

Holy Trinity



May 30, 2021

The Church of Saint Agnes

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 8:30 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.
Sunday : 8:30 & 10:30 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 & 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 12:00 p.m. except during Lent.

**PARISH FACILITIES MAY NOT BE USED
FOR GATHERINGS UNTIL FURTHER
NOTICE.**

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 10:30 a.m. Mass from September thru April. Contact Maureen Osterhaus at 859-803-0458 or mosterhaus8@gmail.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 6:00 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

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Mass Intentions

- Sunday, May 30**-The Most Holy Trinity
8:30 a.m. Norbert Lewin
10:30 a.m. Jake Erpenbeck
- Monday, May 31**-The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00 a.m. People of the Parish
- Tuesday, June 1**-St. Justin
6:30 a.m. Intention of Jack Brueggemann
11:30 a.m. Joseph Suetholz
- Wednesday, June 2**-Sts. Marcellinus & Peter
6:30 a.m. Intention of Theresa Nilles
11:30 a.m. Dorothy Weber
- Thursday, June 3**-St. Charles Lwanga & companions
6:30 a.m. Special Intention
11:30 a.m. Thelma & Les McGraw, Sr. & Les McGraw, Jr.
- Friday, June 4**
6:30 a.m. Ruth Dahlenburg
11:30 a.m. Bob Moffitt
- Saturday, June 5**-St. Boniface
8:30 a.m. All Clay Ministry Members & Benefactors
4:00 p.m. Intention of Sr. Elaine Marie
- Sunday, June 6**-The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
8:30 a.m. Richard Rolfsen
10:30 a.m. Gary Heidrich

Rosary, Sunday, June 6th at 8:00 a.m.: Fred Summe

6:30 a.m. Servers:

June 1st-Tony Eilerman June 7th-Paul Kleier

Staff Article

A Trinitarian Reflection

What's in a name? Names are given to identify, to describe, to label. Names can connect us to history or point us towards the future. They can pay homage and link us to ancestors or they can signal that we are to chart our own new course through life.

I consider it a great privilege to bear the name I have been given and to celebrate it this weekend. My father has his reasons and story for why he gave it to me (I don't think Mom had much of a choice) and I repeat it often for those interested. Of course, I've heard just about every angle of commentary possible regarding my name. It ranges from folks saying I was destined for priesthood to folks wondering if I have multiple personalities, or even people quipping that I must think I'm like God to have it. Yes, I've heard it all. For me, the privilege to bear the name of my Creator serves as a sacramental that reminds me of the one in whose image I was made. It points me to how I am to exist. The name I bear serves as a constant reminder to me that I must live in a manner worthy of the love given to

me from God. And, because I am not perfect, I'll be the first to admit that I need this constant reminder.

Our celebration of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity allows us to celebrate our God and contemplate His essence. As we learn more about the community of persons that makes up the Holy Trinity, we learn more about ourselves who were created in this divine image. We are each individuals given our own identity and purpose. We are also a community of believers who are linked/joined/united in love. In celebrating our Creator, we learn more about creation. In contemplating God's nature, we come to further recognize our own. And hopefully we gain the courage to live up to the image in which we were created.

The most important goal of our lives is to remain united to God. This weekend's feast reminds us that an important aspect of that goal is to recognize and honor that we are always united to God due to the fact that we are created in His image and likeness. May we all strive to live giving due respect to each one's individual identity and to grow closer as a community of believers. In other words, may we strive to live according to our Creator's design and to fulfill that greatest of all commandments where we truly love God and our neighbor with all our hearts, all our minds, and all our souls.

I, a trinity, wish you a joyful celebration of the Most Holy Trinity!

Fr. Trinity Knight



Parish Worship

Faith Sharing Questions

Theme of this week's Gospel: Jesus gives the eleven apostles the command to preach and Baptize and tells them He will be with them until the end of time!

Adults: Do you think the apostles understood what Jesus meant when He told them to make disciples of all nations? How could eleven men possible accomplish this?

Teens: Can you imagine how confused the disciples must have felt at times? Is there any aspect of your faith that you find confusing? Why not try talking to your friends about what your faith means to you?

Children: Jesus tells the disciples to Baptize all nations! Ask your parents what your own Baptism was like...did you cry...have a party...wear a special outfit...maybe even slept through the whole ceremony?

Parish Worship continued

Next Sunday: June 6, 2021

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Cycle B, Ordinary Time

In our current Liturgical Calendar, the second Sunday after Pentecost is the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This calendar combines what used to be two separate feasts—the Feast of *Corpus Christi* and the Feast of the Precious Blood of Christ—into a single commemoration, emphasizing the unity of the Body and Blood (the Host and the Cup) of Christ.

Gospel Reading (Mark 12:14-16, 22-26): Our Gospel reading is the passage from the Gospel According to Mark, describing the Last Supper. This passage is called the “Institution Narrative” since it is understood as a description of Jesus and the apostles celebrating the Eucharist for the first time and thus instituting the Eucharist/Mass. The Eucharist has been done in memory of Jesus by Christians for two thousand years: “Do this in memory of me.” This is the institution of THE act of worship that characterizes Christians, particularly Catholic Christians. At its roots, the word “church”—by definition—means those people who are “called apart” for the celebration of the Eucharist.

First Reading (Exodus 24:3-8): This reading from Exodus is the passage that describes the ritual Moses performed to solemnize the making of the covenant by God with the Jewish people. This ritual involved the sprinkling of the people and the altar with the blood from a sacrifice after having read the words of the book of the covenant and the people having verbally agreed to enter the covenant (“All that the Lord has said, we will heed and do.”). In this ritual, the altar, which represented God, was also sprinkled with blood from the sacrifice. Our Catholic tradition of bowing and showing other marks of reverence toward the altars in our churches has its Scriptural roots in the ritual described in this passage. The altar is a Sacramental manifestation of God.

Second Reading (Hebrews 9:11-15): The Letter to the Hebrews uses imagery from the Old Testament analogously in order to give the reader an idea as to the relationship between Jesus and the Old Testament. It is presumed that the letter represents a poetic attempt to explain Jesus with imagery that Jewish people (the “Hebrews”) would relate to. In this passage, the image of Jesus as a “high priest” is used.

Monthly Intention of Pope Francis

For use with The Morning Offering Prayer

JUNE 2021: The beauty of marriage—Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian Community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

Adorers Needed

Adorers are needed to fill the following hours in the Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel:

Monday-12AM, 1AM, 2AM

Tuesday-6PM

Wednesday-2AM

Friday-4AM, 7AM

Saturday-9AM, 12AM

If you are interested in helping to fill these open times or have any questions please contact Don Able at 513-403-5242 or abledrky@gmail.com.



Bulletin Cover Picture

Our parish’s eight grade graduation class of 2021: “Ready for battle” against the teachers and administration in the annual volleyball classic.

Memorial Day: We Remember

For those members of our Saint Agnes Parish who made the ultimate sacrifice, giving of their lives while in service to our country:

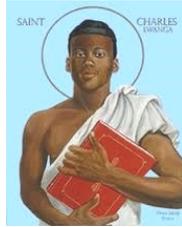
- Ensign Paul Bertke, US Navy, United States, 1966
- Staff Sergeant A. Edward Dickhaus, Jr., US Army, France, 1944
- Sergeant Eugene Finke, Jr., US Army, Belgium, 1943
- Staff Sergeant Jack Kleeb, US Army Air Corp, New Guinea, 1944
- Private Fred Kluemper, US Army, United States, 1941
- Staff Sergeant Daniel Tyler Lee, US Army, Afghanistan, 2014
- Reverend Father, Captain Henry B. Stober, Chaplain, US Army, POW, Japan, 1945
- Sergeant James Todtenbier, US Army, Viet Nam, 1969
- Private Chester James Wartman, US Navy/Marines, Viet Nam, 1969
- Captain Paul Wenstrup, Air Force, Azores, 1951
- Lt. John "Jack" Wiechman, US Navy/Marines, Lost at Sea, 1942

And for all the men and women of our country that we remember this Memorial Day weekend, and for their loved ones.... Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord... And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace... Amen! May their soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace... Rest in peace.

Saint of the Week

Saint Charles Lwanga

The exact date of Charles Lwanga's birth is not known; even the year is in doubt; either 1860 or 1865. He was born in the Kingdom of Buganda, which is in the southern part of the present country of Uganda. As a young man he became an official at the court of the Bugandan king. He later became the major-domo of the palace, which made him the highest person in the Bugnadan Royal household.



In 1885 King Mwanga II of Buganda began persecuting Christians by massacring Anglican missionaries. The Major-Domo, Joseph Mukasa (also a lay catechist) reproached the king for killing the missionaries. King Mwanga had Mukasa beheaded and gave the job of Major-Domo to Charles Lwanga. Charles immediately had himself Baptized as a Catholic.

On May 25, 1886 King Mwanga had two of his pages put to death. The next day Charles Baptized all of the catechumens at the court secretly. The king was demanding that the pages acquiesce to improper advances by him and he also was opposed to foreign colonialism, which he felt the missionaries represented. Charles Lwanga had protected the pages from these improper advances. On May 26th King Mwanga called all of the pages together and demanded that they renounce Christianity. They remained faithful and the King had them bound and taken to the place of execution. On June 3, 1886 Charles Lwanga was executed by fire, as were 12 other Catholics and nine Anglican converts.

Pope Paul VI canonized Charles Lwanga and his companions in 1964. The Anglicans, although not able to be canonized, were noted as worthy of mention for having suffered death for the name of Christ. The Basilica of the Ugandan martyrs was built on the site of the execution. There is also a religious congregation, The Brothers of Charles Lwanga, who serve the people of Africa. Charles' and his companions' feast day is June 3rd.

2021 DPAA

“For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through Him.” (John 3:17)

Regarding our 2021 DPAA, as of April 30 (the latest day we have figures for) 325 parish households have given or pledged a total of \$134,841.17 (\$103,065.17 actually given) toward our parish goal of \$160,500.00. So as of April 30, this leaves \$25,658.73 to reach our parish goal.



If you misplaced your pledge envelop, there are extras in the foyers of church, or call the parish office (431-1802) and we'll be happy to mail one to you. Thanks to everyone who has supported our appeal so far! –Father Mark Keene

2020 DPAA: The Final Report

Regarding last year's Diocesan Parish Annual Appeal (2020 DPAA) we have the following final figures. Our parish share in the diocesan goal was \$158,700. We have gifts/pledges totaling \$166,097 of which \$164,929 has been received. All funds received over our goal (currently \$6,229) will be rebated back to Saint Agnes. We plan to use these rebated funds to help pay for capital improvements, including work to be done on our parking lot this summer. Thank you to everyone who participated in last year's DPAA, especially those who made second donations after our appeal earlier this year. –Father Mark Keene

2021 Big Blue Bash Results

We have some results to report from the Big Blue Bash held virtually this past March. The profits are \$61,000, plus an additional \$5,350 for the “Teachers’ Wish List.” Both figures are the highest they have been in years—a remarkable success given the Covid-19 Pandemic protocols. We congratulate Ginny France and all of the leadership of this year's Big Blue Bash! We also acknowledge the contributions of Ron and Jeanne Lawson who arranged the live-streaming, and Joe Lawrie who was our Master of Ceremonies for the evening. Thanks to our sponsors and to everyone who participated. It will be a real boost to our school. –Father Mark Keene

Stewardship

Status of Sunday Collection

Actual Collections (07/01/20 thru 05/24/21)	\$1,079,858
Budgeted Collections (07/01/20 thru 05/24/21)	\$1,105,546

Parish News

Monday, May 31st-Memorial Day

We will have one Mass on Monday, May 31st at 9:00 a.m. The Parish Office will be closed.

Parish News continued

Parish Office Summer Hours

Effective now through September 3rd, 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-Emily Beimesch, Saint Agnes & John Beutel
I-Olivia Nienaber, Saint Agnes &
Kyle Barth, Saint Henry

Family of God

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

Baylor Margaret Rich
Child of Kenneth & Melanie Rich
Grayson Edward Rich
Peyton Nichole Rich
Children of Brandon & Ashley Rich
Eleanora Marilyn Schoborg
Child of Robert & Samantha Schoborg

You Can Make a Difference

A few weeks ago we received an email from a family that moved into our parish a few years ago. I thought it worth sharing to illustrate the great impression simple acts of kindness can make and how they can positively influence the experience people have of our parish, both visitors and parishioners.

(Father Mark Keene):

Wow!! You guys rock. I'm from another parish originally and since we came here I've been so impressed with everything. Specially the ushers are seriously the best...we feel like they actually care about us. Long story short we just had an experience where there was nowhere to sit and one of the guys worked with us to get us set up downstairs. Going to some other parishes you're kind of on your own, which is what I'm used to so this is really a great experience. We're so happy we chose St. Agnes!

June-First Thursday Rosary

Rosary Night will be on June 3rd at 7:00 p.m. Please join us for 30 minutes of prayer and meditation. Pray to Mary, Our Mother, to guide and protect our country. Join your prayers for special intentions, world peace, our priests, and families. Rediscover the power and peace of prayer. *Enter by way of the annex door by Sleepy Hollow Road.*

Faith Formation

RCIA

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS!

How does our parish attract inquirers each year who consider becoming Catholic? The short answer is YOU!

If we are open to the mystery of the presence and love of our Triune God in our lives, we will hear the Lord say to us "Go out into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15). Our Triune God calls us to welcome others into our parish faith community. Currently, we have three women who are inquirers in the RCIA process, Amelia, Meg, and Teresa. If you know anyone who is not Baptized, Baptized in another faith, or Baptized Catholic but not fully initiated, please invite them to the RCIA. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, call the parish at 431-1802 or email Paula at pfritz@saintagnes.com. Please pray for Amelia, Meg, and Teresa.



FORMED

Would like to grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ and help your children to know Jesus as well? 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? Register now for our free parish subscription to **FORMED** where you can access at home, at your convenience, prayer experiences, Bible studies, documentaries, movies and more that will deepen your love for Jesus and help you become a more effective and powerful witness to our Catholic faith. It's EASY and FREE to Register! Go to www.formed.org Click the "sign in" button in the middle of the page. Next choose "I belong to a Parish..." Then enter St. Agnes Church Ft Wright Kentucky and select our parish. Enter your name and email. Click "sign up" and you are ready to enjoy FORMED. Every time you go to www.formed.org you will be sent to the sign in page. No password needed, just click sign in and you are there! Please sign up today!

Beyond Belief

Save the dates! *Beyond Belief* is a summer informal gathering for women who are longing for deeper connections and a deeper faith. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the church parking lot. Bring a chair, snack, and beverage of your choice. Questions? Call or email Shelly Sandfoss at 859-240-2452 or shellysandfoss@gmail.com.