SAINT AGNES
CATHOLIC CHURCH
MAY 17, 2020 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS TIMES
Mon—Fri:
6:30am | 8:00am
Sat:
8:00am | 5:15pm Vigil
Sun:
7:00am | 9:00am | 10:30am
12:00pm Spanish | 5:15pm

OFFICE HOURS
Mon: 9:00am—5:00pm
Tues: 9:00am—5:00pm
Wed: 9:00am—7:00pm
Thurs: 9:00am—5:00pm
Fri: 9:00am—4:00pm
Note: Office closes for lunch from 12:30pm—1:00pm

CONFESSIONS
Sat: 4:00pm—5:00pm

ADORATION
Wed: 8:30am—8:00pm

ROSARY
Mon—Sat following the 8:00am Mass

233 West Gay Street, West Chester, PA 19380
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SAINT AGNES DIRECTORY

PARISH CLERGY
Rev. Anthony Costa, Pastor
Rev. Daniel Arechabala, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Wilfred Emeh, Parochial Vicar
Rev. William Chiriaco, Resident Priest
Deacon Thomas Shurer
Deacon Dwight Johnson

DEPARTMENT CONTACTS
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Parish Fax: 610-692-9623
School Office: 610-696-1260
PREP Office: 610-436-4640
Day Room Office: 610-429-0697
Parish Convent: 610-692-9430
Spanish Apostolate: 610-344-7224
Nurses Center: 610-696-1972

BAPTISMS
English—Second and Fourth Sundays at 1:30 PM
Spanish—First Saturdays at 11:30 AM and First Sundays at 1:00 PM
Pre-Jordan Class (Located in TPH)
English—First Sundays at 12:00 PM
Spanish—Fourth Thursdays at 7:00 PM

MARRIAGES
• To register for Pre-Cana: www.philamarrriagerep.com
• To schedule a wedding at Saint Agnes:

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS
Homebound members of the Parish or their family members can notify the Parish Office (610) 692-2990 to make arrangements to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation (Confession), Holy Communion, and/or Anointing of the Sick. We are happy to accommodate both short- and long-term needs.

SAINT AGNES CEMETERY
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Sam Riccardo, Jr., Superintendent
610-692-4421

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Superior of Convent:
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Parish Secretary:
Mrs. Carmen Lytle, clytle@saintagnesparish.org
PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE SICK
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USN: Ensign Peter A. Herlihey, PO-3 Sean Leeder, Lt. Commander Gerard Maurer III, Ensign Paul Mauer, Lt. Ted Pease, Lt. Charles G. Schappert
CTR2: Alexandra Haney
CTR3: Reilly Haney
USA: Capt. Thomas Berkman, Major Jessica Bayer Chominski, SPC Matthew Conway, Specialist Ian Donoghue, 1st Class, David P. Estes, Private 2nd Class, Specialist Jason Hall, 1st Lt Eric Lugo, Sgt. James Mac Fadden, 1st Class, PFC Alexander Sarcione, Major John Paul Snook, Capt. Walter R. Snook

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O SACRAMENT MOST HOLY
"Present on our altars as on a throne of love and mercy, to dispense graces and there to show us the love which He bears for us by being pleased to dwell night and day hidden in our midst." St. Alphonsus Liguori

The church and the chapel will be open and available for personal prayer every day from 8am until 3pm. Adoration is in the chapel on Sundays from 11:30am to 3pm.

O COME LET US ADORE HIM!
COLLECTION UPDATE

Sunday Collection for weekend of 5/10/2020
Weekend Contributions: $25,589.00

includes electronic giving of: $10,821.00

We have been overwhelmed by the generosity of our parishioners in this time as we have continue to look for new and creative ways to serve you and to keep our parish in operation. There are two ways in which you can also financially support St. Agnes in this time:

1. Using your parish envelopes, mail your contribution to the parish or drop them off in the rectory mail slot, close to the church facing Gay Street.

2. Online giving: saintagnesparish/ways-to-give
This coming Thursday is the Solemnity of the Ascension, which would typically be a Holy Day of Obligation as we celebrate the day on which Jesus ascended into heaven, body and soul.

We will be offering Mass live-streamed on our website and Facebook page at 9am in English and 7pm in Spanish. We hope you will pray with us!
During the Coronavirus Outbreak and to minimize social distancing to keep everyone safe, the KofC Council Home will temporarily remain CLOSED to its members and to the public. Thank you for your understanding. Stay tuned for any changes.

Ever consider becoming a member of the Knights of Columbus, #1333? If you are male, 18 yrs. old or older, and a practicing Catholic, please contact our New Financial Secretary Jim O’Melia at jamesome-lia52@gmail.com or 267-205-9749.
This article is written by Cecilia Ciccone, our Communications and Pastoral Assistant.

This past Tuesday, I sat down to begin my work from home when I received a message from one of our priests that our website was down. While it threw a wrench in my plans for the day, I did not think it would be too big of a deal. I prayed a prayer to St. Isidore, the patron saint of the internet, sent in a message to the company that hosts our website, and went back to working on some other things.

About an hour later, we realized that it was not only the website that was down, but our email too. Technology is great until it stops working, isn’t it? As a communications person, this meant that the only way I could communicate with our beloved parishioners was through our Facebook page. I felt stuck and confused about how to do my job in this situation. (If you go back and look at our Facebook page, you’ll notice that there were more posts than usual on Tuesday.)

One of the main announcements that I had wanted to communicate throughout our parish was that Pope Francis had asked all of us to pray, fast, and do works of charity for an end to the Coronavirus pandemic this past Thursday. I put together a video to help get the word out (did you know that St. Agnes is on YouTube?) and spent a decent amount of time reflecting on what this invitation from the Holy Father really meant and why it was so important for us to join him in prayer and penance.

The reality is, our website and email going down unexpectedly felt like just another one of those things, something else to add to the list of things that have not gone as we wanted them to go in the past few months. Confirmation, First Communion, and the reception of our candidates and elect into full communion with the Church have been postponed. Weddings, Baptisms, and funerals look much different if we even have them at all. We all miss having Mass and going to Communion.

This is why Pope Francis has asked us to join him in prayer, fasting, and works of charity. A few months ago, our current situation was unimaginable. But nothing has happened in this time that God has not foreseen from all eternity. We may feel surprised, frustrated, or caught off guard, but our Lord is not. The way and path to peace in this time is not by insisting that things go back to normal but instead to yield to God’s will as He has revealed it in our current situation. When we put aside our own desires through prayer, fasting, and works of charity, we acknowledge that we do not know what is best for ourselves but that we trust that God does. This can be painful and scary, but truly there is nothing better than belonging totally to Him.

I began my ministry here at St. Agnes on the day that the Archbishop announced the suspension of public Masses. Having heard what a big, vibrant, and active parish St. Agnes is, it is strange to me that when I think of our church building, I picture it completely empty with only a few cameras set up. I look forward to the day when I can see our church filled and meet all of you with great joy and anticipation. But until then, we are united in prayer and rest safely in the hands of our loving Father.
SAINT AGNES PARISH

during Coronavirus

Church and Chapel
open Monday to Saturday 8am to 3pm for private prayer

Eucharistic Adoration
Sunday from 11:30am to 3pm in the chapel

Confession
Saturday from 2 to 3pm in the church

Live-Streamed Mass
Sunday at 9am in English and 10:15am in Spanish
Monday through Friday at 8am
Saturday at 9am
*can be accessed on Facebook or saintagnesparish.org

Our Priests Speak
daily short reflection from one of our priests
*posted on Facebook at 10am
AL DÍA CON TU PARROQUIA

Círculo de Oración: Cada Miércoles a las 7:00pm en el Thomas Patrick Hall (Sótano parte baja).

Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento del Altar: Cada Miércoles en la Capilla de la Parroquia de 8:30am a 8:00pm y visitalo, háblale y escúchale.

Clínica de Asistencia Médica: Invitamos a toda la comunidad a disponer de este servicio totalmente gratuito, los horarios son miércoles de 4:00pm a 6:00pm, y Sábado de 10:00am a 12:00pm. La clínica se encuentra ubicada en el pasillo que está cerca al Thomas Patrick Hall.

Bautizados: El primer Sábado de cada mes a las 11:30 am y el primer Domingo a la 1:00 pm en la Capilla de la Iglesia. Para más información, comunicarse con Sra. Carmen Lytle para registrarse al (610)692-2900 (Oficina Parroquial) y luego ella le comunicara a Kermit Brau para la plática previa al Bautizo.

Clases de inglés y de preparación para la Ciudadanía de los Estados Unidos de América: Ya iniciaron las clases y si desean información pueden comunicarse con Hermana Mary.

Queremos anunciarles que la Oficina del Apostolado Hispano funciona en el Thomas Patrick Hall, Segundo piso, la Directora es la Hermana Mary Filan y su número de teléfono (610) 344-7224, pueden localizar a la hermana al final de la misa.

Para cualquier información o aviso que deseen incluir en el Boletín Hispano, o alguna sugerencia, favor de enviar un email a: boletinhispano2019@gmail.com o llamar a José Carbone al (484) 639-3370.

AYUDA

Day Room tiene alimentos de primera necesidad, si alguien necesita comida.


Si no necesita nada en este momento, no dude en llamar a la rectoría cuando sea necesario en el futuro (610-692-2990)

Si no tenemos su información en la rectoría, llámenos al 610-692-2990.

SACRAMENTOS

Bautizos: los bautizos serán una familia a la vez.

Bodas: según lo programado, viernes y sábado — llamar la oficina.

Funerales: por favor llamar la rectoría.

SOLEMNIDAD DE LA ASCENSIÓN

Esta jueves es la Solemnidad de la Ascensión. Será una transmisión en vivo de la Santa Misa a las 9am en Inglés y a las 7pm en Español.