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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 8:30 a.m. & 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 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 Parish 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
Parish Conference Room
Parish Council-1st Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the
Parish 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 Parish Conference
Room

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Calendar

Sunday, April 21

- 1:00 p.m. Baptisms
- 7:30 p.m. Rosary for Peace-Adoration Chapel

Monday, April 22

- 5:30 p.m. First Place 4 Health - Parish Conf Room
- 7:00 p.m. No CCD
- 7:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul - Parish Conf Room

Tuesday, April 23

- 7:30 a.m. First Place 4 Health - Parish Conf Room

Wednesday, April 24

- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts - Murphy A & B

Thursday, April 25

- 11:30 a.m. Anointing of the Sick following Mass

Friday, April 26

Saturday, April 27

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

Sunday, April 28

- 9:00 a.m. Rosary - Church
- 10:30 a.m. RCIA - Parish Conf Room
- 1:00 p.m. Baptisms
- 7:30 p.m. Rosary for Peace-Adoration Chapel

Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 21-Easter Sunday

- 7:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory
- 9:30 a.m. Betty Muldoon
- 11:30 a.m. Clara Pitts

Monday, April 22

- 6:30 a.m. Raymond & Frances Grogan
- 11:30 a.m. John Kleymeyer

Tuesday, April 23

- 6:30 a.m. People of the Parish
- 11:30 a.m. Intention of Deacon Ralph Grieme

Wednesday, April 24

- 6:30 a.m. Mary Wigger
- 11:30 a.m. Sr. Barbara Von Bokern

Thursday, April 25

- 6:30 a.m. Shirley Baker
- 11:30 a.m. Jena Dickman Bassini

Friday, April 26

- 6:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory
- 11:30 a.m. James Duffy

Saturday, April 27

- 8:30 a.m. Hilda Keltz
- 4:00 p.m. Dec'd of Sullivan & Zieverink Families
- 6:00 p.m. Wedding: Caudill/Metzger Families

Sunday, April 28-Divine Mercy Sunday

- 7:30 a.m. Jane Menkhaus
- 9:30 a.m. Edward Schuh - 2nd Anniversary
- 11:30 a.m. Ann Dickman - 2nd Anniversary

Ministry/Volunteer Schedule for April 27th & 28th

Gift Bearers

- 4:00 p.m.
- 7:30 a.m.
- 9:30 a.m.
- 11:30 a.m.

Special Ministers of the Word

- 4:00 p.m. L-O Martin, C-S Osterhage
- 7:30 a.m. M Dushensky
- 9:30 a.m. K Fischer
- 11:30 a.m. L-C Read, C-L Clements

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 4:00 p.m. P Adams, A Emerson, M Martin, J & A Ward, M Pennington, N Stratman, K Willenbrink
- 7:30 a.m. G Dushensky, D & I Mai, C Brueggemann
- 9:30 a.m. R & T Lonneman, MB Scott, C Allison, C Jacober, C Smith, P Metzger, W Witt
- 11:30 a.m. B Thamann, D & G Travis, D Able, P Fritz, P Johnston, R & J Lawson

Servers

- 4:00 p.m. J Wainscott, K Wainscott, J Collins
- 7:30 a.m. VOLUNTEERS
- 9:30 a.m. C Brungs, K Brungs, M Cody
- 11:30 a.m. B Hail, J Hail, K Hail

6:30 a.m. – Servers:

- April 22nd-Barb Lewin
- April 29th-Steve Lorenz

Rosary, Sunday, April 28th at 9:00 a.m.: Mike Brungs

Highland Crossing, April 28th: Don Able

Vocation Chalice Program Participants

- 4:00 p.m. Don & Shannon Miller
- 7:30 a.m. Bob & Paula Zembrodt
- 9:30 a.m. Tony & Tanya Fischer
- 11:30 a.m. Terry & Sandy Flanagan

Greeters

- 4:00 p.m. F-Beatrice Cornett A-Kathy Bell
- 7:30 a.m. F-Tom Arnold A-Mike Hodge
- 9:30 a.m. F-Lynn Vieth & Joshua McCoy
A-Jim & Pat Bramlage
- 11:30 a.m. F-Lawrence & Jacqueline Schuler
A-Jim & Rebecca Moening

Happy Easter

On behalf of all of our staff and myself, I wish everyone a Happy Easter! A special greeting and welcome to all visitors with us this Easter Sunday.

– Fr. Mark Keene

Staff Article

The Story We Give Ourselves To

In Confession, the “standard penance” I give to nearly everyone (except those who are very young) is to take one of the yellow Mass cards in the pew pockets in church, and to turn it to the reverse side where the Nicene Creed is located. (Its real name is the *Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed*.) I usually note that at Mass we often gallop through this very ancient and very beautiful Profession of Faith without being attentive to the words, their meaning and the implications of us professing them.

These words (224 of them in the English version) tell the story of God’s Creation of, Redemption of, and Sanctification of the world. By reciting these words, we reinforce our Baptismal Promises (from which Creeds were derived) and we are reminded that this story is our story. It is part of us and we are part of it. The Creed tells the overarching story that we give our lives to in faith. If you had to summarize the history of the universe in 224 words or less, the Creed would be it.

By Baptism we were joined to the Body of Christ and to this Story in a manner more compelling than simply existing in it. We are committing ourselves to be actors in it. Through the Eucharist this relationship to Christ and the Story is nourished and deepened. Through the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick this relationship to Christ and to the Story is mended and healed. This “Story” or “Narrative” is also known as “Salvation History.” We cannot be joined to Christ without being joined to this Story and to Christ’s Church whose life and work is a continuation of the story.

If you had to summarize the Bible in 224 words or less, the Creed would also be a good summary. The Creed is not meant to take the place of the Bible, which we proclaim very systematically in the Liturgy of our Catholic Church (especially through the Mass and through the Liturgy of the Hours). However, the Creed does express the most fundamental truths of the Bible. More correctly, the Creed expresses the most fundamental Mysteries of the Bible.

At Christmas, through the Liturgy, we are reminded of a basic Mystery, fundamental to this Story of Salvation History... that in Jesus of Nazareth—the Christ of the Father—God has become one with our history. This is the Mystery of the Incarnation.

During Holy Week, in a very special way we commemorate the Mystery of our Redemption in Christ—the Paschal Mystery.

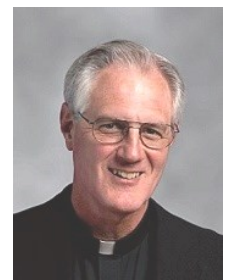
With Easter, we commemorate the revelation of Christ’s Resurrection, which is a revelation of our own resurrection from death. Death does not have the last say in our lives.

With the Eucharist—which is a form of “Incarnation” with bread and wine becoming the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ” AND which is a making present of the Paschal Mystery of Jesus’ death and Resurrection—we commemorate all those Mysteries through which our humanity is made whole. This is why the Mass is so central and is a constitutive part of our Faith and the Catholic/Church/Religion that supports that Faith.

For Catholics “natural history” and “human history” are also Salvation History. This makes our individual lives Salvation History. It makes the life of the Church Salvation History.

The Mystery we commemorate at Holy Week and Easter is part of the Story we give our lives to in faith. By our giving of ourselves to this story—and I mean really giving ourselves to this—we are gifted by God’s Holy Spirit and we participate with Jesus in this salvific work of the Father. There could be no greater gift at Easter to become all the more deeply absorbed in this love story. As Mary and so many others have over the centuries, we should ponder this Mystery every day. The Mystery, God, will draw us more deeply into itself each day. Happy Easter!

Father Mark Keene



EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Parish Worship

Faith Sharing Questions

Theme of this week's Gospel: Let our faith be strengthened as we ponder the mystery of Christ's death and His glorious resurrection!

Adults: When Mary Magdala and some of the apostles found the empty tomb of Jesus and saw His burial clothes, what emotions do you think they felt...fear...confusion...panic? What emotions do you feel when you think about the death and resurrection of Jesus?

Teens: If you had been there and seen Jesus after His resurrection, what would you have said to Him? What can you say to Him today to thank Him for all He suffered for us?

Children: How does your family celebrate Easter? Be sure to include Jesus in your celebrations as you hunt Easter eggs, wear your best clothes and eat delicious food.

Next Sunday, April 28, 2019

Second Sunday of Easter: Divine Mercy Sunday, Cycle C

The two most solemn feasts in our Liturgical Year have an octave (eight days) associated with their observance. The "Octave of Christmas" concludes with the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God on January 1st. The "Octave of Easter" begins on Easter Sunday and concludes with the Second Sunday of Easter. Saint Pope John Paul II established the Second Sunday of Easter as "Divine Mercy Sunday" recognizing the abundant mercy of God offered us through Christ: "Let us thank the Lord for His love, which is stronger than death and sin. It is revealed and put into practice as mercy in our daily lives... Is not loving God and loving one's neighbor and even one's 'enemies,' after Christ's example, the program of life of every Baptized person and of the whole Church?" (Homily of Pope John Paul II, Divine Mercy Sunday, 2001)

For the Sundays of the Easter Season, the First Reading comes from The Acts of the Apostles and we read about the early, post-resurrection days of our church. In Cycle C years, the Second Reading is from the Book of Revelation. The Gospel Readings for the first three Sundays of

Easter Season recount the appearances of the Risen Christ.

Gospel Reading (John 20:19-31): This reading from the Gospel of John describes two appearances of Jesus after His Resurrection. In the first appearance, Jesus is described as appearing to His disciples "on the first day of the week" which for us is Sunday. The tradition of worship on Sunday (rather than the Jewish Sabbath—our Saturday) extends back to the experience of the Risen Lord on the first day of the week... the first day of the "New Creation."

This description of Jesus' first appearance also described Him as "breathing" on the disciples and granting them the Holy Spirit. This is the so-called "Johannine Pentecost." It seems that at least one of the reasons for the giving of the Spirit is for the forgiveness of sins. Hence, one of the roles of the Church (all the Baptized) is to be a reconciling presence in our world. This passage is also used to provide a Scriptural support for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession).

The second appearance describes Jesus' encounter with Thomas (who was not present at the first appearance). Speaking to Thomas (and to all believers afterwards) Jesus says, "Have you come to believe because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." The reading concludes with the "first ending" to the Gospel of John. In your Bible you will find a description of another resurrection appearance after this first "ending." Scholars understand this second story as an appendix that was added to the Gospel of John at a later time.

First Reading (Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16): In The Acts of the Apostles, the ministry of the Church parallels Jesus ministry. At the beginning of Jesus' ministry, there was much fanfare as people brought the sick to Jesus to be cured. In today's reading, we read how something similar happened with the early Christian community, or "Church."

Second Reading (Revelation 1:9-11a,12-13,17-19): This reading describes the author's ("John's") experience of persecution for being a believer and witnessing to that belief. He has a powerful vision of the risen Christ. As his vision

Parish Worship continued

(The Book of Revelation is his account of the vision) is an encouragement for him in his persecution, so it is meant to be an encouragement for the Church which was being persecuted at the time. While often misused to inspire fear in people today, the actual purpose of The Book of Revelation and other apocalyptic writings was to inspire hope and fidelity as well as perseverance through difficult times.

Catholic Traditions

Baptismal Promises, Octave of Easter and Easter Season

Renewal of Baptismal Promises: The renewal of our Baptismal Promises is what gives Lent its focus. On the day celebrating our belief in the Resurrection - a day associated with our dying to our old ways and being born as a "new person" in Jesus through Baptism - we renew our faith and our intentions to follow Jesus and His teachings. After the renewal of our promises, we will sign ourselves with newly blessed Holy Water. We have moved from the ashes (death?) of Ash Wednesday to the Water of Easter and the new life in faith that the water signifies.

Easter isn't just for a day: In our traditions, Easter isn't just for a day. It is also marked by a week long observance - the "octave" or "eight days" of Easter. But it doesn't stop there. Easter Season lasts until Pentecost which is 50 days (a "week of weeks") after Easter. Going even further, every Sunday of the year is an "echo" of Easter Sunday. Our tradition of worshiping on "Sunday" (and not on the "Sabbath") stems from the tradition of associating Jesus' post-resurrection appearances with the "First day of the week" or "Sunday." The celebration of the Eucharist on Sundays is the oldest of our Liturgical traditions, a weekly celebration of Easter. An annual celebration of Easter became part of the tradition somewhat later.

Bulletin Picture

The victory that saves the world!

Adorers Needed

The Adoration Chapel is in need of adorers for the following hours:

Mondays at 1:00 p.m.

Wednesdays at Noon

Fridays at Noon, 5:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

If interested call Don Able at 513-403-5242.

Adoration of Our Lord

"I have risen: I am with you once more." (Luke 24:34)

Our Blessed Lord has indeed risen, and awaits our visit in Eucharistic Adoration. 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.

Stewardship

Status of Sunday Collection

Actual Collections (July thru 04/15/19)	\$1,025,424
Budgeted Collections (July thru 04/15/19)	\$1,027,000
Budgeted Collections for Fiscal Year (2018/2019)	\$1,258,000

2019 DPAA

Our Citizenship is in Heaven (Philippians 3:20)

Thank you to everyone who has made a gift and/or completed a pledge form for our 2019 Diocesan Parish Annual Appeal. As of April 16th, Saint Agnes had \$95,046 in donations and pledges from 229 households (16% of parish) toward our parish goal of \$158,400. This leaves a balance of \$63,354.

If you need a donation/pledge card/envelope, there are some in the tables in the foyers of church, or call the parish office (431-1802). – Thank you, Father Mark Keene

Parish News

Wedding Banns

III-Ellie Caudill & Ben Metzger, Saint Agnes

May Crowning - May 7th

One of the special devotions we have is honoring Mary as Queen of the Heavens. On May 7th at 7:00 p.m. join us as we crown Mary with flowers. During the entrance procession all are invited up to give flowers to Mary.

After a crown of flowers are placed on Mary's head, our 2nd graders will be enrolled in the scapular.



May Rosary - May 9th

Due to First Communion pictures on Thursday, May 2nd, Rosary will be on Thursday, May 9th at 7:00 p.m. Join others in asking Mary to intercede for us as we pray for the unborn, the poor and homeless, those defenseless against evil, and praying for all those who have left our faith. Please use the front annex door on Sleepy Hollow Road side. Come spend 30 minutes in quiet prayer.

CCHS Kentucky's Governor's Program

Covington Catholic is proud to announce that seven students have been accepted to the 2019 Kentucky's Governor's Scholars Program. Matthew Allison and Paul Allison, members of our parish, are among those accepted.

Students were evaluated in areas of service, extracurricular activities, academics, and writing submissions against top level students from all around Kentucky. They are now invited to participate in the 5-week residential program this summer on one of three host campuses in Kentucky.

Congratulations Matthew and Paul!!

St. Xavier High School Honor Roll

First Honors: John Fritz

Adult Confirmation at the Cathedral

On Sunday, June 9th at 10:00 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption, Bishop Foys will confirm adults who have missed the sacrament. This is meant for those older than 8th grade age. If you or someone you know has not been confirmed and desires to receive, please contact Anita Dunn at adunn@saintagnes.com. Registrations are due no later than May 9th.

Youth Group Is Back!!!

May 19th is the returning of Youth Group! Come meet our new leaders, John Griffin and Maddie Black. Help plan a special fun event! Meeting will be from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Grades 7th thru 9th are invited, even those soon to be 7th grade. Members from grades 10th thru 12th are invited to help kick off a new group. For other information or to get on the email list contact Mrs. Dunn at adunn@saintagnes.com.

Blue Sunday

Blue is recognized internationally as the color chosen to represent child abuse because it represents the true color of a child's bruise. We are asking that you join with churches from across the region to recognize April 28th as "Blue Sunday". On this special Sunday, people of all faiths will join in a day of prayer to demonstrate their support for children and families who have been touched by abuse, and appreciation to those who help abused or neglected children. Please join in saying this prayer:

Lord, thank you for our children.

For them we kneel and pray.

Help us teach them of your kindness,

of your mercy and your way.

Help us show them of your love,

Your strength and safety, too.

Help us show them who You are.

Help us treat them like You do.

*Let us pray, educate ourselves and volunteer
for the children of our nation.*

*Until black and blue are just colors
in their crayon box. Amen*

By Janet Magee (www.bluesunday.org)

Parish News continued

Easter Flowers: Thanks!

The flowers for this Easter Season are given in memory of the following intentions. We thank all of the donors for their great generosity which has helped to beautify our church this Easter. Please pray for our benefactors and for all of their intentions, but especially for those in whose memory the flowers are donated.



- In memory of Jack & Wanda Rauen & John & Betty Bramlage
By Jim & Pat Bramlage
- In memory of Helen Bray
By David & Kathy Bray
- In memory of Dan Cahill & Bill Cahill
By Donna Cahill
- In memory of Clara & Ralph Robke
By John & Elinor Comer
- In memory of Teddy Fritz
By Ed & Brenda Fritz
- In memory of the Gassmann & Pompilio Families
By Eric & Karen Gassmann
- In memory of George & Ethel Janszen, Bill & Chris Janszen, Bob & Mary Ann Becker & Ann Ginn
By John & Betty Jo Ginn
- In memory of the Harms & Noonan Families
By Pat Harms
- In memory of Bob & Evelyn Hebbeler
By the Hebbeler Family
- In memory of Dan Cahill & Bill Cahill
By Gary & Taffy Hebbeler
- In memory of the Hill, Bright & Chambers Families
By Rick & Chris Hill & Kathy Chambers
- In memory of the Koehl & Oberschlake Families
By Gene & Leslie Koehl
- In memory of Bernie Kramer
By Joyce Kramer
- In memory of Norbert Lewin, Chad McCord & the Mentzel Family
By Barb Lewin
- In Thanksgiving
By Don & Irene Mai
- In memory of Joan Maier & Barbara & John Wohlhueter
By Mike & Rae Maier
- In memory of Rob Miller & Jim Hodge
By Rosie Miller
- In memory of Raymond Mueller
By Della Mueller
- In memory of Ann Dickman & John, Joe, Bill & Steve Dickman
By Beth Dickman Nagle
- In memory of Art Schaller & Larry Schaller
By Kay Schaller
- In memory of the Stauber & Weibel Families
By Lee & Martha Stauber
- In memory of the Stoeckle & Weibel Families
By Bob & Millie Stoeckle
- In memory of Cathie Stratman, Lois Klayer & Margie Kidwell
By Joe & Nancy Stratman
- In memory of the Tepe & Wells Families
By Daryl & Blanche Tepe
- In memory of Arthur & Julianna Schwartz
By Bernie & Donna
- In memory of Joseph Willenbrink
By Kay Willenbrink
- In memory of Anthony Wirtz, III
By Mary Wirtz
- In memory of the Witt & Meyers Families
By Walt & Martha Witt

Serra Club for Vocations

The Serra Club for Vocations, Northern Kentucky, is currently selling ticket vouchers to the Florence Freedom double header on Wednesday, June 5th. Honorary first pitchers for the June 5th game include Michelle Blevins, a Postulant with the Sisters of Notre Dame, **Rev. Mark Keene, pastor of Saint Agnes Parish**, and Barry Henry, a Serra Club member who is scheduled to be ordained to the Diaconate on May 4th. Ticket vouchers are \$10 and can be purchased through the Diocesan Stewardship Office or from individual Serra Club members. To purchase tickets, please call Mike Murray at 392-1500 or email him at mmurray@covdio.org.

Parish News continued

Shrek the Musical Jr.

Saint Agnes junior high students will be performing Shrek the Musical Jr. at the Carnegie Theatre on Saturday, May 4th at 3:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Shows are before and after the Derby so everyone can still watch the horses run. Tickets are \$10 each. If you call the box office or purchase in person you will only be charged \$10 plus sales tax. If you order online there is an additional \$3.25 online fee. The Carnegie Box Office phone is 859-957-1940, Tuesday thru Friday, noon to 5:00 p.m. or online at www.thecarnegie.com. Please come and see this fun show for all ages and support the junior high students!

Attention All Virtus Users

During the month of April, **ALL accounts will be open or un-suspended. If you are not up-to-date on reading your monthly bulletins you can do so during April.** If you have any questions please contact Beth at the Parish Office at 431-1802 or parishoffice@saintagnes.com.

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 Deacon Bob Stoeckle at the Parish Office (431-1802) 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).

Faith Formation

FORMED

HAPPY EASTER! During these Easter days, we hear Jesus in Scripture encouraging the Apostles to go out and make disciples of all nations. Did you know that Jesus asks us to do the same thing by virtue of our baptismal call? Often the opportunity presents itself for us to share our faith with others. Maybe we feel we do not know enough about our faith to comfortably share it. **FORMED** offers us abundant resources to learn our faith so we can grow in our confidence to live as disciples of Jesus. Begin to learn more now by checking out the Symbolon series or enjoying any of the movies under Modern Day Saints, or reading books like [Behold the Man by Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers](#), or listening to presentations such as *Three Days That Changed the World* by Fr. Hector R. G. Perez, or watching *The Jesus Stories* with your children. If you have not registered for our **free** subscription to **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 , pfritz@saintagnes.com



Word of Life Bulletin Brief

"Those who die in God's grace and friendship live forever with Christ. Heaven is not an abstract idea, but a true and lasting relationship with God that is beyond all earthly description and understanding. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead and everlasting life by preparing now, in hope, for our passage from this life into eternal life."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities,
"Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing"

Faith Formation continued

RCIA

ALLELUIA! Please welcome our newest Catholics who entered our Church at the Easter Vigil this weekend, Cheryl Brookbank and Larry Dunn.

Check out their pictures on the posters at the entrances of the Church and congratulate them when you see them at Mass. May God bless them with joy and peace as they worship with us each week and enter fully into living a Catholic life.

Calling all Saint Agnes parishioners! During this Easter Season, live the Easter Alleluias by inviting someone to learn more about the Catholic faith. 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 office at 431-1802.



April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. A parishioner sent me this prayer that she came across years ago and which she prays with regard to this issue. I invite all to make this prayer part of your prayer intentions, particularly this month. – Father Mark Keene

O Lord Jesus Christ, whose anger was once terribly kindled against those who hurt the children, we beseech You to bring to repentance all those who through cruelty, lust, or carelessness bring the innocent to harm. We are among them, O Lord, and confess with sorrow and shame that every failure of our love in thought, word or deed immeasurably increases the sin of the world and the unhappiness of the children.

Lord, have mercy on us, increase our love and consecrate it, making it active in deed and prayer for all children in danger of body, mind or spirit, all who are hungry or homeless through war or disaster, children of broken homes, frightened or lonely children, children who look for love and do not find it.

What can we say, O Lord, what can we ask? They are the innocent sufferers for our sins, as You were in Your life on earth, united to You more closely than we can understand. Lord, have mercy upon them in their suffering, and have mercy upon us in our sin.

Lord, as once the mothers of Israel brought their children to You that You might bless them, so now we come to You bringing with us in our hearts those children who are especially dear to each one of us.

Kneeling in the shadow of Your great love for them, Your most glorious and perfect prayer to the Father for them, we say their names over in Your presence... You alone know what awaits them in life, and the special needs of each one of them, and we humbly trust them to Your never-failing mercy and almighty love. We ask that only throughout their lives they may do and bear what is Your will for them as perfectly as they are able, and that You will keep them close to You now and forever. We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN.

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Project Rachel

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Life is a gift from God, and so is His mercy. Tens of millions of Americans have been directly touched by abortion and have feelings of regret, guilt and grief.

God's healing love and mercy are always possible. Many Catholics want to help women and men who have experienced abortion, but some don't know how to begin. The Diocese of Covington, in accordance with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, offer the Project Rachel Ministry, a confidential, compassionate journey to healing. Project Rachel help line (859) 392-1547 or projectrachel@covdio.org.

