# Sunday, January 17, 2016 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Clergy

Reverend Mark Moriarty, Pastor Deacon Nathan Allen

Reverend Timothy Cloutier, In Residence Reverend James McConville, In Residence

Sunday Masses Saturday 5:15 p.m. (anticipated), with Benediction at 5:00 p.m. 6:30, 7:30 a.m. (Latin EF Low Mass) 8:30, 10:00 a.m. (Latin OF High Mass), 12 Noon

### Weekday Masses

8:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday (Saturday – Sung Latin Mass) 5:15 p.m. Fridays During school year, Mass on Thursday morning is at 9:30 a.m.

## Holy Days of Obligation

Watch bulletin for Mass schedules

## Confessions

Fridays 4:00-5:00 p.m. (Chapel) Saturdays: 4:00-5:00 p.m. (Upper Church) and 8:00-9:00 p.m. (Chapel) First Tuesday following the 7:30 p.m. Novena First Friday 7:00-7:50 a.m. (Chapel) First Saturday 7:00-7:50 a.m. (Chapel)

## Adoration and Devotions

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Holy Rosary7:30 p.m. Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual HelpFriday:Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the

8:00 a.m. Mass until 5:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy Sunday: 3:00 p.m. Vespers and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament

## **Parish Office Hours**

Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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#### The Slippery Slope of Tolerance

A St. Paul charter school that emphasizes a classical curriculum and the virtues has recently been embroiled in a controversy regarding "transgender" issues. One of its fiveyear-old students - yes, a kindergarten student—wears a jumper with tights and has long blonde curls. His parents have claimed that this is their son's gender expression.

Not satisfied with their son "expressing himself" in this fashion, the parents have asked that the curriculum be adjusted so that more young, innocent children can be tainted with their views of alternate gender expressions. A book the parents suggested was about a boy princess. The executive director at the school said the following, "If we don't make intentional efforts to educate kids on certain things... You're going to be putting out fires all the time. " Meanwhile, the former head of a local Catholic high school, who is now head of school at a secular academy, said his plans for "gender-inclusion" got nothing but positive responses from parents who received an email from the school detailing their new policy: "They were all positive. They were all really affirming about 'this is why we send our kids to [this school].""

In my opinion, these transgender activists are only starting many fires that will damage a great many innocent children. The fact is human nature has been wounded by original sin; furthermore, we live in a world that has been greatly swayed by evil. There will be confusion both publicly and privately, within the very hearts of individuals. We do not want to be affirming every confusing idea and feeling that our children have. We affirm them as sons or daughters of God and show them love by guiding them in the truth. You come to Saint Agnes Church and School because we will not encourage misguided and confusing ideas about humanity and God's plan for our happiness and fulfillment. I assure you, here at Saint Agnes, we will not stop teaching and encouraging the saving truth and love of God.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Mark Moriarty

### Attention New Parishioners!

### NEW PARISHIONER WELCOME LUNCHEON

All new parishioners and their families are invited to a New Parishioner Welcome Luncheon scheduled for Sunday, January 31 at 1:00 pm in Schuler Hall hosted by Fr. Moriarty. Enjoy a free, catered luncheon while meeting other new parishioners and learning more about Saint Agnes.

Anyone who has registered with the parish since January 2015 should receive an invitation by mail in the next few days. If you recently registered, but did not receive an invitation, you are still welcome! Please contact the Parish Office at 651-925-8800 by January 25 to RSVP for the lunch. We hope to see you there!

## VOCATIONS

## **Operation Andrew Dinner**

Tuesday, January 26, 6-8 p.m. Archbishop's Residence, 230 Summit Ave, Saint Paul

The Operation Andrew Dinner is hosted by Bishop Andrew Cozzens for men, ages 16 – 50, who have a genuine interest in the priesthood or religious life. Plan to attend with your pastor, religious brother or youth director. Reserve your spot at the table before January 19. Call 651.962.6890 or email stpaulvocations@10000vocations.org. For more information visit www.10000vocations.org.

#### Miryam Dinner

Tuesday, February 16, 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Archbishop's Residence, 230 Summit Ave., Saint Paul

The Vocation Office invites you to the Miryam Dinner hosted by Bishop Andrew Cozzens. The event is for women, ages 16 – 35, who are discerning consecrated life. It is typical for women discerners to be accompanied by their pastor, consecrated religious, or youth minister.

The evening begins with prayer, followed by dinner with consecrated women sharing their vocation testimonies. Reserve your spot at the table before February 9. Call 651.962.6890 or email stpaulvocations@10000vocations.org. For more information on this and other events, visit www.10000vocations.org.

# WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY JANUARY 18–25

God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may you give to all Christians, and especially to those entrusted with leadership in your Church, the spirit of wisdom and revelation. With the eyes of our hearts may we see the hope to which you have called us: one body and one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above and through all and in all. This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Graymoor Ecumenical & Interreligious Institute Garrison, NY 10524-0300 www.geli.org

# TODAY AT SAINT AGNES

Come to Schuler Hall for coffee and donuts after Mass this morning courtesy of the Men's Club.

# THIS WEEK AT SAINT AGNES

#### Saint Agnes Mothers Group - January 20

Please join the Saint Agnes Mothers Group on Wednesday January 20 from 9:30-11:00 am in the Brides' Room downstairs for conversation and community. We meet the third Wednesday of every month throughout the school year to chat about our vocation with its joys and challenges.

Our December topic is "Nurturing Marriages." Children ages four (age determined at beginning of our meeting year, September) and under are welcome. If you have experienced a new baby joining your family or a loss, email Nell Alt and Jacqui Skemp at saintagnesmothers@gmail.com so we can set up a meal train for your family.

#### Saint John Paul II Culture of Life Summit - January 23

On Saturday, January 23, following the 8:00 am Mass, breakfast will be available in Schuler Hall for a free-will offering, with speakers from local pro-life organizations and opportunities to volunteer or donate to help with their efforts. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

## NEXT WEEK AT SAINT AGNES

### Baby Bottle Fundraiser - January 23 & 24

TLC Options for Women is conducting a Baby Bottle Fundraiser again this year at St. Agnes. Pick up a bottle at the exit after Mass on January 23 and 24, take it home, encourage everyone to drop in their cash, coins or checks. Then bring it back to Mass 3 weeks later and give it to one of the TLC volunteers on February 13 or 14. Bottles can also be dropped off during business hours at TLC (front door of the convent). Thank you for making a difference for Life.

#### Misfits Adult Reading Group - January 27

The St. Agnes Misfits begin 2016 by diving into a brilliant work of literary analysis that reclaims masterpieces of Western literature as deeply Christian. Ironies of Faith: The Laughter at the Heart of Christian Literature by Anthony Esolen offers a penetrating alternative to prevailing secular orthodoxies. We will discuss Parts I and II of the Esolen book at our next meeting, January 27, at 7:00 pm in the Kent Street Room. You are cordially invited to join us.

## CHORALE & ORCHESTRA NOTES

## Mass: Joseph Haydn, *Nelsonmesse* (1798) Offertory: W. A. Mozart, *Church Sonata in D*, K 245 (1776)

# The music for this Mass is sponsored by an anonymous donor in honor of Virginia Schubert.

This Mass has several names, but Joseph Haydn (1732-1809) called it by its Latin title, Missa in Angustiis (Mass in Time of *Anxiety*). The Nelson nickname seems to have come from the fact that British Admiral Horatio Lord Nelson visited the Esterhazy palace in Eisenstadt, Austria during the summer of 1800 and heard a presentation of the Mass. Composed in 1798, it is the third of the last six Haydn Masses. The orchestration calls for strings, trumpets, woodwinds, timpani and organ. The guest conductor for today's Mass is Dr. Thomas Lancaster, retired Director of Choral Activities at the University of Minnesota. The Twin Cities Catholic Chorale is a non -profit corporation, which depends solely on the generosity of its patrons. Programs are posted on the Chorale web site at www.catholicchorale.org. Next Sunday, for the Patronal Feast of Saint Agnes, the Chorale & Orchestra will present Charles Gounod's Saint Cecilia Mass.

#### Schedule of Future Chorale Masses

Sunday, January 24, Charles Gounod, Saint Cecilia Mass (Patronal Feast of Saint Agnes)

## **AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE**

### Annual Prayer Service for Life - January 22

Please join us at the Cathedral of Saint Paul at 10:30 am on Friday, January 22, for the Annual Prayer Service for Life, followed by MCCL's March for Life at the State Capitol. This prayer service commemorates the millions of lives lost to abortion and the many women and men wounded by abortion's aftermath. All are invited and welcome. For more information, please contact the Office for Marriage, Family & Life at 651.291.4488 or visit www.archspm.org.

# Inside the Synod on the Family: What Really Happened and What Does It All Mean? January 28, 7:00 pm.

University of St. Thomas, St. Paul Campus, Owens Science Building, 3M Auditorium. This event is free and open to the public. Registration is not required. Visit stThomas.edu/ MurphyInstitute.

# CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

**The 2016 Catholic Services Appeal is about to kick-off!** In this Year of Mercy, we should remember Jesus taught us the Corporal Works of Mercy: feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, visit the sick, visit the imprisoned, and bury the dead. These Corporal Works of Mercy are precisely what the 17 Collective Ministries of the Archdiocese accomplish. Please begin to prayerfully consider your upcoming gift to the Catholic Services Appeal. Please visit CSAF's new website at www.csafspm.org to learn more about the over 200 programs of the Ministries and the many thousand in need who are served.

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday,	January 17
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Coffee and Donuts served by the Men's Club
Chamber Choir Rehearsal (Kent)11:30 am
Latin Class (Brides)11:30 am
Vespers & Benediction 3:00 pm
Musical Fair (School) 1:30 pm
Monday, January 18
Parish Office Closed in observance of the Holiday
Tuesday, January 19
Legion of Mary (Brides)6:15 pm
Rosary (Chapel) 7:00 pm
Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help 7:30 pm
TCCC Rehearsal (Choir Loft) 7:30 pm
Wednesday, January 20
Mothers' Group (Brides)9:30 am
Cathedral Religion Class (School) 6:30 pm
Men's Club (Schuler) 6:00 pm
Altar and Rosary Board Meeting (Brides) 6:00 pm
Parish Choir Rehearsal (Loft)7:00 pm
Men's Basketball (Door 1–School) 7:30 pm
Thursday, January 21
That Man is You (Schuler)6:15 am
Children's Choir (Schuler) 3:00 pm
Friday, January 22
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 5:15 Mass
Chaplet of Divine Mercy (Chapel) 3:00 pm
Confessions (Chapel) 4:00 pm
Saturday, January 23
Rosary for Life (Chapel)after the 8:00 am Mass
followed by St. J.P. II Culture of Life Summit (Schuler)
Mom's Group (Brides)9:30 am
Pro Life Breakfast (Schuler)9:00 am
Confessions (Upper Church) 4:00-5:00 pm
Confessions (Chapel)8:009:00 pm

# **CPO LENTEN RETREAT**

The Passion of Christ: The Cost of Divine Mercy Sponsored by Catholic Parents OnLine Featuring: Fr. Robert Altier Saturday, March 12, 2016 8:00 am to 2:30 pm Church of Saint Agnes Register at www.catholicparents.org For more information please call 651.705.5409

# PRAYER VIGIL FOR HOPE, HEALING AND MERCY

For over forty years, legalized abortion has left many men and women empty, confused and longing to be whole again. This vigil is open to all and is a special invitation to those who have been hurt by abortion. Please join us Thursday, January 21, from 7:00 - 11:00 pm in St. Mary's Chapel at the Saint Paul Seminary.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Monday, January 18 Whitney Heesch 8:00 am Tuesday, January 19 8:00 am Richard Mc Namara † Wednesday, January 20 | Saint Fabian, Pope & Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martyr 8:00 am Benefactors of the Sisters of Charity Thursday, January 21 | Saint Agnes, Virgin & Martyr 8:00 am Harper Skulley 9:30 am\* Marie L. Hesse + (A) Friday, January 22 8:00 am Jeanette Marie Carlson + 5:15 pm Richard "Red" Roberts + Saturday, January 23 | Saint Vincent, Deacon & Martyr Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin 8:00 am\* An increase in respect for Life 5:15 pm Courtney & Alan Piquette Sunday, January 24 | Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time **Patronal Feast of Saint Agnes** Kurt Virnig & Family 6:30 am 7:30 am Adam Kopec 8:30 am Scott Cole 10:00 am\* Msgr. Richard Schuler; Past & Present Members of the Catholic Chorale † 12:00 pm Missa pro populo (For the people)

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- (A) Anniversary (B) Birthday <sup>+</sup> Deceased \*Sung High Mass

## ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

#### Saturday, January 23

5:15 pm Mass Chris Ethier, Lucas Lahlum, Matthew Boeser

#### Sunday, January 24

7:30 am Mass Nate Bennett, John Honetschlager

8:30 am Mass

Thomas Jalbert, William Murphy, Thomas McNamara, Stephan McNamara, Luke Scott

#### 10:00 am Mass\*

Ross Wright, Petrus Washburn, Jacob Rose, Joe Galush, Aloisius Washburn, Ben Lenzmeier, Alex Lenzmeier, Andrew Brownell, Ambrose Washburn, Nathan Brownell, Nicholas Brownell

#### 12:00 Noon Mass

Duy Phan, Nguyen Phan, An Phan, Dominic Cummings, John Pio Cummings

## SUNDAY OFFERINGS

#### January 10, 2016

Envelope/Plate	\$10,681.07
Automatic Contributions	<u>\$ 6,231.01</u>
Total	\$16,912.08

