

St. Agnes & Sacred Heart Catholic Parishes



Humbly regard others as more
important than yourselves.
Philippians 2:3

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+ Jim Aletto

Wednesday (9/28) at 8:00 am
+ Carla Ellis

Thursday (9/29) at 8:00 am
+ Luella Renowski

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Saturdays at 11:00 am

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Tues at 8:30 am to Weds at 3:00 pm



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+ Michel Tiedeman

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+ Tony Busch

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.

26th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

September 25th, 2011

PLEASE PRAY...

- ✠ That the Holy Father will always lead the Church with courage and conviction in the midst of our troubled world
- ✠ That many men will generously accept the call to serve Christ in his Church as priests, deacons, and religious
- ✠ For Evelyn Wood who will be baptized at St. Agnes this weekend, that she may grow in faith in the family of God
- ✠ For the sick and all who suffer, that they may be comforted and strengthened by the presence of Christ in those who care for them
- ✠ For the faithful departed, that they may join the angels and saints in the glory of heaven

A NOTE FROM FATHER FRANCIS

Dear Parishioners,

I'd like to take this opportunity to extend an invitation to anyone who may be considering entering the church to come to our first **RCIA** class this **Wednesday, September 28th at 7:00pm** in the Narthex Meeting Room at St. Agnes. The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is the process by which people have come into full communion with the Church for centuries; it is not a program, but a gradual process in which one who, after hearing the mystery of Christ explained, freely chooses to follow him in the faith of the Holy Catholic Church. You may have a spouse or adult child, friend or neighbor, who is interested in learning more about the church; please encourage them to attend!

Also, don't miss today's **Praying the Mass Anew** insert is entitled "The Readings." The new translation of the prayers for Mass does not include the Scripture readings. Yet, as we prepare to pray the Mass anew, it is more than fitting that we would learn more about the importance of the readings and the best way to participate in this essential part of the Mass. **Please take time to read today's insert.**

In Christ through Mary,
Fr. Francis Kabiru, Pastor



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

FR. FRANCIS OUT OF THE OFFICE

Fr. Francis will be out of the office the week of October 3rd through 7th to attend classes at Mundelein Seminary in Chicago. He will also be out for the Diocese of Duluth Clergy Conference on September 10th through 13th. There will **not** be morning Mass at St. Agnes or Sacred Heart on these dates.

If you'd like to schedule an appointment before he leaves, you may contact him through the Parish Office at 547-1054.

SEE OUR PARISH CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 2011 FOR ALL UPCOMING EVENTS. DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER CALENDAR IS WEDNESDAY, 10/26.

****WEEKLY BULLETIN DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY AT NOON.****

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.



COMMUNION CALLS AND SICK VISITS

If you or a family member is sick or unable to attend Mass for another reason, please contact the Parish Office. Our Home Visit ministry team brings Holy Communion to parishioners in local nursing homes and elsewhere on a regular basis.

Visiting the Sick is one of the corporal works of mercy; if you would like to help us out, please contact Deacon Hap at 547-4872.

ST. AGNES SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

All parishioners and visitors are invited to join us in the Social Hall after Sunday Mass for coffee and rolls. Thanks to Becker's and Jo Ann Melby for serving this weekend!

Jim and Krista Schneider are on the schedule for next weekend.



ITEMS TO RETURN TO CHURCH

In a recent inventory of our kitchen at St. Agnes, it was discovered that there are many items missing, including several large glass serving platters. If you borrowed these or any other kitchen items, please return them ASAP. We are happy to lend our supplies; contact the Parish Office for an "Equipment Use" form before removing any kitchen supplies, tables, or folding chairs from the building.

MUSICIAN'S MEETING

On Tuesday, September 27th, a meeting will be held in the Narthex Meeting Room at St. Agnes for all who are involved in music ministry at our two parishes. We will be reviewing available resources and formulating a plan to implement the music for the new translation.

If you are a former choir member who still has a Choir edition hymnal, please return it to the church so new members may have one.

YOUTH & EDUCATION SURVEYS

In last weekend's bulletin, you received a survey regarding ways you could help with the Youth & Education programming we offer at St. Agnes & Sacred Heart. We are still in need of classroom helpers (you will not be required to teach, just assist the teacher) and many of the other needs listed. Our first classes are less than two weeks away; let DRE, Lori, know how you are able to help. You will be blessed in working with the young people of our parish. Turn in your survey to the parish office or call Lori for more information.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

RCIA Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 28th at 7:00pm in the Narthex Meeting Room at St. Agnes. Any adults interested in joining the church are encouraged to attend. If you'd like more information, contact Fr. Francis through the Parish Office.

A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS STUDY GROUPS

In order to prepare for the New Translation of the Mass, St. Agnes & Sacred Heart will be offering parish-wide Bible Studies. We are still in need of leaders and helpers to make the studies run smoothly. If you are interested in co-leading a study, please contact Lori in the Parish Office or talk to a member of the Faith Formation Committee (MJ Warren, Gerri Majcin, Darryle Carlson, or Jim & Judy Dawson). This Ascension Press study is very well put together and includes an easy to follow Leader's Guide and set of DVD's! Studies will be running in October and November.

Anyone interested in helping to lead a group should plan to attend a **training session on Thursday, October 6th** at 8:30am at St. Agnes.

PRO-LIFE INFORMATION

WEEK 26: "HOW SWEET ARE YOUR WORDS TO MY TASTE" (Ps 119)

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

Lucy's taste buds continue to form. I can taste sweet things now. My mom likes chocolate and so do I. If you shine a bright light on my mommy's tummy, I can see it! I have eyelashes and eyebrows now. My fingerprints are fully formed. My toenails and fingernails are growing and may need to be clipped when I'm born. Mom may be feeling like a "Soccer Mom" now that her uterus is the size of a soccer ball.



40 DAYS FOR LIFE BEGINS THIS WEEK!

See today's bulletin insert for information on the Walker 40 Days for Life kick-off. There are still many vigil hours to be filled! Contact Beth at 547-0481 or 218-770-7621 or visit our website at www.40daysforlife.com/walker to sign up for hours.

Also, mark your calendar now for **October 5th!** National 40 Days for Life Director, **David Bereit** will be visiting Walker. Join him and many area pro-life advocates in a prayer rally at the "little white tent" at 12:30 in the afternoon.



LIVE IN HARMONY WITH GOD'S DESIGN...EXPLORE NFP!

Natural Family Planning of the Brainerd Lakes Area now offers distance learning in addition to the free introductory sessions (offered by appointment) at St. Joseph's Medical Center in Brainerd, St. Joseph Center in Crosby, St. Alice Church in Pequot Lakes. For information or to register, call the NFP office at (218) 829-2861 Ext. 6217 or visit <http://www.brainerdnfp.org>.

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YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

7-12TH GRADERS

Youth Group this week! See you at 5:30 on Wednesday! Remind your parents that we finish up at 7:30 (last year was 7:15).

1st Release Retreat of the year coming up: High Schoolers, Wednesday, October 5th is the first Release Retreat of the school year. If you are in 10th grade or older and planning to be Confirmed at St. Agnes, your attendance at this retreat is **required**.

****Parents, please note, you must return the Permission Form you received by mail on or before 10/5 so your HSer may participate in the 40 Days for Life prayer rally during this Release Retreat.****

The Source Youth Rally is taking place on Saturday, October 8th at the College of St. Scholastica in Duluth. All 7-12th graders are welcome to attend. Carpool will leave St. Agnes at 8:30am and return around 11pm. The parish is covering the cost of the rally, but you should bring money for lunch.

Sacrament of Confirmation Prep will begin on October 9th with a Parent & Student meeting at 6:00pm in the Narthex Meeting Room at St. Agnes. If you have a child in 10th grader or older who has not yet been confirmed, you should plan to attend. This meeting is required by the Diocese Confirmation Policy; if you cannot make it, contact Lori to set up an alternate time.

K-6TH GRADERS

Diving Deeper this week! If you have a child in K through 6th grade, please plan to send them to this fun program which takes place after school on Wednesdays twice per month. We are using Great Adventure Kids Bible Study materials to journey through Salvation History in an age-appropriate way. See the Youth Bulletin Board for permission forms and more information.

Church Release Classes for elementary students in 1st-6th grade begin on October 12th. If you have not yet received a permission form through the school, request one from the WHA Elementary office. If your child was not enrolled in Release Classes last year, let us know as we have additional parent resources to mail home.

1st Reconciliation & 1st Communion Prep will begin in the month of October. Any children in 2nd grader or older who have not yet received these Sacraments should attend (along with their parents) an informational meeting on Sunday, October 9th following 10:00am Mass at St. Agnes. This meeting is required by the Diocese 1st Reconciliation/Communion Policy; if you cannot make it, contact Lori to set up an alternate time.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

"Love cannot triumph unless it becomes the one passion of our life. Without such passion we may produce isolated acts of love; but our life is not really won over or consecrated to an ideal. Until we have a passionate love for our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament we shall accomplish nothing." - 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. 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!



MOTO HOPE MISSION—WE REACH OUT. WE EMPOWER.

Please pray for the Moto Hope Mission! If you would like more information, grab a pamphlet from the Narthex and check out the website. Donations can now be made online at:

www.motohopemission.com

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN

COOKIE WALK MEETING

An organizational meeting for the Cookie Walk is scheduled for Wednesday, September 28th at 5:30pm for **all** Angels of St. Agnes. Every lady in St. Agnes parish is a member and we really need everyone's input for organizing the largest Angels fundraiser of the year; please plan to attend!

DIocese OF DULUTH - WOMEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND

Catholic Women are invited to attend the Women's Cursillo Weekend on Sept 28-October 2nd at the TEC Retreat Center in Little Falls sponsored by the Diocese of Duluth Cursillo. For more information and application forms contact Jamie Richter at 547-4058 or visit www.cursillodioceseofduluth.com.

MOMS IN TOUCH INTERDENOMINATIONAL PRAYER GROUP

Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything!

Tell God what you need and thank Him for all He has done. A new women's prayer group is forming in our community and all moms are invited to join. Meetings will be held on Thursdays at 9:15am at "My Lake Place" in downtown Walker. For more info, contact Sue Jaeger at 547-1702.



WOMEN'S LAMB OF GOD PRAYER GROUP



All women of the parishes are invited to join this intercessory prayer group on September 5th, the first Monday of the month, and every 1st Monday (May—Dec) at 6:30pm in the St. Agnes Chapel. With questions, contact Mary Becker 224-3836.

RENEW MY HEART

A silent midweek retreat for women will be held at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN. The retreat begins on Tuesday, October 2 at 2:00pm and concludes on Thursday, October 6 at 12:45pm. The retreat will be conducted by the staff of Christ the King Retreat Center using the theme **Renew My Heart**. The women of this parish are cordially invited to a beautiful, inexpensive, lakeside retreat of relaxation and spiritual rejuvenation. Please call (763) 682-1394 for a registration form or visit www.kingshouse.com.

UPCOMING MAGNIFICAT EVENT

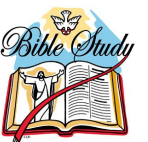
Save the Date: St. Agnes parishioner, Mary Tiedeman, will share her personal testimony, "An Extraordinary God Found in the Ordinary" on Monday, October 17th. All women of the community are invited to attend this Magnificat Meal which will be held in the St. Agnes Social Hall. Fellowship will begin at 5:30, dinner served at 6:00pm.



To **RSVP**, send a \$12 check payable to Magnificat to Lorri Henning, 3080 20th Ave NW, Hackensack, MN, 56452, before Wednesday, October 12th. For more information, call Jean Bauerly at 547-3111.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study group meets on Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm. The new study, which began August 30th is "The Words of the Risen Christ". Interested in joining? Please call Rosemary (547-1509). Materials are \$10. **All are welcome!**



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