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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

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER/ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Calendar

Sunday, May 13

- Cans for Kids
- 9:00 a.m. Rosary - Church
- 1:00 p.m. Baptisms
- 7:30 p.m. Rosary for Peace-Adoration Chapel

Monday, May 14

- 7:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul - Rectory Conf Room

Tuesday, May 15

- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Group - Chapel

Wednesday, May 16

- 12:00 p.m. Bible Study - Rectory Conf Room
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts - Murphy A & B

Thursday, May 17

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

Friday, May 18

Saturday, May 19

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

Sunday, May 20

- 9:00 a.m. Rosary - Church
- 1:00 p.m. Baptisms
- 7:30 p.m. Rosary for Peace-Adoration Chapel

Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 13-Seventh Sunday of Easter

- Ascension of the Lord
- 7:30 a.m. Helen & Bob Kramer
- 9:30 a.m. Bob Hemmer
- 11:30 a.m. Jane Menkhaus

Monday, May 14-St. Matthias

- 6:30 a.m. People of the Parish
- 11:30 a.m. Joseph Connelly

Tuesday, May 15-St. Isidore

- 6:30 a.m. Intention of JoAnn Glazier
- 11:30 a.m. Ed Schuh

Wednesday, May 16

- 6:30 a.m. Yosh Shibuya
- 11:30 a.m. Terry McClure

Thursday, May 17

- 6:30 a.m. Ralph Hoffer
- 11:30 a.m. Janet Buhr

Friday, May 18-St. John I

- 6:30 a.m. Intention of JoAnn Glazier
- 8:00 a.m. Special Intention
- 11:30 a.m. De Ann Fricker

Saturday, May 19

- 8:30 a.m. John & Rosemary Cronin
- 4:00 p.m. David Tuemler

Sunday, May 20-Pentecost Sunday

- 7:30 a.m. Corinne Gaudio & Bertha Kirn
- 9:30 a.m. Jeanne Able
- 11:30 a.m. Betty & George Read

Ministry/Volunteer Schedule for May 19th/20th

Gift Bearers

- 4:00 p.m. Volunteers
- 7:30 a.m. Don & Irene Mai
- 9:30 a.m. Paul & Debbie Finke & Family
- 11:30 a.m. Volunteers

Special Ministers of the Word

- 4:00 p.m. L-O Martin, C-S Osterhage
- 7:30 a.m. G Dushensky
- 9:30 a.m. L-J Osterhaus, C-S Elkins
- 11:30 a.m. L-C Read, C-K Oberjohn

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 4:00 p.m. J Bayer, M Martin, K Middendorf, M Stoeckle, M Pennington, J & A Ward, K Willenbrink
- 7:30 a.m. M Wuensch, D & B Tepe, B Lewin
- 9:30 a.m. T Fischer, M Fox, P Fritz, C Jacober, J & P Bramlage, M Brungs, C Cleves
- 11:30 a.m. J & M Crowe, J & K Elfers, B Thamann, P & ML Scheper, D Able

Servers

- 4:00 p.m. A Martin, C Martin, E Martin
- 7:30 a.m. VOLUNTEERS
- 9:30 a.m. C Collins, M David, S Fischer
- 11:30 a.m. B Wirth, H Wirth, J Carpenter

6:30 a.m. – Servers:

May 14th-Steve Lorenz May 21st-Don Mai

Rosary, Sunday, May 20th at 9:00 a.m.: Mike Brungs

Highland Crossing, May 20th: Deacon Bob Stoeckle

Vocation Chalice Program Participants

- 4:00 p.m. Bill Boehmer
- 7:30 a.m. Daryl & Blanche Tepe
- 9:30 a.m. Bill & Pat Metzger
- 11:30 a.m. Ken & Rachel Heberling

Greeters

- 4:00 p.m. F-Geri Sullivan A-Marge Kuhlman
- 7:30 a.m. F-Bev & Frank Henn A-Michelle Wuehsch
- 9:30 a.m. F-Todd & Marijo Fischer
A-Tom Jacober & Lee Stauber
- 11:30 a.m. F-Paul & Jenny Kleier
A-Mike & Heather Monson

Happy Mother's Day!

We wish a Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers in our parish and to all the mothers of our parishioners. We also express our appreciation for the gift of life and nurturance we receive through our mothers.

– Fr. Mark Keene



Staff Article

Talk

Today is the Feast of the Ascension of The Lord. This feast formerly was celebrated on the fortieth day after Easter because the Acts of the Apostles reports that Jesus appeared to the apostles and instructed them with signs and wonders for forty days after He rose from the tomb. On the fortieth day He was taken from their midst up to Heaven on a cloud. Because the feast is so important the observance of the feast was moved to Sunday following the fortieth day after Easter in most dioceses in the United States in order to make it easier for those who work to celebrate the feast.

Today is also the Seventh Sunday of Easter. I find an interesting parallel in the message of the readings for both celebrations.

In the Gospel for the Feast of the Ascension, Mark quotes Jesus as saying to the Apostles, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature." In the Second Reading, Paul writes to the Ephesians: "But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. And He gave some as apostles, others as prophets, others as evangelists, others as pastors and teachers, to equip the holy ones for the work."

In the Gospel for the Seventh Sunday of Easter, John tells of Jesus praying to His father for protection for His Apostles and disciples. He quotes Jesus as saying, "As you sent Me into the world, so I sent them into the world. And I consecrate myself for them, so that they also may be consecrated in truth."

The message in each Sunday's readings is clear. Jesus sends forth His Apostles and disciples to proclaim His gospel everywhere and to everyone. As He does every time He speaks in the Gospels, Jesus is speaking to us also. If we are to be His disciples, we are to spread His teachings to everyone around us, always and everywhere. We have all been given various talents to be used in this endeavor.

The curious thing is that Roman Catholics are reported in studies to be the least likely of all religious denominations to talk about their faith;

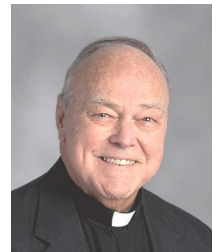
not only to strangers but also to their families, friends and neighbors. In this time in our secular culture when so many of our piers, family and friends are giving up their practice of the faith, when so many our children are losing the faith at young ages (including those in Catholic schools), it is imperative that we change and begin to reach out and to speak out to those closest to us.

It isn't just about explaining to others *what* we believe or *how* we practice our faith; it is even more important to relate why God is important to us; why Jesus Christ is central in our lives and why the Catholic faith is the most true and complete expression of our faith. It is especially important that we have these conversations with our children while they are very young and repeat them often throughout their lives, even when they are grown.

The most singular purpose every parent has is to prepare their children to make their way through the hostile spiritual culture we live in to everlasting life with our Father in heaven. I entreat every one of you who read this to sit down today and have a talk with your children about what your Catholic faith means to you, how it has shaped your life and how it gives you such great comfort and strength to deal with every aspect of life. You will not be sorry you did so and they will love you for having done it.

I would be curious to hear how it goes and to hear your thoughts on this matter.

Deacon Ralph Grieme



Parish Worship

Faith Sharing Questions

Theme of this week's Gospel: Jesus prays for His followers and asks His Father to take care of them and guard them from "the evil one!"

Adults: What do you think Jesus meant when He said "His followers did not belong to this world?" Do you ever feel that you do not belong to this world? How can you live your life in this day and not "belong to this world?"

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Teens: If you had been living when Jesus was alive do you think you would have had the courage to follow Him? How can you follow Him today?

Children: If you were asked to describe the Holy Spirit, what would you say?

Next Sunday: May 20, 2018

Pentecost Sunday, Easter Season, Cycle B

There is a set of readings for the “Vigil Mass of Pentecost” with various choices for the first reading. The story of the “Tower of Babel” (Genesis 11:1-9) is the usual choice for the first reading at the Vigil Mass. The Second Reading is always Romans 8:22-27 in which Paul reflects on the “groanings” of all Creation and the groanings of those who “have the first fruits of the Spirit.” Paul then speaks of the role of the Spirit who “intercedes with inexpressible groanings” and who “intercedes for the holy ones according to God’s will.” The Gospel reading for the Vigil Mass is always John 7:37-39. In this reading, Jesus speaks of the Spirit “that those who came to believe in him were to receive.”

For the “Pentecost Sunday, Mass during the Day,” there are readings assigned (with some options for the second reading in Year B and C and the Gospel reading in Year B). Regardless of which Liturgical Year, the First Reading is always, Act of the Apostles 2:1-11.

Gospel Reading (John 20:19-23 OR John 15:26-27, 16:12-15): The passage from chapter 20 is referred to as the “Johannine Pentecost” and it describes Jesus as appearing to the disciples on the evening of the day of His resurrection. During this visitation He “breathes” on them and says: “Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them and whose sins you retain are retained.” Here, it seems that the Spirit is given for the forgiveness of sins. Elsewhere in John (chapter 14 and 15) Jesus describes an “Advocate” (the Greek word is “Paraclete”) who is the Holy Spirit who will be sent by the Father and who will “teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you.”

In the reading from chapters 15 and 16 (which is taken from the “Final Discourse” in the Gospel of John (chapters 14-17)) Jesus speaks of an “Advocate” (“Paraclete” in Greek) who is the Spirit of Truth, who proceeds from the Father (cf. the Nicene Creed) and who will guide the disciples (the Church) to all truth.

First Reading (Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11):

The Pentecost reading that most people are familiar with is this one from the Acts of the Apostles. It’s Luke’s vivid description of the apostles gathered together in one room (some say the same room as the Last Supper) when they hear noise from the sky “like a strong driving wind” and “there appeared to them tongues as of fire which parted and came to rest on each one of them.”

Second Reading (I Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

OR Galatians 5:16-25): In the reading from I Corinthians, Paul addresses the divisions in the Christian community at Corinth by reminding them that “No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.” He goes on to stress that while there are many spiritual gifts, there is only one Spirit who gives them. He uses the human body as an analogy. The human body has many different parts—and all parts are important and necessary—but they all serve the one body.

In the reading from Galatians, Paul contrasts the “life of the flesh” and its works with the “life of the Spirit” and its fruits. “If we live in the Spirit, let us also follow the Spirit.”

Pentecost

Hundreds of years before Jesus was born, a Jewish early harvest festival evolved into a feast commemorating the gift of the Torah (“The Law” or “The Ten Commandments”) on Mount Sinai. This Jewish feast became associated with the giving of the Holy Spirit (who precedes and is the successor to The Law in Christian Tradition) to the early Christian Community.

In the Jewish tradition, the number “seven” was a number that denoted perfection or completeness, so “seven times seven” or a “week of weeks” would only underline the Solemnity of Easter and the Easter Season, far eclipsing every other feast on the Church calendar. The name “Pentecost”

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means “fiftieth” and in the early church the term referred to the whole Fifty Days of Easter, what we now call “Easter Season”. The Feast of Pentecost is the third most solemn feast in the Liturgical Year (behind Easter and Christmas). The Easter Candle, which was first lit at our Easter Vigil this year, has been lit during all of the Liturgies of the Easter Season. After today, it will only be lit at Baptisms and during funerals.

Adoration of Our Lord

“The Lord is close at hand; come, let us worship him.” (Antiphon)

The Lord, is indeed, very close. He is present in His body, blood, soul, and divinity in our Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel for us to adore. Please commit to an hour with Him. Call 859-496-4149 for more information.



Bulletin Picture

The Vigil Lamp in the Sanctuary of our Church. The quiet and simple reminder of our Lord’s enduring presence in His Church, in His Word, in His Eucharist and especially His abiding Real Presence, under the appearance of the hosts in the Tabernacle.

Weekday Rosary

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



Stewardship

Status of Sunday Collection

Actual Collections (July thru 05/07/18)	\$1,086,024
Budgeted Collections (July thru May)	\$1,172,000
Budgeted Collections for Fiscal Year (2017/2018)	\$1,250,000

DPAA 2018: EFT or CREDIT CARDS

Credit card and electronic funds transfer gifts (EFT) are being handled differently this year at the recommendation of our Diocesan auditors. The Diocesan Stewardship Office is no longer able to accept credit card numbers or voided checks for EFTs. To make a donation in this manner, parishioners need to go to www.covdio.org and click on the Diocesan Parish Annual Appeal 'DONATE' button. The first screen will ask for your monthly contribution and the second screen will ask for the total contribution. Unfortunately, many are indicating their total as their monthly contribution. For example, many wishing to pledge \$100/month for 10 months for a \$1,000 pledge are actually stating they wish to pledge \$1,000/month. Also please include your parish affiliation when requested. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

– Father Mark Keene

Status of DPAA 2018

Zeal for your house will consume me. (John 2:17)



As of April 26th, our parish has \$128,647.45 in gifts and pledges from 365 parishioners (26%) toward our parish goal of \$155,900, leaving a balance of \$27,252.55. Thank you to everyone who has made a gift or pledge so far. If you misplaced your pledge envelope, please contact the rectory. If you wish use a credit card or EFT to make your gift/pledge, please see the above article. Thank you! –Father Mark Keene

Saint of the Week

Saint Isidore the Farmer

Saint Isidore the Farmer (1070-1130) was a poor Spanish farmworker who worked on the farm of a large landowner in the area of Madrid, Spain. His real name was Isidore de Merlo y Quintana. He married Maria Torribia. She was later known as Santa Maria de la Cabeza, or Saint Mary of the Head, because her head, a relic, has been used to procure rain



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during dry spells. Her title of Saint is an honorary one as she has not been canonized, but she was beatified in 1697. Pope Francis is reportedly considering her canonization in the near future.

Isidore had many miracles attributed to him during his life. Once his child fell into a deep well. Isidore and Maria prayed and the water in the well rose to the top of the well and the baby floated up with it and was rescued by the parents. Isidore spent many hours in prayer and his fellow workers complained to the landowner. When he investigated he found that an angel was plowing for Isidore. Another miracle occurred in the winter when Isidore was taking wheat to the mill. He saw some pigeons scratching at the frozen ground. Feeling sorry he poured half of the wheat on the ground. Others laughed at him but when he reached the mill he found the bag completely full. He and Maria would keep a pot of stew on the fire for the hungry. One time more people came than there was food. Nevertheless the pot fed all of the hungry people. Isidore is also said to have brought the deceased daughter of his landowner back to life and he also produced a spring of water for the landowner. These are just a few of the miracles attributed to him. The Spanish royal family would also seek cures from the saint. In 1212 when floods opened Isidore's grave his body was found to be incorrupt.

Saint Isidore reminds us that ordinary life can lead to holiness and there is dignity in work. One author says that Isidore points out that "If you have your spiritual self in order, your earthly commitments will fall into order also." Saint Isidore the Farmer's feast day is May 15th.

to be a day to honor mothers and mother figures individually and not collectively, thus the reason for the apostrophe before the "s." Mother's Day is about loving mom for mothering us, which includes disciplining us, pushing us, and loving us. Mothers are also leaders, friends, confidantes, and teachers. In the early days, people observed Mother's Day by going to church and by writing letters to their mothers. Eventually, sending cards and giving gifts and flowers were added to the tradition. But it's the simple gestures that most moms love....a visit, a phone call, a hug, or a thank you! Tell her how much you love her and how special she is to you. Happy Mother's Day!!

Parish Office Summer Hours

Effective May 25th through August 31st, the Parish Office hours will be Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday 8:30 a.m. to noon.

The office will also be closed on Memorial Day, May 28th

Wedding Banns

Il-Lauren Gross, Saint Agnes &
Matt Nachazel, Saint Agnes



Gift Bearers Needed

Gift bearers are needed for all Mass. If interested or if you have any questions, please contact Beth at the Parish Office (431-1802 or parishoffice@saintagnes.com).

Youth Group Meeting Change

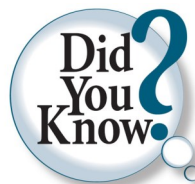
Due to so many traveling, the May 27th Youth meeting is being moved to June 3rd. Grades 7th and 8th meet from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. and high school students meet from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Meetings are in the school cafeteria. Groups will also meet on June 10th. See you on June 3rd!



Parish News

Did You Know?

In the United States, Anna Jarvis tirelessly campaigned to have a day just for moms. In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson signed a Joint Resolution designating the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day. It was intended



Parish News continued

Baby Bottle Campaign

This weekend is Mother's Day weekend and the kickoff of the parish's Baby Bottle Campaign. Members of the Pro-Life Committee will be in the back of church passing out baby bottles for the campaign. Please take a bottle, fill it with your loose change and then return it on Father's Day weekend. Donations from the Baby Bottle Campaign will go to the student Pro-Life groups at Thomas More College and Northern Kentucky University to help with their pro-life missions. Donations will also be distributed to Madonna House (madonnahousenky.org), The Rose Garden Home Mission (www.exclusivesoftware.com/RoseGardenMission), and the Lifeline Fund at Catholic Charities. This fund allows Catholic Charities to provide assistance to low income women facing an unplanned pregnancy. The fund will provide living expenses, medical care, and additional resources for these vulnerable women, their families and their unborn children. If you have any questions please contact Mary Beth Scott at jacober@fioptics.com or 859-586-4017.



Saint Vincent de Paul Pantry

Thank you so much for all the food pantry donations this year. Because of your generosity our SVDP conference can use our funds to pay additional rent and utility bills for our clients. Grocery donations to our clients also frees up their money to pay for unexpected expenses.



Our food pantry is looking a little "slim" in some items. We would appreciate any donations you could help us with by grabbing a blue SVDP bag on your way out of church. A list of items is contained in each bag. We especially need macaroni and cheese, canned fruit and vegetables, spaghetti and sauce. Thanks so much for your help. We so appreciate all your generosity.

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).

Faith Formation

Word of Life Bulletin Brief

"We can all help encourage our government and other institutions to support life. They must always aid and support mothers and children, and never offer to pay for the destruction of life as a 'solution' to the challenges women face. The call to uphold women's dignity and well-being, that of their unborn children, is one and the same."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"Poverty and Abortion: A Vicious Cycle"

RCIA

Throughout the Easter Season, the Church invites our new Catholics to study the role of the Holy Spirit in their ongoing conversion. The Easter Season readings this year remind us of how difficult it is for us to follow Jesus' example in living unselfish lives. Our faith teaches us that the Eucharist and the gifts of the Holy Spirit



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strengthen us all to live as disciples of Jesus. Today's gospel reminds us of our oneness in Jesus and our oneness with each another as we all grow into the likeness of Christ. May we be ever more aware of the Holy Spirit's guidance. May our attitudes, our words, and our actions reflect our oneness with Jesus and lead others to Him. Please keep praying for our new Catholics, Justin and Brandon, and for those who are being called to inquire about our faith.

If you know someone who is, or you are, a non-practicing Catholic, a baptized non-Catholic, or an unbaptized person, please call the parish office at 431-1802 or email pfritz@saintagnes.com to learn more about Jesus and His Holy Catholic Church.

FORMED

Would you like to grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ and help your children to know Jesus as well? Do you know someone who has fallen away from the Church, perhaps a friend, a family member, a co-worker, and you want reach them but you just don't know how to? Our parish has received the gift of an online subscription to **FORMED**, which offers multiple Catholic resources for each of us to grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ and in our desire to share our Faith with others. **FORMED** includes faith based movies, documentaries, books, audios, and children's resources. As we move into summer and possibly have more free time, why not access **FORMED** and enjoy a summer of fun rekindling your faith and sharing it with your family and friends? As we close the Easter Season for this year, remember that we are called by virtue of our own Baptism and Confirmation to commit our lives to Jesus and to sharing His good news with the world. In order to effectively teach our children the faith and spread the Good News in our community, we need to continue our study of the faith throughout our whole lives. **Please**



register for **FORMED** by going to www.formed.org, clicking the Enter Code box in the upper left section, entering the access code **7CWP2N**, and then following the instructions. Our Church needs you and your family to spread our faith. Please start today!

Christian Outreach

Opportunities for Life

Opportunities for Life maintains a 24 hour statewide hotline offering life affirming hope and help to those in turmoil due to an untimely pregnancy. For more information call 1-800-822-5824. Or, locally call the Catholic Charities at 581-8974 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Project Rachel

God's greatest desire is to forgive. Come back to God who is love and mercy. Project Rachel Hotline 392-1547 or email projectrachel@covdio.org. All calls and emails are confidential.

Please encourage any woman or man who has had an abortion experience to call the Project Rachel line.

Volunteers are also needed to serve in this ministry. If you are interested, please call the Diocese of Covington Pro-Life Office at 392-1500 to get information.

Family Life Ministry

Support Group for Divorced/Separated

Registration required. Call 392-1591 Thursday's at 7:00 p.m.

Always Our Children

For parents and families of gay/lesbian children. Third Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. All meetings take place at Catholic Charities.

For information concerning Marriage Preparation courses, visit our website: www.covdio.org/catechesis-formation/family-life-ministry/



Diocesan News

Newman Connection

Newman Connection is a non-profit dedicated to the advancement and promotion of Catholic Campus Ministry. It is a national outreach program that connects students from all over the country to campus ministry. In late spring, high school seniors are asked where they plan to attend college. This information is sent to the campus minister of their designated college. This spring, information packets will be sent to parishes with cards that students and their families can fill out. The cards are returned to the Newman Connection, which puts each freshman in touch with their campus ministry. The only information needed is the student's name and where they are planning to attend college. No other personal information such as a phone number or email address is needed. See www.newmanconnection.com for more info.



2018 Cross the Bridge for Life

Join thousands of tristate residents at Newport's Riverfront Row festival area Sunday, June 3rd to celebrate the beautiful gift of human life regardless of age or stage, ability or disability. All are welcome to join this family-friendly event to cross the Purple People Bridge and fill it with the joy of life. Festivities begin at 1:00 p.m. The walk begins after a brief program at 2 p.m. featuring Bobby Schindler, President, Terri Schiavo Life & Hope Network; the Most Reverend Roger Foys, Bishop, Diocese of Covington; Most Reverend Dennis Schnurr, Archbishop, Archdiocese of Cincinnati; vocalist Allison Riegler; and American Heritage Girls color guard. For more information visit www.crossthebridgeforlife.org and follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CTBforlife.



Rose Garden Home Mission: Partners in Hope For the Poor Dinner

The Franciscan Daughters of Mary and the Friends of the Rose Garden Home Mission ask you to "save-the-date" for the Seventh Annual Partners in Hope for the Poor Dinner, scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 14th, 2018, at Receptions, Inc. (1379 Donaldson Road, Erlanger KY). The guest speaker for this year's dinner is Ms. Star Parker, a pro-life activist and founder of the Core Center for Urban Renewal and Education. For more information, please call the Rose Garden Mission at (859) 491-ROSE (491-7673).

Family Promise Fundraiser

Come support Family Promise of Northern KY by attending a fundraiser on Friday, May 18th from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Christ UCC, 15 S. Ft. Thomas Avenue, Ft. Thomas, KY. Adult tickets are \$25 and include beer and wine tasting. Child tickets (under 21 years) are \$10 and include root beer float and hotdog. The band "Yard Sale" will be providing the entertainment so bring your dancing shoes. To purchase your tickets ahead of time go to www.eventbrite.com/pints-for-promise-parking-lot-party-tickets.

New Hope Center

New Hope Center's mission is to strengthen families by being a guiding light of strength and care for families with pregnancy related concerns, encourage sexual abstinence for unmarried persons, and provide emotional support for post abortive women. Volunteers are critical to New Hope's ministry. A variety of volunteer opportunities are available including training for men and women interested in counseling those facing unplanned pregnancies. For more information, or to register for an upcoming training class, please call Denise Nevins at 859-341-0767 ext. 14 or email dnevins@newhopecenter.com for an application, or visit our website at www.newhopedonations.com.

