

Saint Agnes Parish
Arlington, Massachusetts
The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 23-24, 2010





This week's second collection supports the Church in Latin America (CLA) The CLA provides support for pastoral projects in financially poor dioceses in Latin America and the Caribbean. CLA funds catechetical and lay leadership programs, and formation programs for religious, priests and deacons. CLA is making it possible for the Catholic faithful in the Western hemispheres to help each other. Please visit www.usccb.org/latinamerica for more information.



mass intentions

Sunday, January 24, 2010	10:30 A.M. 12:00 Noon 12:00 Noon	Month's Mind Bereavement Mass John (Jack) Bean Respect for Life Mass	1st Anniversary
Monday, January 25, 2010	7:00 A.M.	Louise O'Neill	Anniversary
Tuesday, January 26, 2010	7:00 A.M.	The Salipante Family	Memorial
Wednesday, January 27, 2010	7:00 A.M.	Philip J. Schapel	Anniversary
Thursday, January 28, 2010	7:00 A.M.	Salvatore Salipante	1st Anniversary
Friday, January 29, 2010	7:00 A.M.	James and Mary McGrath	Memorial
Saturday, January 30, 2010	7:00 A.M. 4:00 P.M. (Up) 4:00 P.M. (Dn) 5:15 P.M.	Ralph and Patricia Canniff James Salano The Boleza and Mahoney Families	Memorial Anniversary Memorial
Sunday, January 31, 2010	10:30 A.M. 12:00 Noon	Alice Ostrowska Frederick Cameron	Month's Mind 1st Anniversary



Enes Donnelly, Margaret Sonnenberg, Ellen Canesi and Rev. Daniel P. Hegarty, whose Funeral Masses were celebrated last week.

Mass Schedule for Next Weekend

Saturday, January 30, 2010

4:00 P.M. Upper Church Father Bennett
4:00 P.M. Lower Church Father Graham
5:15 P.M. Lower Church Father Flatley

Sunday, January 31, 2010

7:00 A.M. Lower Church Father Graham
8:00 A.M. Lower Church Father D'Onofrio
9:00 A.M. Upper Church Father Flatley
10:30 A.M. Upper Church Father D'Onofrio
12:00 Noon Upper Church Father Graham
5:00 P.M. Lower Church Father Harrington



The Offertory Collection last weekend was **\$13,783**. Thank you very much.

Grand Annual Collection – Thank you for your most generous response to this collection. To date, the amount donated is **\$82,212**. Your generosity to your Parish is sincerely appreciated. Contributions may be made at any time.

The second collection **this** weekend is for the Church in Latin America.

“Year of the Priests” Appreciation Dinner - All are welcome to an evening to honor Father Flatley, Father Graham and Father D’Onofrio and other local priests. The Arlington Knights of Columbus has been proud to be “In Solidarity with our Priests.” In honor of “Year of the Priests” declared by Pope Benedict XVI, we are holding a Priest Appreciation Dinner. Cocktails and hors d’oeuvres will be served at 6:00 P.M. with dinner at 7:00 P.M. on Saturday, February 6 at the Arlington Knights of Columbus Hall. Tickets are \$15.00. To purchase tickets or to make a donation, please call Paul Stanton, 781-771-9771 or Bob Tosi, 857-998-0446.



*Thank you from all the students and teachers of Saint Agnes School.
You have made a difference!*

If you would like to make a donation to the School by contributing to one of the existing funds, complete the form below. Your gift will be used as you have requested. Keep in mind that all contributions to Saint Agnes School are **tax deductible**. Make check payable to *Saint Agnes School*.

I would like my/our gift of \$ _____ to be: Unrestricted
(Used for greatest need)

I would like my/our gift of \$ _____ to be designated for the following:

- Alumni Scholarship Fund
- 43 Fund (Investing Program)
- Technology Fund
- Other _____

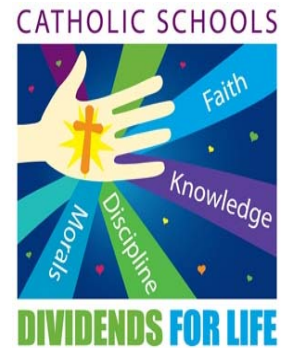
This is a memorial gift in memory of _____

Name: _____

Address _____

City/Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Mailing address is 39 Medford St. Arlington, MA 02474 or drop it off at Saint Agnes Parish Center. THANK YOU!



January 17, 2010

Dear Friends,

Next week, we will celebrate Catholic Schools Week, a time to celebrate the enduring value of Catholic education. We set aside this week every year to focus on the gift that Catholic education provides to America's young people and its contributions to our church, our community and our nation. We reach out to the community beyond our parish doors to build awareness of what our schools have to offer. And we thank all those who work hard every day to make our schools excellent: students, families, faculty, staff, volunteers, community supporters, and local, state and national leaders.

One of the most important roles of a parish and its families is preparing young people for fulfilling lives of love and service to God, to their families and to their communities. For this reason the theme of 2010 Catholic School's Week: "Catholic Schools: Dividends for Life" is particularly fitting. It underscores the tradition of Catholic education to instill in students the faith, knowledge, morals and discipline that will enable them to fulfill their future roles in life. Now, more than ever, a Catholic education is truly an investment in the future that is worth the consideration of every family.

Saint Agnes School and Arlington Catholic High School have planned wonderful events to celebrate the week. Please gather your families and join in the celebration, starting with the 9:00 A.M. Catholic School Mass, scheduled for Sunday, January 31, 2010. A detailed schedule of events will be included in next week's bulletin.

Please join in our Catholic Schools Week celebration. Participate in the activities and, if you can, volunteer your time. Visit the classrooms during our open house, meet with the teachers and students and congratulate them on their accomplishments. Encourage friends who may be considering Catholic education for their children to visit our schools.

Also, please join me in saying thank you to our two outstanding Principals, Mr. Stephen Biagioni and Ms. Helen Blinstrub, teachers, staff, administrators, board members, volunteers and everyone else involved in running our two quality schools. Through their dedication and commitment, they make our schools an excellent example of how Catholic schools provide "dividends for life."

Devotedly yours in Christ,

Rev. Brian M. Flatley
Pastor

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

Saint Agnes Month's Mind Bereavement Mass - As an expression of sympathy, every month, Saint Agnes Parish celebrates a Month's Mind Mass to remember the parishioners who were buried during the previous month. Today the Month's Mind remembers: **Sara Ann Guanci, Ghislaine Botte, James O'Connell, Kevin Guarente, Alma Nahigian, Helen Roper, Theresa Boucher, Paul Cooper, William Fagan, Benjamin Oskin, Rita Bent, Alice Ostrowska and Chester Egan.**



Respect Life Mass will be celebrated at Saint Agnes Church today, Sunday, January 24, 12:00 Noon. Please join us at the Mass as we pray for a greater respect for all human life from conception until natural death. A reception will follow the in the Msgr. Linnehan Library in Arlington Catholic High School.

This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Archdiocesan **Family Baby Showers** for mothers-to-be in need who may think of abortion if they cannot get help.

At Saint Agnes Church, the showers will take place on the weekends of **January 23-24 and 30-31** (snow date February 6-7). A playpen will be set up in front of the Church to receive donations of new, unwrapped baby items. Gifts need to be new and unwrapped so that the right items can be chosen to be assembled into a layette for each mother-to-be. If you prefer to make a monetary donation, checks should be made out to **Friends of the Unborn.**

We are particularly in need of "sleep and play" garments, sizes 0-3 months to 6-9 months. We also need items such as rattles and teethingers, and toiletries like lotion and baby wash. Through the generosity of parishes which hold showers at other times of the year, we are currently well stocked with blankets, daytime outfits, and size 1 diapers (we could still use newborn diapers).

This year a special initiative is being added. A beautiful card can be ordered to be sent to your mother on your birthday, thanking her for giving you the gift of life. A sample card and order forms will be available next to the playpen for donations.

Schedule of the Week

Tuesday, January 26, 2010

4:30 P.M. - Legion of Mary - Parish Center
7:00 P.M.- Fatima Apostolate Prayer Hour

Wednesday, January 27, 2010

7:00 P.M. - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - lower Church
7:00 P.M. - Bereavement Meeting - Parish Center

The January-February Parish Pastoral Council meeting will be on Sunday, January 31, 2010 in the Parish Center at 7:00 P.M.



Thank you to all who donated so generously to the collection for Haiti last week. If you wish to donate to this collection today, please be sure that your donation is clearly marked for the people of Haiti.

Our **CHILDREN'S CHOIR**, grades 1-8, sings next on Sundays, **February 7 and February 14** at the 9:00 A.M. Family Mass with 8:00 A.M. rehearsal. Contact Michael Vaughan with questions: mrv1960@verizon.net; 617-833-0364. We will cancel choir if there is any **snow** accumulation on these days!



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Observance will be held today **Sunday, January 24, 2010** at the Robbins Memorial Town Hall with Tapas at 6:00 P.M. and Program at 7:30 P.M. Please bring finger food or dessert to serve six. A free-will offering will benefit the Martin Luther King Memorial in Washington, D.C., the African American Society Scholarships and the Arlington Public Schools.



Saint Agnes Parish joyfully welcomes



Lucia Grace Pietravalle
William Christopher Cook
Isabelle Grace Krepelka
Norah Shea Poncia
Aidan Ryan Soderquist



Saint Agnes Parish will celebrate **World Marriage Day on Sunday, February 14**, at the 12:00 Noon Mass. All married couples are cordially invited to attend, renew their marriage vows and celebrate their commitment to married life and each other. Those who are celebrating significant anniversaries this year are invited to call the Parish Center and let us know.

**A Mission for the
Catholic Community of Arlington**

“A New Beginning”

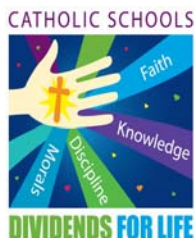
*Sponsored by Saint Agnes and
Saint Camillus Parishes*

March 15-18, 2010

7:00 P.M. at Saint Camillus Church

Preacher: Rev. Kevin MacDonald, CSSR

Saint Agnes School News



The students and faculty are preparing for the celebration of **Catholic Schools Week, January 31-February 6**. This year the theme is "**Catholic Schools-Dividends for Life**". All week both Saint Agnes School and Arlington Catholic High School will be celebrating the dividends provided by each school: a high quality, faith-based education that will continue to pay dividends for year to come. Parishioners are invited to join in the start of Catholic schools week at the 9:00 A.M. Mass at Saint Agnes Church followed by a **Coffee Hour and Open House** in the Saint Agnes School Hall. There will be an opportunity to meet the teachers, students, alumni and parents and learn more about the exciting programs offered at the school and the benefits of attending a Catholic Elementary School, such as small class sizes, a challenging academic curriculum, the Spanish language program beginning in kindergarten, a two year Latin program (7th and 8th grades), and the Robotics and Engineering classes to name a few.

During the week, a different aspect of the theme of "**Dividends for Life**" will be featured each day. On **Monday**, the focus will be "**In our Nation**". Students will be honoring veterans. On **Tuesday**, the focus is "**In our Community**". New families interested in enrolling for the 2010-2011 school year are invited to come by the school and see how children benefit from a Catholic education. On **Wednesday**, the focus is "**In our Volunteers and Vocations**". Students and teachers will honor the volunteers who have provided hours of service to the school. Students will also present acrostic poems to the parish priests in recognition of the dedicated service to the people of Saint Agnes Parish. On **Thursday**, Teachers and staff will also be recognized for their dedication to Catholic Schools as focus is "**In our Faculty and Staff**". Finally on **Friday**, the focus will be "**Dividends for Life In our Students**". After a month of auditions and rehearsals, the students will have the opportunity to participate in the Annual Talent Show.

It will evidently be a very busy week as Saint Agnes School celebrates Catholic Schools Week. In keeping with the theme, the week itself will be a "**Dividend for Life**", for students, parents, and teachers as well as the whole community.

Open House - The next scheduled Open Houses are Sunday, January 31, 2010, 10:00 A.M.-12:00 Noon and Tuesday, February 2, 2010, 9:00-11:00 A.M.

Shadow Program - Parents should call the school (781-643-9031) to sign up for the next Shadow Date, Wednesday, February 10, 2010, 8:30-10:30 A.M.



All Classes meet today, January 24.

Confirmation

Grade 9 and 10 Classes for January, 2010

Sunday classes

Classes: 1/24, 1/31

No class: **Wednesday classes**

Classes: 1/27

No Class:



Registration & Open House - Fidelity House's **Preschool** and **PreKindergarten** Programs will be holding open house and registration for September the week of February 1. Parents are welcome to visit between 9:00-11:00 A.M. or between 1:00-3:00 P.M. Programs are licensed by the Department of Early Education and Care.

School Age Child Care Program - Open house and registration for September will take place the week of February 1. Program is for 5-13 year olds. Transportation from public schools will be available. Full-day programs are also offered. Brochures and further information may be obtained by calling Fidelity House.

Full and Half Day Programs - Fidelity House's School Age Child Care Program offers full-day programs on all days that there is no school including snow days. Upcoming full days include February 15-19, vacation week. Half-day and full-day options available.

Basketball Clinic - Fidelity House in conjunction with Arlington Catholic High School and "Tomorrow's Stars" will be offering a Basketball Clinic for boys and girls ages 6-15. The clinic will meet on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, February 16, 17, and 18, 9 A.M.- 12:00 Noon.

Winter Programs - Programs include; Preschool Sports, Tot Time, Tae Kwon Do, Instructional Floor Hockey on Tuesdays, Gymnastics, Cooking, Basketball for grades 2-4 on Friday, Jr. Celtics Basketball for 9-13 year olds on Sundays, Book Club, Fitness and Conditioning for grades 5 and up, Cooking, Theater Club, Dodgeball, and more.

SAVE THE DATE - Fidelity House's 13th Annual Fundraiser will be held Saturday, May 15th. A silent auction, live auction, hor d'oeuvres, music and dancing will be part of the fun. Your support is appreciated.

www.fidelityhouse.org or call 781-648-2005

**Bulletin Announcements must be received
at the Parish Center by Tuesday morning to
be published in next weekend's bulletin.**

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Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are held on the first and third Sunday of the month at 2:00 P.M. You must attend Baptismal Briefings prior to having your child baptized.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday at 3:00-4:00 P.M. and before the 5:15 P.M. Mass and also by appointment. Please contact the Parish Center.

Sacrament of Marriage

Archdiocesan guidelines require that couples planning to marry in the Church make an appointment to see one of the priests as far in advance as possible prior to the wedding date.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Parish Office if someone in your family is gravely ill and in danger of death and you feel the grace and power of the Sacrament would be helpful.

Sunday Masses

Saturday

4:00 P.M. (Upper and Lower Church)
5:15 P.M. (Lower Church)

Sunday

7:00 A.M., 8:00 A.M. (Lower Church)
9:00 A.M., 10:30 A.M., 12:00 (Upper Church)
5:00 P.M. (Lower Church)

Our Family Liturgy is celebrated at 9:00 on Sunday morning.

Weekdays

Monday through Saturday

7:00 A.M. (Lower Church)