

St. Agnes & Sacred Heart Catholic Communities



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*We welcome newcomers! Please
contact our Parish Office to register.*

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St. Agnes, Walker
210 Division Street

Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Tuesdays at 8:00a
Wednesdays at 8:00a
Thursdays at 8:00a
Saturdays at 5:30p
Sundays at 10:00a

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 11:00a

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays at 8:30a to
Wednesdays at 3:00p
(except 1:00a to 5:00a)



Sacred Heart, Hackensack
300 First Street North

Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Fridays at 8:00a
Saturday at 4:00p
Sunday at 8:30a

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 3:30p

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays at 4:00p to 5:00p

*For the Sacrament of Baptism or
Sacrament of Marriage, contact the
Parish Office as soon as possible.*

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

April 16th & 17th, 2011

PLEASE PRAY...

- ✠ That those to be baptized and received into the Church this Easter may be kept safe from doubt and remain strong against all temptation
- ✠ That the saving death of Jesus may restore in us a deep reverence and respect for every human life, for which He sacrificed His own life
- ✠ That the sick may be healed and the departed welcomed into the joy of everlasting life
- ✠ That travelers may experience protection, strength, and the joy of friends and family

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

(regular Thursday morning, Friday morning, and Saturday evening Masses **WILL NOT** take place)

Chrim Mass @ Cathedral (Duluth) at 5:30pm



Holy Thursday (4/21)

Mass at 5:30pm at St. Agnes

Good Friday (4/22)

Service at 12 noon at Sacred Heart



Easter Vigil (4/23)

Mass at **8:00pm** at St. Agnes



Easter Sunday (4/24)

8:30am Mass at Sacred Heart
10:00am Mass at St. Agnes



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parishioners of St. Agnes and Sacred Heart, are inspired by the Word of God, empowered by the Holy Spirit and nourished by the Eucharist. We strive to use our time, talents and resources to become a real presence of Christ.

Our mission is to reach people for God, to welcome them into His Holy Church and to lovingly strengthen and support them as we journey toward our eternal home.

SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

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

- SH 4:00pm **4/16 Mass**—*Intention for Roman & Lillian Meuwissen*
- SA 5:30 pm **4/16: Mass**—*Intention for Margaret Howard*
- SH 8:30 am **4/17: Mass**—*Intention for All Parishioners*
- SA 10:00 am **4/17: Mass**—*Intention for Willard Jueneman*
- SA 8:00 am **4/19: Mass**—*Intention for Mickey Jones*
- SA 8:00 am **4/20: Mass**—*Intention for Roman & Lillian Meuwissen*
- SA 5:30 pm **4/21: Mass**—*Intention for Carla Ellis*
- SH 12:00 pm **4/22: SERVICE ONLY**—*No Intention*

To request a Mass Intention, contact the Parish Office

SEE OUR PARISH CALENDARS FOR APRIL 2011, AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX, FOR UPCOMING EVENTS. MAY CALENDAR DEADLINE IS 4/20.

****MASS TIME CHANGES****

Note that our Summer Mass Schedule will go into effect on Sunday, May 1st, please mark these changes on your calendars!

<u>Sacred Heart</u>	<u>Saint Agnes</u>
Saturdays @ 4:00pm	Saturdays at 5:45pm
Sundays @ 8:00am	Sundays @ 10:00am
The weekday Masses and Reconciliation times will not change.	

A NOTE FROM FATHER FRANCIS

Dear Parishioners,

This week, we begin the most intense Christian celebration in the entire liturgical year, especially in our Catholic Faith. We begin this on Sunday with the commemoration of the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem to meet his death that happened on Good Friday which will lead us to His Resurrection on Easter Sunday. But before that, we will be celebrating the institution of the Sacrament of Eucharist and the priesthood on Holy Thursday. That's why, on Monday at the Cathedral of Our Lady in Duluth, all the Priests, Deacons, Religious, those to be baptized and welcomed into the Church, and other Christians from around our Diocese will gather in prayer at the Mother Church of the Diocese of Duluth to celebrate **Chrism Mass**. At that Mass, the Oil of Catechumen, Chrism and Anointing of the Sick that are used at all the respective Sacraments will be blessed by the bishop assisted by the priests from the entire Diocese. In addition, we priests will renew our own vows of obedience to the bishop and our fidelity to the vocation of priesthood. Please keep us in your prayers as we all understand how the priesthood, just like any other vocation, is under attack as the devil never tires of devouring those who are faithful to the Lord.

I sincerely encourage everyone to participate this week more prayerfully in all the liturgical celebrations that are lined up between our two Churches. **Please note there is a change for Saturday Easter Vigil Mass at St. Agnes from 7 pm to 8pm** due to late sundown as the Diocese has instructed us to start the liturgy in context of some darkness with lighting of a fire outside.

On another note, both our councils have given me a go ahead to pursue how we can develop a mission partnership endeavor with the community that I grew up from in my native country of Kenya. The Catholic Church, as you know, is missionary in nature. All of us are a product of the mission work of some faithful people of God who responded to calls to reach out and evangelize in whichever manner they felt the Spirit lead them to, including to most of our parents. I know this so vividly because myself I am a good example of those Irish priests and nuns who come to my village to evangelize through education and health establishments. The little broken English I speak is a gift from them as well as my parents and personal effort to learn. So, when some parishioners kept asking me if there can be a possibility of having a simple kind of partnership in mission work with my people back at home, I felt it to be a noble idea. We are planning to have our first "idea-exchange night" on **April 19th at Sacred Heart at 6 pm**. Everyone interested is more than welcomed to attend. It will be a 45 minute—1 hour meeting and a light supper will be provided.

Lastly, today's "Praying the Mass Anew" insert is entitled "Praying According to the Words Requires Listening Well." Listening is not always the same as hearing. This insert will show us how we can learn to listen prayerfully to the words of the readings and to those of the prayers that are proclaimed by others. Find out how hymnals and missalettes are meant to aid us, but are not to replace our ability to listen during Mass. **Please take time to read this important article.**



I wish everyone a Blessed Holy Week. Let's keep each other in prayers. Thanks to many who attended our inaugural Seder Meal on Thursday. It was great!

— Fr. Francis



TIME, TALENT, & TREASURE

	St. Agnes	Sacred Heart
Plate	\$787.00	\$423.00
Envelope	\$1,409.00	\$1,093.00
UCA	\$16,050 (66%) Goal: \$24,405	\$10,049 (47%) Goal: \$21,565

St. Agnes Building Balance Remaining: \$179,901.92

FINANCE AND PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Our two parishes will be conducting elections for new members in both Finance and Pastoral councils. These councils acts as an **advisory role** to the pastor and help to guide the direction of the parish. The elected positions normally serve a 3-year term or otherwise determined by the council members.

Members should be open to new ideas, like to work as a team, and be interested in learning more about our parishes. We will need a short biography and a picture for each nominee to be included in the bulletin before election weekend. **Bios and photos need to be turned in to the office by April 27th and should be emailed to stagnes@arvig.net.**

If you or someone you know might be interested in becoming a member of either council, please feel free to talk to Fr. Francis or any current members in these councils.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. AGNES SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP



All parishioners and visitors are invited to join us in the Social Hall after Sunday Mass for coffee and rolls; we would like to get to know you!

Thanks to Skip & Lori Duchesneau for serving coffee this weekend!

BLESSING OF FOOD

On Holy Saturday, April 23rd at 12 noon at St. Agnes, Fr. Francis will be blessing food to be used for the Easter celebration. If you would like your food blessed, please feel free to attend this event!



SACRED HEART CCW

The April meeting will be held Wednesday, **April 27th** at 10:00am in the Sacred Heart Social Hall. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend!



THANKS FROM THE BILODEAU FAMILY

The Bilodeau family would like to sincerely thank the Sacred Heart parishioners who were involved in Mary's funeral Mass and luncheon. It meant a lot to our family to see such involvement and such a caring attitude. God Bless All of You!



MOTO HOPE MISSION—WE REACH OUT. WE EMPOWER.

Please pray for the Moto Hope Mission! If you are interested in learning more about Kenyan mission outreach, plan to attend the planning meeting on 4/19 at 6pm at Sacred Heart. A light meal will be served.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

PRAY WITH OUR LORD ON HOLY THURSDAY

"When you look at the Crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now." - Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Our normal Adoration schedule is on for this week, but Parishioners are encouraged to "remain and keep watch" with our Lord in the tabernacle following the 5:30pm Holy Thursday Mass at St. Agnes until 10:00pm when the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed in preparation for Good Friday.



PRO-LIFE INFORMATION

HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE ON 4/17

40 Days for Life will draw to a close this weekend. Please join us for a Holy Hour for Life on Sunday, April 17th from 6-7pm in the Adoration Chapel at St. Agnes. Prayer resources will be provided.

WEEK 4: "YOUR OWN HANDS SHAPED ME."

This weekly pro-life education tool will follow the development of a child in the womb from now till Christmas.

Lucy's heart started beating 18 days after conception! Her blood type may even be different from her mother's. Lucy's neural tubes are forming and will develop into the nervous system; already, this new life has the foundation for thought, senses, feeling, and more. The amniotic sac is formed and the amniotic fluid will cushion the baby throughout pregnancy. Lucy now has a yolk sac which supplies blood and nutrients until the placenta has developed and is ready to take over.



DO YOU HAVE AN INTENTION FOR OUR PRAYER CHAINS?

For St. Agnes: Call Betty Meeks at 547-1347 or (alternate) Zola Bleth at 547-2239.

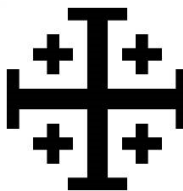
For Sacred Heart: Call Joan Rueter at 682-2324 or (alternate) Lucille Abbott at 675-6102.



SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND

On Good Friday, our parish will take up the annual Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land. Your financial contribution helps to support the struggling Christian community and to protect Christianity's holiest places. Please be generous.



YOUR ATTITUDE MUST BE CHRIST'S

We hear in sacred scripture this weekend how Christ redeemed us not by a one-time gift but by becoming one of us and giving His whole self even unto death on a Cross. Through our support of Operation Rice Bowl, CRS gives more than short term assistance to poor countries; it establishes long term, person-focused, sustainable programs that provide better opportunities for each individual, and it remains in communities to help these efforts succeed. **Please continue to fill your rice bowls! We will begin collection next weekend.**



YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED!

TRAVELLING FAMILY ROSARY

In order to engage in prayer for the Diocesan Strategic Planning Process, Bishop Sirba has asked each parish to commit to praying the Rosary. We have a **travelling family rosary** for each parish.

Families are invited to take a special Rosary home for the week, praying each day, then return it to church for the next family over the weekend. **Sign up sheets are available in the Narthex** for those families who would like to participate.



YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

7TH-12TH GRADERS



YOUTH GROUP is on for this week! We will be having a **BONFIRE**, complete with S'Mores!! See you at 5:30 on 4/20!

CONFIRMANDS: Be watching the mail for info in preparation for our May 1st class. We have LOTS to cover! Remember, your sponsors should plan to attend this session with you.



K-6TH GRADERS

K-6TH GRADERS: NO DIVING DEEPER THIS WEEK—the next session will be April 27th.



PARENTS OF 1ST COMMUNION STUDENTS: Next class is after school on 4/27. Remember to keep your calendar open for our Retreat on 5/1.

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

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