ASH WEDNESDAY: FEBRUARY 26, 2020
2020 Lenten Liturgical Schedule

Confessions
Confessions from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm on Fridays; 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm on Saturdays
Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday
Confessions from 9:30 am to 11:00 am

Stations of the Cross
8:45 am All-School Stations in the Upper Church
2/28, 3/6, 3/13, 4/3

Please Note: No 8:45 am Stations on 3/27 for Spring Break or 3/20 for opening of 40 Hours
7:00 pm Stations in the Upper Church

Vespers
Vespers I will be sung at 4:40 pm each Saturday afternoon in Lent
Vespers II will be sung at 2:00 pm each Sunday in Lent

March 20 – 22 ~ 40 Hours/Laetare Sunday
Friday, March 20 - 8:45 am OF Latin All-School Mass to Open 40 Hours
Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Upper Church Friday and Saturday, by schedule.
Closing of 40 Hours with Procession in the Church following the 10:00 am Mass

March 22 ~ Laetare Sunday
Normal Sunday Mass schedule
Procession to close 40 Hours following the 10:00 am Mass
2:00 pm – Vespers

~Holy Week 2020~
April 6 ~ Palm Sunday – Normal Sunday Schedule
Sacred Triduum (No weekday or School Masses on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday)

April 9 ~ Holy Thursday
9:30 – 11:00 am Tenebrae ~ Upper Church (with Confessions)
7:30 pm – Mass of the Lord’s Supper in the Upper Church
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Maria Hilf Chapel after the 7:30 pm Mass until 10:00 pm

April 10 ~ Good Friday
9:30 – 11:00 am Tenebrae ~ Upper Church (with Confessions)
2:00 pm Good Friday Solemn Liturgy in the Upper Church
4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Confessions in the Upper Church
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross in the Upper Church

April 11 ~ Holy Saturday
9:30 - 11:00 am Tenebrae ~ Upper Church (with Confessions)
(NO 4:00 pm nor 8:00 pm Confessions)
11:15 am – Blessing of Easter Food ~ Upper Church
8:00 pm – Easter Vigil OF Latin High Mass in the Upper Church

April 12 ~ Easter Sunday
Normal Sunday Mass Schedule
6:30 am OF English Low Mass, 7:30 am EF Latin Low Mass, 8:30 am OF English Low Mass, 10:00 OF Latin High Mass, 12:00 Noon OF English Low Mass
2:00 pm Vespers

Pastor’s Column

Lenten Prayer, Works of Charity and Almsgiving

Prayer – Saturday 4:40pm Latin Chanted Vespers I and 2:00 pm Sunday Chanted Vespers II

Lent is an appropriate time to deepen our prayer life. I would especially like to invite all parishioners and friends to sanctify their Lenten Sundays by attending Latin Chanted Vespers on both Saturday evenings at 4:40 pm and, 2:00 pm Vespers on Sundays. Please note, during Lent and on Easter, Sunday Vespers will occur at 2:00 pm, NOT 3:00 pm. It is hoped that this will make it easier for Mass attendees to attend Vespers.

Works of Charity – Food Packing Event, Saturday March 21 & Church Cleaning, Saturday March 28

The Church of Saint Agnes will host as our Lenten service opportunity a food packing event facilitated by the Sodality of Saint John the Baptist. This event will provide nutritious packaged meals to Hope for Haiti, a relief organization that provides direct assistance to those impacted by natural disasters, especially in our hemisphere’s poorest country. The food packing event will be Saturday, March 21st in Schuler Hall from 10am to Noon, during which volunteers will prepare and package the meals. Please sign up to volunteer at https://sjohnsodality.org.

Twice a year, families are encouraged to help beautify our Church in preparation for the High Holy Days. Please join us on Saturday, March 28 at 9:00 am and help clean our lovely church before Easter.

Almsgiving – Second Collection March 21 & 22 to Support Food for the Needy &Lenten Food Drive

In connection with our food packing event, there will be a second collection at all Sunday Masses on March 21st and 22nd. This collection will fund the food and the shipping costs associated with the food packing event. Whether or not you can participate, please consider supporting this effort by planning to contribute. I am grateful to the Sodality of Saint John the Baptist for helping us put our faith and charity in action!

The Annual Lenten Food Drive, sponsored by the St. Anthony-Maria Hilf Council of CUF, for our needed Catholic Organizations, will take place through the weeks of Lent starting on March 1. Please bring your non-perishable donations to Schuler Hall on weekends or the Parish Office on weekdays. Thank you!

2020 Lenten Lecture Series

Schuler Hall following Stations

Join us for our annual Saint Agnes Lenten Lectures every Friday evening in Lent following 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross. This year’s theme—The Sexual Revolution, The Catholic Church, and God’s Plan for Life and Love. These talks are meant to help all of us grasp the origins of the sexual revolution, what went wrong, and how we can rebuild a culture that values God’s plan for human happiness.

The first of the Series will held this Friday evening following stations. Please see the poster on the back of this bulletin.
Church Laws of Days of Abstinence and Fast
As we begin Lent this year, I thought you would find it valuable to review the practices of Holy Mother Church for this penitential season.

Laws of Days of Fast 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. (It is praiseworthy to teach children, who have reached the age of reason, to practice some form of fasting such as not eating between meals.)

Laws of Days of Abstinence begin on one’s 14th birthday and apply to Ash Wednesday and the Friday’s of Lent. These laws oblige that you eat no flesh meat on these days. (Parents may teach young children to practice abstaining from meat, but it is not required for them to do so.)

Laws of Days of Penance 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. In fact, the Church states that the Laws of Abstinence and Penance are both lifted after the recitation of Evening Prayer on the Eve of the Solemnity, which generally occurs after 4:00 pm that day.

January 1, Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God
March 19, Solemnity of St. Joseph
March 25, Solemnity of the Annunciation
Ascension Thursday (transferred to the following Sunday in our Province)
June 24, Solemnity 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
Dedication of a particular church and the anniversary (for Saint Agnes, the Sunday before Ash Wednesday – Quinquagesima Sunday)
The Title, founder or principal patron of a religious order or congregation

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.

May our Lord grant you a fruitful Lenten Season!

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Rev. Mark Moriarty

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THE SEXUAL REVOLUTION,
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Feb 28  THE "FREE LOVE" REVOLUTION
        Anne Maloney, Ph.D.

Mar 6  FROM CONTRACEPTION TO ABORTION-ON-DEMAND
        Deborah Savage, Ph.D.

Mar 13 DIVORCE AND REMARRIAGE
        Dcn. Nathan Allen, J.D.

Mar 20 HOMOSEXUAL IDEOLOGY
        Rachel Lu, Ph.D.

Mar 27 GENDER IDENTITY IDEOLOGY
        Jason Adkins, Esq.

Apr 3  POLYAMORY & OTHER ABERRATIONS
        Teresa Collett, J.D.

CHURCH OF
SAINT AGNES

SCHULER HALL
following 7:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross

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