

Saint Agnes Catholic Church

February 26th, 2023 | First Sunday in Lent



From the Gospel of Matthew

“At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil.”

Mt 4:1-11

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 26

- 7:30 a.m. ✠ Robert Leal
(*The Owens Family*)
- 9:00 a.m. ✠ Mary Noble Herndon
(*The Herndon Family*)
- 11:00 a.m. All Living and Deceased Parishioners

Monday, February 27

- 6:30 a.m. Sr. Abigail Therese Jones
(*The Hofer Family*)
- 9:00 a.m. ✠ Ethel Nixon
(*The Donachie Family*)

Tuesday, February 28

- 6:30 a.m. ✠ Louis Schipani
(*Ken and Thuy Sault*)
- 9:00 a.m. ✠ Terry Lindsay, Jr.
(*The Gutierrez and Moline Families*)

Wednesday, March 1

- 6:30 a.m. Fr. Jason Burchell
(*Carol Mack*)
- 9:00 a.m. ✠ Sean Telesha
(*Tara Telesha*)

Thursday, March 2

- 6:30 a.m. Linda Tolman
(*Ruth Foster*)
- 9:00 a.m. ✠ Margaret McFarland
(*The Di Filippo Family*)

Friday, March 3

- 6:30 a.m. Michael Gibbons
(*The Hofer Family*)
- 9:00 a.m. ✠ Patricia McKee
(*Mrs. McKee*)

Saturday, March 4

- 7:30 a.m. ✠ Maria Luisa Sault
(*Ken & Thuy Sault*)
- 9:00 a.m. ✠ Maria Martins
(*Mario Martins*)

Vigil

- 5:00 p.m. Coreima Castro
(*The Donachie Family*)

Sunday, March 5

- 7:30 a.m. ✠ Stan Hall
(*The Murray Family*)
- 9:00 a.m. ✠ Ann Romberg
(*Maureen Patten and Family*)
- 11:00 a.m. All Living and Deceased Parishioners

✠ indicates person is deceased

Scripture Readings Week of February 26th, 2023

- Sunday** **First Sunday of Lent**
Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17;
Rom 5:12-19 or Rom 5:12, 17-19; Mt 4:1-11
- Monday** **Memorial, Saint Gregory of Narek, Abbot
and Doctor of the Church**
Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15;
Mt 25:31-46
- Tuesday** Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19;
Mt 6:7-15
- Wednesday** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;
Lk 11:29-32
- Thursday** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3,
7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
- Friday** **Memorial, Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin**
Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8;
Mt 5:20-26
- Saturday** **Memorial, Saint Casimir**
Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
- Sunday** **Second Sunday of Lent**
Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22;
2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

Keep Them in Your Prayers

For those who are sick in our midst:

Judy Shack, Walter Quinn, William Thomas, Paul Carder,
Jazmin Leon, Carol Naill, Cathy Sheehan-Wilson,
Ed Bonin, Marlise Yetter, Paz Speer, Muffy Reinecker,
Jake Williams, Mary Pace, Agnes Howard, John Terrill,
Bill O'Brien, Mary O'Keeffe, Joseph McInerney,
Jodi Borisinco, Katylee McInerney, Kitty Danyliw,
Kathryn Dutcher, Those suffering from COVID-19,
Residents of Cherrydale Health and Rehabilitation

The repose of the souls who have recently passed:

Kathleen Minasian, Bernadette Kosek, Alan Richey,
Linda Tribby, Michael Cannon, Marcia Mehl,
Victims of COVID-19

The 40 Hours Devotion of Eucharistic Adoration will be on March 21st, 22nd, & 23rd! In the Church - NOT the Chapel!

Please sign up **NOW** for open hours
on *We Adore Him* at <https://stagnes.weadorehim.com>.

For more info or help signing up, please contact
Michael Sirotniak at msirotniak@saintagnes.org
or 703-525-1166 ext. 229.



Saint Agnes Essentials

Sacramental Emergency:

Please call (703) 525-1166 Ext 1.

Infant/Child Baptism:

Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please contact the Parish Office to learn more about having your child baptized.

Marriage Preparation:

Call the Parish Office for Pre-Cana at least 7 months prior to your wedding.

Anointing of the Sick:

Call the Parish Office to request Anointing of the Sick. Anyone with a serious illness should request this sacrament before being admitted to the hospital.

Homebound Visitation:

Contact the Parish Office at (703) 525-1166.

How to become Catholic:

Interested in joining the Catholic Church or want to learn more? Contact Ana Lisa Piñon at analisa.pinon@arlingtondiocese.org.

Holy Orders and Consecrated Life:

Is the Lord calling you? For information about priesthood, the permanent diaconate, or the consecrated life, contact one of the priests or the Diocesan Vocations Office at (703) 841-2514.

Registration/Change of Address:

Forms can be found in the church, parish office, or on our website. Return completed forms to the parish office or parishoffice@saintagnes.org.

Mass Intentions:

Please visit the Parish Office to request Mass intentions. We are currently scheduling into July.

Parish Clergy

Pastor • Rev. William Saunders
Parochial Vicar • Rev. Andrew Haissig
In residence • Rev. Anthony Pinizzotto
In residence • Rev. Steven Oetjen

Parish Office

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Sunday Mass

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)
Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass

Monday – Friday: 6:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.
Saturday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m., 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.



**Join us next Sunday morning,
March 5th, after all Masses for coffee
and donuts in the Parish Hall**

Remembrance Circle

The St. Agnes Remembrance Circle is a group of compassionate parishioners who provide comfort and support to the bereaved of our parish. At our informal gatherings we focus on healing with the help of our Catholic faith, keeping the memory of our loved ones alive and doing random acts of kindness in their memory. We typically meet on the first Sunday of the month. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Karen Swingle at: remembrancecircle@saintagnes.org.

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Lenten Food Drive For Madison County



2023

February 22-March 29



Each year during Lent, the St. Agnes community generously donates about one ton of food to MESA, a Madison County, Virginia, foodbank that serves 300 needy families each month. The community remains in desperate need of our help.

Let's continue our parish's strong tradition of support for Madison County. This year's food drive will run from Wednesday, February 22 (Ash Wednesday), to Wednesday, March 29. Collection baskets will be at the front entrances of the church. Please donate canned goods, cereal, pasta & other non-perishable foods. (No glass containers or expired food, please!)

Thank you for your support!

For any questions, please contact Maddie Smith (madelinetsmithog@gmail.com) and Maeve O'Callaghan (mmocork@gmail.com) with a CC to colleentsmith99@gmail.com and astilwell@worldbank.org

Ministries & Groups at Saint Agnes

Adult Faith Formation

- Bible Study—analisa.pinon@arlingtondiocese.org
- RCIA—analisa.pinon@arlingtondiocese.org
- Spanish Bible Study—gvegge@aol.com
- Women's Bible Study—stagneswwp@gmail.com

Parish Service

- Arts & Crafts—bkdanyliw@verizon.net
- Calix—gtrcity@yahoo.com
- Cherrydale Rehab Prayer Group—biehlerj@aol.com
- Christ House Team—Alice.paxton@paladinlifecare.com
- Divorced and Separated Catholics Support Group—francisco.j.solares@gmail.com
- Gardening Angels—jshirhall@gmail.com
- Knights of Columbus—jim@saenzmail.com
- Legion of Mary—jbdugan45@gmail.com
- Parish Charities—charity@saintagnes.org
- Remembrance Circle—remembrancecircle@saintagnes.org
- Respect Life—saintagnesrespectlife@gmail.com
- St. Joseph's League—St.JosephLeague.StAgnes@gmail.com
- St. Raphael Prayer Group—littlecubb@aol.com
- Young Adults—youngadults@saintagnes.org

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- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion—dkcwhelan@gmail.com
- Flower Guild—dfowen@aol.com
- Lectors—biehlerj@aol.com
- Sacristans—ruthefoster@earthlink.net
- Ushers—jholl2473@aol.com

Youth Activities

- Challenge Club—kefoley2@pefoley.com
- Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts—mallen@americanpublic.us
- CYO Sports—ed.mcfadden@me.com
- Girl Scouts—monablake@gmail.com
- Youth Group—youth.ministry@saintagnes.org

Respect Life Ministry in Need of Volunteers

Please offer your helping hands and email saintagnesrespectlife@gmail.com.



The next First Friday
Mass in Latin
(Ordinary Form) at
St. Agnes
will be
on
Friday, March 3rd
at 7:30 p.m.

after the Stations of the Cross

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

WEEKLY EVENTS

TUESDAYS

7:30 PM
SCHOOL GYM
Faith, friends, fun
- come hang!

FRIDAYS

6:30 AM
DAILY MASS
A great challenge for Lent:
give up some sleep for Jesus.
Coffee on us before school.

WORKCAMP

Next Camper

Meeting:
March 19
@ 10 AM



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men to help us get to
Winchester. Can you
help? For details, visit
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It is often forgotten that Our Lady of Fatima requested the First Saturday Devotion to be widely observed to ensure Russia's conversion. The consecration which

recently took place by Pope Francis was not the only requirement for the conversion of Russia, according to Our Lady of Fatima. She included the request for the observance of the First Saturday devotion. She said to Sister Lucia (one of the three children at Fatima): "When you see a night illumined by an unknown light, know that this is the great sign given you by God that He is about to punish the world for its crimes, by means of war, famine, and persecutions of the Church and of the Holy Father. To prevent this, I shall come to ask for the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart, and the Communion of reparation on the First Saturdays. If my requests are heeded, Russia will be converted, and there will be peace; if not, she will spread her errors throughout the world, causing wars and persecutions of the Church."

What is the First Saturday Devotion?

Our Lady of Fatima revealed to Sister Lucia the following aspects of the First Saturday devotion:

- ❖ Receive Holy Communion on five consecutive First Saturdays
- ❖ Go to confession each month
- ❖ Recite five decades of the Rosary on the First Saturdays
- ❖ Meditate for 15 minutes on the mysteries of the Rosary.

Join us for a
*Sunday Lenten
Women's Book Group*

What? We will follow along with the Abiding Together Podcast and read *Be Transformed* by Dr. Bob Schuchts.

We will also discuss how the Sacraments can heal and transform your relationship with Jesus Christ.

When? Sundays after 9:00 am Mass, starting February 26

Where? Saint Agnes Parish Center
second floor in St. Thomas More Room

Link to Abiding Together Podcast

Link to purchase *Be Transformed* from Ave Maria Press

Ave Maria Press has provided a discount code for 25% off your order when you use the code TRANSFORM.

Available through 03.31.25 with some exclusions.

Questions? Email Kathy at khofer@saintagnes.org

It's a BABY!
Shower at risk babies with joy this Lent.

Please join the Challenge Club and Saint Agnes Pro-Life Awareness Ministry in donating baby items to a Woman's Choice Crisis Pregnancy Center

Donations will be taken during Lent, February 26th through April 2nd (1st through 6th Sundays in Lent).
We will have donation boxes at the front entrances of the Church.

Items most needed

- Newborn and size 1 & 2 diapers
- New/gently used baby clothes (newborn to 24 months)
- Wipes
- Diaper rash ointment
- Baby wash
- Infant socks
- Infant hats
- Bibs
- New crib sheets
- Receiving blankets
- Crib blanket
- Baby towels
- Wash clothes
- Burp clothes
- Baby Bjorn
- New Pacifiers
- New infant teething toys
- New infant rattles
- Baby bottles
- Formula
- New infant thermometers
- New infant nail clippers
- New hairbrushes
- Toys and baby books
- Baby mobile
- Baby wash basin
- Diaper bags

Questions? Please contact Kathryn Foley (kfoley2@pefoley.com)

Lenten Observance

Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Friday of Lent at 7:00 p.m.

Confessions will be heard on Saturdays from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m., and 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. as usual, and on Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

All Catholics are obliged to fast and abstain from meat on Good Friday. Also, Friday of Lent is a day of abstinence. Fasting is obligatory from age 18 until 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. Abstinence from meat is obligatory from age 14 onwards.

Join Father Andrew Haissig on a pilgrimage to Italy!

What's included?

- ♦ 12 day trip:
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For more details, visit <https://bit.ly/3j5vkjv>.

Are you thinking about going? Let Fr. Andrew know by *February 28th* at 703-525-1166 x210 or frhaissig@saintagnes.org.

Join St. Agnes Young Adults for a potluck and board game night after the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturday, March 4th. Bring your favorite church-appropriate board game and a dish to share!



Saturday Potluck & Games

What: Potluck & BYO Board Game Night

When: Saturday, March 4th 6-9pm

Where: St. Agnes Church Basement

St. Agnes Young Adults

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MEAL SATURDAY, PACKING MAY 6 EVENT 9 AM @ GYM

Registration for our meal packing event will be available online by the 1st week of April. For more info, please contact John Mallonee at charity@saintagnes.org




Eternal Rest Presentation and Discussion on Fridays



Starting Friday March 10th through the 31st. Come join us on Fridays after the Stations of the Cross at **7:45 p.m. in the Parish Hall** for a 30-minute video presentation followed by small group discussion. *Eternal Rest* explores the mystery of death, the afterlife, and the powerful reality around the sacrament that ushers us into eternal life.


Please **RSVP** to <https://forms.office.com/r/TS5gyk8z3Y> to help with setup, and book count.

Questions? Please contact Ana Lisa Pinon at analisa.pinon@arlingtondiocese.org.



St. Agnes School is a Catholic community centered on the teachings of Jesus Christ and strengthened by the partnership between parents, who are the primary educators of our students, and our dedicated teaching staff.

We believe in the mission to educate our students so that they become loving Christians, inspired learners, outstanding achievers, natural communicators, and strong servants of God.



Saint Agnes Catholic School



*St. Agnes students collected almost 2,000 cans during our "Souper Bowl" Drive. Thank you to all of our families who donated to this worthy cause and had some healthy competition doing so! Our 7th grade students helped load up two cars for them to be delivered to **Christ House**.*

Saint Agnes Religious Education



Family Gospel Chat

In today's Gospel, we see the devil's tactics in making sin an easy answer to hunger, or makes it look good to do, or makes one feel proud and important. Our Lenten disciplines can help us fight temptation.

- Q1: FAST:** What can you give up that leads you to sin?
- Q2: ALMSGIVING:** What can you do for others, instead of just thinking of yourself?
- Q3: PRAYER:** What will you commit to pray during Lent to help you grow in holiness?

Important Dates!

- ♦ **Lenten Service Project** to raise funds for Meal Packing event begins on February 28th for RE students.
- ♦ **First Penance Retreat** on March 11th.
- ♦ **Confirmation Retreat** on March 24th and 25th.

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