

4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT – December 20, 2020– Year B



God promised to send a Savior to the world, and Jesus came among us. In return, we are called to serve Christ and proclaim him to all. This is easily overlooked as we get caught up in our own pride, or focus on worldly matters. As we look to the Nativity of the Lord, let us shake off distractions and strive to serve Jesus and share him with others.

God is with us and we are called to live in his presence and take that joy out into the world!

CHRISTMAS – The NATIVITY of the LORD – December 25, 2020



As a Church, we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, Savior of the world, promised by God and heralded by the prophets. Recognizing our need for salvation, seeing Jesus our Savior moves us to deep rejoicing.

We unite ourselves to the Lord who saves us and we give thanks.

We rejoice that God has saved us through His Son, Jesus Christ!

THURSDAY **CHRISTMAS EVE**

MASS 4:00 pm; 6:00 pm & 10:00 pm Blessings for Our Families & Children
All Living & Deceased of St. Agnes

FRIDAY December 25

CHRISTMAS DAY – THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Blessings for All Parishioners and Friends of St. Agnes
The 11:00 am Mass will be live-streamed (No 7 pm Mass)

Saturday December 26

ST. STEPHEN, FIRST MARTYR

9:00 am + Paul Bauman – Req. by Tom & Gloria Wunder

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

Members of a family are called to honor and respect each other. Pope St. John Paul II once reminded us that the Holy Family is “*the prototype and example for all Christian families.*” Joseph and Mary loved God and did their best to be obedient. They lovingly cared for the child Jesus, and brought him up in the ways of the Lord.

Marked by holiness, their holiness,

Strive to imitate the Holy Family, living in love and unity with God and one another.

SATURDAY, December 26

5:00 pm: HOLY MASS + Jeffrey Kit – Req. by Len & Anne Strauss

SUNDAY December 27

9:00 am: HOLY MASS + Maria Dinh – Req. by the Nguyen Family
11:00 am: HOLY MASS + Sandra Kryn – Req. by Sr. Anne Rektor
7:00 pm: HOLY MASS For All Living & Deceased members of St. Agnes Parish

MARY, MOTHER of GOD; World Day of Peace – January 1, 2021



The title: *Mother of God* was given to Mary at the Council of Ephesus in 431.

Mother of Jesus, Mother of God, yet she remained ever humble.

Make her prayer your own.

“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior”.



THURSDAY, NEW YEAR'S EVE (Vigil Mass) **SOLEMNITY of MARY, MOTHER of GOD AND WORLD DAY OF PEACE**

December 31 5:00 pm: HOLY MASS

All Living & Deceased of St. Agnes Parish

FRIDAY, (First Friday) NEW YEAR'S DAY

Jan. 1, 2021 10:00 am: HOLY MASS + Anna Maria Dinh – Req. by the Nguyen Family

Saturday 9:00 am: HOLY MASS Blessings for John Helm - Req. by the Moser Family

January 2 (First Saturday)



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD – January 5, 2020

SAT. 5:00 pm HOLY MASS

For All Living & Deceased of St. Agnes Parish

SUN. 9:00 am: HOLY MASS

+ Anna Maria Dinh – Req. by Nguyen Doanh Family

JAN. 3 11:00 am: HOLY MASS

Birthday Blessings for Gareth - Req. by Suze

7:00 pm: HOLY MASS

+ Anna & Stephen Strauss – Req. by Cathy and Manfred Lamers



To all our Volunteers during this difficult time of COVID-19.

Your gifts of time and talent in all ministries of the Parish are so important to the vibrancy and spirit of our St. Agnes Community.

Thank You to all who are involved with the live-streaming of our Masses and make it possible for many parishioners and friends to participate from the safety of their home. *Thank You* to those who work on our parish web-site. *Thank You* to all who have helped with our church clean-up and with our beautiful Christmas decorations.

Thank You to all our Ushers; Sunday School Team, Sunday Envelopes Counting Team/Banking; Finance; Musicians, Sacramental Preparation Teams, Clean-up / Maintenance Crew/ Spring & Fall Gardeners; Decorators, Plant caretakers and everyone in between.

We thank you for your unselfish support and dedication!

Merry Christmas!



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS:

MEMBERSHIP: Thank You to those who have paid your 2021 membership dues. It is so easy this year to simply e-transfer to stagnescwldues@gmail.com. Or, you can drop cash or a cheque off in the collection basket or mail a cheque to St. Agnes Parish. Your membership remains at \$25 and is due before January 1, 2021. Cheques should be made payable to St. Agnes CWL.

NEW MEMBERS OR TRANSFERRING MEMBERS – New members are always welcome. You must be 16 years of age to join and it is an awesome organization to belong to. The CWL calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service. If you are a new member, or you would like to transfer your membership to St. Agnes, send a quick email. We will need just a few details from you to enroll you-transfer you. Hope you will consider being part of this amazing group of women here at St. Agnes. Contact Julie at: stagnescwlpresident@gmail.com or Barb Kleisath at: bkleisath@gmail.com



USED BOOKS – Thank you to those who have made arrangements to supplement your reading material by going through the books in the Parish Centre. Books are good will offering. It's going to be a long winter, so why not pass the time with a few good books? We are strictly monitoring the days that people are allowed in the room so you must call ahead. A mask is required and you can call me or Judy at the Parish Office to book your day/time.

Judy – Parish Office: 519-885-4480; Julie Nafziger – 519-746-5114

Don't be caught in a lock down without a winter's supply of "new" books.