

# The Cathedral of St. Agnes

ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NEW YORK



8.24.25



*Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Saint Augustine • Champaigne • c. 1645

Memorial of Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church: August 28

# 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

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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. Christopher Heller

Rev. Michael Ngoka, C.M.

Rev. Emmanuel Nwogu

Rev. Gustavo Perez Alzate, *Comunidad Hispana*

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Mary Brower, *Assistant Principal*

### OFFICE HOURS

#### *Rectory*

Monday - Thursday: 8:30am to 8:00pm

Friday: 8:30am to 4:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am to 2:00pm

Sunday: Closed

*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: 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm  
Monday – Friday: Following the 6:30 am Mass  
Friday: Following the 12:10 pm Mass

## 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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## LET US PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Lance Corporal Ryan Thomas Albergo, 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  
 Lt. JG Julia Coughlin, U.S. Navy  
 Lt. Greg Crescenzo, U.S. Navy  
 Airman Michael Cummo, U.S. Navy  
 Maj. Richard Davin, Jr., Air National Guard  
 LCDR 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  
 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*

“Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough.”

### *Living Stewardship . . . Pillar of Hospitality*

Treat people the way God wants you to. Live a life that give glory to God.

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

#### WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Weekly Collection	8/17/2025	8/18/2024	8/20/2023
	\$40,700	\$35,744	\$28,364

## Pregnant? Need help?



**LIFE CENTER**  
 OF LONG ISLAND  
 A Voice for the Unborn on Long Island

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

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

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

**Monday, August 25, St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz,  
Priest**

*1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22*

- 6:30 Steven Zinno
- 7:45 Michael Garvey
- 9:00 Moira Colette Egan
- 12:10 Anne Catherine & Joseph Francis Duffy

**Tuesday, August 26, Weekday**

*1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26*

- 6:30 George Dunn
- 7:45 Jeanne Ferguson
- 9:00 Anne M. Jayatilaka
- 12:10 Carole Finning
- 7:30 Special Intentions

**Wednesday, August 27, St. Monica**

*1 Thes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32*

- 6:30 Denis Carroll
- 7:45 Richard Dombek
- 9:00 Teresa A. Manning
- 12:10 Michael Robustello

**Thursday, August 28, St. Augustine,**

**Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

*1 Thes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51*

- 6:30 Kevin Flood (Living)
- 7:45 Lisa Spatz
- 9:00 Vito LoPiccolo
- 12:10 Michael J. McCahill

**Friday, August 29, The Passion of St. John the Baptist**

*1 Thes 4:1-8; Mk 6:17-29*

- 6:30 Mary Quinley
- 7:45 Maureen, Dominic Sr., Margaret &  
Dec'd Members of the Sichenzia Family
- 9:00 Michael J. McCahill
- 12:10 Michael J. McCahill

**Saturday, August 30, Weekday**

*1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30*

- 7:45 Salvatore Aronica
- 5:00 Lillian & Eugene Paul, James Edwards,  
Maraline Murphy, Marguerite Talbot,  
Dec'd Members of the Schulken Family,  
Margaret A. "Meg" McGrath
- 7:30 C Francisco Canela
- 7:30 LH Bridie Lyons-Boyle & Seamus Lyons

**Sunday, August 31, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14*

- 7:00 The Parishioners of St. Agnes Cathedral
- 8:00 Mary J. Holland
- 9:30 William Kuczyk
- 11:00 Eleanor Matthews
- 12:30 Samuel Edmond Eichmann, Peter Costiglio,  
Robert Armstrong ("Army"),  
Mr. & Mrs. John Matthews,  
James J. Gomiela, Robert Flaherty
- 5:00 Andreas Toulas

## PLEASE PRAY



### *For The Faithful Departed*

Frank J. Thornton, Joan Exler

### *For The Sick*

Jeffrey Alan Bower, Ivy Mendizabal Garcia,  
Patricia Glenn, Louise Washington, Anthony Ventrice,  
Christopher Diez, Jennifer Duffy, Thomas Kelly,  
Bob Toy, Maggie Goodwin, Sr. Helen Byrne,  
Jack Prophet, Vera Davis, Samantha Giacomantonio,  
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.

## 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)**

## 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.



# ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

## BECOMING CATHOLIC

Are you an adult interested in becoming Catholic or  
completing your sacraments of  
First Holy Communion or Confirmation?

**Contact Fr. Christopher Heller**  
through the Rectory Office for more information.



## Principal's Announcements

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



**St. Agnes Cathedral School:  
We Are Rooted in Scripture**

Welcome to the 2025–2026 school year. I am filled with joy and anticipation as we begin another year together. Our school theme for this year is **St. Agnes Cathedral School: We Are Rooted in Scripture.**

As we reflect on this theme, we turn our anchor scripture passage, **Matthew 13:3–9, 18–23** The Parable of **the Sower and the Seed**. In this parable, Jesus tells of seeds that fell on rocky ground, among thorns, and along the path, but only the seeds that fell on **rich soil** grew strong and produced abundant fruit. Just as the seed represents God's Word, we are called to be that rich soil, open and ready to let Scripture take root in our hearts, guiding our growth in faith, wisdom, and love.

Throughout this school year, students will be encouraged to deepen their understanding of God's Word and to live it daily. Together, we will nurture the seeds of faith so that they may grow into lives marked by **kindness, service, and discipleship.**

As always, I thank you for your continued support in helping us live out our mission as **People of ACTION – Accepting Christ Today In One Another**. I look forward to a year of prayer, learning, and growth as we remain firmly **Rooted in Scripture.**

**Welcome Back to School!**

**The first day of school for students in Grades 1-8 is Wednesday, September 3rd.** The students are to report to last year's classroom no later than 8:15 A.M. The students should bring their lunch to school. Dismissal is at 2:45 P.M.

**Kindergarten will begin on Thursday, September 4th.** Kindergarten parents should be present on the first day. They should assemble in the schoolyard behind the school at **8:30 A.M.** An opening ceremony for the Kindergarten students will take place, followed by the calling of the class lists. After all the students are sorted into their homerooms, parents are warmly invited to accompany their child to their classroom, helping them settle into their new surroundings.

In the event of rain, we will assemble in the **Carlin Dining Hall**. Kindergarten will dismiss at 2:45 P.M. for car riders and bus riders.

The Kindergarten children should bring their lunch, a snack, and their supplies to school.

**On Friday, September 5th,** and thereafter, all Kindergarten students should enter the school via the Carlin Doors on Clinton if they are bus students or the Kindergarten Doors off the playground if they are using the Morning Drop-off. The Kindergarten Aides, Special Content Teachers, and Mrs. Brower will be on Clinton Ave. for the bus students, I will be in the back to assist with the Morning Drop-off with additional teachers.

The school calendar will be distributed to the youngest/only child on the 1st day of school. For your convenience, it is available to view on the school's website under "Upcoming Events" and a PDF copy is posted under Quick Links at the bottom of the website.

**Please note that Friday, September 5th is a 12-noon dismissal**

### Important Dates

- ◆ Meet the Teachers Grades K-4: September 10th
- ◆ High School Information Night: Grades 7& 8: September 11th
- ◆ Meet the Teachers Grades 5-8: September 11th
- ◆ Mothers' Club: Welcome Back Mass and Meeting: September 15th
- ◆ Fathers' Club: Welcome Back BBQ: September 12th

Peace and blessings to you and your families on this 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.

*Mrs. Cecilia St. John,*  
Principal



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## THE SAINT AGNES COUNCIL 2548



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

A Clearer Path

The Knights of Columbus offers Catholic men a fraternal organization that supports their family, community and the St. Agnes Parish. By your participation in our activities and volunteer opportunities you and your family will be on a clearer path to follow Jesus' example of Christian service and charity.

Questions/Interested?

If you have any questions about joining us in our service to the St. Agnes parish and community, please scan the QR code below or email us at [RPC121047@gmail.com](mailto:RPC121047@gmail.com)

SCAN ME



FOR MORE INFORMATION

CALL RICH CARL

516-306-7540

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THE SAINT AGNES COUNCIL 2548  
PO Box 594 Rockville Centre, NY 11570

# Summer Sing-In

## Gabriel Fauré's *Requiem*

Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup> • 6:30pm

St. Agnes Cathedral, Lower Hall

All singers are welcome.  
All are invited to pray and sing this beautiful music.  
\$5 suggestion donation

For more information, contact Michael L. Bower, Director  
[Mbower@stagnescathedral.org](mailto:Mbower@stagnescathedral.org)



**BANNS OF MARIAGE**



<b>I</b>	
Nicholette Macchio	St. Matthew's Dix Hills, NY
Derek Werner	Dix Hills, NY
<b>II</b>	
Casey Nelson	St. Agnes Cathedral
Steven Lanzillotta	St. Agnes Cathedral
Hannah Peck	St. Agnes Cathedral
Joseph Pepe	St. Joseph's Bronxville, NY
<b>III</b>	
Jessica Michelle Kim	Sts. Cyril & Methodius Deer Park, NY
Fifunmi Familusi	Central Islip, NY
Taryn Teurfs	New York, NY
David Ferro	St. Agnes Cathedral
Jennifer Puthota	St. Agnes Cathedral
Joseph Kennedy	St. Camillus-St. Virgilius Rockaway Park, NY

**2026 Mass Book**

Mass intentions can be obtained in the Rectory Office Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thank you.

**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.  
<https://988lifeline.org>

**THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**



On August 16th & 17th, 2025 we welcomed the following children into the St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Community:

- James Kelly
- James Paolantonio
- Avalyn Romero

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 Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).



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

Are you a ROMEO?

We are a group of St. Agnes parishioners that gather for lunch, story-telling and conversation every 3 months. Please join us and meet some of your fellow parishioners. All men are invited - it is not a prerequisite to be old and/or retired. Our next luncheon will be Thursday, September 4th, 2025 at 12 Noon, at MacArthur Park Restaurant on North Park Avenue, Rockville Centre (\$32 per person). Take a bold step and join us for 2 hours; and bring a friend.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, 9/2 to Tom Nofi via phone/text: (516)784-6046 or via email: [tomrvc@gmail.com](mailto:tomrvc@gmail.com), so we have a headcount for the restaurant. We hope to see you then.



**CATHOLIC CHARITIES  
OF LONG ISLAND**



**23<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC  
& PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT**

Monday, October 6, 2025  
The Muttontown Club, East Norwich, NY



**CATHOLIC CHARITIES 23<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC  
& PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT RESERVATION FORM**  
Monday, October 6, 2025 ✕ The Muttontown Club, East Norwich  
Please return by September 26, 2025

Please include me as a \_\_\_\_\_ sponsor!

I can't attend, but would like to make a donation!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ CCV \_\_\_\_\_

**RETURN TO:**

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90 Cherry Lane

Hicksville, NY 11801

Questions? Contact Maren Henderson at

516.733.7028 | henderson\_maren@catholiccharities.cc





**Society of  
St. Vincent de Paul  
St. Agnes Cathedral  
Conference**

**We Help People!**

We at the St. Agnes St. Vincent de Paul Society are excited to be starting a new Home Visitation Ministry! We have had many requests from our senior parishioners looking for ways to continue their connection with our beloved parish. If you know any seniors who would enjoy friendly visits or phone calls from a spiritual companion, please contact the St. Agnes Rectory (516-766-0205).

We would like to thank you for the constant generosity and kindness you have shown to our neighbors in need. Our Vincentians were busy all summer assisting Rockville Centre families with food, rent, furniture, financial counselling, and companionship. As always, if you or anyone you know is in need of help, please leave a message at the Rectory and a member of the society will contact you.

Please remember our entire community in your prayers and, if possible, make a donation to St. Agnes' St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Thank you!



**Summer Sing-In! Faure's "Requiem"**

Sunday Evening, August 24th, 6:30 PM in the Lower Hall. All Choir Singers Welcomed. Come to sing this beautiful music. Refreshments to be served. \$5.00 Registration Fee. Contact Michael L. Bower, Director for more information. [mbower@stagnescathedral.org](mailto:mbower@stagnescathedral.org)



**Marriage Prep Requirement**

Engaged Encounter is an effective PreCana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Our next 2-day weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on September 13-14, 2025. Visit [longisland.engagedencounter.com](http://longisland.engagedencounter.com) for information and registration.

**Parish Outreach**



The Outreach Pantry is low and in need of the following Milk, Eggs, yogurt, Spaghetti Sauce in jars, Progresso Soups, canned red kidney beans, canned string beans, canned carrots, juice boxes, 18 oz. grape jelly, 16.3 oz. peanut butter, canned chicken breast, 1 lb. Bag of rice, rice mixes, apple sauce cups. Tomato puree, tomato sauce, canned sweet peas, canned corn, pork & beans, canned fruit. In addition: Toiletry items i.e. shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, and **toilet paper**.

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 are not accepting Winter Clothing and housewares at this time.** We will gladly accept donations between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday except for holidays.

**Religious Education**

Dear Families and Students,

The registration link for the 2025-2026 Religious education program is on the St. Agnes Parish website. All students participating in the program need to be registered before September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

We invite all parents/guardians to attend the parent meeting on Wednesday, August 27 @ 7:30pm in the Parish Centre, to learn more about our exciting Religious Education program and parent expectations for the 2025-2026 year. The Religious Education Office will operate on the following summer schedule:

- ◆ Monday & Friday - Closed
- ◆ Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - Open from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Staying connected to the Eucharist is essential, even while traveling. If you attend Mass at another parish this summer, please email your attendance to: [massattendance@stagnescathedral.org](mailto:massattendance@stagnescathedral.org)

Blessings,  
Anne Nelson



## Annual School Supply Collection

Please help members of our community for whom buying school supplies can be a terrible monetary burden. We will be collecting school supplies which will then be distributed through the Parish Outreach Center. Please help by donating as many items as you can from the list of suggestions below. Our parish has been so generous during past collections that we anticipate that once again your help will make this September much better for needy families within our community. *You can bring your donations to the Outreach Office during the month of August (Mon-Fri 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. with the exception of Friday, August 15th, the Feast of the Assumption)* Please call Elizabeth Ramirez-Coppola at 516-678-1854 with any questions.

Thank you for your generosity.

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

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

## St. John the Baptist 50th Class Reunion

St. John the Baptist Class of 1975 will be holding their 50<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion September 19-20, 2025. If you are a member or know someone from the Class of 1975, please email Bob Koch at [bobbsa57@gmail.com](mailto:bobbsa57@gmail.com) or call him at 516-416-2216 for information.

## Special Needs Mass

We will celebrate a Mass for special needs children, and their families on **Saturday, September 20th** 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.

## 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 **September 4th**. For more information call Mary at (516) 375-0738.

## PARISH REGISTRATION

Very often, people come to the Rectory asking for a certificate or letter attesting to their being active members of our Parish. That's hard for us to do if there is no record of their being registered. All families worshipping here at St. Agnes Cathedral and living within the Parish boundaries are encouraged to register with the Rectory Office.

All you have to do is visit the St. Agnes website to register at [www.stagnescathedral.org](http://www.stagnescathedral.org). If you already receive envelopes or registered through PushPay you don't have to re-register. Thank you for your cooperation.

## 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.



## Focus on Religious Freedom

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

### Lawfare Attacks the Conscience Rights of the Little Sisters of the Poor

Since 2012 the Little Sisters of the Poor, dedicated to the care of the elderly poor and sick, have spent countless hours of efforts to preserve their rights of religious freedom. In order to follow their deeply held conscientious beliefs they seek exemption from the Health and Human Services' (HHS) mandate to provide contraceptives, abortifacients and sterilization procedures in their employees' healthcare plans.

The Obama administration circumvented the legislative process in Feb. 2012, avoiding debate and a vote on this mandate, by directing it's secretary of HHS to sign a regulation requiring that employers provide birth control known to violate the conscience rights of millions of Americans of many faiths. Extreme fines would be imposed if the HHS mandate was not followed.

Many Americans remember that the Hobby Lobby family owned business also objected to the HHS mandate on conscience grounds and were victorious in their case to the Supreme Court. The Hobby Lobby secular case did not apply to the Little Sisters who then worked their own way to the Supreme Court.

In 2016 and 2020 the Supreme Court issued opinions freeing the Little Sisters from the HHS Mandate, but the states of CA, PA and NJ have taken the Sisters to court to try to overturn their Supreme Court exemptions. On Aug. 13, 2025 a PA federal court ruled against the Little Sisters exemptions. Their lead attorney from the Becket Fund says they will appeal again to the Supreme Court.

Every American of every faith or of none should be aware of the virulent and pointless persecution of this order of selfless, generous and tireless nuns. Anti-life attorneys general and states who encourage them should hear from all of us who recognize this blatant bias. Read More: <https://tinyurl.com/sspvnj7b> <https://tinyurl.com/nhh76ek4> <https://tinyurl.com/bddzcbcz> <https://tinyurl.com/vzf7pij2> <https://tinyurl.com/4p7jvke3>

*“Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.” – Matthew 25:4*

Sept. 2015. Little Sisters of the Poor invited the Board of Directors of Catholics for Freedom of Religion to present our work at their Jeanne Jugan Residence in Washington, D.C.

Sister Constance Veit, LSP, Director of Communications, hosted Lorraine Yovino, Barbara Samuells, Virginia Daly and Pat Flynn



### Feast of Saint Monica | Catholic Saints

Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss this great Saint.

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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)

La iglesia nos acoge a todos por igual, y hoy nos convoca a celebrar ese banquete universal en el que Cristo se nos ofrece como alimento que nos da la vida eterna.

Tanto el texto de Isaías, como el salmo y el Evangelio de hoy, nos insisten en que la salvación es una oferta universal, para toda la humanidad. Pero Lucas da un paso más: esta salvación exige la respuesta del ser humano, la aceptación del don de Dios, el esfuerzo por vivir según sus planes. Nadie la puede dar por supuesta ni creerse en posesión de ella.

Aunque la salvación es para todos, Jesús nos explica hoy algunas condiciones para poder conseguirla.

### 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 información.

### *ACTIVIDADES*

Tenemos la adoración Eucarística el primer Martes de cada mes en la catedral después 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 sacristía.

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.

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**The Cathedral Chorale**

Teen/College/Adult  
Rehearsal | Thursday, 8:00pm-9:45pm  
Sings once or twice each month at the 11:00am Mass

**Junior Girls Choir**

Grades 3-5  
Rehearsal | Tuesday, 4:15pm-5:15 pm  
Sings once or twice each month at the 9:30am or 11am Mass

**Senior Girls Choir**

Grades 6-8  
Rehearsal: Tuesday & Friday, 3:00pm-4:00pm  
Sings once or twice each month at the 11:00am Mass

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- Monday | 4:15pm-5:00pm for 1st & 2nd year Boys
- Thursday | 5:30-7:45 p.m. (\*Includes Dinner)
- 1st and 2nd-year boys attend Thursdays only once a month
- \*Special schedule for Public School and Kellenberg Students

Sings once or twice each month at the 11:00am Mass



**Singers who are already members of a choir do not need to return this form..**

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**To register your child for the Children's Choir (grade 1 & 2), or for more information regarding the other choirs, please return this form to:**

Michael L. Bower, St. Agnes Cathedral Music Ministry  
29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY, 11570

*\*An Interview and Voice Hearing are required to join each choir, excepting the children's Choir*

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## **SAVE THE DATES!**



**St. Agnes Cathedral Chorale 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the  
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Saturday Evening, October 18, 6:00 PM Dinner – Dance Celebration!**

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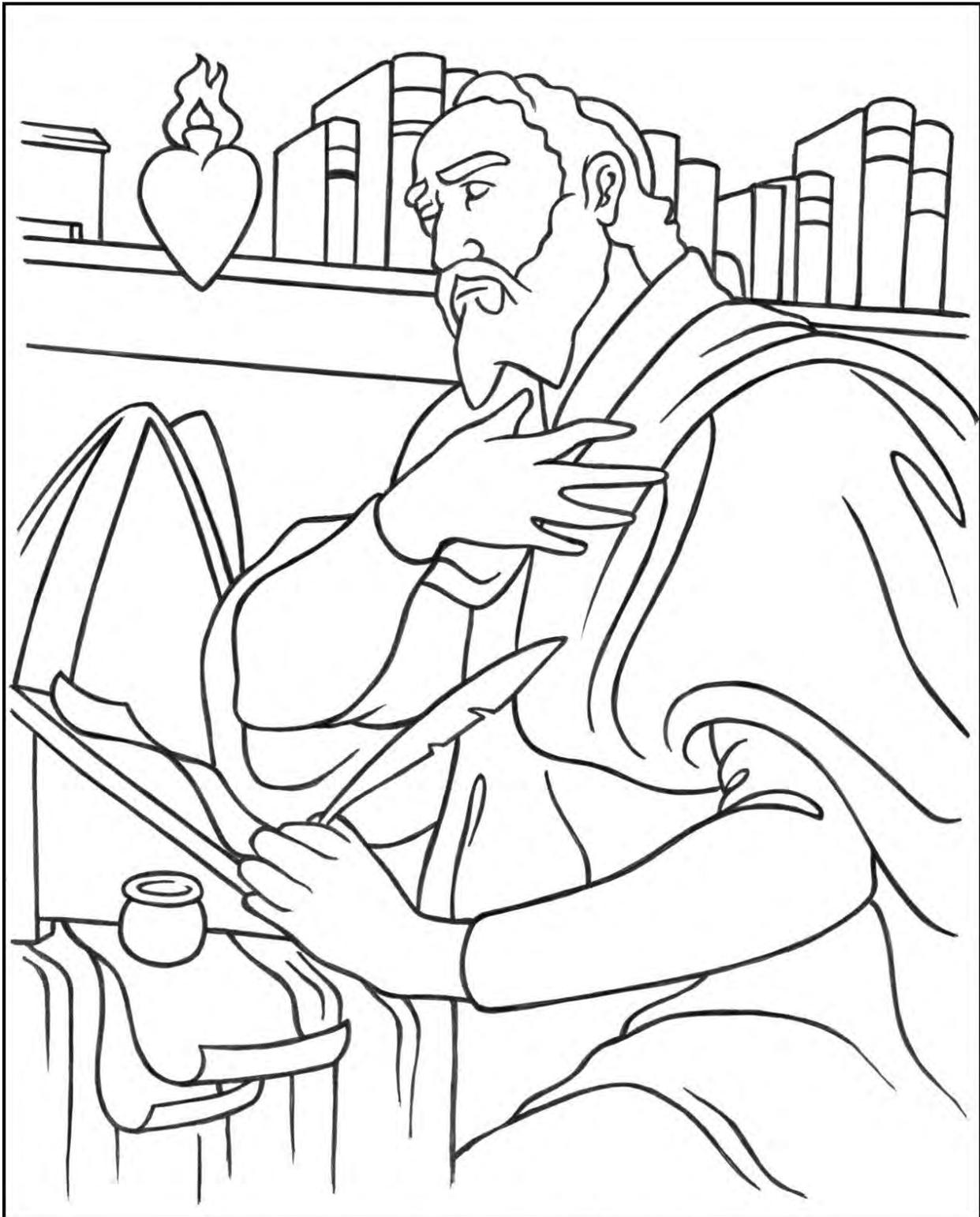
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