

From the Pastor

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Dear Parishioners,

Labor Day Weekend is here and summer vacations draw to an end. It's back to school and work. Likewise, parish life resumes full speed ahead.

I am happy to announce that our new facility is operational. The expanded school facility and lower level parish meeting rooms are most certainly going to enhance parish life. I will always be grateful to you, the parishioners of St. Agnes. You believed that dreams could come true. And they did! Thank you for all of your prayerful and financial support.

Next weekend, all parishioners are invited to tour the new facility after each Mass. Because this is the first session of Sunday Religious Education, the tour after the 9 a.m. Mass will be limited to the parish center only. All other Masses will include a full tour of both the parish center and school expansion. Those attending the 9 a.m. Mass next Sunday may visit new school facility at some other time. Light refreshments will be served in the gymnasium after each tour.

At the Masses next weekend I will also address the community. I will provide you with information regarding building progress, capital campaign status, and steps being taken to reduce Phase I Building debt. I remain optimistic regarding our financial posture. Notwithstanding, the reduction of Phase I construction debt in a timely fashion is necessary for long-term stability and future building plans. All registered parishioners will receive a letter outlining everything in detail.

Please continue to pray for our parish community, which is a wonderful place to be – thanks to you, our parishioners. May God bless you and all of your loved ones.

Respectfully yours in Christ,

Fr. Jim
Pastor



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

“Every worthwhile gift, every genuine benefit comes from above,” says St. James in the second reading. But, he reminds us, true worship of God involves *using* those good gifts to benefit the less fortunate. Good stewardship is not optional; it is the hallmark of our faith!

Your Stewardship in Treasure

last week was **\$10,391.00,**

Hurricane Relief Collection **\$3,912.00.**

Thank you.

BUILDING FUND

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

\$552,600.00

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44
 Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11
 Friday: Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30;
 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
 Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Lk 6:1-5
 Sunday: Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

***“The Elijah Cup”
Is Coming!***



*Office of Development and the
Office of Church Patrimony, Archdiocese of
Newark*

171 Clifton Ave., Newark, N.J.

Presents

***THE HERITAGE TOUR
Saturday, September 23, 2006***

*\$45.00 Per Person (due at time
of registration) includes breakfast,
hot lunch, beverage, guided tour bus between
churches and return to Archdiocesan Center
Registration begins at 8:15 AM
Departing promptly from Center at 9:00 AM*

*Join us as we visit the incomparable treasures of
seven of our churches located in Jersey City
*Mosaics *Stained Glass *Pipe Organs *Marble Altars*

REGISTER EARLY AS SPACE IS LIMITED

Contact Person - Theresa Lynch at (973) 973-497-4042
 or Fax (973) 497-4031 To obtain a registration form,
 go to www.rcan.org/heritagetour

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!**

Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Newark

An Annulment Information Evening is scheduled for Wednesday, September 13, 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 St. John the Baptist R.C. Church (Parish Center), 69 Valley Street, Hillsdale at 7:30 p.m. For additional information, please call the Office of Family Life Ministries at (973) 497-4327.

CHRISTIAN FOUNDATIONS FOR MINISTRY PROGRAM

Saint Agnes Parish will be 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 every Thursday evening from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., September to May. The first class will be September 14th in the St. Joseph Conference Room which is located on the lower level of the new building. For further information, please call Sister Margaret at (732) 388-2560.



Welcome Back to a New School Year!

Saint Agnes School will open for the 2006-2007 school year on Tuesday, September 5. This day will be for faculty ONLY. **Students will report in the following manner:**

GRADES 6-8: Wednesday, September 6. **Grades K-5 do not report.** Students will assemble on the playground by 7:50 a.m. **12:00 Dismissal.**

GRADES K-5: Thursday, September 7. **Grades 6-8 do not report.** Grades 1-5 will assemble on the playground by 7:50 a.m. Kindergartners are to report directly to the classroom by 7:50 a.m. Students in grades K-3 should bring a healthy snack. **12:00 Dismissal.**

ALL STUDENTS: Friday, September 8. Grades K-8 will assemble on the playground by 7:50 a.m. Grades K-3 should bring a healthy snack. **12:00 Dismissal.**

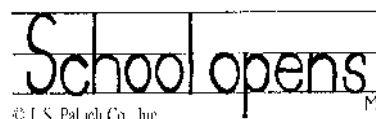
GRADE K: 12:00 Dismissal, September 11-15.

PRE-K: Monday, September 11

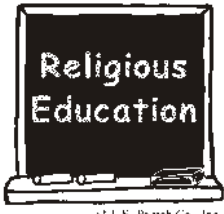
STUDENTS ARE TO BE IN UNIFORM ON THE FIRST DAY THAT THEY REPORT TO SCHOOL. Summer uniforms (walking shorts and golf shirts) are permitted. **Boys and Girls ties not required until October 2.**

FULL DAY SCHEDULE will begin on Monday, September 11 for Grades 1-8. Grades 6-8 are to be in their homeroom by 8:00 a.m. They will be reporting directly there daily.

Grades 1-5 will assemble on the playground by 7:50 a.m. **Please remember that ALL students K-8 are to be dropped off and picked up in the back of the school. We will be using the NEW entrance for arrival and dismissal.**



Saint Agnes Tricky Tray Walt Disney World Vacation Package Raffle



The Religious Education Program begins on September 10th, 11th & 12th!! If you have not registered or re-registered your child yet, please do so immediately by calling the Religious Education Office at (732) 388-2560. Classes are reaching

capacity. **All children must be registered and in our system before classes begin on September 10th, 11th & 12th, or they will not be permitted to attend the first day of class.** Thank you for your cooperation.



IMPORTANT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS!!

**Ah! For the lazy days of summer!
Sand and Sea give way to pencils & books!**

Sunday, September 10th at 9:00 a.m.
Classes begin for Grades K through 2

Monday, September 11th at 3:30 p.m.
Classes begin for Grades 3 and 4

Monday, September 11th at 7:00 p.m.
Classes begin for Grades 5 and 8

Tuesday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m.
Classes begin for Grades 6 and 7

All students will enter through the set of doors closest to the playground. Monday and Tuesday students will be released through the same doors. Sunday morning students will be released from the gymnasium.



BACK TO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NIGHT

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**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH, 7 PM
IN THE GYMNASIUM**

AT LEAST ONE PARENT MUST ATTEND



7Days/6 nights at Disney's Port Orleans Riverside Resort* For a Family of Five
Plus Five 6-day Park Hopper Passes
Drawing to be held at the
Tricky Tray on October 5, 2006 at 11 PM

Winner need not be present.

**\$50 per ticket
Get your tickets early.
Only 300 tickets will be sold!**

Tickets may be purchased at
Saint Agnes Rectory or by calling
Cheryl Fiumefreddo at (732) 259-4088

ROSARIANS BAGEL SALE!



**SEPTEMBER 17, 2006
AFTER ALL MASSES**

We offer the following varieties:

Plain	Russian
Cinnamon/Raisin	Salt
Poppy Seed	Pumpnickel
Sesame Seed	Onion
Everything	Egg
Garlic	Wheat

**Cost: .60 each
\$7.20 per dozen (bakers' dozen - 13 bagels)**

Thank you for your support!!

Mass Schedule

This Week

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2006

5:30 Pauline Tavormina - Marilyn Tavormina

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2006

7:30 Margaret & John Eliff - Mr. & Mrs. James Eliff

9:00 People of the Parish

10:30 Stanley Niemczyk - The Niemczyk Family

12:00 Mae Bradley - Mr. & Mrs. A. Kovalich

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2006 - LABOR DAY

9:00 Charles Vincenti - Jo & Charles Vincenti

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2006

7:00 Mr. & Mrs. Frank Beviano - Mary Ann Fresco

9:00 Joseph Kniazynski & Family - Mary Rutkowski

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2006

7:00 Margaret Firestone - Randy Turner

9:00 John Delaney - Peter & Donna Sorkin

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2006

7:00 Elsie Strobel - Donna & Frank Bonavitacola

9:00 John Delaney - Arlene & Bob Firestone

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2006

7:00 Judith Plesh - Teresa Bochenek & Family

9:00 Edward Veltre - Fran Veltre

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2006

8:30 Memorial Mass - Joseph Zucaro, Angelina Fiore,
Pat Kirsch

5:30 Cidalia Jesus Oliveira - Leonor & Family

MONDAY LABOR DAY SEPTEMBER 4

9:00 AM Mass

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 5

SCHOOL OPENS - FACULTY ONLY

7:00 PM Liturgy Meeting

7:30 PM Rosary Society Meeting - Gymnasium

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 6

SCHOOL OPENS - GR. 6-8 ONLY - 12 Noon Dismissal

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 7

SCHOOL OPENS - GR. K-5 ONLY - 12 Noon Dismissal

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 8

12:00 PM Dismissal

7:30 PM School Board Meeting

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9

EUROPEAN RELIEF COLLECTION

8:30 AM Mass - Memorial

Confirmation Retreat - Church & Gymnasium

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10

EUROPEAN RELIEF COLLECTION

9:00 AM Religious Education

1:30 PM Baptism

Altar & Rosary Society

TRAVELING MADONNA - Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be in the home of Peggy Phelan during the week of September 3rd.

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FIRST MONTHLY MEETING

The first monthly meeting of the new season will be held on **Tuesday, September 5, at 7:30 p.m.** in the school gymnasium.



SANCTUARY LAMP will burn in memory of Eunice Brennan during the week of September 3rd at the request of Ellie & Sandy Gonczlik.



ALTAR BREAD AND WINE for the week of September 3rd were donated in memory of Alice and Paul Hart at the request of the Hart Family.

Just a reminder . . .



When using your Church offering envelopes, please indicate the amount enclosed on the line provided. This is time saving and assists us in keeping accurate records. Thank you.

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

Stephen Wagner

Those Who Are Sick

Aileen Sasala, Mary Zelanko, Joe & Irene Margeton, Michael Dudek, Frank LaVerda, Alvera Martin, 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, 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, Marie Telesco, Annette Drake, MaryLou Loffa, James MacConchie, Louise Venezia, Lucia DeCristofaro, Patricia Zych, Barbara Steinberg, Nancy Liberti, Hazel McGuinness, Marian Heelan, Giovanna Tripicchio, Sam Roglieri, Pauline Liotti, Bart Zucosky, Marie Cerone, Josephine Stefanik, Andy Pavelko, Richard O'Lenick, Declan Mulcahy, Jr., Dolores Acquisto, Daniel Palumbo, Jim MacConchie, Victor Fernandes, Sr., Eileen Imbriaco, Josephine Zbikowski

**FEAR NOT**

In these times, there is plenty to be afraid of, if we only look around. It seems that every day the news media have yet more bad news to tell: wars, disease, terrorism, drought, social unrest, and more. Some people have stopped using clock radios to wake up in the morning, preferring a jarring buzzer to the even more jarring morning news. What more do we need before we realize that we are finite creatures, and while there is much we can do to make our world better, ultimately there is a lot that is simply not within our grasp? To this our loving God says, "Be strong, fear not!"

We must do what we can to make our world a better and safer place, but we must also realize our limits and that our ultimate safety is in the hands of God. We can be comforted by the realization that God loves us beyond measure, and will give us every help in our efforts to make our world a loving and safe place for everyone.

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**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 3, 2006**

Humbly welcome the word that has been
planted in you and is able to save your souls.

– James 1:21b