
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2016

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



CHURCH OF
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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 Rosary
7:30 p.m. Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Friday: 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
Saturday: Rosary for Life after the 8:00 a.m. Mass
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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PASTOR'S COLUMN



Parish Celebration of 40 Hours – March 6

I am pleased to announce that a son of Saint Agnes parish and 2005 Aggie alumnus, transitional **Deacon Mark Pavlak**, will preach for our annual closing of Forty Hours, at 4pm Vespers Sunday, March 6th. This longstanding tradition of our parish is a beautiful and fitting way to celebrate Laetare Sunday and, most importantly, to worship Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Please join us for this special and festive event in the parish. Also, consider signing-up for an hour of Adoration from Friday, March 4th through closing Vespers. Sign-up sheets are located throughout the Church, Chapel and Schuler Hall.

Pierce Butler – Not Simply a Short-cut to & from St. Agnes

It was several months into my assignment here at Saint Agnes before I learned about the mini-freeway that is Pierce Butler Route. Yes, it shaves several minutes off of my travel time to visit my parents up north. Embarrassingly, it has taken over three years longer to discover the man behind the name. He is worth learning about.

An editorial writer from the Washington Post, Charles Lane, recently enlightened me as to who he was and a significant action of his that is worth learning about in today's political and cultural environment. (The point of Lane's editorial was to recommend a book by Adam Cohen chronicling dark moments in the history of the Supreme Court.) Pierce Butler was the first Supreme Court justice to come from Minnesota and he was Catholic. In a 1927 case, *Buck v. Bell*, He was the sole dissenter. He dissented without writing an opinion. What is specifically noteworthy is not the lack of reasoning behind his lone stand, but the utter lack of reasoning behind the majority opinion. At the height of the eugenics craze, the Supreme Court upheld a Virginia law that allowed for the forced sterilization of "feeble minded" or "unfit" citizens. Even the famous Justice, Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr., said of the woman who was to be sterilized, "Three generations of imbeciles are enough." Holmes also opined that the lone dissenter did so because he was influenced by his Catholic faith saying, "Butler knows this is good law, I wonder whether he will have the courage to vote with us in spite of his religion." We may never know why Butler dissented, but he most definitely had courage. It is not a stretch of the imagination to presume that Butler's dissent had everything to do with the dignity of the human person as considered from both faith and reason.

Pierce Butler died at the age of 73 while still serving on the high court. He is buried at the nearby Calvary Cemetery in St. Paul. May more have his courage to stand against a misguided majority in defense of true human dignity.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Mark Moriarty

P.S. Buck v. Bell was never officially over-turned but starting in 1942, with such cases as Skinner v. Oklahoma, forced sterilization began to lose its legal footing. Amazingly, during the Nuremberg war crimes trials, Nazi doctors quoted the Oliver Wendell Holmes opinion in their own defense! By the 1960's sterilization laws were not being enforced although still on the books.

TODAY AT SAINT AGNES

Stop by Schuler Hall after Mass for coffee & donuts served by the Altar and Rosary Society.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT AGNES

Legion of Mary - Tuesdays, 6:15 pm

The Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday in the Bride's room from 6:15 pm to 7:15 pm. Come join us and be part of the ongoing Catholic evangelization. Contact Andrzej at 651.202.6953 for more information.

Baby Shower Donations Needed

The Saint Agnes Altar & Rosary Society is hosting it's annual Baby Shower for the Women's Life Care Center. We ask that you would consider donating new baby items on Sunday, February 28, in Schuler Hall. You are also welcome to join us and bring your donations to our next Altar & Rosary Society meeting on Wednesday, March 2, at 6:00 pm in Schuler Hall. Your donations of new baby items, or a monetary donation, will provide assistance to families in crisis who need help caring for a new born infant. Thank you.

Pray for Life –Fridays, 3:00 pm

This message is for those who would like to voice their sympathy to the tragic deaths of so many lives lost due to abortion. The Legion of Mary meets every Friday at 3:00 pm on the sidewalk outside the Planned Parenthood facility on Vandalia. Join us for a rosary and peaceful protest to this horrible loss of life.

The non-perishable food drive continues through Easter

NEXT WEEK AT SAINT AGNES

Pancake Breakfast - March 6

The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Vocations Fund-raiser Pancake Breakfast on March 6 in Schuler Hall from 8:00 am to 1:30 pm. Please join us for breakfast and help raise money for the Saint Agnes Vocations Trip.

SOON AT SAINT AGNES

Saint Agnes School Open House - March 13

You're invited to a K-12 open house where you can learn more about continuing your Catholic education at Saint Agnes School. Join us any time on Sunday, March 13 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Meet our headmaster, Dr. Kevin Ferdinandt, our faculty and staff and enjoy a student lead tour of the new \$18M student activity center! Contact Joseph Olson at 651.925.8803 or jolson@saintagnesschool.org.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

24 Hours for the Lord - March 4 & 5

Cathedral of Saint Paul & Basilica of Saint Mary

Pope Francis invites you to come back to Confession in the Year of Mercy! From Friday, 1:30 pm to Saturday, Noon both sites will host round-the-clock confessions for the faithful. Additional parishes are hosting reconciliation services or additional time for confessions during the 24 hour period. For a list of sites and more details, please visit www.archspm.org/24Hours.

CHORALE & ORCHESTRA NOTES



The Chorale will return on Sunday, March 6, *Laetare* Sunday, when Franz Schubert's Mass in C will be presented as a part of the celebration of Forty Hours Devotion. On the remaining Sundays of Lent, the Schola Cantorum will chant both the Ordinary and Proper parts of the Mass in Gregorian chant.

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, March 5

5:15 pm

Chris Ethier, Jonah Hintgen, Matthew Boeser, Joe Galush,
Lucas Lahlum, Joseph Hintgen, Phillip Rother

Sunday, March 6

7:30 am

Matthew Swanson, Dominic Adkins

8:30 am

Dominic Heesch, Shane Oglesbee, Evan Most,
Luke Scott, Daniel Minwegen

10:00 am

William Kostuch, Petrus Washburn, Jacob Rose,
Ross Wright, Aloisius Washburn, Ben Lenzmeier, James Eilen,
Alex Lenzmeier, Ambrose Washburn, Philip Eilen

12:00 pm

Duy Phan, Viet Pham, Nguyen Phan, An Phan

4:00 pm

- 40 Hours Closing Ceremony-

Ross Wright, Nguyen Phan,
Duy Phan, An Phan, Viet Pham, Thomas Jalbert,
Lucas Lahlum, Joe Galush, Jacob Rose, William Kostuch,
Ben Lenzmeier, Alex Lenzmeier, Matthew Swanson

ALL SERVERS ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE CLOSING CEREMONY

SUNDAY OFFERINGS FOR FEBRUARY 21

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| Envelope/Plate | \$ 11,901.95 |
| Automatic Contributions | \$ <u>2,043.33</u> |
| Total | \$ 13,945.28 |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our parish family:

Elizabeth Helfenberger

Welcome to our parish family
through the sacrament of Baptism:

Frederick Mario Kieffer,
son of Keith and Therese Bart Kieffer

Zélie Anne Capistrant,
daughter of Daniel and Melisa Capistrant

Lucas Benjamin Bauer,
son of Benjamin and Alison Goossens Bauer

Please pray for our recently deceased:

Richard Colond

WEEKLY CALENDAR

(Regular, weekly Masses, Confessions, and Devotions are found on the bulletin cover)

Sunday, February 28

Coffee and Donuts served by the Altar and Rosary Society
Latin Class (Brides)..... 11:30 am
Chamber Choir Rehearsal (Kent) 11:30 am

Monday, February 29

No scheduled activities

Tuesday, March 1

Legion of Mary (Brides).....6:15 pm
TCCC Rehearsal (Choir Loft)7:30 pm

Wednesday, March 2

Altar and Rosary Society General Meeting and Baby
Shower for Women's Life Care Center6:00 pm
Cathedral Religion Class (School)6:30 pm
Parish Choir Rehearsal (Loft)7:00 pm

Thursday, March 3

That Man is You (Schuler) 6:15 am
Children's Choir Rehearsal (Schuler)3:00 pm

Friday, March 4

Opening of the 40 Hours Devotion

Stations of the Cross (Upper Church).....7:00 pm
Lenten Lecture Series (Schuler).....7:30 pm

Saturday, March 5

Legion of Mary (Brides)..... 9:00 am
Rosary for Life following the 8:00 am Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 29

8:00 am Joseph & Lucy Borocki †

Tuesday, March 1

8:00 am Rachel Rother Burns

Wednesday, March 2

8:00 am Richard Phillippi Sr. †

Thursday, March 3 | Saint Katherine Drexel, Virgin

8:00 am Bill & Rita Hermes

Friday, March 4 | Saint Casimir

Opening of the 40 Hours Devotion

8:00 am Margaret & Stephen Andert † Chapel
9:30 am* Jade Elizabeth Fish † Upper Church
5:15 pm Bernard Berczyk †

Saturday, March 5

8:00 am* LeRoy & Beverly Harm † Upper Church
5:15 pm* Earl Mosiman † Chamber Choir Sings

Sunday, March 5 | *Laetare* Sunday

6:30 am LeRoy Harringer †
7:30 am Richard Hoffman †
8:30 am Robert G. Belland †
10:00 am* Erwin Koller †
12:00 pm *Missa pro populo* (For the people)

(A) Anniversary (B) Birthday † Deceased *Sung High Mass

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