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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

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Calendar

Sunday, August 11

Cans for Kids Collection

9:00 a.m. Rosary - Church

1:00 p.m. Baptisms

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

Monday, August 12

5:30 p.m. First Place 4 Health - Parish Conf Room

7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul - Parish Conf Room

7:30 p.m. Pro-Life Committee - Murphy Hall

Tuesday, August 13

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

7:00 p.m. Board of Education - School

Wednesday, August 14

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

Thursday, August 15

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

Friday, August 16

Saturday, August 17

8:10 a.m. Sung Morning Prayer - Church

9:00 a.m. Confessions - Church

Sunday, August 18

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, August 11-Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

9:30 a.m. Loraine Bogenschutz

11:30 a.m. Randy Griffin

Monday, August 12-St. Jane Frances de Chantal

6:30 a.m. Dec'd of the Hudepohl Family

11:30 a.m. Walter Pieschel

Tuesday, August 13-Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus

6:30 a.m. Intention of Linda Rahe

11:30 a.m. Intention of Jean Longshore

Wednesday, August 14-St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe

6:30 a.m. Joe Melching

11:30 a.m. Betty Muldoon

7:00 p.m. Bill Poncer

Thursday, August 15-The Assumption of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 a.m. Intention of Linda Rahe

8:30 a.m. Intention of JoAnn Glazier

11:30 a.m. Rebecca "Becky" Moening

Friday, August 16-St. Stephen

6:30 a.m. People of the Parish

11:30 a.m. Velma & Carl Appel

Saturday, August 17

8:30 a.m. Marvin Borne

4:00 p.m. David Tuemler - 2nd Anniversary

Sunday, August 18-Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Doran Reed

9:30 a.m. Steve Wigger

11:30 a.m. Yvette Mayleben

Ministry/Volunteer Schedule for August 17th & 18th

Gift Bearers

4:00 p.m. Volunteers

7:30 a.m. Volunteers

9:30 a.m. Volunteers

11:30 a.m. Volunteers

Special Ministers of the Word

4:00 p.m. L-S Sturgeon, C-J Stratman

7:30 a.m. M Maier

9:30 a.m. K Jump

11:30 a.m. L-M Nutter, C-J Lawson

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

4:00 p.m. M Stoeckle, N Stratman, K Willenbrink,
P Adams, T & D Eilerman, M Martin,
M Pennington

7:30 a.m. L Ferguson, B Henn, C Kirn, Volunteer

9:30 a.m. C Mullen, G & D Small, W Witt, M Brungs,
K Fischer, T Fischer, C Smith

11:30 a.m. J & M Crowe, J & K Elfers, LA Ernst,
P Fritz, P & ML Scheper

Servers

4:00 p.m. A Martin, E Martin, W Michels

7:30 a.m. Volunteers

9:30 a.m. A Weitzel, S Fischer, R Robertson

11:30 a.m. A Dilbert, M Summe, P Summe

6:30 a.m. – Servers:

August 12th-Barb Lewin August 19th-Steve Lorenz

Rosary, Sunday, Aug. 18th at 9:00 a.m.: Mike Brungs

Highland Crossing, August 18th: Don Able

Vocation Chalice Program Participants

4:00 p.m. Tom Kramer

7:30 a.m. Bob & Paula Zembrodt

9:30 a.m. Chris & Natalie Maier

11:30 a.m. Terry & Sandy Flanagan

Greeters

4:00 p.m. **Volunteers**

7:30 a.m. **Volunteers**

9:30 a.m. **Volunteers**

11:30 a.m. **Volunteers**

Staff Article

On Letting Go Part 2

It seems a common theme of our readings this week is “faith.” The first reading from the book of Wisdom begins, “The night of the Passover was known beforehand to our fathers, that, with sure knowledge of the oaths in which they put their **faith**, they might have courage. The second reading from the book of Hebrews states, “Brothers and sisters: **faith** is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen.” In the Gospel Jesus exhorts His disciples to “Sell your belongings and give alms...For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.” These words ring true for us today as we are challenged to “let go” of our earthly treasure in exchange for heavenly treasure.

In this age of modern technology we have become quite dependent on our various devices, i.e. laptops, tablets, smart phones, watches, etc. Several weeks ago I learned this lesson the hard way. I had been invited to play for several events at the National Pastoral Musicians Convention in Raleigh, NC. Tuesday night of that week I attended the annual composers’ appreciation dinner, hosted by one of my publishers, Oregon Catholic Press (OCP). At the dinner I sat between Dan Schutte, composer of many well-known liturgical pieces including “Here I Am, Lord,” and my longtime friend and fellow composer, Mark Friedman. After dinner I was going to walk the 6 blocks back to the Marriott hotel and then onto the convention center to rehearse and then play for a late night Taize prayer service. Mark had booked an Uber and insisted I ride back with him instead of walking. I accepted. After we were dropped off in the circle at the Marriott, I reached for my phone to see if there was any important information I needed before heading to rehearsal. To my horror I discovered my phone wasn’t there! Remembering having it in the lobby of the building where the dinner had been held, I ran back there only to discover no one had seen it. I ran back to the hotel and still NO PHONE!!! I got word to the person in charge of the prayer that I had lost my phone and would be late for rehearsal. I ended up rehearsing and playing the prayer service,

knowing my phone was missing. Any of you who have been in this situation know how distressing this can be. For those of you who may not know, a Taize prayer is a very quiet and meditative style of prayer that involves the singing of simple refrains sometimes in 4 part harmonies by everyone, musicians, choir, and congregation. While playing/praying for this prayer I had a quiet message in my heart that ultimately the only true things that matter are our relationship with God and with others. I was able to pray this prayer like never before. This ended up being an important lesson in putting my **FAITH** and trust in God. In sharing this incident I’m reminded of the song we sang last week, “These Alone are Enough,” based on the prayer of St. Ignatius of Loyola. It is a prayer of complete surrender and letting go. I end this article praying with you the words that end each verse...”Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God, are enough for me.”



Christ’s Peace and Blessings,
Bobby Fisher,
Director of Music Ministries

BTW - I ended up recovering my phone after the Taize prayer. It had fallen out in the back seat of the Uber car. The driver and my friend, Mark, were able to connect. The driver brought my phone back to Mark who then returned it to me.

MUSICAL NOTES - A couple of weeks ago our own St. Agnes Music Ministers—25 plus strong—participated in leading a workshop on Ensemble with me at the NPM Guitar and Ensemble Institute. They did an amazing job!

LOST AND FOUND - On Monday I found a beautiful green and gold rosary in the handicapped parking space facing the rectory. On the back of the cross it read, “America needs Fatima 2018.” I brought it to the parish office so that whoever lost it may recover it.

ONE FINAL NOTE - Let us remember in prayer the victims of the recent mass shootings in El Paso and Dayton as well as their families and communities and for all victims of violence throughout our nation and the world.

Parish Worship

Faith Sharing Questions

Theme of this week's Gospel: If we are to be faithful people of God, we must be act in accordance with our faith...we must be constant at all times, not just when it is convenient!

Adults: The Gospel tells us that much will be expected from people who have been given extra talents and gifts. Do you feel that you use your talents to the best of your ability? How can you do more for others?

Teens: The Gospel tells us that we should be prepared for "when the Master comes!" What do you think this means?

Children: What can you do today to help someone that Jesus had sent to you as a friend? What can you do today to help your parents?

Next Sunday: August 18, 2019

The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C

In our Liturgical Calendar we are now in the period called "Ordinary Time". The Liturgical color for Ordinary Time is green, unless it is a special feast.

This year we are using Cycle C, and so our Gospel reading this year will feature the Gospel of Luke. During Ordinary Time the first reading, from the Old Testament, is chosen because of a thematic relation to the Gospel reading. For the second reading, we read semi-continuously from a New Testament letter, currently the Letter to the Hebrews

Gospel (Luke 12:49-53): When we think of Jesus, we tend to think in terms of His bringing peace and unity to our world. This reading is quite the opposite, where Jesus speaks in terms of having "come to set the earth on fire" and "Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." Luke was a disciple of Saint Paul, who experienced much opposition from Jewish Christians to his preaching Christianity to the

Gentiles. Undoubtedly, Luke personally knew this opposition that Jesus speaks of. Within Christian communities (and undoubtedly families) there was great and passionate division about this issue. Perhaps this reading reflects that reality. In the larger picture, the teaching of Jesus has often brought those who believe in it into conflict with "the world." We should not be surprised about this.

First Reading (Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10):

Jeremiah was a prophet during the very difficult times leading up to the Babylonian Exile. Judah was under siege by the Chaldeans (Babylonians). Jeremiah's words are a source of much division within the Jewish people at the time, particularly the Jewish court. They were growing tired of what they considered his dire and pessimistic prophesies about the future of Judah. This reading describes a plot by some of Jeremiah's enemies to kill him by leaving him in a cistern. Later he would be rescued however, being draw out of the cistern before he died. There seem to be parallels between Jeremiah's persecution and the passion of Jesus. It is hard not to think of Christ being raised from the dead when we hear of Jeremiah being draw out of the cistern.

Second Reading (Hebrews 12:1-4): It is thought that the Letter to the Hebrews was written to Jews who had also practiced the "New Way" of Christianity, but with time were leaving the Christian practices and returning to Jewish practices alone. The Letter to the Hebrews tries to portray Christianity as the long-awaited fulfillment of Jewish faith and hopes. This reading invites its listeners to reflect on the "great cloud of witnesses" ("martyrs" in Greek) that have remained faithful. This passage encourages the listeners to "persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus."

Weekday Rosary

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



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Sunday Mass Schedule Change

Beginning the weekend of September 7th/8th our Sunday morning Mass schedule will change. The 4:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday will remain at 4:00 p.m. On Sunday morning, we will have two Masses, one at 8:30 a.m. and one at 10:30 a.m.

Several months ago Bishop Foys asked the deans of our diocese to lead a process in their respective deaneries to discuss the Sunday morning Mass schedules. What precipitated this request was the increasing difficulty in finding priests to say Sunday Masses when a priest was sick or otherwise away from his parish.

Historically, a number of the retired priests were a great help in this regard. Now, however, many of these retired priests have died or because of health can no longer travel or say Mass.

There are 53 parishes and missions in our Diocese of Covington, plus various religious motherhouses, the hospitals and other institutions. We currently have about 55 active priests and around 30 retired priests. We are very fortunate at Saint Agnes to have two full-time priests assigned to our parish, and one retired priest in residence who is able to help out. In recent months, priests from Saint Agnes have been helping out at Saint Joseph Heights, Holy Cross, Saint Barbara's and Our Savior Parishes.

Our parish church can seat 900 people. We count Mass attendance every October. Last October, our parish averaged 747 total in attendance at all four Sunday Masses on Sunday. In light of our own parish Mass attendance numbers and in order to coordinate our Sunday morning Mass schedule with other parishes (especially in our deanery) we decided to reduce the number of Masses on Sunday morning at Saint Agnes by one, and to change the times to 8:30 a.m. and 10:30a.m. We decided these times in consultation with other parishes in our deanery, many of whom are also reducing the number of Masses and changing the Mass times. We have tried to coordinate our various parish Mass schedules so as to be able

to help each other out when needed. We are a diocesan Church and the shortage of priests needed to say Mass is a diocesan pastoral concern. As a diocesan Church, we will have to adapt to these changes for the sake of our worship and identity as Catholics and parishioners of Saint Agnes Parish. Let us all prayerfully support one another in these changes.

— Father Mark Keene

Something to think about...

In an ideal world, each parish would have only one Sunday Mass and the whole parish would attend that one Mass. Then, that one Eucharist would truly be expressive of the worship and thanksgiving of that parish and be an expression of unity among all parishioners. Ideals are important and it is important for us to think about this ideal.

We get a sense of this ideal and why it is so, on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Memorial Day, when we have one Mass as a parish. Or consider when we have a funeral. We wouldn't think of having several funeral Masses for a deceased person so people could just pick the one that was most convenient. The same is true for a wedding. In these circumstances, there is just one Mass. This fundamental dynamic was characteristic of the Sunday Eucharist in the earliest days of our Church. During those times, a local church did not have multiple Masses on a Sunday. There was just one celebration of the Eucharist.

With time, the numbers of parishioners exceeded the capacity of the buildings, and Masses were added to accommodate this reality. With this change however, an unhelpful dynamic appears to have entered the Church's worship, where the ideal became to "attend a Mass to fulfill a personal obligation" rather than see oneself as having an essential/constitutive role in the worship life of one's own parish, which was considered a local manifestation of the Body of Christ.

I am not suggesting that we go to one Mass on Sundays at Saint Agnes now, but I am suggesting that we think about how we see our role in the worship of our parish. Over the years, a kind of "drive-thru" mentality has become part of our worship, at Saint Agnes and at other parishes. There is not much appreciation of or even

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acknowledgment of one's responsibility for the worship life of a parish. A lack of this fundamental awareness has precipitated a kind of functional/consumer-like relationship to worship and to the overall work of the Church. As a church, our relationship is meant to be familial and communal, and not consumer-driven. Think about it...

— Father Mark Keene

Adoration of Our Lord

"I am the Lord, your God, who grasp your right hand; it is I who say to you, fear not, I will help you. (Is 41:13)

Our Lord is always ready to help us, but we must ask Him. Share your fears and hopes with the Lord Jesus who waits patiently for your visit.

Visit Him in the Divine Mercy Eucharistic Adoration Chapel. Please commit to an hour with Him. Call 859-496-4149 for more information.



August 15th: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This Thursday, August 15th is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation. Masses will be at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday and 6:30, 8:30 and 11:30 a.m. on Thursday.

Bulletin Cover Picture

The Mary Altar in our sanctuary. This Thursday is the Feast of the Assumption of Mary.

Stewardship

Status of Sunday Collection

Actual Collections (July thru 08/05/19)
\$101,875

2019 DPAA

Our Citizenship is in Heaven (Philippians 3:20)
We've reached our goal!!

Thank you to everyone who has made a gift and/or

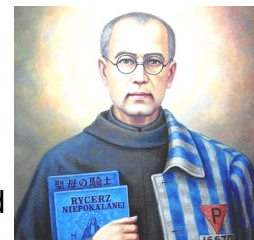
completed a pledge form for our 2019 Diocesan Parish Annual Appeal. As of August 6th, Saint Agnes had \$172,404.50 in donations and pledges toward our parish goal of \$158,400. This gives Saint Agnes a balance of \$14,004.50 over our goal! Thank you to everyone who has made a gift or who is fulfilling a pledge to our 2019 DPAA Campaign. As in previous years, any funds (not just pledges) raised over our goal will be rebated to Saint Agnes. So fulfilling those pledges is important. Such rebated funds are used to help with larger maintenance projects in our parish.

It is never too late to make a donation. If you need a donation/pledge card/envelope, there are some on the tables in the foyers of church, or call the parish office (431.1802). We will be happy to send you one. – Thank you, Father Mark Keene

Saint of the Week

Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Maximilian Kolbe was born Raymund Kolbe on January 8, 1894 in what was Russian controlled Poland. His father was German and his mother was Polish. His parents worked as basket weavers and his mother was also a midwife. She is reported to have often delivered babies with no charge. At the beginning of World War I, Kolbe's father joined a force fighting for Polish freedom against the Russians. He was captured and executed.



Raymund Kolbe had a vision in which the Blessed Mother came to him holding two crowns. She asked if he would accept one of the crowns, one was white and meant that he would persevere in purity and the red one was the crown of martyrdom. He replied that he would take them both.

In 1907 at the age of 13, he and his brother crossed the border in the Austro-Hungarian Empire to enter a seminary in Lwów. He entered the novitiate for the Conventual Franciscans in 1910 and took the name of Maximilian. He professed his first vows in 1911 and his final

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vows in 1914 in Rome. It was here that he added the name Maria to his name and devoted himself to the Blessed Mother. In Rome he studied for and received a Doctorate in Philosophy in 1915 and a Doctorate in Theology in 1919. It was in this time that he witnessed a demonstration against the pope during the anniversary of the freemasons and a banner that showed Lucifer conquering Saint Michael. It was here that he determined to start the Militia Immaculata (Army of Mary).

The Militia Immaculata became a major disseminator of catechetical and devotional tracts. They published a newspaper with a circulation of 230,000 and a monthly magazine with a circulation of over one million. He also used the radio to spread the faith and later to speak out against the Nazi regime (he is the only saint to have held an amateur radio license). With this underway, in 1930, he left Poland and went to Japan.

He settled in Nagasaki, Japan and between 1930 and 1936 he founded a monastery and a Japanese language newspaper. The monastery he founded was situated on the side of the mountain that the Shintos believed was not the side on which to place it to be in harmony with nature. Because it was on this side of the mountain it was sheltered from the blast of the atomic bomb that fell on Nagasaki in August 1945, and was saved. This monastery is still important to Japanese Catholics.

He returned to Poland and was caught up in the early days of World War II. After the fall of Poland to the Nazis he began to shelter refugees including 2,000 Jews. He was arrested on February 17, 1941 and transferred to Auschwitz on May 28th. He was numbered prisoner 16670. In July three prisoners escaped from the camp. The Nazis decided to starve ten men in an underground bunker. One of the men chosen cried out "My wife, my children" and Kolbe volunteered to take his place.

In the bunker he said Mass daily and sang hymns with the other men. He also encouraged them by telling them they would be in Heaven

with Mary soon. At the end of two weeks he was the only one left alive and he was executed with an injection of carbolic acid. The man he saved, Franciszek Gajowniczek, survived the war and was present at the beatification and canonization of Maximilian Kolbe. He spent the rest of his life spreading the story of the saint. He died in 1995.

Maximilian Kolbe, whose feast is August 14th, has been called the Apostle of the Consecration to Mary.

Parish News

Parish Office Summer Hours

Effective now through August 30th, 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.**

Wedding Banns

II-Lauren Caudill, Saint Agnes & Christopher Greenwell, Saint Joseph, Bardstown



Family of God

We welcome into the Family of God the following infants who were baptized recently at St. Agnes:

Scarlett Rose Kisker

Child of Ben & Kylie Kisker

Pro-Life Meeting

The Pro-Life Committee will meet on Monday, August 12th at 7:30 p.m. in Murphy Hall. We will be sharing information on Pro-Life issues and planning for future committee activities. Hope to see some old and new faces!

Homecoming—Save the Date

Our parish Homecoming will be on August 23rd from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on the parish grounds. It will be a wonderful evening of faith, friendship and fun for past and present parishioners. Watch the bulletin for more information and how you can help.

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An Immense Thank You! And a Call for Help

Saint Agnes has been blessed over the years with volunteers who have stepped forward to lead and teach in our many Children's Religion Programs. Liturgy of the Word, Preschool Religion, and Evening Religion could not exist without volunteers to share the faith. This year we lose two fantastic leaders, Stacey Moorhead and Michelle Schulte.

Stacey has led Preschool for 2 years after a couple of years as a helper. She has been fantastic! Fortunately, Maureen Osterhaus has stepped forward to lead and Stacey will be available to help.

Michelle is stepping down after numerous years leading Liturgy of the Word. Without her the program would have dropped about 5 years ago. We are sad to see her go. Her organizing of teachers for Sundays and getting materials and schedules has been such a blessing.

Unfortunately, without someone stepping forward to lead this program will end. Both programs exist to not only bring young children closer to God, but provide parents with a time they can get closer to God too. Liturgy of the word uses *Children Celebrate*, a detailed, scripted lesson plan based on the readings of the Sunday.

Please contact Anita Dunn at adunn@saintagnes.com if you would be willing to lead or help in this program.

New Parish Directory-Volunteers Needed

Life Touch will be taking pictures for our new Parish Directory in late November/early December. Volunteers are needed to register families online, greet parishioners on photography days and help with the directory design. Anyone interested in helping, please contact Beth at the Parish Office at parishoffice@saintagnes.com or call 431-1802. Thank you!

Evening Religion Classes (CCD)

Classes for those students attending public school in grades 1 – 8 will begin on August 26th. Parents and children will meet for Prayer and Orientation at 7:00 p.m. in Church. Regular classes begin the week after Labor Day on September 9th. Classes are held in the school. Drop off is at the cafeteria using the back drive. Classes run from 7:00 p.m. until 8:10 p.m. Registration forms and calendar are available on the Bulletin boards and the Saint Agnes web site. Contact Anita Dunn at adunn@saintagnes.com.



Confirmation

Bishop Foys is scheduled to administer Confirmation at Saint Agnes on November 14th. If you have an 8th grade age student not enrolled at Saint Agnes nor in the Evening Religion Program please contact Anita Dunn at adunn@saintagnes.com. Parent meeting on Confirmation is scheduled for September 12th at 7:00 p.m. in Church. Enrollment/Sponsor Sunday has been scheduled for September 22nd. Further information will be given at the parent meeting. The required Confirmation Retreat is Youth 2000 on October 11th-13th at Covington Catholic High School.

Youth Group Returns

Saint Agnes Youth Group returns in August. We invite teens in grades 7-8-9 to join us as we begin a new year with new leaders, John Griffin and Maddie Black.

Scheduled meetings at present are:

- August 25th
- September 22nd
- October 20th
- November 17th

Meetings take place in the school cafeteria from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. We will discuss if that is best time the first night. Watch for further news. Contact Anita Dunn for more info at adunn@saintagnes.com.

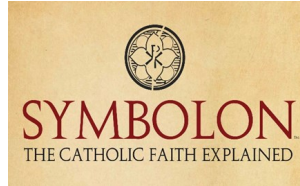
Faith Formation

Symbolon: Living the Faith

“Too often we try to live a faith we don't know or understand. Some of us stumble along with it, going through the motions. Others simply walk away”

www.formed.org.

This Fall, Saint Agnes will present *Symbolon: Living the Faith* as our next Adult Faith Formation series on Wednesdays from September 18th through November 20th at 1:00 p.m. and repeated at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room. This series explores how we encounter God in the Sacraments and in the moral life, and how that encounter empowers us to live a life worthy of the Gospel in imitation of Jesus Christ. Presented by the most trusted and compelling teachers and filmed around the world with stunning cinematography, *Symbolon: Living the Faith* offers an opportunity for reflection and discussion “to inform our minds and inspire our hearts.” To join us for this free series please email pfritz@saintagnes.com or call the parish office at 431-1802.



FORMED

Would you like to grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ and help your children to know Jesus as well? Our parish has an online subscription to **FORMED**, which offers faith based movies, documentaries, books, audios, and children's resources. for each of us to grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ and in our desire to share our Faith with others. 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 saintagnescatholic.formed.org. You will be taken to the FORMED website for our parish. Then follow the instructions.** Our Church needs you and your family to know and spread our faith. Please start today!

RCIA

Are you interested in learning about the Catholic faith? Please join us on a journey of faith where we will share with you the treasures of the Catholic Church and our parish family. We invite you to learn what the Church teaches, and be introduced to members of our parish family. The sessions also are opportunities for you to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church. These gatherings are open to people who are not Baptized, those who are Baptized Christians from Protestant or Evangelical backgrounds, and those who may have been Baptized Catholic but are not fully initiated. **Please join us for an information session (no obligation, just questions and answers) about the Catholic faith on August 25th, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass in the Parish Conference Room** (under the deck on the big parking lot side of Church). Please come to learn more about our holy Catholic faith in which Jesus makes Himself present to us and strengthens us to be His presence in the world. For more information, please call the Parish Office at 431-1802 or email Paula at pfritz@saintagnes.com.

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS! Our Saint Agnes parish needs you to invite people to consider becoming Catholic! If you know anyone who is not Baptized, is Baptized in another faith, or was Baptized Catholic but not fully initiated, please invite them to the RCIA. We are always welcoming new inquirers. For more information call the Parish Office at 431-1802 or email pfritz@saintagnes.com.

Holy Hour

There will be a Holy Hour on the third Thursday of every month at the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. to pray for victims of sexual abuse by clergy and to pray for the Church. All priests of the diocese will be in attendance; the lay faithful are invited to join. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed, concluding with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and benediction. The sacrament of reconciliation will be available during the Holy Hour. The next Holy Hour will be held this Thursday, August 15th.