Saint Agnes Catholic Church

March 17th, 2024 | Fifth Sunday in Lent



From the Gospel of John

"I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify Your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified It and will glorify It again."

Jn 12:20-33

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 17

7:30 a.m.	🕆 Anibal Mejia
	(The Ford Family)
9:00 a.m.	🕆 Katylee McInerney
	(The Pirozzoli Family)
11:00 a.m.	All Living and Deceased Parishioners
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Monday, March 18

6:30 a.m.	🕆 Ralph Leon
	(The Buono Family)
9:00 a.m.	🕆 Katylee McInerney
	(Carolyn [TASTE])

Tuesday, March 19

6:30 a.m.	Joseph F. Saunders, Jr.
	(The Saunders Family)
9:00 a.m.	✤ Joseph Moore
	(The Pirozzoli Family)

Wednesday, March 20

6:30 a.m.	Sr. Mary Margaret Ann Schlather (St. Agnes Parish)
9:00 a.m.	✤ Alfonso Guardia-Ortiz (Carmen Guardia)

Thursday, March 21

6:30 a.m.	🕆 Anibal Mejia
	(Ligia Santos)
9:00 a.m.	🕆 Paul E. Desrosiers &
	Angele M. Desrosiers
	(Teri Desrosiers)

Friday, March 22

6:30 a.m.	Connor Wright & Sasha Koshka (Nathan Gniewek)
9:00 a.m.	Patricia Allen (Marvin Hurley)

Saturday, March 23

7:30 a.m.	🕆 John T. Miller, Jr.
	(The Dougherty Family)

2:00 a.m.	7 Maria Martins
	(Mario Martins)

Vigil

5:00 p.m.	Fr. Rocky		
-	(Ruth Foster)		

Sunday, March 24

7:30 a.m.	Maureen Simpson
	(Marvin Hurley)
9:00 a.m.	🕆 Ralph Leon
	(The Buono Family)
11:00 a.m.	All Living and Deceased Parishi

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Scripture Readings Week of March 17th, 2024

- Sunday Fifth Sunday of Lent Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33
- Monday Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 8:51-59

- **Friday** Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42
- Saturday Memorial of St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56
- Sunday Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47 or Mk 15:1-39

Keep Them in Your Prayers

For those who are sick in our midst: Walter Quinn, William Thomas, Carol Naill, Cathy Sheehan-Wilson, Marlise Yetter, Paz Speer, Jake Williams, Mary Pace, 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, Edmond Bonin, Margaret Fonseka, Audrey Gawda, Alzira Medeiros, Residents of Cherrydale Health and Rehabilitation

The repose of the souls who have recently passed: Donald Paul Nimey, David Guevara, Adriana Lalor, Luisa Saldivar



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 commitment:



Saturday: 4:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m.

Please contact Greg King at adoration@saintagnes.org

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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 August.

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.

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Saint Agnes School

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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

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Saturday March 23rd 5:00 p.m. (Vigil) Sunday March 24th 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

> Monday, March 25th through Wednesday, March 27th Daily Masses 6:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

Holy Thursday (March 28th) Mass of the Lord's Supper: 8:00 p.m.

Good Friday (March 29th) Liturgy of the Lord's Passion: 3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross: 7:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday (March 30th) Blessing of Easter Food: 10:00 a.m. Easter Vigil: 8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday (March 31st) Mass: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday, March 23rd : 8:00-9:00 a.m. 3:00-4:00 p.m. Wednesday March 27th: 7:00 p.m. until last person Holy Saturday: NO confessions scheduled

The Shroud of Turin

Join us on Friday, March 22nd at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall after the Stations of the Cross.



Father Saunders will present a dynamic account of the history, science, Passion and Resurrection evidence as seen in the Shroud of Turin. Come see a full-sized replica of the Shroud and the photographic images that sparked an explosion of scientific interest and debate over a century ago which continues today.

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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

How to Prune Your Roses | March 23rd, 2 to 4 p.m.

Gain hands-on experience in pruning your rose bushes to keep them healthy and encourage lots of blooms! Bring your by-pass pruners and gloves and give it a try. We will meet at the side



of St. Agnes Church for a workshop led by a Consulting Rosarian with the Arlington Rose Foundation. We will begin with tool sharpening and cleaning, watch a pruning demonstration, and then practice on the roses. For questions, call Jean Shirhall at 703-528-2617. *A light rain or drizzle will not discourage us.*

All are welcome to this free workshop!

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.

FRIDAYS IN LENT except Good Friday JESUS + JAVA | 6:30 AM

Challenge for Lent: give up the snooze button and give your mornings to Jesus. Meet us for daily Mass, then grab breakfast & review Sunday's readings before school.



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Father Saunders' Bible Study Tuesday Nights

The Tuesday night group has been walking through the Gospel of Matthew. If you have been wanting to attend, but felt you missed too much...THIS is the time to JOIN US!

Father will walk us through the Passion Narratives. Using a document he created, we will look at The Gospel of Matthew alongside the other three Gospels.

Come and experience this very special study time with fellow parishioners and Father Saunders as we go into Holy Week.

Tuesdays at 7:30pm in The Parish Hall

Last class is March 19th until after Easter!



ST. AGNES LENTEN MISSION

Help us provide 45,000 MEALS FOR THE POOR for our local poor and those suffering in the Ukraine. TWO WAYS TO HELP!



DONATE TODAY

We need to raise \$16,000 to make 45,000 nutritious and meal packs. Please consider donating as part of your sacrificial giving for Lent.



Go to saintagnes.org or contact Charles Palmer at sacraments@saintagnes.org for more information.



Sponsored by St. Agnes Religious Education & Young Adults Ministry



- 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



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

2024 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA)!

The theme for the 2024 BLA is shared with the theme of our Diocesan Jubilee: "Behold, I make all things new." After reflecting upon the blessings God has given you, please prayerfully consider a pledge.



As we look forward to the celebration of the 50-year Golden Anniversary of our diocese, let us renew our commitment to the Lord and be inspired to share what we have received from Him. bbYou can make a gift at: www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA or scan the OR code.

Saint of the Week

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

Friday. Feb. 23

Sponsored by Walking with Purpose

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 fagrios ayahoo.com

Friday, Mar. 22

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



St. Agnes Day of Service Meal Packing Event on April 13, 2024

Saint Toribio De Mogrovejo (1538-1606) | (March 23rd)

In times of crisis, God always "surprises" the Church with unlikely saints, through whom Christ's light radiates beyond their local communities to illumine the universal Church. Charles Borromeo was such a saint: appointed Archbishop of Milan at twenty-one by his papal uncle, epitomizing the corruption that the Reformers condemned. Charles instead inspired a revival that reinvigorated a Church devastated by the Reformation.

His less well-known contemporary, Toribio de Mogrovejo, was God's "saintly surprise" in the New World. Spanish-born lawyer, professor, head of the feared Inquisition, Toribio was still a layman when a grateful king appointed him Archbishop of far-off Lima. Once in Peru, however, Toribio was appalled at the abuse of indigenous peoples by the occupying conquistadores—his fellow countrymen-and by the complicity of the clergy. He became the natives' devoted advocate, building churches, schools, hospitals, and the first seminary in the Americas, publishing catechisms and prayerbooks in the native languages he painstakingly mastered. Four hundred years later, whenever Pope Benedict welcomed Latin American bishops to Rome, he always invoked "the shining example of San Toribio." *—Peter Scagnelli*

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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, from February 18 - March 24 (1st through 6th Sundays in Lent). We will have donation boxes set up in the Vestibule of the Church.

Newborn and size 1 & 2 diapers

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

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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

New Pacifiers Diaper rash ointment 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 (kefoley2@pefoley.com)

Twelve Seminarians to be Ordained Transitional Deacons

On Saturday, April 6th, Bishop Burbidge will ordain 12 seminarians to the Transitional Diaconate: Timothy Banach, Emmanuel Carreño-García, Joseph Connor, Jordan Evans, John Fimmuchime, Raymond Goins, Andrew Lewandowski, Richard Malebranche, John Meyerhofer, Christian Njodzela, Michael Sampson and Alfredo Tuesta. The Mass will be held at St. Theresa Catholic Church in Ashburn at 11 a.m. and will also be livestreamed. Visit www.ArlingtonDiocese.org/Ordinations to learn more about these men, what led them to seminary, and about the ordination events. Pray for our future priests!

Searching for answers?

Help bring to the Light those who no longer want to walk in darkness. Invite those who have never been baptized or who have been baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition, as well as adult Catholics who have not been confirmed, to the inquiry sessions. For more information ...

Please contact adultformation@saintagnes.org.



FOOD DRIVE FEBRUARY 14- MARCH 24

BASKETS BY ENTRANCE OF CHURCH

ALL DONATIONS WILL BE GIVEN TO THE MADISON COUNTY FOOD BANK AND ASSIST MANY FAMILIES IN NEED.

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

"He became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey Him." The gift of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life is discerned through prayer and grace.

> Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, Vocations Director. at (703) 841-2514 or email: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org

Respect Life Ministry Needs Volunteers



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

Lenten Observance

Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Friday 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.



BEHOLD Quo Vadis and FIAT **MAKE** Camps Registration Lottery

Quo Vadis Days and FIAT Camps are great opportunities for Catholic high school students (current freshmen through seniors) to have fun while deepening their faith and exploring their vocations. Quo Vadis (for boys) is staffed by ELATION 21:5 Arlington seminarians, priests & religious, and will be held Sunday-Thursday, July 7-11.

FIAT (for girls) is staffed by religious sisters and will be held Sunday-Thursday, July 14-18. Both will be at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD. The registration lottery will be open March 1-29; only one entry per person is needed and can be submitted anytime between March 1-29. See videos and photos from past years, get more information and register for the lottery at ArlingtonDiocese.org/QuoVadis or ArlingtonDiocese.org/FIAT.

YOUNG ADULT STATIONS OF THE CROSS



WHAT: pray Stations of the Cross outside, followed by fellowship WHEN: Saturday, March 23rd at 10:15 am WHERE: the gardens of the Franciscan Monastery in D.C.

Join us for 9am Mass at St. Agnes first & carpool if interested!

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Saint Agnes Religious Education

Important Dates!

- March 19th | Confirmation Sponsor Forms Due
- March 24th-April 2nd | No RE Classes | Easter Break
- April 7th | Classes resume

For more information, contact Lisa Orosa at dff@saintagnes.org.



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

Sunday Mass Journal 5th Sunday of Lent John 12:20-33
Sunday, 17 March 2024 CHURCH & MASS TIME: PRIEST & COLOR OF VESTMENTS: I OFFERED THIS MASS FOR:
Gospel Reflection It is clear in the Gospel that Jesus was troubled about suffering and dying, yet He did not run away from it, but embraced it. Why? What does this teach you about doing the good but difficult thing?
I am thankful for I will pray for • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
My Spiritual Goal for the Week

Name:

ST. AGNES RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FAITH BINGO

Age/Grade:

MARCH 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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Go to Lenten Soup Supper on Fridays at 5:30PM in the Parish Hall.	Do not eat meat on March 1st.	Go to Stations of the Cross on March 1st.	Ask your parents for money to do an extra chore and donate to Meals for the Poor Lenten Mission	Pray for the homeless.
Watch a video on St. Perpetua & St. Felicity (Mar 7) https://www.yout ube.com/watch? v=Cmbhtgu8xlk	Offer a Hail Mary for the intentions of the Holy Father	Do not eat meat on March 8.	Learn to say the Sign of the Cross in Spanish to honor St. John of the Cross (Mar 8)	Go to Stations of the Cross on March 8.
Do not eat meat on March 15.	Pray for Fr. Saunders on his birthday on March 9th.	GO TO MASS EVERY SUNDAY!	Go to Stations of the Cross on March 15.	Do not order dessert or soda in a restaurant and ask mom/dad if you can donate to the Meals for the Poor Mission.
Go to Stations of the Cross on March 22.	Celebrate the feast of St. Joseph (March 19) with a special family dinner!	Pray a decade of one of the Sorrowful Mysteries	Do not eat meat on March 22.	Pray for peace in the Ukraine, the Holy Land and other parts of the world.
Sign up to help at the Parish Day of Service Meal Packing Event at https://saintagne s.org/project- help/	Make a cross out of the blessed palms on Palm Sunday, March 24	Do not eat meat on March 29.	Go to Stations of the Cross on March 29.	Go to Mass and celebrate Easter Sunday (March 31) with a special meal! <i>Christ is risen!</i> <i>Alleluia!</i>



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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

"Apart from the Cross, there is no other ladder by which we can get to Heaven." St Rose of Lima

During Lent, St Agnes students have had the privilege of attending Stations of the Cross each Friday afternoon. It is a wonderful time to prepare our hearts and minds during this liturgical season and unite ourselves more closely to Our Lord.

We adore You, O Christ, and we praise You. Because by Your Holy Cross You have redeemed the world.







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