

## A NOTE FROM FATHER FRANCIS

Dear Parishioners,

Greetings and Peace to all as we come to the end of the liturgical year with this weekend's celebration of the Feast of Christ the King. **Truly, Christ is our King**, as all we do in our human efforts serves his Kingdom. In this weekend's liturgies, we will be celebrating the Kingship of Jesus and renewing our allegiance of his reign over us in heart, soul, mind, and strength. So often, we pledge to him our allegiance through the expression of our faith. We pay homage to him who conquers, not by violent arms, but by overbearing love, extended to us so unworthily.

This past Wednesday, from 8:30am-3:00pm, our young people had yet another opportunity to deepen their understanding of who this Christ the King is in their lives during the **2nd High School Release Retreat of this academic year**. Sincerely, I can attest personally, we are so blessed with those young men and women who come to deepen their faith with the theme of "Knowing, Loving, and Serving God" guiding all of their lessons. They are such wonderful kids (just like the others in lower grades who have come at different time to learn in our Church)! Many thanks to all speakers and small group leaders who spend the day with these great kids, teaching and even feeding them. Special thanks to Lori, our DRE/Youth Coordinator, for taking her job so seriously. Lori has wonderful organizational skills, as some of you have already seen, and we are really blessed to have her in our parish. Please, when you see her, say thanks to her because she is doing such a good job.

Now, as Lori mentioned in last week's note from the office, you will notice **a few changes and additions** in the bulletin once in a while. What we are trying to do is to see how we can use the bulletin and the parish website to educate and communicate better and more effectively. We are working closely with Ken LeBore, who has been so helpful in maintaining and updating our computer systems in the office for free (**Thanks, Ken!**). Ken is also helping us improve our website's general look for easier accessibility especially for our 'snow-birds' and summer visitors whom we would really like to keep connected.

On another note, maybe you have noticed there has been some **digging around the walls behind the sanctuary** at St. Agnes. There has been a leak, as you may be aware, for some time now. The grounds committee has been on this project on and off and a lasting solution has finally been found. There has been also some complaints about the sound and lighting system in St. Agnes Church and we are definitely looking in to it too. **Many thanks to Kirk Lowe** who has been helping us whenever we have an issues with electric and heat. So please bear with us as we improve things here and there; our goal, as a team, is to change where we can to better meet the needs of our parishioners.

Lastly, note that there will be a **"Thanksgiving Mass"** this Thursday at St. Agnes at 10:00am and the annual "Thanksgiving Meal" at Sacred Heart (reservations required for the meal). You can bring anything you might want donated to the food shelves with you during that Mass. Please check for more details later in this bulletin. Also, you may have already received an envelope and letter from Bishop Sirba regarding the **Thanksgiving Seminarian Appeal**. Since we had our 2nd collection in July for that regard, we shall not have one this Sunday, but feel free to donate whatever you can using the envelopes provided as there is definitely great need for the support of our future priest, your future pastors. The following Sunday, we will be having a second collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development** as our annual appeal to support those in need here in United State as you shall see in the insert.

May God bless all of you and your family especially as you gather during this Thanksgiving weekend. Those who are traveling, we wish you a safe journey through the intercession of St. Christopher, the Patron Saints of Travelers. Thank you all for making our parishes wonderful and faith filled communities.

**Peace!**

Fr. Francis

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 21ST, 2010:

Sunday—2 Samuel 5:1-3; Psalm 122:1-5; Colossians 1:12-20; Luke 23:35-43

Monday—Revelation 14:1-5; Psalm 24:1-6; Luke 21:1-4

Tuesday—Revelation 14:14-19; Psalm 96:10-13; Luke 21:5-11

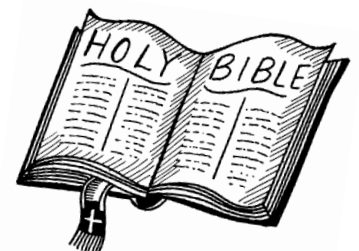
Wednesday—Revelation 15:1-4; Psalm 98:1-3, 7-9; Luke 21:12-19

Thursday—Sirach 50:22-24; Psalm 138:1-5; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Luke 17:11-19

Friday—Revelation 20:1-4, 11 -- 21:2; Psalm 84:3-6, 8; Luke 21:29-33

Saturday—Revelation 22:1-7; Psalm 95:1-7; Luke 21:34-36

Next Sunday—Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122:1-9; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44



**Schedule of Parish Events**

Key: SA = St. Agnes, Walker & SH = Sacred Heart, Hackensack

<b>Sat</b>	<b>MEMORIAL OF ST. FRANCIS ANTHONY FASANI</b>	<b>11/27</b>
SH 4:00 pm	Mass— <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i>	
SA 5:30 pm	Mass— <i>Intention for Glen Gitchel</i>	
<b>Sun</b>	<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	<b>11/28</b>
SH 8:30 am	Mass— <i>Intention for Heather Kerfeld</i>	
SA 10:00 am	<b>YOUTH Mass</b> — <i>Intention for Jim &amp; Margaret Schneider</i>	
SA 11:00 am	Coffee in the Social Hall	
<b>Mon</b>	<b>ADVENT WEEKDAY</b>	<b>11/29</b>
SH 2:00 pm	S.H. Rosary Prayer Group	
<b>Tues</b>	<b>FEAST OF ST. ANDREW,</b>	<b>11/30</b>
SA 7:30 am	Liturgy of the Hours Lesson & Prayer	
SA 8:00 am	Mass— <i>Intention for Jann Dvorcek</i>	
SA 8:30 am	Eucharistic Adoration to 3 pm Wednesday	
SH 4:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Hour	
SA 5:00 pm	Women's Bible Study @ Rosemary's	

To request a Mass Intention, contact the Parish Office

SEE OUR PARISH CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER 2010 FOR ALL UPCOMING EVENTS. ADDITIONAL COPIES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX AT BOTH PARISHES.

**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES ARE POSTED ON THE ST. AGNES/SACRED HEART WEBSITE**—Please go to [www.StAgnesCatholic.com](http://www.StAgnesCatholic.com) if you would like to review them. If you do not have access to the web, you can contact the parish office for a copy.

**LEARN TO PRAY THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS**

Liturgy of the Hours, also called Divine Office or Breviary is the official prayer of the church. Interested parishioners are invited to learn how to pray this wonderful prayer this Wednesday at St. Agnes or on Friday, Dec. 3rd at Sacred Heart before the 8:00 am Masses. Those who wish to pray the Office during the Advent Season may join us before daily Mass at 7:40. Print-outs of the prayers will be provided.

**DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH?** *We'd like to answer it!*

Just email your question to [stagnes@arvig.net](mailto:stagnes@arvig.net) or drop it off in the parish office and it will be featured in our NEW "What Does the Church Say About \_\_\_\_\_?" section of the bulletin.



Do you have a prayer intention that you would like our prayer chains to know about?

**For St. Agnes:** Call Betty Meeks at 547-1347 or (alternate) Zola Bleth at 547-2239. If you would like to be part of the Prayer Chain, sign up in the Narthex.

**For Sacred Heart:** Call Joan Rueter at 682-2324 or (alternate) Lucille Abbott at 675-6102.

**HOMEBOUND MINISTRY**

If you are homebound, or you know someone who needs to be visited, let us know.

Currently, we have a parishioner who lives 11 miles east of Walker near Rogers Point Road and is in need of a ride to Mass on the weekend. Please contact the parish office if you are able to help with this ministry opportunity.

**THANKSGIVING SEMINARIAN APPEAL**



Just a reminder that your Thanksgiving Seminarian Appeal gift envelope may be mailed to the diocese or placed in the collection basket at either parish. There are extra gift envelopes in the Narthex of both parishes. Please pray for our seminarians as they discern life of sacred service in the Diocese of Duluth. Thank you!

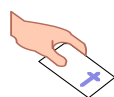


**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, USHERS, LECTORS, AND SERVERS**  
*Please note the Liturgists schedule on the December Parish Calendar.*

**Ushers/Greeters:** Please arrive at least 15 minutes early to Mass to be present to greet parishioners.

**Lectors:** Please pick up at 2011 Sunday Missal in the Office at St. Agnes or in the Library at Sacred Heart.

**Alter Servers are needed at all Masses:** Any youth can volunteer to serve. Contact the Parish Office for training information.



	Stewardship	
	St. Agnes	Sacred Heart
Plate	\$660.00	\$856.00
Envelope	\$3,150.00	\$1,751.00
UCA	\$11,190 (45%) Goal: \$24,405	\$8,465 (39%) Goal: \$21,565

**St. Agnes Building Balance Remaining:** \$229,399

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## YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **7<sup>TH</sup>-12<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS**

**NO YOUTH GROUP THIS WEEK DUE TO THANKSGIVING. SEE YOU ON 12/1!**

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### **K-6<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS**

**No Release Classes or Diving Deeper this week :(**

But our Christmas Party & Program is scheduled for December 15th at 5:30 pm. All parish youth are invited to participate or just attend. We could use more shepherds, angels, stars, and wisemen! **See you at practice during Diving Deeper on 12/8!**

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**HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING YOUTH ACTIVITIES?  
PLEASE CONTACT LORI AT DRE@STAGNESCATHOLIC.COM**

*Know God. Love God. Serve God.*

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### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION: IT'S ALL ABOUT SACRAMENTS**

Continues next Wednesday, December 1st with Mass at 5:30 pm followed by the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick for any parishioners over 60, and/or those who are sick or preparing for surgery. Pot Luck supper and fellowship to follow.

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### **FALL FOOD SHELF DRIVE**

**November 1<sup>st</sup> - December 15<sup>th</sup>** the Angels of St. Agnes are collecting nonperishable food items in the Narthex to be donated to the Walker Area Food Shelf. Cash donations can be brought to the Parish Office or placed in the collection basket at Mass.



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### **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

"Courageous Love" began on November 2nd and will continue each Tuesday at 5:00 pm at Rosemary Ellis's home. If you wish to join, call Rosemary at 547-1509.

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### **INFANT CARE, PLEASE SHARE!**

Angels of St. Agnes are collecting supplies for the Walker Area Pregnancy Support Center in the bassinets in our entryways. Thanks for your generosity!

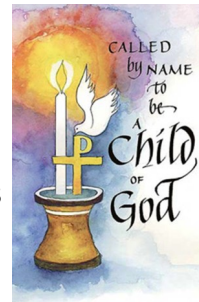
### **ST. AGNES CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**

If you would like to make a donation for Christmas Flowers, you may use the envelope provided with your envelope box or stop at the table in the Narthex after Masses this weekend.

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### **WELCOME COBE DIEKMANN!**

Who will be baptized into the family of God after the 10:00 am Mass at St. Agnes this weekend. Please keep this newest member in your prayers! Kobe's parents are Jacqueline (Pederson) & Colton Diekmann.



### **ST. AGNES SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP COFFEE SERVERS ARE**

**NEEDED.** To volunteer please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex. For questions contact Rick & Gerri Majcin at 224-2655.

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**ST. AGNES CHRISTMAS DINNER COMMITTEE** will be having a planning meeting on Sunday, December 5th, following the 10:00 am Mass.

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**THE WOMEN'S LAMB OF GOD PRAYER GROUP** will meet on Monday, **December 6th**, at 6:30 pm in the Social Hall at St. Agnes. Please bring your Bible and join us. For questions call Rosemary at 547-1509.

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### **17<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL COOKIE WALK**



The Angels of St. Agnes will have their **Cookie Decorating Night** on Thursday, December 9th from 5pm to 8pm. Everything is provided—please join us in the Social Hall for this fun event!

The Cookie Walk on **Saturday, December 11, from Noon to 2 pm**; you don't want to miss it!

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### **READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:**

Sunday —Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Romans 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44  
Monday—Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11  
Tuesday—Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 4:18-22

***December readings can be found on the Parish Calendar***

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Thank you for your generous donations for **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD!** St. Agnes and Sacred Heart parishioners returned MANY boxes for children in need!



## **Pulpit Announcements for this weekend**

Bishop Paul Sirba has announced that there will be a special Thanksgiving Seminarian Appeal to help pay for the education and formation of the young men who will be our future priests for the Diocese of Duluth. Today, we have nineteen seminarians studying for the priesthood—a very respectable number for a diocese of our size! Most of our seminarians are at the theology level, which roughly corresponds to graduate school. The education they are receiving is spiritually rigorous and thorough, but it is also lengthy and expensive. So please watch your mail for Bishop Sirba's invitation, consider a gift to the appeal and remember our seminarians in your prayers. Thanks you!