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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday : 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.
Weekday: 6:30 & 11:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday,
9:20 a.m. Friday - School Mass
Holy Day: 7:00 p.m. Vigil, 6:30, 8:30 & 11:30 a.m.

BAPTISMS:

First-time parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class before the child can be Baptized. Classes are held every other month on the second Thursday. Call the Parish Office to register. Baptisms take place every Sunday at 1:00 p.m. except during Lent.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA):

Persons wishing to inquire about the Catholic Faith or seeking to complete their initiation Sacraments should contact Paula Fritz at 431-1802 or pfritz@saintagnes.com.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Confessions are heard on Saturday after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on the first Friday of the month, the first Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. or by calling the Parish Office and making an appointment.

MARRIAGE:

Call the Parish Office at least nine months in advance. At least one of the individuals must be a registered parishioner.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK:

For those who are homebound or sick and wish to receive Communion, call the Parish Office.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Gather with fellow Brothers in Christ every Saturday morning, 7:00-8:00 a.m. in the Saint Agnes Daily Mass Chapel. Enjoy fellowship and the Word of God.

GRADE SCHOOL CCD CLASSES:

Held on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. during the school year. Contact Anita Dunn, 431-1802 or adunn@saintagnes.com for more information.

PRE-SCHOOL RELIGION:

Held on Sunday during the 11:30 a.m. Mass from September thru April. Contact Stacey Moorhead at 859-907-3667 or staceyscully4@aol.com for more information.

MEETINGS:

Athletic Boosters-3rd Monday at 7:30 p.m.
in the Rectory Conference Room
Board of Education-2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
in the Library/Media (School) Center
Finance Committee-1st Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
in Feb., May, Aug. & Nov. in the
Rectory Conference Room
Parish Council-1st Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the
Rectory Conference Room
Pro-Life Committee-2nd Monday at 7:30 p.m.
Feb., April, June, Aug., Oct. & Dec. in
Murphy Hall
St. Vincent de Paul Society-2nd & 4th Mondays
at 7:00 p.m. in the Rectory Conference
Room

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Calendar

Sunday, March 11

- Cans for Kids
- 9:00 a.m. Rosary - Church
- 10:30 a.m. RCIA - Rectory Conf Room
- 1:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
- 7:30 p.m. Rosary for Peace-Adoration Chapel

Monday, March 12

- 5:30 p.m. 1st Place 4 Health - Rectory Conf Room
- 7:00 p.m. CCD - School
- 7:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul - Rectory Conf Room

Tuesday, March 13

- 7:30 a.m. 1st Place 4 Health - Rectory Conf Room
- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Group - Chapel
- 7:00 p.m. Board of Education - School

Wednesday, March 14

- 1:00 p.m. Bible Study - Rectory Conf Room
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts - Murphy A & B
- 7:00 p.m. A Lent to Remember - Rectory Conf Room

Thursday, March 15

- 11:30 a.m. Anointing of the Sick following Mass
- 7:00 p.m. Deanery Penance Service - St. Pius X
- 7:00 p.m. PTO - School

Friday, March 16

Saturday, March 17

- 8:10 a.m. Sung Morning Prayer - Church
- 9:00 a.m. Confessions - Church

Sunday, March 18

- DPAAC Commitment Weekend
- 9:00 a.m. Rosary - Church
- 10:30 a.m. RCIA - Rectory Conf Room
- 1:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
- 7:30 p.m. Rosary for Peace-Adoration Chapel

Saturday, March 17-St. Patrick

- 8:30 a.m. Jane Menkhaus
- 4:00 p.m. Anne Droege

Sunday, March 18-Fifth Sunday of Lent

- 7:30 a.m. Intention of Michael P. Cetrulo
- 9:30 a.m. Pete Hinkle
- 11:30 a.m. Earl Abeln

Ministry/Volunteer Schedule for March 17th/18th

Gift Bearers

- 4:00 p.m. Mike & Margie Witt & Family
- 7:30 a.m. Bob & Paula Zembrodt
- 9:30 a.m. Tony & Tanya Fischer & Family
- 11:30 a.m. Sam & Maureen Wood

Special Ministers of the Word

- 4:00 p.m. L-M Witt, C-A Ward
- 7:30 a.m. T Vogelpohl
- 9:30 a.m. L-J Osterhaus, C-K Jump
- 11:30 a.m. L-J Lawson, C-M Fritz

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 4:00 p.m. J Ward, D & K Bray, T & D Eilerman, S Gleeson, K Middendorf, N Stratman
- 7:30 a.m. J & C Brueggemann, Sr. Flo, C Kirn
- 9:30 a.m. K Fischer, M Fox, C Smith, MB Scott, R & T Lonneman, D Witt, W Witt
- 11:30 a.m. D Able, P Johnston, R Lawson, B Thamann, P & ML Scheper, D & G Travis

Servers

- 4:00 p.m. G Wainscott, J Wainscott, K Wainscott
- 7:30 a.m. VOLUNTEERS
- 9:30 a.m. C Collins, G Eckerle, R Eckerle
- 11:30 a.m. A Cruse, B Deere, J Fritz

6:30 a.m. – Servers:

- March 12th-Steve Lorenz March 19th-Don Mai

Rosary, Sunday, March 18th at 9:00 a.m.: Jesse Boone

Highland Crossing, March 18th: Deacon Ralph Grieme

Vocation Chalice Program Participants

- 4:00 p.m. Don & Shannon Miller
- 7:30 a.m. Daryl & Blanche Tepe
- 9:30 a.m. Doug & Linda Wisher
- 11:30 a.m. 4th Graders of Saint Agnes School

Greeters

- 4:00 p.m. F-Geri Sullivan A-Marge Kuhlman
- 7:30 a.m. F-Frank & Bev Henn A-Paul & Amy Kindt
- 9:30 a.m. F-Todd & Marijo Fischer
A-Tom Jacober & Lee Stauber
- 11:30 a.m. F-Bob & Tracy Ink
A-Jim Fischesser & Drew & Lynn Collins

Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 11-Fourth Sunday of Lent

- 7:30 a.m. Joan Maier
- 9:30 a.m. Nancy Egan
- 11:30 a.m. David Tuemler

Monday, March 12

- 6:30 a.m. Jim Bayless
- 11:30 a.m. Paul Schewe

Tuesday, March 13

- 6:30 a.m. Joseph Connelly
- 11:30 a.m. David Taeuber - 10th Anniversary

Wednesday, March 14

- 6:30 a.m. Intention of Bill & Grace Poncer
- 11:30 a.m. Christine Janszen

Thursday, March 15

- 6:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory
- 11:30 a.m. Nick Kreutzjans

Friday, March 16

- 6:30 a.m. People of the Parish
- 9:20 a.m. Dolores Todd Lyon
- 11:30 a.m. Michael Warning

Staff Article

Forgiveness

We are about half way through Lent. I hope that you are progressing in your spiritual growth and your journey to God. The readings for this Sunday are all about in some way or the other, forgiveness. And forgiveness should be a part of our Lent, along with prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

In the first reading the Jews have been exiled to Babylon because of their infidelity and abominations. They are sent away from their home, the land that was promised them by God. They were sent to a foreign land to live with people who did not know their God or their customs. But after time God relented and told Cyrus, the king of the Persians (who ruled Babylon) to let His people go back to their land and to rebuild their Temple, which had been torn down. God had forgiven them and given back the land that He had promised.

The second reading talks about how rich in mercy God is, how God has forgiven us despite the fact that we were "dead in our transgressions." This forgiveness comes by Grace and by nothing that we did or can do. We are saved by Grace, forgiven of our transgressions because God wants us to live with Him in Heaven forever. He does this because of His unfathomable love for each and every one of us.

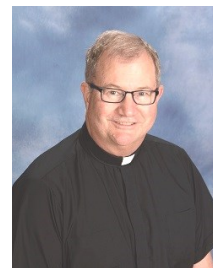
The Gospel then tells us how this Grace can be ours; we only have to believe in the Son of God, our Savior, Jesus Christ. He gave us His son, a gift from God, a gift of love to suffer and die for us. He gave us His son to suffer a horrible and degrading death to keep us from the eternal pain of hell and give us a glorious life with Him and His father, God. Throughout Salvation History God has been eager to forgive.

Forgiveness is an important part of living the Christian life and in following God's law. Of course we have to forgive those who have harmed or wronged us. But there is another

person that we often forget to forgive, ourselves. I have often found it harder to forgive myself for wrongs that I have done to others and for the wrongs that I have done to myself.

The first thing that I have to do is realize that I am not perfect. I have to realize that I am a flawed human being and that I am human and an heir to original sin and the things that come with it. It is the way that it is. I will fail to live what I know to be the Christian way both by omission and commission. It is a fact of life.

What I do need to do is to realize, to constantly remind myself, that if Jesus and God can forgive me for the things that I have done then who am I to withhold forgiveness from myself. I have been forgiven by the blood of the Cross-and this Lent I must remember and live in that knowledge. To do so is to accept God's love in its fullest form.



Deacon Gary Scott

Parish Worship

Faith Sharing Questions

Theme of this week's Gospel: Jesus is soon to die on the cross...proof of God's unlimited love for us. Through our belief in Him we will have eternal life. How awesome is that!?

Adults: Do you ever wonder what would have happened to mankind if the Father had not sent Jesus to redeem us? Do you accept the teaching that if we believe in Jesus we can have eternal life? Why or why not?

Teens: Scripture tells us that Jesus was sent to this world so that we might have "eternal life!" What does "eternal life" mean to you? Can you spend about fifteen minutes each day this week thanking Jesus for all He has done for us and asking for a better understanding of what "redemption" means?

Children: Do you ever wonder what heaven is really like? Ask your parents and teachers what they think heaven is all about.

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Parish Worship continued

Next Sunday, March 18, 2018

Fifth Sunday of Lent, Cycle B

Each year at Easter we renew our Baptismal Promises. These promises reflect our commitment to be disciples of Jesus Christ and to strive literally and figuratively to embody His teachings in our individual lives and in our life as a church. Lent is a time set aside by our church for the purpose of preparing ourselves to renew these promises. It is helpful to keep this in mind as we study the readings during Lent.

We are in “Year B,” and in Year B the Gospel of Mark is featured in our readings at Sunday Mass, though not without exceptions. For the first two Sunday’s of Lent, the Gospel reading is from Mark. For the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent, the Gospel reading is from John. During Lent, the first reading—from the Old Testament—is always about the history of salvation. During Cycle B years, this reading is concerned with one of the five covenants of the Old Testament (with Noah, with Abraham, with Moses/The Ten Commandments, with David, and a covenant “inscribed in human hearts” [Jeremiah]), which point to the final covenant in Jesus, which we commemorate at the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter). The second reading—from the New Testament writings—is chosen because of thematic relations to the Old Testament and Gospel readings.

Next Sunday we will be celebrating the Third Scrutiny with our Elect, Brandon Rich and Justin Lowry, as they prepare for Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.

Gospel (John 12:20-33): In the Gospel of John, the way Jesus is presented is in stark contrast to the way He is presented in the other three (“synoptic”) Gospels. John presents Jesus as always “in the know” and always in control. In John there is no agony in the garden of Gethsemane and no crying out of abandonment on the cross. In John, Jesus honestly and calmly confronts His captors and Pontius Pilate. In John, the crucifixion is referred to as the “Glorification of Jesus” and hence is not understood as a tragedy.

This “glorification” is the final act of God’s judgement on the world. God has chosen to drive out the “ruler of the world” and this will be done by Jesus’ “glorification.” Then, when Jesus is “lifted up from the earth” (resurrected!) He will draw all people to himself. This Sunday’s Gospel reflects these themes as well as what seems to be the major underlying theme of the Gospel of John,

“... unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.” It is as if the image of Jesus presented in John’s Gospel says that once you truly accept this “death to self” you will be truly free and the world will no longer have any power over you.

First Reading (Jeremiah 31:31-34): Jeremiah ministered to the Jewish people in the years leading up to the Babylonian exile. He tried to convince them to focus their energies on abiding by The Covenant with God rather than on military alliances with foreign (pagan) nations. In this reading we see that even in the midst of their failures, God is initiating a new covenant with the Jewish people. This new covenant will be written on their hearts (the Spirit of God), rather than on tablets of stone (the Ten Commandments).

Second Reading (Hebrews 5:7-9): This reading presents a Jesus who is depicted in very human terms. Quite a contrast from the way John depicts Jesus.

Adoration of Our Lord

“The Holy Eucharist is ‘The Whole Christ’.”

—Servant of God, Fr. John A Hardon
Everything which belongs to Christ—everything which makes Christ, Christ, is present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. This is our faith. Let us adore Him. Please commit to an hour with Jesus in our Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel. Call 859-496-4149 for more information.



Weekday Rosary

The Rosary is prayed in Church every weekday at 11:00 a.m.

Parish Worship continued

Bulletin Picture

A picture of the "Teaching Mass" for our children in the Evening Religion Program and their parents, which we have each year. Father Keene teaches about the various parts of the Mass, as the Mass is being said. Here, Deacon Bob assists and students and parents gather around the altar to experience praying the Eucharistic Prayer up close. (Picture by Anita Dunn, our Director of Religious Education)

We Are His Hands

Thanks from NDUCEC

Thank you so much for your gift of \$870.24 to the Notre Dame Urban Education Center. You provide much needed tutoring and mentoring of children living in the urban core. Many of these children live in fragile neighborhoods and households at or below the poverty level.

Through you, the children we serve get help to succeed academically and have hope for a better future... –Gratefully, Paul Miller, Executive Director

(Each month our parish sends a percentage of our Sunday offerings to the NDUCEC as part of our "Parish Tithing Program" or "We Are His Hands" Fund.)

Stewardship

Status of Sunday Collection

Actual Collections (July thru 03/05/18)	\$884,262
Budgeted Collections (July thru March)	\$976,000
Budgeted Collections for Fiscal Year (2017/2018)	\$1,250,000

International Needs Collection

This week the International Mission Needs Collection will be conducted to help our suffering brothers and sisters through out the world. Five

Catholic agencies are helped through this Collection. More than 100 million lives around the world are touched through people like you that give to this Collection. The agencies provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees and Christ's love and respect to all people. Your donation helps to train catechists in parishes, provide access to Bible study groups, and funds workshops and seminars made available to parishioners so they can live their faith amid challenging circumstances. The donations help to preserve holy places where Jesus walked and taught many thousands of people. Your support helps missions throughout the world and gives hope to *Jesus in Disguise*.

Saint of the week

Saint Patrick

Saint Patrick was not Irish, he was born in Britain while it was under Roman rule and therefore was a Catholic, although he was not an active believer. His father was a deacon and a local government official. The exact location of his birthplace is unknown. It was in a region called Banna Venta Berniae. Some think that this was in northern England, while others place his birth in Wales or Scotland. According to accounts he was born in the early 370's AD.



As the Roman presence in Britain was weakening the west coast of Britain was being raided by Irish pirates who were looking for goods and slaves. When he was 16 Patrick was captured by pirates and taken back to Ireland as a slave. He became the slave of an Irish nobleman and was forced to herd his sheep. This required that he spend a lot of time alone with the sheep. It was in these long lonely hours that his faith began to develop. Patrick said that it was during this time that God had mercy on him and led him to a deeper faith through prayer and meditation.

After six years of slavery he heard a voice telling him that it was time for him to go home and that

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Saint of the Week continued

the ship was ready. He left, traveled two hundred miles where he found the promised ship. The ship landed in an area that Patrick called a "wilderness" and the men walked 28 days in search of people and food. They found none and Patrick told them to trust in God. Patrick then prayed and they found a herd of wild boar. Later he was able to return to his family where he continued to study Christianity and grow in his faith.

While at home Patrick had a vision of a man who came to him carrying letters and he gave Patrick one that was headed "The Voice of the Irish" which asked him to return and to walk among them. Patrick then went to France to study further and there the Bishop of Auxerre ordained him a priest. He then returned to Ireland.

Once he was in Ireland he began to evangelize and wrote that he Baptized thousands of people. He also stirred up animosity from those who were clinging to the old traditions and was at least once, beaten, robbed and put in chains. He died on March 17, in 492 or 493 at the age of 120.

There are many legends about Saint Patrick. He was said to have used the shamrock to explain the Trinity to the Irish. He is said to have driven all of the snakes from Ireland after they attacked him, (although evidence suggests that Ireland had no snakes). It may refer to the banishment of paganism in Ireland.

Saint Patrick's Day is a day for celebrating Ireland and the Irish. It should also be a day to remember the saint who transformed a small island into a bastion of Christianity. In the book *How the Irish Saved Civilization* the author shows how the monks of Christian Ireland returned Europe to Christianity after the continent was overrun by pagan barbarians. Happy Saint Patrick's Day!

Parish News

Diocesan Catholic Schools, the National School Walkout and Other Planned Walkouts

With awareness of the National School Walkout scheduled on March 14th at 10:00 a.m. and of the

National School Walkout scheduled for April 20th at 10:00 a.m. and of other walkouts proposed or planned, the Catholic schools of the Diocese of Covington will not be participating in the upcoming walkouts and protests. We believe there are other more productive ways to support victims of gun violence and of violence in general without politicizing our support.

Instead, on March 14th at 10:00 a.m., every school in the Diocese of Covington will begin a prayer service that will commemorate the 17 lives lost in the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida. The prayer service, provided by our Diocesan Office of Worship and Liturgy will include Prayers of Petition and the Rosary.

We join Pope Francis in "praying that Almighty God grant eternal rest to the dead and healing and consolation to the wounded and those who grieve" and that "such senseless acts of violence may cease."

Many advantages exist in our Catholic parish and school communities. One is our active faith life that we turn to for strength every day, but even more so in times of uncertainty and loss. In conclusion, I'd like to share with you part of a communication from one of our school teachers on this issue. – Father Mark Keene:

In class today, the topic of school protests to honor the 17 victims of the Florida shooting came up. One of my students said, "I think it's stupid. [Instead] How about you make friends with 17 kids you normally wouldn't instead of walking out of school?" What great conversation came out of it. Smile at 17 people you normally wouldn't smile at, say a kind word to 17 people who might not have someone to speak to, open up your heart to 17 people who might be hurting, offer friendship to 17 people who might have had none. Now that could change the climate of the school. 17 reasons for change... 17 reasons to make a difference. What's your 17?? I like that slogan. Today warmed my heart to be a teacher.
#whatsyour17

Parish News continued

Download Our New Parish App

Our new Saint Agnes app is now available to download from iPhone and Android smart phones. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week with instant notifications, an easy-to-access event calendar, and the ability to quickly reply or to share messages via Facebook or Twitter. Also enjoy many additional features like prayers, daily readings, helpful reminders to silence your phone before Mass or Confession, and much more.



Help foster a stronger parish life at Saint Agnes and better engage the New Evangelization. Formed.org is on myparishapp.com as well. Find it inside the Parish Info icon.

Download our app today at myparishapp.com or simply text APP to 88202. You will immediately receive a link to download the app. Look for Saint Agnes (Fort Wright), log in and you're finished.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be meeting for the last time this school year during 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 18th. This program will resume at the beginning of next school year. Thank you to our wonderful volunteers for enabling this program to continue. **We are in need of additional volunteers for next year.** If you are interested, please email Michelle Schulte at michelle.r.schulte@gmail.com. This is a great opportunity to get involved in our parish with a very small time commitment, and it requires no training or experience, although you must be Virtus compliant. Won't you please consider helping with the faith formation of our youth? "Train up a child in the way that he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it." —Proverbs 22:6



Happy 100th Birthday

Happy 100th Birthday to Julitta Overmann, who is Janis Vogelpohl's mother. She turned 100 years young on March 6th.



Tuition Tax Credits: A Financial Boost For Catholic Schools

There have been significant developments surrounding the Scholarship Tax Credit legislation over the past week. It appears that the House of Representatives is preparing to release the 2018 Budget ahead of schedule. We need to take action to make sure that Scholarship Tax Credits are included in the Budget. Time is of the essence so this needs to be shared and circulated as soon as possible. Please send out an electronic message to your entire email list or on social media. People need to contact their legislators even if they have already done so. We need as many contacts as possible in order to ensure that the issue is prioritized.

The KY House of Representatives is preparing to release its 2018 Budget. Email your State Representative today by clicking <https://www.votervoice.net/CCKY/Campaigns/57325/Respond> or call 1-800-372-7181 and tell your State Representative that Scholarship Tax Credits must be included in the Budget so that more Kentucky families can choose the school that best fits their children's needs.

—Father Mark Keene

Calling All Military

Do you have a family member recently inducted into the US military? The Saint Agnes Armed Forces Committee would like to know about your service person, as the committee is preparing an Easter mailing to the troops. Also, if your service person has a new address, please notify one of the committee members: Tom Jacober 331-1730, Lee Stauber 331-0752 or Joe Perny 609-8781.



Parish News continued

Neither Do I Condemn You

Celebrating the love and mercy of God through music and prayer with The Pierson-Young Project on Friday, March 16th at 7:00 p.m. in Church. Also featuring members of the Saint Agnes Music Ministry and Children' Choir. Fellowship afterwards in Murphy Hall.

For Those Interested in Volunteering

Here is what you need to do:

1. Go to www.virtus.org and create an account.
2. Sign up for and attend a Live Training Session. Sessions are listed on the Virtus website.
3. Run a background check through Selection.com. Do this through your Virtus account by clicking on the Toolbox tab and click "Selection.com Background Check" in the upper left column.
4. Contact Msgr. Don Enzweiler at the Parish Office to set up a 15 minute meeting. He will give you two forms that you need to complete.
5. Once all of the above is done and the Diocese processes your forms, you will receive an email stating your account is now "active" and you will be able to volunteer.
6. To remain "active" you will be required to read a monthly bulletin and answer a question regarding the bulletin.



If you have any question about the process, please contact Beth at the Parish Office (431-1802 or parishoffice@saintagnes.com).

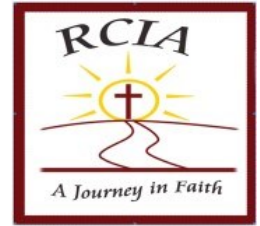
Lost and Found: Kitchen Items

Items such as cake boxes, baking pans, bowls and plate have been left in Murphy Hall or at the rectory over the last couple of years. If you're missing something, check the Parish Office, open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Faith Formation

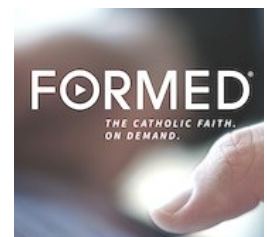
RCIA

On this Fourth Sunday in Lent, the RCIA Elect will celebrate the Second Rite of Scrutiny, reflecting on the Gospel of the man born blind. This Gospel story calls them, and all of us, to truly see Jesus and open our eyes to a Christian vision of the world. They challenge us to prayerful introspection, surrender, and conversion. May our Lenten commitment to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving lead us more deeply into the mind and heart of Jesus. Please join our RCIA Elect in turning your hearts and minds in prayer to your own Way of the Cross, calling your own wounds by name, and giving them to our Divine Healer. Please continue to pray for Justin and Brandon. If you are interested in learning about the Catholic faith or if you know anyone who might be interested, please contact our parish at pfritz@saintagnes.com or call the Parish Office at 431-1802.



FORMED

In the month of March, FORMED offers us many opportunities to grow in our faith during this Lenten Season. Even if you are not doing a Lent Small group, you can still enjoy *A Lent to Remember* on your own time. Deepen your friendship with the Lord this Lent through the many resources on FORMED. Watch *Joseph of Nazareth* or the *Symbolon Series*, or read *The Mission of the Messiah* by Timothy Gray, or listen to *Vatican II, Mercy and You* or watch with your children the *Brother Francis* series. If you have not registered for FORMED yet, go to www.formed.org and enter code 7CWP2N and follow the instructions. If you are having trouble registering, please call or email the Parish Office at 431-1802 or pfritz@saintagnes.com.



Diocesan News

Holy Hour For Priestly Vocations

The next Holy Hour for priestly vocation will be held at Saint Joseph Church, Cold Springs, on Monday, March 19th from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to come and pray. Anyone interested in learning more about the diocesan priesthood is welcome to stay afterwards for a social, dinner and information session after the Holy Hour.

Be a Serran

The Serra Club is an organization of lay men and women, religious women and diocesan priests and deacons. It exists to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

Serra Club meets twice a month (1st Tuesday is a breakfast meeting, 3rd Tuesday is a luncheon meeting), but members are not expected to be at every meeting. Many of our members will attend Serra-sponsored events (Servers Award Ceremony, Picnic for Women Religious, Seminarian Cookout and the Priest Appreciation Dinner etc.) instead of our regularly scheduled meetings, and members are also encouraged to offer prayers for vocations and for the Church on a regular basis. We have many active men and women involved in our ministry, and continually encourage others to join us in our efforts.

Serra Club has a dues structure for all current members. Dues for any priest, women religious, brother or deacon are waived 100%. Also, any first-year member will only have to pay 50% of their dues for year one (\$100, instead of the normal \$200). This money goes to cover meal costs for the breakfast and luncheon meetings that take place monthly. If you have any questions, call Mike Murray at the Diocesan Offices (392-1500).

Seminary Live-In Weekend Opportunity

Every semester the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio, offers a unique opportunity for high-school (juniors and seniors) and college age men to experience the prayer life, classes, and communal life of the seminary. The Weekend is

free of charge and includes all meals and housing. The Spring 2018 Live-In Weekend will be held from Thursday, March 15th until Saturday, March 17th. Fr. Andrew Young, Vocations Promoter for the Diocese of Covington, will be leading the group from our Diocese to the Live-In. Anyone interested in taking advantage of this unique opportunity should call Fr. Andrew at 392-1500 or (606) 584-7565 or email ayoung@covdio.org for more information and to register for the weekend.

Mass for the Loss of a Child

A Memorial Mass for any person who is grieving the loss of a child will be held on March 15th at 7:00 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary, 5876 Veterans Way, Burlington. The Mass is for parents, grandparents, family members and friends of those who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion, early infant death, illness, suicide, accident, or any other reason. The Pro-Life Office of the Diocese of Covington is sponsoring this service and wishes to emphasize that all people, not just Catholics, are invited to attend this Mass. Information on local support groups will be available at a reception following the Mass. For more information, please contact the Diocese of Covington Pro-life Office at 392-1500.



Ministry Fair: Service Opportunities for Youth

The Diocesan Youth Ministry Advisory Board is hosting a Youth Ministry Fair with up to 20 organizations that have opportunities for youth to serve. Invited are all persons responsible for organizing youth service opportunities including Youth Ministers, DRE's, CRE's, Confirmation class teachers, Service Club & Honor Society Moderators, Scout Leaders, Challenge, Conquest and American Heritage Girl Leaders, etc. Don't miss this opportunity to discover new ways for youth to serve. March 15th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, located below the Diocesan Curia Offices, 1125 Madison Ave., Covington. For more information email Deacon Pete Freeman at pfreeman@covdio.org.