SAINT AGNES
CATHOLIC CHURCH
MAY 31, 2020 | PENTECOST SUNDAY

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

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Deacon Dwight Johnson

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.philamarrriageprep.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.

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**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**Week of May 31, 2020**

**SUNDAY:** Pentecost Sunday  
9:00 AM: + Our faithful departed parishioners  
10:15 AM: + Our faithful departed parishioners  

**MONDAY:** The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church  
6:30 AM: + Judith Katherine Klein  
8:00 AM: + Geraldine Boland  

**TUESDAY:** Weekday  
6:30 AM: + Frank Simone  
8:00 AM: + Our faithful departed parishioners  

**WEDNESDAY:** St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs  
6:30 AM: + Mildred Zuern  
8:00 AM: + Our faithful departed parishioners  

**THURSDAY:** Easter Weekday  
6:30 AM: + Theresa Updegraff  
8:00 AM: + Our faithful departed parishioners  

**FRIDAY:** St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr  
6:30 AM: + Santiago Miranda  
8:00 AM: + Robert Brozey  

**SATURDAY:** Weekday  
8:00 AM: + Our faithful departed parishioners  

**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 8am to 3pm.

**O COME LET US ADORE HIM!**

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**PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE SICK**

Deb Aelsch, Virginia Basilio; Joan Beck; Jack Bragger; Marilyn Buckley; Charles W. Cadden, Jr., Barbara Carrozzi; Christine Cavaliere; Marge Christianell; Jeannette Cichy; Christine Cole; Noel D; Bill Davenport; Carol De Marco; Charlie Deegan; Roseanne Doyle; Meg Gorbsky; Helen Hartman; James Jaenisch; Maren Kaniewski; Elizabeth Kephart; Jean Kerrigan; Timothy Kollhoff; Kathi Lafferty; Chuck Loughin; Bill Lynch; Chase Masters; Sr. Dorothy Mayer, IHM; Brian L. McCorkle; Victoria Neidigh; Ann O’Connor; Scott Paris; Elizabeth Pinkerton; Kim Pizii; Michael Pizii; Charles Porter; Steve Roberts; Carmelo Scuncio; Tracie Shelton; Diana Stull; Dorothy Sweets; Elizabeth Tipton; Candace Tomes; Zachary Trexler; Breelyn Valentine; Rosalina Vito; Mary Ann Walsh; Lynneann Washlick; Baby Abby Whelan; Catherine Yankech; Marie Corso Zielinski

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**MILITARY PARISHIONERS**

**USMC:** Pvt. 1st Class Santos Araujo, Sgt. Joshua Feliciano, Pvt. James D. Franciotti, LCPL Noah Michael Harris, Sgt. Isaac Pineda


**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
O God, who by the mystery of today’s great feast
sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation,
pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit
across the face of the earth
and, with the divine grace that was at work
when the Gospel was first proclaimed,
fill now once more the hearts of believers.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity
of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

These words are the Collect, or Opening Prayer, for Mass this Pentecost Sunday. Please read them again before continuing.

On this day trust that the Holy Spirit will “fill now once more the hearts of believers.” Take some time today in prayer to experience the Holy Spirit and the gifts that have been poured into you.

As I write this it is expected that counties of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia will move into the “yellow” phase of the statewide re-opening plan by Friday, June 5th. This means that the celebration of daily and Sunday Masses will resume beginning on Saturday, June 6th. There is tremendous joy we are all experiencing to have the celebration of public Mass after almost three months. We will be sharing guidelines from the Archdiocese that are based on the safety of everyone as we return to our beautiful church. There will be adjustments for everyone that are necessary based on what we have learned about the coronavirus and the appropriate response as we gather for Mass. Thanks for your understanding and patience as we take these steps to come together for the Mass—the center of our life and worship.

Mr. Shane Flanagan, a seminarian from St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, has been assigned to our parish for his Summer Pastoral Internship. Shane recently completed First Theology and will be with us from June 6th to August 2nd. We look forward to welcoming him next week!

Our Parish and School were recently presented with a gift of $1,500 from our CYO families. They chose to make a generous donation rather than receive a partial refund for their canceled season. We greatly appreciate your sense of stewardship as we are all facing challenges during this pandemic.

In Christ’s love,
Fr. Costa

WEEKEND CONTRIBUTIONS
Sunday Contributions for Weekend of:
May 24, 2020

Weekend Contributions: $16,744.00
Includes online giving of: $9,387.00
Praise be to God! The day we have prayed for has finally arrived. Public Masses will resume beginning Saturday June 6th. We invite you to keep your eyes fixed on Jesus in this time.

Things will look quite different at St. Agnes in the coming days and weeks as we come together again as a community. Please know that the decisions regarding how Mass will be celebrated and how the parish will operate in these days have been made with great prayer and consideration for how we can safely and effectively serve our community both spiritually and physically.

We are still working on the specifics of how Mass will be taking place at St. Agnes. As soon as this information is finalized, likely at the beginning of this week, it will be posted on our website, on our Facebook page, and sent via our parish e-mail list. You may want to bookmark the page of our website where we will be posting this information, saintagnesparish.org/welcome-home.

Below you will find a general outline of the guidelines that have been given to us by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. We will be following all of these guidelines, including sanitation between Masses, social distancing, and the limitation on the number of people in the church at any one time. Of course, because of the unique situation in our parish with our building, there will be a number of adaptations that we will be making, considering your health and safety and the reverence of the Mass as our priorities. Please keep an eye out for these specifics in the coming days.

GUIDELINES FOR RETURNING TO MASS

General Points

- The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation continues to be lifted during the Yellow Phase. You are not required to attend Mass at this time.
- Please stay home if you are sick.
- Please stay home if you are at higher risk of severe illness with COVID19.

Before coming to Mass

- Please wash your hands for 20 seconds using soap and water.
- Before entering the Church, please put on a face mask or cloth covering. Exceptions to this are “children younger than 2 years old, anyone who has trouble breathing or is unconscious, and anyone who is incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cloth face covering without assistance” (CDC Guidelines).
- Please do not come to Mass if you are sick or are at higher risk for severe illness with COVID19.
- Missalettes will not be in the pews during this period. You are welcome to bring your own missal/readings with you.

Entering Church and Finding a Seat

- Specific instructions will be forthcoming which respect social distancing of 6-feet between members of different households.
RETURN TO MASS (CONTINUED)

During Mass
- There will be no signs of peace during the Yellow Phase
- The Precious Blood will not be distributed at Mass during this time
- There should be no holding hands during the Our Father

Reception of Holy Communion
- Please maintain social distancing in the Communion line. Please keep several pews between yourself and the person in front of you while in line and when returning to your pew. At St. Agnes, we are working on finalizing our system of how we will distribute Holy Communion in our church given our unique architectural situation.
- During the Yellow Phase, the faithful are asked to receive Holy Communion in the hand as an act of charity towards your fellow parishioners
- Please remove your mask before receiving Holy Communion. More detailed instructions on how to do this will be given to you.

Exiting the Church
- At the conclusion of Mass, please exit the Church and proceed directly to your car. Please do not congregate for any reason.
- We will not be passing out bulletins at this time, but will have them sitting out on a table available for you to pick-up. Please take one with you or go onto our website to read the most recent bulletin with information from our parish.
- Please leave your mask on until you have exited the church and are away from your fellow parishioners.

Sanitation Measures
- The church will be sanitized in between each Mass. For this reason, there will likely be a change in the Mass schedule. Please make sure to check our website.

Live-Streamed Mass
- We recognize that at this time, it may not be safe for our parishioners to return to public Mass for a variety of reasons. You are still encouraged, however, to keep Sunday as a holy day. To assist you in this, we will continue to live-stream Mass from St. Agnes. Please check for updates on what our live-streaming schedule will be.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZOOM PRESENTATION
June 16 at 7:00pm

In the current COVID-19 pandemic, the faithful have been turning to St. Padre Pio—one of the world’s most prayed to saints—for healing. But did you know that Padre Pio’s ministry was directly connected to our last great worldwide pandemic, the Spanish Flu? In honor of the anniversary of Padre Pio’s canonization on June 16, join West Chester University professor and anthropologist, Dr. Michael A. Di Giovine, for a discussion on the connection between St. Pio’s stigmata, the pressures of his early popularity, and the Spanish flu. He will also talk about St. Pio’s devotion to Our Lady of Fatima, to whom he turned when struck with illness. Dr. Di Giovine, a parishioner of SS Peter and Paul Parish who has conducted decades of research on the saint, will also pray with us for St. Pio’s blessing through one of his relics. To access the meeting go to zoom.us. After you do that, click “Join a Meeting”. The meeting ID and password are below.

Meeting ID: 971 3728 1786

FROM OUTREACH SERVICES
We have happily begun distributing the new Easter Outfits to the children in our Day Room programs which we were not able to provide during Eastertide because of the pandemic. We are delighted that the children will have them in time for the first public Masses as we had hoped and prayed!

We are grateful to “Partners In Outreach” who organize the Easter clothing program each year and have been willing to deliver the clothes in small batches this week as we call families, one at a time, for pick-up. How delightful for these children! New clothes as we turn to new Life in the Eucharist!

JOB OPPORTUNITY
Bishop Shanahan High School is seeking at JV boys soccer coach and an assistant Varsity boys soccer coach. Interested applicants should email a resume to rreidinger@shanahan.org by July 10, 2020.

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.

KNIGHTS’ CORNER

Monsignor Schuyler, Council #1333
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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.
AL DÍA CON TU PARROQUIA

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

Adoración al Santíssimo Sacramento del Altar: Cada Miércoles en la Capilla de la Parroquia de 8:30am a 8:00pm visítalo, 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 cercano al Thomas Patrick Hall.

Bautizos: 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

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CONFESIONES

Hay confesiones cada Sábado en la iglesia de 2pm a 3pm. La iglesia y la capilla están abierto cada día de 8am a 3pm para oración personal.

SANTA MISA

Habrá una transmisión en vivo de la celebración de la Santa Misa cada Domingo de la parroquia de Santa Inés en Inglés a las 9am y en Español a las 10:15am/

ORACIÓN PERSONAL

La iglesia y la capilla están abiertas cada día de 8am a 3pm. El domingo hay Adoración de 11:30am a 3pm en la la capilla.

INTENCIONES DE ORACIÓN

¿Cómo podemos orar por tí? Te extrañamos en Santa Inés y queremos que sepas que estamos orando por tí.

Envía tus intenciones de oración a través de nuestro sitio web en saintagnesparish.org/prayer-intentions.

AYUDA

- Day Room tiene alimentos de primera necesidad, si alguien necesita comida.
- Nuestro objetivo es llamar a cada familia para ver si necesitan algo. Nos estamos acercando a Uds.— háganos saber sus necesidades y trataremos de ayudarlo de cualquier manera que podamos. Veremos que podemos hacer para ayudar a Uds. Y les llamaremos en unos días.
- 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.

PENTECOSTÉS

El domingo 31 de Mayo, habrá una transmisión en vivo de Misa en Español a las 10:15am y Adoración en honor de la Virgen María a las 3pm.
PENTECOSTÉS: Fiesta Grande para la Iglesia

Pentecostés fue un día único en la historia humana. En la Creación del mundo, el Espíritu cubría las aguas, “trabajaba” para suscitar la vida. En la historia del hombre, el Espíritu preparaba y enviaba mensajeros, patriarcas, profetas, hombres justos, que indicaban el camino de la justicia, de la verdad, de la belleza, del bien.

En la plenitud de los tiempos, el Espíritu descendió sobre la Virgen María, y el Verbo se hizo Hombre. En el inicio de su vida pública, el Espíritu se manifestó sobre Cristo en el Jordán, y nos indicó ya presente al Mesías. Ese Espíritu descendió sobre los creyentes la mañana de Pentecostés. Mientras estaban reunidos en oración junto a la Madre de Jesús, la Promesa, el Abogado, el que Jesús prometió a sus discípulos en la Última Cena, irrumpió y se posó sobre cada uno de los discípulos en forma de lenguas de fuego (cf. Hch 2,1-13).

Desde ese momento empieza a existir la Iglesia. Por eso es fiesta grande, es nuestro “cumpleaños”. Lo explicaba san Ireneo (siglo II) con estas hermosas palabras: “Donde está la Iglesia, allí está el Espíritu de Dios, y donde está el Espíritu de Dios, allí está la Iglesia y toda gracia, y el Espíritu es la verdad; alejarse de la Iglesia significa rechazar al Espíritu. excluérse de la vida” (Adversus haereses III,24,1).

Con el Espíritu Santo tenemos el espíritu de Jesús y entramos en el mundo del amor. Gracias al Espíritu Santo cada bautizado es transformado en lo más profundo de su corazón, es enriquecido con una fuerza especial en el sacramento de la Confirmación, empieza a formar parte del mundo de Dios. Por eso mismo Pentecostés es el día que confirma la vocación misionera de la Iglesia: los Apóstoles empiezan a predicar, a difundir la gran noticia, el Evangelio, que invita a la salvación a los hombres de todos los pueblos y de todas las épocas de la historia, desde el perdón de los pecados y desde la vida profunda de Dios en los corazones.

Pentecostés es fiesta grande para la Iglesia. Y es una llamada a abrir los corazones ante las muchas inspiraciones y luces que el Espíritu Santo no deja de susurrar, de gritar. Porque es Dios, porque es Amor, nos enseña a perdonar, a amar, a difundir el amor.
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