

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES (CRS) COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND—CRS is the official overseas relief and development agency of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. CRS programs work to alleviate human suffering and foster charity and justice around the world. On the Fourth Sunday of Lent the parishes of the United States have a special collection to fund CRS. You may read the www.crs.org website to see how CRS serves the poor in over 100 countries overseas through programs in emergency relief, HIV, and AIDS, health, agriculture, education, micro-finance, and peace-building.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—The Sunday Fellowship Coffee Servers are always looking for more helpers. You do not need any experience. You do not have to bake. You will be called on only a few times (3-4) during the year depending on the number of servers who volunteer. If you are willing to serve coffee and donuts after the 10 o'clock Mass on Sundays please sign up on the list on the bulletin board in the Narthex. For questions, please contact Rich and Gerri Majcin at 224-2655, or gmajcin@paulbunyan.net.

PALM SUNDAY—MARCH 27TH & 28TH—We bless the palm branches, read a gospel at the beginning of Mass and read the Lord's Passion according to Saint Matthew during the liturgy of the word. This Mass is a bit longer than normal so the starting time for Mass in Walker will be 15 minutes later than usual.



*He spat on the ground,
made a paste
with the spittle,
put this over the eyes
of the blind man,
and said to him,
'Go and wash in
the Pool of Siloam'
So he went off and washed
and came back able to see.*

ST. AGNES MUSIC MINISTRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS—Contact the parish office A.S.A.P. if you may be able to help with the music ministry program. For example: learn to run the Clavinova; be a song leader; and/or play a musical instrument such as a guitar or piano.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE! You can go online to see the bulletin if you are unable to attend. The website addresses for the parishes are:

www.StAgnesCatholic.org.

www.HackensackCatholic.org



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please join our parish community for the Stations of the Cross to be held at St Agnes every Wednesday during Lent at 5:30 p.m. with soup and sandwiches to follow.

Each evening will be conducted by a different parish group:

March 17th St Agnes Parish Council
March 24 St Agnes Men's Prayer Group

There will be no Living Stations this year due to the fact that we do not have a priest and many of the members of the cast will be gone.

ST. AGNES PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS SATURDAY APRIL 24TH & SUNDAY APRIL 25TH

Three council positions, each elected to a three year term, will be filled with the newly elected taking office at the regular May (2010) monthly meeting.

The council and election committee are currently actively seeking candidates to run for these positions.

To be eligible to serve as a council member one must meet the following qualifications:

- ◆ Be a registered member of St. Agnes Parish for one year or more.
- ◆ Be 18 years of age or older.

Persons wishing to run OR wishing to nominate someone to serve on the Council may contact the Church Office by phone or in person.

A list of persons running for Council shall appear in the Church Bulletin on April 10–11 and April 17–18. As stated above the election shall take place at Mass on April 24 & 25. Absentee ballots will be available in the Church Office for those scheduled to be out of town on election dates.

For further information please contact the Church Office or members of the Parish Council.

This Week's Schedule of Events

Saturday	LENTEN WEEKDAY	3/13
Hackensack	4:00 p.m. Mass—Intention for Ralph E. Hackman	
Walker	5:30 p.m. Mass—Intention for Martha Arndt	
Sunday	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT	3/14
Hackensack	8:30 a.m. Mass—Intention for Frank Terdan	
Walker	10:00 a.m. Mass—Intention for Jean Bellamy	
Walker	11:00 a.m. Coffee in Social Hall—All are welcome!	
Monday	LENTEN WEEKDAY	3/15
Hackensack	2:00 p.m. Sacred Heart Rosary Prayer Group	
Tuesday	LENTEN WEEKDAY	3/16
Hackensack	4:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration	
Walker	5:30 p.m. Clean the Rectory Garages	
Wednesday	LENTEN WEEKDAY	3/17
Hackensack	10:00 a.m. Craft Wednesday	
Walker	5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross—St. Agnes Parish Council	
Hackensack	6:00 p.m. Lenten Service at Union Congregational	
Thursday	LENTEN WEEKDAY	3/18
Walker	7:30 a.m. Men's Cursillo Meeting	
Hackensack	7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus	
Friday	SAINT JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	3/19
Walker	5:30 p.m. Lenten Friday Night Fish Fry (until 7:30 p.m.)	
Saturday	LENTEN WEEKDAY	3/20
Walker	2:00 p.m. Sacrament of Penance	
Hackensack	3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Penance	
Hackensack	4:00 p.m. Confirmation Mass—Nina Burke	
Walker	5:30 p.m. Mass—Intention for Becky Sales	
Sunday	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	3/21
Hackensack	8:30 a.m. Mass—Intention for Grace Hatheway	
Hackensack	9:30 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinic	
Walker	10:00 a.m. Mass—Intention for Mary E. Smith	
Walker	11:00 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinic	
Walker	11:00 a.m. Coffee in Social Hall—All are welcome!	

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS!!! This Tuesday night we will be cleaning the Rectory garages at 5:30 p.m. Please consider helping out. As the old saying goes, **"Many hands makes for lighter work."**

Thank You!
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A BIG THANK YOU...to the Angels of St. Agnes for the "NEW" carpet in the St. Agnes Social Hall.

Upcoming Events

Key: S.A. = St. Agnes & S.H. = Sacred Heart

MARCH

- 22 Rosary Prayer Group at 2 p.m. at S.H.
- 22 Board of Education at 5:30 p.m. at S.A.
- 24 Release Time (Grades 7th-12th) at 8:30 a.m. at S.A.
- 24 Craft Wednesday at 10 a.m. at S.H.
- 24 1st Communion/Reconciliation Class at 3:30 p.m. at S.A.

WEEKDAY MASSES can be attended at St. Edward's in Longville on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8:30 a.m. or St. Paul's Church in Remer on Thursday night at 6:15 p.m. For more information call the St. Edward & St. Paul's parish office at 218-363-2799.

EASTER FLOWERS—In our St. Agnes contribution boxes there are envelopes for Easter Flowers dated March 14th. Please remember to include the names of those you want remembered.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS....

- ✚ Talia Grace, infant granddaughter of Dale and Gloria Thiesfeld. Talia was born February 4, 2010 and she is hospitalized with breathing difficulties.
- ✚ Kathy Ihrke, who is in hospice at home and thankfully receiving good care.

SACRED HEART INFORMATION—If you are homebound and would like Holy Communion brought to you; please contact Joanne Johnson. at 675-6876 or Joan Rueter at 682-2324.



Last Week's Collections

March 6th & 7th



Walker Hackensack

Plate:\$779 \$292

Envelope:\$1,515 \$1,304

St. Agnes Building

Balance Remaining: \$287,311.43

Building Fund: ..\$165

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR

FIRST COMMUNION/FIRST RECONCILIATION

Wednesday, March 24th 3:30-5:00 p.m.

YOUTH MINISTRY NIGHT

Wednesday March 17th All Grades 7-12 Welcome

I encourage you all to attend the Stations of the Cross at St. Agnes starting at 5:30 p.m.; a Soup & Sandwich dinner will follow the stations.

DIVING DEEPER

Wednesday, April 7th 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Pre-school-3rd grade

CONFIRMATION MASS

Saturday, March 20, 2010 at 4 p.m. at Sacred Heart in Hackensack.

LOOKING AHEAD TO SUMMER YOUTH EVENTS

Mark Your Calendars Now!

D-Week: June 15th—18th

High School Students Dive Deep into your faith here! Registration Fee: \$175-Includes all meals, lodging, and a really cool T-shirt!

Totus Tuus: July 24th—30th

Grades 1-6 Monday-Friday 9am-3pm
Jr. High/ Sr. High Sunday-Thursday 7:30 p.m. to 9:40 p.m.

Steubenville: July 30th—August 1st

High School Youth Conference held in St. Paul

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at Macalester College. Housing will be in the student dorms at the University of St. Thomas. Registration Fee: \$165-Includes meals, housing, and conference fees

Camp Survive: August 8th—12th

Summer Camp designed for those students who have completed grades 6-8
Registration Fee: \$210- Includes all meals, lodging and a really cool T-shirt!

FOR QUESTIONS, IDEAS, OR COMMENTS ON YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Contact Anna Frost or Jennifer Arnold at the parish office 218-547-1054, or e-mail us at:

anna@walkercatholic.org or

jennifer@walkercatholic.org

DONATIONS ARE NEEDED FOR THE WALKER AREA PREGNANCY SUPPORT CENTER



Donations of new or used baby bottles are needed for the up coming fundraising events for the Walker Area Pregnancy Center.

Please bring them to the parish office; or place them in the designated container in the Narthex at St. Agnes.

The center would also greatly appreciate donations of other baby items. They can be placed in the baby cradle in the Narthex at St. Agnes. Thank you so very much for your contribution to our Walker Area Pregnancy Support Center.



Be a SUPERHERO... Have you mailed your envelope to the Walker Area Food Shelf?

Please send in your tax deductible donation by March 31st and be included in Minnesota FoodShare's March Campaign.

Dollars and food donated during March supports our local food shelf in Walker for the year. If you did not get an envelope one last weekend, extra envelopes are available in the Gathering Place of both churches. Or simply mail a donation to: Walker Area Food Shelf, PO Box 1101, Walker, MN 56484.

Remember to be a SUPERHERO.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY BEGINNING APRIL 6, 2010—

"Living as a Beloved Daughter of God."

A faith sharing Catholic bible study for women to help grow in their relationship with God and with one another.

This study will be on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. The location will be determined by the number attending .

Please contact Rosemary at 547-1509 for more information. If you plan to attend we should know by March 23rd as we need to order study books.



LENTEN FRIDAY NIGHT FISH FRY— MARCH 19TH—5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The Knights of Columbus will put on a Fish Fry to raise funds for college scholarships.

Menu: Deep Fried or baked breaded Pollack, baked potatoes, coleslaw, rolls, brownies, coffee, milk, and lemonade.

Cost: Adults \$7; children 13 & under \$4.

ST. AGNES PASTORAL COUNCIL

MARCH 8, 2010 MINUTES

(Subject to review and correction until approved)

OLD BUSINESS:

Music Update—We still need help with music. A date will be set up to teach the Clavinova after a Sunday Mass. Another ad will also be run in the local paper for a music coordinator.

2010 Parish Council Election Update—At this time we have three candidates for parish council. A list of the candidates, along with a short biography will be published in the Sunday bulletin on April 10/11 & 17/18 with election taking place on April 24 & 25.

A.E.D. (automatic defibrillator) Update—The quotes that came in on the A.E.D.'s ranged from \$1400 - \$2000. It's a question now on replacement pads and batteries and if we can get a better price. More research in process.

Financial Report—It was suggested that the financial report published should have more detail. Pete said this could be done in the future.

NEW BUSINESS:

Easter—Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil will be held in Hackensack. Good Friday and Easter Sunday will be in Walker.

Water Problems—Seems we still have some water leakage in the lower classrooms as well as in the rectory office. Pete is looking into how this can best be repaired.

Preparing Rectory For New Priest—Painting in the rectory has been completed in the upper level. Downstairs still needs to be painted. Pete is going to ask the KC's to clean out the garage.

Next Meeting Date—Monday, April 12th at 5:30 p.m. in the church office.

HACKENSACK WEDNESDAY LENTEN SERVICES

THE SIGN OF JONAH—Jonah...for Lent?

Sounds fishy, but it's a natural fit. When the Jews asked Jesus for a sign he said, "I will give you only the sign of Jonah," After three days in the belly of the earth, Jesus rose with news of God's prodigal grace. This series of special ecumenical services for Lent explores the meaning of "The Sign of Jonah" as we follow Jonah on his journey...and Jesus on his way to the cross. All are encouraged to participate as we experience Lent and move toward Easter. The services will begin at 6:00 p.m. and will be followed by Soup 'n Sandwich at approximately 6:45 p.m. hosted by the local church.

March 17th, Union Congregational
"The God of second chance"—Jonah 3: 1-4
Preaching - Father Bruce Engen

March 24th, Sacred Heart Catholic
"About face"—Jonah 3:5-10
Preaching - Pastor Thea Monson

WANTED—Leader to carry on the MN Citizens Concerned for Life "Pro-Life Up North" work for our local area Chapter.

This chapter was formed 15 years ago and needs someone to step up and continue the political work in the pro-life movement in our area.

Please prayerfully consider and respond!!! We need you. For inquiries/questions please contact Deb Kitzman at 218-947-3417; cell: 218-820-1061 or email her at jjmd@uslink.net.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AT ST. AGNES

Adorers are needed for Tuesdays from 4-5 p.m..

We really need your help during the Winter months, and you'll enjoy that special hour in the company of the Blessed Sacrament.

To sign up, call Beth Bohannon at 547-0481 or c: 218-330-4684. In case of inclement weather, the Adoration Chapel will close if the schools close.

**Sacred Heart/St. Agnes
Joint Pastoral Council Minutes
(St. Agnes Pastoral Council Host)**

March 8, 2010

(Subject to review and correction until approved)

The meeting was opened by St. Agnes President Guy LaFontaine at 6:05 p.m. Guy mentioned that St. Agnes is considering buying a defibulator and wondered if Sacred Heart was interested in getting one, also—thinking it would be good to get the same for training purposes, etc. Inasmuch as Sacred Heart has already purchased one, it was agreed that we would get info to him as to brand, purchase price, etc.

Report from Pete Pederson, Parish Manager: The Holy Week services are set with Holy Thursday being at Sacred Heart; Good Friday at St. Agnes and Holy Saturday at Sacred Heart. The bus sale has been approved by Father Jim Bissonet. Father Mark to purchase for \$1.00. Pete was contacted by the Pilot Independent regarding participation in their annual Area Church Supplement. It would be \$70.00 per parish. It was agreed to do with the money to come from the bulletin fund. Many have inquired as to a picture of Father Mark to continue our history wall of pastors. The Diocese has sent Pete a picture which he feels can be used and will work on getting it blown up and added to the walls in each parish. Pete ordered one of the Bishop, as well, for each parish. Painting in rectory upstairs is done (Guy has done most of this) and most of the downstairs is done. Now is the time to clean the garages as well. The 4th Degree K.C.'s to be at Confirmation. There will be dinner served afterwards. April 25th is the date set for First Communion.

Jamie Richter inquired as to our thoughts on the Walker Area Pregnancy Center fundraising dinner slated for April 13th. She wondered how the announcement should be made—personal invitations or published in the bulletin or . . .? It was felt that to make an announcement in the bulletin would be the way to go. Jamie will take care of.

General Miscellaneous: Some discussion was held on what types of organizations and materials should be allowed in the narthexes of our churches. We feel that we do need to be careful as to any precedent we may be setting. There are leaking roofs at both parishes. We do need to get the Building Grounds Committees going—possibly to meet at least a couple of times a year.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.; next meeting: October 4th at 6:00 p.m. with Sacred Heart's Parish Council meeting preceding at 5:30 and St. Agnes' meeting to follow.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanne Johnson

Sacred Heart and St. Agnes Parishioners interested in attending the below fund raising dinner for the Walker Lakes Area Pregnancy Support Center please contact Gina Smith 547-4724, Jamie Richter 547-4058, or Beth Bohannon 547-0481 by March 22nd to reserve your seat at the dinner.



**SHAWN CARNEY
GUEST SPEAKER**

**Walker Area Pregnancy
Support Center
Annual Fundraising Banquet**

**Tuesday, April 13, 2010
Dinner @ 6:30 PM**

**Chase on the Lake
Walker**

Shawn Carney is a Co-Founder for 40 Days for Life and Host of "Being Human". In 2004, he helped lead the first-ever 40 Days for Life event in College Station, TX. This breakthrough-made up of 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion-slashed local abortion numbers by 28%. Beginning in 2007, Shawn helped to expand 40 Days for Life to 240 cities in all 50 American states, Canada and other countries.

Shawn is one of the youngest and most inspirational pro-life speakers in America today. He is a regular media spokesperson on pro-life issues, and his work has been featured on Fox News, ABC, NBC, and CBS television stations and dozens of newspapers and radio appearances.

Shawn's passion for the pro-life movement and its future is undeniable. His faith and powerful presence is contagious.

Shawn lives in Texas with his wife, Marilisa, two daughters and son.