

*From the Desk of
Rev. Donald K. Hummel*

Dear St. Agnes Family,

What is your usual “routine” as you enter the “Worship Space” here at St. Agnes? Do you notice anything different from last week? Look around. There ARE some changes both with Sunday masses and those during the week.

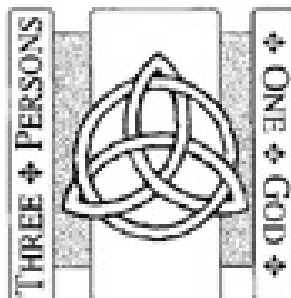
Chances are your usual “routine” is to greet the ushers and greeters and proceed into the Nave (the main part of the church) while dipping your right hand into the Baptismal font and automatically making the sign of the cross. (If you use the back parking lot you may do the same with the small holy water “stoop” by the door.) This almost unconscious act is a simple but powerful reminder of the most basic of our tenets of faith. We recall the Baptism of Jesus by John at the Jordan River. We remember our own baptism . . .” in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit” as the water was poured (usually) and we became members of the family of the church. But . . . even more profoundly . . . by the formula (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) we were invited to participate in this “Divine Community of Love” . . . the Trinity – One God in Three “Persons” a sublime mystery into which we are all incorporated and invited to share. Imagine . . . a God who so loves us that HE seeks to be in relationship with US . . . and more to enter into His very reality of Father, Son and Spirit . . . how do we respond to this invitation? Are we present to the Triune God Who is present to us always? This God who reaches down into time and history, into our very lives and hearts, who walks with us, comforts and upholds us, who manifests Himself to us as Father, Son and Spirit . . . who has called us by name even in our mother’s womb, who gives us life and a sense of belonging, who will never desert us even if all else do, who accepts us – as we are – not perfect but trying a little more with each day we see and each breath we breathe to be His beloved children.

With this simple act of faith, we acknowledge that religion and faith are not merely about church structures, theology, hierarchy or dogma but on the most profound and amazing level about a relationship with the God Who is Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier . . . who gives all these a ground and meaning beyond anything we can, of ourselves, expect or deserve.

May you find peace and presence, solace and direction, acceptance and abiding hope on this Trinity Sunday.

In His Service,

Fr. Don Hummel
Administrator



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

The Gospel today is sometimes called “the Gospel in miniature” because it so concisely sums up the Gospel message. In even more condensed form, “God loved . . . God gave . . .” it is the paradigm for stewardship – we give because we love.

Your Stewardship in Treasure
last week was **\$12,756.50.**
Thank you.

TODAY’S READINGS

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17; Mk 9:38-40
Thursday: Jas 5:1-16; Mk 9:41-50
Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Mk 10:1-12
Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Mk 10:13-16
Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147;
1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

**ATTENTION ALL MEN OF
ST. AGNES PARISH!!**

We invite you to our next Men’s Spirituality meeting which will take place on Wednesday, May 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fr. Whelan Center. Our topic is “How Should the Things of this World Serve Us.”

Our Catechism references are #2096-2097. The Scripture reference is Mt 6:24-33. “Seek first the kingdom of God!” Questions for sharing will explore the meaning of “Where your treasure is, there will your heart be.”

Coffee will be served after the meeting. For more information, please call Walter Borowski at (732) 381-0586 or email comunionscbm@yahoo.com.

**BUILDING FINANCIAL REPORT
AS OF 05/12/08**

Total Pledges	\$3,311,460.50
Pledges Collected	\$3,154,109.31
Outstanding Pledges	\$ 157,351.19

Total Building Costs	\$3,830,672.97
Interest on Loan	(+) \$ 19,887.27
Pledges Collected	(-) \$3,154,109.31
Mtge. Reduction Collections	(-) \$ 156,516.50
Funds from Savings	(-) \$ <u>250,000.00</u>
Remaining Debt	\$ 289,934.43

COMING SOON!!!***Saint Agnes “Spiritual Book Nook”***

St. Jude Room

Browse and borrow

Have a cup of Coffee

Books, DVD’s, Audio books

Will be open Sunday mornings soon.

(Watch the bulletin for opening day.)

ST. AGNES PARISH & SCHOOL

PROUDLY PRESENTS:



St. Agnes Auditorium

Saturday, May 24, 2008 at 7 PM

Reverse 50/50 Raffle Drawing and
Gambler's Paradise Buffet

\$10,000.00 Grand Prize!

\$100.00 per Raffle Ticket/
Admission for two to the Party

Only 250 Raffle Tickets will be sold!
(40 tickets left!!)

If you would like to help support St. Agnes Parish and School by participating in our annual Reverse 50/50 Raffle, please complete the form below (checks made payable to St. Agnes, Attn: Reverse 50/50 Raffle) and return or mail both to St. Agnes Church, 332 Madison Hill Rd., Clark, NJ 07066. For more information call (732) 382-4215.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU ON THE STRIP!

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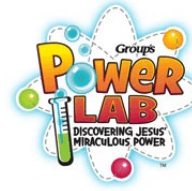
Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

No. of Tickets _____ x \$100 Amt. Encl: _____

ST. AGNES SUMMER BIBLE CAMP



July 21 – July 25

St. Agnes Church
332 Madison Hill Road, Clark

Time: 9:00 – 12:00

ALL CHILDREN AGES 4 – 8
(Age 4 by July, 2008)

Please see future bulletins for more information and registration form.



**CATHOLIC FAITH
FORMATION NEWS
YOU'RE LATE!!!**

If you wish your child to continue in the CFF 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 in the CFF Office located in the school.** (Hours: Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

**Bring your Family and Celebrate
With Us at Our St. Anthony Feast**

The Church of The Assumption in Roselle Park is having its annual St. Anthony's Feast on June 5, 6, 7, 8. The feast, like times of old, will feature traditional foods, sausage and peppers, zeppoli, pizza, plus cheese steaks, hamburgers, oriental barbeque (beef and pork sticks), chicken fingers, fish and chips, fried Oreos and funnel cakes.

We'll have games of chance with prizes, including our famous gift basket wheel. There will be rides for all ages, 50/50's drawn several times each day plus the Super 50/50 to be drawn on Sunday. There will be devotions to St. Anthony throughout the weekend.

For additional information please call the church office at (908) 245-1107. June 5 (6-10pm), June 6 (6-11pm), June 7 (4-10pm) and June 8 (4-9pm).

SAVE THE DATES!!!



Our 12th Annual Catholic Tent Revival will be held June 22, 23, and 24 in Howell, New Jersey. Join us for three nights of unforgettable grace and blessing. This year's Tent Revival will be focused on Forgiveness and Healing.

Our speakers for this event will be **Steven McDonald**, a N.Y. City Police Officer who was shot and paralyzed when he was only 29 years old. The story he tells is of a remarkable journey through anguish and anger to peace that began with a decision to forgive his attacker. It is nothing less than a miracle. **Fr. Bill Halbing**, a most exciting and dynamic speaker, the Pastor of St. Antoninus Church in Newark, N.J. **Christoph Arnold**, internationally known speaker and author. He is a renowned peacemaker and family counselor. He is the leader of the famed Bruderhof Community established in Upstate, New York. Christoph has devoted his life to promoting non-violence, reconciliation and forgiveness. **Richard Lane** from St. Louis, Missouri, is a recent convert to the faith. Richard started as a street corner preacher and has gone on to become a Catholic lay evangelist and popular radio personality. You will enjoy listening to this dynamic and passionate speaker.

Everyone needs healing and forgiveness on some level . . . So **COME**, just as you are; listen to the Word of the Lord! Learn to forgive, not just others but yourself and learn how to begin Healing in all areas of your life!

Join us on this special event. Bring your family and your friends! For more information visit our website at www.goodnewsinternational.net.



CATHOLIC CEMETERIES
Archdiocese of Newark

The Annual Memorial Day Mass will be held on Monday, May 26, 2008 at 11 a.m. in Holy Cross Cemetery, North Arlington; St. Gertrude Cemetery, Colonia; HolyName Cemetery, Jersey City; Gate of Heaven Cemetery, East Hanover; Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, East Orange and Mayrest Cemetery, Mahwah.

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



Date: Tuesday, June 3, 2008
Location: Gran Centurions
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Amount: \$25.00

**Tickets are available at the
Rectory/Parish Office**

**DEADLINE FOR PURCHASING
TICKETS IS MAY 27TH**

USHERS MEETING



There will be a mandatory meeting for all ushers, current, new and anyone wishing to join. Meeting will take place on Monday, June 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fr. Whelan Center.

Mass Schedule

This Week

SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2008

5:30 Elizabeth & George Vanner - Anne Zambolla

SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2008

7:30 Florence Kempinski - Polly & Tom Stapleton
 9:00 Freddie Ann Vajo - The Eccleston Family
 10:30 Estelle Booker - Daughter-Marion Brickle
 12:00 People of the Parish

MONDAY, MAY 19, 2008

7:00 Bart Zucosky - Joann & George Chern
 9:00 Santa Lombardo Caruso - Jeffrey & Concetta Sinoradzki

TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2008

7:00 Maureen Walsh - Daniel Walsh
 9:00 Margaret McCann - The Convey Family

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2008

7:00 Bart Zucosky - Bill & Margaret Draghi
 9:00 Mary Shipe - Family

THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2008

7:00 Ann Brueckner (1st Anniversary) - Lydia Lehner
 9:00 Martin Hanselman - Crowley Family

FRIDAY, MAY 23, 2008

7:00 Louise Villecca - Ann Sener
 9:00 Joseph Corrigan - Wife-Ann

SATURDAY, MAY 24, 2008

8:30 Memorial Mass - Mr. & Mrs. W. Ostrowski, Patrick O'Donnell, Martha Connolly, Declan Mulcahy Jr., Walter Sosnosky, Peggy Sweet
 5:30 People of the Parish

**SATURDAY VFW POPPY DRIVE MAY 17
 COMMUNICATING GOD'S WORD COLLECTION**

**SUNDAY VFW POPPY DRIVE MAY 18
 COMMUNICATING GOD'S WORD COLLECTION**

9:00 AM CYO - Six Flags
 3:00 PM Sports Banquet

MONDAY MAY 19

6:00 PM Sandwiches - Team 2A
 7:00 PM Scripture Sharing - OLG Room
 7:00 PM Special Sports Meeting - St. Joseph Room
 7:00 PM Sports - Gym

TUESDAY MAY 20

7:00 PM Sports - Gym

WEDNESDAY MAY 21

7:30 PM Men's Spirituality - Fr. Whelan Center

THURSDAY MAY 22

7:00 PM Reverse Raffle Setup - Gym
 7:30 PM Men's Cornerstone - St. Joseph Room

FRIDAY MAY 23

1:00 PM Reverse Raffle Setup

SATURDAY MAY 24

MORTGAGE REDUCTION COLLECTION

9:00 AM St. John's Soup Kitchen
 7:00 PM Reverse 50/50 Raffle - Gym

Altar & Rosary Society

TRAVELING MADONNA - Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be in the home of Helen Paulkowitz during the week of May 11th.



SANCTUARY LAMP will burn in memory of Cosmo Macera during the week of May 18th at the request of the Macera Family.



ALTAR BREAD AND WINE for the week of May 18th were donated in memory of Andrew Giacobbe at the request of Terry & Joe Segreto.

SOUP KITCHEN



Volunteers will be going to St. John's Soup Kitchen on Saturday, May 24. For more information please call Dee Memmer at 732-381-8956.

SILENCE

Silence is a gift of God, to let us speak more intimately with God. - St. Vincent Pallotti

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

Anthony Plesh, Josephine Pedalino

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, Robert Palumbo, Hazel McGuinness, Marie Telesco, Annette Drake, Louise Venezio, 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 Vezza, 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, Fr. Don Hummel, John Triano, Josephine Kane, Sergio Ricciardi, Fr. Eugene Marcone, Kevin Keating



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Pat Chiarello (201) 246-7379Birthright USA International
1-800-550-4900

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

The Most Holy Trinity**May 18, 2008**

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.

– John 3:16a