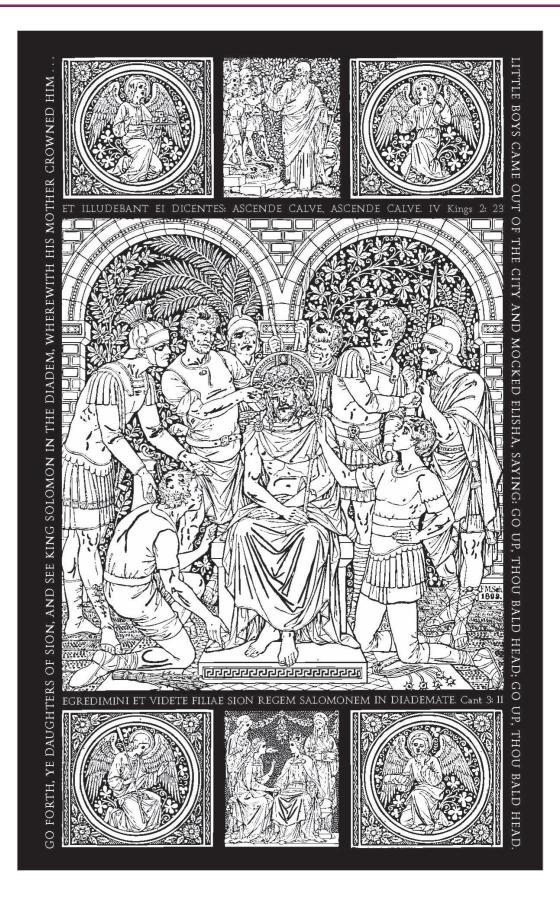
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PASTOR'S COLUMN

Ash Wednesday Bulletin

I am happy to provide an Ash Wednesday bulletin this year. Due to a recent change in our agreement with the publisher of our bulletin, we are able to have this bulletin and one for Christmas Day, as well as two, extra, full-color newsletters each year. I hope you find the new publications informative and helpful.

Lenten Events at Saint Agnes

Please refer to the schedule of Confessions, Stations of the Cross, the Lenten Lecture Series, and, of course, the liturgies of Lent, Holy Week, and Easter printed on these pages. The beauty of the Lenten season is demonstrated with reverence and tradition here at Saint Agnes. I look forward to seeing all of you throughout this season.

Church Laws of Days of Abstinence and Fast

Carnivals are traditionally held before the Lenten season begins. As the word itself means, it is a "good-bye to meat". This penitential good-bye to many earthly pleasures helps us to welcome Christ more deeply into our lives.

<u>Days of Fast</u> apply to everyone aged 18 to 59, inclusive, on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. One full meal is permitted and two other meals may be eaten which, when combined, are less than a full meal.

<u>Days of Abstinence</u> begin on one's 14th birthday and apply to Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent. These laws oblige that you eat no meat on these days—this does not apply to seafood.

<u>Laws of Days of Penance</u> apply to all the Faithful during Lent and all the Fridays outside of Lent, with the exception of the Solemnities listed below. For those who also practice abstinence from meat on each Friday during the year, abstention is not required on these days. Abstinence and Penance can both be lifted after the recitation of Evening Prayer on the Eve of a Solemnity, which generally occurs after 4 pm that day.

January 1, Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God January 6, Solemnity of the Epiphany (Transferred to Sunday) March 19, Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of Mary March 25, Solemnity of the Annunciation June 24, Nativity of St. John the Baptist June 29, Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul August 15, Solemnity of the Assumption November 1, Solemnity of All Saints December 8, Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception December 25, Solemnity of Christmas Principal Patron of a place (city, state, nation) Dedication of a particular church and the anniversary

May our Lord bless you with a spiritually fruitful Lenten Season!

Sincerely yours in Christ, Rev. Mark Moriarty



2016 LENTEN SCHEDULE

Confessions

First Friday and First Saturday from 7-7:50 am in the Chapel

Fridays from 4-5 pm in the Chapel, including Good Friday Saturdays from 4-5 pm in the Upper Church and 8-9 pm in the Chapel, excluding Holy Saturday.

Triduum Confession Times ~ See below

Stations of the Cross & Lenten Lecture Series

<u>9:30 am All-School Stations</u> in the Upper Church, each Friday of Lent excluding Good Friday

<u>7 pm Stations</u> in the Upper Church, each Friday of Lent including Good Friday, followed by the <u>Lenten Lecture Series</u> in Schuler Hall (see facing page)

40 Hours Weekend/Laetare Sunday ~ March 4 – 6 9:30 am 40 Hours Opening Mass, All School OF Latin

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Upper Church throughout the weekend, by schedule.

Laetare Sunday—Normal Sunday Mass Schedule and 4:00 pm 40 Hours Closing Vespers

~ Holy Week 2016 ~

Palm Sunday ~ March 20 Normal Sunday Schedule

Triduum (No 8 am or 5:15 pm Masses during the Triduum)

Holy Thursday ~ March 24

9:30 – 11 am *Tenebrae* in the Upper Church (with Confessions)(No School Mass)
7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Upper Church, from after 7:30 Mass until 10 pm

Good Friday ~ March 25

9:30 – 11 am *Tenebrae* in the Upper Church (with Confessions)
2 pm Good Friday Liturgy
4-5 pm Confessions in the Chapel
7 pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday ~ March 26

9:30 – 11 am *Tenebrae* in the Upper Church (with Confessions) 11:15 am Blessings of Easter Food, Salt & Oil (Upper Church) 8 pm Easter Vigil OF Latin High Mass

Easter Sunday ~ March 27

6:30 am English Low Mass No 7:30 EF Mass 8:30 am English Mass 10 am EF Latin *Missa Cantata* Noon English Mass 2 pm Vespers

The Octave of Easter

There will be an 8 AM English Mass Monday – Friday and a Latin Mass at 8 am on Saturday during the Octave of Easter.

7pm *following* Stations of the Cross

Presents

LENTEN Apologetics Series

The Catholic Church AND ATHEISM

FEB. 12 | JOSEPH PEARCE Author, Director of the Center for Faith & Culture at Aquinas College

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The Catholic Church AND ISLAM

FEB. 19 | RAYMOND DE SOUZA, KM Founder of Saint Gabriel Communications International

Spiritual, NOT RELIGIOUS Feb. 26 | KEVIN O'BRIEN

AS STANFORD NUTTING Director of Theater of the Word, EWTN personality The Catholic Church AND MORMONISM MARCH 4 | THOMAS SMITH Author of Inside Mormonism

The Catholic Church AND EVANGELICALISM

MARCH 11 | DR. DAVID DEAVEL Adjunct Professor of Catholic Studies University of St. Thomas

The Catholic Church AND MAINLINE PROTESTANTISM

MARCH 18 | KRISTEN GRANT Former Methodist Minister, spokesperson for Women Speak for Themselves project

