



*John was standing  
with two of his disciples,  
and as he watched Jesus  
walk by, he said,  
"Behold, the Lamb of God."  
The two disciples heard what  
he said and followed Jesus.*

*John 1:35-37*

# Church of Saint Agnes

548 Lafond Avenue Saint Paul, MN 55103

**January 15, 2012**

*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Second Sunday after Epiphany (EF)*

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#### Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:15 p.m. (anticipated) Benediction at 5:00 p.m.  
6:30, 8:30, 10:00 (Latin High Mass), 12:00 Noon  
The 10:00 a.m. Mass on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month  
will be offered in the Extraordinary Form (1962 Missale Romanum)

#### Weekday Masses

8:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday (Saturday—Sung Latin Mass)  
5:15 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
During school year, additional Sung Mass 9:30 a.m. most Thursdays

#### Holy Days of Obligation

Watch bulletin for Mass and Confession schedules

#### Confessions

Saturdays: 3:30–5:00 p.m. and 7:30–9:00 p.m.  
Tuesdays: 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays following Novena  
Thursdays before First Fridays: 4:00–5:00 p.m. and 7:00-8:00 p.m.

#### Baptisms

Sundays immediately following the Noon Mass. Active parishioners  
seeking baptism for their child are asked to make arrangements  
and attend a class prior to the desired date of baptism.

#### Marriages

Active registered parishioners are to make arrangements for marriage  
preparation at least six months prior to the anticipated wedding date.

#### Registration in Parish

Required for Baptism and Matrimony. Please call the parish office  
for an appointment.

#### Adoration and Devotions

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. Rosary  
Tuesday: 7:30 p.m. Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
Sunday: 3:00 p.m. Vespers and Benediction of the Most Blessed  
Sacrament.  
Friday Adoration: Each Friday beginning after the 8:00 a.m. Mass  
until Benediction at 5:00 p.m.

### The “Dreaded” Confirmation Interview: Lessons from the Other Side of the Chair

It is not difficult to detect nervousness in a young person. It manifests itself in the look on one's face, in the twitching of a knee or tapping of a foot. I refer to the moment of the dreaded Confirmation Interview! While I would not pretend to speak for our *confirmandi*, for me, these are graced moments of interaction with our young people preparing to receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the presence of the bishop. I completed the bulk of the interviews this past week, and while brief (10 minutes each), I still gained a good sense of where these fine young people stand with respect to their faith.

Eighth grade is a year of transition from Grade School to High School and represents a key moment in their spiritual development. I came away extremely impressed with our children, and their fine preparation, whether through an approved home school program, our Religious Education program or our own school program. I was a little suspicious when a number of students listed the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in the same exact order, until one girl informed me that Mrs. Decker taught them a helpful mnemonic device! And I thought that I was the only one who used such tools. Anybody recall Roy G. Biv from Physics class, as we learned the colors of the spectrum? Or have you used your knuckles to recall the names of the months with thirty-one days?

I was intrigued by the saints they selected as patrons/patronesses, about whose lives I myself was a little sketchy in one or two instances! After all, there are many saints beyond those commemorated regularly in the Church's liturgy. The 8<sup>th</sup> graders had a strong desire to witness more to the world concerning the hope that is in them with the Gospel, and their commitment to the unborn was exemplary. They seem to appreciate what is at stake, and sadly, many were quite aware of the threats posed to the Church's liberty in the world, and the modern day assaults on their innocence by the media.

Please pray for our *confirmandi* as they prepare for the reception of the sacrament next Saturday at the Cathedral on the Feast of Saint Agnes, no less. A number of parishioners have opted to receive the sacrament on the Extraordinary Form this coming September here at Saint Agnes. Let us pray for all our *confirmandi* as they prepare for this important day.

- The Holy Father named twenty-two new Cardinals, eighteen of whom enjoy the right to participate in a papal conclave, while four others (age 80+) will be recognized for their long and exemplary service to the Church. Two Americans are among the new cardinals, 61 year-old Archbishop Timothy Dolan of New York, and 72 year-old Archbishop Edwin O'Brien, (former Archbishop of Baltimore), currently the Grand Master of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. Cardinal Designate O'Brien is based in Rome, where he oversees the papal order in charge of supporting Christians in the Holy Land, while Cardinal-designate Dolan shepherds the 2.5 million member flock in Gotham. The ceremony will be February 18<sup>th</sup> at St. Peter's. Congratulations.
- While chatting after donuts last Sunday, I was made aware that one of our young parishioners, 14 year-old Thomas Washburn (son of Dr. Christian and Gretchen Washburn), had been featured in a Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> article on youth hunting in the Star Tribune, complete with photo. The young hunter nabbed an eight-point buck nicknamed “Mr. Lucky,” because the deer survived several failed attempts on its life! But not the last one! Thomas immediately dialed up his father on the cell phone: “Dad, Mr. Lucky just ran out of luck.” As Thomas is an altar server, I will certainly tread lightly with any suggestions regarding the performance of his duties at the altar. I am not quite ready to meet the same end!
- Talk about a busy weekend...The MCCL sponsored March for Life is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. at the State Capitol grounds on January 22, 2012. That day marks the 39<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the infamous Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion in the United States. Here, we will observe the Feast of Saint Agnes, per our custom on the weekend nearest her feast day. With Confirmation the day before, we will forgo inviting all the servers to vest for the 10:00 a.m. Latin Mass this year. But don't worry, the Chorale will still be singing the popular Gounod Mass of St. Cecelia. Your participation is strongly encouraged at as many of these events as possible.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. John L. Ubel  
Pastor

### January Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father

Victims of Natural Disasters. That the victims of natural disasters may receive the spiritual and material comfort they need to rebuild their lives.

Dedication to Peace. That the dedication of Christians to peace may bear witness to the name of Christ before all men and women of good will.

## THIS WEEKEND AT SAINT AGNES

### Music Fair

Come to Bandas Hall on Sunday at 1:30 p.m. to find out the name of the new Saint Agnes School Musical for next Spring. All paperwork needed for those interested in being a part of the musical will be available. Refreshments will be served.

### High School Youth Group

The high school youth group meets tonight at 6:30 p.m. The School door # 1 at 530 Lafond will open at 6:15 p.m.

## Chorale and Orchestra Notes

### *Missa Brevis in D (K194)*

by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Today the Chorale is singing the *Missa brevis in D* (K 194) by Mozart. This wonderful "brief" Mass was composed in August of 1774 when he was just 18 years old and served as Salzburg's Episcopal court *Konzertmeister*. It is one of his eight *missa brevis* and is scored for a smaller chamber orchestra with limited orchestration. Despite the adherence to Archbishop Colloredo's strict rules of simplicity and brevity, this Mass is inventive, melodious and powerful.

The listener gets a glimpse of things to come from this young composer in the complex but beautiful fugue in the *Sanctus* and again in the *Benedictus* on the text, "Osanna in excelsis." The poignant *Agnus Dei* is the most frequently sung and recorded portion.

### Schedule of 10 a.m. Sunday Masses with Twin Cities Catholic Chorale and Orchestra

January 22	Charles Gounod, <i>Saint Cecilia Mass</i>
January 29	W.A. Mozart, <i>Missa Brevis in F</i>
February 5	Joseph Haydn, <i>Lord Nelson Mass</i>

To donate to the Chorale, visit the Music section of [www.stagnes.net](http://www.stagnes.net), or mail your check to: Twin Cities Catholic Chorale, P.O. Box 4234, Saint Paul, MN 55104.

### Men's Club Epiphany Party - January 16

The Annual Men's club Epiphany party is Monday January 16. We begin with the 5:15 Mass, followed by a social hour at 6 p.m., and a meal at 7 p.m. For details, contact Terry Beaudry at 651.766.9149.

### Confirmation Mass - Saturday, January 21

Our confirmandi will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation on the Feast of Saint Agnes, Saturday, January 21, at the Cathedral of Saint Paul starting at 10 a.m. with our school's Concert Chorale present to lead and sing hymns. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue to prepare to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

### Knights of Columbus Contest - January 18

The Knights of Columbus will again sponsor a free throw shooting contest Wednesday January 18 in Bandas Hall. The contest is open to all boys and girls ages 10-14 as of January 1, 2012. Registration begins at 7 p.m. in the Bandas Lobby. Enter through door 17 located on Mackubin Avenue. Registration forms are located in the main office or the Athletic Office in Bandas. Winners will advance to the district finals Wednesday January 25 at Saint Agnes. For details contact Mark Courtney at 651.227.1741 or [caa.director@hotmail.com](mailto:caa.director@hotmail.com).



### Ninth-Grade Placement Exam January 20 & 21

All new and returning students planning to attend 9th grade at Saint Agnes next fall are required to take the Freshman Placement Exam. The exam is being offered on January 21 throughout our archdiocese, the same date our own students and parishioners will be celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation at the Cathedral! Consequently, we will be offering the test on Friday, January 20, for our current students and confirmandi, and on Saturday, January 21 for all others. Please arrive before 8 a.m. as the test begins at 8:15 a.m. sharp. For details, please contact the Admissions office at 651.925.8803. For confirmandi wishing to test here on Friday, but not currently attending Saint Agnes, please call in advance so we prepare your testing materials.



### Red & White Benefit Dinner & Auction Saturday, February 11

The Saint Agnes School Annual *Red & White* Benefit Dinner and Auction will take place on Saturday, February 11, in Bandas Hall. The evening will include games, silent auction, live auction and dinner. Please keep the auction in mind as you are shopping after Christmas sales! This is a great time to get super deals on electronics, household items and more. Your support is greatly appreciated.

### March for Life with Bishop LeVoir - January 22

On Sunday, January 22, join Minnesotans at the Capitol for the MCCL March for Life. The annual March commemorates the deaths of more than 55 million unborn babies killed by abortion since the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decisions legalized abortion on demand for the entire nine months of pregnancy.

Bishop John LeVoir of New Ulm will participate and provide the invocation. Your presence will help support pro-life legislation protecting women and unborn babies. The March begins at 2 p.m. followed by a brief program at 2:30 on the Capitol steps. For details, visit [www.mccl.org](http://www.mccl.org) or call 612.825.6831.

### TLC Baby Bottle Campaign - January 28-29

Total LifeCare, which has its office in the convent, will be conducting a baby bottle campaign here the weekend of January 28 & 29. Just pick up a bottle at the exit after Mass that weekend, take it home, and let the whole family drop in their cash, coins or checks and bring it back in two weeks later. Thank you for supporting the fight against abortion.

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**Sunday, January 15**

Donut Sale sponsored by the Men's Club  
 Latin I (Brides) ..... after 10:00 am Mass  
 Chamber Choir Rehearsal (Kent) ..... 11:30 pm  
 Music Fair (Bandas) ..... 1:30 pm  
 Vespers and Benediction (Chapel)..... 3:00 pm  
 Youth Group (meet in GS gym) ..... 6:30-8:30 pm

**Monday, January 16 Martin Luther King Day**

All parish and school offices closed  
 Legion of Mary (Bride's Room) ..... 6:15 pm  
 Cub Scouts & Boy Scouts (Cafeteria) .. 6:30-8:00 pm  
 Men's Club (Schuler)..... 7:30 pm

**Tuesday, January 17**

Rosary (Chapel) .....7:00 pm  
 Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help ..... 7:30 pm  
 Confession .....following 7:30 Novena  
 Chorale Rehearsal (Choir Loft) ..... 7:30 pm

**Wednesday, January 18**

Little Flowers (Schuler) .....2:45 pm  
 Youth Religious Education (School) .....6:30-7:45 pm  
 Knights of Columbus Contest (Bandas) ..... 7:00 pm

**Thursday, January 19**

Confirmation Retreat (church)..... 8:00 am  
 All School Mass .....9:30 pm  
 Children's Choir Rehearsal (Schuler) ... 3:30-5:00 pm  
 Latin II (Brides)..... 6:00-7:00 pm  
 Adult Faith Formation (Brides) .....7:00-8:15 pm

**Friday, January 20**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the  
 8:00 am Mass until 5:00 pm  
 Ninth Grade Entrance Exam ..... 8:00 am  
 Chaplet of Divine Mercy (Chapel) .....3:00 pm  
 Catholic Young Adults (Sports in GS gym) .....6:00 pm

**Saturday, January 21**

Weekly Church Cleaning .....after 8:00 am Mass  
 Ninth Grade Entrance Exam ..... 8:00 am  
 Confirmation (Cathedral of Saint Paul) .....10:00 am  
 Confessions .....3:30-5:00, 7:30-9:00 pm

**Martin Luther King Day**  
 All parish and school offices are closed on Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup> in recognition of Martin Luther King Day.

**New Parishioner Registration**

We welcome all visitors to the Church of Saint Agnes. If you have been attending regularly and are interested in the possibility of joining our parish, please visit with one



**From Cornerstone to Completion  
 1909-1912**

As we celebrate our centennial, please consider helping preserve the traditions of *The Church of Saint Agnes* by remembering us in your will.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday January 16**

8:00 am Monpetit Family +  
 5:15 pm Joseph M. Hafner +  
 Susanna Gruber Hafner + Families

**Tuesday January 17 Saint Anthony, abbot**

8:00 am John Novotny (B)

**Wednesday January 18**

8:00 am Morton Walton +  
 5:15 pm Father Robert Grabner

**Thursday January 19**

8:00 am Joanna Novatny +  
 9:30 am Norma Stanisha

**Friday January 20 Saint Fabian, pope & martyr;  
 Saint Sebastian, martyr**

8:00 am Elizabeth Susan Hafner MacDonald +  
 5:15 pm Walter Brix +

**Saturday January 21 Saint Agnes, virgin & martyr**

\* 8:00 am Joseph Hafner + (B)  
 5:15 pm Mary Bothun

**Sunday January 22 Patronal Feast of Saint. Agnes**

6:30 am Kevin Kelly +  
 8:30 am Eleanor M. Trojack +  
 \* 10:00 am Jennifer Gaughan  
 12:00 pm *Missa pro populo* (For the People)

**ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, January 21**  
5:15 p.m. Mass  
 Ned O'Sullivan, Christopher Ethier,  
 Samuel Koessler, David Koessler,  
 Jonah Hintgen

**Sunday, January 22**  
**Patronal Feast of Saint Agnes**  
8:30 a.m. Mass  
 Thomas Kelly, Lincoln Rother, Nathan Coyne,  
 Marcus Morehead, Patrick Kobbermann

10:00 a.m. Mass  
 John Eilen, Roger Dickerson, Nicholas Conroy,  
 Kurt Greene, Peter Eilen, Frank Wright,  
 Joseph Lindgren, Michael Eilen, Thomas Conroy,  
 Anton Praska, J.P. Dejak, Ross Wright, Carl Jensen

12:00 Noon Mass  
 Viet Pham, Daniel Farrell, Daniel Humphrey,  
 Jack Boeser, Matthew Boeser

**Sunday Offerings**

**Collections for January 8, 2012**

Sunday Envelope/Plate .....	\$13,706.31
Automatic Contributions .....	\$2,815.00
Total .....	\$16,521.31