

Lunar New Year – Fifth Annual Event

February 01, 2026

6pm: Bilingual Mass – Main Church

7:30pm-10pm: Luna New Year Celebration with Food & Performances – Divine Center

The universal Church recently witnessed a historic and grace-filled moment with the election of **Pope Leo XIV**, the first American Chicagoan Pope. Rooted in the Augustinian tradition, the Holy Father chose the powerful motto *“In Illo uno unum”* — *“In the One, we are one.”* Drawing from Saint Augustine, this phrase proclaims a timeless truth of our faith: although we are many, in Christ we are truly one Body, united by God’s Word and nourished by His grace.

This same spirit of unity and communion is at the heart of our parish Lunar New Year celebration, **Xuân Hiệp Nhất** — *Spring of Unity*. Saint Augustine once described his conversion with the words, *“You have pierced my heart with your Word.”* When God’s Word pierces our hearts, it draws us out of division and forms us into one people, one Church, one family in Christ. Xuân Hiệp Nhất is our prayerful response to that call: to begin the New Year renewed in faith, reconciliation, and love.

The Lunar New Year is a treasured tradition in many cultures especial in Asia, a sacred time to give thanks for God’s blessings, honor our ancestors, seek peace for the year ahead, and strengthen bonds within families and communities. As Catholics, we joyfully bring these hopes to the altar, entrusting them to the Lord in the Holy Eucharist.

St Agnes (Vietnamese) Ministry warmly invites you and your family to join us for a **Bilingual Lunar New Year Mass**, followed by an evening of fellowship, cultural celebration, and joyful togetherness. Through prayer, shared food, music, and tradition, we come together as one community — different in cultures and languages, yet united in Christ.

May this Xuân Hiệp Nhất be a season when God once again pierces our hearts with His Word, and in the One Lord, we truly become one.