday. It will reopen on Tuesday, September 5th at 8:30 a.m. There will be **no** 7:30 p.m. Mass on Monday due to the holiday.

## St. Agnes Religious Education

The St Agnes Religious Education Department is looking for Catechists, if you are interested, please contact Anne Nelson at [anelson@stagnescathedrsl.org](mailto:anelson@stagnescathedrsl.org)



## STEWARDSHIP *A Way of Life*

### *Stewardship Reflection*

In today's Gospel, Jesus declares Peter to be the rock of the Church and says He will give him the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

### *Living Stewardship . . . Pillar of Service*

This week, be at service to someone in need. Check in on your elderly friends and family to make sure everything is ok.

### *Sharing One's Material Resources in the Parish*

### Pray for Vocations



As we all know, the Catholic Church needs more priests, as well as religious brothers and sisters. We encourage you to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially from within our parish and our school.

#### WEEKLY OFFERINGS

	Budget	8/20/2023	8/21/2022
Weekly Collection	\$35,288	\$28,341	\$30,824

### Supporting Our Parish

In these challenging times, special gratitude is expressed to those who are able to support St. Agnes Cathedral Parish.

#### WAYS TO GIVE:



**Online:** *Faith Direct* is a fast, secure, simple way to make your contributions. Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) to register. Our Parish code is **NY239**.



**By Mail:** Mail to St. Agnes Cathedral, 29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570



**In Person:** At Mass during the collection or dropped off at the rectory.

### Devotions



**Eucharistic Adoration** is the traditional Catholic practice of taking the consecrated host, the Blessed Sacrament, and placing it in a sun-shaped vessel called a Monstrance in order for the faithful to look upon Our Lord and pray to Him in peaceful contemplation. You are invited to join us **every Wednesday (unless otherwise noted)** in the Cathedral from 2:00–5:00 p.m. for Adoration and some quiet reflection and prayer.

**The Rosary** is prayed after the 9:00 a.m. Mass each Monday through Friday in the Cathedral except on Saturdays when it is prayed after the 7:45 a.m. Mass.



Parish of  
St. Agnes Cathedral  
Catholic Youth Organization

Basketball - Swimming - Track - Volleyball

## St. Agnes Boys' Basketball Registration Grades 4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>

(Since there will be no tryouts for 4th grade, registration will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis)



August 21<sup>st</sup> - September 13<sup>th</sup>  
<https://stagnescyo.org/registration/>



## Principal's Announcements

KEYS OF THE  
KINGDOM



"Who do you say that I am?" That question, asked by Jesus to Simon Peter in today's Gospel, sets the stage for a key foundation of the Catholic Church. Once Simon states that Jesus is the Messiah, then Jesus blesses him, changes his name to Peter (which means rock) and says that he will build his church upon that rock, though not on a physical rock, but on Peter, the new rock.

This will be his church—the Catholic Church. Jesus, knowing that he will not be physically present much longer, hands over the "keys of the kingdom" to Peter. In the Bible, the keys are a symbol for the king's prime minister, the caretaker of the kingdom. By giving Peter the keys of the kingdom, Jesus is appointing Peter as his prime minister in the kingdom he is building. From that moment on, Peter and his successors, the **popes**, have held a central leadership role for Christ's Church.

I hope you are enjoying the summer! It is slipping by fast. Next week the teachers and I will be welcoming your children back, and for some for the 1st time, to school.

### This Year's School Theme

**Anchored in Faith: We Are All Called to Be Fishers of Men!**



Do you know what the earliest Christian symbol was? You might guess the cross. That would certainly be the most popular answer.

Yet that's not the case. Early on, believers were hesitant to display it publicly for fear they would be persecuted for their faith. In fact, it wasn't until the Roman emperor Constantine converted to Christianity in the 4th century that the cross was elevated to symbolic status.

Your second guess for the earliest symbol might be the fish. The Greek word for fish is "ichthys." As early as the first century, Christians made an acrostic from this word: Iesus Christos Theou Yios Soter, which means Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior. The fish has plenty of other theological overtones as well. Jesus fed the 5000 with five loaves and two fish. He called his disciples "**fishers of men.**" Tradition has it that when a believer approached a stranger and wondered if they were



Christian, an arc was drawn in the dust with the foot. If the other party shared the faith, the arc was crossed with another, forming a crude fish.

However, both of these were predated by, of all things, an **anchor**. The anchor became a key Christian symbol during the period of Roman persecution that took the lives of both Saints Peter and Paul. It was sufficiently vague so as to confuse the uninitiated observer.

The symbol of the cross is the symbol that reminds us of how Jesus died for us, we would do well to remember the anchor also. It reflects the mission that we are to go out into the sea of humanity to share the Good News about Jesus Christ.

This year we are going to focus on our mission **to be fishers of men**, disciples, to not only remember what Jesus did for us, but also as a challenge to rise to what Jesus wants from us through **virtuous actions**, words, and deeds.

### Welcome Back to School!

**The first day of school for students in Grades 1-8 is Wednesday, September 6th.** The students are to report to their last year's classroom no later than 8:15 A.M. The students should bring their lunch to school. Dismissal is at 2:45 P.M.

**Uniforms:** Our school uniform provider is Flynn and O'Hara. Uniforms may be purchased in person at the Flynn and O'Hara store in Plainview or online through their website. Website: [flynnohara.com](http://flynnohara.com)

**Flynn and O'Hara Store**, 131 Sunnyside Blvd. Ste 104, Plainview, NY 11803. Phone Number: (516) 221-3006 All students in Grades 1-8 should be in either summer or formal uniform. The summer uniform will be in effect from September 6th to October 15th for those who choose to wear it.

Girls' skirts must **hit the kneecap**.

Boys' hair must be short on the top, sides, back, and front. Neat, and well-groomed. No mop-top hairstyle.

**New Students** in grades 1-7 should report to the Main Office on the first day of school. They will be escorted to the Library for an orientation and then escorted to their classrooms.

**Kindergarten will begin on Thursday, September 7th. Kindergarten students must bring lunch and a snack to school every day.**

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The Kindergarten children should assemble in the school yard behind the school no later than **8:30 A.M. on their 1st day only**. Kindergarten parents should be present on their child's first day. In the event of rain, we will assemble in the **Carlin Dining Hall**. Kindergarten will dismiss at 2:45 P.M. for car riders and bus riders.

On Monday, September 11th, and thereafter, all Kindergarten students should enter the school via the Carlin Doors on Clinton if they are a bus student or the Kindergarten Doors off the playground if they are using the Morning Drop-off. The Kindergarten Aides, Special Content Teachers, and Mrs. Brower will be on Clinton Ave. for the bus students, I will be in the back to assist the Morning Drop-off with additional teachers.

A PDF of the school calendar is posted on the school's website, [www.stagnes-school.org](http://www.stagnes-school.org). It is located at the bottom of the website under Quick Links, "School Calendar and Handbook." **Please note that Friday, September 8th is a half day for a faculty meeting.**

Save the Dates

**Friday, September 8th: 12 Noon Dismissal**

**Mothers' Club Welcome Back Mass and General Meeting**

September 12th at 9 A.M. Meeting to follow in the Parish Center.

**Meet the Administration and Teachers Grades K-4**

September 13th at 7:30 P.M. in the Parish Center followed by classroom presentations in the school.

**High School Information Night: Grades 7-8**

September 14th at 6:30 P.M.

**Meet the Administration and Teachers Grades 5-8**

September 14th at 7:30 P.M. in the Parish Center followed by classroom presentations in the school.

**Fathers' Club: Welcome Back BBQ**

September 15th at 7:30 P.M. on the Field of Dreams.

Peace and blessings to you and your families this Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time.

*Mrs. Cecilia St. John*

Principal



**ROMEO  
(Retired Old  
Men Eating Out)**

Are you a ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out)?

We are a group of St. Agnes parishioners that gather for lunch once a quarter. Please join us and meet some of the men with whom we pray at church; all men are invited - it is not a prerequisite to be old and/or retired. Our next luncheon is Wednesday, September 6 at 12 Noon, at MacArthur Park Restaurant on N. Park Ave. (\$32 per person). Come join us, and bring a friend. Please RSVP to Tom Nofi via phone: (516)784-6046 or via email: [tomrvc@gmail.com](mailto:tomrvc@gmail.com).



**Big Time Basketball Camp**

The 31st annual Big Time Basketball Camp will once again be held at St. Anthony's in Oceanside. The camp is held for 3 weekly sessions: Aug. 14-18, Aug. 21-25, Aug. 28-Sept. 1. The hours are Monday thru Friday 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. The fee for 1 week is only \$250 for the entire week. All campers receive a free camp t-shirt. In addition each week we give out water bottles, shorts, hats, tank-tops, wrist bands, portable air pumps, and backpacks. The camp is fully insured and we offer professional, first rate instruction. Please call 516-678-3290 or e-mail [bigtimecamp1@gmail.com](mailto:bigtimecamp1@gmail.com) for an application, or you can download one by visiting our website at Google Bigtimebasketballcamp Oceanside.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

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**Calling all Seniors....**

The St. Agnes Senior Club will begin on Wednesday, September 6th at 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. Our guest speaker will be Sr. Annelle Fitzpatrick, CSJ, PhD, Director of the CSJ Refugee Resettlement Program. Sr. Annelle will talk about the program and present a slide presentation. All are welcome and bring a friend.

## Parish Outreach

The Outreach Pantry is really low and in need of the following tuna fish, 1lb. grape jelly, cereal, peanut butter, Goya beans, marinara sauce, 1lb. thin spaghetti, 1lb bags of rice, canned peas, Progresso Soups and individual fruit cups.



We are no longer accepting Spring & Summer clothing but we are accepting Fall clothing .

You may call the office at 678-1854 with any questions. **Please do not leave any donations on the porch outside the Outreach office when the office is closed.** We will gladly accept donations between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday except for holidays.

Love,

*Sr. Kathleen*

## Upper Room Ministry

Presents  
Praise and Worship Night

## Jesus is the Way..



### Come hear testimonies of Faith..

Date: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2023

Time: 7pm-9pm

Place: Wantagh Inn, Wantagh New York  
516-493-8205 details

Food and drinks available for purchase..

## Annual School Supply Collection



Please help members of our community for whom buying school supplies can be a terrible monetary burden. We will be collecting school supplies which will then be distributed through the Parish Outreach Center. Please help by donating as many items as you can from the list of suggestions below. Our parish has been so generous during past collections that we anticipate that once again your help will make this September much better for needy families within our community. **You can bring your donations to the Outreach Office during the month of August (Mon-Fri 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. With the exception of**

**Friday, September 1st.)** Please call Sister Kathleen at 516-678-1854 with any questions.

Thank you for your generosity. Love, *Sr. Kathleen*

**Suggested Items:** (Please remember, all items must be new)

- ◆ Backpacks
- ◆ Loose leaf binders
- ◆ Loose leaf
- ◆ Pencils
- ◆ Crayons
- ◆ Markers
- ◆ Packs of pens
- ◆ School scissors
- ◆ Marble Notebooks
- ◆ Spiral Notebooks
- ◆ Plastic art boxes
- ◆ School glue or glue sticks
- ◆ Construction paper
- ◆ Pocket folders
- ◆ Staples Gift Certificates
- ◆ Target Gift Certificates



“Most high, glorious God enlighten the darkness of my heart; give me, Lord, a correct faith, a certain hope, a perfect charity, sense and knowledge so that I may carry out Your holy and true commands.” Francis of Assisi

Come and see how Secular Franciscans live joyfully in the world and celebrate

God’s creation.

Our Lady of the Atonement Secular Franciscan Fraternity meets on the second Tuesday of the month, at 6:45 p.m. in Tabor Retreat Center, 60 Anchor Ave, Oceanside. Please contact Jane at 516-425-2768 for more information.







**Focus on  
Religious Freedom**

[www.cffor.org](http://www.cffor.org)

*“Nothing is more dreaded than the national government meddling with religion.” - John Adams*

**National Catholic Register, Catholic League, Catholic News Agency, Cardinal Dolan, etc. Respond to News of Three FBI Offices Involved in Labeling Traditional Catholics as Radical and Possible White Supremacists**

A Jan. 23, 2023, leaked memo from the FBI’s Richmond, VA office shocked America’s religious leaders and citizens of all faiths by its directing that the FBI should surveil Catholics who attend the Traditional Latin Mass and certain organizations such as The Remnant and Fatima Crusader as possible violent white supremacists. When this memo was leaked the FBI director responded that the memo was not in keeping with the FBI’s standards, was the product of one office, Richmond, and would be immediately removed.

However, on July 25, at the insistence of the House Judiciary Committee, the FBI again released their Richmond office’s memo with fewer redactions which revealed that FBI offices in Portland and Los Angeles had contributed to the document labeling traditional Catholics as potential domestic terrorists..

Cardinal Timothy Dolan, chairman of the USCCB’s Committee on Religious Freedom, objected to the document as being offensive, troubling and showing religious profiling. Bishop Barry Knestout of the Diocese of Richmond called out the memo as being in violation of religious freedom and he pointed out that a preference for the traditional Mass of the church and adhering to the church’s teachings on marriage, family and human sexuality do not indicate any kind of extremism. He called upon Virginia’s elected leaders to condemn this attack on 1<sup>st</sup> amendment religious liberty.

The House Judiciary Committee, in light of this new information, continues its investigation of this matter.

Read more here: [bit.ly/47EkUvK](https://bit.ly/47EkUvK) [bit.ly/3sgRweO](https://bit.ly/3sgRweO)  
[bit.ly/3KL5agK](https://bit.ly/3KL5agK) [bit.ly/44dgd99](https://bit.ly/44dgd99) [bit.ly/44gyUca](https://bit.ly/44gyUca)

*“Unless we work hard to keep our religious liberty, we are going to lose it,” Archbishop Charles Chaput*



**On Becoming A Catholic**

Those seeking information about the Catholic Faith are invited to contact Rev. Michael F. Duffy, Rector of St. Agnes Cathedral 516-766-0205 concerning the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).



**Knights of Columbus  
Save the dates**

Sept 17<sup>th</sup>-Seminarian Fundraiser - 5-7 PM at Monaghan’s 48 N Village Ave, Rockville Centre and Sept 24<sup>th</sup>- St Agnes Knights of Columbus Tom Toy Memorial Blood Drive 8:30 AM-2:00 PM in the Parish Center.

**51st Nassau County  
Ancient Order of Hibernians**

Feis & Irish Festival on Sunday, September 17th from 9:00 to 5:00 p.m. at Nickerson Beach, Lido Beach honoring Timothy Myles \$10.00 per person. For more information go to [www.NassauAOHFeis.com](http://www.NassauAOHFeis.com)

**Consolation Ministers Needed**

The Consolation Ministry is looking for volunteers to help grieving families with the Funeral Mass arrangements for their dearly departed loved ones. If you are interested please call Anne Nelson (516) 678-2306.

**St. Michael Academy (NYC)  
Reunion 2023**

The annual Reunion of the St. Michael Academy Alumnae Association will be held this year at 12:00 noon on September 30th at Connolly’s Pub and Restaurant, 121 West 45th St, New York City. It is open to ALL Alumnae but especially honors the Golden Anniversary Class of 1973 and the Silver Anniversary Class of 1998. For further information and reservations please email [smaanyc@gmail.com](mailto:smaanyc@gmail.com) or call: 516-437-6948. The cost is \$75.00 for the luncheon before August 31th, \$85.00 thereafter. Cash bar. ALL SMA Alumnae from all years are always welcome to attend.

Join St. Agnes Cathedral  
for a special

# Blessing of Backpacks

**Sunday, September 9th  
9:30, 10:30 & 11am Masses**

*Students are invited to  
bring their bookbags to  
Mass for a special  
blessing.*



The Cathedral of St. Agnes  
Rockville Centre, New York



**BECOME A FRIEND OF  
Steven McDonald**



In Loving Memory of  
Detective Steven McDonald  
March 1, 1957- January 10, 2017

**PLEASE JOIN US ON THE  
FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH,  
SEPTEMBER 5, 2023,** as we continue  
Steven's mission to pray for the  
sanctification of families honoring Our  
Lady of Fatima Devotion

**ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL**  
29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY  
**from 7:00am – 8:15am** praying the  
rosary, 15 min. silent meditation on  
the mysteries of the rosary, celebration  
of mass at 7:45 and go to confession  
within 8 days.

**BY PRACTICING FORGIVENESS EVERYDAY**

After Steven was shot in Central Park, paralyzed, unable to speak, with his pregnant wife, Patti Ann at his side, he realized he wouldn't live to meet his son if he didn't forgive the 14 year old who shot him. Steven became aware forgiveness was the medicine he needed to live. He publicly forgave Shaved Jones on the day his son was baptized. His statement, read by Patti Ann, moved Jones to call the McDonald home and apologize. Steven was reminded daily what this young man's actions took from him and **FORGAVE HIM EVERYDAY**. Beyond doctor's expectations, Steven lived over 30 years carrying his cross with Jesus, spreading the message "Why Forgive?"

**Blessing our enemies after acknowledging what they took from us are the steps needed to free us from the toxicity of bitterness and resentment. Bitterness slowly kills us and blocks the graces God has for us to live an abundant life despite the pain and wounds from the actions of others. When we are reminded of the hurt and wounds caused by others, it is a sign we need to forgive again. STEVEN WAS REMINDED EVERYDAY.**

**Steven took 3 STEPS TO FORGIVE: He named the person he was willing to forgive, acknowledged what was taken from him and asked God to bless the person.**

Please join us at St. Agnes on Saturday September 5<sup>th</sup> or in spirit at a parish of your choice to honor Our Lady of Fatima.



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**St. John the Baptist | Catholic Saints**

Join Dr. John Sehorn and Taylor Kemp as they talk about St. John the Baptist, the forerunner to Christ.

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2. Click SIGN UP
3. Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization:
4. Find the parish by name (St. Agnes Cathedral) or Zip (11570)
5. Enter your email and you're in (There is no cost to use FORMED.)



## **Tomorrow's Hope Foundation's Swinging for Scholarships Golf Outing**

**honoring Jeff Byrnes, St. Agnes  
Parishioner, and Fathers' Club Member  
& Dr. Pamela Shea-Byrnes, posthumously**

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Monday, September 25, 2023  
Huntington Crescent Club, Huntington, NY

### 2023 GOLF CLASSIC SCHEDULE

- 10:00am Registration & Brunch
- 12:00pm Shotgun Start
- 5:30pm Cocktail Reception
- 6:30pm Dinner, Awards Ceremony & Raffles

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**St. Agnes Cathedral**  
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**Michael L. Bower, Director of Music**  
**Maura Goodwin, Associate Director of Music**

Sunday Evening, October 22, 2023, 7:30 PM

*Concert Organist Michael L. Bower*

Thursday, November 2, 7:30 PM

*Solemn Mass of All Souls Day*

Cristobol de Morales "Missa pro Defunctis a 5"

Cathedral Singers

Michael L. Bower, Conductor

Maura Goodwin, Organist

November 17, 7:30 PM

*St. Cecilia Concert and Investiture*

St. Agnes Junior & Senior Girls Choirs

Maura Goodwin, Conductor

November/December

*6:00 PM Solemn Sung Vespers on Advent Sunday Evenings*

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Evening (Gaudete Sunday) with Choir

Friday Evening, December 15, 7:30 PM

*Advent/Christmas Concert*

*The Cathedral Choirs*

*Chamber Orchestra and Soloists*

Michael L. Bower, Conductor

Maura Goodwin, Associate Conductor

Friday - Sunday Triduum, January 19-21, 2024

*Commemoration of St. Agnes, Our Patroness*

Holy Hour at 7:30 PM

Solemn Mass at 5:00 PM

Solemn Vespers at 4:00 PM

February/March

*6:00 PM Solemn Sung Vespers on Lenten*

*Sunday Evenings*

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Evening (Laetare Sunday) with Choir

March 17, 2024

*10:45 Investiture Ceremony, 11:00 AM Mass*

The Choir of Men and Boys of the

Diocese of Rockville Centre

Michael L. Bower, Director

Wednesday Evening, March 27, 7:30 PM

*The Office of Tenebrae*

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Sunday Evening, May 5, 7:30 PM

*Cathedral Music Master-Work Series*

*Antonio Vivaldi's "Gloria" & J.S. Bach's "Magnificat in D Major"*

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Sunday, June 2, 7:00 PM

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MISAS EN ESPAÑOL, Sábado - a las 7.30pm  
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Martes - a las 7.30pm (comenzando con el Rosario y  
confesión a las 7.00pm)

Primera Lectura: Las llaves del Palacio de David son entregadas al nuevo mayordomo real, con el poder de abrir y cerrar. Una elección que nos remite al Evangelio, donde Jesús entrega también a Pedro las llaves del Reino de los cielos.

La contemplación de las maravillas que Dios ha realizado en favor nuestro es el mayor aliciente de la oración de gracias y alabanza que elevamos a Dios con el salmo 137.

Segunda Lectura: La suerte de los judíos, los hijos de la promesa en el AT, pero que ahora parecen rechazar la salvación del Mesías enviado por Dios, sigue preocupando a Pablo, y le sugiere una larga serie de reflexiones que terminan en el breve pasaje de hoy: un canto entusiasta de alabanza a Dios, de admiración por la sabiduría con que va guiando la historia de la humanidad

Monición al Evangelio (Mateo 16, 13-20)

A la confesión cristológica que Pedro hace en el evangelio de hoy, le sigue la promesa hecha a éste como primero en rango entre todos los apóstoles por haber sido objeto de una especial iluminación. La continuidad de Jesús en su Iglesia pasa por Pedro y sus sucesores. El que tiene las llaves puede abrir y cerrar.

## LOS SACRAMENTOS

### *PENITENCIA/CONFESIÓN*

Todos los martes a las 7pm de la tarde antes de la Misa a las 7.30pm

### *BAUTISMO*

Un sábado en cada mes y la hora determinada según la disponibilidad de la catedral. Hay que comunicarse con la oficina de la rectoría para la entrevista con el sacerdote, la inscripción y poner el día de la celebración. Se puede llenar el formulario por la web de la parroquia y traer una copia del acta del nacimiento para la entrevista. Los padrinos deben ser católicos, bautizados que han hecho su primera comunión y la confirmación. Si son parejas, tienen que haberse casados por la iglesia.

### *MATRIMONIO*

Los que quieren casarse por la iglesia deben contactarnos con 12 meses de anticipación, hay que llamar la rectoría para citar la entrevista con el sacerdote y obtener más informaciones. La pre-cana es obligatoria.

### *CUIDADO PASTORAL DE OS ENFERMOS*

Los sacerdotes y los ministros extraordinarios de la Eucaristía están disponibles para visitar y llevar la comunión a los feligreses confinados en sus hogares. Por favor llamen la oficina de la rectoría para informarse si alguien necesita el sacramento de los enfermos.

### *HORA SANTA*

Tenemos la adoración Eucarística en el primer jueves de cada mes en la catedral a las 7.30pm. Es un encuentro especial con Jesús sacramentado para adorarle y contemplarle.

### *ACTIVIDADES DE CADA SEMANA*

**Clases de la primera comunión y la confirmación:** Todos los domingos en la escuela a partir de las 11.am. Se debe registrarse finales de agosto.

**Grupo de Oración (Carismático)** tiene su oración del grupo todos los miércoles en Lower Hall a las 7.00 p.m. Que vengan todos.

**Movimiento de Cursillos de Cristiandad** tiene su reunión todos los sábados después de la misa en el sótano de la sacristía. Todo el mundo está invitado a participar en los ministerios de la iglesia como catequistas, ministros extraordinarios de la Eucaristía, Lectores, ujieres (acomodadores) monaguillos, grupo de los jóvenes y jóvenes adultos, el coro etc.



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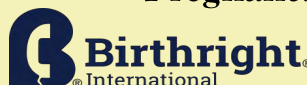


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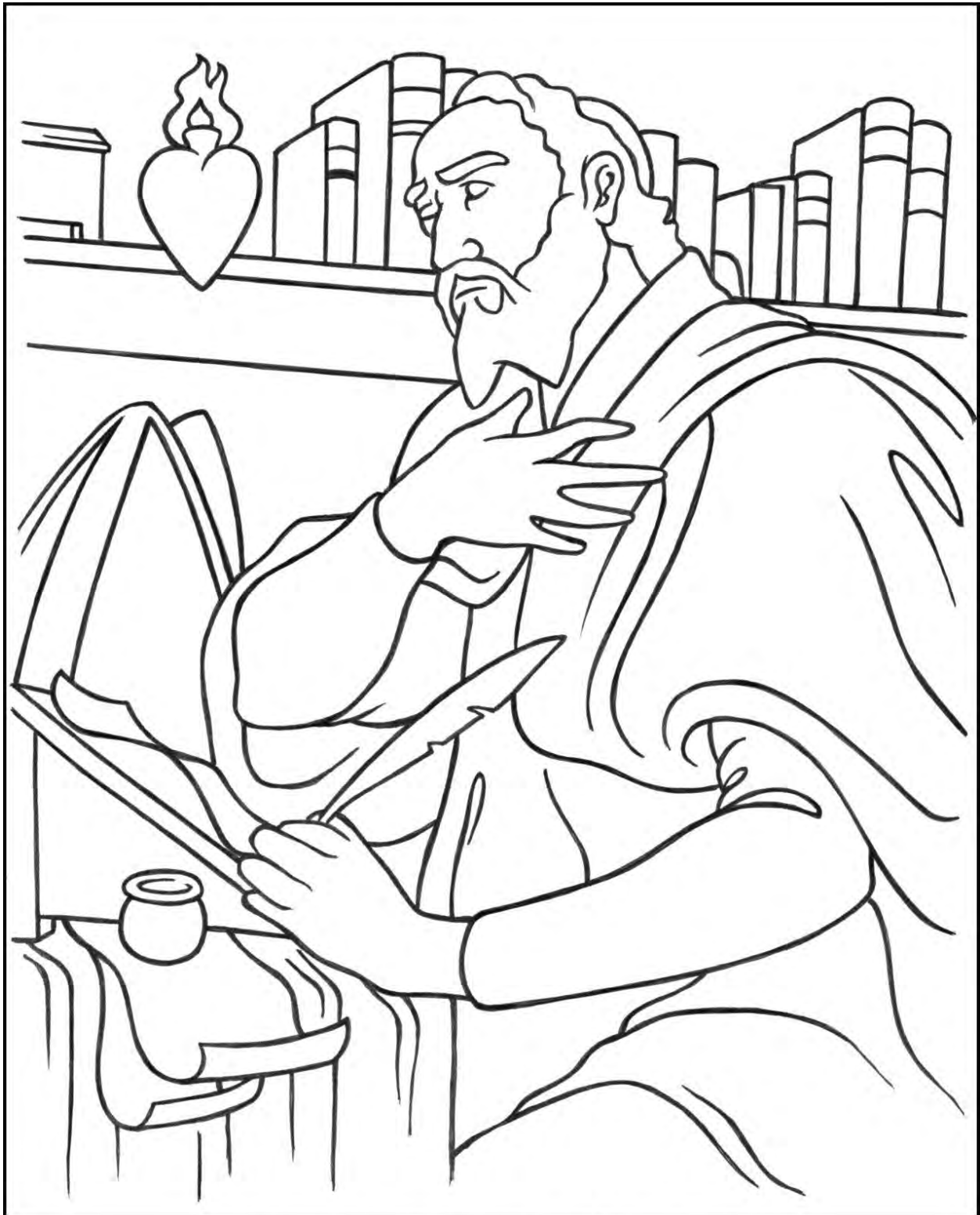
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