

Saint Agnes Catholic Church

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

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| Saturday | 12:00 P.M. , 5:00 P.M. |
| Sunday | 08:00 A.M., 10:30 A.M., & 12:30 P.M. (in Spanish) |
| Monday | No Mass |
| Tuesday | 06:00 P.M. |
| Wednesday | 06:00 P.M. |
| Thursday | 06:00 P.M. 10:30 P.M. (in Spanish) |
| Friday | 08:30 A.M. |

(For holy days, see pg. 2 or check our website.)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION

THURSDAYS 5:00 P.M. - 5:45 P.M

SATURDAYS 3:30 P.M. - 4:45 P.M.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

30 minutes prior to Daily Mass,
Thursdays from 5:00 P.M. - 5:45 P.M. and
Saturdays from 3:30 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.
or by appointment.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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July 20, 2025



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." - Lk 10:41-42

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July 22, 2025
Tuesday at 6:00pm Mass

Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene

Join us for this solemn Mass. She was a follower of Christ, who accompanied and ministered to him. Her presence "beneath the cross" on Good Friday as well as how "she was to be the one to discover the empty tomb" on Easter morning made her a prominent woman of the time.



July 25, 2025
Friday at 12:00pm Mass
Feast of St. James

Join us for this solemn Mass. The feast of St. James is also known as St. James Day. He preached the Gospel in Hispania as well as the Holy Land until his martyrdom at the hands of Herod Agrippa. He was a witness of the Transfiguration & he was also of the agony in the garden.

WEEKEND ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

July 12 - July 13

Weekend Attendance: 202

5:00 P.M.- 59;8:00A.M.- 48;10:30 A.M. -79;12:30 P.M. 29

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| 1st Collection | \$ 3,625. ⁰⁰ |
| 2nd Collection - Maintenance | \$ 661. ⁰⁰ |
| Other Collections | \$ 20. ⁰⁰ |
| Total | \$ 4,306.⁰⁰ |

July 20 - Catholic Communications

July 27 - Debt Reduction

Thank you for your generosity!

WELCOME TO ST. AGNES!

If you are new to our area or parish & have not registered, we invite you to do so. You can find parish registration forms in the church narthex and online at <https://stagnescharlestonwv.org>. Paper forms can be dropped off at the parish office or placed in the mail.

SACRED SILENCE IN THE CHURCH

Please remember to maintain a sacred silence when you are in the main body of the church, especially before and after Mass. If you need to talk with someone, simply move to the vestibule, or into one of the side areas and make sure that the door is closed behind you. Thank you!

MASS INTENTIONS

The Mass is the greatest prayer we can offer to God. It is customary for the faithful of a parish to have Masses offered for their own intentions, especially for loved ones who have passed away. If you would like to have a Mass offered for a loved one or a special intention, please contact the parish office or fill out the Mass Intention envelope from the narthex of the church. The suggested donation is \$10.00 for a daily Mass and \$20.00 for a weekend Mass.

ALTAR SERVERS

All guys and girls who are interested in serving at the altar during Mass should please email Fr. Szabo. We will be arranging a time for altar server practice in the future. Thanks to all who already help with this ministry!"

LECTORS

| Mass Time | July 19 & July 20 | July 26 & July 27 |
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| 5:00 p.m. | | Pat Fulcher |
| 8:00 a.m. | Woody Mitchell | Dana Fox |
| 10:30 a.m. | Jennifer Clark | Lou Dent Smith |
| 12:30 p.m. | Gladys Cuartas | Jesus Torres |

MASS INTENTIONS JULY 21- JULY 27

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| MON 21 | 6:00 P.M. | No Mass |
| TUE 22 | 6:00 P.M. | David J. Gwiazda by Theresa Gwiazda |
| WED 23 | 6:00 P.M. | Michael Dragoo by Sharon Dragoo |
| THU 24 | 6:00 P.M. | David C. Gwiazda by Theresa Gwiazda |
| | 10:30 P.M. (IN SPANISH) | Parishioners of St. Agnes |
| FRI 25 | 8:30 A.M. | Parishioners of St. Agnes |
| SAT 26 | 12:00 P.M. | Parishioners of St. Agnes |
| | 5:00 P.M. | Ruth Cavalier + by Ham & Karen Reid |
| SUN 27 | 8:00 A.M. | Parishioners of St. Agnes |
| | 10:30 A.M. | Connie Carey + by Christopher Schlarb & Melanie Schlarb |
| | 12:30 P.M. (IN SPANISH) | Jesus Onate Aguire + by Maria G. Lopez |

FUNERAL PREPARATION

If you or a loved one is planning a funeral that will be held at St. Agnes or celebrated by Fr. Szabo, please contact the Parish Office before speaking to the Funeral Home. This will ensure that Fr. Szabo will be available and will make your meeting with the funeral home much

HOMEBOUND AND NURSING HOME VISITS

If you or a loved one are no longer able to make it to Mass in person, please call (304) 881-3228 to speak with Mr. Stanley Lewis who helps coordinate our homebound and nursing home ministry.

JOIN THE SERRA CLUB OF CHARLESTON!

Serra International is a global lay apostolate for vocations in the Catholic Church. The Charleston Club is growing & welcomes new members. For more information: contact Mark Sadd at (304) 345-2000 ext/ 1101 or msadd@lewisglasser.com.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

To report suspected cases of child sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888 434-2637 or 30) 233-0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304 230-1504.

July/August

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 8:00AM Mass 9:45AM EMHC Training 10:30AM Mass 12:30PM Mass 1:45PM EMHC Training | | 5:30PM Confess 6:00PM Sol- emn Mass St. Mary Magda- lene | 5:30PM Confess 6:00PM Mass | 5:00PM Confess & Adoration 6:00PM Mass 6:45PM YA Bible Study 10:30PM Mass | 8:30AM Sol- emn Mass St. James the Apostle 3:00PM Rosary 7:00PM Wom- en's Bible Study | NO NOON MASS 4:30PM Con- fess 5:00PM Mass w/Fr. Godwin 6:30PM Men's Night |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 Aug | 2 |
| 8:00AM Mass 10:30AM Mass 12:30PM Mass | No Mass (Fr. Szabo at CFL) | No Mass (Fr. Szabo at CFL) | Fr. Prakash cel- ebrating 5:00PM Confess & Adoration 6:00PM Mass 6:45PM YA Bible Study | No Mass (Fr. Szabo at CFL) 3:00PM Rosary 7:00PM Wom- en's Bible Study | 10:00AM Fami- ly Adoration 12:00PM Mass 3:30PM Confess 5:00PM Mass | |
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| 8:00AM Mass 10:30AM Mass 12:30PM Mass | | 5:30PM Confess 6:00PM Mass | 5:30PM Confess 6:00PM Solemn Mass of the Transfiguration | 5:00PM Confess & Adoration 6:00PM Mass 6:45PM YA Bible Study 10:30PM Mass | 8:30AM Mass 11:00AM Mass & White-Water Rafting 3:00PM Rosary | 12:00PM Mass 3:30PM Confess 5:00PM Mass 8:30PM Out- door Movie Night |
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ST. AGNES WEEKLY UPDATE

Dear St. Agnes Family,

On Wednesday of this past week, we celebrated the Memorial of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. This feast day, celebrated every July 16th, was first instituted in the late 14th century in commemoration of the approval of the rule of the Carmelite Order a hundred years earlier. According to legend, a religious community was established on Mount Carmel even before the time of Christ. This is the mountain overlooking the Mediterranean Sea on which the prophet Elijah successfully challenged the priests of Baal and won the people to the true God. (I really hope that they make an action movie one day about this great Old Testament story!)

This week, I want to tell you about a great sacramental that came to the Church through the Carmelite Order. In the year 1251 A.D., in the town of Aylesford, England, Our Lady appeared to St. Simon Stock, a Carmelite living in this religious community. She handed him a brown woolen scapular and said, "This shall be a privilege for you and all Carmelites, that anyone dying in this habit shall not suffer eternal fire." In time, the Church extended this magnificent privilege to all the laity who are willing to be invested in the Brown Scapular of the Carmelites.

Today, the Brown Scapular is one of the most popular sacramentals used by devout Catholics because of how powerful it is and how easy it is to enjoy the benefits that accompany it. Like me, many of you reading this are probably wearing one right now, and others have likely seen one worn by others. Brown Scapulars are usually worn like a necklace. They are made up of two small brown patches of wool, connected by two strings, usually with some decorative images on the two brown pieces of wool.

In order to practice the devotion of the Brown Scapular, all one needs to do is to purchase a brown scapular and then bring it to a Catholic priest who will perform a short and simple enrollment ceremony. That's it! Just by being enrolled and wearing the Brown Scapular devoutly, Our Lady promises that she will protect you from the fires of Hell!

While there is much more that could be said about this devotion, I will end with a brief explanation of why this actually makes sense despite how simple it sounds. God does not want it to be difficult to obtain the graces needed to make it to Heaven. Therefore, it makes sense that Catholic devotions would be simple. Also, the act of wearing the Brown Scapular everyday is not a purely passive gesture. Every time we put it on, feel it rubbing against our body or tugging on our neck, or see it popping up around our shirt, we can be reminded of God's love for us through our Mother, Mary. This constant attentiveness to God is what gets a soul to Heaven. As Catholics, we are all about "sacramentals" like Holy Water, Rosaries, religious medals, statues, and anything that draws our hearts and minds to God through our bodily senses so that we will be ready to serve Him at all times up to the day of our death.

So, if you are not currently enrolled in the Brown Scapular, I strongly encourage you to read up on it a little more, buy one online (you can get them cheap, or go big for a nice handmade one), and then come see me after Mass sometime so that you can start enjoying the benefits of this great sacramental!

May God bless you all! Fr. Szabo

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Walking with Purpose

The next gathering will be Friday, July 25th at 7:00pm in the old convent chapel.
Inquiries: Justine Slominski: jsslominski@gmail.com or 774-279-3494



STEBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE
HS FRESHMAN - OUTGOING SENIORS!

FRIDAY 7/25 - SUNDAY 7/27

\$265/PERSON

T-SHIRT, ROOM & MEALS INCLUDED

INFORMATION CONTACT: conferences@franciscan.edu or (740)283-6315

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

If you are currently, or would like to become, a Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion for Mass, there will be training sessions on Sunday, July 20 in the Church.
9:45AM in English 1:45PM in Spanish



WHITE WATER RAFTING (Ace Adventure Oahhill, WV)

OPEN TO ANYONE 12 AND UP! FRIDAY AUGUST 8TH @ 2:00PM
THERE IS A SIGN-UP SHEET IN THE MAIN NARTHEX OF THE CHURCH

175th Anniversary of the Diocese of Wheeling Charleston

A special event on Friday, August 22, 2025 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Wheeling – on this day we will celebrate the 6th Anniversary of Bishop Brennan as Bishop of Wheeling Charleston as well as officially kicking off the anniversary celebration with a festive Mass at 12:05pm followed by a luncheon in the Great Hall of Wheeling Central. More details about this celebration to come – all are welcome to attend.



- SAVE THE DATE -

CATHOLICISM ON TAP "LEARNING THE MASS"

FEATURING:



SCAN TO RSVP



FR. BRIAN CRENWELGE

GUYS & GALS
AGES 21-40



THURSDAY, JULY 24TH
7 PM IN THE ST. AGNES RECTORY
AFTER 5 PM CONFESSION AND 6 PM MASS



What is
God
asking of
You?

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18-30 years old

August 29th - 30th

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25430

Diocese of
Wheeling-Charleston

To sign up:
WestvirginiaMission@hmsp.org

STEP INTO SCHOOL SHOE DRIVE



This July, Saint Agnes is partnering with the Kids of Kanawha ‘**Step Into School Shoe Drive**’ to support children in our community. Donations will help stock School Shoe Closets at **8 local area schools**, providing students access to new, well-fitting shoes throughout the school year.



We are collecting: **New youth, teen, and adult shoes (boys and girls) in sizes ranging from 10C – Adult 12.**

Drop-Off Bin Location: In the front entrance of the church - available throughout the month of July.

Every pair donated helps a child walk into school with confidence, dignity, and comfort.
Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ in our community.



Learn more at kidsofkanawha.org



ST. AGNES TO-DO LIST

Perhaps you have wondered before, “What can I do to help around the church?” Well, take a gander! Here are some chores that need doing. Though I enjoy this kind of work, I can’t say that I’ll get to all of these things in a reasonable amount of time, so your help would be much appreciated! Just email me (pszabo@dwc.org) once you have taken care of something so I can remove it from the list!

Weed Trimming: If you know how to run a trimmer (or as we call them back home a “weed-wacker”) we would love your help with the trimming around the church. We have a generous parishioner who is cutting the lawn each week, but it is just too much for him to also go around the buildings, fences, trees, etc. and trim along the edges of things. Let us know if you can help with this!

Stick Collection: Despite all of the tree trimming we have done this past year, the trees continue to drop branches all over the yard. There are some large enough to cause trouble for anyone helping mow the lawn. If you have about an hour a week to spare, consider taking a walk around the property here once a week with our wheelbarrow to pick up sticks that are laying in the yard. Let us know and we will tell you how to access the wheelbarrow!

Painting Hand Rails: The railings around the church are rusting in some places and peeling in others. They could use some cleaning and a good coat of paint.

Garden Maintenance: The gardens around the church, rectory, and office are in constant need of some TLC! If you have a green thumb, or can at least distinguish between weeds and flowers, please feel free to come by for any amount of time to help maintain the many gardens that we have around the parish!

Plumbing: A number of faucets are leaking in one way or another, or doing things really old plumbing does. If you know how to do this sort of thing, let me know! We could use a hand replacing a number of old faucets!

Painting in the Office: The office back room paint is peeling off of the cinderblock walls. Maybe moisture is getting through too? Let us know if you could scrape, clean, seal and repaint these old walls, give us a call!

ST. AGNES MINISTRIES

The Sacraments

WEDDING PREPARATION

Marriage is a wonderful Sacrament that we here at St. Agnes are happy to help you prepare for. Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 months before your scheduled wedding date so that we will have enough time to complete the preparation and paperwork.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or a loved one is preparing for serious surgery, undergoing a life-threatening illness, or getting to the age where you are not sure how much more time God has for you on this Earth, contact the parish office to arrange a time when Fr. Szabo can celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

Men's Ministry

MONTHLY MENS NIGHT

A monthly gathering for men 21 years or older on the last Saturday of the month. This is a time of fellowship, discussion, & prayer for men who are ready to grow closer to God & one another. July's gathering: Saturday, July 26th at 6:30PM. Email Fr. Szabo for more info.

Young Adult Ministry

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY



Thursdays after 6:00pm Mass in the St. Agnes Parish Office. Dinner is provided! If you are a young adult (at least 18+) and interested in this Bible Study, just show up or scan the QR code for more information!

Social Outreach

COMMON GROUNDS

If you would like to volunteer or donate, drop by Common Grounds Food Pantry at 3810 Venable Ave., on Tues. or Thurs. 10:00am - 2:00pm. A basket is in the Church narthex for food donations. For more information: call (304) 720-9690 or (304) 552-5286.

High School students needing community service hours? Help pack food boxes that are distributed to Common Grounds clients on Tues. July 15th from 10:00am - 2:00pm.

Family Ministries

FAMILY ADORATION

Family Adoration is held every First Saturday 10:00AM - 10:30AM. This period of Adoration is directed specifically towards the youngest members of our community. Interested families can join us anytime or contact Aisling Whelan at aislingterese@gmail.com for more information.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

This Montessori approach to Catholic catechesis is designed for children who are 3-6 years of age. The program is finished for the summer and will resume in September. If you are interested in this program and would like more information, contact our catechist Aisling Whelan at aislingterese@gmail.com

Women's Ministry

LADIES GUILD

All women of the parish are invited to Ladies' Guild. We will meet on Tues., August 12th at 6:00pm at Aladdins - Kanawha City. To play an optional game, bring a \$5-\$10 wrapped/bagged gift.. RSVP or questions: Ann (304-552 7434) or Pat (304-382-5311).

Parish Ministry

ROSARY GROUP

On Fridays at 3:00pm we will have a weekly a Rosary group for all ages. The group will say a Rosary together every Friday at 3:00pm, unless the Church has another event on the same day/time. Fellowship following either in the vestibule or outside if weather permitting.



PRO-LIFE GROUP



A Pro-Life group is at St. Agnes. This group works to support local Pro-Life efforts, as well as to provide needed support to families here at St. Agnes and in our local community. If you would like to learn more about this group, or how you can join, please email Fr. Szabo.

Watch for the upcoming Baby Bottle Fundraiser for Women's Choice PRC later in July.



ADVERTISEMENTS FROM OUR SUPPORTERS

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GATHERING OF . . .

MOUNTAIN STATE CATHOLIC MEN

Friday, September 12
St. Joseph Cathedral Parish
Wheeling, WV

5:30 P.M. EXPOSITION OF
BLESSED SACRAMENT & VESPERS

6:30 P.M. INFORMAL DINNER
FOLLOWED BY ROUNDTABLE
DISCUSSION

Saturday, September 13
Pittsburgh, PA

Gathering of Catholic Men's Conference
Noon to 4:30 p.m. (Mass at 4:30 p.m.)

For more information and to register for
Pittsburgh conference, go to:

www.cmfwpa.org

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MEN'S GROUPS
IN OUR
COMMUNITIES

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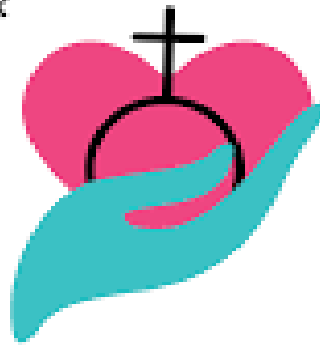
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