

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. Augustine Obour
Rev. Michael P. Orsi
Rev. Alejandro Roldán (Hispanic Ministry)
Deacon Roberto Landrón (Hispanic Ministry)
Deacon Hugh Muller
Deacon Dick Surrusco

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
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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., 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 31, 2023

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



In today's Gospel, Mary and Joseph—obedient Jewish parents—present Jesus at the Temple in Jerusalem. There they meet Simeon, a holy man who blesses God for having seen with his own eyes Christ the Lord. Mary and Joseph also meet the prophetess, Anna, who worships in the Temple day and night. She too gives thanks to God, realizing that the child is Jesus, who will be the redemption of Jerusalem. Just as Mary and Joseph presented Jesus at the Temple, most Catholic parents have presented their children for Baptism in their parish churches. But beyond the day of presentation, beyond the day of Baptism, it is in the everyday living out of our faith that our children come to know more deeply the love of God. Pray today to be an everyday example of God's love to your children. Pray that they, like Jesus, may grow "and become strong, filled with wisdom."

Parish Contacts

Pastor

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Parochial Vicars

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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

Javnie Lopez Leanne Meeks

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 Sundays after the 11 a.m. Mass. 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 Alejandro 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 Alejandro

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. 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. 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

JANUARY 1 - 7

Monday, January 1 Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a); Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday, January 2 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday, January 3 1 Jn 2:29—3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34

Thursday, January 4 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42

Friday, January 5 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51

Saturday, January 6 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

Sunday, January 7

Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11); Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

DEC 2023 JAN 2024		MEETING PLACESYR=Youth RoomCP=Chapel CR=Conference RNX=Narthex PC=Parish CenterPL=Parking Lot CL=ClassrooCH=Church PR=Prayer ChapelCY=Canopy BR=Bride's Room		-Classroom		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 Masses 7:30am, 9am, 10am PRHS, 11am, (Children's Liturgy of the Word) 1pm Spanish, 5pm	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Parish Office Closed	2 8:30am Mass (CH) 7:45am Rosary (CP) 9am Divine Mercy Chaplet (CP) 9am-4pm Adoration (Code required after 4pm) (PR) 6pm Women's Welcome (CL #2) 7pm Charismatic Prayer Group (CP)	3 8:30am Mass (CH) 7:45am Rosary (CP) 9am Divine Mercy Chaplet (CP) 9am-4pm Adoration (Code required after 4pm) (PR) 9am Ladies of St. Agnes (CL #1) 6:30pm Hombres de Emaús (CP)	4 8:30am Mass (CH) 7:45am Rosary (CP) 9am Divine Mercy Chaplet (CP) 9am-4pm Adoration (Code required after 4pm) (PR) 9:30am Pray for Priests (PR) 6:30pm MS Youth Group (PC) 7pm Mujeres de Emmaus (CP)	5 8:30am Mass (CH) 7:45am Rosary (CP) 9am Divine Mercy Chaplet (CP) 9am-4pm Adoration (Code required after 4pm) (PR) 9:30am Bible Study (PC Hall) 7pm Enrriquecimiento Matrimonial (CP)	6 7am TMIY (CL #1) 8:30am Mass (CH) 7:45am Rosary (CP) 9-10am Confessions (CH) 9am Oracion Centrante (Cry Room) 11am Catholics for Cuba (CL #5) 4pm Mass
7 Masses 7:30am, 9am, 10am PRHS, 11am, (Children's Liturgy of the Word) 1pm Spanish, 5pm 9:15am Breaking Open the Word - OCIA (CL #1) 10:30am OCIA (PC) 2:15pm Faith Formation (PC) 6pm HS Youth Group (PC) YOUTH GROUP	8 8:30am Mass (CH) 7:45am Rosary (CP) 9am Divine Mercy Chaplet (CP) 9am-4pm Adoration (Code required after 4pm) (PR) 10am Columbi- ettes (CL #1) 4:30pm K of C Officers Mtg. (CL #1) 6pm St. Agnes Sin- gles (CL #5) 6pm K of C Assembly Mtg. (CL #1) 7pm K of C Council Mtg. (PC Hall)	9 8:30am Mass (CH) 7:45am Rosary (CP) 9am Divine Mercy Chaplet (CP) 9am-4pm Adoration (Code required after 4pm) (PR) 9am St. VdP Mtg. (CL #5) 9am Breakfast with Fr. Bob (PC Hall) 6pm Women's Welcome (CL #2) 6:30pm Boy Scouts (CL #5) 6:30pm Young Adult Group (YR) 7pm Caridad (CL #3) 7pm Charismatic Prayer Group (CP) 7pm Estudio Biblico (PC Hall)	10 8:30am Mass (CH) 7:45am Rosary (CP) 9am Divine Mercy Chaplet (CP) 9am-4pm Adoration (Code required after 4pm) (PR) 9am Ladies of St. Agnes (CL#1) 6pm Parking Lot Bingo & Pizza 6:30pm Hombres de Emaús (CP) 7pm Choir (CH)	11 8:30am Mass (CH) 7:45am Rosary (CP) 9am Divine Mercy Chaplet (CP) 9am-4pm Adoration (Code required after 4pm) (PR) 9:30am Pray for Priests (PR) 4-8pm Miracles Exhibit (PC) 6:30pm MS Youth Group (PC) 7pm Coro (CH)	12 8am Eucharistic Miracles (PC Hall) 8:30am Mass (CH) 7:45am Rosary (CP) 9am Divine Mercy Chaplet (CP) 9am-4pm Adoration (Code required after 4pm) (PR) 9:30am-8pm Miracles Exhibit (PC) Miracles Presentation (YR) 10am & 6pm	13 7am TMIY (CL #1) 8:30am Mass (CH) 7:45am Rosary (CP) 9-10am Confessions (CH) 9am Oracion Centrante (Cry Room) 9:30am-3pm Miracles Exhibit (PC) Miracles Presentation (YR) 10am 4pm Mass

St. Agnes Mass

at Palmetto Ridge High School

Now through April

Sundays, at 10:00 a.m. with Children's Liturgy of the Word



St. Agnes Name Tags

GETTING TO KNOW YOU!

For a minimal cost of \$10 buy a St. Agnes name tag which will include your name and your hometown city and state. By wearing it to Mass and church gatherings we will all get to know one another better. You may purchase one by filling out the form below and dropping it along with your \$10 in the collection basket or mail or bring it into the parish office.

Name	
City	-
State or Country	

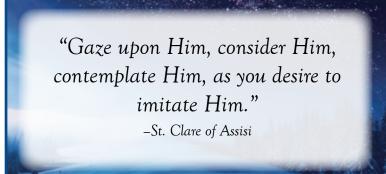
They will be available in the Narthex on the weekend and in the parish office during business hours.

GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR NEXT SUNDAY

The Epiphany of the Lord Matthew 2, 1-12

"What are you looking for?" is a question that will be asked in two weeks, and a question we might ask next weekend pondering a familiar story from Matthew's Gospel. Visitors from the east go looking for a king and go to a palace in Jerusalem. If they were looking for power, they found it. If they were looking for corruption, they found it. Lies, deceit, betrayal, intrigue: they got it all. Then they realized that this is not what they were looking for. Whatever it was, they found it in Bethlehem, because they left their gifts with someone helpless and in want. They went home avoiding Jerusalem. All of us looking for something might ponder this story more carefully. What we are looking for says a lot about us and our purpose in life: where we look for peace, where we look for love, where we look for happiness, even to the point of where we look for someone with whom to spend the rest of our lives. I can never imagine how we will find peace at the Pentagon or a battlefield. I don't think we will find love in good looks or a good figure. I don't think we will find happiness at the mall or with Amazon. There is wisdom in these foreign visitors of our story. They may have been wise about astrology, travel, and politics, but not until they made their way to the homeless in Bethlehem did they know God's ways.

-Fr. Tom Boyer



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 US
PFC Zack Steelman

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Lt. Frank J. Migliarese, Jr. M.D Navy Medical Corp

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
SPC Felipe Garcia, USA
Briittany Quiles USA

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 Cpl. Daniel Sheran, USMC Cpt. Andrew Perham PO Michael Trinschitta USN CWO Ryan Georgenes USA 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 2nd Lieutenant Matthew Perham Sgt. Alejandro Jimenez USA John Francis DelBonis, USA

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

First Reading: Gn 3:4-5 Second Reading: Heb 11:11 Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

Adults: How do your family members know that you are a compassionate person? ¿Cómo saben los miembros de tu familia que eres una persona compasiva? Children: What family member needs your compassion and kindness right now? ¿Qué miembro de la familia necesita tu compasión y amabilidad en este momento?



MASS INTENTIONS

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Saturday	December 30	Requested by:
8:30 a.m.	+Oscar & Mary Calabria	Marie Wardle
4:00 p.m.	+Lorraine Kardas	Paul & Marie Pletnick
Sunday	December 31	
7:30 a.m.	Our Parish Family	
9:00 a.m.	+Jim Claeys	Dolores Claeys
PHRS 10 a.m.	+Robert Burns	Jeanne Fiore
11:00 a.m.	+Steve Nugent	Marie Abruzzo
1:00 p.m.	Spanish Memorial Mass	
5:00 p.m.	+James Allegro	William & Dorothy Schoeler
Monday	January 1	
8:30 a.m.	+Margorie Moran	Dorothy Whipple
Tuesday	January 2	
8:30 a.m.	+Esperanza Gonzalez	The Ganschow Family
Wednesday	January 3	
8:30 a.m.	+Laverne Neltner	Baker Family
Thursday	January 4	
8:30 a.m.	+Charles Scott	Marilyn Scott
Friday	January 5	
8:30 a.m.	+Bernard Pikal	Sandra & Walter Dulian
Saturday	January 6	
8:30 a.m.	+G. Ashton Carlton	Fran Carlton
4:00 p.m.	+Florence Lucca	Victoria Landolfi
Sunday	January 7	
7:30 a.m.	+Joan M. Loughney	Barbara & Mary Loughney
9:00 a.m.	+Jerry Salvi	Deborah Kopko
PHRS 10 a.m.	+Bob Curtright	Travis Curtright
11:00 a.m.	+Joan Noonan	Steve Hoven
1:00 p.m.	+Gloria Aida Prado Hidalgo	Familia Prado
5:00 p.m.	Our Parish Family	





THE HOLY FAMILY

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him. -Luke 2:40





WINE AND HOSTS

In Honor of Our Parish Family

We pray for:

Ed Cahill Dante Addeo Dom Regan John R. Smith Edgar Alonso Carmelia Ferreira Steven Milisits Kristine Duke Gerard Chasse Jim Krauser Merrily Krauser Julie Foley Theresa Schiffhauer Anne Laurie Richard Gill Driscoll Drew Noah Adamitis Gabby Adamitis Nicholas Cheer Bob Pekar Kevin Guyton William Miller Michael Artino Linda Drake Fran Poston Theresa Lo'Manaco Herb Andrews Janice Andrews Thomas Golian Georgia Ferguson Susan Oliver Charlie Clark Paula Laguna Richard Dallin Monika Myers Donnie Ferrara Brandon Young James Taskalos Kiki Copeland Raul Rodriguez Harry Gannon Bertha Pineda Molly Coulter Trish Webster Sharon Rose Joan Devaney

Angel Manuel Perez Courtney Boothroyd Orval Shelton Nancy Glynn Danny Stroud Jackie Quarto Terrie Klim Christopher DiGiovanna Roseanne Liguori Rolvin Lentsch Jose Luis Mesa Stephen Greco Joaquin Gonzalez Kathleen Selinga Marjorie Trautwein David Muench Caroline Carpenter Ismael Perez Jr. Florita Mak Jo Ann Sylvester Anne Rusinko Gavin Tarsio Patty Miller Constance Lindstedt Peter Reifsayder Karl Steimle Beverly Kerskie John Morey Brian Walsh Noah Russo Dominic Russo Michelle G.Espinoza Carrie Griffin Silvana Pistola Michael Costanzo Driscoll Drew Robert L. Hetzel Louis Riolo Jr. Kathy Connelly Megan Shramovich John McKeon Don King Dave Twining Lisa Ciambra Tony Cascio Carol McGuire

Michael DiSalvio Tom Dempsey Nichole Dempsey Artie Flynn Jeanne Flynn Ken Gross Susan King Anne Marie Morriety Larry Wilcoxson Jr. Abigail Perez Gloria Costanzo Liam Brown Stephen DePersis Patrick Copertino John Rice Alice Tirri Craig Paeprer Frankie Carillo Steve Savory Dr. James McClane Raimundo Butera Lou Abdou Robert J. Kelley Manny Regateiro Ginny Bonacci James Mero Michael Shartle Roberta Hueston Rose DiGiose Tammy Garrubba Robert Kies Tim Amann Tim D. Trax John A. Algner Charlie Carr Lisa Banberter Jan Webster Kathleen Dillon Joan Tarsio Connie Zornes Kane Carlin Nancy Pignone Francis Pignone Jay Klevanoski Maureen Hibbard

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. Thank You.

Patricia Schmidt

St. Agnes Parish 6 December 31, 2023



Stewardship in Action at St. Agnes

Parish Groups and Ministries

Prayer	Name	Phone
Eucharistic Adoration	Email: Adoration@stag	gnesnaples.org
Charismatic Prayer Group	Steve Csotty	272-6472
Children's Rosary	Jennifer Dorta	455-2502
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 for Priests	Rosemary Benavitz	404-1303
Welcome Retreats	Email: Deaconhugh@s	tagnesnaples.org

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	Zulma Barberi	821-2983
Catholics for Cuba	Estela Delgado	692-6054
Childcare Ministry	Rose Chambers	592-1949
Funeral Planning	Call the Office	592-1949
Funerales	Dcn. Roberto Landrón	592-1949
Hospitality Committee	Call the Office	592-1949
Jesus the Worker	Call the Office	592-1949
Ladies of St. Agnes	Barbara Thiele	513-0933
Coffee & Donuts	John Gardner	564-5978
Ministerio de Familias	Eduardo Carias y	
	Cilia Teresa	692-5597
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
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 y 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
Greeters	Denny Gant	455-4998
Homebound and Hospital EME	Judy Bohardt	592-1949
Lectors	Rita Volmer	404-7548
Lectores	Ericka Alvarez	464-8181
Ministros Extraordinarios		
de la Eucaristia	Mildre y Maximo Tejac	la 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

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Boy Scouts Troop 951	Robert Dorritie	287-9106
Casa Maria Soup Kitchen	Call the Office	592-1949
Columbiettes of St. Agnes 14202	Gerry Albergo	566-7760
Cub Scouts	Jennifer Bronsted	851-1315
Impacto	Mariela y Milton	451-0411
Knights of Columbus		
Council 14202	Russ Scott	763-486-3345
4th Degree Assembly 3094	Robert Gomez	404-4253
Society of St. Vincent de Paul	John Goddard	592-1949

Joy

Joy does not come from positive predictions about the state of the world. It does not depend on the ups and downs of the circumstances of our lives. Joy is based on the spiritual knowledge that, while the world in which we live is shrouded in darkness, God has overcome the world. Jesus says it loudly and clearly: "In the world you will have troubles, but rejoice, I have overcome the world." The surprise is not that, unexpectedly, things turn out better than expected. No, the real surprise is that God's light is more real than all the darkness, that God's truth is more powerful than all human lies, that God's love is stronger than death.

Henri Nouwen



6 6 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. 9 9

-DIOCESE OF WICHITA

SOMETHING TO PONDER IN THE NEW YEAR



SIX ETHICS OF LIFE

Before you PRAY - Believe

Before you SPEAK - Listen

Before you SPEND - Earn

Before you WRITE - Think

Before you QUIT - Try &

Before you DIE - Live!



Which speaks to your heart in the Eucharistic Revival at St. Agnes? January 2024

- Eucharistic Miracles as part of the Eucharistic Revival display will take place in the parish hall from January 10-13, 2024.
- Resources available, for different topics, in the Lighthouse book rack in the Narthex.
- Seven small group sessions, "Jesus and the Eucharist" will be an opportunity for these groups to discuss the "Real" presence of Jesus in the Eucharist January-March 2024.

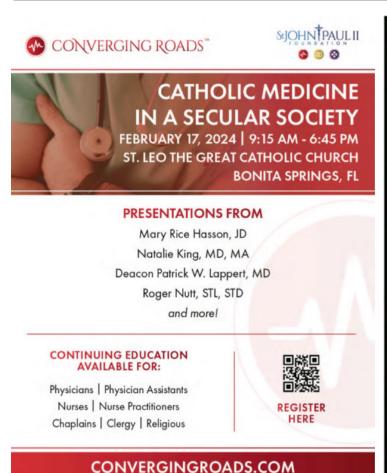
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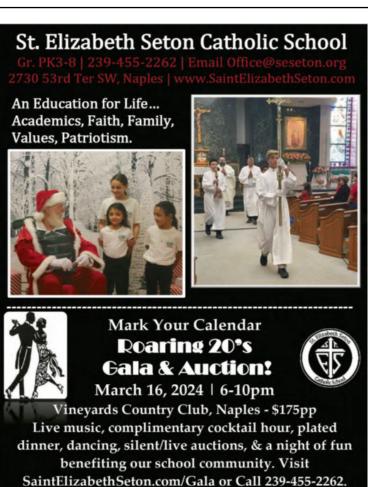
- Youth Group is planning an Adoration night with confession. (Tentative Date March 3, 2024). For more information email Robert@stagngenaples.org
- Parish Mission will focus on the Eucharist. Fr. Driscoll, March 18,19,20

July 2024

Eucharistic Congress National - Join our parishioners as they travel to INDIANAPOLIS 7 days, 6 nights' accommodation. Masses, Sightseeing, and meals. July 16 through the 22,2024 For Reservations and Details Contact: Jet Vacations Email: ops@jetvacations.com | Telephone: (855) JET-0999 | Fax: (212) 986-3808.

Websites: Lectio: Eucharist: Episode 7: Bread of Life Discourse - Videos - FORMED.org This Bread of Life Discourse by Dr. Brandt Pitre is part of his Bible study class on the Eucharist. It is a particularly good explanation of why Catholics believe in the Real Presence in the Eucharist.







Why are consecrated hosts changing into tormented heart tissue in church after church throughout the world today? Eighth century miracle at Lanciano, Italy where the concentrated host turned to flesh, wine to blood, (pictured right).



Explore miracle stories, scientific study, and Scriptural basis for belief in the Real Presence.

EXHIBIT LOCATED IN THE PARISH HALL

- Thursday, January 11 | 4 8PM
- Friday, January 12 | 9:30AM 8PM
- Saturday, January 13 | 9:30AM 3PM
- Sunday, January 14 | 8:30AM 3PM

PRESENTATION LOCATED IN THE YOUTH ROOM

- Friday, January 12 | 10AM & 6PM
- Saturday, January 13 | 10AM
- Sunday, January 14 | 10AM

Presented by: Faith Based Communication | FaithBasedComm.com Hosted by: St. Agnes Catholic Church | StAgnesNaples.org 7775 Vanderbilt Beach Road, Naples, FL 34120

There is no charge or registration necessary for this event. All are welcome.



The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Formerly called Last Rites or Extreme Unction, this Sacrament is for those experiencing a serious illness, facing an operation or dying. Anointing of the Sick should be performed before death is imminent, when a person is conscious and able to receive comfort from the sacrament.

We make every effort to provide pastoral care and the sacrament of anointing to all who request it; however, families are encouraged to call sooner rather than later. If a loved one is at home and needs the sacrament, please call the office at 592-1949 to arrange for a priest to visit.

In the Hospital?

Please ask the nurse to contact the parish that serves the Hospital you are in for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

This is the most efficient way to be sure you or your loved one will receive the sacrament. Be aware that because of HIPAA Privacy regulations, hospitals do not necessarily notify the parish regarding your hospitalization unless requested by the patient.



"Authentic Femininity: Chosen Daughters of the Most High God"

Presenter: Johnnette Benkovic Williams



- Thursday, January 25
- 6:30 8:30 PM
- Doors open at 6:00 PM
- St. John XXIII
- Suggested Donation \$20

Registrations open December 21st

All women are invited from all parishes to join us for a light dinner, a glass of wine and an evening of faith and fellowship. For more information and to register online please visit our website:

faithandwineleecounty.com

Or mail a check payable to Faith & Wine Lee County. Include attendee name(s), address, telephone number, email and parish.

Mail to: Julie Richards, 6946 Pickadilly Ct, Fort Myers FL 33919

Dates and venues are subject to change. Speaker biographies are available for your review on our website



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CATHOLIC THINKERS MEN'S GROUP

The Catholic Thinkers Men's Group presents its next topic; "On Forgiveness" The meeting is on Wednesday, January 3, at 9:30 a.m. at Perkins Restaurant, 3585 Pine Ridge Road.

This will allow attendance at the 8:30 a.m. Mass for those who wish to do so. The discussion will last no more than 90 minutes and registration is limited to 30

participants. Admission is free; breakfast

You will need to register for every session at www.stagnesnaples. org to reserve your space and receive the article to be discussed.

We look forward to hearing from you!

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Sunday, January 21 | 2:30 PM

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Parroquianos, si a su familia o a usted les gustaría participar en el Festival Internacional de St. Agnes con algo típico de su país, puede ponerse en contacto con las personas que aparecen en el siguiente listado. Si usted esta interesado y su país no esta en la lista, por favor comuníquese con Martha Velasco al teléfono 239.687.8038.



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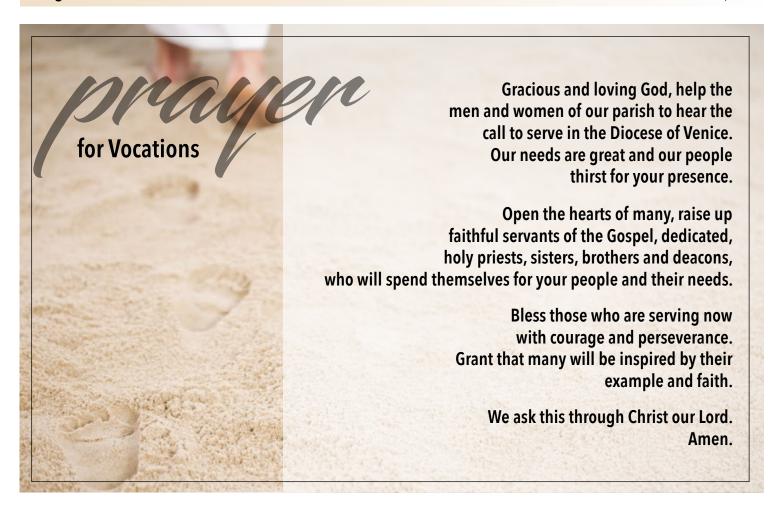
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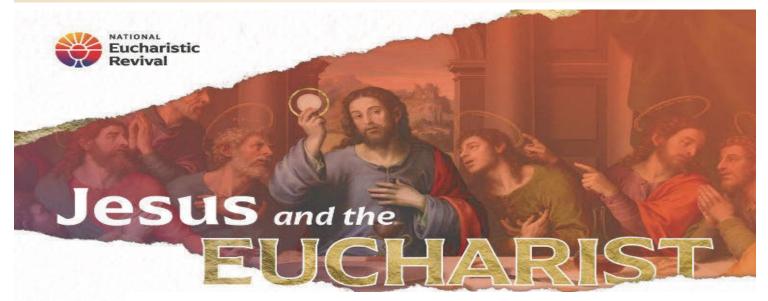
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Children's Liturgy of the Word

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

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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.

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Fridays at 9:30-11am in the main hall of the parish center Contact: Jan Christopher at 239-287-3684 or mrs520@aol.com

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Mondays 7-8:30pm in the Youth Room of the parish center December 4...Chapters 6-8 (pgs 172-202)

Books are \$8 at the Lighthouse rack in the church narthex and in the parish office, M-F, 9am-4pm.

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Diciembre 31, 2023

En las lecturas de hoy seguimos viendo al Dios que cumple sus promesas, en el antiguo testamento en Génesis 15 ;1-6 Dios le cumple su promesa, a una pareja: Abraham y Sara qué tendrían un hijo, un heredero de su propia sangre que les daría una gran descendencia.. una gran familia.

En el nuevo testamento en Lucas 2; 22-40 La sagrada Familia haciendo la presentación del niño Jesús en el templo, José y Maria, otra pareja de hombre y mujer que en obediencia a los mandatos de la ley judía, mostrándonos como ser los mejores padres al dejar el legado de la fé y los buenos valores a nuestros hijos. Encontramos a Simeón, hombre piadoso y justo que quiado por el espíritu Santo había pedido ver a el salvador antes de morir y Dios le concede ver al niño cuando es llevado al templo a ser presentado y es Simeón quien predice a Maria, el dolor y sufrimiento que padecería al ver a su hijo Jesús entregarse por nuestra salvación, el cual sería como una espada que traspasaría su corazón, como aquella espada que traspasó el costado de Jesús y emanó sangre y agua, dando nacimiento a la Iglesia. El niño es igualmente reconocido por Ana, mujer piadosa de oración y ayuno, que dio Gracias a Dios y habló del niño Jesús a todos los que esperaban la liberación de Jerusalén.

Permítenos Señor tener la Fé para ver el cumplimiento de las promesas que nos has dado en el caminar de nuestra vida cristiana; sabiduría para saber esperar, que nuestra fé te agrade y seamos aceptados como justos en tu presencia Señor. Y orar con el salmo: "Dichoso el que teme al Señor y sigue sus caminos".

-Estudio Bíblico-

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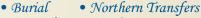


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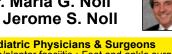
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