



# The Cathedral of St. Agnes

ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NEW YORK

3.23.25



*Third Sunday of Lent*

The Annunciation • 1664 • Champaigne  
Solemnity of the Annunciation: March 25



# HOLY MASS

## SUNDAY

7AM, 8AM, 9:30AM (*Family Mass*),  
10:30AM (*Lower Hall, Family Mass*)  
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

## 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](mailto: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 Pastors*

Rev. Christopher Heller

Rev. Michael Ngoka, C.M.

Rev. Gustavo Perez Alzate, *Comunidad Hispana*

#### *In Residence*

Rev. Matthew Browne, S.T.L.

Rev. Lachlan Cameron, S.T.L.

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Very Rev. James Kuroly

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Maura Goodwin, *Associate Director*  
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#### *Facilities Manager*

Patrick O'Brien

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Phone: (516) 678-5550 | Fax: 516-678-0437

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

### OFFICE HOURS

#### *Rectorcy*

Monday: 8:30am – 4:00pm  
Tuesday - Friday: 8:30am to 8:00pm  
Saturday & Sunday: 9:00am to 3:00pm  
*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, Sunday, Eve of Holy Day, and Eve of First Friday: 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: Following the 6:30 am Mass  
Wednesday: Following the 6:30 am, 7:45 am, and 12:10 pm Masses*

## 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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The Cathedral of St. Agnes

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*The Roman Catholic Cathedral for the Diocese of Rockville Centre*

## MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, March 24, Lenten Weekday

*2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Lk 4:24-30*

- 6:30 Barbara Wajda
- 7:45 Mary & Joseph Stabile
- 9:00 William O'Rourke
- 12:10 John Paul Yezzo

### Tuesday, March 25, The Annunciation of the Lord

*Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38*

- 6:30 Steven Zinno
- 7:45 Peg Gormley
- 9:00 Cathy Hammil (Living)
- 12:10 Anna Zivkovich
- 7:30 Special Intentions

### Wednesday, March 26, Lenten Weekday

*Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19*

- 6:30 Italo Molinaro (Anniversary in Heaven)
- 7:45 Agnes Nigro
- 9:00 Gertrude & Willie Kuczyk
- 12:10 Bertha Ambort

### Thursday, March 27, Lenten Weekday

*Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23*

- 6:30 Caroline Garcia
- 7:45 Jacque Walter LaPrarie
- 9:00 Catherine Cronin
- 12:10 Rita Steigerwald

### Friday, March 28, Lenten Weekday

*Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34*

- 6:30 Attilio Mantovani
- 7:45 Catherine Biasetti
- 9:00 Thomas Larkin
- 12:10 Camille Arnone

### Saturday, March 29, Lenten Weekday

*Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14*

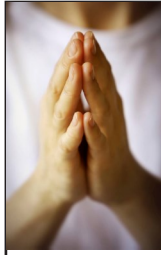
- 7:45 Maureen, Dominic Sr., Margaret & Dec'd Members of the Sichenzia Family
- 5:00 Richard DePalma, Robert Chilton, Steve DiMare, Ronald Polo, Marcey McNicholas
- 7:30 C Special Intentions
- 7:30 LH Ana Gonzalez

### Sunday, March 30, Fourth Sunday of Lent

*Jos 5:9a, 10-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32*

- 7:00 The Parishioners of St. Agnes Cathedral
- 8:00 Dec'd Members of the Burke & Bucaria Families
- 9:30 Maureen Cunneen Moffatt
- 10:30 Peter Finning
- 11:00 Salvatore Sapienza
- 12:30 Elisa Gorres, Steve DiMare, Virginia Hill
- Catherine Alcazar, Christopher Araoz
- 5:00 Joan Starr

## PLEASE PRAY



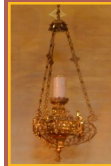
### *For The Faithful Departed*

Bridget Mary (Bridie) Boyle,  
Frank Sweeney

### *For The Sick*

Adrienne Sheehan, Nina Longo, Clara Kinkel, Sr.  
Kathleen Murphy, Thomas Kelly, Bob Toy,  
Maggie Goodwin, Sr. Helen Byrne, Jack Prophet,  
Samantha Giacomantonio, Vera Davis, John T. Lindsay,  
Frances Katon-Donegal, Balestrieri Family,  
David Sylvester Seal, Ron La Grega, Barbara Magloire,  
Caitlin Nally, Akosua Cobb, Marie Poggelli,  
Gilbert Otano, Joseph Murphy, Barbara Rotunno,  
Tania Smith, Joseph Mariani, Jeffrey Buxton,  
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.



## Sanctuary Lamp

*In Loving Honor of*

Cathy Hammil

## Security Concerns

When attending Mass at the Cathedral please be sure to lock your car doors and keep your belongings with you at all times.

## BANNS OF MARRIAGE



### I

Amanda Josephine DiMare  
Alexander Philip Ruhlman

St. Agnes Cathedral  
St. John Nepomucene  
New York, NY

Courtney Collins  
Albert Nassour

St. Agnes Cathedral  
St. Agnes Cathedral

### III

Kelly Marie Espinoza  
Michael Zachary Baron

St. Anthony  
Oceanside, NY  
St. Anthony  
Oceanside, NY



## LET US PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

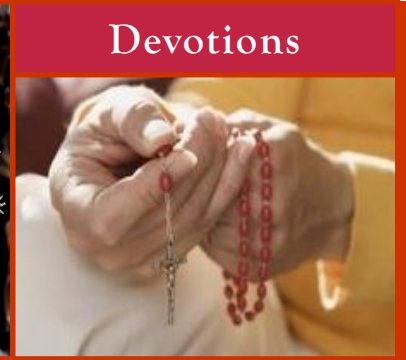
Lance Corporal Ryan Thomas Alberg, USMC  
 Spc. Liam Atwell, U.S. Army  
 Capt. Robert L. Betts, U.S. Navy  
 CDR Maura C. Garrity-Betts, U.S. Navy  
 Lance Corporal Ryan Brower, USMC  
 Lt. Gabby Busching, U.S. Coast Guard  
 Lt. Joseph Busching, U.S. Coast Guard  
 Sgt. Lucas Camacho, USMC  
 1st Lt. Paul D. Cammarota, USMC  
 Lt. Scott Kiley Childers, U.S. Navy  
 LCDR Richard Childers, M.D. U.S. Navy  
 Ensign Julia Coughlin, U.S. Navy  
 Lt. Greg Crescenzo, U.S. Navy  
 Airman Michael Cummo, U.S. Navy  
 Maj. Richard Davin, Jr., Air National Guard  
 Lt. Christopher DelBello, U.S. Navy  
 Chief Petty Officer Robert W. DeMattia, U.S. Navy  
 Lance Corporal Trevor Donohue, USMC  
 Lt. J.G. Jack Doyle, U.S. Navy  
 Lt. J.G. Kevin Doyle, U.S. Navy  
 Michael Espada, 2nd Class Petty Officer, MR2  
 Daniel Fels, U.S. Army, Military Police  
 Lt. Brendan J. Fisk, U.S. Navy  
 Lt. Daniel R. Fisk, U.S. Navy  
 2nd Lt. Charles Flanagan, U. S. Army  
 A.M.T 3, Kyle Forster, U.S. Coast Guard  
 Capt. Steven Hampson, U.S. Army  
 Capt. Cody Hardenburgh USMC  
 Pvt. Daniel Healey, U.S. Army  
 2nd Class Petty Officer, Robert Hock, U.S. Navy  
 1st Lt. Tynika Holland, U.S. Army  
 Maj. Philip F. Johndrow, U.S. Army  
 Sgt. John McCann, US Army  
 Lt. Kieran McCarthy, U.S. Navy  
 Lance Corporal Aidan Patrick McNamara, USMC  
 Lance Corporal Jason Maccaron, USMC  
 Cpl. James Thomas Maroney, USMC  
 Lt. Andrew Maza, USAF  
 Sgt. Joseph Meyer, U.S. Army  
 Col. Christopher V. Meyers, USMC  
 Lt. Col. Gregory John Mueller, USMC (Reserve)  
 Stephan O'Connor, E-5, U.S. Navy  
 Matthew Pacheco, U.S. Army  
 Ensign John A. Petr, US Navy  
 Pvt. Ray P. Rodriguez, U.S. Army  
 Spc. James Rodziewicz, U.S. Army  
 Lance Corporal Eric Roehrig, USMC  
 Spc. Jeanine M. Rosa, U.S. Army  
 Thomas Sullivan, U. S. Army  
 Alec Swoger, MMN3 Nuclear Operator, U.S. Navy  
 Robert C. Tempesta, Master at Arms  
 1st Class U.S. Navy  
 PFC Derick Thomas, USMC

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

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  
 for us in our time of need.  
 And give us peace.  
 I ask this in the name of Jesus,  
 Our Lord and Savior. Amen

*Kindly call the Rectory Office at 766-0205 if you know  
 of anyone that is on this list and has returned home.*

## 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.



## STEWARDSHIP

*A Way of Life**Stewardship Reflection*

This Lenten season, consider making a gift to the Catholic Ministries Appeal as your way of practicing almsgiving.

*Living Stewardship . . . Pillar of Hospitality*

Hospitality helps bring others to the Lord. How are you hospitable to your neighbors, co-workers, pupils, etc.?

*Sharing One's Material Resources  
 in the Parish*

## WEEKLY OFFERINGS

	Budget	3/16/2025	3/17/2024	3/19/2023
Weekly Collection	\$34,616	\$43,009	\$36,040	\$35,598

## Pregnant? Need help?



24 hour Helpline  
 1-800-550-4900;  
[birthright.org/wantagh](http://birthright.org/wantagh)

(516) 798-8746  
[lifecenterli.org](http://lifecenterli.org)



LENT

# STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 7:30PM  
in the Cathedral



Sunday, March 30th | 4:30 p.m.

## Laetare Sunday Solemn Vespers

Join us in the Cathedral for sung  
Lenten evening prayer  
before the 5pm Sunday Mass





LENTEN PARISH MISSION 2025

# PILGRIMS *of* HOPE

*Learning to journey through life brimming with hope*

March 24-26th

3 Nights • 7:00 PM

6:30 PM (Optional) Rosary

The Cathedral of St. Agnes

29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570



*Guest Preachers:*



Father  
Joseph-Mary  
Hertzog, O.P.



Father  
Stephen Dominic  
Hayes, O.P.

The 12:10 PM daily Mass will include an extended homily followed by Adoration. There will be opportunities for Confession during the mission, as well as an anointing with the oil of St. Joseph on March 26th.



# ST. AGNES

# LENTEN MISSION

## MARCH 24-26 - PRAYER SCHEDULE

### MONDAY, MARCH 24

12:10pm - Mass (Dominican Celebrant & Homilist)

**1:00pm - 6:30pm - Adoration**

6:30pm - Rosary & Benediction

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**7:30pm - Anointing with the Oil of Saint Joseph,**  
Renewal Prayer, and Apostolic Blessing





DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

# Return to Me.

## 40 DAYS OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Starting on March 7th, visit **40 different parishes** across Long Island for the **40 days of Lent**.

### MARCH

**March 7: Our Lady of Ostrabrama**

Cutchogue | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

**March 8: St. Gertrude**

Bayville | 3:00-4:45 p.m.

**March 9: Mary Immaculate**

Bellport | 1:30-2:30 p.m.

**March 10: St. Raymond**

East Rockaway | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

**March 11: St. Luke**

Brentwood | 5:00-6:00 p.m.

**March 12: Our Lady of Lourdes**

Malverne | 3:00-4:00 p.m.

**March 13: Our Lady of the Assumption**

Copiague | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

**March 14: St. Catherine of Sienna**

Franklin Square | 3:00-4:00 p.m.

**March 15: St. Francis Cabrini**

Coram | 3:30-4:30 p.m.

**March 16: Holy Cross**

Nesconset | 1:00-2:00 p.m.

**March 17: St. Patrick**

Huntington | 12:00-8:00 p.m.

**March 18: St. Joseph**

Hewlett | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

**March 19: Most Holy Trinity**

East Hampton | 8:30-9:30 a.m.

**March 20: Our Lady of Mercy**

Hicksville | 9:30-10:30 a.m.

**March 21: St. Aloysius**

Great Neck | 5:30-6:30 p.m.

**March 22: Sacred Heart**

Island Park | 3:30-4:30 p.m.

**March 23: St. Anthony of Padua**

East Northport | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

**March 24: St. Mary**

East Islip | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

**March 25: Resurrection**

Farmingville | 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**March 26: St. Boniface**

Elmont | 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**March 27: St. Agnes**

Greenport | 5:00-9:00 p.m.

**March 28: Our Lady of Lourdes**

Massapequa Park | 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**March 29: Good Shepherd**

Holbrook | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

**March 30: Sacred Heart**

North Merrick | 1:00-2:00 p.m.

**March 31: St. Joseph**

Kings Park | 6:00-7:00 p.m.

**April 4: St. Aidan**

Williston Park | 1:00-3:00 p.m.

**April 5: Queen of the Most Holy Rosary**

Roosevelt | 6:30-7:30 p.m.

**April 6: St. John the Evangelist**

Riverhead | 1:00-2:00 p.m.

**April 7: St. Martin of Tours**

Bethpage | 7:30-9:00 p.m.

**April 8: Our Lady of the Mirac. Medal**

Wyandanch | 8:00-9:00 p.m.

**April 9: Holy Name of Mary**

Valley Stream | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

**April 10: St. Louis de Montfort**

Sound Beach | 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**April 11: St. Thomas the Apostle**

West Hempstead | 9:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

**April 12: Our Lady of Grace**

West Babylon | 8:30-9:30 a.m.

**April 14: St. Rose of Lima**

Massapequa | 8:00-9:00 p.m.

**April 15: Our Lady of Lourdes**

West Islip | 12:30-7:30 p.m.

**April 16: St. Kilian**

Farmingdale | 12:45-7:30 p.m.

### APRIL

**April 1: St. Bernard**

Levittown | 12:30-1:30 p.m.

**April 2: St. Jude**

Mastic Beach | 1:00-3:00 p.m.

**April 3: St. Gerard Majella**

Port Jefferson Station | 7:00-8:00 p.m.



To learn more, visit:  
**[drvc.org/return25](http://drvc.org/return25)**

# Return to Me: 40 Days of Eucharistic Adoration

Join us for Eucharistic Adoration at the parish listed in the circle, and joyfully add a sticker for each day you spend time with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament! Stickers will be available at the parishes.



**MARCH 7**  
Our Lady of  
Ostrabrama  
Cutchogue  
7:00-8:00 p.m.

**MARCH 8**  
St. Gertrude  
Bayville  
7:00-8:00 p.m.

**MARCH 9**  
Mary  
Immaculate  
Bellport  
1:30-2:30 p.m.

**MARCH 10**  
St. Raymond  
East  
Rockaway  
7:00-8:00 p.m.

**MARCH 11**  
St. Luke  
Brentwood  
5:00-6:00 p.m.

**MARCH 12**  
Our Lady of  
Lourdes  
Malverne  
3:00-4:00 p.m.

**MARCH 13**  
Our Lady of the  
Assumption  
Coplogue  
7:00-8:00 p.m.

**MARCH 14**  
St. Catherine  
of Siena  
Franklin Square  
3:00-4:00 p.m.

**MARCH 15**  
St. Francis  
Cabrini  
Coram  
3:30-4:30 p.m.

**MARCH 16**  
Holy Cross  
Nesconset  
1:00-2:00 p.m.

**MARCH 17**  
St. Patrick  
Huntington  
12:00-8:00 p.m.

**MARCH 18**  
St. Joseph  
Hewlett  
7:00-8:00 p.m.

**MARCH 19**  
Most Holy  
Trinity  
East Hampton  
8:30-9:30 a.m.

**MARCH 20**  
Our Lady  
of Mercy  
Hicksville  
9:30-10:30 a.m.

**MARCH 21**  
St. Aloysius  
Great Neck  
5:30-6:30 p.m.

**MARCH 22**  
Sacred Heart  
Island Park  
3:30-4:30 p.m.

**MARCH 23**  
St. Anthony of  
Padua  
East Northport  
7:00-8:00 p.m.

**MARCH 24**  
St. Mary  
East Islip  
7:00-8:00 p.m.

**MARCH 25**  
Resurrection  
Farmingville  
11:00 a.m.  
12:00 p.m.

**MARCH 26**  
St. Boniface  
Elmont  
8:30 a.m.  
12:00 p.m.

**MARCH 27**  
St. Agnes  
Greenport  
5:00-9:00 p.m.

**MARCH 28**  
Our Lady of  
Lourdes  
Massapequa Park  
10:00 a.m.  
12:00 p.m.

**MARCH 29**  
Good Shepherd  
Holbrook  
7:00-8:00 p.m.

**MARCH 30**  
Sacred Heart  
North Merrick  
1:00-2:00 p.m.

**MARCH 31**  
St. Joseph  
Kings Park  
6:00-7:00 p.m.

**APRIL 1**  
St. Bernard  
Levittown  
12:30-1:30 p.m.

**APRIL 2**  
St. Jude  
Mastic Beach  
1:00-3:00 p.m.

**APRIL 3**  
St. Gerard Majella  
Port Jefferson  
Station  
7:00-8:00 p.m.

**APRIL 4**  
St. Aidan  
Williston Park  
1:00-3:00 p.m.

**APRIL 5**  
Queen of the  
Most Holy Rosary  
Roosevelt  
6:30-7:30 p.m.

**APRIL 6**  
St. John the  
Evangelist  
Riverhead  
1:00-2:00 p.m.

**APRIL 7**  
St. Martin of  
Tours  
Bethpage  
7:30-9:00 p.m.

**APRIL 8**  
Our Lady of the  
Miraculous Medal  
Wyandanch  
8:00-9:00 p.m.

**APRIL 9**  
Holy Name  
of Mary  
Valley Stream  
7:00-8:00 p.m.

**APRIL 10**  
St. Louis de  
Montfort  
Sound Beach  
7:00-8:30 p.m.

**APRIL 11**  
St. Thomas  
the Apostle  
West Hempstead  
9:30 a.m.  
6:00 p.m.

**APRIL 12**  
Our Lady  
of Grace  
West Babylon  
8:30-9:30 a.m.

**APRIL 14**  
St. Rose of Lima  
Massapequa  
8:00-9:00 p.m.

**APRIL 15**  
Our Lady of  
Lourdes  
West Islip  
12:30-7:30 p.m.

**APRIL 16**  
St. Kilian  
Farmingdale  
12:45-7:30 p.m.

Holy Week

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**ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL**

Are you interested  
in participating  
more actively at  
**Family Mass?**

**If you are interested in bringing up the gifts at our 9:30am Family Mass,** please email the FM Committee at [Joanquigley6@gmail.com](mailto:Joanquigley6@gmail.com)

Our Family Mass Committee is always looking for families who would like to more actively participate.

Include your name and phone number and Christine, Joan or Anne will contact you directly.

**THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**

On March 15th, 2025 we welcomed the following children into the St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Community:

Connor Abrams	Charlotte McGarry
Maeve D'Angelo	Matthew O'Brien
Julia Caruso	Ellie O'Dwyer
Peyton Girasole	Mable Rzeszut
Melody McDonnell	

Congratulations to the parents of the newly baptized.

**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.



## Principal's Announcements



Third Sunday of Lent

In this week's Gospel reading, Jesus gives us a powerful image a fig tree and how God treats us even when we fail to use the gifts he has given us. Put yourself in today's Gospel reading and imagine that you hear Jesus talking about the fig tree that didn't bear fruit but was allowed to live another year. Imagine that he is saying those words to you. If you were given one more year to bear fruit, what sorts of things would you do? In what areas of your spiritual or moral life have you found yourself tempted to be like Israel and want to "turn back"? What can you do to persevere so that you can bear more fruit in your life?

This week we celebrate **READING!** The Mothers' Club is sponsoring many fun and engaging activities to promote the love of reading as well as raise some funds for the school with their yearly Read-A-Thon.

**Monday** will kick off the week with a Character Parade. Students in Grades 1-4 should come to school dressed as a storybook character or author. Students in Grades 5-8 should wear a high school or college sweatshirt with their gym sweatpants.

**Tuesday** the students should wear their favorite team jersey and bring a book to read after lunch.

**Wednesday** the students should come to school in STAGS spirit wear. They will decorate a bookmark. In the evening, the Mothers' Club will sponsor a night at Barnes and Noble. Students who attend the Barnes and Noble event will receive a No Homework Pass to give to their teacher, good for **one** missed night of homework.

**Thursday** students will read about their favorite sport.

**Friday** the classes will be paired up for a Buddy Read. Throughout the week, the students will have the opportunity to guess how many books are in the school's library for a prize.

The classes who read the most minutes in each of the following grade bands will win a pizza party.

K-2  
3-5  
6-8

On Wednesday, March 26th, the students will receive their Trimester 2 report cards. Thursday and Friday, March 27th and 28th are 12 noon dismissals for

Parent-Teacher Conferences. Please make sure to sign up for your parent-Teacher Conference through the app Teacher Reacher. Please note that Aftercare will not be in effect on Parent-Teacher Conferences Days.

### 2025-26 School Board Nominations

The St. Agnes Cathedral School Board will have 5 vacancies for the 2025-26 school year: four 3-year terms and one 2-year term.

If you are interested in serving as a School Board Member, please submit your name, a photo, the vacancy term you are interested in filling, and a brief biography to Mr. Brayton Tom at the following email address: [braytontom@gmail.com](mailto:braytontom@gmail.com) by April 1st. Please indicate St. Agnes School Board in the subject line. See below for information about the School Board nomination and approval process.

**Purpose:** The school board is a body organized to develop, formulate, and recommend to the rector and administration, policies for St. Agnes Cathedral School. Policies may include, but are not limited to finance, equipment, enrichment activities, facilities, plant maintenance and repair, general school standards, and dissemination of information. The Board promotes the implementation of policy, upon approval by the Rector. The implementation of policy is the responsibility of the rector through the principal.

**Membership:** The board consists of twelve members. The rector, principal, assistant principal, and presidents of the parent organizations are ex-officio members. Each member shall serve a term of three years. Members are eligible for one subsequent term. Members are responsible for attending meetings on the third Thursday of each month. Membership on the board is limited to adult (age 21 or older) members of St. Agnes Cathedral Parish and parents/guardians of children attending St. Agnes Cathedral School. Parents residing outside the parish may serve their term only as long as their children are enrolled in St. Agnes Cathedral School.

**Process:** A public announcement is made for the open positions in the spring by the school principal. Interested members of the school community submit a brief biography with a photograph to the Board. The Board makes their recommendations to the rector and administration for approval.

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

*Mrs. Cecilia St. John,*  
Principal



## The Saint Agnes Mass Transit

The St Agnes Mass Transit offers parishioners who cannot drive to mass on their own, the opportunity to be picked up and brought to church every Sunday for the 9:30 Family Mass. If you were interested or know of someone who would enjoy this service, please call the rectory office at 516-766-0205 and leave your name and phone number. Someone will get back to you to get additional information and make the necessary arrangements to ensure you are able to join us for mass on Sundays.

## Pray for Vocations

We pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially from among the people of our parish and the children of our schools.

**Discerning a Vocation to the Priesthood?**

**Contact:** [vocations@drvc.org](mailto:vocations@drvc.org)



## Parish Outreach

The Outreach Pantry is low and in need of the following 18 oz. grape jelly, cereal, 16.3 oz.

peanut butter, thin spaghetti, tuna fish, canned chicken breast, rice and pasta sauce.

You may call the office at 516-678-1854 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*



## Religious Education

Dear Families and Students,

Welcome to Week 26 of Religious Education at St. Agnes Cathedral.

Week 26 In-person learning for grades 2 thru 7

Tuesday, March 25 - in-person classes for grades 2-7

Wednesday, March 26 - in-person classes for grades 2-7

Thursday, March 27 - in-person classes for grades 2-5 will be held in the Parish Center

**There are no in-person classes for grades 6 and 7 on Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup>.**

Week 26 Online learning for grades 3 through 6

Grade 3 - Chapter 27-28

Grade 4 - Chapters 29

Grade 5 - Chapter 29

Grade 6 - Chapters 29-30

Stations of the Cross, Friday, March 28th at 7:30pm in the Cathedral.

If you attend mass elsewhere, please email [massattendance@stagnescathedral.org](mailto:massattendance@stagnescathedral.org)

Blessings,  
Anne Nelson



## Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Agnes Cathedral Conference We Help People!



Many of you from our Rockville Centre community have inquired about the best way to help victims of the California wildfires. We have been in touch with our fellow Vincentians in the Diocese of Los Angeles whose communities are facing unimaginable challenges. Despite the devastation they have witnessed, they are encouraged by the incredible kindness and generosity of total strangers.

At this time we would suggest donating directly to the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Los Angeles at [svdpla.org](http://svdpla.org). We know every single dollar of your donation goes straight to helping victims of the fires rebuild their homes and their lives.

We thank you, the wonderful people of RVC, who always answer the call to help those less fortunate. God bless you all.



## Update Regarding Electronic Giving at Saint Agnes Cathedral



We are excited to announce an important update to electronic giving at St. Agnes. We are now using PushPay, an industry leader known for creating an easy, secure way for you to manage your own giving. Those who make use of Faith Direct will have already received an email to cancel their account and create a new one through PushPay.

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### 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)

En la liturgia de hoy, Jesús nos va a hablar de la higuera que no da fruto. Una estupenda ocasión para descubrir la gran paciencia que Dios tiene con cada uno de nosotros, a pesar de que nuestra existencia no siempre da los frutos esperados.

La invitación a la conversión sigue sonando en este tiempo de Cuaresma. En las lecturas de hoy, Dios, que se manifiesta como el que actúa en la historia, ha visto la aflicción de su pueblo y, con la ayuda de Moisés, está dispuesto a salvarlo de la esclavitud. Pero, como dice la carta a los Corintios, una parte de este pueblo liberado y en camino hacia la tierra de promisión no llegó a alcanzar la meta por su maldad. Jesús nos pide en el evangelio, a los que hemos sido liberados y llamados a la esperanza, que nos convirtamos y demos frutos de bondad ante la salvación pascual que Dios ofrece.

A través de una parábola muy popular ya para nosotros, Jesús quiere explicarnos la paciencia que Dios tiene con nosotros, esperando nuestra 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*

El tercer Sábado de cada mes a las 6:30 p.m. Hay que comunicarse con la oficina de la rectoría para la entrevista. Se puede llenar el formulario por la web de la parroquia. Los padrinos deben ser católicos, bautizados que han hecho su primera comunión y la confirmación. Si son parejas, tienen que haberse casado 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 LOS 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. Favor llamar a la oficina de la rectoría para informacion.

### *ACTIVIDADES*

Tenemos la adoración Eucarística el primer Martes de cada mes en la catedral despues de la Misa de las 7.30pm.

Movimiento de Cursillos de Cristiandad tiene su reunión todos los sábados después de la misa en el sótano de la sacristia.

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

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.



## Focus on Religious Freedom

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

Religious Freedom Benefits All

### Soldiers Defending the Constitution Cannot be Denied Their Religious Freedom

Each year new cases are brought to defend the religious freedom of members of our military by law firms who defend religious freedom in all relevant situations. Many Catholics wonder why there is an organization such as Catholics for Freedom of Religion. They tell us they can go to church on Sunday so what is the problem.

Freedom of Worship is not freedom of religion. Freedom of Worship is the right to pray within the church of your choice. Freedom of religion is the right to worship in church, in your home and in the public square, as in processions, public rosaries, etc. Freedom of Religion is the right to live your faith openly in every area of your life. So the cases brought against the military are an area of great concern. Many cases in recent years reflect a resistance to God's presence among the military as service men and women are criticized, marginalized and even dismissed for their religious beliefs and practices which

denies their right to freedom of religion.

On Jan. 17, 2025 Liberty Counsel filed a lawsuit to defend an Idaho National Guardsman, Major Worley, because he was removed from a command position solely for his religious beliefs which he had stated in a venue off duty and outside of his military service. Major Worley was investigated based on a complaint filed by a guardsman who said he felt unsafe and threatened because of Worley's beliefs. The investigation showed no wrongdoing by Worley but still he was removed by a general who decided Worley's Christian views were toxic.

Read more here: <https://tinyurl.com/33d36csv>

Read here about a VA chaplain whose sermons are being censored because he preaches based on his religious beliefs and his ecclesiastical endorsement. <https://tinyurl.com/3pnhvzn>

*The gospel of Jesus Christ prescribes the wisest rules for conduct in every situation of life. Happy they who are enabled to obey them in all situations!"*

*Benjamin Rush, Signer of the Declaration of Independence*

### Weekly Bible Study

Please join us for Bible study beginning on Wednesday's, at 9:45-11:00 a.m. in the Youth Room of the Ministry Building. We will be studying the Wisdom Books beginning with the Book of Job. For those unable to join us in person, please join us on Zoom.

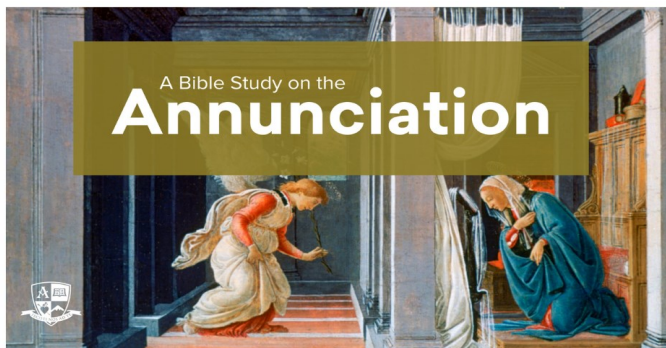
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### Suicide Prevention Resources

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:

988 Suicide Crisis Lifeline - Call. Text. Chat.  
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### A Bible Study on the Annunciation

In this video, Dr. Ben Akers leads us through a brief study of Luke 1:26-38, highlighting some of the key Old Testament passages evoked by Gabriel's words. The reflection concludes with some thoughts on how we can imitate Mary's Yes in our own life, especially in this time of suffering.

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