



St. Agnes & Sacred Heart Catholic Churches

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*We welcome newcomers! Please
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www.stagnescatholic.com



St. Agnes

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Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday (7/16) at 5:45 pm
+ Joan Salden

Sunday (7/17) at 10:00 am
+ Mary Lou Campbell

Tuesday (7/19) at 8:00 am
+ Special Intention

Wednesday (7/20) at 8:00 am
+ Jim Aletto

Thursday (7/21) at 8:00 am
+ Gloria Canney

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays at 11:00 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues at 8:30 am to Weds at 3:00 pm



Sacred Heart

300 First Street North, Hackensack

Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday (7/16) at 4:00 pm
+ Ed Mergens

Sunday (7/17) at 8:00 am
+ All Parishioners

Friday (7/22) @ 8:00 am
+ Tracie Bell

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays at 3:30 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesdays at 4:00 to 5:00 pm

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

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.

16th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

July 16th & 17th, 2011

PLEASE PRAY...

✠ For the poor and oppressed, for the sick and those who care for them, and for all our friends and loved ones who need our prayers

✠ For Father Anthony Craig, who was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Duluth last Friday, that he will be blessed with peace and joy

✠ That those who sow the weeds of falsehood or discord may be converted by God's grace to become instruments of truth and unity

✠ For the members of our parishes and our families who have died

DIRECTORY UPDATES

PICTORIAL CHURCH DIRECTORY RENEWAL

Olan Mills will be taking pictures for our new directory on July 20-23 at Sacred Heart and July 28-30 at St. Agnes. **If you have not yet signed up for a time of if you need to change your time, please call 800-866-2263 for an appointment.**

This Wednesday—Saturday, the photographers will be set up in the Social Hall at Sacred Heart. Please arrive at least 10 minutes early for your appointment as there is some paperwork to check over. If you did not get an info booklet when you signed up for your time, please pick one up in the Narthex to review Olan Mill's recommendations for the best possible photo of your family.

Thank you for your cooperation in updating our very outdated directory!

TRAVELING FAMILY ROSARY - YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED!


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 **traveling 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.



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CHURCH DIRECTORIES



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEE OUR PARISH CALENDAR FOR JULY 2011 FOR ALL UPCOMING EVENTS. DEADLINE FOR AUGUST CALENDAR IS WED, JULY 27TH.



EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE
 Since I will be out of the office for World Youth Day August 8 through the 22nd, the bulletin deadline for the August 13/14 and August 20/21 is Thursday, August 4th; I am sorry for any inconvenience. Thanks for your cooperation in this matter and prayers during my pilgrimage!
 - Lori Westland

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.


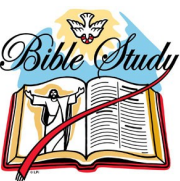



ST. AGNES SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP
 All parishioners and visitors are invited to join us in the Social Hall after Sunday Mass for coffee and rolls; we would like to get to know you!
Thanks to Kirk and Katie Lowe for serving coffee this weekend!
 Mike & Mary Becker/Jo Ann Melby are on the schedule for next weekend.

SACRED HEART AUGUST LITURGISTS SCHEDULE
 The August schedule for readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for Sacred Heart is available in the Narthex.

MAGNIFICAT BREAKFAST
 All men and women of our parishes are invited to join Bishop Paul Sirba for the Magnificat Meal Breakfast on Saturday, August 6th at 8:30 am at Sacred Heart. The cost for this breakfast is \$10; please RSVP by sending your check to Lorri Henning at 3080 20th Ave NW, Hackensack, MN, 56452. With questions, contact Jean Bauerly at 547-3111 or by emailing davebauerly@msn.com

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
 All men of St. Agnes and Sacred Heart are being asked to prayerfully consider joining our NEW Men's Bible Study group, which began earlier this month. The group meets on Tuesday mornings following 8am Mass. The 6-week study is using *Journey into the Bible: Letters of Paul to the Romans* published by Liguori. We invite men all who are interested to call 547-2110 or e-mail jamesfdawson@hotmail.com

NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
 The Women's Bible Study group will resume on Tuesday, August 30th at 6:30pm. Our new study is "The Words of the Risen Christ", which is a follow-up of "Seven Last Words of Christ". These studies rely on the power of the scripture to change human hearts and deepen your relationship with our Lord.
 RSVP to Rosemary (547-1509) by August 1st. Materials will be \$10.
All are welcome!

UPDATE ON KEN JOHNSON, SACRED HEART PARISHIONER
 Ken and Joanne again extend their thanks to all who have visited and prayed for Ken during his extended hospital stay due to a recent illness. He has been moved out of intensive care to a general floor and has progressed so well! Thank God for it! We continue to hold the Johnson's in our prayers.

ST. AGNES ANNUAL PARISH AUCTION
 The St. Agnes Auction Committee is calling for help in making a successful parish auction on Saturday, August 6th. Assistance is needed in the kitchen with cooking and serving, as well as with set-up and clean-up the day of the event. Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex at St. Agnes.

Please also review the bulletin insert this week for more information on the Fab Five raffle, silent auction items, and other great prizes that will be available. If you've donated in the past, watch the mail this week for a special donor letter.

PRESENTING: LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA
 Thanks to the generous donation of a former parishioner, St. Agnes has been gifted a start-up display for Lighthouse Catholic Media! In the Narthex, you will find the beautiful display with a selection of 8 CD's containing talks and teachings on the Catholic faith.


Parishioners are invited to take these disks home, making a \$3 donation per disc. LCM offers nearly 200 discs, which we will be rotating through as our current selection dwindles. If there is a particular CD you are looking for, notify the Parish Office and we will add it to the list for our next order.

Here is what Cardinal Francis George, Archbishop of Chicago, had to say about LCM, "The CDs and brochures are a welcome addition to the faith life and continuing education of our people. I heartily recommend your program to all the pastors in the Archdiocese as a way to rekindle the faith of Chicago's Catholics and help fulfill Pope John Paul II's call for a New Evangelization"

Each week, our bulletin will feature a CD summary, below, you will find the second summary.

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA FEATURE CD
REACHING OUT TO TODAY'S CULTURE

In this highly relevant talk, Fr. Robert Barron shares observations from his dialogue with critics of his You Tube videos. He eloquently illustrates how well equipped our Catholic intellectual tradition is to access and clarify the confusion that is so prevalent in our culture about matters of Christian faith and life.

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St. Agnes Building Balance Remaining: \$164,633.37

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKS

Thanks to all who attended and assisted with Totus Tuus at our parish this past week! The kids had a wonderful time and learned a lot! Thanks to the many of you who gave donations to help in covering the cost of our week. All together, we had about 35 children in attendance, which is just over 1/3 the total number of kids enrolled in our Release classes! Praise God!



7TH-12TH GRADERS

FAITH & FIRE THIS WEEK! We will meet at the Walker City Park for games at 7:30pm, then go to DQ, and end up back at the Church for a Bonfire and lesson/prayer time. Since this event takes us off Church property, it is necessary to have your parents sign a permission slip; you can pick one up in the Narthex at St. Agnes or request one via email from Lori.



VALLEYFAIR TRIP! We are looking at dates for a Valleyfair trip but we need to have at least 15 people attend to get a group rate; the deadline to sign up is August 18th, which is this Monday. Cost will be \$35 for a ticket, transportation, and a picnic lunch. Please see info on the Youth Board in the Narthex at St. Agnes.

6-8TH GRADERS

CAMP SURVIVE 2011: BROKEN FOR YOU registration is due July 22nd. Camp Survive takes place the first week in August at Big Sandy, near McGregor. It is an incredible place for campers to discover what it means to be on fire for Christ! Register online under "Youth Ministry" at www.dioceseduluth.org.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

RECEIVE THE JESUS OF PEACE AND LOVE

"Do you realize that Jesus is there in the tabernacle expressly for you - for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart...don't listen to the demon, laugh at him, and go without fear to receive the Jesus of peace and love..."

—St. Peter Julian Eymard

Spend a Holy Hour with our Eucharistic Lord exposed in the Blessed Sacrament! Sacred Heart has a **Holy Hour each Tuesday** from 4:00 to 5:00 pm and St. Agnes has Jesus exposed Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in our **Adoration Chapel** beginning at 8:30 Tuesday mornings through 3:00 Wednesday afternoons. Additional adores are always welcome and needed!



PRO-LIFE INFORMATION

WEEK 17: "THEY, NO LESS THAN I, WERE CREATED IN THE WOMB BY THE ONE SAME GOD WHO SHAPED US ALL WITHIN OUR MOTHERS.

This weekly pro-life education tool will follow the development of a child in the womb beginning with Annunciation until Christmas.

I'm getting a little baby fat under my skin. My heart is pumping as much as 6 gallons a day at a rate about double my mom's. I can swim and kick and do somersaults! I'm the same size as my placenta now. I'm not a lightweight anymore – I weigh almost six ounces. The mother might be able to hear thumps of Lucy's heartbeat with a simple external monitor now!



WHY DO CATHOLICS CELEBRATE "ORDINARY TIME"?

BY DEACON NEIL HOOK, DIOCESE OF ALBANY, NY

The Easter season in the Roman liturgical calendar ends with Pentecost Sunday - fifty days following the celebration of Easter. On the day after Pentecost, the Church begins a liturgical cycle known as "ordinary time."

Of course, the term "ordinary" here does not mean the "regular, hum-drum, or run of the mill" but rather refers to the numbering of Sundays using ordinal numbers. There are two times during the liturgical year when we celebrate "ordinary time" - between the Christmas season and Lent and the period following Pentecost.

But even though our usual use of the term "ordinary" does not apply here, it strikes me that the liturgical calendar of our Church pretty much imitates our various life cycles.

In the beginning of the liturgical year we celebrate Advent while we await the celebration of the birth of our Savior, Jesus. We wait for these events with prayerful anticipation just as the Church waits for the coming of the Savior. Then we have the period of rejoicing when something wonderful happens in our lives; such joy we experience like the Church does as it celebrates the Christmas season. But in all of our lives there are those times when things don't always go our way. We look to our God at these times for strength and support to get us through the difficult times. Such is the Church's celebration of the season of Lent when we are asked to practice penance and self-denial in concert with the recollection of the sufferings that Jesus underwent for our salvation. But again - joy returns! He is risen and we also arise from our sufferings. The joy of Easter is in our hearts and we thank our God for his great gifts and mercy.

Surrounding all of these life experiences, however, are those times when things go on at a normal or "ordinary" pace. We go to work each day and enjoy the times with our families. We may be in school studying so that we can improve our own chances in life. Whatever the situation we are doing the ordinary things of life.

But is our God ordinary? We can experience God in those high moments of our lives when things are going so well as well as seeking him in those times when things are tough. Through all of these times our God is not ordinary - our God is extraordinary; our God is amazing. This is also true of those times in our lives when we are just going about the ordinary things of life. God never leaves us to be with us only in those times of either great joy or great sorrow.

I recall the story of Elijah found in Chapter 19 of the First Book of Kings where Elijah is waiting to hear the voice of the Lord and does not hear it in either the wind, the earthquake, or the fire but only finally hears it in a "tiny whispering sound." Sometimes - in fact probably most of the time - God comes to us in these whispering sounds rather than in the bombast of wind, fire or earthquake. My question then as now is "Are we listening?"

The man whispered, "God, speak to me." And the meadowlark sang. But the man did not hear. So the man yelled, "God, speak to me!" And thunder and lightning rolled across the sky. But the man did not listen. The man looked around and said, "God, let me see you." And a star shone brightly. But the man did not see. And the man shouted, "God, show me a miracle!" And a life was born. But the man did not notice. So the man cried out in despair, "Touch me, God, and let me know you are here." Whereupon God reached down and touched the man. But the man brushed away the butterfly and walked on.

We are now in the numbered weeks of the liturgical year known as "ordinary time." But no time is ordinary with our amazing God who will be with us at all times whispering to us and touching us in various ways; we only need to listen and to be aware. The color used during this liturgical period is green - the color of hope. As we look around our world today we may find little reason to hope, yet we move on in hope - a hope based in the fact that our God never abandons us. Our God in the person of Jesus Christ, went to the very depths of the human experience in death in order that we might live. Knowing this, how can we doubt that our God will remain with us? Let us celebrate "ordinary time" with our extraordinary God!

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