



# ST. AGNES CATHOLIC CHURCH



CALLED INTO RELATIONSHIP BY THE HOLY SPIRIT AND CENTERED IN THE EUCHARIST,  
ST. AGNES PARISH PROCLAIMS AND WITNESSES TO ALL, THE LOVE AND GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST.

## Pastoral Staff

Very Rev. Robert J. Kantor V.F.

Rev. Kris Piotrowski

Rev. Michael P. Orsi

Rev. Carlos Encinas (Hispanic Ministry)

Deacon Roberto Landrón (Hispanic Ministry)

Deacon Hugh Muller

Deacon Bill Schultz

## Parish Office/Oficina Parroquial

Office Hours 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Monday - Friday/Lun - Vie**

The Parish Office is located in the Parish Center

7775 Vanderbilt Beach Rd. Naples, FL 34120

239-592-1949 **Fax:** 239-354-4462

**E-Mail:** info@stagnesnaples.org

## Eucharistic Adoration - Prayer Chapel Adoración Eucarística - Capilla de oración

**Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.** | (4 p.m.-8 a.m. requires code)

## Mass Times/Horas de Misa

**Masses in red will also be Live Streamed/  
Transmisión por Internet**

**Saturday/Sab: 4:00 p.m.**

**Sunday/Dom**

7:30 a.m., **9 a.m.** & 11 a.m.,

10:00 a.m. at Palmetto Ridge High School

**1 p.m. En Español, 5 p.m.**

**Monday - Saturday/Lun - Sab: 8:30 a.m.**

## Holy Days/Días Festivos

**8:30 a.m., Noon & 7:00 p.m.** (Bilingual)

## Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Sacramento de la Reconciliación

**Saturday 9-10 a.m. or by appointment**

*Media hora antes de la Misa de la 1pm, sábados*

*de 9 a 10 o por citas al 592-1949*

## DECEMBER 18, 2022

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



## GOD WANTS TO BE ONE WITH US

What great lengths God will go to in loving and saving us!  
Think of the most outlandish circumstance you might conceive.

That seems to be what the Lord is saying to Ahaz in today's first reading. "A virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel." Not only is the idea of a virgin conceiving beyond comprehension in Ahaz's time, so would the concept of God wanting to be with us be, as the name Emmanuel indicates. And yet, this is what we celebrate in the Incarnation—God wants so completely to be one with us that God came to be with us in a son born to a virgin, the Blessed Virgin Mary. There is more to this story than even these amazing and outlandish occurrences, however. God wants to be one with us so deeply that God partners with us to make God's presence known.



## Parish Contacts

### Pastor

Very Rev. Robert J. Kantor

### Parochial Vicars

Rev. Kris Piotrowski

Rev. Michael P. Orsi

Rev. Carlos Encinas (Hispanic Ministry)

### Deacons

Roberto Landrón (Hispanic Ministry),

Hugh Muller and Bill Schultz

### Operations Manager

Deacon Roberto Landrón

### Office Manager

Maggie Brady

### Receptionist

Rosa Martinez

### Music Director

Paul Todd

### Stewardship Coordinator

Gloria Carter

### Faith Formation Director

Ivy O'Malley

### Coordinator Of Catechesis

Rose Chambers

### Youth and Young Adult Coordinator

Robert Massey

### Admin. Assist. to Faith Formation

Jaynie Lopez | Renee Beckner

### Bookkeeper

Diane Pappalardo

### Administrative Assistant to the Pastor

Barbara Pikal

### Admin. Assist. To Hispanic Ministry

Luz Galeano

### Sacristan

Monica Osterhaus

### Maintenance

Larry Biela

### Sacrament of Baptism / Sacramento del Bautismo

Baptisms are held on the first, second and third Sundays of the month.

Call the Parish Office for more information.

*La familia tiene que estar registrada en la parroquia un mínimo de tres meses antes del Bautismo, con asistencia regular a la Santa Misa.*

*Email: luz@stagnesnaples.org*

### Sacrament of Marriage / Sacramento del Matrimonio

Arrangements with a priest should be made at least six months in advance. At least one of the parties must be registered at St. Agnes and attending Mass for at least three months.

*Se debe hacer una cita con el Padre Carlos para el curso Pre-matrimonial por lo menos 6 meses antes de la fecha de Boda.*

### Order of Christian Initiation of Adults / Iniciación para Adultos

New groups begin each fall. Please call the parish office for more info.

*Debe comunicarse con el Padre Carlos*

### Communion for the Sick / Comunión para los Enfermos

Call the Parish Office to arrange for a priest or Extraordinary Minister to call.

*Favor llamar a la oficina parroquial.*

## WELCOME, NEW PARISHIONERS

Registration forms can be found in the parish office and on our website, [www.stagnesnaples.org](http://www.stagnesnaples.org). Completed forms may be hand delivered, placed in our drop box, mailed, emailed or faxed. Thank you for becoming part of our Parish Family. God bless.

## BIENVENIDOS, NUEVOS FELIGRESES

Los formularios de inscripción se pueden encontrar en la oficina parroquial y en nuestro sitio web: [www.stagnesnaples.org](http://www.stagnesnaples.org). Los formularios pueden entregarse personalmente, colocarse en nuestro buzón, enviarse por correo, correo electrónico o fax. Gracias por formar parte de nuestra Familia Parroquial. Dios los bendiga.

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### DECEMBER 19 - 25

#### Monday, December 19

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a;

Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25

#### Tuesday, December 20

Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38

#### Wednesday, December 21

Is 45: 6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14;

Lk 7:18b-23

#### Thursday, December 22

1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd;

Lk 1:46-56

#### Friday, December 23

Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14;

Lk 1:57-66

#### Saturday, December 24

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;

Lk 1:67-79

#### Sunday, December 25

**Vigil:** Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27 29;

Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]

**Night:** Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14;

Lk 2:1-14 **Dawn:** Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-

12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20 **Day:** Is 52:7-10; Ps

98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

# DECEMBER 2022

**MEETING PLACES** YR=Youth Room  
 NX=Narthex PC=Parish Center  
 CH=Church PR=Prayer Chapel

CP=Chapel CR=Conference Room  
 PL=Parking Lot CL=Classroom  
 CY=Canopy BR=Bride's Room

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>18 Masses</b>                      7:30am, <b>9am</b>,                      10am PRHS, 11am,                      (Children's                      Liturgy of the                      Word) <b>1pm</b>  <b>Spanish</b>, 5pm</p> <p>10-11am, 12-1pm                      &amp; 2-3:30pm Live                      Nativity (Behind                      the Parish Center)</p>  <p>All K-5 Faith                      Formation                      Families to attend                      the Live Nativity</p> <p>12:15pm English                      Baptism Class (CL                      #1)</p>	<p><b>19 8:30am Mass</b>                      (CP)</p> <p>7:45am Rosary                      (CP)</p> <p>9am-4pm                      Adoration (Code                      required after                      4pm) (PR)</p> <p>9am Divine Mercy                      Chaplet (CP)</p> <p>7pm Consecration                      Rosary (CP)</p> <p>7pm K of C                      Officer Mtg. (CL                      #1)</p> 	<p><b>20 8:30am Mass (CP)</b></p> <p>7:45am Rosary (CP)</p> <p>9am-4pm Adoration                      (Code required after                      4pm) (PR)</p> <p>9am Divine Mercy                      Chaplet (CP)</p> <p>7pm Charismatic                      Prayer Group (CP)</p> 	<p><b>21 8:30am Mass (CP)</b></p> <p>7:45am Rosary (CP)</p> <p>9am Divine Mercy                      Chaplet (CP)</p> <p>9am-4pm Adoration                      (Code required after                      4pm) (PR)</p> <p>6:30pm Hombres de                      Emaús (CP)</p> <p>6:30pm Color Corps                      Practice (NX)</p> <p>7pm Choir (CH)</p> 	<p><b>22 8:30am Mass</b>                      (CP)</p> <p>7:45am Rosary                      (CP)</p> <p>9am-4pm                      Adoration (Code                      required after 4pm)                      (PR)</p> <p>9:30am Pray for                      Priests (PR)</p>  <p>6:30pm Spanish                      Mass (CP)</p> <p>7pm Coro (CH)</p> 	<p><b>23 8:30am Mass</b>                      (CP)</p> <p>7:45am Rosary                      (CP)</p> <p>Parish Office                      Closed</p>	<p><b>24 8:30am Mass</b>                      (CP)</p> <p>7:45am Rosary                      (CP)</p> <p><b>4pm Christmas                      Vigil Mass (CH)</b></p> <p>7pm Christmas                      Vigil Mass (CH)</p> <p>Midnight Mass                      (CH)</p> <p>O COME LET US  <i>Adore</i>                      HIM</p>
<p><b>25 Masses</b>                      7:30am, <b>9am</b>,                      10am PRHS, 11am,                      (Children's                      Liturgy of the                      Word) <b>1pm</b>  <b>Spanish</b></p> 	<p><b>26 8:30am Mass</b>                      (CP)</p> <p>7:45am Rosary                      (CP)</p> <p>9am Divine Mercy                      Chaplet (CP)</p> <p>Parish Office                      Closed</p>	<p><b>27 8:30am Mass (CP)</b></p> <p>7:45am Rosary (CP)</p> <p>9am Divine Mercy                      Chaplet (CP)</p> <p>9am St. VdP Meeting                      (CL #5)</p>	<p><b>28 8:30am Mass (CP)</b></p> <p>7:45am Rosary (CP)</p> <p>9am Divine Mercy                      Chaplet (CP)</p> <p>9am Ladies of St.                      Agnes (CL #1)</p>  <p>6:30pm Hombres de                      Emaús (CP)</p>	<p><b>29 8:30am Mass</b>                      (CP)</p> <p>7:45am Rosary                      (CP)</p> <p>9:30am Pray for                      Priests (PR)</p>  <p>6:30pm Spanish                      Mass (CP)</p>	<p><b>30 8:30am Mass</b>                      (CP)</p> <p>7:45am Rosary                      (CP)</p>	<p><b>31 8:30am Mass</b>                      (CP)</p> <p>7:45am Rosary                      (CP)</p> <p>9-10am                      Confessions (CH)</p> <p>9am Oracion                      Centrante (Cry                      Room)</p> <p><b>4pm Mass</b></p>

Masses noted in red will be livestreamed on our website, [www.stagnesnaples.org](http://www.stagnesnaples.org), on Facebook and on our parish app.

## SPANISH MEMORIAL MASS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25 AT 1PM

Concepción y Félix Rosario, Omaira Moncaleano,  
Providencia Mercado, Severo Harrison,  
Luis Manzueto Fernandez, Luis Alberto Fernandez,  
Carmen Citron, Santiago Colon, Laura Cardona,  
Enrique Mora Campos, Sebastian Mejia,  
Oriol Adolfo Lopez, Marythe Sierra,  
Betty Mora, Luis Araya,  
Luis Gerardo Araya

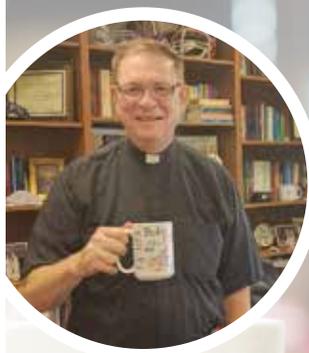
### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION NOTICE

Adoration will be suspended beginning  
Thursday, December 22 at 5 p.m. and  
will resume Tuesday, January 3 at 9 a.m.

*We are grateful for our adorers and wish you and your families a joyous and blessed Christmas.*

## BREAKFAST WITH FR. BOB!

Remember what fun that was? Well,  
*we would like to have that fun resume.*



This is an opportunity for stewards to use their organizational and food preparation talents. If you can do this, please call Gloria at (239) 592-1949 x118 or email [gloria@stagnesnaples.org](mailto:gloria@stagnesnaples.org).

*I hope to hear from you.*

## GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR NEXT SUNDAY

The Nativity of the Lord  
*Luke 2: 1-14 or Luke 2: 15-20*

When I look back at history, it looks like all there has ever been is one war after another with an occasional pause for the refinement of some new devastating weapon or a generation of new young people who are always the ones who fight these wars. The lesson is simple: Augustus' version of peace has something to do with power and might. The Christian message, when not confused with some political agenda or regime offers a different history. The vision of peace offered by Jesus has more to do with service than with power, and gentleness rather than might. Scholars point out that the word, "Joy" in the New Testament (Chara) has the same sound and consonants as the word for Grace (Charis). A people of grace know that all the treaties of history never bring real peace until once and for all, humankind embraces its moment of grace setting aside privilege and power for service and love. At that moment in history, Joy will break out among us. People of grace are never fooled or disappointed by peace keeping missions with guns, missiles and tanks. Peace comes from "good will"- God's will. Now comes the real peace keeper and peace bringer. The only ones who will be disappointed are those who insist upon might, right, power, and privilege.

-Fr. Tom Boyer

**ST. AGNES MASS**  
*at Palmetto Ridge High School*

**Now through April**  
*Sundays, at 10:00 a.m.*

## PRAY FOR PEACE AND SAFETY:

If you have a family member serving overseas, please let us know. We will publish their names in the bulletin to remind everyone to ask God's blessings on them, that they may return safely to their families. Let us join our prayers for peace and safety with yours. Also, please let us know when they return home safely so that we may rejoice with you.

SPC Peter Holder  
PFC Scott Norris, USMC  
PFC Michael Baker  
A1C Michael Melicia, USAF  
Francisco Chavez, USAF  
SSG David Clark, USA  
BM2(SW) Charley Davidson USN  
PFC Zack Steelman  
PFB J. Hunter Judd, USMC  
Peter David Quiles USA  
Sgt. Alejandro Jimenez USA

SPC Michael Broderick  
A1C Daniel R. Hamde, USAF  
CDR Gregory Meyer  
SGT David Clark  
MSgt. Eric Gunn  
PO3 Kimberly Wagner, US  
Jordan M. Perez  
PFC Luke Kerney Kuser  
Major Brian Conforti USAF  
Brittany Quiles USA  
Lt. Frank J. Migliarese, Jr. M.D Navy Medical Corp

Capt. Dominic Francis Adams  
Spec. Reynaldo Rodriguez USA  
SGT Abbi Wenthold  
A1C Peter Johnson, USAF  
SPC Jorge Armando Nino  
Vince Galer, USMC  
Capt. Francisco Miranda, USA  
LCPL James Sheran, USMC  
PFC Felipe Garcia, USA  
1st Lieutenant Andre Perham

Capt. Tate Klidonas USA   
SGT Ryan Byres  
LTJG Noah Zorzi, USN  
PFC Michael Rodriguez, USMC  
SGT Victor Quiles, USA  
2Lt. Sean Kealy, USA  
Pvt. Joseph F. Trabbic, U.S.A.  
SSG Andrew White  
SPC Madeline Epps USA  
2nd Lieutenant Matthew Perham

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 7:10-14

**Second Reading:** Romans 1:1-7

**Gospel:** Matthew 1:18-24

**Adults:** Whom do you find it difficult to welcome in your life? What can you do to overcome that?

¿A quién te cuesta acoger en tu vida? ¿Qué puedes hacer para superar eso?

**Children:** What could you do this week to make someone feel welcome, as Joseph welcomed Mary?

¿Qué podrías hacer esta semana para que alguien se sienta bienvenido, como José recibió a María?



**MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday	December 17	Requested by:
8:30 a.m.	+Harold Hedert	Sister
4:00 p.m.	+Jim Lynch	Maruan & Family
Sunday	December 18	
7:30 a.m.	+Mirinda Foti	John Foti & Sons
9:00 a.m.	+Lionel Caron	Tim & Theresa Alonzi
PHRS 10 a.m.	+Gabriele Miotto	Marion Gravina & Family
11:00 a.m.	+Stephen Balshi	Mery Ann & Tom Okner
1:00 p.m.	+Fidel & Consuelo Montiel	Griselda Montiel
5:00 p.m.	Our Parish Family	
Monday	December 19	
8:30 a.m.	+Jennie Nolda	Marge & Bob Bartlett
Tuesday	December 20	
8:30 a.m.	+Bruno Rydzik	Mrs. Rydzik
Wednesday	December 21	
8:30 a.m.	+Dennis DiPalma	Kathy and Neil
Thursday	December 22	
8:30 a.m.	+Roseann Coviello	Joyce & Frank Casteldo
6:30 p.m.	+Juana Gonzalez y Jose Joaquin Rubiano	Ingrid Rubiano
Friday	December 23	
8:30 a.m.	Sara and Lukas Masterson	Monica and Jeff Gatt
Saturday	December 24	
8:30 a.m.	+Graham Ashton Carlton	Glenna Boyd
4:00 p.m.	+Terry Downer	The Downer Family
7:00 p.m.	+Barbara Falleti	Gino Falleti
Midnight	+Mia Vendlinski Reichard	Paula & John Vendlinski
Sunday	December 25	
7:30 a.m.	Our Parish Family	The Talbott Family
9:00 a.m.	+Timothy Talbott, MD	Judy Valyo
PHRS 10 a.m.	Guertin Family	Virginia Guertin
11:00 a.m.	+Luke Cuccia	Judy Valyo
1:00 p.m.	Spanish Memorial Mass	

*\*The Masses will also be live streamed*

**PRIEST SCHEDULE** *subject to change*

Saturday	December 17	Saturday	December 24
4:00 p.m.*	Fr. Kris	4:00 p.m.*	Fr. Kris
Sunday	December 18	7:00 p.m.	Fr. Tom
7:30 a.m.	Fr. Bob	Midnight	Fr. Bob
9:00 a.m.*	Fr. Orsi	Sunday	December 25
10 a.m. PRHS	Fr. Orsi	7:30 a.m.	Fr. Orsi
11:00 a.m.	Fr. Bob	9:00 a.m.*	Fr. Kris
1:00 p.m.*	Fr. Carlos	10 a.m. PRHS	Fr. Bob
5:00 p.m.	Fr. Orsi	11:00 a.m.	Fr. Orsi
		1:00 p.m.*	Fr. Carlos



**WINE AND HOSTS**

In Honor of Our Parish Family

*We pray for:*

Christie Biela	Eric McLoughlin	Chelsea Severance
Cheryl Breen	Thomas DiBernardo	Bill Murphy
Megan Shramovich	John McKeon	Frank Schigg
Susan Coulter	Lynette Gasper	Joseph Gargano
Joseph Catalano	Carmella Teti	John E. Adams
John Batusic	Marion Ryan	Nicole Maenza
Claire Knapp	Sara Colvin	Skye Colvin
Nela Pachecho	Eilleen Cocco	Gayle Moore
Deysica Cruz	Violet Cruz	Darlen Jean Youmans
Anne Gowin	Diane Gargiulo	Keith Geelan
Manuel Nieto	Donavon Leso	Liz Bammerlin
Barbara Sandoli	Larry Malysa	Bernie Pikal
Tina Nicholson	Joshua Eckert	Laurie Cotty
Jim Walker	Ann Basler	Dr. John Sexaur
Bill Santillo	Bob Hirsch	Molly Olson
Lisa Grady	Mark Powers	Rick Greenwald
James Ciambra	Jeri Hurckes	Constance Whitehead
Katrina Adams	Kathleen Selinga	Joy Savage
William Lavelle	Jim Krauser	Merrily Krauser
Julie Savignano	John R. Smith	Dolly Biela
Mary Del Mauro	Regina Abrami	Kevin Guyton
Jack Zabriski	Donald Maselli	Charles Gallon
Claudia T. Agraas	Jorja Miller	Dante Christopher Addeo
Sebastian E. Tongue	Eleanor Furlong	John Darling
John Morrisey	Francis Pignone	Christopher DiGiovanna
Nancy Pignone	Jay Klevanosky	Nayiva Jimenez
Bertha Pineda	Carmella Teti	Tammy Garrubba
Jesus Diaz	Jack Roberts	Bob Vickery
Georgia Ferguson	Susan King	Barbara Canterella
Carolina Benden	Matt Coyne	Alex Tartaglia
Anette Diana	Charlene Karber	Gavin Tarsio
Wendy Rose	Thomas Petry	Timothy Petry
Mary Paramito	Colton Murray	Sebastian J. Patterson
Carmelia Ferreira	Audrey Scott	Alexander E. Patterson
Mary Paramito	Ray Golino	Kiki Copeland
Claire Kelleher	Colm Kelleher	Patricia McNamee
Carmine Pitelli	Rose Gehring	Ryan Campbell
Charlene Koch	Kylie Evans	Michael Folcik Sr.
Molly Coulter	Trish Webster	Barbara Pomfret
Ronald Haley	Carrie Pikal	Gloria Costanzo
Alex Massimino	Carrie Griffin	Michelle G. Espinoza
Bill Hogan	Ruth Hewston	Joshua Eckert
Danny McHugh	John Garofano	Michelle Walby Dawson
Steven Evangelista	Jerry Sullivan	Jason Downey
Viv Barone	Jennifer Craig	Cliff Barone
Nancy Geikie	Carol Bobbitt	Dominick Buonantuono

*Names will remain on the prayer list for approximately 4-6 weeks, as space allows. To update, notify the Parish Office by calling 592-1949 or e-mail [maggie@stagnesnaples.org](mailto:maggie@stagnesnaples.org). Thank You.*



## Stewardship in Action at St. Agnes

### Parish Groups and Ministries

#### Prayer

	Name	Phone
Eucharistic Adoration	Email: Adoration@stagnesnaples.org	
Charismatic Prayer Group	Steve Csotty	272-6472
Children's Rosary	Jennifer Dorta	455-2502
Welcome Retreats	Email: Deaconhugh@stagnesnaples.org	
Consecration To Jesus		
Through Mary	Call the Office	592-1949
Divine Mercy Chaplet	Call the Office	592-1949
Consagración a Jesus por Maria	Maria J. Coglionesse	305-281-9735
Grupo del Rosario	Nancy Meria	404-1872
Hombres de Emaus	Manuel Benitez	601-4993
Mujeres de Emaus	Grisell Deibis	537-6908
Morning Rosary	Call the Office	592-1949
Oración Centrante	Virginia Cortes	594-9534
Padres y Madres Orantes	Maria Guadalupe	231-5414
Parish Vocation Team	Tom Thomas	304-1340
Prayer Chain	Email: deaconhenry@stagnesnaples.org	
Prayer for Priests	Rosemary Benavitz	404-1303
Rosary for Peace	Aida Martin	592-1949

#### Service

	Name	Phone
Arimatheans	Betty Criss	592-1949
Altar Stewards	Call the Office	592-1949
Bereavement	Mary Ann Okner	592-1949
Personas en Duelo	Nile Costa	561-234-6277
Caridad	Diana Restrepo	821-2983
Catholics for Cuba	Estela Delgado	692-6054
Childcare Ministry	Rose Chambers	592-1949
Jesus the Worker	Alicia Astorga	287-6400
Ladies of St. Agnes	Barbara Thiele	513-0933
Light of Hope (Jail Visits)	Call the Office	592-1949
Luz de Esperanza (Ministerio de Carcel)	Call the Office	592-1949
Coffee & Donuts	John Gardner	564-5978
Ministerio de Familias	Noemi Gomez & Francisco Ramirez	234-0259
New Parishioner Welcoming	Noreen Clesen	649-0382
Respect Life	Jan Moore	777-0973
Seasonal Decorating	Monica Osterhaus	592-1949
St. Agnes Senior Singles	Donna Gibson	412-576-0558

#### Parish Councils and Committees

Arts & Liturgical Environment	Call the Office	592-1949
Eventos	Marta Velasco	687-8038
Events	Wenke Brandes	384-8358
Finance Council	Call the Office	592-1949
Hospitality Committee	Call the Office	592-1949
Justice and Peace Committee	Diane Stanley	201-615-8954
Liturgy Committee	Call the Office	592-1949
Mayordomia Cristiana (PAC)	Dcn. Roberto Landrón	592-1949
Pastoral Council	Craig Shemon	626-399-4392
Stewardship Committee	Mary Mensch	631-745-0323

#### Catechetical

	Name	Phone
Baptism Preparation	Call the Office	592-1949
Bible Study	Ivy O'Malley	592-1949
Catechist-Teachers-Aides	Rose Chambers	592-1949
Catholic Thinkers-Men's Group	Call the Office	592-1949
Children's Lit of the Word	Michael & Marianne Shahla	287-6798
Estudio Biblico	Gladys Gomez	455-6412
Family Faith Formation K-5	Rose Chambers	592-1949
Enriquecimiento Matrimonial	Mayra & Julio de Armas	248-5869
Marriage Preparation Coord.	Wenke Brandes	384-8358
OCIA	Ivy O'Malley	592-1949
Sisters in Spirit	Ivy O'Malley	592-1949
Young Adults Ministry (Age 18-35)	Robert Massey	592-1949
Youth Groups	Robert Massey	592-1949

#### Liturgical

	Name	Phone
Altar Servers - Children	Kathy Madura	537-2180
Altar Servers - Spanish	Francisco Ramirez	692 6817
Altar Servers Adults	Ralph Webster	352-8780
Bodas	Call the Office	592-1949
Choir (Adults)	Paul Todd	592-1949
Choir (Children)	Paul Todd	592-1949
Coro	Robert Velez	234-9056
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist	Mike & Linda Kantor	585-924-5695
Funeral Planning	Call the Office	592-1949
Funerales	Dcn. Roberto Landrón	592-1949
Greeters	Denny Gant	455-4998
Homebound and Hospital EME	Judy Bohardt	592-1949
Lectors	Rita Volmer	404-7548
Lectores	Ericka Alvarez	464-8181
Ministros de la Eucaristía	Mildre y Maximo Tejada	641-1289
Sacristans	Monica Osterhaus	592-1949
Sacristan	Margarita Castillo	601-3415
Sonidos y Pantallas	Ricardo Cardett	601-4364
Sound and Screen	John Stanley	821-5113
Ushers	Carol McGuire	596-4810
Ujieres	Jose Eduardo Carias	465-3256

#### Organizations with Parish Affiliation

Boy Scouts Troop 951	Robert Dorritie	287-9106
Casa Maria Soup Kitchen	Call the Office	592-1949
Columbiettes of St. Agnes 14202	Karen O'Shea	201-214-0263
Cub Scouts	Charrissa Wright	561-779-9545
Cursillo	Rene Rubio	877-9930
Impacto	Elvis & Aida Vacarez	451-0411
Knights of Columbus Council 14202	Russ Scott	763-486-3345
4th Degree Assembly 3094	Rich Dahn	989-2124
Society of St. Vincent de Paul	John Goddard	592-1949

### *God is a God of the Present*

The real enemies of our life are the "oughts" and the "ifs." They pull us backward into the unalterable past and forward into the unpredictable future. But real life takes place in the here and the now. God is a God of the present. God is always in the moment, be that moment hard or easy, joyful or painful. When Jesus spoke about God, he always spoke about God as being where and when you are. "When you see me, you see God. When you hear me, you hear God." God is not someone who was or will be, but the One who is, and who is for me in the present moment. That's why Jesus came to wipe away the burden of the past and the worries of the future. He wants us to discover God right where we are, here and now.

*Henri Nouwen*



“ *Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God’s gifts and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor.* ”

-DIOCESE OF WICHITA

## STEWARDSHIP AND STEWARDSHIP QUOTES

“Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours”, St Teresa of Avila.

Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian Disciple who recognizes and receives God’s gifts and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor (Diocese of Wichita). We all are endowed with different gifts and talents by our loving God and as

Baptized Catholics we are to live as stewards and collaborate with God in the work of creation, redemption, and sanctification; stewardship is a way of living. We are all members of the Body of Christ, and we have an obligation to build up the Body of Christ because of our Baptism. Members are called to bring these fruits into all spheres of work in the diocese, the parish the domestic church and the world.

In the following weeks in the bulletin and on the screens in church you will see quotes from our stewards, on why they serve in a ministry, such as:

“It is a blessing to look into the eyes of the recipient and give them the Body of Christ” or “I am blessed to welcome parishioners to the Mass It is an opportunity for me to make these people feel part of the community.”

“Our talents are the gift that God gives to us. What we make of our talents is our gift back to God.”

–(Leo Buscaglia) G.Carter

## JUSTICE AND PEACE- ASSISTANCE FOR MOMS



We will be celebrating the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ; it is time to reflect on what we as Catholics are we called to do. This is a time to open our hearts to family. Not just ours but those who need the help when they begin a family. Considering the recent Supreme Court rulings on Roe v Wade, we need to think and act towards those young women who choose family over abortion.

There are many ways we can help: prayer, action, and awareness. Our calling in Justice and Peace is to make parishioners aware of organizations that they can support here in Southwest Florida. Listed below are several agencies that support mothers in need both before and after giving birth.

- ✿ “Walking with Moms” through the Diocese of Venice.
- ✿ Children’s Network of Southwest Florida (239)-226-1524
- ✿ 4 Kids which helps place foster children in Christian homes.,
- ✿ Crisis Pregnancy Centers and Pregnancy help centers (941)-441-1101.
- ✿ Community Pregnancy Clinic (239) 778-8282
- ✿ Pennies for Babies (through Catholic Charities).

These are just some ways we can connect and help those women and children who need us. Begin with prayer and follow with action! We are the hands and feet of Jesus here on Earth.

**Did you Know:** That last spring, through our partnership with Catholics for Cuba, we were able to send nonprescription medications and supplies to Cuba. That is no longer an option at this time but with Fr. Bob’s guidance, support and connections with our Cuban parishioners, there were 15,000 hosts sent to Cuba. In desperate need of hope, these brothers, and sisters of ours, received the Bread of Life.

THE CATHOLIC  
JEWISH  
DIALOGUE  
ANNOUNCES  
THE JANUARY  
PROGRAM



Fr. George Ratzmann, pastor of St. William and Rabbi Mark Gross of the Jewish Congregation of Marco Island will present the topic "Sin, Restitution and Guilt" from Catholic and Jewish perspectives. The presentation and following dialogue session will take place at St. John the Evangelist church Pulte Family Life Center. Sunday January 8th at 2:30 PM. This is a free event and refreshments will be served.

RSVP to [cjdialogue@naples.net](mailto:cjdialogue@naples.net)

Sunday, January 8 | 2:30 PM

St. John the Evangelist Church  
625 111th Ave. N. | Naples  
All are Invited | Free Event



Monday, December 19  
San Marco Catholic Church

5:00 PM  
851 San Marco Rd, Marco Island

Tuesday, December 20  
St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

5:30 PM  
625 111th Avenue North, Naples

Wednesday, December 21  
St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

7:00 p.m.  
5130 Rattlesnake Hammock Rd, Naples

# St. Agnes Christmas Flowers

Help us beautify the church on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day with flowers. This is a special way to remember those who cannot be with us at this special time of the year and it also gives us an opportunity to honor someone very special in our lives. We are seeking donations to purchase the Christmas Poinsettias. Fill out the form below and enclose a check in the amount selected. Please return both the form and check to the parish office or put in the collection basket. A special listing of the memorials and those honoring someone special will be in the bulletin after Christmas. Thank you for your support in making our church look even more beautiful during this blessed season.



In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ \$10.00 Poinsettia \_\_\_ \$20.00 Poinsettia \_\_\_ \$50.00 Poinsettia \_\_\_ \$100 Poinsettia



**Dear Helpers in Waiting,**

I received this letter from the good girls and boys at St. Agnes. If any of you can be one of my "helpers" this year I would sure appreciate it. Merry Christmas!

**Love, Santa**



**Santa Claus | The North Pole**

**Dear Santa,**

Merry Christmas! How are you? We are fine. Are you and your elves getting ready for the big night? Our parish family sure is! We have been very good this year. This past year St. Agnes continued to grow with more and more people coming to worship here. We now have more than 5,000 families registered! This year we hope that you will help our parish by bringing us the following items:

**Liturgical**

- 🎁 Reliquary Fleur de Lis (for relics) \$275
- 🎁 Tabor (stand for Monstrance) \$1,895
- 🎁 White Deacon Dalmatic \$130
- 🎁 Set of 3 Stacking Ciboria with lid \$4,295

**Maintenance & Facilities**

- 🎁 Pressure Washer \$1,500
- 🎁 Carpet Cleaner \$500

**Faith Formation/Youth Group**

- 🎁 Children's Bibles for OCIA students preparing for Baptism (need 50) \$50 ea
- 🎁 "Scholarships" for First Communion and Confirmation Preparation (need 20) \$100 ea
- 🎁 Family Prayer Books (need 10 sets) \$50 ea
- 🎁 College Scholarship for HS Seniors with parish service record \$500 ea
- 🎁 World Youth Day Scholarship \$500 or up to total cost of \$4000 ea

Santa, we know you're not made of money, and you have other important and worthy obligations during this season of giving, and so if you cannot bring us everything we need then perhaps you can ask one of your helpers to assist. We greatly appreciate whole or partial gifts for all of the above. Just ask them to contact the parish office at their convenience at 592.1949. **Thank you and Merry Christmas!**

*Love, Fr. Bobby and The Entire Pastoral Staff of St. Agnes Parish*

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to donate the following item(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to make a financial contribution in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be used for the purchase of the following item(s)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER= GREAT OPPORTUNITY UNDER NEW TAX LAWS



Whether you itemize or not in 2022, this unique opportunity allows you to make a charitable contribution through a direct IRA transfer while reducing your adjusted gross income.

## IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A GIFT TO OUR PARISH USING YOUR IRA AND IF:

1. You are at least 70 <sup>1/2</sup> years old on the date you make your gift.
2. Your IRA is a traditional (some Roth IRA's may qualify).
3. You don't exceed your personal maximum of \$100,000 per year in qualified charitable distributions.

**You will not have to report your distribution as income.** It will be free of federal income tax, and it will count toward your required minimum distribution (RMD).

The best way for you to start is with your IRA custodian. Tell them you want to make a "qualified charitable distribution." In most cases you will only have to fill out a simple form.

**VERY IMPORTANT!** Your gift must go directly from your IRA to our Parish. If you receive the money first, then you will be taxed on it like any other distribution.

### **Example:**

*Bill has \$125,000 in a traditional IRA and would like to contribute \$5,000 as his yearly gift to his Parish. Upon hearing of the Charitable IRA Rollover opportunity, he directs the custodian of his IRA to transfer this amount not later than December 31, 2022 directly to the Parish as the family's 2022 gift. He will not be subject to income tax on the \$5,000 donation.*

This information is not intended and should not be construed as legal, tax or investment advice. For such advice, please consult an attorney, tax advisor or investment professional.



## St. Agnes Catholic Church Presents: **Planning for Tomorrow**

1-Hour Sessions Available from 9:00AM - 3:00PM

Wednesday, January 18, 2023 in the Parish Center Conference Room



### FREE PRIVATE EDUCATION SESSIONS (LIMITED AVAILABILITY)

Last year's education sessions were so well-received that we have once again partnered with the Catholic Community Foundation of SW Florida to host private, one-hour education sessions to provide participants with the knowledge they need to make critical health, legal and financial decisions for themselves and/or a loved one. Appointment reservations will be taken on a first-come, first-serve basis.

#### Attendees will obtain important information on:

*Avoiding Guardianship, Wills vs. Trusts, Probate, Durable Power of Attorney, Beneficiary Designations, Healthcare Surrogates, Advanced Directives, Financial Planning, and more.  
(Referrals to Catholic attorneys and financial advisors available to those interested.)*

RESERVE YOUR APPOINTMENT TODAY BY CALLING: 941-486-4722 OR BY EMAIL AT [CCF@DIOCESEOFVENICE.ORG](mailto:CCF@DIOCESEOFVENICE.ORG)

## Christmas Schedule

*Paul Todd will sing at all Christmas Eve Masses and at the  
9am & 11am Masses on Christmas Day*

### *Christmas Eve Masses*

*Saturday, December 24, 2022*

*(Musical Prelude 30 minutes before the Mass)*

**4:00 p.m. - Cantor & Congregational Singing**

7:00 p.m. - Choir & Congregational Singing

Special Guest Artists and Musicians

Midnight 1-hour prelude before the Mass

Vocalists, and Special Guests

### *Christmas Day Masses*

*Sunday, December 25, 2022*

*(Musical Prelude 30 minutes before the Mass)*

7:30 a.m. - Cantor & Congregational Singing

**9:00 a.m. - Cantor & Congregational Singing**

10:00 a.m. - at Palmetto Ridge High School

11:00 a.m. - Cantor & Congregational Singing

**1:00 p.m. - Spanish Choir & Congregational Singing**

### *Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God*

*Sunday, January 1, 2023*

*Masses in red will be live streamed for our homebound parishioners.*

**THE COLUMBIETTES OF SAINT AGNES AUXILIARY 14202 PRESENT THEIR**  
*3rd Annual Mardi Gras Ball*  
**to benefit Community Pregnancy Clinics**

**Saturday, February 18, 2023**

**The Vanderbilt Country Club, Naples**  
 8250 Danbury Blvd, Naples, FL 34120

Entertainment by "Johnny 'T' Tarangelo - the Man of Many Voices"

**5PM**  
 Hors d'oeuvres with Cash Bar, Raffles and Silent Auction

<b>6PM</b>	<b>6:30-10PM</b>
Program	Dinner & Dancing

**Tickets: \$75 per person | \$150 per couple**  
 Tickets: G. Albergo 239-566-7760

*"Because EVERY Life Counts"*

**Mardi Gras Ball Commemorative Journal**

Final Deadline for all camera-ready ads is February 1, 2023. We can design an ad for you!  
 Contact Auxiliary President, Karen O'Shea at 201-214-0263 or email karenoshea99@gmail.com.

- Yes! I would like a \_\_\_\_ page ad. (Check ✓ size below) Enclosed check for \$ \_\_\_\_
- Please design an ad for me. Enclosed find copy and artwork.
- My ad is camera-ready, in JPEG format | Send artwork electronically to karenoshea99@gmail.com.

**RESERVE YOUR AD BY JANUARY 6, 2023 AT EARLY BIRD PRICES | SAVE UP TO 40%**



- BACK COVER: ~~\$150 EARLY BIRD \$100~~ **SOLD**  INSIDE FRONT/INSIDE BACK COVER: \$125 EA. EARLY BIRD \$75 each
- FULL PAGE: \$100 EARLY BIRD \$60  HALF PAGE: \$60 EARLY BIRD \$35  2-Pg Centerfold: \$250 EARLY BIRD \$200
- BOOSTER: YOUR NAME, SPECIAL TRIBUTE OR MEMORIAL TO A LOVED ONE: \$10 each

Booster Copy: \_\_\_\_\_

(Maximum 25 characters)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail check payable to "Columbiettes of St. Agnes 14202" 7775 Vanderbilt Beach Road, Naples, FL 34120  
 or drop off at the Parish Center in envelope marked "Columbiettes Mardi Gras Ball"**

# Children's Liturgy of the Word

for children ages 5-10\* every Sunday  
during 11am Mass at St. Agnes  
and 10am Mass at Palmetto Ridge High School Mass

**What:** CLOW is a special gathering in which children experience the Sunday readings at their own level and are able to respond to them. It is a Liturgy like Mass, not "playtime." Please have your child leave behind things that might distract (such as toys, dolls, books, cell phones.)

**Why:** The goal of Children's Liturgy of the Word is to help children engage meaningfully in the scriptures of the Sunday Mass, thus beginning a life-long practice of praying, learning, and celebrating at Mass.

**Where:** The children are dismissed from the main assembly to the chapel building (picnic tables at PRHS) with a leader before the First Reading and return during the Collection. *All St. Agnes CLOW adult leaders are fingerprinted and background checked.*

\*If your children are younger, we invite you to come sit with them to help them stay focused.

**All are welcome!  
No registration or fees required.**

**Join us when Father calls up the children  
after opening prayer!**

If you would like to join CLOW as a leader or assistant,  
Contact Michael & Marianne Shahla  
at (239) 287-6798 or [mar22one@hotmail.com](mailto:mar22one@hotmail.com)

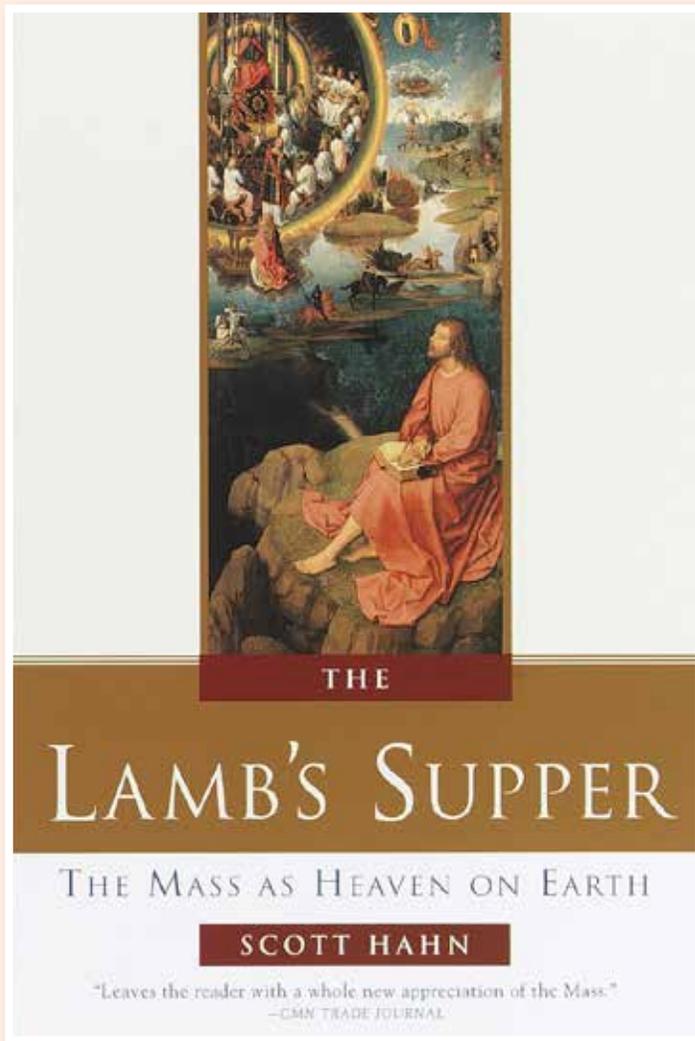
# *SISTERS IN SPIRIT* Ladies Book Club

A 3-PART SERIES ON MONDAYS 7-8:30PM IN THE PARISH CENTER

Dec. 12—Part One: THE GIFT OF THE MASS (pages 1-27)

Jan 9—Part Two: THE REVELATION OF HEAVEN (pages 28-114)

Feb. 27—Part Three: REVELATION FOR THE MASSES (pages 115-163)



**The Lamb's Supper: The Mass as Heaven of Earth by Scott Hahn reveals a long-lost secret of the Church: The early Christians' key to understanding the mysteries of the Mass was the Book of Revelation in the New Testament.**

**“This book makes the Bible come alive and opens our eyes to the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist.”**

**GET THE BOOK:** at the Lighthouse rack in the church narthex or from the parish office, M-F, 9-4pm (\$8 suggested donation)

**REGISTER WITH:** [Ivy@StAgnesNaples.org](mailto:Ivy@StAgnesNaples.org)

*Sisters In Spirit (SIS) is for Catholic women of all ages & stages to come together for a common goal of nurturing our lives & renewing our spirits through Study, Inspiration & Sisterhood.*

# EVENTOS PARROQUIALES HISPANOS

Los días de atención a los feligreses del Padre Carlos Encinas son los jueves y viernes de 10:30 a.m. a 4:00 p.m. El Diácono Roberto Landron está disponible de lunes a viernes. Por favor llamar a la oficina para hacer su cita. (239) 592-1949

DESCONOCER  
LAS ESCRITURAS ES  
DESCONOCER A CRISTO  
-SAN JERÓNIMO

Conozcamos juntos al Señor  
a través de su Palabra  
Todos los martes  
de 7:00-8:30pm  
Salón Parroquial de St. Agnes

Traiga su Biblia. Les esperamos

Contactar: Gladys Gomez 239-455-6412



El primer PESEBRE fué hecho por San Francisco de Asís hacia el año de 1223, con el fin de mostrar la Sagrada Familia en la humildad y sencillez rodeados de animales que les dieron el calor para recibir el Redentor del mundo.

Isaías 1:3

## BAUTIZOS



Las clases para padres y padrinos se realizan en el Centro Parroquial a las 10:30 am. Y los bautizos se harán en la capilla a las 10:30 am Se deben inscribir en la oficina.

	Clases	Bautizos
Enero	8	14
Febrero	5	11
Marzo	5	11

## LA CORONA DE ADVIENTO

### LAS VELAS

Indican que la luz disipa las tinieblas y la oscuridad.

**3 VELAS MORADAS OBLANCAS**  
Nos recuerdan que el Adviento es tiempo de espera.

### CIRIO O VELA BLANCA

En la cena de Navidad, se enciende y coloca al centro de la Corona.

**LA CORONA ES REDONDA**  
No tiene principio ni fin: nos recuerda la eternidad de Dios.

### VELA ROSA

La encendemos el 3er domingo de Adviento. Nos habla de la alegría por Jesús que nace.

**FOLLAJE VERDE**  
Puede ser de abeto, pino o material artificial. El color verde representa la esperanza.

Desde la fe

\* Cada vela de color corresponde a una semana del Adviento.

## MINISTERIO DE LECTORES

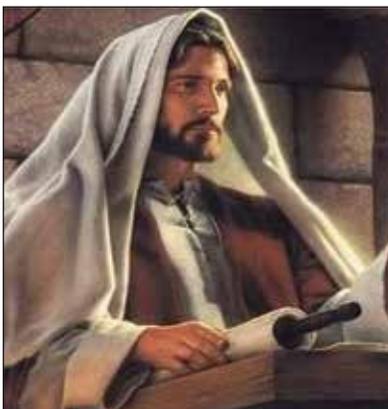
Nuestra responsabilidad como cristianos es proclamar la Palabra de Dios con la fuerza del Espíritu Santo.

Papa Francisco: "La Palabra de Dios escuchada y celebrada en la Eucaristía alimenta el Alma de los Cristianos y los transforma en Testimonio vivo del Evangelio"

"Señor abre mis labios y mi boca proclamará tu alabanza"

Salmo 51

Interesados contactar a Ericka Alvarez Ramos :: (239) 464-8181 :: Coordinadora



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