

Saint Agnes Catholic Church

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

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.
Friday 08:30 A.M.

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENECTION

WEDNESDAYS FOLLOWING 6:00 P.M. MASS -11:00 P.M.

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.

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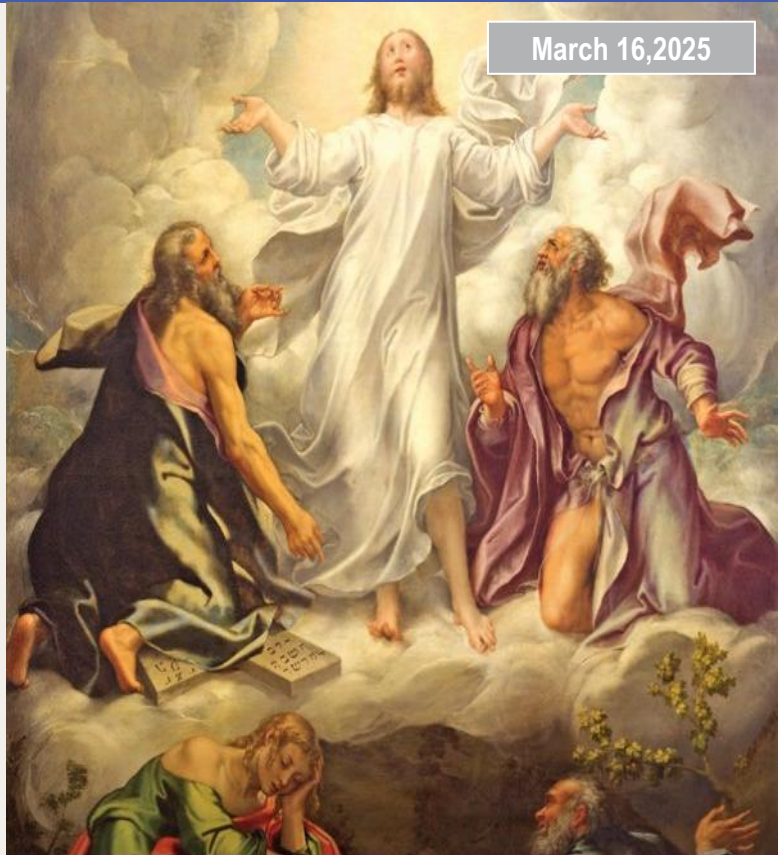
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March 16, 2025



2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." - Lk 9:34-35

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LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

Wednesday, April 16

6:45 P.M

(Following 6:00pm Mass)



WEEKEND ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING MASS INTENTIONS (MARCH 17 - MARCH 23)

March 8 - March 9

Weekend Attendance: **324**

5:00 P.M. **162**; 8:00 A.M. **38**; 10:30 A.M. **83**; 12:30 P.M. **41**

1st Collection \$ 4,857.⁰⁰

2nd Collection - Debt Reduction \$ 823.⁰⁰

Other Collections \$ 1,254.⁰⁰

Total \$ **6,934.**⁰⁰

March 23 - Diocesan Priests Retirement Fund

March 30 - St. Agnes Parish Outreach

Thank you for your generosity!

MON 17	6:00 P.M.	No Mass
TUE 18	6:00 P.M.	Charles Lavender by Theresa Gwiazda
WED 19	6:00 P.M.	John Stoetzer Gray, Jr. by John & Nancy Gray
THU 20	6:00 P.M.	Helen Schlarb + by Chris & Melanie Schlarb
FRI 21	8:30 A.M.	People of the Parish
SAT 22	12:00 P.M.	Joan Marie Zekan + by Zekan Family
	5:00 P.M.	Vernon Emilia Young + by Michele Sturey
SUN 23	8:00 A.M.	Leonard Francesconi + by Dana Fox
	10:30 A.M.	Joan Zekan + by Catherine & Stephen Zekan
	12:30 P.M.	People of the Parish

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 on 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.

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. This allows others to pray and sets a very important example for the younger members of our community who are still learning about the sacred nature of the church. 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!

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 place it in the mail.

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Mass Time	March 15 - 16	March 22 - 23
5:00 p.m.	Pat Fulcher	Dean Lauffer
8:00 a.m.	Dana Fox	Dana Fox
10:30 a.m.	Bunnie Perrine	Lou Dent Smith
12:30 p.m.	Gladys Cuartas	Jesus Torres

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 easier.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or someone you know will be going through a life -threatening surgery in the near future, or is at an age where it is unclear how much more time God has planned for them to spend here on this Earth, please contact the office as soon as possible so that Fr. Szabo can hear their confession and anoint them.

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.

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HORARIO REGULAR DE MISAS

LUNES	SIN MISA
MARTES	06:00P.M.
MIÉRCOLES	06:00P.M.
JUEVES	06:00P.M.
VIERNES	08:30A.M.
Sábado	12:00 P.M. , 5:00 P.M. (Misa de Vigilia)
DOMINGO	08:00A.M., 10:30A.M.,AND 12:30P.M. (EN ESPANOL)

SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN

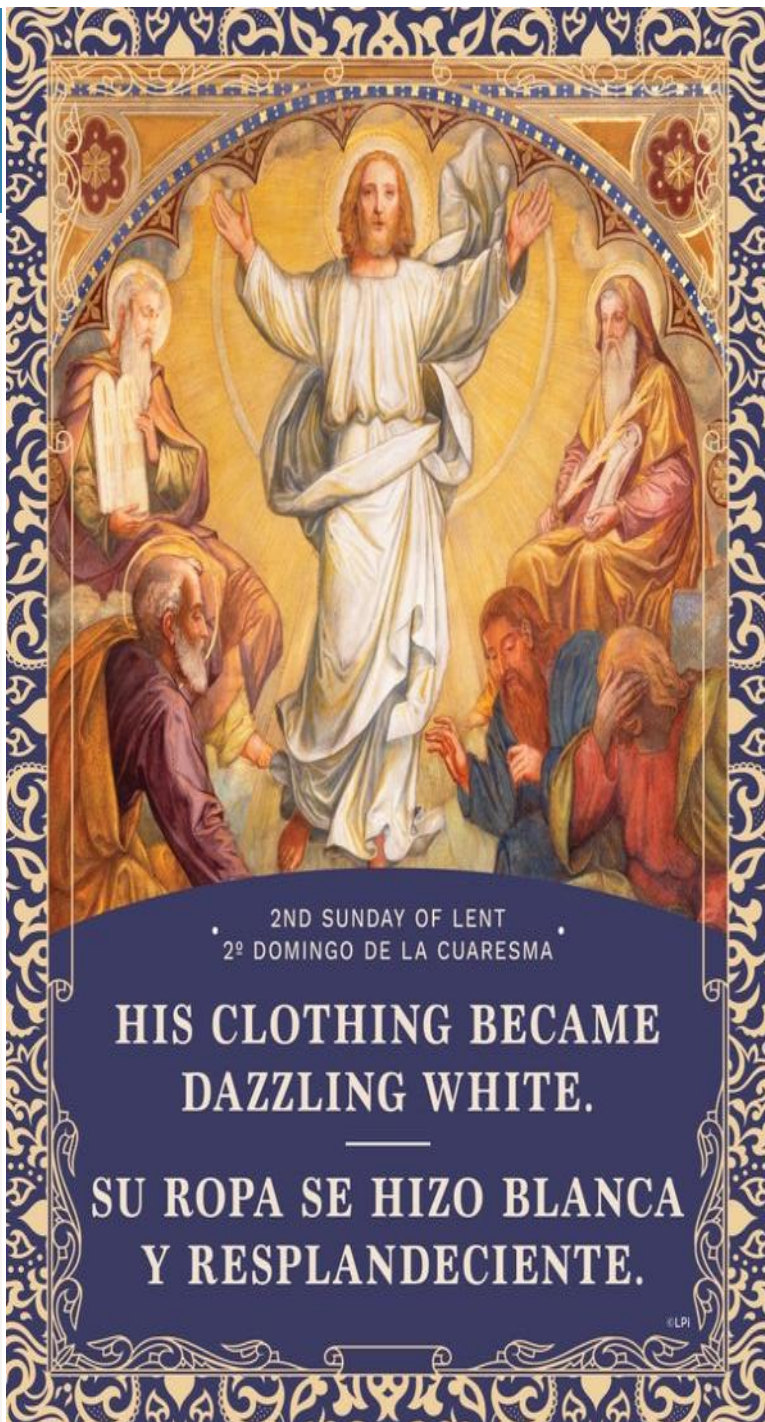
30 minutos antes de cada Misa Diaria,
Sábados de 3:30 P.M. a 4:45 P.M.
Jueves de 5:00 P.M. a 5:45 P.M.
o con cita previa.

ADORACION EUCARISTICA

Miércoles después de la Misa a las
6:00 pm hasta 11:00 pm

Jueves a las 5:00pm -5:45pm,
antes de la Santa Misa a las 6:00pm

Sábado a las 3:30pm - 4:45pm, antes
de la Santa Misa a las 5:00pm



MISIÓN PARROQUIAL

Nuestra Comunidad Hispana de Santa Inés, localizada en Kanawha City, es una familia multicultural comprometida a fomentar los valores espirituales y morales de nuestra fe Católica. Como bautizados, nos esforzamos a vivir el Evangelio de Cristo en nuestra liturgia y obras de caridad. Si quieres ser parte de nuestra familia, te invitamos a que nos acompañes a la Misa Dominical, la Hora Santa y a todas las actividades que tenemos durante el año.

¡Bienvenido a nuestra familia!



UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

On Wednesday, March 19th, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of St. Joseph. Not only is St. Joseph second only to the Blessed Virgin Mary among the Saints, but he is also the patron Saint of our Diocese! Therefore, we will be honoring St. Joseph with a solemn Mass on this Wednesday at 6:00PM as well as a dinner afterwards in the gym catered by Bowles Boyz BBQ since they were such a hit last time. Join us, bring a side dish, and bring a friend!

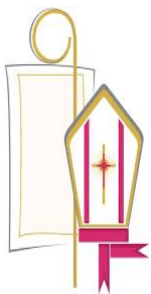
STATIONS OF THE CROSS 5:30PM FRIDAYS

Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays during Lent at 5:30PM in the main church. Join us as we pray and meditate on these 14 powerful moments in Jesus's journey to Calvary!



TWIG AND BRANCH CUTTING AND MOVING

Please join us in the back parking lot on Saturday, March 22 beginning at 9:00am as we cut up and move the pin oak tree branches piled outside of the parish office. The branches will be cut up into bonfire size pieces and moved to a location across the yard to be used in future bonfires. If you happen to have some branch cutting equipment that is mobile, bring it with you. The more people to help, the faster the process will go.



Congratulations

to those confirmed by Bishop Brennan
at the 5:00pm Mass last Saturday!



Amaya Lopez

Gabrielle Evans

Chloe Belcher

Madeline Jack

Elija Krason

Lillian Krason

Allison Garcia

Ashley Garcia

Tolby Hastings

Ava Thompson

Alyssa Dorsey

ST. AGNES WEEKLY UPDATE

Dear St. Agnes,

I hope that you have all been able to enjoy the beautiful weather we have had lately! The way we experience the change of seasons in this part of the world is truly a blessing. As we approach that greatest Solemnity of Easter, even the earth itself responds by bringing forth new life and warmth in preparation for the Resurrection, a day that we are all looking forward to with even greater expectation because of our penances, especially the lack of Sunday donuts!

This week, I want to share my thoughts on the use of the Latin language in the Mass. As you well know, we have been using the *Missa de Angelis* Mass setting in Latin for the main Masses that we celebrate on Solemnities. On these days, we sing the Mass parts such as the “Glory to God in the highest,” the “Holy, Holy, Holy,” and the “Lamb of God,” all in Latin and with a melody that is much more ornate and complex. The reason behind this is similar to the reason why we get out fancy dinnerware for Christmas or why we dress up formally for weddings. On special occasions, we show our excitement and desire to honor these occasions by doing, saying, and wearing things that are extra special. The beauty and complexity of our actions, and even the extra work involved in accomplishing them, all point to the greater value that we place on the event in question.

I have heard that some folks are worried that my use of Latin at Mass on these occasions may be a sign that I intend to use Latin more and more over time until eventually the Masses at St. Agnes are all in Latin. Fear not! This is not the case at all! Although I hold the Latin language in great honor as the mother tongue of our Catholic Faith in the Roman Rite, I do not intend to use the Latin language more than on special occasions like this.

In fact, all I intend to do right now is to stay faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church as explained in the 1967 Vatican II document on music in the liturgy titled *Musicam Sacram*. Paragraph 47 of that document says the following: “Pastors of souls should take care that besides the vernacular ‘the faithful may also be able to say or sing together in Latin those parts of the Ordinary of the Mass which pertain to them.’” In other words, although we normally celebrate Mass in the language of the people today thanks to the reforms that followed after Vatican II, that very same council tells us that we should not completely abandon its use during Mass. In a small way, the occasional use of Latin keeps us connected with all of the Christians that have existed from the beginning of Jesus’ ministry. Even Jesus knew at least some Latin, as did others of His time. As we read in John’s Gospel, “Pilate had a notice prepared and fastened to the cross. It read: Jesus of Nazareth; the King of the Jews. Many of the Jews read this sign, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, **and the sign was written in Aramaic, Latin and Greek** (John 19:19-20).

So, if you are struggling with the occasional use of the Latin language at Mass, please give it some time. We are going to use the same melodies every time we use this Mass setting so that, over time, everyone will get more familiar with them. Of course, if you want to master them sooner, then just search *Missa de Angelis* on YouTube and put it on as background music while you work! Also, please know that, unless the people of our parish were to decide otherwise, we will only be using Latin at Mass as a way of drawing special attention to those Solemnities of the Liturgical Year that come only on occasion.

May God bless you all! Fr. Szabo

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!

Light for the Exterior Atrium Entrance: The exterior door that leads out of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd "Atrium" room is in good working order, but there is no exterior light above or near it. It is actually a very dark area at night making it a little unsafe to access once the sun goes down. We would like to wire a dawn to dusk light just above the door.

Sidewalk Leveling: There are a number of places on our sidewalks where one section is raised up higher than the other next to it leading to a tripping hazard. My understanding is that you can rent a machine that can easily grind these higher places down level. If you have done this before, or have the skills to learn a new trick, have at it!

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 old faucets with new ones!

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!

Moving Brush and Stacking Wood To save some money on cost of tree-trimming, I asked the guys at Noel's Tree service to just cut up the wood & leave it around the trees for us to take care of. Anyone having a strong back, we would like the wood stacked to the left of the parish office door so we can use it in our campfire ring. The brush can be moved to the bank near where past parish bon fires were held so it is ready for our next one.

Organizing the Cry Room: We could use help building some shelving in the cry room to organize things well enough so that parents will be able to use that space when needed. Some of the shelves will be purchased and put together, and some will be built right into the closet that is in the cry room.



- ♦ Fasting is ordinarily observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by everyone ages 18 to 59.
- ♦ On a fast day, one full meal is allowed along with two other smaller meals which, together, should not equal another full meal.
- ♦ Also, abstinence from meat is observed by everyone 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays during Lent.

ST. AGNES MINISTRIES

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.

FRIDAY FAMILY PLAY DATE

Families with young children are invited to gather after Daily Mass on Fridays. Come & enjoy fellowship with other Catholic parents while the kids play!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

We have an extended period of Adoration on Wednesdays following the 6:00PM Mass & continuing until 11:00p.m. We are still looking for more people to commit to at least one 30-minute slot each week to ensure that Our Lord is always accompanied by at least one person. Please prayerfully consider signing up in the vestibule!

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

A Montessori approach to Catholic catechesis which is shaped to the needs of children 3-6 years old is held in the Atrium Room on Saturdays at 3:00pm. If you have a child who is 3 - 6 years old as of January 2025, and you are interested in enrolling them in our CGS program, please email our catechist Aisling Whelan at aislingterese@gmail.com.

Men's Ministry

MONTHLY MENS NIGHT

St. Agnes offers a monthly gathering for men who are 21 years or older on the last Saturday of each month. This is a time of fellowship, discussion, and prayer for men who are ready to grow closer to God and one another. Next month's gathering: Saturday, March 29th 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!

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.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION & OCIA

First Communion, Confirmation & OCIA classes continue Sundays 9:15am-10:15am. First Communion meets in the gathering room through the left door at the front of the church. OCIA are meeting in the church office.

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.

Vocations

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 its important mission of prayer & work for the Church. For more information: contact Mark Sadd at (304) 345-2000 ext/1101 or msadd@lewisglasser.com.

Women's Ministry

LADIES GUILD

All women of the parish are invited to Ladies' Guild. We will meet on Tues., April 8 at 6:00pm at Olive Garden in Southridge. To play an optional game, bring a \$5-\$10 wrapped/bagged gift.. RSVP or questions: Ann (304-552 7434) or Pat (304-382-5311).

DIOCESAN COMMUNICATION



Walk for Life 2025 at the State Capitol

Date and Time:

Sunday, May 4, 2025
3:00 - 5:00pm

CATHOLIC CHARITIES - WVVOAD

An update from the February 15-17 flood event. There are 471 households in immediate need of having mud and yuck that was left by the flood waters removed from their homes. If you as an individual or part of a team can help with the muck outs, contact Sandra Keener at WVVOAD (304) 553-0927. (WVVOAD -West Virginia Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters.)



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Woman's Choice Pregnancy Resource Center is a pro-life organization which has been helping women and families since 1977.

Our FREE services include:

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Limited Ultrasounds
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Registered Nurse Counseling
Community Resource Referrals
Maternity Clothing and Supplies
"Kids' Kloset" (diapers, wipes, clothing, & baby essentials)



Find us on 

Volunteers needed! Give us a call!

Quo Vadis Retreat

Middle School Discernment Retreat

Boys in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades are invited!

11 am on June 30
through 1pm on July 3
Priest Field Pastoral Center

Kearneysville, WV

Campers will enjoy outdoor activities including:

Prayer • Kayaking • Discernment

Camp Fire • Games

Opportunities for Charitable and Spiritual Works of Mercy

The camp is staffed by laypeople, priests and seminarians from the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

RETREAT IS FREE!!!



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