



St. Agnes & Sacred Heart Catholic Parishes

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We welcome newcomers!
Please contact our Parish
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www.StAgnesCatholic.com



St. Agnes

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Sacred Heart

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Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday (1/7) at 4:00 pm at **St. Agnes** +Correen Mogck
Sunday (1/8) at 8:30 am at **Sacred Heart** +All Parishioners
Sunday (1/8) at 10:30 am at **St. Agnes** +George W. Ritter
Tuesday (1/10) at 8:00 am at **St. Agnes** +John & Verda Dricoll
Wednesday (1/11) at 8:00 am at **St. Agnes** +Homer Clayton & Wilbur Wiens
Thursday (1/12) at 8:00 am at **St. Agnes** +Bray Mercil
Friday (1/13) at 8:00 am at **Sacred Heart** +Ed & Lucy Gleisner
Saturday (1/14) at 4:00 pm at **Sacred Heart** +Ken Labore
Sunday (1/15) at 8:30 am at **Sacred Heart** +Roman & Lillian Meuwissen
Sunday (1/15) at 10:30 am at **St. Agnes** +All Parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 11:00 am at **St. Agnes** and
1/2 hour before Saturday Masses at **Sacred Heart**

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.

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 8, 2012

PLEASE PRAY...

- ✠ For Bishop Sirba and all priests, deacons, and seminarians from the Duluth Diocese
- ✠ That we may more deeply discover the mystery of the Eucharist, and worship the Lord as did the wise men of old
- ✠ That the Manifestation of the glory of Christ will enable all nations to also recognize the sanctity of each and every human life
- ✠ That the sick may discover in their sufferings a manifestation of the Passion of Christ
- ✠ That those who have died, especially those from our parishes and families, may share eternal glory

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEN

MEN'S CONFERENCE: REGISTRATION OPEN!

A diocesan Catholic Men's Conference, *Men of Faith: Called to Greatness*, led by bestselling author Father Larry Richards, is scheduled for Feb. 18, 2012 at the College of St. Scholastica from 9am to 5pm. Cost is \$25 per person and includes breakfast and lunch. Men ages 18 and older are invited (men ages 16-17 need a chaperone). You can register online through www.dioceseduluth.org. Contact the parish office if you'd like to carpool.

REMOVAL OF CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

On Monday, January 9th at 9am, Christmas decorations will be taken down at St. Agnes **and** at Sacred Heart. Men are needed to help with this project.

DO YOU HAVE AN INTENTION FOR OUR PRAYER CHAINS?



Do you know someone who is sick? Preparing for surgery? Facing a major life decision? Celebrating a birthday or anniversary? There are so many good reasons to offer prayers on another person's behalf! Let us pray with and for you! If 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 Lucille Abbott at 675-6102.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEE OUR PARISH CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 2012 FOR ALL UPCOMING EVENTS. DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY CALENDAR IS WEDNESDAY, 1/25.

WEEKLY BULLETIN DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAYS AT NOON.

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 Ken and Sandy Randall for serving this weekend!

Greg and Gina Smith are on the schedule for next weekend

ANGELS OF ST. AGNES

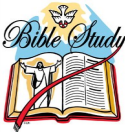
A meeting of the Angels of St. Agnes will take place Monday, January 9th, at 9:30am in the Social Hall.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

This Tuesday is the last meeting for the Men's Bible Study group for this month. For information on the next study group, contact Jim Dawson by phone at 547-2110 or by email at jamesfdawson@hotmail.com.



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



Women's Bible Study is on for this week but will not be meeting on January 17th. Call Rosemary Ellis at 547-1509 for information. All women are welcome!

SACRED HEART CCW

The CCW group at Sacred Heart WILL NOT be meeting this month, however Craft Wednesday will be taking place each Wednesday this month at 10am.



FINANCE COUNCIL UPCOMING MEETINGS

St. Agnes's Finance Council will be meeting on Wednesday, January 11th at 10am at St. Agnes. Sacred Heart's Finance Council will meet on January 11th at 5:30pm at Sacred Heart.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

RCIA will have class on 1/11 at 7:00pm in the Narthex Meeting Room at St. Agnes, then be on break while Fr. Francis is gone. The class will resume on 2/29. If you'd like more information, contact Fr. Francis through the Parish Office.



LECTORS, EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS, & USHERS

The January and February schedules for both parishes now available in the Narthex; note that those who've volunteered at both parishes may be scheduled at both locations.

BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS

Our parishes have two sets of DVD's plus additional workbooks and study books for the Biblical Walk through the Mass study that was held this fall. If you were not able to be a part of the group but would like to check out the materials, contact the Parish Office to have your name added to the list.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



The St. Agnes & Sacred Heart Council of KC's will meet on Thursday, January 19th at St. Agnes. If you have questions about the Knights or would like to join this fraternal organization, contact Grand Knight Al Fikse at afikse@myway.com

A NOTE FOR THE PARISH OFFICE

As you likely know, Fr. Francis has a very busy January! He will be in the office this week, if you'd like to make an appointment with him.

Next weekend (Jan 14 & 15), we will have a visiting priest, Fr. Sipe, as Fr. Francis will be at Mundelein Seminary in Chicago until the 20th.

Fr. Francis will be back the weekend of January 21 & 22, but will then embark on his trip home to Kenya. While home, he will be visiting his family, Moto Hope Mission sites (did you hear they started school this past week!?), and relaxing!

Remember to hold Fr. Francis and all priests in your prayers!

Prayer for Priests

O Jesus, our great High Priest, hear our humble prayers on behalf of our priests. Give them a deep faith, a bright and firm hope, and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of their priestly life.

In their loneliness, comfort them. In their sorrows, strengthen them. In their frustrations, point out to them that it is through suffering that the soul is purified, and show them that they are needed by the Church, they are needed by souls, they are needed for the work of redemption.

O loving Mother Mary, Mother of Priests, take to your heart your sons who are close to you because of their priestly ordination, and because of the power which they have received to carry on the work of Christ in a world which needs them so much.

Be their comfort, be their joy, be their strength, and especially help them to live and to defend the ideals of consecrated celibacy.

Amen.

Prayer written by Cardinal John Joseph Carberry (+1998), former Archbishop of St. Louis



TIME, TALENT, & TREASURE

	St. Agnes	Sacred Heart
Plate	\$1,694	\$618
Envelope	\$1,146	\$1,198
UCA	\$11,028 (40%) Goal: \$27,405	\$5,855 (26%) Goal: \$22,323

St. Agnes Building Balance Remaining: \$56,249.12

UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL

Thanks to those who contributed towards our UCA goals!! The past two weekends, we received MANY donations! The 2012 United Catholic Appeal for our Diocese will kick off in May, so there is still time to help us reach our 2011 goals.

2012 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Parishioners may pick up their 2012 Envelopes in the narthex at either parish. If you did not receive envelopes but would like them, please contact the parish office. Thank you for your generosity in contributing to our parish!

YEAR END TAX STATEMENTS

This week, the parish office will be mailing out the year-end tax statements. If you have any questions or need clarification on your statement, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA FEATURE CD

The Body and Blood of Christ

By Dr. Scott Hahn

A former Presbyterian minister, Dr. Scott Hahn was once a militant opponent of the Catholic Church. In this informative presentation, he provides the biblical basis for the Church's teaching on the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist and the significance of the Feast of Corpus Christi, and gives us a greater understanding of our vocation to be the living presence of Christ in the world.

This and many other titles from Lighthouse Catholic Media are available in the Narthex at St. Agnes for a donation of just \$3!

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

7-12TH GRADERS

Youth Group will continue with *Session III: Nuts & Bolts* at 5:30pm on Wednesday, January 11th. See ya there! Reminder to parents that we wrap up at 7:30, not 7:15 like last year.

Confirmation Class meets for its next session on Sunday, January 15th at 6:00pm. Any student in 10th grade or older should attend if they want to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the spring of 2013.

The next HS Release Retreat will be Wednesday, January 25th. All 7-12th graders should plan to attend. Our theme will be *The 'R' Father* and we will be joined by Fr. Joseph Sirba from Longville/Remer.

TOBIT (Theology of the Body Immersion for Teens) registration is now open. This retreat, sponsored by the Diocese of Duluth, takes place January 20-22nd, 2012 at Big Sandy Camp near McGregor. Registration is \$115 but scholarships are available for those who need one. Register by clicking on the TOBIT link under Youth Ministry at www.dioceseduluth.org.

Beautiful You Girls Retreat, open to girls in grades 8-10, will be taking place on Friday, January 27th at 6:30pm to Saturday, January 28th at 6:30pm at Queen of Peace Catholic Church in Cloquet. Cost is \$15. There will be fun and exciting speakers and activities for all girls. *Come and Lean about YOUR God-Given Beauty!* Register by Jan 22nd by contacting DRE Lori.

K-6TH GRADERS

Diving Deeper resumes this week. All K-6th Graders are invited to attend this fun after-school session! **See you as we continue our Great Adventure through the Bible on 1/11!**

Our next Church Release date is January 18th; we look forward to seeing all 1st-6th graders this week

PARENTS & PARISHIONERS

Help is still needed with several of our Youth Programs. Please contact Lori if you are able to be a classroom helper, small group leader, or provide a meal for Youth Group or snacks for Diving Deeper. Please pray for the youth of our parish!

ATTENTION Parents of 7-12th Graders: we will have a parent/student meeting on Wednesday, January 18th at 7:00pm to look at our spring calendar, talk about summer events, and make some plans for fundraising. **All parents of 7-12th graders should plan to attend this 30-minute info session.**

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

"When you have received Him, stir up your heart to do Him homage; speak to Him about your spiritual life, gazing upon Him in your soul where He is present for your happiness; welcome Him as warmly as possible, and behave outwardly in such a way that your actions may give proof to all of His Presence." - St. Francis de Sales



Spend a Holy Hour with our Eucharistic Lord exposed in the Blessed Sacrament! St. Agnes has Jesus exposed Body, Blood, Soul, & Divinity in our Adoration Chapel beginning at 8:30am every Tuesday through 3:00pm on Wednesday. Additional adores are always welcome!

Winter substitutes are needed; contact Sue Jaeger if you can help: 547-1702.

PRO-LIFE INFORMATION

ROE VS. WADE MEMORIAL EVENTS

BEMIDJI: Mark your calendar for a March for Life on Saturday, January 21st at 12noon at the Beltrami County Courthouse. More info to come.

DULUTH: Prayer Rally and Jericho March to the Building for Women on Sunday, January 22nd beginning at 4pm; more info available at www.prolife4duluth.com. Also, Together for Life Banquet & Memorial sponsored by Guiding Star Duluth on January 22nd at 5:30pm; more info available at www.guidingstarduluth.org

TWIN CITIES: MCCL's Annual March for Life will be taking place in front of the State Capitol on Sunday, January 22nd at 2pm. Join thousands of Minnesotans at this inspiring event!

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLOOD DRIVE COMING UP

God's love has produced many miracles, large and small. One of these is the life sustaining power of blood. We have the ability to share this miracle of life; to pass it along to others. The opportunity to share your healthy blood with those less fortunate will be on Monday, January 9th from 11am to 6pm at Hope Lutheran Church in Walker. To schedule an appointment, call Kelly or Jeanne Nelson 547-2222. **On behalf of the patients who will benefit, thank you.**



DRIVER IMPROVEMENT COURSE

ARE YOU 55+? This course will save you 10% on your Auto Insurance for 3 years! There are no written or behind the wheel tests. A 4 Hour Refresher will be held January 10th at Sacred Heart, 8:00am to 12:00pm. **Register by calling (toll free) 1-888-234-1294**



MOTO HOPE MISSION—WE REACH OUT. WE EMPOWER.

Please pray for the Moto Hope Mission. There are many new photos on display in the narthex; so much work has been done over such a short period of time. Thank you for your generosity!

If you would like more information feel free to take an info pamphlet from the display.

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