

The Cathedral of St. Agnes

Rockville Centre, New York



12.17.23



Third Sunday of Advent

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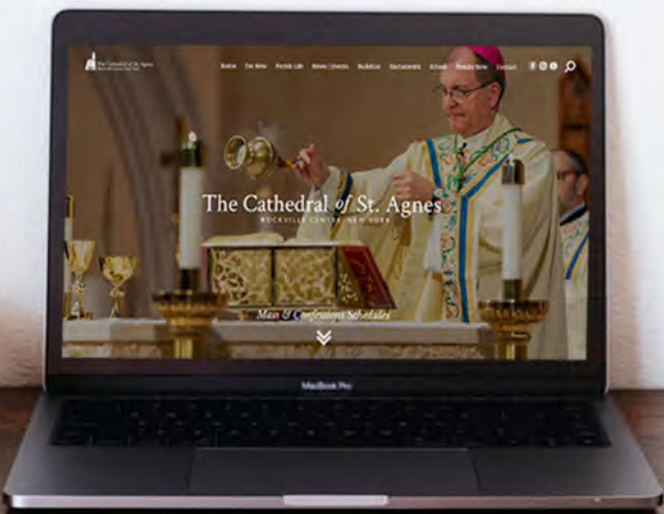


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The Cathedral of St. Agnes

Unable to join us for Mass? Tune in on  LIVE





STEWARDSHIP *A Way of Life*

Stewardship Reflection

“Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.”

Living Stewardship . . . Pillar of Hospitality

As Christmas approaches, do not become stressed out with shopping, cooking and preparing-rejoice in God’s love for us and deepen your prayer life.

Sharing One’s Material Resources in the Parish

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>12/10/2023</u>	<u>12/11/2022</u>
Weekly Collection	\$35,575	\$46,063	\$35,697

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, December 18, Late Advent Weekday

Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25

- 6:30 Ruth M. Whitbread & Family
- 7:45 Michael Gatz
- 9:00 Alex Tartaglia
- 12:10 Harriett Rea
- 7:30 Marie Panariello & Franco Coniglione

Tuesday, December 19, Late Advent Weekday

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25

- 6:30 Peggy Ryan
- 7:45 Catherine & William Donovan
- 9:00 Karen Holmes
- 12:10 Lt. Richard Pescatore
- 7:30 Spanish Mass Special Intentions

Wednesday, December 20, Late Advent Weekday

Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38

- 6:30 Aiden Redmond
- 7:45 James Byrne
- 9:00 James J. Byrne
- 12:10 James J. Byrne

Thursday, December 21, St. Peter Canisius, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Sg 2:8-14; Lk 1:39-45

- 6:30 Emilia Corpus
- 7:45 John & Helen Hurley
- 9:00 James Byrne
- 12:10 Tina Tamasi

Friday, December 22, Late Advent Weekday

1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56

- 6:30 Rev. Frank A. Bain & Family
- 7:45 Catherine Farese (Living)
- 9:00 Eileen Flaherty
- 12:10 Leo G. Michael & Jesus Omar Pena

Saturday, December 23, St. John of Kanty, Priest

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66

- 7:45 Rafaella Cerrato
- 5:00 Terence H. Reynolds, Linda Jane Fritz,
Aiden Redmond, John Foley, Mary J. Mullen
- 7:30 C Domingo Rodriguez Carrasco
- 7:30 LH Edward Cummings

Sunday, December 24, Fourth Sunday of Advent

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

- 7:00 Pam Shea Byrnes
- 8:00 The Parishioners of St. Agnes Cathedral
- 9:30 Eugene Eccher
- 10:30 LH Marco Mauro & Genoveffa Mauro
- 11:00 Maria Mannino
- 12:30 Thomas Brull, Robert & Charles Meyer,
Kristin Vollero, Paul E. Roberti, Eugene &
Mary Lou Murray
- 5:00 Richard Tomlin

PLEASE PRAY



For The Faithful Departed

Theresa Jaeger, Alvaro Silva Serrano,
Timothy Patrick Roberts

For The Sick

Susan O'Halloran, Balestrieri Family,
Geena McGuinness, Carol Ludwiczak, Joseph M. Guida,
Rose Coppola, Joyce Paykoo, Helen Gemmel,
Grace Kozera, 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.



Wine & Hosts

In Honor of
Thanksgiving



Christmas Cards

The Rectory Office will be selling Christmas cards this year. The price is \$10.00 for a box of 12 cards. Stop by the Rectory during normal Business Hours. We request if possible that you pay by check or have exact cash.



Christmas *at* St. Agnes Cathedral

Mass Schedule



Christmas Eve (Vigil Masses)

4:00 pm – Cathedral, Lower Hall, *and* Parish Center

5:30 pm – Cathedral & Parish Center

8:00 pm – Cathedral (Spanish)

11:30 pm – Christmas Carols, Procession, Blessing of the Creche

12:00 am – Pontifical Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Masses

7:00 am - Cathedral

8:00 am - Cathedral

9:30 am – Cathedral

11:00 am – Cathedral

12:30 pm – Cathedral & Parish Center

***No 5 pm mass on Christmas Day**

For more information, visit stagnescathedral.org

ADVENT 2023


ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

at St. Agnes Cathedral

Monday, December 18th from 3:00—9:00 pm

Wednesday, December 20th from 2:00—9:00 pm



"THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IS THAT PRESENCE WHICH MAKES A CATHOLIC CHURCH DIFFERENT FROM EVERY OTHER PLACE IN THE WORLD; WHICH MAKES IT, AS NO OTHER PLACE CAN BE, HOLY."
(ST. JOHN HENRY NEWMAN)

For more information, visit stagnescathedral.org

ADVENT 2023

ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL

Advent Confession Times

at St. Agnes Cathedral

Monday, December 18th from 3:00—9:00 pm

Tuesday, December 19th, 7:00—9:00 pm

Wednesday, December 20th, 7:00—9:00 pm

Thursday, December 21st, 7:00—9:00 pm

Friday, December 22nd, 7:00—9:00 pm

GOD NEVER TIRES OF FORGIVING US; WE ARE THE ONES WHO TIRE OF SEEKING HIS MERCY. CHRIST, WHO TOLD US TO FORGIVE ONE ANOTHER 'SEVENTY TIMES SEVEN' (MT 18:22) HAS GIVEN US HIS EXAMPLE: HE HAS FORGIVEN US SEVENTY TIMES SEVEN.
(POPE FRANCIS)

For more information, visit stagnescathedral.org



CHRISTMASTIME

ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

January 1st

**Not a Holy Day of Obligation
this year, but we invite the
faithful to come pray!*

Masses will be offered at:

6:30 am

7:45 am,

9:00 am

12:10 pm



The Cathedral of St. Agnes
Rockville Centre, New York

Parish Outreach Christmas Collection

We are once again collecting new Christmas toys for the needy children of our parish. All donations may be dropped off at the Outreach Office located in the Parish Ministries Building (last door on the left closest to N. Village Ave.) Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. In addition, what might be most useful and practical for teenagers would be gift cards to Old Navy, Best Buy, Amazon, Target, and Kohls. Also, in families where there is sickness or unemployment or single moms, gift cards to supermarkets are most appreciated. Your kindness will make this a much brighter Christmas for those in need.

Love, Sr. Kathleen



THE NEWLY BAPTIZED



On December 9th, 2023 we welcomed the following children into the St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Community:

Mara McCarthy
Sienna Rutigliano
Aaron Silver

Congratulations to the parents of the newly baptized.

The Saint Agnes Mass Transit

The Saint Agnes Mass Transit is looking for people to bring to Mass on Sundays. If you know anyone that may be interested please call the Rectory Office at 516-766-0205 and leave their name and phone number. Please join us on the Mass Transit on Sundays.

Weekly Bible Study



The Parish Bible Study meets weekly on Wednesday mornings in Ministry Building Youth Room (2nd floor) from 9:45am - 11:00am. For those who are unable to join us in person, we welcome you through ZOOM.

The ZOOM Meeting ID: 79101167157 and Password: XSS6Ky

All our welcome! Please join us when you can and begin the New Year spending time learning more about God's Love and Mercy. For questions or updates on chapters we are covering contact: nuluvin@gmail.com

Religious Education



The Christmas Pageant is on Sunday, December 17th, at 3:00 PM in the Cathedral. Please join the children of the Parish as they reenact the true meaning of Christmas. Refreshments in the Parish Center immediately following the performance, all are welcome.

This week the in-person students who attend class on Tuesday, December 19th are in session. In-person students who attend class on Wednesday or Thursday, December 20th or 21st, do not have classes. All online students should continue with their sessions as per the calendars. All calendars can be found on the Parish website.

All children in grades 3 through 8 regardless of in-person or online instruction are to attend Confession before Christmas. The Cathedral has added additional Confession times to the schedule, please see the schedule listed in the bulletin and online.

Sunday, December 17th is the last day to return your Giving Tree items. Thank you for your generosity. On this Third Sunday of Advent let us remember to allow HOPE and PEACE to dwell in our hearts as we await the JOY of Christmas Day.

Mrs. Anne Nelson
St. Agnes Religious Education



Principal's Announcements

3rd Sunday of Advent



May joy dwell in your hearts!

The Gospel this week features John the Baptist again, although we see him in a different light than Mark's Gospel. In St. John's Gospel, the Baptist is the witness to the Messiah; he "was not the light, but came to testify to the light" (John 1:8).

Scholars have noticed that John begins his Gospel with the same phrase as that which begins Genesis: "In the beginning." This suggests a new creation in Christ. Closer attention reveals that John also mentions a series of days in the first two chapters of his Gospel that add up to seven in all! The phrase "the next day" is used three times in chapter one, suggesting the passing of four days, and the story of the wedding feast at Cana in chapter two begins with the words, "On the third day," suggesting the passing of three more days. John describes the beginning of the re-creation in Christ, just as Genesis describes creation itself in a series of seven days.

John the Baptist describes the Messiah as "one among you whom you do not recognize" (John 1:26). This idea of God among us is a central theme of both the Old and New Covenants. God dwelt among his people during the Exodus from Egypt, in the Tabernacle, and in the Temple. Of course, Jesus is our Emmanuel, "God with us," in a special way during Advent. Most profoundly, he is "one among us" in the Eucharist, under the humble form of bread and wine, and as such is often one whom we "do not recognize." Each Holy Communion, then, is a little advent, another coming of Jesus, and so the Advent season ought to teach us how to be better prepared to greet Christ in each Mass.

This is a short week for the students. School is in session for a full day on Monday and Tuesday, and a half-day, 12 noon dismissal, on Wednesday. Christmas Recess will begin at 12 noon on Wednesday, but before

we dismiss, there are some special Christmas events to celebrate.

Ugly Sweater Day! The students should wear their ugliest sweater to school with their gym sweatpants on Monday.



Christmas Pageant: Our 2nd graders will perform their Christmas Pageant on Tuesday. It is always a joyous occasion to see the children proclaim their faith as they act and sing the "Greatest Story Ever Told."

Christmas Mass: On Wednesday the school will gather together to celebrate Mass. We will place the Baby Jesus in the school's Manger and reflect upon the beauty of season:

Love came, held safely within a gentle womb
All the truth, majesty, and creativity of a living God
Poured into a tiny heart
Making a quiet entrance in a dark and uninviting shack
Just one star shone anew as a handful of people were
brought
Led by angelic voices, and open hearts
A young mother
A faith-filled father
Men of wisdom who searched for truth
And a group of humble herdsmen
They came to bow before a new life
And acknowledge that the rescuer had arrived
That the Word of God had come alive
And that the extraordinary transformation of heaven
and earth
Had begun!

(Poem by Julie Palmer, c. 2011)

Peace and blessings to you and your families on this 3rd Sunday of Advent.

Mrs. Cecilia St. John
Principal

ADVENT 2023

SUNG SOLEMN VESPERS

JOIN FOR SOLEMN VESPERS AT THE
CATHEDRAL THIS ADVENT SEASON ON
SUNDAY EVENINGS AT 6:00 PM



December 3rd



December 10th



December 17th with the Choir

Vespers is the official evening prayer of the Church. Primarily based on scripture, it consists of psalms, hymns, and prayers of intercession. A homily will be given each week reflecting on the spiritual themes of Advent.



Flowers for the Cathedral and the Homebound

You will notice that in your packet of contribution envelopes, there is an envelope for flowers for Christmas. In addition to using this collection to decorate the cathedral for Christmas, we would like to send a poinsettia plant to all our ill and homebound parishioners. Many of these people have worshipped in the cathedral for years and are now confined to their homes. Your generous response to this collection will help to defray the cost of providing these plants. If you know of anyone who is ill or homebound, please call the rectory at 516-766-0205 with the name, address, and phone number of the person.



“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.



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).

Extended Advent Adoration Hours

Extended hours for Adoration will begin on Wednesday, December 6th. the hours will be from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the Advent season. On Wednesday, December 27th Adoration hours will once again be from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Save the Dates!
With Organ & Voice:
Special Music Events
at the Cathedral:
2023-2024 Season

St. Agnes Cathedral
 Rockville Centre New York
 Michael L. Bower, Director of Music
 Maura Goodwin, Associate Director of Music

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

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

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

The Office of Tenebrae

Cathedral Singers

Michael L. Bower, Conductor

Sunday Evening, May 5, 7:30 PM

Cathedral Music Master-Work Series

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

The Cathedral Choirs and Orchestra

Michael L. Bower, Conductor

Sunday, June 2, 7:00 PM

The South Shore Symphony

3rd Annual
PK TOYS
 Event

Thousands of toys will be given away AT NO COST to families who can use a little extra help this year

Where: Kasey's Kitchen and Cocktails
 23 North Park Avenue
 Rockville Centre, NY 11570

When: Monday, December 18th

Time: 5-9 pm

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 **December 21st**. For more information call Mary at (516) 375-0738.



St. Agnes Giving Tree

The 2023 Giving Tree be ending this weekend. We will continue to offer the online option through Christmas and these gifts will be given to our St. Agnes Outreach for distribution. If you took an ornament off one of the trees, please be sure to return your gift by the 5PM mass on Sunday, December 17th. We thank all our parishioners for your ongoing support and incredible generosity.





Focus on Religious Freedom

www.cffor.org

Part 1: The Twelve Rules of Christmas®

Compiled by attorneys for The Rutherford Institute www.rutherford.org and <http://bit.ly/1TNKSOb>

Unfortunately, Christmas has become a time of controversy over what can or cannot be done in terms of celebrating the holiday. To clear up much of the misunderstanding, the following twelve rules are offered:

1. Public school students' written or spoken personal expressions concerning the religious significance of Christmas (e.g., T-shirts with the slogan, "Jesus Is the Reason for the Season") may not be censored by school officials absent evidence that the speech would cause a substantial disruption.
2. So long as teachers are generally permitted to wear clothing or jewelry or have personal items expressing their views about the holidays, Christian teachers may not be prohibited from similarly expressing their views by wearing Christmas-related clothing or jewelry or carrying Christmas-related personal items.
3. Public schools may teach students about the Christmas holiday, including its religious significance, so long as it is taught objectively for secular purposes such as its historical or cultural importance, and not for the purpose of promoting Christianity.
4. Public school teachers may send Christmas cards to the families of their students so long as they do so on their own time, outside of school hours.
5. Public schools may include Christmas music, including those with religious themes, in their choral programs if the songs are included for a secular purpose such as their musical quality or cultural value or if the songs are part of an overall performance including other holiday songs relating to Chanukah, Kwanzaa, or other similar holidays.
6. Public schools may not require students to sing Christmas songs whose messages conflict with the students' own religious or nonreligious beliefs.

HAPPENING NOW! PER DEC. 5, 2023 CONGRESSIONAL REPORT, FBI AGENT IN CHARGE AT RICHMOND, VA FBI OFFICE AND AN FBI WHISTLEBLOWER INDICATE THE FBI IS STILL WORKING TO CONNECT WHAT THE FBI LABELS AS RADICAL TRADITIONALIST CATHOLICS WITH VIOLENT EXTREMIST GROUPS. Read details of the report and investigation at the National Catholic Register, Christian Post and National Review.

Read here: <https://bit.ly/489jbhc>

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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.)

TRAVEL WITH ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL TO THE 2024

March for Life

WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Cathedral of St. Agnes will be traveling by bus to the March for Life in Washington, D.C.

The march will take place on January 19, 2024.

Sign up by January 8th to reserve your spot!

Call the rectory to register: 516-766-0205



2024

MARCH FOR LIFE



COMUNIDAD HISPANA

LA CATEDRAL DE SANTA INÉS

MISAS EN ESPAÑOL, Sábado - a las 7.30pm
(Misa del Domingo)

Martes - a las 7.30pm (comenzando con el Rosario y
confesión a las 7.00pm)

La celebración del tercer Domingo de Adviento, llamado también "domingo de gaudete", o de la alegría, por la primera palabra del introito de la Misa: Gaudete, es decir, regocijense. Isaías y San Pablo son testigos hoy de ese gozo en las lecturas que escucharemos.

El motivo de esta alegría es muy profundo: Dios está cerca, viene a nuestra vida a cumplir sus promesas de salvación, Así que con ese gozo desbordante, comencemos esta celebración.

La venida del Señor tiene sus precursores, mensajeros que van por delante allanándole el camino.

Ésa fue la tarea de los profetas en el Antiguo Testamento, pregoneros de la Buena Noticia de la salvación para los pobres, como leemos hoy en el libro de Isaías. Y ésa fue la misión de Juan Bautista, el último de ellos, cuya presencia en medio de Israel hace presentir ya próxima la llegada de Cristo. A este testimonio que hoy nos llega por medio del evangelista Juan se unen el salmo y la primera carta a los Tesalonicenses que nos invitan a vivir este anuncio del Adviento con profundo sentimiento de alegría.

De nuevo aparece Juan, el Precursor, como protagonista del evangelio de hoy, presentándose como el testigo de la luz e invitando a la conversión.

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.

Volunteers in the Diocese of Rockville Centre

A person wishing to volunteer in any parish or organization in the Diocese of Rockville Centre must first complete three requirements:

1. Attend Protecting God's Children (Virtus)
2. Sign the Codes of Conduct
3. Complete a background screening application.

(Background screening is conducted on all volunteers and employees every 5 years.)

Directions to Complete the 3 Requirements:

1. Sign up to attend a Protecting God's Children class: www.Virtus.org

When you log on to the Virtus website, you will create a Virtus account.

- a. If you have not attended a Virtus class, you are a first time registrant.
 - b. The first screen will ask the name of your organization-from the drop down list select **Rockville Centre-Safe Environment**.
 - c. Follow all directions on the next screens.
 - d. One screen will have the **Codes of Conduct**. Please acknowledge the Codes of Conduct.
 - e. Continue with the registration process and select the class you will attend.
 - f. After selecting the class, you will be instructed to complete the background screening application.
2. Background Screening Application:
 - a. Sterling Volunteers is the company providing the background screening.
 - b. Follow all the directions to complete the background screening application. **DO NOT STOP ONCE YOU BEGIN THE APPLICATION!** If you stop-you are locked out of the process due to security procedures.
 - c. You will need to provide your Social Security #; if you do not provide a Social Security # you will be charged a fee.
 - d. After completing the application, hit the 'Submit Button'

Congratulations! You have now:

Registered to attend a Virtus class ~ signed the Codes of Conduct ~
Completed the Background Screening.

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Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.
 Protect them as they protect us.
 Bless them and their families
 for the selfless acts they perform
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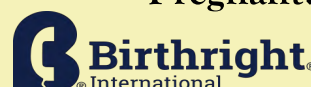


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