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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: www.saintagnesparish.org/plan-a-wedding

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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**PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Week of August 9, 2020**

**SUNDAY:** Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 7:00 AM: Deborah Fusello
- 9:00 AM: +Marie McKensie
- 10:30 AM: +Michael Mattera
- 12:00 PM: Madeleine Filan
- 5:15 PM: +Edward Lawrence

**MONDAY:** St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
- 6:30 AM: Cyndy Filan-Kim
- 8:00 AM: + Andrew Anselmi

**TUESDAY:** St. Clare, Virgin
- 6:30 AM: + Stephen Frost
- 8:00 AM: Patrick Meehan

**WEDNESDAY:** Weekday
- 6:30 AM: + Charles Edwin Tennyson
- 8:00 AM: +Javier Ruiz

**THURSDAY:** Weekday
- 6:30 AM: + Tess and Frank Dooley
- 8:00 AM: +Frank Desiderio

**FRIDAY:** St. Maximilian Kolbe
- 6:30 AM: Catherine Kim
- 8:00 AM: + Maureen Bole Gibbons

**SATURDAY:** The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 8:00 AM: + Dora T. DiArcangelo

**Eucharistic Adoration**

"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

Eucharistic Adoration takes place on Wednesdays in the lower chapel following the 8am Mass in the main church and concluding with Benediction at 8pm mike@mikewalla.com.

**PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE SICK**

Deb Aelsch, Virginia Basilio; Joan Beck; Jack Bragger; Marilyn Buckley; Charles W. Cadden, Jr., Barbara Carrozza; Christine Cavaliere; Marge Christianell; Jeannette Cichy; Christine Cole; Noel D; Bill Davenport; Carol De Marco; Charlie Deegan; Roseanne Doyle; Meg Gorbsky; Helen Hartman; James Jeneisch; 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

**MILITARY PARISHIONERS**

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


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**CTR3:** Reilly Haney

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HOLY DAY ANNOUNCEMENT
The Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary is this coming Saturday, August 15th. The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation remains suspended, so no one is obligated to attend Mass on this day.

Mass for the Assumption of Mary will be at 8am this coming Saturday for those who would like to attend. The Mass will also be live-streamed.

SPECIAL COLLECTION
Next Sunday, August 16th, there will be a second collection for the Catholic University of America, the only university in the United States with a charter from the pope.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support of Catholic education, especially during this time of pandemic.

FROM OUTREACH SERVICES
Thank you to our many generous benefactors who have allowed us to continue serving our neighbors even during the uncertain times of the pandemic. May God bless you!

ST. AGNES COMMUNICATIONS
Over the past few months we have learned just how important it is to be able to communicate quickly with our parishioners. Here are some ways for you to stay connected to St. Agnes:

1. Sign up for the St. Agnes e-mail list. You can do this by visiting our website, saintagnesparish.org or by texting AGNES to 22828.
2. Like our Facebook page at facebook.com/saintagnesparish
3. Check our website regularly for updates.

BAPTISM ANNOUNCEMENTS
Caden Donald Adams
Dustin James Rafferty
Madison Marie Gallop
Emma Rose Grosso
Myles James Walker
Kaylee Joy Gorman
Hannah Jean Fabisiak
Palmer Jane Shapard
Spencer MaryAnn Sullivan

ST. AGNES, PRAY FOR US
NEW CATHOLICS

Congratulations, Neophytes!

We welcome three new Catholics to our Church. For the past two years, these three children: Marianyelis Morales, Alex Peralta-Castrejon, and Dominic Peralta-Castrejon, have been growing to know Jesus and our Catholic Faith.

They were baptized at the Noon Mass on Sunday, July 26. They also received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist at this same Mass.

Congratulations, Marianyelis, Alex, and Dominic!

FLAME OF LOVE

In a message spoken to Elizabeth Kindelmann, the Blessed Mother said, “Through the recitation of this prayer you will blind Satan and save souls.” The following is the Flame of Love Hail Mary:

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with Thee, blessed are Thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, “spread the effect of grace of thy Flame of Love over all humanity” now and at the hour of our death. Amen

The Virgin Mary also promises: “If at any moment someone prays three Hail Mary’s in my honor, while referring to the Flame of Love, they will free a soul from Purgatory. During November one Hail Mary will free TEN souls. The souls in Purgatory will experience the effect of grace of the Flame of Love (God’s Love). When fulfilling this request, we will reap the benefits of these souls praying for us. The Flame of Love group meets in the St. Agnes’s Chapel on Wednesday to pray at 11:00 am. Also, see www.flameoflove.us

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Looking for a spiritual home? YOU’RE WELCOME HERE.

Are you considering becoming Catholic? Explore and grow in the Catholic faith through our RCIA program to discern if God is calling you to become a full member of the Catholic Church. For more information, email Mary Ann Corcoran at mcorcoran@saintagnesparish.org.

KNIGHTS’ CORNER

The Home Social Club is OPEN!

The KofC Council #1333 Home Association Social Club is now OPEN for business! Our hours have now changed. We expect this to be the new norm through the Summer.

Monday through Thursday: 5:00 - 9:00 pm
Friday: 3:00 - 10:00 pm
Saturday and Sunday: 12:00 Noon - 8:00 pm

Please adhere and follow the strict guidelines established by the Chester County Health Department that are followed by the Home Association, for your safety and that of your other fellow members.

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 jame-somelia52@gmail.com or 267-205-9749.
GAY STREET CLOSURE
Gay Street was closed this past Monday to allow businesses to set up in the street, promoting the economic recovery of the Borough. The block in front of the church and school will also be closed for a few weeks due to a construction project.

This means that you may have to take a different route to church and it will be extremely difficult to find street parking. We will begin enforcing our parking policy in order to have the parking lot available to people who participate in the ministry of Saint Agnes Parish and School.

TOWING
We do not want to have to tow anyone, but we will need to begin doing so out of service to you, to support our ministry.

Please only park in the church parking lot while you are attending a church or school function. If there is no church or school function currently in progress, there is a possibility that you will be towed. Please do not park in the church parking lot and go somewhere else, even if you go to church first.

OUR PROMISE TO YOU
We are working to make sure that our parking enforcement is communicated clearly in multiple ways to everyone who may be affected by it. Please help us to spread the word among your neighbors and other parishioners. We really, truly, do not want to have to tow anyone.

If you anticipate that the Gay Street closure will affect you in ways not described in this bulletin or if you have questions, please contact the rectory so that we can continue to support you and our community.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we navigate this situation together. God bless you!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Would you enjoy some quiet time with the Lord while doing important work behind the scenes? The Altar Society is in need of volunteers to help with washing and ironing the small linens we use at daily and Sunday Masses. You would be trained and then called upon about once per month to take care of small linens. If you’re interested in learning more, please contact Regina Maxwell at 610.696.5584 or regina@maxwellresearchservices.com.

ROSARY NOVENA
All parishioners are invited to privately pray a 54-day Rosary novena for our nation ahead of our national elections. The Novena begins this Saturday, August 15th, the Solemnity of the Assumption.

Each day for the first 27 days, until September 10th, pray the Rosary for the intention of our nation. Then, beginning on September 11th and for the next 27 days leading up to October 7th (the Feast of the Holy Rosary), pray the Rosary each day in thanksgiving, anticipating that God will answer our prayers.

Praying the Rosary in this way is a beautiful commitment to serving our country and entrusting all of our concerns into God’s hands, through His Mother. If you would like videos to pray the Rosary with, please visit the parish YouTube channel.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS
If you have an announcement to be included in the bulletin, please submit it by 12 Noon on Tuesday. All bulletin announcements may be edited according to the space available in the bulletin. We want to help you communicate with our parish and will do whatever is necessary to ensure that is done effectively.
Reflection
As I drove to work one day this past week, I found myself pretty afraid. There were torrential downpours from Tropical Storm Isaias and my windshield wipers just couldn’t keep up. That fear is unfortunately familiar for me and, probably, for all of us.

Fear regarding the Coronavirus, fear regarding people without masks, fear of government control, fear about riots or the effects of institutional injustice— it seems like in 2020, fear has been a regular part of our lives.

In today’s Gospel, Peter is also afraid. He follows the Lord’s voice and steps out of his boat, onto the water. Everything seems great for a few steps. But then he realizes just what he’s doing. He realizes that it’s not possible to walk on water, that the waves are crashing around him, and that if he goes under, he’s done.

One of my favorite sayings about the spiritual life is this: God will not call you where He will not sustain you.

So often we don’t hear the voice of the Lord as clearly as Peter. Instead of an audible voice, the Lord speaks through the events of our lives. He calls us to care for a sick parent, spouse, or child. He calls us to move across the country on short notice. He calls us to navigate life and returning to school during a pandemic.

All of these can sometimes feel like impossible situations. We recognize just how deep we are and how much things are out of our control. We forget that things are perfectly in God’s control.

This is when, like Peter, we call on the Lord. We trust that He has called us to this point in our lives and He will sustain us. And just like with Peter, He will reach out and grab us “immediately,” never letting go.

Cecilia Cicone, Comm. & Pastoral Assistant
**APOSTOLADO HISPANO**

**NUEVO HORARIO LITURGICO**

Santa Misa en la Iglesia Principal

*Domingo*: 7am, 9am, 10:30am (también en vivo por internet), 12 del mediodía (Español, también en vivo por internet), 5:15pm  
*Lunes a Viernes*: 6:30am, 8am  
*Sábado*: 8am, 5:15pm (Misa de Vigilia)

**Confesiones**

Domingo a las 11:30am a las 11:55am  
Sábado de 4 a 5pm en la capilla en inglés o por cita previa con el sacerdote

**Adoración Eucarística**

Miércoles de 8:30am a 8pm en la capilla

**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, comuníquese con Sr. Carmen Lytle para registrarse al (610)692-2900 (Oficina Parroquial)

**AVISO SOBRE EL ESTACIONAMIENTO**

Quizás habrás escuchado que la calle Gay estará cerrada desde la intersección con la calle Matlack hasta la calle Darlington, para permitir que negocios y restaurantes puedan utilizar las aceras y la calle para atender a sus clientes. Esta medida comenzará el 3 de agosto.

Los automóviles que estén estacionados en el estacionamiento de la iglesia por razones ajenas a la iglesia, serán removidos.

Anticipamos que con menos estacionamiento disponible en la calle habrá un aumento en el número de personas que inten- tarán usar nuestro estacionamiento por razones no relacionadas con la iglesia. Queremos reservar el estacionamiento para uso de nuestros feligreses, especialmente para las misas, el Day Room, bodas y funerales. Por esta razón, comenzaremos a hacer cumplir nuestra política de que todos los au- tos en nuestro estacionamiento deben pertenecer a alguien que este participando en alguna actividad de la parroquia. De lo contrario, serán removidos.

**PROGRAMA DE FORMACION en vivo via ZOOM**

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**Instructor**: Reinaldo Pancheco  
Habrá una cuota de $40.00 payable a registrarse. Solo lo que se han registrado tendrán acceso a las clases.

**Enlace**: https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=NLpuio

Blanca Nellys Herrera:  
bherrera@archphila.org

**NUEVO CATÓLICOS**

Felicidades, Neofitos!

Damos la Bienvenida a los tres nuevos católicos a nuestra Iglesia. Durante los últimos dos años, estos tres niños: Marianyelis Morales, Alex Peralta-Castrejon, y Dominic Peralta-Castrejon, han ido conociendo a Jesus y nuestra fe católica. El Domingo 26 de Julio, fueron bautizados en La Misa Del Mediodía. Marianyelis, Alex, y Dominic también recibieron los Sacramentos de la Confirmacion y La Sagrada Eucaristia en esta misma Misa.

Felicitaciones Marianyelis, Alex, y Dominic! Gracias por ser testigos para nosotros!
SOLEMNIDAD DE LA ASUNCIÓN DE LA VIRGEN MARÍA

La fiesta de la Asunción de la Santísima Virgen María, se celebra en toda la Iglesia el 15 de agosto. Esta fiesta tiene un doble objetivo: La feliz partida de María de esta vida y la asunción de su cuerpo al cielo.

En esta solemnidad de la Asunción contemplamos a María: ella nos abre a la esperanza, a un futuro lleno de alegría y nos enseña el camino para alcanzarlo; acoger en la fe a su Hijo, no perder nunca la amistad con él, sino dejarnos iluminar y guiar por su Palabra; seguirlo cada día, incluso en los momentos en que sentimos que nuestras cruces resultan pesadas. María, el arca de la alianza que está en el santuario del cielo y nos indica con claridad luminosa que estamos en camino hacia nuestra verdadera Casa, la comunión de alegría y de paz con Dios.

Es un dogma de fe que María Santísima fue llevada al cielo en cuerpo y alma.

Este día, recordamos que María es una obra maravillosa de Dios. Concebida sin pecado original, el cuerpo de María Santísima estuvo siempre libre de pecado. Era totalmente pura. Su alma nunca se corrompió. Su cuerpo nunca fue manchado por el pecado, fue siempre un templo Santo e Inmaculado.

TITULARES DE LAS NOTICIAS CATÓLICAS

Obispos de EEUU piden ayuda al Caucus Negro del Congreso para escuelas católicas: El pedido lo hicieron Mons. Michael C. Barber, Obispo de Oakland y jefe del Comité de Educación Católica; Mons. Shelton J. Fabre, Obispo de Houma-Thibodaux y jefe del Comité ad hoc contra el racismo; y Mons. Joseph N. Perry, Obispo Auxiliar de Chicago y jefe del Subcomité de Asuntos Afroamericano, quienes escribieron a Karen Basss, demócrata y jefa del Caucus Negro o bloque de legisladores afroamericanos del Congreso.

Casa de retiro católica se convierte en centro de cuarentena para pacientes de COVID-19: Desde el mes de febrero se vienen acumulando las cancelaciones de los grupos de retiro que tenían programado visitar el Centro de Retiro del Corazón Inmaculado (IHRC, por sus siglas en inglés), ubicado al sur de la ciudad capitalina de Spokane.

Papa Francisco invita a jóvenes reunidos en Medjugorje a ser testimonios de Cristo: El Papa Francisco envió un mensaje a los jóvenes reunidos en Medjugorje por el festival anual “Vengan y vean” en el que los animó a imitar a la Virgen María para que “la luz de la esperanza no se apague”.

Para más Noticias puedes visitar el portal Católico: www.aciprensa.com/noticias

CONFESIONES

Confesiones en español están disponible en la capilla cada domingo a las 11:30am hasta cinco minutos antes de la Misa al mediodía.

Si no puede confesarse a esta hora, siempre puede llamar la oficina para hacer una cita con el Padre.
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