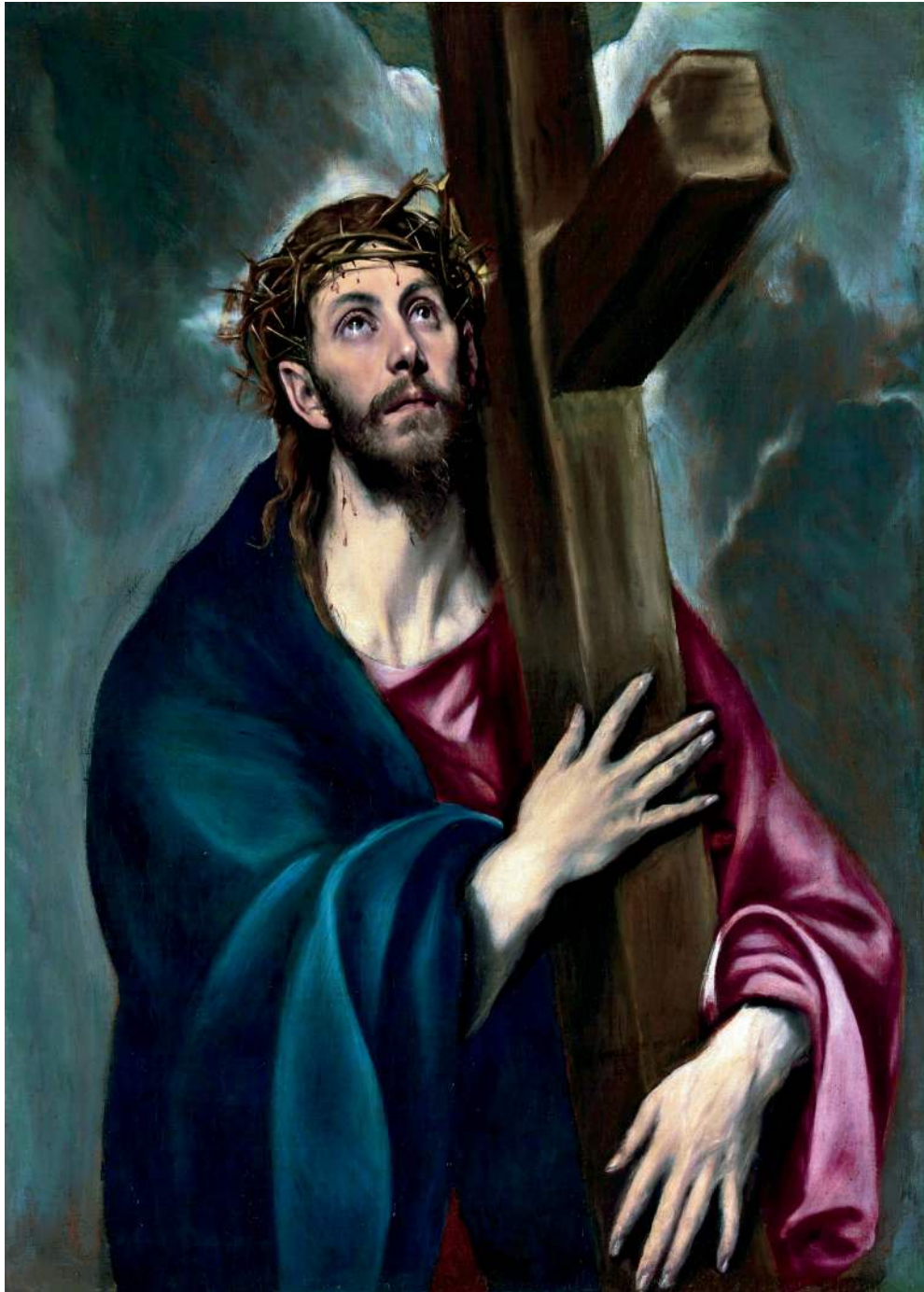


Saint Agnes Catholic Church

June 28th, 2026 | Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



From the Gospel of Matthew

“...whoever does not take up his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me.”

Mt 10:37-42

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, June 28

- 7:30 a.m. Father's Day Novena
 9:00 a.m. † Regina Ratway
 (*The Shea Family*)
 11:00 a.m. All Living and Deceased Parishioners
 5:00 p.m. † Sr. Mary Paul Galura, OP
 (*Jim & Mariane Dunne*)

Monday, June 29

- 6:30 a.m. Father's Day Novena
 9:00 a.m. Eddy & Sarah Moss Family
 (*Michelle Kelly*)

Tuesday, June 30

- 6:30 a.m. Gwenaëlle Tallec Marston
 (*Armelle Tallec*)
 9:00 a.m. † Anna Diec Tran
 (*Ken & Thuy Sault*)

Wednesday, July 1

- 6:30 a.m. Sr. Mary Margaret Ann Schlather
 (*Saint Agnes Parish*)
 9:00 a.m. Ulf & Christiane Gartzke & Family
 (*Christine Walsh*)

Thursday, July 2

- 6:30 a.m. Anne Powell
 (*Charlie Musto*)
 9:00 a.m. † Helen, Albert, & Mikell McMahon
 (*Helen McMahon*)

Friday, July 3

- 6:30 a.m. NO MASS
 9:00 a.m. † John Sirotniak
 (*Elizabeth Shaeffer*)
 7:00 p.m. First Friday Latin Mass

Saturday, July 4

- 7:30 a.m. † Mary Bernadine Duerbeck
 (*The Duerbeck Family*)
 9:00 a.m. † Maria Martins
 (*Henrique Fernandes*)
Vigil
 5:00 p.m. † Robert Sheets
 (*Holly George*)

Sunday, July 5

- 7:30 a.m. † Rosemari C. Dias
 (*Salma Villagomez*)
 9:00 a.m. † Susan Griffith
 (*Alan & Anne Jones*)
 11:00 a.m. All Living and Deceased Parishioners
 5:00 p.m. † Jimmy Carter
 (*Ebru Ellis*)

† indicates person is deceased

Scripture Readings

Week of June 28th, 2026

- Sunday** **Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19;
 Rm 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42
- Monday** **Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles**
Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Gal 1:11-20;
 Jn 21:15-19
Mass during the Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5,
 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
- Tuesday** **Memorial of the First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church**
 Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8; Mt 8:23-27
- Wednesday** **Memorial of Saint Junípero Serra, Priest**
 Amos 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13,
 16bc-17; Mt 8:28-34
- Thursday** Amos 7:10-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 9:1-8
- Friday** **Feast of Saint Thomas, Apostle**
 Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 20:24-29
- Saturday** **Independence Day**
 Amos 9:11-15; Ps 85:9 and 10, 11-12, 13-14;
 Mt 9:14-17
- Sunday** **Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 Zech 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9,
 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Keep Them in Your Prayers

For those who are sick in our midst:

Walter Quinn, William Thomas, Carol Naill, Marlise Yetter,
 Paz Speer, Jake Williams, Mary Pace, Jodi Borisinco,
 David Lounsbury, Caio Rabello, Judy Bosco, Carlos Porras,
 Patricio Martinez, Seamus Hasson, Audrey Gawda,
 Alzira Medeiros, Susan Donahue, Joseph Elegido,
 Marjorie Meyers, William James Hall, Warren Duerbeck,
 Ava Gloria Laranjeira Wescher, Larry Mead, Brick Quinn,
 Theresa Van Der Vlugt, Artemia Ayvar, Wade Hoherz,
 Audrey Thompson, Cynthia Romeo, Robert Dolbeare,
 Olivia Glendale Green, Angela Vindel, Jacqueline Blandino,
 Residents of Cherrydale Health and Rehabilitation



Adoration Schedule

Monday, Tuesday,
 Thursday: 10am to 9pm;
 Wednesday in the Church
 9:30am to 8:30pm; Friday
 10am through Sunday
 9pm.

Please commit for a weekly hour! Please
 contact Vincent Buono at
adoration@saintagnes.org.



Saint Agnes Essentials

Sunday Mass

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Mass

Monday – Friday: 6:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.

Saturday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.

Holy Day – Additional Masses at Noon
and 7:00 p.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

Parish Clergy

Pastor • Rev. Msgr. William Saunders

Parochial Vicar • Rev. Michael Folmar

Parochial Vicar • Rev. Richard Malebranche

In residence • Rev. Steven Oetjen

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<https://school.saintagnes.org/>

Principal • Jennifer Kuzdzal jkuzdzal@saintagnes.org

Assistant Principal • Ann Reid areid@saintagnes.org

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 seven (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 ocia@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 2026.

INDEPENDENCE DAY

GOD BLESS AMERICA

In observance of Independence Day, on **Friday, July 3rd**, there will be **NO 6:30 a.m. Mass.**

The Adoration Chapel will **close** at **9:00 p.m. on Friday July 3rd** and will **reopen** on **Sunday, July 5th at 1:00 p.m.**

Also, the **Office** will be **closed Friday, July 3rd AND Monday, July 6th.** We will reopen on **Tuesday, July 7th at 9:30 a.m.**

Have a happy and blessed Fourth of July as we celebrate our country's 250th birthday!

Msgr. Saunders' Bible Study

Monsignor Saunders' Bible Study is on summer break and will restart in September.

adultformation@saintagnes.org



Ministries & Groups at Saint Agnes

Adult Faith Formation

- Bible Study—adultformation@saintagnes.org
- OCIA—ocia@saintagnes.org
- Spanish Bible Study—gvegge@aol.com
- Women's Bible Study—stagneswbp@gmail.com
- Young Adults' Bible Study—adultformation@saintagnes.org

Parish Service

- Arts & Crafts Guild—gveggejr@gmail.com
- Bethany Ministry—bethanyministry@saintagnes.org
- Cherrydale Rehab Prayer Group—biehlerj@aol.com
- Christ House Team—ssyenson@gmail.com
- Gabriel Project—gabrielproject@saintagnes.org
- Gardening Angels—jshirhall@gmail.com
- Homebound Parishioners Visits—homebound@saintagnes.org
- Legion of Mary—LegionofMarySaintAgnes@gmail.com
- Respect Life—saintagnesrespectlife@gmail.com
- Saint Agnes Knights of Columbus Council—kofc.st.agnes.council.18572@gmail.com
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- St. Raphael Prayer Group—moshimoshigcs@gmail.com
- The Borgo Gift Store—theborgo@saintagnes.org
- Young Adults—youngadults@saintagnes.org

Liturgy

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- Lectors—lectors@saintagnes.org
- Parish Choir—musicdirector@saintagnes.org
- Sacristans—ruthefoster@earthlink.net
- Ushers—jholl2473@aol.com

Youth Activities

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- Conquest Club—kfoley2@pefoley.com
- Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts—sconroy68@gmail.com
- CYO Sports—treebdonohue@yahoo.com
- Girl Scouts—pamelasnichols@gmail.com
- Youth Group—youth.ministry@saintagnes.org

THE BORGO BOOK CLUB

SPRING READ:

DEATH COMES FOR THE ARCHBISHOP

Discussion
Moderated
by Fr. Oetjen

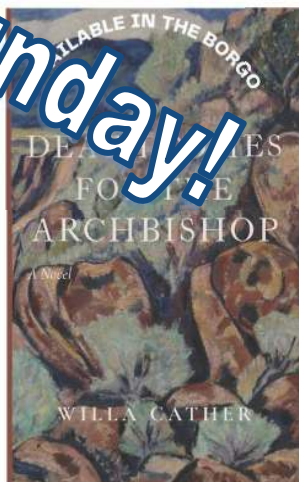
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PARISH HALL

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Summer YG 2026

GRADUATING SENIORS THROUGH RISING FRESHMEN

JUNE 30

SUMMER YG

JULY 7

YG @ Nationals (\$)

JULY 14

SUMMER YG

JULY 21

SUMMER YG

JULY 29

Kings Dominion Day (\$\$)

AUG. 4

End of Summer Cookout

SUMMER YG: 7 PM UNTIL SUNSET

SPECIFIC EVENT DETAILS WILL BE COMMUNICATED BY FLOCKNOTE.
PERMISSION SLIP REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE.

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Join us for our next
First Friday Sung Mass in Latin (Ordinary Form)

July 3rd at 7:00 p.m.

Feast of Saint Thomas, Apostle



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

Christ House Ministry in Urgent need of Volunteer Meal Organizers

St. Agnes crew serves a hot meal at Christ House in Alexandria, on the first Tuesday of every month. Volunteers choose which months they are available. We prepare the dinner for Take Out. Hours are 3 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. The Role of Organizer (aka The Chef) creates a simple meal plan, shops & cooks. The Role of Assistant is to help as directed by The Chef, organize and bag all the "To Go" items. Come, have a training session, see us in action before you commit.

We need help year round in performing this corporal work of mercy, feeding the hungry.

Interested? Please Contact: Sally Yenson at ssyenson@gmail.com or 703 527 2794.

Wednesday Holy Hour in July



During July, the month of the Precious Blood, please join us for our Wednesday 7:30 pm Parish Holy Hour with prayers invoking the Precious Blood of Jesus to cover us, our families, our country, our parish and school, as we ask Jesus to protect us from all harm.

Enroll in the Brown Scapular!



Sponsored by the Saint Agnes
Legion of Mary
Following All Masses
11-12 July 2026



The Brown Scapular is a Sacramental given to Saint Simon Stock, a Carmelite Monk, by Our Lady of Mount Carmel on July 16, 1251. Our Blessed Mother promised the following to those who faithfully wears the Brown Scapular and lives a life of devotion to her:

Save those who wear the brown scapular from hell
Protect them from trials and temptations of the devil
Shorten their stay in purgatory

Interested in learning about the Legion of Mary?
Contact us at legionofmarysaintagnes@gmail.com



Catacombs Cafe

open FRIDAYS
after the 6:30 am Mass

serving coffee, espresso drinks and light treats

Want to have the Café open for your meeting?
Email: bethanyministry@saintagnes.org

“Whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me.” (Matthew 10:38)

Following Christ means embracing sacrifice. Are you willing to carry your cross, offering your hopes and dreams in order to follow Him and discover true peace and purpose? Have you asked God what He is calling you to in your life? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (703) 841-2514 or via email: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org.

Mornings of Mercy for Divorced Catholics



Divorced Catholics in the Diocese of Arlington are invited to join us at one of our Mornings of Mercy this year. Our Mornings of Mercy are times of prayer, adoration and fellowship with divorced Catholics from around the

Diocese on the following dates and locations:

- ❖ August 8 at St. Timothy, Chantilly
- ❖ November 14 at St. Veronica, Chantilly

For more information and to RSVP for these free events, please go to arlingtondiocese.org/event/morningsofmercy.

Christ House Desserts

Hand held desserts, bars/brownies/cookies, etc., are needed for our Christ House meals, First Tuesday of the month, May-September. For details and to sign up visit https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044FACAC28A20-63773311-christ#.

Your sweet treats are so appreciated by our guests and also by the Saint Agnes Christ House team.

‘Gardening Angels’ Needed

Join fellow parishioners in helping to maintain the churchyard gardens. No special training needed, just a willingness to join and learn as you work. Timing can be arranged. If you have any questions, please call Jean Shirhall at 703-528-2617.



To protect human life & the truth about marriage

CATHOLICS VOTE NO

on the

"Virginia Right to Reproductive Freedom Amendment" and
"Virginia Remove Constitutional Same-Sex Marriage Ban Amendment"

Pledge to Vote: CatholicsVoteNo.com

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Early Voting begins September 18
Election Day November 3




 ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS ARE WELCOME TO...

THURSDAY NIGHT GATHERINGS

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Confirmation is complicated, at least in its history. It arose in response to real problems deeply felt, not the least of which was the desire of the bishop to minister to all who were baptized. But it also has to do with the early crisis of how to deal with persons baptized by congregations that had broken bonds with the greater church: heretics. People reasoned that no matter how wrong-headed the minister might be, Christ would always work in the waters of baptism. No matter what, God would sweep aside all human obstacles to claim the new life in the water. They were not so sure about the ability of someone who had broken with the church to confer the Spirit.

By the fifth century, already-baptized persons coming into the church were anointed with chrism but not rebaptized. This anointing with myron or chrism was seen as an act of reconciliation by the church, and a seal upon the commitments vowed by the newcomer.

Today, we preserve this ancient practice by never “rebaptizing” Christians who have been baptized in water in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We affirm the candidates’ baptismal dignity, and we celebrate confirmation at their first reception of the Eucharist.

—Rev. James Field

Private Mass Intentions

We are accepting Unannounced Intentions which are not said at a public Mass. These intentions will be offered privately and published as a list in the bulletin periodically as “Fulfilled Unannounced Masses.”

SUMMER COURSES



CALLED TO LOVE: THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

JULY 13-17, 2026

Students will examine John Paul II's "Catechesis on Human Love" through a close reading of the text and an exploration of the philosophical and biblical sources of the pope's vision. The aim is to see the intimate connection of human love with its Divine Source, the Trinitarian God who is Love, and how the human being, in his entirety, images Him.

THEOLOGY OF THE LAITY

JULY 20-24, 2026

The course explores the mission of the laity in light of the relationship of the Church and the world and of the hierarchy and the laity, emphasizing the essential lay role in Christ's salvific work. Drawing on John Paul II, Madeline Delbr el, and others, the course highlights the ecclesial significance of the lay vocation and equips students for their mission in the world.

Each course fee is \$150. For more information, email information@johnpaulii.edu.



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Stay Connected Through Giving This Summer

Summer often brings travel, family time, and changing routines, but the mission of our parish continues every day. As schedules shift, it is a meaningful time to stay connected through faithful stewardship and continued support of the ministries and services that strengthen our community.

eGiving is a simple, secure way to give online, making it easy to support our parish all year long. Please consider eGiving to help sustain ministries, programs, and services that serve our parish community and those in need throughout the summer season.

It's easy to get started. Here are the ways to sign up:

- Visit our parish website
- Scan the QR code
- Text "Give" to 571-497-4771

Thank you and may God bless your generosity.

If you need assistance, you can contact Donor Support at 866-930-4774 or email donorsupport@parishsoft.com.



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15th Anniversary Benefit

Thursday, October 15, 2026
6PM to 9PM

Reserve your seat or a table today!

\$140 per person (After September 1, 2026, prices increase to \$150 per ticket.)
Full Table of 10 seats - \$1,300



Featuring keynote
speaker:

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President of The
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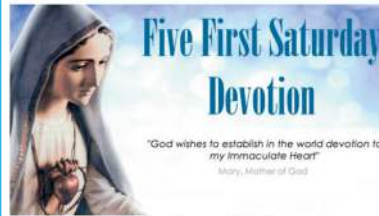


Servers & Singers Needed

Men and boys interested in serving at the altar for the First Friday Masses in Latin, and men and women interested in chanting in the schola, please contact Father Oetjen at froetjen@saintagnes.org.

Pregnant? Need Help? Contact Project Gabriel at Saint Agnes

The Gabriel Project is a parish-based pregnancy assistance program, supported by the Arlington Diocese Office for Family Life. Gabriel Project assists expectant mothers with love, care, and spiritual, emotional, and material support. Be an “angel” and accompany an expectant mom through her pregnancy and beyond. Please contact gabrielproject@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.

GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS
ARE INVITED TO...

COLLEGE NIGHTS

Kick off college with faith, friendships, and meaningful connections! Meet fellow Catholics from your college (and beyond) before the semester begins. All events begin at 7PM. Pizza dinner included!

- JUNE 30** Holy Spirit, Annandale
- JULY 9** St. Theresa, Ashburn
- JULY 14** Holy Trinity, Gainesville
- JULY 21** Basilica of St. Mary, Alexandria
- JULY 28** St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Fredericksburg



Recruit 5 friends and receive a \$50 gift card!



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Where is St. Agnes?



TRAVELING THIS SUMMER?

Cut out St. Agnes.

Go to Sunday Mass (masstimes.org).

Take a photo in Church with St. Agnes.

Send your pic to parishoffice@saintagnes.org

If your picture is featured in our bulletin, you can pick up a \$15 Cold Stone Creamery gift card at the Parish Office!

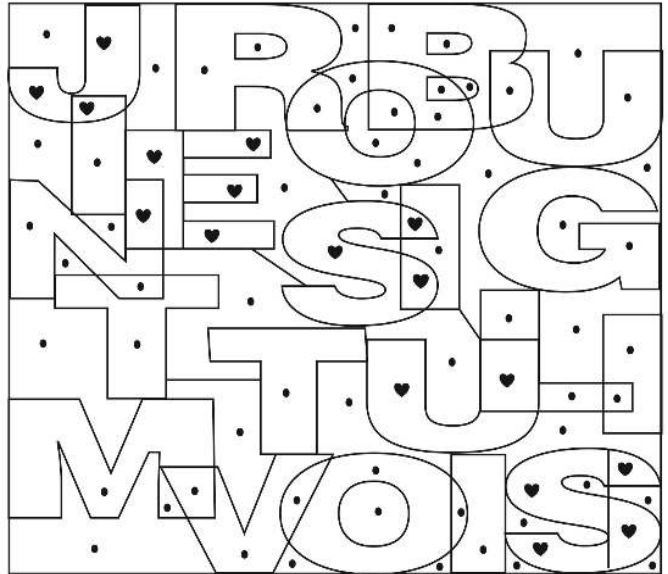
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A Righteous Person's Reward

We love many people.
Whom should we love the most?

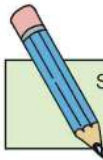


Shade in the shapes with a ♥.



AGE 7+ June 28, 2026 • Romans 6:1-11

Paul wrote, "We will certainly also be united with Him in ..." what?



Solve the Sudoku puzzle, by making sure each row, column and box contains the numbers 1-9. Then use the letters that go with each number to fill in the blanks below.

6	1	4		3	9	7	2	
E	5	8	7	4	T		N	1
9		3	2	C	1	8	4	6
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"His ..."

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Saint Agnes Religious Education

**Religious Education Registration for
2026-2027 will begin in July.
Please go to the website for more
information.**



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

SAINT OF THE WEEK
July 1st
Saint Junípero Serra
(1713-1784)

No one who has stood before the quiet majesty of Mission San Juan Capistrano, or the altogether different but no less lovely Mission Dolores in San Francisco, or any of the missions from San Diego to Sonoma can fail to bless the Franciscan padre who, while not founder of each, was inspiration for them all, Saint Junípero Serra.

Abandoning the comfortable academic life to which his doctorate in theology entitled him, Serra journeyed to the New World where his tireless traveling, dramatic preaching, and penitential austerity converted thousands of native peoples. Saving souls and celebrating the sacraments were Padre Serra’s primary mission but not his only one. Education in letters and crafts, trades and agriculture transformed the people, while roads and irrigation systems transfigured the landscape.

His more than thirty years of ministry were not free from conflict with authorities or without controversy in the retrospectively critical eye of history. But when John Paul II beatified him in 1988, he praised Padre Serra for assisting his converts to use their new faith to advance their true human development.

—Peter Scagnelli

Join Rev. Msgr. William Saunders, Delores Nelson, and Colette Lienhard for a two-day Pilgrimage to Historic Catholic Maryland and Virginia for an exciting, fun-filled, and historic adventure this summer (July 23-24, 2026). **Seating is limited.** So Please Sign Up Early! For More Details and to register go to arlingtoncatecheticalsociety.org/pilgrimages.

Arlington Catechetical Society Pilgrimage July 23-24, 2026

A PILGRIMAGE OF HISTORY

This overnight excursion focuses on "Historical Catholic Maryland and Virginia," retracing the steps of early settlers and the origins of the Catholic faith in the English-speaking New World.

Thursday, July 23	Friday, July 24
8:00 Depart Corpus Christi, Aldie	7:30 Mass
9:00 Mass at St. Agnes, Arlington	8:00 Breakfast
9:45 Depart St. Agnes	9:30 Depart (cross over Nice Bridge)
11:30 Lunch at Captain Pat's	10:30 St. William of York Talk, Tour of Church & Cemetery
1:30 Saint Mary's Historic City, MD Self-guided Tour	12:00 Lunch at Gadsby's Tavern
4:00 St. Clement's Island	1:30 St. Mary's, Alexandria Tour of Church & Cemetery
4:45 St. Ignatius, Chapel Point, MD	3:00 Depart St. Mary's for St. Agnes
6:00 Loyola Retreat House Dinner, Social, Overnight	3:30 St. Agnes drop off
	4:30 Corpus Christi drop off

**Cost \$385/person
limited seating**

www.arlingtoncatecheticalsociety.org



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.



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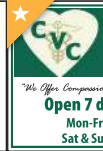
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