Welcome to St. Agnes Parish
6101 Zinsen St, Weston, Wisconsin

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Sacraments

Sacrament of Baptism - Baptisms are celebrated on the third Sunday of the month. To register for a preparation class, call Father Greg (ext. #3) at the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage - Contact the parish office at least 1 year in advance of the wedding date. Couples need to complete a FOCCUS inventory. Also, couples will register for a Deanery Marriage Preparation Class. These requirements are needed prior to the wedding date.

RCIA: If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Church, call Father Greg (ext. #3) at the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick—Anointing is offered at daily morning Mass if you are aware of upcoming surgeries or if you are ill. Also, if you would like to be on a list for weekly Communion at home, call the parish office.

Website
www.stagnescatholicparish.com
Welcome New Parishioners
For Registration Materials Contact the Parish Office or Check the Website

Mass Schedule
Saturday 5:00 PM Mass
Sunday 8:30 AM Mass
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 AM Mass
Wednesday 5:30 PM Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 4:00-4:30 PM or by appointment

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Deadline for bulletin articles:
Tuesday at Noon
Parish office hours:
Monday-Thursday 9am – 3 pm
Friday 9am – 12 Noon

August 10, 2014 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Choosing Family
By Diane M. Houdek
Source: Bringing Home the Word

One of the most well-known stories about St. Francis is that he publicly and dramatically rejected his father, Pietro, in order to follow his call from God. In this, as in so many other things, Francis is following Christ, who said that anyone who did not leave mother and father, sisters and brothers, to follow him was not worthy to be called a disciple.

We struggle with this part of the Gospel in different ways throughout our lives. As young people, we might embrace a sense of freedom from our families. As parents, however, we might be reluctant to let our children go. In his Testament, written shortly before his death, Francis tells the story of his call. And in his words, we see the promise of Christ once again coming to fulfillment. Francis has left mother, father, sisters, and brothers. And then he tells us that at the very beginning of his new life, “the Lord gave me brothers.”

As we continue our Christmas festivities with our own families, we know that as Christians, we have been given mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers, in a communion that extends far beyond the ties of biology. This is the promise of the Good News.

BIG THANK YOU
Our family would like to thank Father Greg and all of our St. Agnes family for the support and kindness shown to us before, during and after the benefit on July 26th. St. Agnes is truly a caring community! God Bless all of you! Jim, Angela, AJ and Nick Gorecki

What is the meaning of the name “Jesus”?
Given by the angel at the time of the Annunciation, the name “Jesus” means “God saves”. The name expresses his identity and his mission “because he will save his people from their sins” (Matthew 1:21). Peter proclaimed that “there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we can be saved” (Acts 4:12).

Why is Jesus called “Christ”?
“Christ” in Greek, “Messiah” in Hebrew, means the “anointed one”. Jesus is the Christ because he is consecrated by God and anointed by the Holy Spirit for his redeeming mission. He is the Messiah awaited by Israel, sent into the world by the Father. Jesus accepted the title of Messiah but he made the meaning of the term clear: “come down from heaven” (John 3:13), crucified and then risen, he is the Suffering Servant “who gives his life as a ransom for the many” (Matthew 20:28). From the name Christ comes our name of Christian.

In what sense is Jesus the Only Begotten Son of God?
Jesus is the Son of God in a unique and perfect way. At the time of his Baptism and his Transfiguration, the voice of the Father designated Jesus as his “beloved Son”. In presenting himself as the Son who “knows the Father” (Matthew 11:27), Jesus affirmed his singular and eternal relationship with God his Father. He is “the Only Begotten Son of God” (1 John 4:9), the second Person of the Blessed Trinity. He is the central figure of apostolic preaching. The apostles saw “his glory as of the Only Begotten of the Father” (John 1:14).

What is the meaning of the title “Lord”?
In the Bible this title regularly designates God as Sovereign. Jesus ascribed this title to himself and revealed his divine sovereignty by his power over nature, over demons, over sin, and over death, above all by his own Resurrection. The first Christian creeds proclaimed that the power, the honor, and the glory that are due to God the Father also belong to Jesus: God “has given him the name which is above every other name” (Philippians 2:9). He is the Lord of the world and of history, the only One to whom we must completely submit our personal freedom.

“Jesus Christ was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and was born of the Virgin Mary”

(From the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church)
**MASS SCHEDULES**

**August 11 – 17, 2014**

**Monday, August 11**
St. Clare
10:00am Mass at Stoney River Nursing Home

**Tuesday, August 12**
St. Jane Frances de Chantal
8:30am Mass For the health of Susie Wanta

**Wednesday, August 13**
St. Pontian & St. Hippolytus
5:30pm Mass †Esther Brzezinski by Norbert Janikowski & Gracie

**Thursday, August 14**
St. Maximilian Kolbe
8:30am Mass †Mary Burkhardt by friends at St. Agnes
6:30pm Vigil Mass for Assumption

**Friday, August 15**
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30am Mass †Margaret Schoonover by Pat Schoonover

**Saturday, August 16**
St. Stephen of Hungary
5:00pm Mass †Armando DiFonso by Irv & Bette Fletcher

**Sunday, August 17**
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30am Mass †Dr. William Tomcek by the Dr. William Tomcek Family

If you would like to schedule a Mass intention we do have several openings in September and October. Please contact Deb in the parish office if you are interested.

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**STEWARDSHIP**

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE FOR AUGUST 2 & 3, 2014**

- Adult Envelopes: $5,635.00
- Loose Collection: $225.25
- Students: $0.00
- Votive Lights: $16.25
- Total: $5,876.50

Diocesan Annual Appeal 2014-2015
- Target: $40,425.00
- Pledges to date: $0.00
- Amount under target: $0.00

Recycled Can project to date: $1,522.14
Food Pantry Second Collection: $3,323.11

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!!

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**LITURGICAL ROLES FOR AUGUST 16 & 17**

**Eucharistic Ministers**
5:00 pm Peggy Stengl, Jane Wierzba, Sheila Joswiak
8:30 am Ed & Carol Becker, Lynn Barr, Jane Korpela, Deb Cherek, Ed Flanders, Charlotte Seefeldt

**Greeters**
5:00 pm Jennifer Chilar, Carolyn Cyr
8:30 am Ryan Schueler, Shirley Callahan

**Readers**
5:00 pm Tanya Steger
8:30 am Greg Hoffman, Julie Nelson

**Sacrists**
5:00 pm Catharine Kressel
8:30 am Marion Schroers

**Ushers**
5:00 pm Albert Deiler, Tom Skare, Lance Lyon, Sy Hintz
8:30 am Jerry Seim, Steve Tobalsky, Norm Johnson, Chris Kirchner

**Altar Attendants**
5:00 pm Tim & Danny Cornish
8:30 am Brooklyn Sazama & Sonja Budleski

**NOTE:** IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO CALL A SUB IF YOU ARE UNAVAILABLE FOR YOUR SCHEDULED TIME. THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING!!

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Thursday, August 14**
Vigil Mass for Assumption—6:30pm

**Friday, August 15**
Assumption Mass—8:30am

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Saturday, September 20th
SPORTS BANQUET 5:00pm
SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. John Vianney (1786-1859)

A man with vision overcomes obstacles and performs deeds that seem impossible. John Vianney was a man with vision: He wanted to become a priest. But he had to overcome his meager formal schooling, which inadequately prepared him for seminary studies.

His failure to comprehend Latin lectures forced him to discontinue. But his vision of being a priest urged him to seek private tutoring. After a lengthy battle with the books, John was ordained.

Situations calling for “impossible” deeds followed him everywhere. As pastor of the parish at Ars, John encountered people who were indifferent and quite comfortable with their style of living. His vision led him through severe fasts and short nights of sleep. (Some devils can only be cast out by prayer and fasting.)

With Catherine Lassagne and Benedicta Lardet, he established La Providence, a home for girls. Only a man of vision could have such trust that God would provide for the spiritual and material needs of all those who came to make La Providence their home.

His work as a confessor is John Vianney’s most remarkable accomplishment. In the winter months he was to spend 11 to 12 hours daily reconciling people with God. In the summer months this time was increased to 16 hours. Unless a man was dedicated to his vision of a priestly vocation, he could not have endured this giving of self day after day.

Many people look forward to retirement and taking it easy, not have endured this giving of self day after day. But John Vianney had no thoughts of retirement. As his fame spread, more hours were consumed in serving God’s people. Even the few hours he would allow himself for sleep were disturbed frequently by the devil.

Who, but a man with vision, could keep going with ever-increasing strength? In 1929, Pope Pius XI named him the patron of parish priests worldwide.

Comment: Indifference toward religion, coupled with a love for material comfort, seem to be common signs of our times. A person from another planet observing us would not likely judge us to be pilgrim people, on our way to somewhere else. John Vianney, on the other hand, was a man on a journey with his goal before him at all times.

Quote: Recommending liturgical prayer, John Vianney would say, “Private prayer is like straw scattered here and there: If you set it on fire, it makes a lot of little flames. But gather these straws into a bundle and light them, and you get a mighty fire, rising like a column into the sky; public prayer is like that.”

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 10

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33
Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: Ez 2:8-3:4/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Mt 19:13-15

PARISH NEWS/NOTES

Custodian/Maintenance Position at St. Agnes

We currently have an opening for Custodian/Maintenance person at St. Agnes. The position will include cleaning, general maintenance items, and possible snow shoveling and will be between 15 and 20 hours per week. We would consider one person or a possible husband/wife team. Please contact Father Greg or Deb in the office for a job description and application.

Sports Banquet News

SOLD OUT! SOLD OUT! SOLD OUT! SOLD OUT! SOLD OUT!

Our Sports Banquet set for September 20th is currently sold out! We thank all of you for your help in reaching our goal of selling 350 tickets! Hopefully you have picked up and sold your Honda ATV tickets with new this year the option to take $5,000 cash! If you need more tickets please see Deb in the office. This year the banquet proceeds will go for the updating of the hall with the new ceiling, paint and audio and visual system.

New this year: MEAT RAFFLE we will have $500 each of chicken, beef and pork for you to take a chance on!!

PACKER RAFFLE: Two club seats with a limo to and from the game!

JEWELRY RAFFLE: Diamonds and more Diamonds!

TV RAFFLE: Small, Bigger and BIG TV’s

Browning Raffle—Three Browning rifles

Benelli Shot Gun Raffle: Super Black Eagle II Camo 12 ga and Nova 3 1/2 MAG 12 ga

COME JOIN US FOR SOME FUN!!

Let’s go see a play!! We are trying to get a group of people (couples or singles) to attend Nunsensations at Tommy O’s Playhouse (just south of Minocqua) on Sunday, August 24 at 2:00 p.m. If we get 12 or more people, the cost is $10 per ticket. If we don’t get that many, the cost is $12 for seniors and $15 for those under 60 years. In this show the nuns are asked to perform a show in Las Vegas for a $10,000 donation to their school by a parish member. It should be fun. Tickets will be ordered on August 18 and are not refundable. We hope to get a few van loads of people to attend. Contact Judy Majerle for more info or if you want to attend, 715-359-6703

Thank you to our BINGO helpers for July, Mary & Gary Carle, Cathy Coffey, Jan Zagzebski, Mary DiFonso and her sister Bernie and Jim & Emmy King. The next BINGO date is this Friday, August 15th at 2:00pm at Kennedy Park. Please call Emmy King if you can help. 715-842-8210.
Registration Still Open!!
Thank you to all that have already submitted Faith Formation Registration forms to the parish office. If you have not registered yet, please go to our website and print off a form. Please register sooner than later so that we can plan for appropriate class sizes, materials etc. You can find the Faith Formation Registration forms on the website under Religious Education. www.stagnescatholicparish.com. If you have any questions or concerns please see Danielle.

ATTENTION ALL CATECHISTS FOR NEXT YEAR!
I hope everyone is having a great summer! We are going to be using new books this year called “Alive in Christ.” We ordered them for grades 1st-8th. On Tuesday August 12th we would like to have a meeting at 5:00pm and Lynn and I will go over the materials for next year. Dinner will be provided. And a representative from Alive in Christ will talk to us at 6:00pm. And the best part is we are able to get Catechists in-service hours. If you are teaching Confirmation, it is important that you come because I will give you all your materials. Thanks so much for answering the call to share Jesus with others!

God Bless!

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU CAN ATTEND.
danielle@stagnescatholicparish.com

Did you know that St. Agnes Youth has a Facebook Page!
Please check us out and like us on facebook https://www.facebook.com/stagnesyouth
Stay in touch with youth activities and more!

We are looking for volunteers to help get the class rooms ready for CCD! We need people to help decorate bulletin boards, fill supplies, make our classrooms come alive with Christ. If you are available Wednesday, August 20th, we would love to have you at 10AM. We will provide Lunch. Please let Danielle know if you can help or if you have any questions. Thanks so much. danielle@stagnescatholicparish.com

Catholic prayers have been around for a long time. They were handed down to us, and we in turn pass them on to our own children. Knowing these prayers by heart enables us to pray them anytime and anyplace, but more than that, they unite us with God. I will be putting one or two prayers a week in the bulletin.

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Grace before Meals
Bless us, O Lord, and these your gifts, which we are about to receive from your bounty. Through Christ our Lord.
AMEN.

Holy Spirit
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful. And kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you will renew the face of the earth. AMEN.
Reflecting On Sunday’s Readings

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—August 10, 2014

Introduction: “It’s always darkest, just before the bottom drops out,” or so people jokingly say. In this week’s passages probably both Elijah and the disciples were feeling this way. Each found themselves in situations where they felt totally alone and abandoned. Each was buffeted by the circumstances that surrounded them.

This feeling of isolation and darkness is an all too common experience for many. In the midst of doing our best among the pressure and stresses of life, suddenly negative circumstances take life right out of our control. A sense of foreboding begins to engulf us and threaten our very existence. We begin feeling cornered and abandoned, and start losing all sense of perspective. Though for Christians this should not be normative we too often feel that Paul’s description of the Gentiles in Ephesians 2 as “having no hope and without God in the world,” really fits us.

Fortunately, Ephesians 2 also introduces the phrase “but God.” This phrase, “but God,” contains two of the most poignant and hope-filled words in sacred Scripture. They introduce a divine interruption to life, on our behalf. Life’s circumstances are about to overwhelm us, “but God” appears to interrupt the turmoil and devastation and bring peace, calming our fears. He may appear either in a still, quiet voice, or in some miraculous walking-on-water event making himself present to our plight and involved redemptively on our behalf. We do not know how he will appear, but the hope that sustains the Christian is that most assuredly he will appear. God does not abandon his people.

You may recall that the disciples had another nautical experience that revealed the nature of Christ. Their boat was caught in a terrific storm, but that time Jesus was with them asleep in the stern amidst the turmoil. He awoke and calmed the storm with but a word. This time they were having to deal with the storm on their own.

Chrysostom believes that Jesus allowed this incident as part of their training: “Now he is leading them into a greater degree of challenge…This was all for their training that they might not look for some easy hope of preservation from any earthly source. He then allows them to be tossed by the storm all night! This had the purpose of awakening their stony hearts in a most complete way…. He cast them directly into a situation in which they would have a greater longing for him and a continual remembrance of him.”

I don’t think we can conclude from this that Jesus sends into our lives all of the storms we experience. Many storms are of our own making, others are created by the capriciousness of people. However, in the midst of our storms we can pray that God will use it to break up our stony hearts and give us a more complete love for him and dependence on him.

In the disciples experience in today’s Gospel reading, Jesus must have seemed far off. He went up to the mountain to pray and they were several furlongs from the land in a boat that was about to be swamped by wind and wave. But they learned that distance did not separate them from Christ’s love and care. Sometimes we too feel distant from Christ. He ascended into heaven, where he lives to pray for us. When life’s wind and waves seem like they are ready to swamp us we need to reflect on the disciples’ experience and learn that he is never far off, but is always ready to come and rescue us. Whether we are huddled in the dark isolation or buffeted by the dark threatening storms in our life, our responsibility is to listen for his voice and to look for his appearing. (By Richard A. Cleveland)

First Reading — 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13

9 There he came to a cave, where he took shelter. But the word of the LORD came to him, "Why are you here, Elijah?" … 11 Then the LORD said, "Go outside and stand on the mountain before the LORD; the LORD will be passing by." A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the LORD—but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake—but the LORD was not in the earthquake. 12 After the earthquake there was fire—but the LORD was not in the fire. After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. 13 When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave. A voice said to him, "Elijah, why are you here?"

How would you respond if God called you by name and said, “What are you doing here?”
ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS!!

The new schedule for Liturgical Ministers will run soon. This new schedule will run from September 1, 2014 through November 30, 2014. Please fill out the following form as to your unavailability during this schedule and return it to the parish office, drop it in the collection basket or email it to deb@stagnescatholicparish.com by August 11, 2014.

Name or Names
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Ministry/Dates Available
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Dates unavailable
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I would like to be involved in the following ministries; please contact me:
______________________________________________
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_______ At the 5:00pm Mass
_______ At the 8:30am Mass
_______ Please remove my name from the Liturgical Minister’s list as I am no longer able to serve.

For more information on a specific ministry please contact the appropriate people below:

Altar Servers: Terry & Sue Cornish 715-359-0991
Readers: Bob Peterson 715-359-6830
Eucharistic Ministers: Paul Majerle 715-359-6703
Ushers: Rich Gorski: 715-446-3053
Irv Fletcher: 715-359-4174
Sacristans/Office: Deb Cherek: 715-359-5675

Thank you for all you do!!