

# Comedy Night

*Featuring*

**ALL CHILDREN MUST BE REGISTERED  
BY MONDAY, JANUARY 16.**

IF WE DO NOT HAVE 20-35 CHILDREN SIGNED UP,  
BABYSITTING SERVICES WILL BE CANCELLED.

**STEWARDSHIP & FAITH****Time, Talent, Treasure.  
Putting God First?**

“Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’” *John 1:38* What are you looking for? It is a question Jesus asks each of us. Are we wasting our time looking for the material pleasures of the world? Or are our hearts really longing for something deeper that can only be found by spending time with God?

**Your Stewardship in Treasure**

Last week **\$10,209**; last year **\$11,348**.

*Thank you for your generosity.*

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22  
 Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28  
 Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6  
 Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12  
 Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19  
 Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21  
 Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25; 1 Cor 7:29-31;  
 Mk 1:14-20

**SPEAK, LORD, WE ARE LISTENING**

In today’s first reading God keeps calling out in the night to a sleeping boy. Neither the boy, Samuel, nor his teacher, Eli, understands who is calling. But God’s persistence convinces them. Samuel is then ready—not ready yet to do anything, but ready to listen. “Speak, for your servant is listening” (1 Samuel 3:10).

In the Gospel Jesus is out teaching. Various people notice him and begin to gather around. They soon become disciples and, like the young Samuel, are ready—not ready yet to do anything, but ready to listen. “Speak,” they say, “we are listening.”

God’s voice is always with us, awake or asleep. It swirls around us like fog on a waterfront, enveloping us, gently urging us to wake up, to listen. Awareness of the voice comes first; then willingness to listen; then, in time, the decision to act, to live according to God’s word. Let’s ask today for the ability to keep our ears open so we don’t miss God’s voice. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

*Week of Prayer  
for Christian Unity*


**Parish Office Hours**

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
 Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
 Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Bulletin Deadline:**

Notices for the bulletin must be submitted to the Parish (Rectory) Office no later than 12 noon Monday for publication in the next bulletin. Please email Joanne Cancro at [stagneschurch@comcast.net](mailto:stagneschurch@comcast.net) with your information.

**CHAINS OF GRACE**

The chains of grace are so powerful, and yet so sweet, that though they attract our heart, they do not shackle our freedoms.

—*St. Francis de Sales*

**JANUARY 22ND CELEBRATIONS****Feast of St. Agnes**

On the weekend of January 22nd we will celebrate the Feast of St. Agnes. Because our patron was a martyr — the color of the day is red. All are invited to wear the color red to Church on January 21/22.

**Community Center Blessing**

Bishop Manuel Cruz, Regional Bishop for Union County, will offer the 12:00 noon Mass on January 22nd. He will then lead a procession to the Community Center for its blessing and dedication. A festive reception will follow in the Sister Claire Ouimet Auditorium.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Our annual Patronal Feast Day Eucharistic Adoration will begin at 3:00 p.m. on January 22nd. It will conclude with benediction at 4:45 p.m.



## St. Agnes School Corner

### Physical Education News

After many months of watching the daily progress of the construction crew, it was wonderful to get the news in late November that the new gym was finally completed. All the teachers and students were anxious to see what it looked like. As the gym teacher, I was extremely excited to see my new "home."

The new gym was better than anything I had imagined. Beautiful, awesome, spectacular, state of the arts and phenomenal are words I would use to describe it. The new gym is a blessing for our school students and our parish community.

Grades K, 1 and 2 have been playing a lot of Christmas related games. Some of their favorites are Christmas trivia races, Santa, elves and reindeer beanbag hoops and What time is it Santa. They have been having fun while staying fit.

Grades 3, 4 and 5 have been playing all kinds of dodge ball such as pin dodge ball, 4 corner dodge ball, 3 team dodge ball and regular dodge ball. They love the challenge of playing both offense and defense.

Grades 6, 7 and 8 spend their gym classes playing team sports such as basketball, hockey, soccer, football and volleyball. It is an opportunity for them to improve both their individual and team skills.

Happy New Year,

Mrs. Diane Van Vliet

## FOOD CERTIFICATES

*The Perfect Fund Raiser*

**PLEASE HELP US BY  
PURCHASING FOOD CERTIFICATES  
BEFORE OR AFTER MASS**

Shoprite, A&P, Foodtown and  
Pathmark Cards Available

*Thank you for your support!*

**Save the date!!**

## St. Agnes School OPEN HOUSES 2012

January 26th—7-9 p.m.

January 29th—11:30-1:30 p.m.

January 31st—9-11:30 a.m. and 1-2 p.m.

February 1st—9-11:30 a.m.

For further information or to schedule a personal tour, please call the school office at 732-381-0850, ext. 1.

## St. Agnes First Annual



The dates are set...

**June 13-16, 2012**

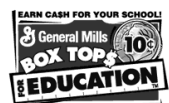
Interested in being a part of the Carnival Committee?

Please email [carnival@stagnesschool.com](mailto:carnival@stagnesschool.com)

## ATTENTION PARISHIONERS!

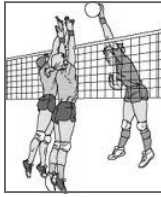


Designate our school today using ID Code 09280 and each time you shop at STOP & SHOP using your STOP & SHOP Card you will earn points for our school! This year STOP & SHOP is committed to donating \$3M to local schools; make sure we get our share. Visit [stopandshop.com/aplus](http://stopandshop.com/aplus) or call 1-877-ASK-APLUS. This simple effort will make a huge difference for our school!



We're reaching out to all our friends and parishioners! An easy fundraiser for St. Agnes School! Just look for Box Top for Education and Labels for Education symbols on participating products. **THIS IS A YEAR-ROUND FUNDRAISER.** You can drop the tops off on weekends in the containers located on the food certificate table in the auditorium, or simply bring them to the school office any day between 9 and 2. Thank you for your continued support and participation.

## Attention Parish and School Grade Girls Currently in Grades 4 through 7



St. Agnes is looking to form a Girls CYO Volleyball program/league for the spring. If interested, we will be holding a meeting for parents and children on **Monday, February 6th from 6 to 7:30 p.m.** in the Fr. Whelan Center to discuss potential interest and formation of the league.

## HELP WANTED

St. Agnes R.C. Church seeks to hire a custodian/handyman to perform general janitorial work. The position is part-time requiring weekend hours. To apply, contact Ms. Janine Matthews at the parish office: 332 Madison Hill Road, Clark, NJ 07066, 732-388-7852 or at [stagneschurch@comcast.net](mailto:stagneschurch@comcast.net).



## Sandwich Ministry

The Sandwich Ministry is looking for volunteers to: purchase food items to make sandwiches; and to deliver the sandwiches to St. Joseph Soup Kitchen for **Team 1**, which meets on the **second Monday** of each month in the parish kitchen. For more information please call the parish office at 732-388-7852.

## Free Throw Championship



The Colonia K of C is sponsoring its annual Free Throw Championship on Monday, January 23, 2012, from 6 to 8 p.m., for boys and girls ages 10 to 14, in the St. John Vianney Parish Center. Parental consent and proof of date of birth are required. Please direct all questions to Joe Pampalone at 732-499-8495.

## Baptisms

We wish to **WELCOME** the following who have entered into the faith community through the sacrament of Baptism:

**ISABEL MAZZARELLA**  
Daughter of Lauren and Raffaele

**ELLA GRACE NOTHSTEIN**  
Daughter of Krista and Eric

**HUGH LARRY ROTHWEILER**  
Son of Danielle and Larry

**GAVIN RYAN SCHMIDTBERG**  
Son of Jaelyn and Anthony

**ADRIAN JOSEPH TOMKOWSKI**  
Son of Dana and Michael

## OPEN HOUSES

**Mother Seton Regional High School** located at 1 Valley Road in Clark will host an Open House on Tuesday, January 24th from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. for girls grades 5 to 8. Check our website for "Freshman for a Day" and Saturday Enrichment Programs [www.motherseton.org](http://www.motherseton.org).

**Roselle Catholic High School** will be hosting an Open House on Thursday, January 26th at 7:00 p.m. We cordially invite all seventh and eighth graders and their parents to come and see all the exciting possibilities offered at Roselle Catholic. For directions and more information please call 908-245-2350.

## GENTLENESS

Feelings are everywhere—be gentle.  
—J. Masai

## ST. AGNES SPIRITUAL BOOK NOOK



**Sundays 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. - St. Jude Room**  
(Closed Holiday weekends)

# Mass Schedule



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## SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2012

5:30 Leonard Pugliese—Mr. &amp; Mrs. Anthony Noto

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2012

7:30 People of the Parish

9:00 Irene Finger—Carol Szipszky

10:30 Michael &amp; Stella Carr—Marie &amp; Richard Carr

12:00 Iracema Maria Lopes—Phyllis &amp; Anne

## MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2012

7:00 Evelyn Vastola—Karen Spanier

9:00 Fred Telerico—The Wiese Family

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2012

7:00 Frank Wherry—Jack &amp; Judy Doran

9:00 Vincent Cauterucci—Henry Varriano

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2012

7:00 Joseph D'Onofrio—Mother-Lily D'Onofrio

9:00 Patricia Elliot—Rosanne &amp; Ted Sattur

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2012

7:00 Lee Berardi—Jenny &amp; Tony Pafumi

9:00 Emil Zdziarski—Judy &amp; Leo

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2012

7:00 Walter Ochal—John &amp; Bridie Smith

9:00 Felix Martinez—Karen Spanier

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2012

8:30 Andrew Pavelko—Mary Pavelko

5:30 Harry &amp; Theresa Boud—Karen

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2012

7:30 People of the Parish

9:00 Donato DeRose—Kevin &amp; Lucille Cier

10:30 Joan T. Gallagher—Susan Gruber

12:00 Andrew Youchock—Youchock Family

## PRAYER LIST

If you are aware of a relative who is on the prayer list and has returned to good health . . . no longer needing to be on the list . . . please contact the parish office at 732-388-7852. Thank you.

## Crisis Pregnancy Help

Catholic Community Services  
Pat Chiarello (201) 246-7379

Birthright USA International  
1-800-550-4900



## SATURDAY JANUARY 14, 2012

7:00 PM SAS Basketball—CC

## SUNDAY JANUARY 15, 2012

8:45 AM CFF Classes

10:45 AM CFF Classes

2:00 PM SAS Basketball—CC

7:00 PM YM Living Stations Practice—Church

## MONDAY JANUARY 16, 2012

### MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

### NO SAS / NO CFF CLASSES

6:00 PM Sandwiches—Team 2A

6:00 PM SAS Basketball—CC

## TUESDAY JANUARY 17, 2012

11:30 AM Seniors of St. Agnes Mass—Church

12:15 PM Seniors of St. Agnes Communion Lunch—  
Fr. Whelan Center

6:00 PM Sports-Practice—CC

6:30 PM CFF Classes

## WEDNESDAY JANUARY 18, 2012

6:30 PM Sports Meeting—Fr. Whelan Center

7:00 PM 1st Eucharist Parents Meeting—SCOA

7:30 PM Men's Spirituality—OLG Room

7:30 PM RCIA—St. Joseph Room

## THURSDAY JANUARY 19, 2012

6:00 PM Sports-Practice—CC

7:30 PM Choir Practice—Church

## FRIDAY JANUARY 20, 2012

9:00 AM School Mass

6:00 PM SAS Basketball—CC

7:30 PM SAS Comedy Night—SCOA

## SATURDAY JANUARY 21, 2012

### FEAST OF ST. AGNES

8:00 AM SAS Basketball—CC

7:00 PM SAS Basketball—CC

## SUNDAY JANUARY 22, 2012

### FEAST OF ST. AGNES CELEBRATION

8:45 AM CFF Classes

10:30 AM Baptism

10:45 AM CFF Classes

12:00 PM Mass celebrated by Bishop Cruz

1:00 PM Blessing and Dedication of CC

1:30 PM Reception—SCOA

2:00 PM SAS Basketball—CC

3:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration—Church

7:00 PM YM Living Stations Practice—Church



**PLEASE PRAY FOR*****Those Who Have Died***

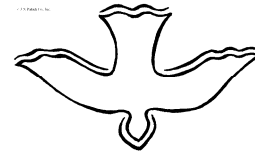
May They Rest in Peace

***Those Who Are Sick***

Frank LaVerda, Alvera Martin, Joe Margeton, Noel Stevenson, Mary Morelli, Jean Williams, Ann Miller, Henry Latch, Patrick Miller, Louise Regeci, Wendy Sullivan, Lucia DeCristofaro, Nancy Liberti, Daniel Palumbo, Jim MacConchie, Eileen Imbriaco, Elizabeth Kate Chern, Vincent Flanagan, Helen Kiempista, Carmelina Giacobbe, Mariani Rocco, Marge Geist Gais, Brenda Vermeal, Gabriella Giordano, Joao Faria, Richard Ciccone, Joseph Fabijanczuk, Jennifer Concalves, Joey Santillo, Sergio Ricciardi, Nicholas Maculuso, Joseph Santillo, Josephine Pipa, Alice Dowzycki, Jason Greenbush, Edward Nicholson, Sr., Bonnie Webb, Maria Fernanda Smith, Mary Fedosh, Helen Zdaniewicz, Katherine Cantalupo, Bob Buckley, William F. Regan, Donna Arena, Raymond Fleming, Josephine Vincenti, Marie Janowski, Michael Wisnewski, Lee Kelemen, Gail Gerard, Rosemarie & Kevin Harris, Joseph Gallagher, Thomas Newhart, Richard Adamonis, Christian Malmqvist, Irene Russo, Silvia Milano, Alexis Ihnken, Maria Cid, Diane Alfano, Giuseppe de Cristofaro, Vicky Tomasco, Michael Cordasco, Jean Kovacs, Sophie Fabijanczuk, Lucy Paiva, Patricia Burns, Daniel Flynn, Bea Hedigan, Tyler Sanzone, Jason Condit, Cathy DeFrancisco, Marta Tepedino, Anna Panikiewsky, Lillian Medway, Lucille Salvatore, Ralph Turano, Lorrie Williamson, David Shea, Donald Cook, Rose J. Toto, Emily Rose Del Vecchio, Russel Graham, Alice Kelly, Rosealice Alex, Lauren Zumpetta, Philip Foster, Louise Caligiuri, Jenny Pafumi, Jennifer Gilman, Fr. Eugene F. Marcone



*Almighty God, Creator of the earth in which we live, help us today in our search for peaceful ways to avoid war, to eliminate terrorism and tyranny and to establish justice for peoples of all races and faiths. We pray that the billions of peace-loving people of goodwill throughout the nations, will join together in prayer and action to bring love where there is hatred, friendship where there is enmity and justice where there is oppression. May God continue to bless and watch over our men and women who make ultimate sacrifices for our freedom and democracy. Amen.*

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****January 15, 2012**

Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you.

— 1 Corinthians 6:19a