



St. Agnes Parish
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October 31, 2010 • Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr. Jerry Arano-Ponce, Pastor

Fr. John Wisner, Associate Pastor

This Week at St. Agnes

Sunday, October 31

Coffee & Donuts CCD

No CCD today

Monday, November 1 All Saints Day

Scripture Study Classes

11 am & 7 pm Convent

Holy Hour 7 pm Church

CYO Basketball Sign Up in the School Gym 6:30 pm

Tuesday, November 2 All Souls Day

Election Day

All Souls Day Mass 5:30 pm

RCIA 7 pm Rectory Meeting Room

Wednesday, November 3

School Mass 8:15 am

Note: Parish Council Meeting 7 pm RMR

CYO Basketball Sign Up in the School Gym 6:30 pm

Thursday, November 4

Men of St. Agnes 6:45 am Mass/Parish Center

Baptismal Prep Class 6 pm RMR

Friday, November 5

Altar & Rosary Society Monthly Mass & Meeting

9 am in the Church

8th Grade Bingo Fundraiser 6 pm School Gym

November 6—7 Recycle Aluminum Cans Here!

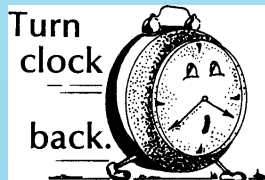
Saturday, November 6

**Morning Mass time changes
 from 6:45 am to 7:45 am**

Sunday, November 7

Coffee & Donuts A & R

Daylight Saving Time Ends



Advent Parish Mission

Save the Date!

Sunday through Wednesday

November 28th—December 1st at 7:00 pm in the Church

Conducted by Rev. Donnell Kirchner, C.S.s.R., from Omaha, Nebraska, professed as a Redemptorist in 1961 and ordained to the priesthood in 1966.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 30

6:45 am Right to Life (Spec. Int.)

4:30 pm † Bill O'Connor

Sunday, October 31

8:00 am † Rosemarie Sipes (1st Anniversary)

10:00 am † Beatrice DiMaio

12:00 Noon † Etheline Ring

3:00 pm † Fr. Joseph G. Lopez

5:30 pm Parishioners of St. Agnes

Monday, November 1

6:45 am † Tony Hoebelheinrich

5:30 pm † Lowell Listrom

Tuesday, November 2

6:45 am † Dolores "Cookie" Schleicher (6th Ann.)

5:30 pm All Souls Day Mass for Deceased of
 St. Agnes Parish

Wednesday, November 3

6:45 am † Dorothy Shaughnessy

8:15 am † Clifford Booker

5:30 pm † Rosemary Weilert

Thursday, November 4

6:45 am † Dr. Jack Justus

5:30 pm † Dorothy Jilka

Friday, November 5

6:45 am In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

9:00 am Altar & Rosary Society

5:30 pm Coopersmith & Landry Families (Spec. Int.)

Saturday, November 6

6:45 am † Poor Souls in Purgatory

4:30 pm † Tony Proffitt

Sunday, November 7

8:00 am † James & Darline Albright

10:00 am Anna & Ozan Kumru (Spec. Int.)

12:00 Noon † Agnes Gallagher

3:00 pm † Fr. Joseph G. Lopez

5:30 pm Parishioners of St. Agnes (Spec. Int.)

St. Agnes Parish



Free Rosary Repair

Bob Cunningham is currently serving eight local parishes with this special ministry. Please bring your rosaries for repair to the rectory office in an envelope with your name and phone number. Bob will pick them up and return them in a couple days, and someone in the rectory will call to let you know that your rosaries are ready. Bob also collects rosaries and other religious items to donate to the missions and prisons. Spare parts are also needed and greatly appreciated. Thanks!



Welcome to St. Agnes!

Our parish boundaries are as follows:
From 43rd Street on the North,
to 63rd Street on the South, and
East from State Line to Roe Blvd on the West

Church Annulments

Any divorced person, Catholic or not, who seeks possible remarriage in the Catholic Church, will need to pursue the process for annulment.

For information, contact:
The Marriage Case Advocate:
Sr. Mary Ann Bartolac, S.C.L. at 913-894-1456

The rectory office is open Monday through Friday, from 8 am to 4:30 pm.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil, 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 am, 12:00 & 5:30 pm
Sunday 3:00 pm Misa en Español
Weekdays 6:45 am & 5:30 pm

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00-4:00 pm & 5:30-6:00 pm

NEW BULLETIN DEADLINE!!!

Please submit articles for the bulletin 10 days in advance—**on Friday a week before the Sunday that you would like your notice to appear.** You may drop it off at the rectory, fax it to 913-262-1050, or email to youngstromter@stagneskc.org.

OUR PARISH MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE is generally the second Sunday of each month. We gather general groceries and canned goods to share with those less fortunate. These are gathered and taken to Catholic Social Services Emergency Assistance Center. Please keep this important work of charity in mind, and watch the bulletin each month for further details.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS are held on the First Saturday of every month beginning with the Mass at 6:45 am, followed by the Rosary and confessions.

HOT LUNCH INC. We serve the poor a hot meal at the Food Kitchen once a month. This occurs at the end of the month. Please refer to the bulletin for recipe and date.

BAPTISM To register for Baptism Preparation class or to schedule a baptism, please call Teresa Youngstrom, the parish secretary, at 913-262-2400.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Pastor at least 6 months prior to your wedding date.

PERPETUAL ADORATION Our Adoration Chapel is open every day, 24 hours a day. Check the bulletin for updates on available hours, or call Kathleen Reyes @ 913-262-7873.

ROSARY

Recited daily at 7:15 am, 5:00 pm and Sunday at 9:35 am.

REGISTRATION FORM Mark appropriate box New Parishioner Update Today's Date ___/___/___

Last Name	First	Spouse's Name	Married Single Divorced Widowed <small>(circle one)</small>
Address	City, State, Zip		
Home Phone	Work Phone	Cell Phone	Catholic? Y N
Children's Names and Age			
E-mail address			

UPDATES Please update information as it changes. New address, new phone or work number changes, and especially family status changes, such as...deceased family member, new child, children who have married and moved away. Place in the collection basket or mail to St. Agnes Parish, 5250 Mission Road, Roeland Park, Kansas 66205 or fax to 913-262-1050.

The following chapter is excerpted from the book, 'Funeral Homilies', written by William Bausch.

Who Gets Christian Burial?

The church allows catechumens a Catholic funeral. So too for a child who dies before baptism or is stillborn or miscarried, presuming the parents intended to have the child baptized. Likewise it allows a Catholic funeral for a deceased baptized non-Catholic who might reasonably be presumed to desire or prefer a Catholic funeral. A non-Catholic spouse regularly with his or her family would be a good example. Consistently, non-Catholics may also be buried in a Catholic cemetery where his or her family members are buried.

It's the baptized Catholic who can hardly be considered exemplary who poses the pastoral problem. Some, like "notorious heretics" (canon 1184:1), are excluded, of course, although strangely, the Church allows for non-notorious heretics to be buried with a Catholic Mass "providing their own minister is not available" (canon 1183:3). But mostly, on the everyday parish level, we're in the realm of the just plain public sinners who have kept the Catholic label but who are hardly material for canonization. What do we do with them? Let me respond this by sharing a homily I once gave (and perhaps someone might adapt in preparation for a parish policy). It's titled...

"Burying Ol' Blue Eyes"

On May 14, 1998 Ol' Blue Eyes, the Chairman of the Board, the leader of the Rat Pack, Francis Albert Sinatra, died. For fifty years he was a star. No one could wrap himself around a song like Frank Sinatra, the master of intimate popular singing. He was, as Frank Rich of the *New York Times* wrote, "one of the greatest artists of any kind this country has produced." But also, as Frank Rich added, "In death, though, it's abundantly clear that Sinatra creates a national problem for American sensibilities...(for) as a human being, he not infrequently resembled a thug."

We all know what happened. He went from skinny Hoboken singer in the bow tie to the hard-drinking sophisticate who personified the new modern mood, which was, in the phrase of movie critic Stephen Holden, "the golden age of bad behavior with our consequences." He hung around with mobsters from Lucky Luciano to Sam Giancana who shared Judith Exner with President Kennedy. He and those he disliked beat up or did it himself. He was vindictive and insulting, calling Barbara Walters "the ugliest broad on television" and getting one of his critics, the famed musicologist Jonathan Schwartz, fired from his job.

Committing public adultery with Ava Gardner while married to Nancy, marrying her and two more women, Frank Albert Sinatra can hardly be called an exemplary

Catholic, or any kind of Catholic, even though, technically, his first marriage was annulled, his second and third marriages were declared invalid and his fourth marriage was validated in a private ceremony at St. Patrick's Cathedral in 1979. Yet, he was a Catholic for he met the standard sole minimal requirement for that position: He was baptized in the same Church as the pope. He died and people came from all over to see him. And that included the Catholic Cardinal Archbishop of Los Angeles. And he, reprobate that he was, was given a Catholic burial with a Catholic Mass.

Some sneered. They said, "Money talks." How can they—"they" meaning the Cardinal, the Church as a whole—give a Catholic Mass to a very public sinner who was in his lifetime and in his conduct no more "Catholic" than the man in the moon? He did it his way, not the Catholic Way. The next thing, says the cynic (usually Catholic), I suppose they'll give Ted Kennedy who is ill and Madonna, should she reconvert, a Catholic Mass when their times come.

They suppose right. And here is where we need to rise above the knee-jerk reactions and tabloid thinking and pause as a Catholic community and ask why. Here we must listen, for our own personal spiritual benefit, to two reasons why Frances Albert Sinatra and his ilk were given a Catholic burial—and should have been.

The first reason can be found in the public parish policy that I as a pastor voiced many years ago. In our annual parish manual it read: "With few extraordinary exceptions—and there must be some—everyone shall receive Christian burial. No one, no matter how scandalously a person lived or died, whether naturally or by his own hand or another's, will be denied Christian burial. The gospel imperative is that when a person is dead, all is over, and the only final obligation the Christian community has in charity is to pray for the deceased and to demonstrate by its liturgy that wideness and kindness that Christ himself showed. For a Christian community to deny its ritual of prayer and worship to even a public sinner is not to imitate Our Master who prayed for those who crucified him."

What this policy is saying is that the focus is never on the deceased—whether saint or sinner—but on the *faith community* which takes to heart these words of Jesus: "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor but hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and the good and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the pagans do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect" (Mt 5:43-48). (continued on next page)

“Love your enemy and pray for those who persecute you.” Frank Sinatra, like John F. Kennedy or Madonna are “enemies” in that they do not practice or uphold or exemplify Catholic life. In fact, they embarrass and shame us; they have persecuted us by their lifestyles and scandals. There’s no denying that. But—and remember this—*they* are not the point. We are. Under the imperative imposed by Jesus in the words we just heard, we are to pray for those who persecute us. Therefore, giving Christian burial and a Mass to the unworthy and scandalous says nothing about them by everything about us and our obedience to Christ’s words. Giving Christian burial to the unworthy does not endorse *their* life. It endorses *ours*.

Don’t you see what’s at stake here? Oh, I’m sure in this imperfect world that money and celebrity talk and the famous and the infamous get what they want even in death, but, once more, they are not and never were the point. We are the point and how seriously we want to be disciples even to practicing the hard sayings of Jesus.

So, how come Frank Sinatra got a Catholic burial and Mass? Is it because money and fame talk loud? Some, as we said, will say that. They always do. But now you know better. He got a Catholic burial and Mass because we talk loud.

The Catholic burial and Mass says that, much as we would like to, we will not “hate the enemy,” we will not love only those who love us, we will not greet only our brothers and sisters in the practice of faith, but we will try hard to love our enemies and in our public liturgy pray for those of our own who have persecuted us. We refuse to let them determine who we are. The Catholic burial Mass for the scandalous is the faith community’s living out of the gospel. It has, I repeat, nothing to do with them or their status as public sinners. It has everything to do with us and our status as public disciples.

There is, as I said before, a second reason for giving Catholic burial to those who were unworthy of the name. That reason is that publicly we dare not close off the Spirit or give any kind of public notice that we do. We dare not confine the Spirit or define the limits of what the Spirit can do. We dare not pronounce on the compassion and grace and the action of God. We are in no position to make the final judgment, and the giving of a Catholic burial ritually leaves the question open: the question of God’s mercy which gives latecomers the same pay as the first comers.

As an example, in the Scriptures, you might remember, young Stephen is stoned to death, a painful and horrible way to die. Another young man named Saul is there, wickedly approving and holding the coats of the stone-throwers to make their dreadful task easier. Saul

did a shameful thing and Stephen’s mother publicly cursed him.

Yet that wicked young man, Saul, became, as we know, St. Paul. Stephen’s mother wrote him off—we can understand that—but not God. The Spirit went beyond the limits of her grief and shock in a way she never imagined—nor he.

On Calvary a despicable young, who admitted to terrible deeds and to getting what he deserved, was promised Paradise at the last minute. His was a last minute deathbed conversion, in my guess, being the result of years and years of his parents’ tears and prayers. The publican and Prodigal Son of the parables, the woman caught in adultery, Peter, the Samaritan woman at the well, and Zacchaeus the tax collector of the gospels, Augustine, Ignatius, Malcolm Muggeridge, Tom Merton, and Dorothy Day of history—all are testimony to the fact that we never have the last word but God does. Granting a Catholic burial Mass to the seemingly unworthy says that we don’t know what happened in the secrets of the heart at the last moment.

We are in no position to judge. We have not right to weigh what went on between the divine God and the human heart of a wretched sinner. The Mass of Christian burial for the public sinner simply proclaims the faith community’s humility before this issue and its refusal to either dictate or to second-guess the Spirit. In other words, the Catholic service proclaims the sovereignty of God, the everlasting possibility of a mercy we are not privy to.

So, there we are. Frances Albert Sinatra and many before him and many to come after him, with few exceptions—and there must be exceptions for heinous crimes, for the very worst cases—will be given Christian burial in the Catholic church—not because of *their* disgraced position, but because of our graced position, a position derived from Jesus himself: our obligation to pray for our very own who have persecuted us, our obligation to allow the Good Thief scenario its full play.

And so, to put it briefly, we must realize that the question never is for believers—even though we’ll get asked it—what Frank Sinatra or any of his kind are all about that they got Christian burial.

It’s the wrong question. The right question, remind your interrogators, is always, in these situations, what are we all about?

Liturgy of the Day

Today we are presented with a model response to the Good News of Jesus Christ. How many of us would run ahead and climb a tree to see and hear the Master speak? Even more important, though, how many of us would turn around our lives at a word from the Lord? That word of challenge is here, today. Let us pray for the grace to do what God wants us to do.

Liturgy of the Word

Wis 11:22-12:2 The Lord has mercy on all.

Ps 145 "I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God."

2 Thl 1:11-2:2 May the name of Christ be glorified in you and you in him.

Lk 19:1-10 Jesus came to seek and save what was lost.

Today's readings are a testament to the love and mercy of God. The reading from the book of Wisdom reminds us that God, the Lord and lover of souls, showers us with mercy and calls us into a life of reconciling love. Saint Paul tells us to live a life worthy of the calling we received in baptism and to rejoice in the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ. The familiar story of Zaccheus in today's Gospel reminds us that the Lord Jesus came down to earth to seek out and save the lost. Let us be receptive to God's boundless mercy as the sacred word is proclaimed this day.

Readings for the Week of October 31, 2010

Sunday: Wis 11:22-12:2/2 Thes 1:11-2:2/Lk 19:1-10

Monday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Tuesday: Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40

Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Lk 14:25-33

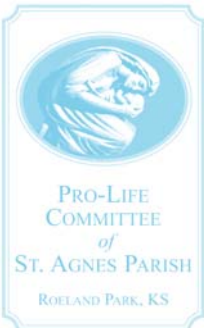
Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Phil 3:17-4:1/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Phil 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/2 Thes 2:16-3:5/Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38

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Pro Life News

During the month of October, in observance of Respect Life Month, the St. Agnes Pro Life Committee would like everyone to be mindful of how valuable each of our lives is to God, and, therefore, how valuable every life should be to us. We hope the signs in front of our convent building convey this message to all.



All those who are sick, especially: Fr. Jerry Spencer, Giovanni Lopez, brother of Rosa Pineda, Pamela Borchers, sister of Chrysa Zinser, and Connie Maciel, wife of Joe Maciel, Rachael Vaca, niece of Josephine Ruiz

Tom JoRay, husband of Donna

All those who have died, especially Mike DeCoursey and Jerry O'Donnell, brother of Kathy Cross

Perpetual Adoration Chapel

"The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic worship." Jesus *waits* for us in this sacrament of love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration.

—John Paul II

The chapel is open for visits to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament 24 hours a day. He is living there. He wants us to speak to Him. Adorers are needed and hours may be taken on a temporary basis, call **Kathleen Reyes at 913-262-7873** if you would like to participate.



The current unassigned hours are:

Monday: 1 pm

Tuesday: 1 pm, 10 pm

Wednesday: 1 am, 2 am, 2 pm

Thursday: 1 am, 2 am, 11 am, 11 pm

Friday: 1 am, 2 am, 2 pm, 4 pm

Saturday: 10 am, 12 pm

Sunday: 12 am, 2 am, 3 am, 2 pm

Para habla español: Bob Garcia 913-262-9644

Solemnity of All Saints

Did you know that Halloween (All Hallows Eve) is the evening before the Solemnity of All Saints? St. Agnes Parish will celebrate Vespers for the Solemnity of All Saints on Monday, November 1 at 7:00 pm. This will be a beautiful hour of prayer with Eucharistic adoration, Vespers, singing the Litany of the Saints, and Benediction. Vespers is the Evening Prayer of the Church, and will unite us with Catholics praying throughout the world. Please join us in praying and singing with the Saints.

CCD/School of Religion News

October 31 No CCD today

November 7 CCD in session 11 am School

***Registration for the 2010-11 school year has closed.** For further information, please call Sarah Sullivan at 913-236-4471.

Your Gifts to God and Parish

This is the beginning of the new fiscal year 2010–2011. The weekly envelope request will be \$34,750.00.

Budgeted per week\$ 34,750.00
Weekly contributions: 10/24/10 Sunday.....\$ 33,995.00

Difference.....(\$ 755.00)

Year to Date Budget \$ 590,750.00
Year to Date Weekly Contribution \$ 497,909.00
Difference.....(\$ 92,841.00)

Thank you for your sacrificial giving and generosity to God and your parish.



Baptism is a Sacrament—

In which a child is welcomed into a new family—the parish and the Church. Baptism Preparation Class is required by all dioceses in the

United States for first-time parents, and Fr. Jerry recommends the class for those parents having another child after 4 to 5 years. The monthly class is free, and is held at 6:00 pm in the Rectory Meeting Room **Our next class will be on Thursday, November 4th at 6:00 pm**. You must register in advance for this class by calling Teresa in the rectory at 913-262-2400.

Birthright

Would you like to help troubled pregnant women? Birthright, an international emergency service offering positive alternatives to abortion, is staffed by volunteers. If you're willing to commit some of your time, there are a number of ways to help. We especially need compassionate men and women to answer the hotline calls, run pregnancy tests, befriend mother's in crisis. Training will be held Saturday, November 6 at the Birthright Center, located at 6309 Walnut, KCMO. Please call to let us know if you will attend by calling Birthright at 816-444-7090, or Debbie Shields at 813-836-2429.



Happy Anniversary

Happy First Anniversary to Robert and Crystal Bauer!

EFT

Thank you to everyone for their gracious response and generous giving to our "Together We Can" offertory enhancement campaign. Keep up the good work!

Just complete the form, attach a voided check, and send it to the rectory, and we'll do the rest!



So you feel like you want to be more involved in the Parish, but don't know where to start? You want to help be a voice for our parish community, but don't know where to begin? You've always wanted to join the Knights of Columbus but don't know where to go? Well let the John Roe Council Knights of Columbus here at St Agnes help. On Thursday, November 11, the Knights will hold a 1st degree ceremony here in the St Agnes Alley at 7 pm. All you need to do is contact one of the Knights below, complete a form 100 registration that are available in the back of Church, and show up about 6:30 pm on November 11th. The ceremony lasts about an hour and then you can begin, like the Knights in our Parish, to participate on an even broader level here at St Agnes. You will also be part of one of the world's largest fraternal organization for Catholic men. Have questions still? Take a look at the bulletin boards at church for information or call one of the Knights below with questions. You may contact either Mike Gomez @ 913-909-3591 or Jim Fuquay @ 913-850-9294.



The Altar & Rosary Society's regular monthly first Friday meeting for November will be held on November 5, 2010. We will begin with the Rosary at 9:00 am in the church, followed by Mass. The program will follow in the parish center. The program is entitled, "The Gift of Life"; featuring speaker Donna Kelsey, Director of Wyandotte Pregnancy Clinic. ALL women of the parish are invited to attend!

Aluminum Can Recycling Weekend

November 6–7



The trailer will be parked in the NW corner of the parking lot by Saturday evening until after Sunday 5:30 evening Mass.

Please: aluminum cans only and no glass, tin cans, aluminum baking pans or foil. Thank You!



**FROM
THE
PASTOR**

The Feast of All Saints is on November 1st, and since this comes on a Monday, it will not be a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have our regular Masses at 6:45 am and 5:30 pm that day, but I encourage you to attend this prayer service in honor of this special day.
God bless!
Fr. Jerry

ST. AGNES PARISH

All Saints

HOLY HOUR VESPERS



Eucharistic Adoration • Vespers • Litany of the Saints • Benediction

November 1 • 7:00 p.m.

CYO

St. Agnes CYO uniform turn-in for volleyball and football will be on Monday, November 1st, and Wednesday, November 3rd, 2010 starting at 6:30 pm in the St. Agnes Gym. Basketball sign up will also be held that night. The fee for basketball is \$72. Diocesan policy states that every participant must sign up on the CYO Website, at www.cyojwa.org once per school year. Instructions on how to register are included on the website. Players must be registered on the CYO website prior to practice or to be assigned to a team. FYI: Cost of the online registration is a fee that goes to the diocese, not CYO.

Catholic Career Roundtable

For our parishioners looking for employment opportunities, there is a meeting every Saturday morning at St. Ann's Parish Center from 8:30 am–10:00 am called the Catholic Career Roundtable. This is a collaboration with several parishes, including St. Agnes, St. Ann, St. Pius X, Good Shepherd, and Queen of the Holy Rosary, with the goal of finding employment within six months for everyone looking for a job. There are speakers and human resource people available to assist you in your search for a new position. Please take advantage of this resource. Judy Riedel is the representative from St. Agnes and has done an outstanding job with this group. You may contact Judy at jkriedel@swbell.net.



For 11 years, Worldwide Marriage Encounter has proclaimed a **World Priest Day** to honor the men who have dedicated their lives to Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church through the Sacrament of Holy Orders. It is an opportunity for Catholics to

thank, affirm and share their love and support for all priests, diocesan as well as those in religious orders. World Priest Day will be celebrated this year on October 31, 2010. Please take a moment to thank Fr. Jerry for his service to the Church!

Pure Hope

Dear Parents,

Today, more than ever, parents are faced with the challenge to keep our children safe and innocent. While technology is a wonderful tool, it also leaves our children and families vulnerable to predators. Our best defense is to be educated.

On Thursday, November 11, 2010 at 7 pm Mr. Phillip Cosby from Pure Hope (the National Coalition for the Protection of Children and Families) will be speaking at St. Agnes Church in the Parish Center. We invite all parents to attend. The information is the first step parents can take to protect their children and to prevent premature loss of innocence.

Moral Principles for Catholic Voters (Part 3 of 3)

This is the last of three bulletin announcements that have been excerpted verbatim from guidelines written by the four Bishops of Kansas, entitled *Moral Principles for Catholic Voters*. It is the Bishops' hope that these guidelines will be helpful for you when voting in the upcoming November 2nd elections.

A Conscientious Voter's Dilemma

"It is correct judgment of conscience that we would commit moral evil if we were to vote for a candidate who takes a permissive stand on those actions that are intrinsically evil when there is a morally acceptable alternative. What are we to do, though, when there is no such alternative? Because we have a moral obligation to vote, deciding not to vote at all is not ordinarily an acceptable solution to this dilemma.

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Kansas' four Catholic bishops have also prepared Questions and Answers to help clarify the implications of candidates' positions on issues of importance to Catholics.

Q. Are all public policy issues equally important to Catholics?

A. **No.** While most political issues have a moral dimension, there are a select number of issues currently being debated that directly involve matters of intrinsic moral evil: abortion, embryonic stem cell research, euthanasia, assisted suicide, and same-sex marriage. The unique gravity of these issues does not diminish the importance of other concerns, but it does require that Catholics give them precedence. As Cardinal Ratzinger explained before he became Pope Benedict XVI: "Not all moral issues have the same moral weight as abortion and euthanasia...There may be a legitimate diversity of opinion even among Catholics about waging war and applying the death penalty, but not however with regard to abortion and euthanasia."

Q. Why did the Catholic Church, which has long supported reform of our nation's health care system, oppose the health care legislation passed by Congress and signed by the president this spring?

A. Because it opens the door to taxpayer financing of abortion, fails to respect conscience rights, and is deficient in its treatment of immigrants. The new law uses federal funds to subsidize health plans that cover abortions, a departure from 30 years of federal policy. Perhaps worse, the law will also force some Americans to pay directly for other people's abortions even if they are morally opposed: each enrollee in plans that decide to cover abortion will be forced to pay a separate payment specifically for abortion, regardless of whether a particular person has ever had an abortion.

ST. AGNES CLASS OF 2011

presents

BINGO NIGHT

**DOORS
OPEN
AT
6:00**



**FRIDAY,
NOVEMBER 5,
2010**

**ST. AGNES SCHOOL
GYMNASIUM**

Bingo starts at 7:00-10:00 PM

\$5.00 Advance Tickets (\$7.00 at the door)

Admission includes: 5 Bingo Cards and FREE Popcorn

\$200.00 Final Jackpot



All Prizes will be
gift cards.



Advance tickets are available for sale from any 8th grade student, at the school office, or after all Masses on the weekends of October 23-24 and October 30-31

**CLASS of 2011
GRADUATION
FUNDRAISER**

November 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Scripture Class 11 am & 7 pm CVT All Saints Holy Hour & Vespers 7 pm CH CYO Basketball Sign Ups 6:30 pm	2 Election Day 6am – 7 pm PC All Souls Mass 5:30pm RCIA 7 pm RMR	3 School Mass 8:15 am Parish Council 7 pm CYO Basketball Sign Ups 6:30 pm	4 MOSA 6:45 am PC Baptismal Prep Class 6 pm RMR	5 A/R Mass Mtg 9 am CH/PC 8th Grade Bingo Night 6:30 pm School Gym	6 Recycle Cans 7:45 am Mass
7 CCD Coffee/Donuts A&R Recycle Cans Daylight Savings Ends (Set clocks back 1 hour)	8 Scripture Class 11 am & 7 pm CVT A/R Bridge 12pm PC	9 RCIA 7 pm RMR	10 School Mass 8:15 am	11 MOSA 6:45 am PC K of C 6 pm Alley Pure Hope 7pm PC	12 Finance Council 7:30 am RMR St. Martin of Tours Mass w/ Archbishop 6:30 pm	13 Food Trailer 7:45 am Mass
14. Food Trailer A/R Frozen Casserole Sale in PC CCD	15 Scripture Class 11 am & 7 pm CVT	16 RCIA 7 pm RMR	17 School Mass 8:15 am Pro Life Committee Meeting 7 pm RMR Liturgy Committee Meeting 7pm CVT	18 MOSA 6:45 am PC Bldgs/Grounds Mtg 7 pm RMR	19	20 7:45 am Mass Dad's Club Bowling Tournament @ Mission Bowl Turkey and Holiday Food Drive
21 K of C Breakfast CCD Turkey and Holiday Food Drive	22 Scripture Class 11 am & 7 pm CVT	23 No RCIA	24 No School	25 No School No MOSA Rectory Closed 9 am Mass Thanksgiving Day	26 No School Rectory Closed	27 7:45 am Mass
28 Coffee/Donuts PTO No CCD 1st Sunday of Advent Parish Mission Begins	29 No Scripture Class A/R Bd Mtg 1-3 CVT Parish Mission 7 pm	30 Food Kitchen RCIA 7 pm RMR Parish Mission 7 pm				

Liturgical Roles

November 6/7	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers	Cantor	Organist
Saturday 4:30 pm	Bob Moore	R. Jonscher, C. Randall, J. Cruse, J. Cabanas, RL Heck	A. Parra O. Parra H. Ramirez	Dave McGarry	Humberto Sierralto
Sunday 8:00 am	Jim Grant	R. Johnson, D. Perkins, M. Acton, R. Perez, A. Fitzpatrick	S. Paulsen J. Plake J. Tom	Terri Howe	Sharon Gross
Sunday 10:00 am	Bob Ruzich	L. Nordling, R. Flournoy, J. Lefort, R. Zakaryan, J. Ruzich	H. Myers J. Pedrotti S. Sparks	Choir Sherry Novick	Rosemary Podrebarac
Sunday 12:00 pm	John Foret	A. Giannetto, M. Gomez, Rose Garcia, A. Cahoj, N. Cahoj	E. Orpin G. Quinley J. Quinley	Karen Wilkerson	Isaac Johnston
Sunday 5:30 pm	Natosha Halling	J. Jongenelen, J. Fuquay, J. Wilkus, D. Church, R. Wilkus	E. O'Connell N. Soptic O. Stephenson	Bob Meyers	Elizabeth Lohe