

# Saint Agnes Catholic Church

Pro-Life, Pro-Family, Stewardship Parish 49th Street and Staunton Avenue, Charleston WV 25304 Phone: 304-925-2836 www.stagnescharlestonwv.org Vol. 3447

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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 & BENEDICTION

THURSDAYS 5:00 P.M. - 5:45 P.M.  
WEDNESDAYS FOLLOWING 6:00 P.M. MASS -  
11:00 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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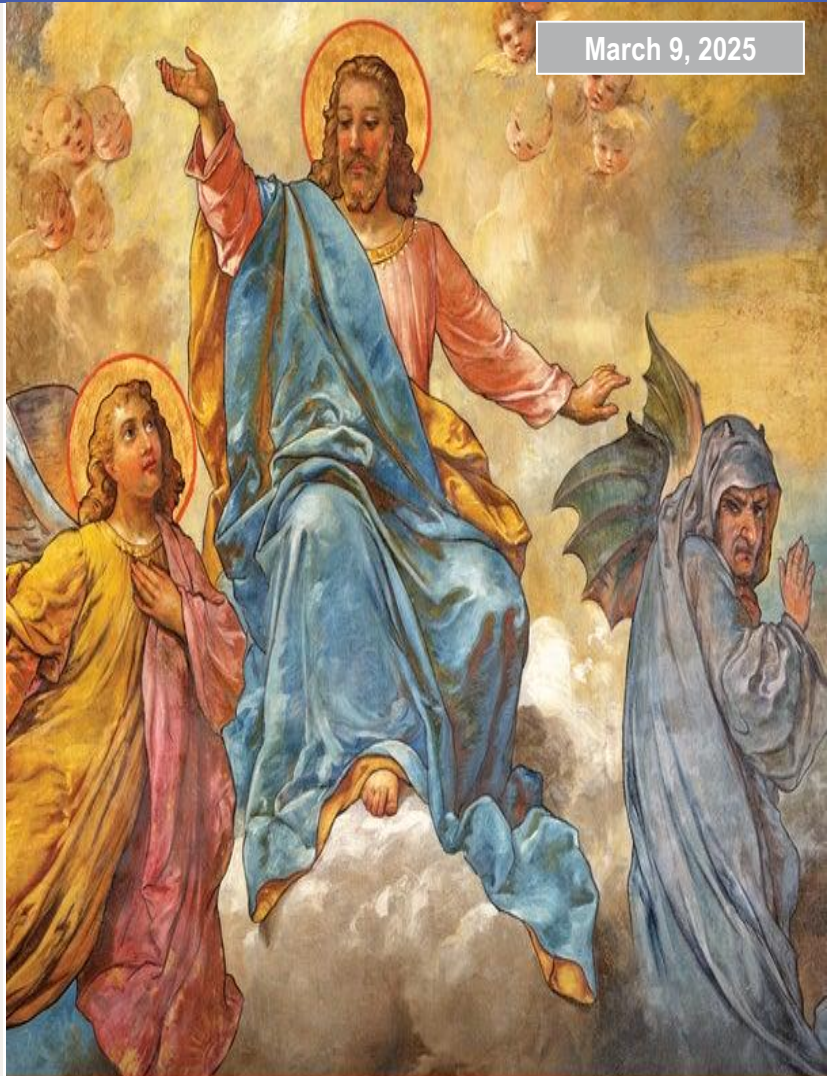
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March 9, 2025



## 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

The devil said to him, "All this will be yours, if you worship me."  
Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written:  
You shall worship the Lord, your God,  
and him alone shall you serve."  
- Lk 4:6a, 7-8

# WEEKEND ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING MASS INTENTIONS (MARCH 10 - MARCH 16)

## March 1 - March 2

Weekend Attendance: **277**

5:00 P.M. **54**; 8:00 A.M. **46**; 10:30 A.M. **120**; 12:30 P.M. **57**

1st Collection \$ 7,262.<sup>00</sup>

2nd Collection - Maintenance \$ 1,251.<sup>00</sup>

Other Collection \$848 & Disaster Relief \$2,045 \$ 2,893.<sup>00</sup>

**Total** \$ **11,406**<sup>00</sup>

March 16- Maintenance

March 23 - Diocesan Priests Retirement Fund

*Thank you for your generosity!*

MON 10	6:00 P.M.	No Mass
TUE 11	6:00 P.M.	People of the Parish
WED 12	6:00 P.M.	Kateri Spath
THU 13	6:00 P.M.	Robert McHugh + by Bunnie Perrine
FRI 14	8:30 P.M.	Keith Smith +
SAT 15	12:00 P.M.	People of the Parish
	5:00 P.M.	Kevin Lancaster + by Lancaster Family
SUN 16	8:00 P.M.	People of the Parish
	10:30 P.M.	Keith Smith + by Don & Mary Ann Adkins
	12:30 P.M.	Familia Lopez Onate by Maria G. Lopez

## 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!

## 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.

## 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 8 - 9	March 15 - 16
5:00 p.m.	Tiffany Hastings	Pat Fulcher
8:00 a.m.	Dana Fox	Dana Fox
10:30 a.m.	Lou Dent Smith	Bunnie Perrine
12:30 p.m.	Mary Onate	Gladys Cuartas

## 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.

## PRAYER REQUEST



Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
**Keith Smith**

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon him.

## 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.



# Comunidad Hispana de Santa Inés

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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 ESPAÑOL)

## SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN

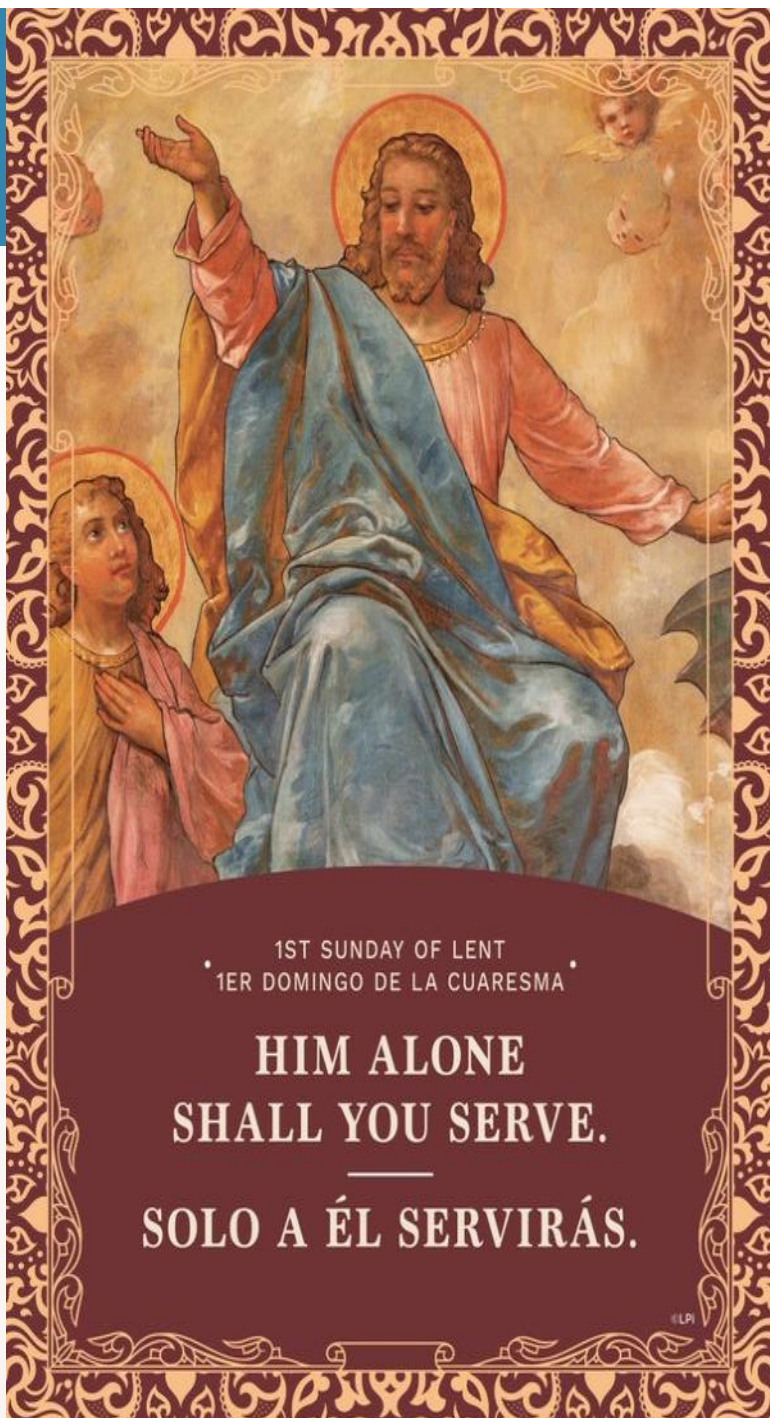
30 minutos antes de cada Misa Diaria,  
Sábados de 3:30 P.M. a 4:30 P.M.  
Jueves de 5:00 P.M. a 5:45 P.M.  
o con cita previa.



## ADORACION EUCARISTICA

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

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



1ST SUNDAY OF LENT  
1ER DOMINGO DE LA CUARESMA

**HIM ALONE  
SHALL YOU SERVE.**

**SOLO A ÉL SERVIRÁS.**

## 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



**Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston**  
Office of Youth and Young Adult Discipleship

## Lenten Mission



### “For the Love of God”

Presented by  
**Chris Padgett**  
March 9 - 12, 2025

9th - 11th: Refreshments at 6 PM  
Event at 6:30PM  
12th: Lenten Penance Service  
at 6:30PM

**Ascension Catholic Church**  
905 Hickory Mill Road  
Hurricane, WV 25526

### LADIES GUILD

All women of the parish are invited to Ladies' Guild. We will meet on Tues., March 11 at 6:00pm at China Buffet in 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)

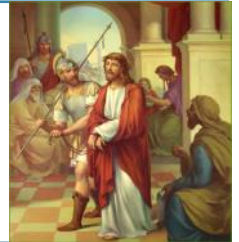
### PRO-LIFE RALLY AT THE CAPITOL



WV for Life is hosting a Rally at the State Capitol on Friday, March 14th. The event begins at 9:00AM for those who wish to be present the entire time, and the Rally begins at 12:00PM for those who may not be able to spare that much time on a Friday. More information can be found on their website: [wvforlife.org](http://wvforlife.org)

### 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!



### 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!

## ST. AGNES WEEKLY UPDATE

Dear St. Agnes,

Just a quick story this week. After our noon Mass on Ash Wednesday, I decided to visit all of the Mexican Restaurants that I have gotten connected with to see if the busy workers there wanted to receive ashes. One by one, I went to La Plaza Maya and La Plaza Maya II, Los Amigos, Rio Grande, and then the Los Agaves restaurants in South Charleston and Dunbar. It was a joy to see everyone's faces light up when they realized that, despite their demanding work schedule, they too were going to have a chance to receive ashes!

In the course of the day, a number of non-Catholics even welcomed this symbol of penance. First, the Catholics would come and receive their ashes. It was simple and easy and they left smiling. Then, the Catholics would joke with the non-Catholics saying that they should go too! It usually didn't take much peer pressure before a few other brave souls came up to me from out of the kitchen or away from their tables, though with not a little hesitation. "Is this okay padre?" they would say. "Of course!" I responded. "This is not just a 'Catholic' thing, it's a Christian thing!"

Best of all though was an elderly couple who were minding their own business eating their lunch at one of the restaurants when I came in and started distributing ashes. I noticed out of the corner of my eye that this couple stopped eating and stared at us while we went through this unique and strange ritual. After we finished, I looked over and asked them, "Have you ever seen anything like this before!?" They shook their heads saying, "Never." Then, believe it or not, despite the fact that this couple was not Catholic, they too decided to receive ashes by the end of our conversation! What a blessing!

So thanks to all of you who wore your ashes proudly and publicly on Ash Wednesday this past week. As we heard proclaimed that day, we are not to perform these actions "so that others may see us," but rather so that others may see Jesus. When we live our faith visibly out of love for Jesus, people will not see proud and "holier-than-thou" people, but rather they will see Jesus in us, along with all of the love, joy, and peace that comes with Him.

Keep this in mind during Lent. If we are doing what we should be doing, then others are going to notice us. They will see us ordering fish on Fridays instead of steak, they will see us going off by ourselves from time to time to pray, and they will notice that we are willing to give up some of our time, talent, and treasure to help others rather than always choosing to do the things that we feel like doing. This is a good thing! It will get them thinking and maybe even lead to them changing their behavior like the couple I met who went to lunch with no plans whatsoever of leaving with ashes on their foreheads! I know that it is often difficult to know that others are watching us, and we are often tempted to avoid doing things that draw attention to ourselves, but remember that, if we are doing this out of love for Jesus, then it is not we who are getting the attention. It is Jesus! And we all know that He could use a lot more attention these days!

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!*

**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.

## ST. AGNES WISH LIST

**Shelving to Organize Cry Room and Office (\$100/ea.):** It is time to get the Cry Room organized to the point where families will have the opportunity to use it again if they need, and also to organize the office storage area to the point where we can easily access the items we need for cleaning, hosting events, and carrying out the regular duties of the office. However, we will need some sturdy shelving to organize the decorations and other liturgical items in there now. If you would like to donate some wide, sturdy shelving, or help us purchase some, let us know!



- ♦ 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

### ANOINTING 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 COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION & OCIA

First Communion & Confirmation classes, as well as OCIA, continue Sundays 9:15am-10:15am. First Communion meets in the gathering room through the left door at the front of the church. Confirmation & 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](mailto:msadd@lewisglasser.com).

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# DIOCESAN COMMUNICATION



## Walk for Life 2025 at the State Capitol

Date and Time:

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

 **Woman's Choice**  
PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER

PO Box 11687 Charleston, WV 25339  
304-346-9779 • [reception.womchc@aol.com](mailto:reception.womchc@aol.com)

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

Our FREE services include:

Pregnancy Tests  
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Community Resource Referrals  
Maternity Clothing and Supplies  
"Kids' Kloset" (diapers, wipes, clothing, & baby essentials)



Find us on 

**Volunteers needed! Give us a call!**



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Summersville, WV 26651  
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305 Crossing Mall  
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