



*On this Memorial Day Weekend we prayerfully remember
all of the men and women who have graciously served our
country, especially those who have sacrificed their lives for our freedom.*

**Fr. Jim
Pastor**

STEWARDSHIP

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

Jesus is the perfect steward – watching carefully over all who had been entrusted to Him by the Father and then sending them all out into the world in service. May I similarly protect and wisely use the gifts entrusted to me!

Your Stewardship in Treasure

last week was **\$10,240.00.**

Thank you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday:	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Lk 1:39-56
Thursday:	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday:	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday:	Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Vocation Reflection

“As you sent me into the world, so I sent them into the world.” These words are the mission statement of the Church. As Christ was sent into the world to redeem the world, so the Church’s mission is to go into the world and share with them the grace, love and redemption that Christ purchased with His blood. As a priest or religious (even cloistered in a unique way), you will be sent into the world to teach mankind about Christ and His instrument of redemption, the Church. Pray for the help of the Saints, who have done this long before us, then call the Office of Vocations at (973) 497-4365 or email kellybar@rcan.org.

BUILDING FUND

*To complete Phase I projects
we still need to raise –*

\$576,450.00

*If you would like to make a donation,
please make check payable to
St. Agnes Church and mail to the Rectory
attention Building Fund,
or drop in the collection basket.
Thank you for your continued support.*



Right 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 is scheduled to take place on Monday, June 5th at 7:30 p.m. in the teachers’ lounge. If you need any additional information, please call the Rectory at (732) 388-7852.



Send a City Child to Camp!

Your donation can make a difference in the life of an inner city child!

The Eddie Gray Camp Fund is seeking funds to send inner children to summer camps in New Jersey. Some camps are able to give us discounted prices. We have to pay at least \$75 per child for a week at camp. Donations of any amount will be gladly accepted for this purpose. Children will be selected through St. Joseph Social Service Center, the Elizabethport Presbyterian Center and other non-profit agencies in Elizabeth.

Please make checks payable to the **Eddie Gray Camp Fund**, and mail them to:

Sister Jacinta Fernandes O.S.B.
812 Rebecca Place
Elizabeth, NJ 07201

Thank you for providing a healthy and happy experience for our children. We are grateful for all your support now, and in the past.

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. People are matched up based on their own experiences. We have moms that have had multiple pregnancies, miscarriages, stillborns, fertility issues and adopted children. 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
 Linda McKenna 732-382-3007
 Cheryl Vargas 732-381-3822
 (Or call St. Agnes Rectory at 732-388-7852)



*We walked among the crosses
 Where our fallen soldiers lay.
 And listened to the bugle
 As taps began to play.*

*The Chaplain led a prayer
 We stood with heads bowed low.
 And I thought of fallen comrades
 I had known so long ago.*

*They came from every city
 Across this fertile land.
 That we might live in freedom.
 They lie here 'neath the sand.*

*I felt a little guilty
 My sacrifice was small.
 I only lost a little time
 But these men lost their all.*

*Now the services are over
 For this Memorial Day.
 To the names upon these crosses
 I just want to say,*

*Thanks for what you've given
 No one could ask for more.
 May you rest with God in heaven
 From now through evermore.*

- author unknown

Support Group for Fathers Whose Children Have Died

The needs of fathers who have suffered the loss of a son or daughter are unique. One of these needs is to share the experience with other men who have lived this very complicated and difficult kind of grief. The Office of Family Life Ministries invites all grieving fathers to a morning of sharing, prayer, discussion and reflection in the hope it will provide a special place of understanding and healing away from societal expectations. This morning of reflection will be held at:

Notre Dame RC Church (Parish Center)
 359 Central Avenue
 North Caldwell, NJ
 Saturday, June 17, 2006 – 10 AM

Pre-registration is requested. Please call the Office of Family Life Ministries at (973) 497-4327 for information and registration.



**IMPORTANT RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION NEW!!!
YOU'RE LATE!!!**

If you wish your child to continue in the Religious Education Program, 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 before August.

New student registration takes place at the Religious Education Office in the Rectory. Please register your child as soon as possible. Thank you.

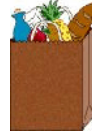


Father John's Farewell Mass

***Sunday, June 18th
12 Noon***

Reception afterwards in gym

**FOOD CERTIFICATES
The Perfect Fund Raiser**



- *No extra money out of your pocket*
- *We all need groceries each week anyway*
- *Shoprite, A&P, Foodtown, Pathmark all participate*
- *Our personal family food shopping will strongly benefit St. Agnes Community's financial need, since 5% goes back to St. Agnes*
- *PLEASE HELP US BY PURCHASING FOOD CERTIFICATES BEFORE OR AFTER MASS***
- *Call the Rectory office for more information (732) 388-7852***
- Thank you for your support!**

DOES GOD CARE WHAT I WEAR TO CHURCH?

Summer activities and vacations can make getting to Mass each week seem like a juggling act. Harder still is finding the time to dress properly and prepare as we would like. But approaching all aspects of the Eucharist carefully can deepen our Communion with Christ. What we wear can help.

Make it feel special. If you were invited to a friend's house for an evening, wouldn't you wear something nice to honor your friend? Sunday Mass is a special time for you and God. Wearing good clothes makes it feel special.

Send a message. Mass is also a communal celebration. When you look nice in church, you send a message to your Catholic brothers and sisters that you value your time together in God's name.

Use this guideline. When deciding what to wear in Church, think about this: If it's something you would wear to a picnic, to play a sport, or to clean out the garage or house, don't wear it to church—even during the summer.

***St. Agnes Rosary & Holy Name Societies
June Party***



Date: Tuesday, June 13, 2006

Location: Gran Centurions

Time: 6:30 p.m.

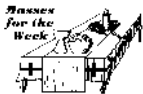
Amount: \$21.00

***Tickets are available at the Rectory
or by calling Rose at (732) 574-0023***

***DEADLINE FOR PURCHASING
TICKETS IS JUNE 5th***

THE LOAN

We didn't inherit the earth from our parents.
We're borrowing it from our children.
– Chief Seattle



SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2006

5:30 Christopher & Helen Koscica - Mr. & Mrs. Peter Koscica

SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2006

7:30 Ana Bostel - Ron & Nancy Simon
9:00 John M. Marcavage - The McKenna Family
10:30 People of the Parish
12:00 Gregorio & Ricardo Sedillo - Dolores Memmer

MONDAY, MAY 29, 2006 - MEMORIAL DAY

9:00 Joseph Gessler - Christine & Charlotte Gessler

TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2006

7:00 John Murphy - James G. Restaino, CPA
9:00 Rosemarie Hillenbrand - Barbara Bucknall

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 2006

7:00 Maria Yost - Peter Francis
9:00 Cecilia Chieco - Mary Ellen Theel

THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2006

7:00 Mike Thompson - Rick & Carol Lindemann
9:00 Patricia Leonardis - Rose Volturo

FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2006

7:00 William Sobolewski - Donna Catrone
9:00 Lucy Vincenti - Jo & Charles Vincenti

SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2006

8:30 Memorial Mass - John Marcavage, Margaret Intintolo, Luz Rojas
5:30 Margaret Cerreta - Jim & Nadine Restaino



SATURDAY	MAY 27
MAINTENANCE COLLECTION	
7:00 PM	Reverse 50/50 "Celebrity Night" - Gymnasium
SUNDAY	MAY 28
MAINTENANCE COLLECTION	
MONDAY	MAY 29
MEMORIAL DAY - NO SCHOOL	
WEDNESDAY	MAY 31
7:30 PM	RCIA
THURSDAY	JUNE 1
7:30 PM	Adult Choir
SATURDAY	JUNE 3
5:30 PM	CYO - Lock-In Begins
SUNDAY	JUNE 4
7:00 AM	CYO - Lock-In Ends
1:30 PM	Baptism



TRAVELING MADONNA - Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be in the home of Helen Paulkowitz during the week of May 28th.

STEWARDSHIP CLASSIFIED



We are in need of volunteers to make rosary beads to be given to our homebound parishioners, local hospitals and nursing homes and to be sent overseas to our troops. If anyone is interested, please call the Rectory at (732) 388-7852. Training will be provided. Thank you for your help in this important ministry.

Annulment Information Evening

An Annulment Information Evening is scheduled for Wednesday, June 14, 2006. A canon lawyer from the Archdiocese of Newark will discuss the most recent theology, guidelines and requirements for obtaining a Church annulment. The information will be presented in terms that all can understand. A question and answer period will conclude the session. Pre-registration is not necessary. This evening of information will be held at Ss. Peter & Paul RC Church (Parish Hall), 404 Hudson St., Hoboken at 7:30 p.m. For additional information, please call the Office of Family Life Ministries at 973-497-4327.



SANCTUARY LAMP will burn in memory of Mary Romeo during the week of May 28th at the request of the Orlowski Family.



For the week of May 28th were donated in memory of George Howell, a gift from the Howell Family.



ALTAR BREAD AND WINE for the week of May 28th were donated in memory of George Howell at the request of the Howell Family.

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

Maureen Walsh, Ann M. Bruecknur

Those Who Are Sick

Aileen Sasala, Florence Iasello, Mary Zelanko, Joe & Irene Margeton, Ann & Michael Dudek, Frank LaVerda, Alvera Martin, Anna Manigold, Ann Lesko, Irene Sisko, Noel Stevenson, Leilla DiLeone, Michael Denora, Mary Morelli, Anthony Szablowski, Robert Szabo Jr., Jean Williams, Mary Lawrence, Ann Miller, Linda Ruth, Barbara Rygiel, Anna Reichenstein, Henry Latch, Thaddeus Zbikowski Sr., Vickie Tomasco, Mary Marrin, Alice Triano, Barbara Guinta, Ronald Francisco, George Stanka, Earl Miller, Margaret Shea, Hank Kaczka, Robert McKeon, Patrick Miller, Louise Regeci, Wendy Sullivan, Jean Subliskey, Robert Palumbo, Florence Kempinski, Stefan Nowak, Barbara Slack, Theresa Hanselman, Elizabeth Bell, Marie Telesco, Annette Drake, Mary Lou Loffa, James MacConchie, Louise Venezio, Lucia DeCristofaro, Patricia Zych, Barbara Steinberg, Nancy Liberti, Hazel McGuinness, Marian Heelan, Giovanna Tripicchio, Sam Roglieri, Pauline Liotti, Edward Alfano, Bart Zucosky, Marie Cerone, Josephine Stefanik

***Anointing Mass – June 3, 2006 – 11:00 AM***

Sacrament of Anointing

Those who wish to participate in our Special Mass of Healing are cordially invited. The anointing mass is a time of prayer in which the person asks for God's love, mercy and healing, and then is anointed. Please feel free to join us on Saturday, June 3rd. A time to bring those who are sick and those who are ill physically and psychologically.

**Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 28, 2006**

If God so loved us, we also must
love one another.

– 1 John 4:11