

The Cathedral of St. Agnes

Rockville Centre, New York



11.12.23



Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. GERTRUDE | CABRERA
FEAST DAY: NOVEMBER 16

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

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CLERGY

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

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Very Rev. Michael F. Duffy

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Rev. Alessandro da Luz, S.T.L.
Rev. Jude Mensah
Rev. Roger Velasquez, *Comunidad Hispana*

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Rev. Matthew Browne, S.T.L.
Rev. Lachlan Cameron, S.T.L.

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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

The Cathedral is open for prayer
daily from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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 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.



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The Cathedral of St. Agnes

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STEWARDSHIP

A Way of Life

Stewardship Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable to remind us to stay vigilant and always prepared for the coming of the Lord.

Living Stewardship . . . Pillar of Formation

The foolish virgins in the parable were not prepared for the coming of the bridegroom. By the time the bridegroom arrived, they were away buying oil. Let us be like the wise virgins and be prepared for the Lord when He comes. We do this by having a consistent prayer life, attending weekly Mass and making regular trips to confession.

Sharing One's Material Resources in the Parish

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>11/5/2023</u>	<u>11/6/2022</u>
Weekly Collection	\$35,288	\$38,697	\$33,790

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 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.

Suicide Prevention Resources

Suicide is a major public health problem and a leading cause of death in the United States. The effects of suicide go beyond the person who acts to take his or her life: it can have a lasting effect on family, friends and communities. If you are thinking about suicide, are worried about a friend or loved one, or would like emotional support, the Lifeline network is available 24/7 across the United States. National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK (8255) or Crisis Text Line: Text "Got5" to 741-741. Website: suicidepreventionlifeline.org.

The Office for Protection of Children and Young People

The Diocese of Rockville Centre is committed to assist those who have been victims of abuse by Clergy, Religious, Lay Employees and Volunteers. To report an incident of abuse, regardless of when it occurred, please call the Hotline Number 516-594-9063. Your call will be returned by a licensed mental health counselor. If you suspect someone is in immediate danger, call 911. All calls remain confidential.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, November 13, St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6

- 6:30 Susan Loftus
- 7:45 Maryann Cifarelli
- 9:00 Joan Brown
- 12:10 Intentions of the St. Monica Prayer Group
- 7:30 Deceased Members of the Seignon Family

Tuesday, November 14, Weekday

Wis 2:23-3:9; Lk 17:7-10

- 6:30 Special Intentions
- 7:45 Inez M. Beyrer
- 9:00 George Doris
- 12:10 Diane & Barbara Vitale
- 7:30 Spanish Mass Special Intentions

**Wednesday, November 15, St. Albert the Great,
Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19

- 6:30 Irene Daly
- 7:45 Matthew J. Mullin
- 9:00 Frank Adams
- 12:10 Josephine Cappella

**Thursday, November 16, St. Margaret of Scotland,
St. Gertrude, Virgin**

Wis 7:22b-8:1; Lk 17:20-25

- 6:30 Tom Fox
- 7:45 Ellen McMahon
- 9:00 Doris & Charles Murphy
- 12:10 William J. Phelan

Friday, November 17, St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37

- 6:30 The Dec'd Members of the Catholic Lawyers Guild
- 7:45 Edward Karthaus
- 9:00 Patrick Molloy
- 12:10 Dr. & Mrs. Martin Glynn

**Saturday, November 18, The Dedication of the Basilicas of
Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles**

Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8

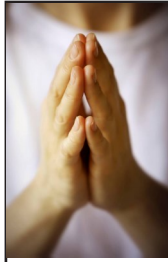
- 7:45 Daniel C. Henry
- 5:00 Rosina, Ernesto, Biagio, Bianca Minelli,
Consuelo & Paschal Isabella, Anne Adipietro,
Ann Carragher, Edward Murphy
- 5:00 LH Special Intentions
- 7:30 C Special Intentions
- 7:30 LH Raymond & Eileen Sisti & Ray, Jr.

**Sunday, November 19, Thirty-Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30

- 7:00 The Parishioners of St. Agnes Cathedral
- 8:00 Stephen J. Geraghty
- 9:30 Josephine Howard
- 10:30 LH Patrick J. Molloy
- 11:00 Marie & Benny Benenati
- 12:30 Maureen Ingram, Paul O'Brien,
Peter A. Steidle, Anne Mahoney,
Edward Murphy
- 5:00 Thomas John (TJ) Veith

PLEASE PRAY



For The Faithful Departed

Hortensia Cruz, Dorothy E. Kules,
Antonio Figueroa

For The Sick

Jack Peluso, Angela Page, Douglas Ho-Koon, James Staab,
William Kazmierozak, Liam Salembier, John Zablocki,
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.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Forty Million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Just a reminder that the Rectory Office is once again open from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday & Tuesday nights.

Parish Outreach

The Outreach Pantry is really low and in need of the following Spaghetti O's, Chef Boy Ardee Ravioli, Mac n Cheese cups, canned chicken breast, 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*

Parish Outreach

Dear Friends,

As we begin preparations for the beautiful American feast of *Thanksgiving*. I am asking for your assistance in helping those less fortunate.



The following pantry items are needed to complete Thanksgiving baskets: turkey stuffing, cranberry sauce, canned: yams, white potatoes, green beans, gravy, corn, carrots and peas, marinara sauce, pasta, red and black Goya beans, rice cereals, canned fruits and juices, macaroni and cheese, and tuna fish.

Since our freezer space is limited, it would be beneficial for us to distribute the turkeys to our clients on an on-going basis as they are received. In these times of economic instability, your turkey donations and/or supermarket gift cards to purchase turkeys, etc. would be greatly appreciated.

God Bless you for your thoughtfulness and continued support of *Parish Outreach*.

Love, *Sr. Kathleen*



Thanksgiving Day Masses

Our Masses for Thursday, November 23rd will be 6:30, 7:45 and 9:00 a.m. Mass. Please note that the 9:00 a.m. Mass will be our Thanksgiving Liturgy. All are invited to attend. There will be **NO** 12:10 p.m. Mass that day. We wish all a very happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

Religious Education



The St. Agnes Religious Education Program's purpose is to assist parents to form and educate, their children to become disciples of Jesus and to imitate Christ by learning and living his message.

Last weekend we not only rolled back the clocks but for many of us we re-set our faith and returned to the Sunday Mass. What an amazing sight it was to behold so many students enjoying Mass alongside their peers. "Let the children come to me." Matthew 19:14. Please be sure to scan the QR code right as you enter or right before you leave. We had almost 80% of our families attend Mass last week. We look forward to seeing as many as possible next week! We are stronger when we are together at Holy Mass!

Thank you to our 8th grade students who successfully & with the help of so many religious education families, filled the Outreach pantry shelves. Donations are always welcome. Please visit the Parish website for Outreach hours of operation. Non-perishable food donations can also be left in the baskets at the Cathedral exits.

Congratulations to our 7th grade students who offered their Confirmation "Letters of Intent" at the 9:30 AM Mass on November 5th. God Bless them as they prepare for their Confirmation in the Spring of 2025.

As Fr. Duffy reminded our children, and all of us - remember to be humble and kind!

Please visit the Parish website for the grade calendars.

Dates to look forward to:

Saturday, November 18 - Special Needs Mass, 5:00 PM in the Lower Hall

Mrs. Anne Nelson
St. Agnes Religious Education



Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Principal's Announcements



We typically hate being caught off-guard. In fact, much of our life is about preparation and planning: we schedule events on our calendar; we buy groceries in advance; we dress differently for different activities. Being prepared for life is an essential component of life. Jesus, however, will point us beyond our day-to-day preparations to emphasize how prepared we should be for that final meeting, when he returns as the bridegroom-king.

Jesus teaches us with the parable of the ten virgins—attendants waiting for the wedding feast to begin. After much delay, the bridegroom finally arrives on the scene. Sadly, half of the virgins are caught unaware. They have run out of oil for their lamps. These foolish virgins represent Christians who are not prepared for the Lord's return. Some scholars see the oil as symbolizing the righteous deeds of believers, which the foolish virgins have failed to do.

On the other hand, the wise virgins have been "keeping vigil" for Wisdom (see Wisdom 6:15) and are

ready for his arrival. They are invited into the wedding while the others are stranded outside. The interpretation is simple: we want to be ready, awake, and vigilant for the return of Jesus in order that we might enter into the eternal wedding feast of the Lamb. The finality of eternal punishment is terrifying, but the irrevocability of eternal life is tantalizing.

Our hope is in the Lord, not in ourselves, yet we participate in our own redemption and spiritual growth by our moral action. If we neglect the "oil" of doing good, we will fall into the "sleepiness" of sin.

This week we will celebrate Community Readers Day! Thank you to all the Community Readers who will assist us in making reading an important part of our students' lives. Thank you to Mrs. Colleen Whaley and the Parent-School Association for organizing this event.

Tuesday, November 14th is our Kindergarten Open House at 9:30 A.M.

Please join us for a presentation and tour of our Kindergarten and new Science and STEM labs. Students entering Kindergarten must be 5 years old by December 1, 2024. See our full-page ad in this week's bulletin. For more information, contact Mrs. Cecilia St. John, Principal at 516-678-5550.

Mrs. Cecilia St. John
Principal



St. Agnes Senior Club Annual Christmas Luncheon

Our next meeting is Wednesday, December 6th in the Parish Center at 1:00 p.m. and it is the Annual St. Agnes Senior Club Christmas Party. Tickets are \$20.00 per person and **MUST** be purchased ahead of time. Joanne Mirro will be selling tickets at the Rectory Monday–Friday from 8:30 to 3:00 p.m. Tickets will **NOT** be sold at the door. Each ticket has a chance to win a Door Prize. There will be sweepstakes and 50/50 along with great conversation with friends and maybe new friends.

JUST A REMINDER

Please be sure to include your envelope number on your check in the Sunday collection if you are not using your envelopes. If you are using a plain white envelope please include your name, address, envelope number and the amount of your donation on the outside of the envelope to ensure you get proper credit.

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.



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KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH AT 9:30 A.M.

Discover a Divine Educational Journey at St. Agnes Cathedral School

At St. Agnes Cathedral School we believe that every child is a precious gift from God. We cordially invite you to experience the essence of our exceptional academic program at our upcoming Kindergarten open house.

Nurturing Environment: Our school embraces the fundamental values of love, compassion, and respect, fostering a nurturing environment where children can flourish and develop their unique talents and capabilities.


Rigorous Academic Program: Enriched with the wisdom of faith, and modern teaching techniques, our curriculum ensures that each child receives a comprehensive education that challenges his/her intellect and encourages a love for learning.


Spiritual Growth: Alongside a robust academic curriculum, we prioritize spiritual development, guiding children to understand the importance of faith, hope, and charity, laying the foundation for a life rooted in virtues and values.


Creative Expression: Through various art, music, and creative activities, we encourage fostering a well-rounded education that embraces the arts as an integral part of personal growth.


Community Engagement: Our school community is a tight-knit family. We believe in the strength of a supportive community to help children thrive and grow.

State-of-the-Art Facilities: Our new STEM Center is open and includes a brand-new science lab, STEM lab, Maker Space, and Art Room. Our modern facilities and classrooms are designed to create an engaging and stimulating learning environment, fostering curiosity and innovation among our young learners.

 stagnes-school.org

 (516) 678-5550

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70 CLINTON AVE
ROCKVILLE CENTRE
NY 11570



Saint Cecilia Investiture & Concert

The Saint Agnes Cathedral Junior & Senior Girls' Choirs
Maura Goodwin, Director



With Organ and Voice: Music at Saint Agnes Cathedral



Friday, November 17
7:30 P.M.

Free Will Offering | St. Agnes Cathedral | 29 Quealy Pl. Rockville Centre, NY 11570

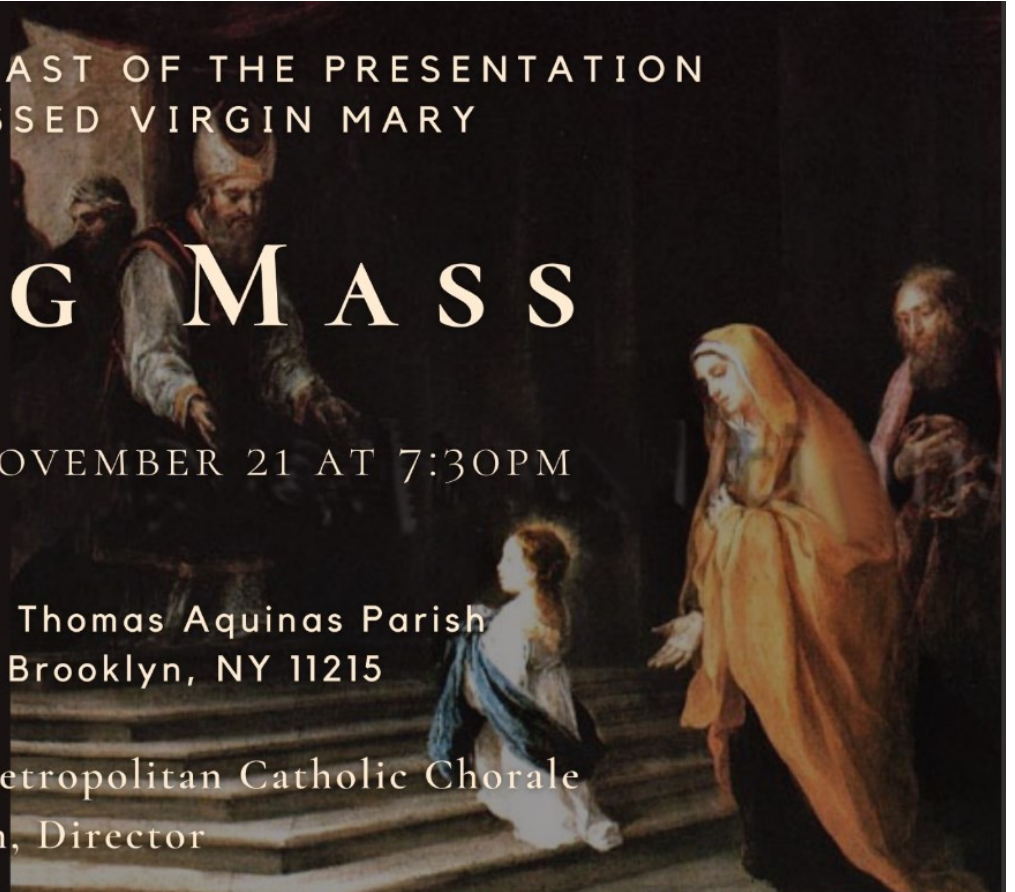
FOR THE FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

SUNG MASS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21 AT 7:30PM

Holy Family-St. Thomas Aquinas Parish
249 9th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11215

Music by the Metropolitan Catholic Chorale
Maura Goodwin, Director



The Arm of ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE

is visiting the United States and is coming to
THE DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

Known as the *Apostle of the Impossible*,
Saint Jude is revered for his unwavering
dedication and steadfast faith. Millions
have experienced his intercession in times
of adversity and need.



DATE: Monday, December 4, 2023

LOCATION: The Cathedral of St. Agnes

ADDRESS: 29 Quealy Place Rockville Centre, New York 11570 (516) 766-0205

VENERATION OF THE RELIC BEGINS: 1:00 PM

SPECIAL MASS IN HONOR OF SAINT JUDE: 7:00 PM

VENERATION ENDS: 10:00 PM

CHECK THE WEBSITE BELOW FOR OTHER LOCATIONS



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St Agnes Walking with Purpose invites you to:

Eucharist Revival Night

A night to Renew & Refresh our Faith & Heal our Hearts thru the Eucharist



Reflections by WWP & Music by Tess Austin

Thursday, November 30th 2023

7:00 pm in the Cathedral

Followed by refreshments & discussion at

8:00pm in the Parish Center

RSVP: Email StagWWP@gmail.com or Scan QR



walking with purpose



Eucharistic Adoration

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St. Monica Parents Intercession Prayer Group



The St. Monica Parents Intercession Prayer Group meets on the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Holy Cross Chapel, located in the Parish Ministries building. Our next meeting will be on **November 16th**. For more information call Mary at (516) 375-0738.

Bulletin Deadlines

Parish Organizations wishing to submit notices for the bulletin should send items at least 10 days prior to that Sunday's bulletin date (deadline is Thursday at 9:30 a.m.) Anything received after the deadline may be held for the following week's bulletin. **Earlier deadlines of 14 days prior are in effect for holidays.** Please email items to the rectory at parishoffice@stagnescathedral.org or jamirro@stagnescathedral.org. All submissions require approval of the rectory office before printing.

THE NEWLY BAPTIZED



On October 21st, November 4th & 5th, 2023 we welcomed the following children into the St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Community:

James Alvarado	Mateo Rodriguez
Dylan Alvarado	Matthew Rodriguez
Meredith Gildea	Madelyn Sommer
Nolan Lynch	Anabel Soto
Zoe Perez	Leni Valentin

Congratulations to the parents of the newly baptized.



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).

St. Agnes Religious Education

The St Agnes Religious Education Department is looking for Catechists, if you are interested, please contact Anne Nelson at anelson@stagnescathedral.org



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Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp to expand your knowledge of sacred art. In this episode on FORMED, they discuss an icon depicting Sts. Peter and Paul.

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To create a FORMED account:

1. Visit FORMED.ORG
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.)



**HELP Uganda Christmas Sale
at Hospitality Sunday in the Parish Center
Sunday, November 12
after the 8:00, 9:30 and 10:30 Masses**

**100% of the proceeds benefit the families of Masese
and HELP Primary School in Uganda.**

The parishioners of St. Agnes have changed the lives of the children and families in Masese, Uganda through their ongoing support for HELP Uganda. We ask once again for you to bring your Christmas list to our sale! Consider giving a meaningful gift with a powerful story. To thank you for your generosity, you will receive blessed rosary beads with any purchase.

You can help write the next chapter in the story of HELP Primary School.

Support our food program. Every dollar makes a difference-your purchase of \$5 gives us 50 meals for our children.

Our food program remains a priority as it is essential in maintaining the health of the children at HELP Primary School. When school is open, we provide our students with breakfast and lunch. If the families cannot provide a

meal to our students on the weekend, at least they now have 10 meals per week at school.

Empower a mother in Masese by purchasing a handcrafted artisan piece.

Over 90 women design and create beaded jewelry, purses, trivets, Christmas ornaments, garland, rosary beads, lanyards and much more.

Make a dream come true.

Purchase a "Diploma Card" for \$25 to provide tuition assistance for a graduate of HELP Primary School to attend high school.

Support a school nurse – truly miraculous

Purchase a "Nurse at HELP School" card for \$25 to allow us to maintain a nurse at HELP Primary School.

In 2010, St. Agnes parishioners, Peter and Delia Garrity, joined forces with HELP International to start a primary school and bring life to the impoverished refugee village of Masese. What started as a school with 40 students in a shed has grown to HELP Primary School for 550 children who otherwise would not be educated.

Help bring hope and education to the people of Masese, Uganda this year.

When you donate to our cause through purchasing beaded items, you're not just getting a wonderful craft; you're always changing lives. Our growing school of 550, empowered African women's groups, and healthier community thank you for your amazing support!

Help-uganda.com
biggerthanbeads.com

Can't make the sale-contact Delia Garrity at dtgarrity@gmail.com or via text at 516-322-3252

Help Wanted

Local convent in Rockville Centre looking for a Part-Time Lunch Cook with benefits to prepare a light lunch for about 50 Sisters Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Fully equipped commercial kitchen. NO formal training required. Menu plans are prepared in advance for you. If interested, please call Laura Acuna at 516-823-3805.

Special Needs Mass

We will celebrate a Mass for special needs children, and their families on **Saturday, November 18th**, at 5:00 p.m. in the Lower Hall of the Monsignor Melton Auditorium. This area is handicapped accessible, allowing families with children, who have developmental disabilities, access to the Lower Hall to celebrate God's presence in their lives.

Focus on Religious Freedom

www.cffor.org



Freedom of Conscience and Religion: Indispensable Support of Our Freedoms,
Equality and Safety

"Conscience is the most sacred of all property." - James Madison, 1792.

George Washington - "The liberty enjoyed by the people of these states of worshipping Almighty God, agreeable to their consciences, is not only among the choicest of their blessings, but of their rights."

Our founders established a nation where all religions could be exercised without discrimination or fear of persecution. They knew a moral and religious citizenry was vital to the exercise and survival of our extensive individual liberties, recognition of equality among men and the safe and respected practices of multiple religious sects.

1st Amendment: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press;

or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

Our 1st amendment asserts each citizen's right to be free from government-imposed religion and to follow their conscience in the practice of the faith they may choose. The other four freedoms in the first amendment are essential support to Freedom of Conscience/Religion:

Freedom of speech empowers us to speak about our faith, to pray with others and to evangelize our beliefs.

Freedom of the press empowers us to print our Bibles and books of prayer and worship and to spread our faith through the printed word.

Freedom to assemble empowers us to come together in our churches, communities and public squares to worship, celebrate and evangelize.

Freedom of redress empowers us to challenge the government when it oversteps the wall of separation clearly described in Thomas Jefferson's letter to the Danbury Baptists, to keep government out of the affairs of each citizen's beliefs and religious practices.

A lack of education in the facts of our freedom of conscience as a founding principle and pillar of our liberties has led to generations of Americans denying religious freedom in our schools, colleges and the public square of ideas and governance. That denial has worsened into intolerance, intimidation, and a shocking and dangerous increase in hate crimes in our nation.

Read more here: <http://bit.ly/470f7ji>

Divorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island

This social organization is for single persons including widows and widowers. There will be a New Member Orientation Meeting on Tuesday, November 21st at 7:00 p.m. at St. Frances Club, 1869 Wantagh Ave, Wantagh there is parking in the rear of the building. This is a Non-denominational meeting and ALL ARE WELCOME. Please bring proof of single status, \$30.00 annual dues and refreshments after the meeting. For further information, please call Vito 516-503-5415 or Janet 516-579-4016 to verify there is a meeting.



St. Agnes Giving Tree

With the Christmas season approaching, it is time to begin preparations for the St. Agnes Giving Tree. Mary Lou Marquardt is once again organizing the ornament preparations and could use assistance with the tracing, cutting out and labeling of the ornaments. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Mary Lou at 766-6103. ***This is a great service opportunity for all children but especially those receiving Confirmation and High School students needing service hours!***



Get your **RED, WHITE, and BLUE** and get ready to celebrate Veteran's Day to show our patriotic spirit and support for a worthy cause, the **St. Agnes Knights of Columbus** is having a fundraiser for **New Ground**, which is an organization that provides reduced cost housing, intensive social work, and education services to assist homeless Veterans and their families in achieving goals in areas such as employment, education and career development. The St. Agnes Knights of Columbus will have various patriotic items for your choosing in gratitude for your donations. These items include flags, car magnets, bracelets, tote bags and religious flag pins. The fundraiser will be held after the 5PM mass on Saturday, November 11th and after all masses on Sunday November 12th. Donations can also be sent to: Knights of Columbus St. Agnes Council #2548, PO Box 594, Rockville Centre, NY 11571. Make check payable to St. Agnes Knights of Columbus and memo New Ground Fundraiser. Help us support **New Ground's** vision **Breaking the Cycle of Homelessness and Poverty for Veterans and Families on Long Island.** Show your patriotic spirit. Get your **RED, WHITE, and BLUE**. If you need further information, contact Phil Paoli (516) 507-7793

2023 Catholic Faith Network Award of Excellence

The Catholic Faith Network (CFN) will host the CFN Award of Excellence Luncheon on Tuesday, November 21st at the Garden City Hotel. This year's honorees include Bishop Richard Henning, Religious Leader, Dr. Peter Kilpatrick, Catholic Higher Education Leader and Frank and Lori DeLucia, Business Leaders. Bob and Diane Pape will serve as Co-Chairs for the event. For more information, please visit www.cfnawards.org.



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November/December

6:00 PM Solemn Sung Vespers on Advent Sunday
Evenings
 3rd Sunday Evening (Gaudete Sunday) with Choir

Friday Evening, December 15, 7:30 PM

Advent/Christmas Concert
The Cathedral Choirs
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 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
 4th 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

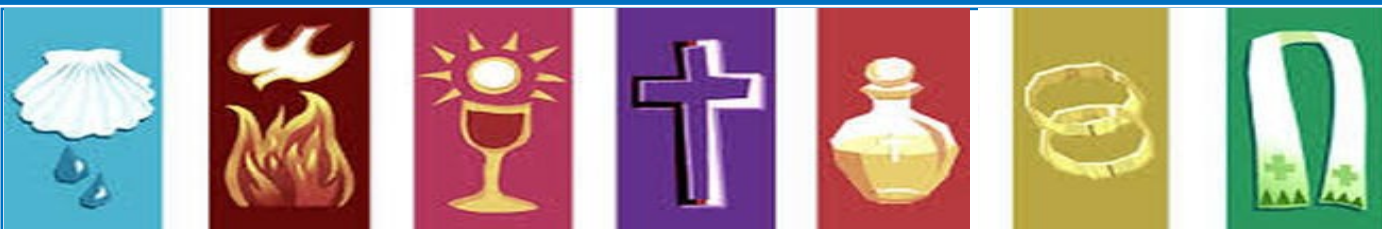
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Los últimos domingos del año litúrgico nos invitan a reflexionar sobre los acontecimientos finales de la vida humana y de la historia: la muerte, la segunda venida de Cristo, el juicio. Tras el lenguaje de las parábolas se esconde una invitación esperanzada a vivir el día a día con la mirada puesta en ese encuentro definitivo con el Señor, que nos ha de encontrar siempre preparados.

La primera lectura de hoy nos presenta a la Sabiduría personificada como una figura femenina que sale al paso de quienes la buscan y anhelan su cercanía. Y sabias son también aquellas cinco muchachas prudentes y previsoras del evangelio que van al encuentro del novio con sus lámparas encendidas. La espera del esposo se alargaba mucho y causaba inquietud en los primeros, cristianos, a quienes responde Pablo en su carta a los Tesalonicenses.

Nuevamente en el Evangelio se habla del reino de los cielos bajo el simbolismo de una fiesta de bodas, pero esta vez no se habla del festín, sino de la espera previa y vigilante, como aquellas doncellas que esperaban a su esposo. Preparémonos para este discurso de Jesús.

LOS SACRAMENTOS

PENITENCIA/CONFESIÓN

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

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.

ACTIVIDADES DE CADA SEMANA

Las clases de Catequesis de Primera Comunión y Confirmación Los Domingos a las 10 a.m. En el Colegio de St. Agnes 70 Clinton Ave. Rockville Centre. En la entrada/Puerta NEWMAN. Se les invita a asistir a la Misa de la comunidad hispana todos los Sábados a las 7:30 p.m. como requisito del programa.

Para inscribir las intenciones de difuntos en la Misa de los Sábados a las 7:30 p.m y Martes 7:30 p.m ir a la oficina de la rectoría. Se abrirá espacio para 5 intenciones en cada Misa.

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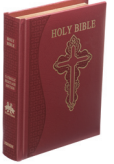
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