Saint Agnes Catholic Church

February 25th, 2024 | Second Sunday in Lent



From the Gospel of Mark

"And He was transfigured before them, and His clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses, and they were conversing with Jesus."

Mk 9:2-10

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 25

7:30 a.m.	Bernard Skibinski (Jef Dolan)
9:00 a.m.	 ✤ Maria Martins (Henrique Fernandes)
11:00 a.m.	All Living and Deceased Parishioners

Monday, February 26

6:30 a.m.	Eugene Doebler
	(Donald Reinecker)
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Anthony Pinizzotto
	(Marvin Hurley)

Tuesday, February 27

6:30 a.m.	🕆 Dr. Paul Dugan
	(The Saunders Family)
9:00 a.m.	🕆 Ralph Leon
	(The Buono Family)

Wednesday, February 28

6:30 a.m.	🕆 Thomas Breaux
	(The Hofer Family)
9:00 a.m.	令 Leona Theisen
	(Marilvnn Knowles)

Thursday, February 29

6:30 a.m.	🕆 Martin Faga
	(Kitty Danyliw)
9:00 a.m.	🕆 Paul E. Desrosiers &
	Angele M. Desrosiers
	(Teri Desrosiers)

Friday, March 1

6:30 a.m.	The Orr Family
	(Anonymous)
9:00 a.m.	✤ For the souls in Purgatory
	most in need
	(Craig Turner)

Saturday, March 2

7:30 a.m.	🕆 Maria Luiza Sault
	(Thuy and Ken Sault)
9:00 a.m.	Linda Tolman
	(Ruth Foster)

Vigil

5:00 p.m.	🕆 Patricia McKee
•	(Myrna McKee)

Sunday, March 3

7:30 a.m.	✤ Maria Hurley (Marvin Hurley)
9:00 a.m.	✤ Patricia Brown (Don Capretta)
11:00 a.m.	All Living and Deceased Parishioners

✤ indicates person is deceased

Scripture Readings Week of February 25th, 2024

Sunday	Second Sunday of Lent Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10
Monday	Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday	Memorial of St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot & Doctor of the Church Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday	Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday	Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday	Third Sunday of Lent Ex 20:1-17 or Ex 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

Keep Them in Your Prayers

For those who are sick in our midst: Walter Quinn, William Thomas, Carol Naill, Cathy Sheehan-Wilson, Ed Bonin, Marlise Yetter, Paz Speer, Jake Williams, Mary Pace, Agnes Howard, John Terrill, Jodi Borisinco, David Lounsbury, Helen Rebull, Mark Peterson, Stephen Andrews, Christian Andrews, Caio Rabello, Sharon Beene, Dwight Beene, Allen Ashby, Maria Pereira, John Thieman, Judy Bosco, Carlos Porras, Patricio Martinez, Seamus Hasson, Beth Simon, Judy Shack, Luisa Saldivar, Edmond Bonin, Margaret Fonseka, Residents of Cherrydale Health and Rehabilitation

The repose of the souls who have recently passed: Mary Ellen Bouchard, Mona Coakley



Adorers Needed!

The chapel is open with Exposition in the Monstrance from 1:00 p.m. to 9 p.m. daily.

On Wednesdays, Adoration is in the Church. Starts after the 9:00 a.m. Mass until 8:30 p.m.

To maintain this, we have an URGENT NEED for recurring weekly commitments:

• Saturday: 4:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m.



◆ Sunday: 6:00 p.m.

Please contact Greg King at adoration@saintagnes.org



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 sacraments@saintagnes.org 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:

Call the Parish Office to request visitation.

How to become Catholic:

Interested in joining the Catholic Church or want to learn more? Contact adultformation@saintagnes.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 parish office or you can register online on our website. Let the parish office know about any address changes.

Sacramental Records or Sponsor Forms:

Please contact sacraments@saintagnes.org to request copies of your Sacramental records or for Godparent or Confirmation sponsor forms. Please allow five (5) business days to accommodate your requests.

Mass Intentions:

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

Parish Clergy

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

Parish Office

1914 N. Randolph Street • Arlington, VA 22207-3046 Phone: (703) 525-1166 • Fax: (703) 243-2840 www.saintagnes.org Office Hours • Monday through Friday • 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

> Business Manager • Vitoria Vargas business@saintagnes.org

Office Manager • Armelle Tallec parishoffice@saintagnes.org

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Youth and Young Adults • Rev. Andrew Haissig youth.ministry@saintagnes.org

RCIA • Ana Lisa Pinon adultformation@saintagnes.org

Adoration Chapel Volunteer • Greg King adoration@saintagnes.org

Saint Agnes School

2024 N. Randolph Street • Arlington, VA 22207-3031 Phone: 703-527-5423 • Fax 703-525-4689 https://school.saintagnes.org/

Principal • Jennifer Kuzdzal jkuzdzal@saintagnes.org

Assistant Principal • Ann Reid areid@saintagnes.org

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

Wednesday during Holy Hour 7:30 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m., 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. and by appointment

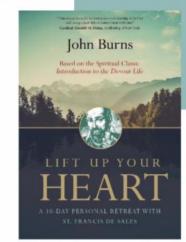


ST. AGNES PARISH INVITES YOU TO

A TEN-DAY LENTEN RETREAT

Led by Father Pinizzotto

Father will introduce us to the spirituality of St. Francis de Sales and his desire for our lives to be filled with God's grace and spiritual renewal.



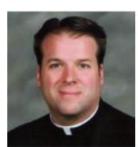
- · Please read Lift Up Your Heart in the days between the Retreat Opening and Retreat Closing.
- · The readings are about ten short pages per day.
- · An optional meeting time will be offered for those who develop questions over the first couple of days and would like to discuss them further.
- Questions? Please email The Borgo: theborgo@saintagnes.org

Retreat Opening

Optional Time with Father P Sunday, March 3, 10 am to 2 pm - stop

Thursday, March 7, 7 pm to 9 pm -

The Borgo for a parish price of \$5.



Father Andrew Fisher Talk

Join us on Friday March 1st at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall for Father Fisher's talk on 1571: **Spanish Exploration & First** Mission in Virginia.

Free FORMED Subscription

Check out FORMED.org! A FORMED subscription includes videos, Bible Studies, books, podcasts and more! Sign up by selecting Saint Agnes Church using our parish zip code (22207).

Lenten Observance

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

Ministries & Groups at Saint Agnes

Adult Faith Formation

- Bible Study—adultformation@saintagnes.org •
- RCIA—adultformation@saintagnes.org
- Spanish Bible Study—gvegge@aol.com
- Women's Bible Study-stagneswwp@gmail.com

Parish Service

- Arts & Crafts Guild-gveggejr@gmail.com
- Bethany Ministry-
- *bethanyministry@saintagnes.org*
- Cherrydale Rehab Prayer Group-• biehlerj@aol.com
- Christ House Team-•
- Alice.paxton@paladinlifecare.com
- Gabriel Project—gabrielproject@saintagnes.org •
- Gardening Angels-jshirhall@gmail.com •
- Homebound Parishioners Visits-

homebound@saintagnes.org

- Legion of Mary-jbdugan45@gmail.com
- Respect Life—saintagnesrespectlife@gmail.com
- St. Joseph's League-
- StJosephLeague.StAgnes@gmail.com
- St. Raphael Prayer Group—littlecubb@aol.com •
- The Borgo Gift Store—theborgo@saintagnes.org •
- Young Adults—*youngadults@saintagnes.org*

Liturgy

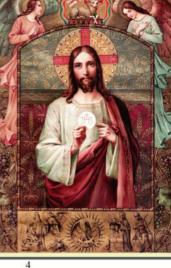
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion-• dkcwhelan@gmail.com
- Flower Guild-dfowen@aol.com •
- Lectors—biehlerj@aol.com
- Sacristans—ruthefoster@earthlink.net
- Ushers-jholl2473@aol.com

Youth Activities

- Challenge Club—kefoley2@pefoley.com
- Conquest Club—*kefoley2@pefoley.com*
- Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts-mallen@americanpublic.us
- CYO Sports-dan.r.madigan@gmail.com
- Girl Scouts-pamelasnichols@gmail.com
- Youth Group—youth.ministry@saintagnes.org

Join us for our next First Friday Sung Mass in Latin (Ordinary Form) on March 1st at 7:30 p.m.

Our Schola Cantorum Sanctae Agnetis and organist will provide music for the Mass.



Sunday, February 25, 12 pm to 2 pm after Mass in the Church

by the St. Thomas More Room

Retreat Closing

Lift Up Your Heart is available at

in the Parish Hall

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

all high schoolers are invited

TUESDAY YOUTH GROUP | 7:30 PM

Each month includes a Bible study, discussion, service night, and Adoration. Special events throughout the year - all high schoolers invited! Location announced via Flocknote.



JUNE 22-28

tinyurl.com/STAGYG-WC

registration open now for current high schoolers & volunteers



get updates

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Saint Agnes Catholic Church LENTEN PARISH MISSION Meals for the Poor

"I was hungry, and you gave me food."

OUR Raise \$15,000, enough to pack and distribute 45,000 meal packs! GOAL Distributed to local area food banks and to provide food relief in war-torn Ukraine.

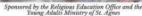
Please consider making our parish mission a part of YOUR LENTEN SACRIFICE.

Donate today by check or online at saintagnes.org

MEAL SATURDAY PACKING APR 13, 2024 EVENT 9 AM @ GYM

For more details, to donate or to register for the Meal Packing Event (suitable for ages 10 & above), go to saintagnes.org or email Charles Palmer at sacraments@saintagnes.org.







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.



New Inventory for Lent and Easter

- Stations of the Cross books
- Holy Cross Monastery Creamed Honey
 - New Children's books and gifts

Open Sundays after Masses

Or email to arrange a time for us to open for you: theborgo@saintagnes.org

Bible Study

Next session will be this Tuesday, February 27th at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. We continue our journey through the Gospel of St. Matthew. Please bring your Bible. Father Saunders is the guide for this journey.

Diocesan Day of Unplugging Friday, March 1st

In this penitential season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, Bishop Burbidge invites you to participate in a diocesan-wide challenge to **fast from excess screen time on Friday, March 1st**. Join fellow Catholics from around the diocese in the effort to "unplug" from digital devices to renew our relationship with God and neighbor. Find instructions for how to participate, ideas for how to spend your time offline, and FAQs on the day at arlingtondiocese.org/unplug.

Catacombs Cafe

open FRIDAYS after 6:30 am and 9 am Masses serving coffee, espresso drinks and light treats Want to have the Café open for your meeting?

Email: bethanyministry@saintagnes.org

Bring a soup to share! Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.



5:30PM-6:30 PM St. Agnes Parish Hall Followed by Stations of the Cross at 7PM

Friday, Feb. 16

Sponsored by the Young Adults Contact: youngadults@saintagnes.org

Friday, Feb. 23

Sponsored by Walking with Purpose Contact: saracsullivan @hotmail.com or elizabeth.weien @gmail.com

Friday, Mar. 1 Sponsored by St. Agnes School

Friday, Mar. 8

Sponsored by the Legion of Mary Contact: saulttk@hotmail.com

Friday, Mar. 15

Sponsored by the Bereavement Group Contact: helenvenzon@gmail.com or fa;rios@yahoo.com

Friday, Mar. 22

Sponsored by the St. Agnes Choir Contact: jsmith@saintagnes.org



All proceeds benefit the St. Agnes Day of Service Meal Packing Event on April 13, 2024

What does it mean to be an "active Catholic"?

An active Catholic is a person who cherishes the faith received at Holy Baptism, nourished through the Holy Eucharist, healed through the Sacrament of Penance, and strengthened through the Sacrament of Confirmation. An active Catholic embraces the teachings of the Catholic Church contained in the Word of God and in Sacred Tradition, and strives to live them.

An active Catholic is registered in the parish, supports the mission of the Church with time, talent, and treasure, whether by worshipping at Holy Mass each Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation (except for illness or emergency), volunteering to serve the parish community in various ways, and supporting the parish financially, using Faith Direct or offertory envelopes. Active Catholic spouses and parents seek to help their loved ones know Jesus through prayer, Holy Mass, regular Penance, religious education, and charitable works.

Why is this important? Anyone who seeks to be a godparent or sponsor for the Sacraments of Baptism or Confirmation, or enter the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, or receive a Catholic Tuition Rate at School must first be verified as an active Catholic and parishioner.



WE ACCEPT ALL DONATIONS OF NON-PERISHABLE FOODS. ANY AND ALL DONATIONS WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED AND VERY HELPFUL

"This is My beloved Son, listen to Him!" Could the Lord be calling you to proclaim His name as a priest or in consecrated life?

Listen to Him and contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, Vocations Director, at (703) 841-2514 or email: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org

Questions? Please contact Kathryn Foley (kefoley2@pefoley.com)

New/gently used baby clothes (newborn to 24 months)

New Pacifiers

Baby bottles

Formula

New infant rattles

New hairbrushes

Baby wash basin

Baby mobile

Diaper bags

New infant teething toys

New infant thermometers

New infant nail clippers

Toys and baby books

10th National Eucharistic Congress

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Wipes

Baby wash

Infant socks

New crib sheets

Crib blankets

Baby towels

Wash clothes

Burp clothes

Baby Bjorn

Receiving blankets

Infant hats

Bibs

Diaper rash ointment



You are invited to join the Diocese of Arlington for the historic 10th National Eucharistic Congress to be held at the Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, Indiana, July 17-21, 2024. Tour packages including accommodations and a ticket to the Congress are available through Corporate Travel Services. For pricing and more information, check out our website at https:// www.arlingtondiocese.org/national-eucharistic -revival/.

Easter Flowers

The Easter Flower Fund is in honor of living or deceased loved ones. If you do not receive Offertory envelopes, please use this form and complete the info below, place it in an envelope marked Easter Flowers, and *return it to the Parish Office or in the collection basket for the <u>second collection on March 10th.</u>*

(Please circle) In Loving Honor / Memory of:

Requested by:

Donation:

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The Passion Narratives Retreat for Men and Women

The Four Gospels give us clear accounts of the last hours of Jesus and His suffering, death, and resurrection. Come to the Arlington Diocese's San Damiano Retreat Center in White Post, VA and join

Fr. Riley in silence and solitude to read, think, and pray our way through the Gospel accounts -- comparing and contrasting the reports and vision of the evangelists as we follow Christ through darkness and suffering and death...and beyond.

The retreat is open to men and women. It begins at 5 p.m. on Friday, March 15, and ends at 1 p.m. on Sunday, March 17. Retreat cost is \$285, and financial assistance may be available.

For further information or to register for this retreat, please contact Deacon Mark Maines at mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org.

CAR RAFFLE ANNOUNCEMENT

All Saints Catholic Church in Manassas has once again invited our parishioners to participate in their annual Multi-Car Raffle.

TICKETS: One ticket is a chance to win four 2024 \$5.00 EACH Ford vehicles plus \$40,000 in cash prizes!

Whether purchased, sold, or unused, **please** return all tickets and checks back to All Saints for processing.

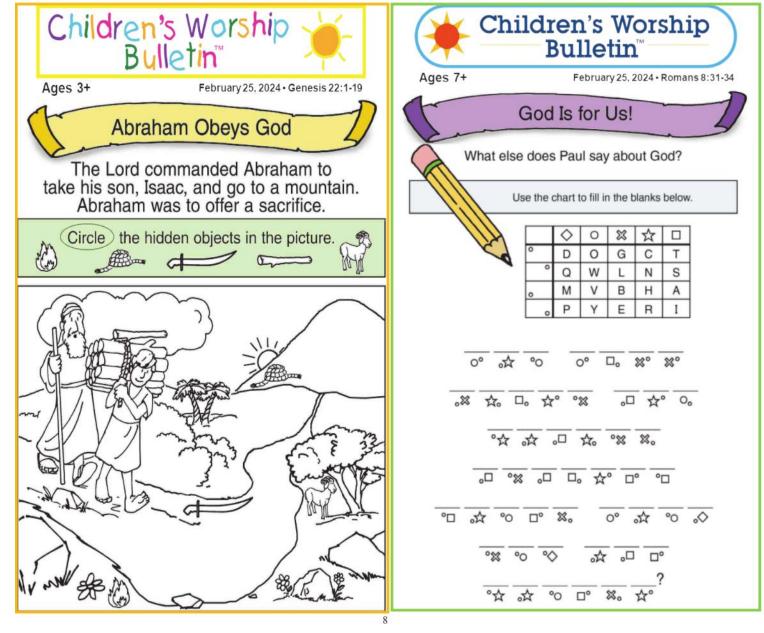
To avoid mailing cash, tickets (bought or unused) can also be returned in Sunday collection baskets with provided envelope & card insert.

If you would like to purchase more tickets, please email youth.ministry@saintagnes.org

Thank you for your support!

Proceeds directly support our teens at WorkCamp 2024. Find out more about WorkCamp by visiting tinyurl.com/STAGYG-WC

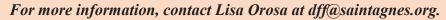




Saint Agnes Religious Education

Important Dates!

- ◆ February 27th | RE Confessions
- March 2nd | First Penance Retreat
- March 5th | RE Stations of the Cross





"Christ made my soul beautiful with the jewels of grace and virtue. I belong to Him Whom the angels serve."

Sunday Mass Journal 2nd Sunday of Lent Mark 9:2-10
Sunday, 25 February 2024 CHURCH & MASS TIME:
 PRIEST & COLOR OF VESTMENTS: I OFFERED THIS MASS FOR: The Transfiguration was a life-changing experience for Peter, James
Gospel Reflection and John. Why was this event special? What would you do if you were there with Peter and the disciples? How would it change your life?
I am thankful for I will pray for
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Name:

ST. AGNES RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Age/Grade:

FEBRUARY 2024

Do 5 activities in a row. Submit this card at the end of the month to the RE Office or at the Parish Gift Shop on the last Sunday of the month to collect your prize! **Complete ALL activities here and you will be entered for a raffle for a GRAND PRIZE in RE's May Crowning Celebration.**

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Light a candle in the Church to celebrate the Presentation of the Lord (Feb. 2)	Find out your baptismal date and note it in your family calendar to celebrate it like a birthday party.	February is the month of the Holy Family. Pray a family rosary in their honor.	Surprise your parents by making them breakfast in bed.	Eat some arancini rice balls to celebrate the feast of St. Agatha (Feb. 5)
Send a letter to your grandparents thanking them for their love.	Make a crown of thorns craft and remove one toothpick for every good deed you make during Lent	in Japanese to video on St. Fatima celebrate the Josephine Bakhita honor of feast of St. Paul (Feb. 8) at of F	Memorize the Fatima Prayer in honor of Our Lady of Fatima (Feb. 11)	
Think about one thing you really like that you can give up for Lent.	Pray for peace in the Ukraine, the Holy Land and other parts of the world.	GO TO MASS EVERY SUNDAY!	Offer up your Sunday Mass for those who are sick on World Day of the Sick (Feb 11)	Pray one Hail Mary for each person you love on Valentine's Day
Receive ashes on your forehead on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 14)	Ask your parents for money in exchange for chores and donate it to Lenten Parish Mission	Do an examinaton of conscience each night before sleeping	Don't eat meat on Fridays of Lent (Feb. 16 & 23)	Pray for our President and world leaders on Presidents' Day (Feb. 19)
Pray for priests and seminarians in honor of St. Peter Damian (Feb. 21)	Help a sibling with their homework or chore.	Donate to a coat or glove drive for the homeless	Find out more about the Chair of St. Peter (Feb. 22) and tell your parents about it.	Draw an eagle, the symbol of St. Polycarp, on his feast day, Feb. 23



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Not an RE/SAS student

St. Agnes RE St. Agnes school student

Saint Agnes Catholic School



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.





St. Agnes Parish and School were blessed to house the relic of St. Jude the Apostle in early February. Students, teachers, and parishioners all took advantage of the short visit to learn more about St. Jude, view his relics and pray in front of them.

Second grade student Cameron B. said seeing the relic "was awesome! Amazing!" and when asked what her favorite part was, said, "Probably praying. It was just so quiet and you could see so much!"

May we all find so much joy when worshiping God! St. Jude, patron of desperate situations and hopeless causes, Pray for us!





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