

**ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS!!**  
**ST. AGNES SUMMER BIBLE CAMP**



**July 21 - July 25**

**NEEDS YOUR HELP!!**

The campers will be learning that Jesus gives us the “Power” to help others by collecting health care products for our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan. You can help us build our “Power” by dropping off any of the following items to our Power Lab donation station located in the lobby at the back entrance to the church: combs, nail clippers, pens, note pads, disposable razors, toothbrushes, gum, playing cards, travel sized toiletries (baby wipes, Gold Bond Foot Powder, sun screen, lip balm, deodorant, shampoo, toothpaste, mouthwash, hand sanitizer, tissues, soap, etc.) Please place all items in the light bulb boxes anytime from July 21 through July 27 and we will distribute them to the Salvation Army. Thank you for supporting St. Agnes Bible Camp!

**KEEPING IN OUR PRAYERS**

Having just celebrated Independence Day, let us pray to God to continue to bless and watch over our young men and women who make ultimate sacrifices for our freedom and democracy.

Angelo, the young man baptized this year at our Vigil Mass, has been sent to Texas in preparation for deployment to Iraq. Any parishioners wishing to send Angelo a card or letter may contact the Parish Office at (732) 388-7852 for mailing information.

**STEWARDSHIP  
&  
FAITH**

**Time, Talent, Treasure.  
Putting God First?**

“Those who are just must be kind,” says today’s first reading. If our words and deeds are kind and selfless, we will be like the good seed in the Gospel parable and gathered as wheat in the Lord’s harvest.

Your Stewardship in Treasure  
last week **\$11,131.00**; last year **\$11,924.00**;  
Special Mission last week **\$3,000**; last year **\$4,919.00**.  
Thank you for your generosity.

**TODAY’S READINGS**

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42  
 Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18  
 Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10; Mt 13:1-9  
 Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17  
 Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28  
 Saturday: Jer 7:1-11; Mt 13:24-30  
 Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119; Rom 8:28-30;  
 Mt 13:44-52 [44-46]

**THE MERCY, POWER, AND LOVE OF GOD**

The first reading today, from the book of Wisdom, makes its point over and over, at least five times in five verses! God is mighty, but lenient to all. God’s power is shown in kindness and clemency, not in harshness and condemnation, and those who govern God’s people must govern in the same way, with kindness. This loving kindness and gentleness is not contrary to God’s might, but is a direct result of God’s primacy over all. Who are we, then, to judge what is in the hearts of our fellow Christians and all people, when God commands justice with love and clemency?

Likewise, the Holy Spirit makes up for our ignorance of what we need, speaking in a language we do not yet understand. But God knows our needs before we do, understands the intercessions of the Spirit, and helps us in our weakness. This is our hope: God’s mercy, power, and love.

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**BUILDING FINANCIAL REPORT  
AS OF 07/15/08**

<b>Total Pledges</b>	<b>\$3,313,234.50</b>
<b>Pledges Collected</b>	<b>\$3,157,405.31</b>
<b>Outstanding Pledges</b>	<b>\$ 155,829.19</b>
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<b>Total Building Costs</b>	<b>\$3,830,672.97</b>
<b>Interest on Loan</b>	(+) <b>\$ 19,887.27</b>
<b>Pledges Collected</b>	(-) <b>\$3,157,405.31</b>
<b>Mtge. Reduction Collections</b>	(-) <b>\$ 168,467.50</b>
<b>Funds from Savings</b>	(-) <b>\$ 250,000.00</b>
<b>Remaining Debt</b>	<b>\$ 274,687.43</b>

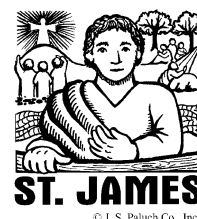


**Elijah Cup Program**

Please prayerfully consider taking the Elijah Cup into your home for a week of prayer for vocations. It is an honor and a privilege for the laity to support this ministry. During the month of June, the Elijah Cup will be in the homes of the following parishioners:

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|---------|-----------------------------|
| July 6  | Diane DeJesus               |
| July 13 | Eleanor & Joseph Parlacoski |
| July 20 | Elli Bordynko               |
| July 27 | Bob Vislocky                |

Please call the Parish Office at (732) 388-7852. A week that is convenient for you will be assigned. Thank you.



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## Baptisms

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

**AVA MARIE ALMEIDA**

Daughter of Kennedy and Elizabeth

**NICHOLAS JOSEPH BERKO**

Son of Mark and Jennifer

**MATTHEW COLIN BURKE**

Son of Edmund and Lorraine

**KELLIE MARIS HASTRUP**

Daughter of Erik and Marie

**NICOLAS ANTHONY MAZZARELLA**

Son of Raffaele and Lauren

**JULIA RITA LETTINI**

Daughter of Angelo and Paula

**ANTHONY JAMES MINNITI**

Son of James and Ana

*The Elizabeth Ministry  
(Ministry for Mothers)*



The Elizabeth Ministry of St. Agnes is a caring group of women supporting other women in our parish. It is built on the foundation of Scripture, looking to Mary and Elizabeth as models of how mothers can support one another in their times of need.

Mothers from St. Agnes have formed a network to help other mothers through prayers, phone calls, cards, providing meals, babysitting and other assistance. We are here to listen and talk about our own experiences and share yours with the hopes of providing comfort and friendship.

Please call and register when you find out that you are expecting so we may pray for you and our future St. Agnes Parishioners.

Marianne English - 732-382-5221

Alexandra Clark - 732-388-4085

Lori Knorowski - 732-680-1581

(Or call St. Agnes Parish Office at 732-388-7852)



## CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION NEWS YOU'RE LATE!!

If you wish your child to continue in the Catholic Faith Formation Program (CFF), please return the re-registration form that was mailed to you in March. Classes are reaching capacity!! The number of classes, teachers, books and class lists, all need to be in place by August.

**Our policy is: All children must be registered and in our system before classes begin.** Your child will not be permitted to attend the first day of class, if not pre-registered. He/she will have to wait until the secretary puts them in the system. We ask your cooperation in this matter.

**New student registration takes place in the CFF Office located in the school. (Hours: Monday thru Thursday, 9 to 4 p.m.)**



## CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION TEACHERS NEEDED!

### FAST ROAD TO HEAVEN!!

Due to the increasing number of students, we need teachers and substitutes. If you are a faith-filled practicing Catholic and willing to give an hour and a half of your time weekly, please call the Catholic Faith Formation Office (732)388-2560 or e-mail us at [cff@stagnesparish.com](mailto:cff@stagnesparish.com). Come with enthusiasm, a love for young people, a sense of humor and patience!



### FREE WILL

We have nothing of our own but our will. It is the one thing that God has so placed in our own power that we can make an offering of it.

– St. John Vianney



## How Does the Church Help Catholics to Address Political and Social Questions?

### The Virtue of Prudence

The Church also encourages Catholics to develop the virtue of prudence, which enables us “to discern our true good in every circumstance and to choose the right means of achieving it” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1806). Prudence shapes and informs our ability to deliberate over available alternatives, to determine what is most fitting to a specific context, and to act. Prudence must be accompanied by courage which calls us to act. As Catholics seek to advance the common good, we must carefully discern which public policies are morally sound. A good end does not justify an immoral means. At times Catholics may choose different ways to respond to social problems, but we cannot differ on our obligation to protect human life and dignity and help build through moral means a more just and peaceful world.

### ST. AGNES SPIRITUAL BOOK NOOK



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

Have a cup of coffee while you browse and borrow spiritual books, DVD's and audio books. If you are looking for some reading for the pool, beach or your own back yard retreat, come down to the St. Jude Room and see our excellent selection of books.

### Christian Foundations for Ministry Program

*an adult formation and education program of the Archdiocese of Newark that strives to promote the call of all the baptized to participate in the mission and ministry of Jesus*

Saint Agnes Parish is one of the designated sites for the CFM Archdiocesan three-year program. Courses in Old and New Testament, Sacraments, Morality and Liturgy will prepare individuals for ministry in the parish and diocese. Classes will be held on Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m., September through May in the St. Lucy Filippini Room located on the lower level of the parish center. For further information, please call Sister Margaret at (732) 388-2560.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



Children's Choir

Our Children's Choir rehearsals will begin on September 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. in the Music Office.

This program is open to all parish children grades 2 through 8. For more information, see Mary Ellen Theel after Mass on Sundays.

Those who sing pray twice.

— St. Augustine



### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

- *Is the Lord calling you to a closer relationship to Him?*
- *Are you interested in formally joining the Catholic faith?*
- *Do you have questions about what it means to be a Catholic?*
- *Do you know anyone who would like to be a Catholic?*
- *Are you presently an adult Catholic who has not received Eucharist or Confirmation?*

If you answered “YES” to any of these, the RCIA process is for you. Inquiry Sessions are held monthly. Our next Inquiry Session will take place on Wednesday, August 13th at 7:30 p.m. in the St. Lucy Room, which is located on the lower level of the parish center. If you need any additional information, please call Sr. Margaret at (732) 388-2560.



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Mass Schedule

This Week

<b>SATURDAY, JULY 19, 2008</b>	
5:30	Angelo Valenti - Rose & Vito Toto
<b>SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2008</b>	
7:30	Mariantonia Sette - Colucci Family
9:00	Joseph N. Sinoradzki - Jeffrey & Concetta Sinoradzki
10:30	People of the Parish
12:00	Edith Russo - Terry & Joe Segreto
<b>MONDAY, JULY 21, 2008</b>	
7:00	Dominick Ionta - Crozzoli Family
9:00	Anne Van Hart - Judy Jurnock
<b>TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2008</b>	
7:00	Louis Tavormina - Family
9:00	Dorothy & Lucien Massarelli - Betty & Dominic Massarelli
<b>WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2008</b>	
7:00	August DeRosa - Mr. & Mrs. Benito Scerbo
9:00	Jean Meluso - Daughter
<b>THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2008</b>	
7:00	Loretta McGuire - Maureen Dougherty
9:00	Edward Rajkowski - Sister-Marge Elko
<b>FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2008</b>	
7:00	Joseph Kniazynski & Family - Mary Rutkowski
9:00	Rose Marchitto - Family
<b>SATURDAY, JULY 26, 2008</b>	
8:30	Memorial - Giuseppa Ferrigno, Rose Dusenberry, Laraine Frasciello, Charles Readie, Ellen Mae Brunet, John Kupka, Dorothy Kupka, John Michael Kupka
5:30	Joseph Stypa -Pam & George Streisel

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>JULY 19</b>
<b>MORTGAGE REDUCTION COLLECTION</b>	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>JULY 20</b>
<b>MORTGAGE REDUCTION COLLECTION</b>	
5:00 PM	Bible Camp Setup
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>JULY 21</b>
9:00 AM	Bible Camp - Gym
6:00 PM	Sandwiches - Team 2C
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>JULY 22</b>
9:00 AM	Bible Camp - Gym
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>JULY 23</b>
9:00 AM	Bible Camp - Gym
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>JULY 24</b>
9:00 AM	Bible Camp - Gym
7:30 PM	Men's Cornerstone - St. Joseph Room
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>JULY 25</b>
9:00 AM	Bible Camp - Gym
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>JULY 26</b>
9:00 AM	St. John's Soup Kitchen
11:00 AM	Sports - Gym

Altar & Rosary Society

TRAVELING MADONNA - Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be in the home of Charlotte & Chris Gessler during the week of July 20th.



SANCTUARY LAMP will burn in memory of Bart Zucosky during the week of July 20th at the request of Janine & Joanne.



ALTAR BREAD AND WINE for the week of July 20th were donated in memory of Frank & Lillian Klett at the request of Rosalie McKeon.

Parish/Rectory Office Summer Hours

The parish/rectory office will close at 4 p.m. on Fridays during the summer months. Thank you.

SOUP KITCHEN



Volunteers will be going to St. John's Soup Kitchen on Saturday, July 26. For more information please call Dee Memmer at 732-381-8956.

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

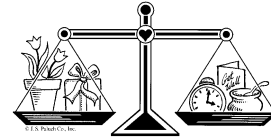
Norberta Smalie, Ida Moyniham

***Those Who Are Sick***

Mary Zelanko, Frank LaVerda, Alvera Martin, Joe & Irene Margeton, Irene Sisko, Noel Stevenson, Leilla DiLeone, Mary Morelli, Anthony Szablowski, Robert Szabo Jr., Jean Williams, Mary Lawrence, Ann Miller, Barbara Rygiel, Henry Latch, Vickie Tomasco, Earl Miller, Margaret Shea, Hank Kaczka, Patrick Miller, Louise Regeci, Wendy Sullivan, Jean Subliskey, Marie Telesco, Annette Drake, Louise Venezia, Lucia DeCristofaro, Barbara Steinberg, Nancy Liberti, Giovanna Tripicchio, Marie Cerone, Daniel Palumbo, Jim MacConchie, Eileen Imbriaco, Josephine Zbikowski, Antonina Manto, Warren Sidney, Kenneth McLoughlin, Elizabeth Kate Chern, William Miskovich, Zackary Infante, Angela Decker, Vincent Flanagan, Helen Kiempista, Carmelina Giacobbe, Marie Farese, Joseph Loria, Rose Gerhardt, Robert & Esther Quinlivan, Mariani Rocco, Dominic Preite, Marge Geist Gais, Jerry Veza, Brenda Vermeal, Angie Plesh, Gabriella Giordano, Mary Marciano, Mary Gianti, Joao Faria, Maria Dietrick, Tom Wilkinson, Mark Shipe, Katherine Franceski, Richard Ciccone, Nancy Reuter, Joseph Fabijanczuk, Jennifer Concalves, David Shea, Joey Santillo, Josephine Kane, Sergio Ricciardi, Kevin Keating, Michael Denora, Nicholas Maculoso, Edward Nicholson, Jeanmarie Stewart, Michael Joseph Anderson III, Joseph Santillo, Josephine Pipa, Neil Boyle, Jr., Alice Dowzycki



*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*



**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 20, 2008**

Those who are just must be kind.

– Wisdom 12:19