December 23, 2018

4th Sunday of Advent

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Chairman – Kerry Willett Co-Chair - Steven Gough Secretary – Julie Davis Finance Liason - Keith Sheffer Bldg. Committee Liason - Kerry Willett

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SCHOOL COUNCIL

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CEMETERY INFORMATION

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Safe Environment Program for the Diocese of Owensboro

Sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable person is a crime according to both state and Church law, and there is help and healing possible. To report to civil authorities, call local law enforcement (270)389-1303 or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-KYSAFE1; 1-877-597-2331).

To report abuse by Church personnel (paid or unpaid), either past or present, please call the confidential phone line of the Pastoral Assistance Coordinator at 270-852-8380. A full explanation of the diocese's response to sexual abuse concerns can be found in the sexual abuse policy, which can be found in the parish office and also on the diocesan website (https://owensborodiocese.org/safe).



St. Agnes Catholic Church 413 Fifth St. Uniontown, Kentucky 42461

St. Agnes website: www.stagnesuniontown.com

MASS SCHEDULES

Weekend: Sat. 4:30 p.m. Sun. 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM Wednesday and Friday - 8:00 am Mass Holy Days - 6:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday from 3:30 to 4:15 or by appointment

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS:

Children's Liturgy of the Word: ages 4 - 9

During the 10:00 am Mass on Sundays only

Elementary (Kindergarten thru Grade 7):

St. Agnes Parish Hall-Wednesday from 5:00-6:00 p.m.

RCIA (Adult) - Contact the office for more information.

BAPTISM

Contact Fr. Randy Howard

MARRIAGE

Contact office 6 months prior to wedding date.

LOCAL MASS TIMES

Sacred Heart, St. Vincent Sunday, 8:00 am St. Ambrose, Henshaw Saturday, 5:30 pm Saturday, 4:00 pm St. Ann, Morganfield Sunday, 8:00 & 10:30 am St. Francis Borgia, Sturgis Sunday, 9:00 am

St. Peter, Waverly Saturday, 4:00 pm Sunday 10:00 am Holy Name, Henderson Saturday, 4:00 pm

Sunday, 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 am 1:00 pm (Spanish), 5:30 pm (Youth)

St. William, Marion Sunday, 11:00 am St. Stephen, Cadiz Saturday, 6:30 pm Sunday, 8:00 am St. Mark, Eddyville Saturday, 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am St. Anthony, Grand Rivers Saturday, 6:00 pm Sunday 7:30 am

TITHING REPORT

Needed weekly income	\$ 6,000.00
Sunday envelopes (12/16/2018)	6,380.00
Individual donors	1,200.00
Happy Pack (12/16/2018)	42.00
Christmas flowers	146.00
Christmas baskets	320.00
Retired Religious	15.00
Bldg. Fund (12/16/2018)	1,167.00

Nov. 2018	Budgeted	<u>Actual</u>
Income	\$33,430.00	\$ 29,958.89
Expenses	<u>34,505.</u> 44	<u>33,838.35</u>
Net	(\$1,075.44)	(\$3,879.46)

^{*}This does not include bldg. fd. money for Nov. \$39,797.66 or other non-operating income.

Fiscal Yr.	Budgeted	<u>Actual</u>
Income	\$401,160.00	\$152,174.82
Expenses	414,065.32	169,688.35
<u>Net</u>	(\$12,905.32)	(\$17,513.53)

^{*}This does not include bldg, fd. money July thru Nov. \$87,326.48 or other non-operating income.

PRAY FOR SICK & HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Brad Burke
Diane Conley
Carolyn Girten
Michael D Williams
John Lee
Jamie Austin
Brown Foster
Viola Drury
Carolyn Pike
Shelly Girten
Tommy Hagan
Carole Gough
Rodney Utley

Mark Byrnes Charlene Hite Alan Gough Irene Jennings Susan Garnett Gladys Austin Ricky Garnett Gerald Greenwell Larry Hagan Paul Thomas Edna Messamore Macy Simmons Millie Lewis Mary Pat Byrnes
Hattie McGuire
Sue Eckmans
Bobby Dale Jennings
Pearl Tugwood
Damon Dayberry
Diane Sheffer
Mason Reynolds
Brian McGraw
Madison Ferguson
Bobby Mills
Jane Thomas
Jeannie Girten

PRAY FOR SICK & HOMEBOUND - FRIENDS & RELATIVES

Julie Wolfe Drew Wesley Jon Buckman Margie Robinson Christopher Nalley Melissa Byrns SamiJo Dýe Betty Blake Kim Caudill Carolyn Thompson William Buckman Lura Buckman Ruth Mann Ronnie Dye Chase Háncock Shara Rigdon Jane Rust

Barbara Berry
Charlie Wolfe
Jennifer Render
Johnny Pike
Diane Bickett
Wayne Burke
Gracie Utley
Rose Tucker Bickett
Lynda Peters
Donna Harvey
Sandy McBride
Debbie Thomas
Lance Davis
Amanda Gayle Girten
Hildegarde Wesley

David Buckman

Chris Montgomery

Christina Wilkerson
Homer O'Nan
Bryant Mann
Dorris Nally
Mayva Stiles
Claude Higginson Jr.
Ella Grace Clevidence
Barbara Millikan
Joyce Watson Timmel
Andrea Dayberry Hosford
Luke Austin
Mike Guillerman
Carolyn Duncan
Judy Girten
Ashley Humphrey
Jimmy Duncan
Rawmond Turner

4th Sunday of Advent

The Gospel today tells of the Virgin Mary, pregnant herself, hurrying off to help her cousin Elizabeth. The model of good stewardship, she who had given herself to bear the Savior gave her time and love to others as well.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday – 2 SM 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16 . PS 89:2-5, 27, 29 . LK 1:67-79 Tuesday – IS 52:7-10 . PS 98:1-6 . HEB 1:1-6 . JN 1:1-18 Wednesday – ACTS 6:8-10; 7:54-59 . PS 31:3-4, 6, 8, 16-17. MT 10:17-22 Thursday – 1 JN 1:1-4 . PS 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 . JN 20:1-8 Friday – 1 JN 1:5 – 2:2 . PS 124:2-5, 7-8 . MT 2:13-18 Saturday – 1 JN 2:3-11 . PS 96:1-3, 5-6 . LK 2:22-35 Sunday – SIR 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 SM 20-22, 24-28 . PS 128:1-5 COL 3:12-21 or 1 JN 3:1-2, 21-24 . LK 2:41-52

OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, Dec. 23

8:00 a.m. – St. Agnes Parishioners 10:00 a.m. – Jimmy & Beezie Girten

Communion To The Sick - Brandi Clements

Monday, Dec. 24

4:30 p.m. - L/D Harold Girten family

Tuesday, Dec. 25

9:00 a.m. – St. Agnes Parishioners

7:00 p.m. - No Bingo \$3,500.00 on Jan. 8th

Wednesday, Dec. 26

8:00 a.m. - No Mass

5:00 - 6:00 P.M. - No Faith Formation

Thursday, Dec. 27

8:00 a.m. – No Mass 6:00 p.m. – NO RCIA

Friday, Dec. 28

8:00 a.m. - No Mass

Saturday, Dec. 29

4:30 p.m. - St. Agnes Parishioners

Sunday, Dec. 30

8:00 a.m. – Lawrence & Mary Frances Strehle 10:00 a.m. – Ida Jo Dayberry

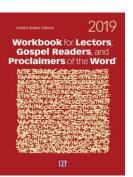
Communion To The Sick – Kenny & Vicki Moore



Thanks to everyone that donated food or money for the Christmas food baskets. Also, a big thanks to everyone that took the time out of their busy schedules to help prepare the food baskets.



The office will be closed for Christmas on Monday, Dec. 24th and Tuesday, Dec. 25th. We will also be closed on Tuesday, Jan. 1st. The staff at St. Agnes wishes you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



Don't forget your Lector Workbook for 2019!

LAY MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

*Please get a substitute if you are unable to serve.

Saturday - Dec. 29 - 4:30 PM

Servers: Paul Thomas, Landon French

Lectors: Cindy Gough Offertory: Tom Davis family

Euch. Min. P1 Fr. Randy
C1 Jim Mann
P2 Lynn Buckman
C2 Julie Davis

Ushers: Craig Gough, Shawn Elder, Gage Clements, Gavin Clements

Sacristan: Lynn Buckman

<u>Sunday - Dec. 30 - 8:00AM</u>

Lector: Sharon Willett Euch. Min. P1 Fr. Randy

C1 Eddie Willett C2 Janie Fowler

Sacristan: Eddie Willett

<u>Sunday – Dec. 30 – 10:00AM</u>

Servers: Emma Floyd, Kennedi Clements

Lector: Kevin French

Offertory: Tommy Hagan family

Euch. Min. P1 Fr. Randy P2 Jeannie Floyd C1 Donna Clements C2 DeeDee Hooper

Ushers: Timmy Floyd, Jeremy Clements, Jerri Floyd, Jason Greenwell

Sacristan: Jeannie Floyd

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - Dec. 30 - 10:00 a.m.

Brooke Clements

COMMUNION TO SICK - Kenny & Vicki Moore

1 Corinthians, Chapter 13 - A Christmas Version

If I decorate my home with perfectly placed bows, twinkling lights, and shiny decorations, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another decorator.

If I slave away in the kitchen; baking dozens of Christmas cookies, preparing gourmet meals and arranging a beautifully adorned table at mealtime, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another cook.

If I work at a soup kitchen, carol in a nursing home, and give all that I have to charity, but do not show love to my family, it profits me nothing.

If I trim and spruce with shimmering angels and glistening snowflakes, attend a myriad of holiday parties, and sing in the church choir but do not focus on Christ, I have missed the point.

Love stops the cooking to hug a child.

Love sets aside the decorating to kiss your spouse.

Love is kind, though harried and tired.

Love doesn't envy another's home that has coordinated Christmas china and table linens.

Love doesn't yell at the kids to get out of the way, but is thankful they are there to be in the way.

Love doesn't give only to those who are able to give in return, but rejoices in giving to those who can't.

Love bears all things, believes in all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

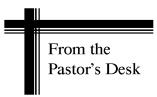
Love never fails.

Video games break, pearl necklaces will be lost, golf clubs will rust

But giving the gift of love will endure.

"It's Christmas every time you let God love others through you . . . yes, it is Christmas every time you smile at your brother and offer him your hand.

~Mother Theresa



Ready or not, Christmas is here! The celebration of Christmas mass brings in many people from near and far. It's truly a gathering of family, most especially as the Family of God. We give thanks that because God the Father's only Son has taken on a human nature, we have become the adopted sons and daughters of God. The gates of heaven are now open because of what Jesus has done for us. It has literally changed the course of human history. We have much to celebrate and for which to be thankful. I wish all of you and your families a very holy and merry Christmas.

Again, a week from Christmas, Tuesday, January 1, is a holy day of obligation - Mary, the Mother of God. Since it falls on a Tuesday, it is obligatory that we attend mass. Masses here at St. Agnes will be at 4:30 pm on Monday,

December 31, and 9:00 am on Tuesday, Jan. 1.

You may have noticed that the brick work is now complete on the parish hall addition. Drywall work continues on the interior and roof work has begun. Hopefully in early January the new floor will be put in. So, things keep rolling along.

I will be taking off to Owensboro after I finish mass on Christmas morning to spend time with my family. We have Christmas in two phases so I'll hang around there a few days. This means there won't be 8:00 am mass this coming week.

Until next time...

Fr. Randy

DISCIPLES RESPONSE FD. UPDATE

St. Agnes Parish

Parish Target: \$8,885.40 Amount Pledged \$6,057.00 Amt. Paid \$5,432.00

ST. AGNES FAITH FORMATION

Classes are held on Wednesday night from 5-6 p.m.

Dec. 26 (Christmas break)

Jan. 2 - No Class

Jan. 9 – Class

Jan. 16 - Class

Jan. 23 – Class

Jan. 30 - Class

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

BINGO

Come join us on Tuesday nights for bingo. Jackpot will be \$3,500.00 on Jan. 8th!



The Morganfield Knights of Columbus will host the 5th Sunday breakfast on Sunday, Dec. 30th at the Morganfield K of C Hall with serving beginning at approximately 9 a.m. All members and families are invited.



Anniversaries Dec. 23 - 29

Dec. 26 – George & Martha Greenwell (65 yrs.) Dec. 27 – Miles & Macy Clevidence (4 yrs.)



Birthdays Dec. 23-29

Dec. 23 - Denise Buckman & Ann Hagan

Dec. 23 – Joycelyn Hagan & Kevin Hancock

Dec. 24 - Doris Collins & Kevin Ferguson

Dec. 24 - Madison Ferguson & Keith Sheffer

Dec. 25 - Benny French

Dec. 26 - Abriel Bennett & Gerald Greenwell

Dec. 26 - Greg Greenwell & Debbie Henshaw

Dec. 26 - Larry Rhodes

Dec. 27 - Elijah Brown & Marty Greenwell

Dec. 27 – Aubrey Hancock

Dec. 28 – Brooke Morgan

Dec. 29 - Duncan Thomas



Our deepest sympathy and prayers are with the family of: **Sue Mary Wedding** (mother of Sara Blackburn)who passed away recently. May she rest in eternal peace. Amen.

JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC SCHOOL

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Dec. 24 – Jan. 2 – Christmas break

Jan. 3 – Classes resume

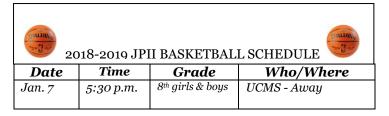
Feb. 18 – Teacher in service – No school for students

JOB OPENING

Part-time childcare asst. 1:30 p.m. – 5:15 – Monday thru Friday Position open immediately. \$9 per hour. Contact April Dayberry at adayberry@johnpauliicatholicschool.org or call (270);389-1898.

JOHN PAUL II – WEEKLY COLLECTION

Weekly collection 12/16/2018 - \$27,634.00



Qualified Charitable Distribution for John Paul II

You are probably already aware that if you are over age 70 ½, you must take an annual required minimum distribution from your traditional IRA. For some, these taxable distributions can have consequences by your raising gross income and/or reducing the deductible amount of medical expenses. Further, some retirees who make charitable contributions may not have enough total itemized deductions to exceed the standard deduction, effectively resulting in no tax benefit from their charitable gift. Some of these negative tax consequences can be lessened by making what is known as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD), paid directly from your IRA to a qualified charity.

For example, if your required minimum distribution is \$10,000 and you would like to make a charitable contribution of \$3,000, you could directly distribute \$3,000 from your IRA to the charity. That \$3,000 is not included in your taxable income (though nor can you get a charitable contribution deduction for it), while the remaining \$7,000 is still included in your taxable income. If you can not itemize your deductions (that is, if the standard deduction is higher than the total of all your itemized deductions), you would still have a \$3,000 reduction in your taxable income for both federal and state taxes.

Though some restrictions apply, for a retiree who has to take a mandatory distribution and who typically makes charitable contributions, this is an excellent way to reduce a tax bill. Ask your tax advisor how a QCD might be of benefit to you while benefiting John Paul II.

