

St. Agnes Catholic Church

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June 1, The Ascension of The Lord 1870

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MASSES FOR June 1 – JUNE 8

Saint Agnes

Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Kenneth Elbert
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Justice & Peace
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	+Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Lawrence Katzfey

St. Mary's

Monday	8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion
Wed	8:15 a.m. Mass
Fri.	8:15 a.m. Mass
Sat.	4:00 p.m. Mass
Sun.	8:30 a.m. Mass

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Sunday, June 1	Catholic Communication Campaign Collection
Tuesday, June 3	Rosary For Life at 8:00 a.m.
Thursday, June 5	Memorial of Saint Boniface Bishop and Marytr
Sunday, June 8	Father Matt's Retirement

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, June 9	Memorial of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
Wednesday, June 11	Memorial of Saint Barnabas, Apostle
Thursday, June 12	DCCW Meeting at St. Mary's 8:00-12:00
Friday, June 13	Memorial of Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest and Dr. of the Church
	Father Peter's 55 Ordination Anniversary

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$5,008.00 DDF \$,1750.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Extra Ordinary Min.</u>	<u>Gift Bearers & Usher</u>
<u>June 1</u>	Jane Kutz	Isaac Chorum	Mark Adamson John Heidlage Charlotte Pickering	Ron Wagner & Steve Schmitt
<u>June 8</u>	Kathy Eck	Elsie Chorum	Doug Pickering Patrick Wolfe Cheryl (K) Elbert	Dennis Heidlage & Paul Heidlage

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Margie Mettlach, Marie Jasumback, Jim and Veda Perrin, Marion Tomlinson Williams, Monta Heidlage, Rosemary Boes, Father Peter Morciniec, Brenda (Wroblewski) Buchannon, Bernadine Adamson, Lenore Wagner, Ozrelle Hendricks and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

ROSARY: weekly before the Sunday mass. Please come early and join in.

JUNE 8 - We will be celebrating with Father Matt his retirement on Sunday, June 8th after the 10:30 am Mass. Meat and potatoes and rolls will be provided. We ask those attending to please bring a Salad, Vegetable or Dessert dish. We will also have a card shower to express our gratitude to Father Matt for his service to St. Agnes and its parishioners.

THANK YOU to everyone that helped make our anniversary so special. Whether you attended our celebration, sent a card, called, text or said a prayer. We thank you! We are truly blessed! Doug & Charlotte Pickering

CEMETERY – It is our policy that on Memorial Day weekend and for the following two weeks flowers/items may be on the graves. At any other time flowers must be on the tombstone or base. Items may be on the ground until the evening of Sunday, June 8. If you have not cleared the ground by then, the items will be removed. No one is allowed to drive stakes in the cemetery ground, place statues or plaques on the ground (except these two weeks)

and may never plant flowers or trees by or on the graves! Thank you for your cooperation. With your help we are able to maintain a neat and attractive Cemetery.

CEMETERY PLOTS – If you are interested in purchasing a cemetery plot, please contact Jared Campbell at 825-6938

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

Well, we finished out the school year strong at St. Mary's with academic competitions we call the Knowledge Olympics. Our kids our learning right up to the end! We started the last day with a rosary and moved on to a great awards presentation. Mr. Lanetta's preschool and pre-K classes ended their food drive with a full 11 carloads of food to St. Suzanne's Food bank. We had many fundraisers and projects this year and all of them proved to be successful. Way to go St. Mary's family! We have a need this coming year to replace some of the preschool playground equipment. If you have any gently used outdoor equipment (playhouses, jungle gyms, climbers) that would be suitable for 3-4 year olds, that your kids or grandkids have outgrown or that you want to get rid of, please consider a donation to the school. We would also accept cash donations dedicated to replacing this equipment.

I know it seems a long way off, but Howdy Neighbor Days will be here before you know it. Our Home and School organization will be operating the funnel cake stand this year and they need volunteers to help. This is the largest fundraiser of the year for Home and School. Home and School is vital to St. Mary's. This organization plans events for the students and families, helps to fund our sports programs and field trips, and helps teachers with the funding of special projects. Every child at our school is benefited by this organization. Here are the shifts. Please call the office at 476-2824 or message on Remind to sign up for a shift.

Friday, August 15 th and Saturday August 16 th

5:00-7:00

7:00-9:00

9:00-11:00 (clean up from 10:00-11:00)

Good News Reflection for
The Ascension of the Lord
June 1, 2025

Acts 1:1-11
Ps 47:2-3, 6-9
Ephesians 1:17-23
Luke 24:46-53



Why did Jesus ascend to heaven?

Imagine how readily people would have converted if he had resumed his public ministry after his resurrection. Even the Pharisees who had seen him die would have fallen at his feet in repentance.

However, God's salvation plan for the world was much bigger than that. While Jesus walked the earth, he was but one human. Afterward, by giving himself in the Eucharist to his disciples, he became every human who takes this gift seriously. When we receive Jesus in the Eucharist, we unite ourselves to his mission. As we see in today's Gospel reading, before he ascended to heaven, Jesus commissioned every disciple — including you — for this task. "Commission" means "with the same mission, working together. This commissioning rite is repeated at the end of every Mass, when the Jesus, through the priest, sends us forth to love and serve the Lord to make a difference in the world. Humanly we are quite inadequate to change the world, so Jesus gave us his Holy Spirit. By uniting our spirit to his Spirit and then relying on God in every situation, adequacy is not the question. It's willingness. Are we willing to put time and effort and spiritual growth into being Christ's hands and feet and voice for the world? Because Jesus ascended to heaven, he has no hands but our hands, and he has no voice but our voice. Are you unhappy about the evils that exist in this world? God has great plans to bring his kingdom into these situations.

Are you concerned about the abuses you see? Immorality on television? Injustices in your workplace? Divisions in your parish or hurtful behavior in your leaders? Jesus is far more disturbed by these evils than you are. And he has a plan. What do you think your part in it could be as you work with him and let *him* work through *you*?

Ever since Jesus ascended into heaven and sent his Holy Spirit to earth, God has chosen to minister to the world through us, first in our homes, then extending his love into our parishes and beyond.

In celebration of the Ascension of Our Lord, please join me in praying this:

Lord Jesus, fill me with the presence of Your Holy Spirit and with the gifts You want me to use. Show me when and how to use these charisms. And help me to overcome my pride and fears and any other sins that are holding me back from the works that You are calling me to do. I want to be Your hands, Your feet, and Your voice, Lord Jesus. Amen!