

# St. Agnes Catholic Church

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**A COMMUNITY OF  
FAITH, *Gratitude*  
*Forgiveness, Healing,*  
*Stewardship*  
& *Intentional Discipleship***

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**ONLINE GIVING** Check out our website at  
[stagneshillsboro.com](http://stagneshillsboro.com)

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.** If you have a change of address will you please notify the parish office at 532-5288 or email [agnesone\\_chris@consolidated.net](mailto:agnesone_chris@consolidated.net). You can leave a phone message with your new address.

***An Act of Spiritual Communion***  
***My Jesus,***  
***I believe that You***  
***are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.***  
***I love You above all things,***  
***and I desire to receive You into my soul.***  
***Since I cannot at this moment***  
***receive You sacramentally,***  
***come at least spiritually into my heart. I***  
***embrace You as if You were already***  
***there and unite myself wholly to You.***  
***Never permit me to be separated from***  
***You. Amen.***

## Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Tues. 12th 8am Deceased Members of Gieselman Families @ Holy Family  
Wed. 13th 8am SA & HF Parishioners @ St. Agnes  
11am Patients @ St. Francis  
Thur. 14th 8am Faithful Departed @ Holy Family  
Fri. 15th 8am Lorraine Nobbe (D) @ St. Agnes  
11am Staff @ St. Francis  
Saturday Jan. 16th 3:15pm Confessions St. Agnes  
4pm Charlie Gray (D) @ St. Agnes  
6pm Mary K. Meyer @ Holy Family  
Sunday Jan. 10th 7:15am Confessions Holy Family  
8am Robert Durbin (D) @ Holy Family  
10am Carl & Maddelina Parola (D) @ St. Agnes

**Adult formation will start up again January 10th after mass. ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Please remember St. Agnes has a Bishop Approved Capital Campaign which means that 100% of your donation stays here at St. Agnes & will go toward the New Building!

ONLINE GIVING NOW AVAILABLE! Please visit [stagneshillsboro.com](http://stagneshillsboro.com) under the tab Online Giving and follow steps. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office @ 217-532-5288 for help. Thank you for your generosity!


January 3, 2021			
Envelopes	\$2415.00	Parish Min.	\$360
Loose	\$ 20.00	Cemetery	\$212
Online	\$1211.00	Building	\$205
1st offering	\$ 356.00	Education	\$5
Latin America	\$ 100.00	St. John	\$
Christmas Collection	\$ 150.00		
Catholic Times	\$ 80.00		
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 286.00		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4628.00</b>		

### Pope Francis' 10 New Year's Resolutions

1. "Take care of your spiritual life, your relationship with God, because this is the backbone of everything we do and everything we are."
2. "Take care of your family life, giving your children and loved ones not just money, but most of all your time, attention and love."
3. "Take care of your relationships with others, transforming your faith into life and your words into good works, especially on behalf of the needy."
4. "Be careful how you speak, purify your tongue of offensive words, vulgarity and worldly decadence."
5. "Heal wounds of the heart with the oil of forgiveness, forgiving those who have hurt us and medicating the wounds we have caused others."
6. "Look after your work, doing it with enthusiasm, humility, competence, passion and with a spirit that knows how to thank the Lord."
7. "Be careful of envy, lust, hatred and negative feelings that devour our interior peace and transform us into destroyed and destructive people."
8. "Watch out for anger that can lead to vengeance; for laziness that leads to existential euthanasia; for pointing the finger at others, which leads to pride; and for complaining continually, which leads to desperation."
9. "Take care of brothers and sisters who are weaker ... the elderly, the sick, the hungry, the homeless and strangers, because we will be judged on this."
10. "Making sure your Christmas is about Jesus and not about shopping."

The pain and sorrow of a past abortion need not endure for a lifetime. Call Project Rachel for a confidential, non-judgmental referral to those who can help: 1-877-RACHEL-5.

**Eucharistic Adoration** Eucharistic  
**Tuesday 4-6pm**  
*In this busy & stressful time, come spend quiet time with the Lord.*



Adoration

We are following CDC guidelines. We do ask if you are sick, those who have been in contact with someone sick and those whose health may be at risk remain at home.

### Meditations Sunday January 10th the Baptism of the Lord, Mark 1:7-11 You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.

(Mark 1:11) Psychologists agree it's important to hear words that affirm us. Not empty compliments, but heartfelt words of love and appreciation. Such words can help us know that the person speaking to us respects and honors us. Affirmations like these can improve our relationships and solidify our commitment to each other.

It's interesting, then, that one of the few times we hear the voice of God in the Scriptures- directly, not through a prophet or vision- comes in today's Gospel. God the Father tells Jesus, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased" (Mark 1:11). God was pleased that Jesus was taking this first step in him ministry, and he said so. Right there, in front of John and his disciples, he revealed Jesus' identity and his fatherly love for his Son.

You need affirmation like that too. Every day. And it's available to you when you pray and worship God. As you acknowledge who he is, you also acknowledge who you are in relation to him. You open your ears to hear what he thinks about you. You begin to understand that you're his beloved child. That he appreciates your efforts to put aside your concerns to follow him.

The people in your life need it as well- and some of them need it from you. It's not about saying something just to make them feel good. It's being alert to opportunities- especially unexpected ones- to point out something that you appreciate about them; Their efforts to lead a Bible study. Their patient response to an unkind sibling. Their generosity and kindness. Tell them you are glad they are your brother or sister in Christ. Every time you do, you shine a light on the bigger picture of their lives.

Let God tell you how he loves you, how he is pleased with you. Then go and do the same for your neighbor. **"Father, thank you for love me!"**

*For the Health of Family, Friends & Self: They say, Lord, that 'Holiness is Wholeness'; so I pray for the wholeness and health of my family, my friends and myself. Grant us physical health, that we may serve you with full capacity. Grant us emotional health, that our service may be calm and loving and that we may never be ruled by our passions. Grant us psychological health, that we may serve with a clear mind and a pure heart. Grant us spiritual health, that we may pass safely through present sorrows and come to the joys of everlasting life. I ask this, Lord, in your name. AMEN*

**Ministry Schedule Jan. 16th & 17th**

	Saturday 16th	Sunday 17th
Reader	Angie Karban	Ed Huber
Usher	Charlie Peterson	Terry Lentz
Usher	Jim Eickhoff	Dan White
Usher		Greg Springer
Monitor	Don Huber	Jeff Jones

**2020 Contribution Statement Request**

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**The Baptism of the Lord, Feast – 10 January 2021** God Shows No Partiality. Saint Peter speaks the truth. God is impartial. For everyone who acts uprightly is acceptable. Everyone. Politics may be partisan at times, but Christians can never be. Indeed, Baptism makes us all alike – with differing gifts and charisms – but all in the image of Christ whose name we bear. God says to us as well: “I am well pleased.” Because of Baptism, how will I cherish even those not like me? What will I do today to bear the image of Christ? To whom will I say, because of this \_\_\_\_\_, I am well pleased?

**Prayer for a Blessing on the New Year**

O sacred and adorable Trinity, hear our prayers on behalf of our holy Father the Pope, our Bishops, our clergy, and for all that are in authority over us. Bless, we beseech Thee, during the coming year, the whole Catholic Church; convert heretics and unbelievers; soften the hearts of sinners so that they may return to Thy friendship; give prosperity to our country and peace among the nations of the world; pour down Thy blessings upon our friends, relatives, and acquaintances, and upon our enemies, if we have any; assist the poor and the sick; have pity on the souls of those whom this year has taken from us; and do Thou be merciful to those who during the coming year will be summoned before Thy judgment seat. May all our actions be preceded by Thy inspirations and carried on by Thy assistance, so that all our prayers and works, having been begun in Thee, may likewise be ended through Thee. Amen

Be Not Afraid to PRAY BIG! We currently have 16 seminarians, which is great! But wouldn't 40 be better?? YES!!! We invite you to pray a Hail Mary EVERY DAY at 4:40 for our diocese to have 40 seminarians. 4:40 for 40 Seminarians!

Your questions answered on dying and death – Why pre-plan your funeral? What should you do when your loved one is dying? Why should you insist upon the Catholic funeral rites? What about cremation and where you should be buried? Whether it is yourself or a loved one, understanding what the Catholic Church teaches on these end of life questions can be critical for one's soul. Go to [dio.org/funeral](http://dio.org/funeral) for easy to understand answers to several questions about dying, death, funerals, and burials.

**Dive Deep - Why the church is wrong on marriage.** Weddings are a hot topic! There are many opinions about the logistics surrounding Catholic weddings. Go to [dio.org/podcast](http://dio.org/podcast) to listen. Make sure to subscribe to the podcast so you never miss an episode!

What are you afraid of? – Going to confession, failing as a parent, to become Catholic, quitting a porn addiction, dying, getting an annulment, to have a child, talking to your adult child who has left the faith – all things you might be fearful of. Visit [benotafraid.dio.org](http://benotafraid.dio.org) to explore and experience your fears and find resources, answers, and help to some of life's biggest fears as a Catholic.

**“I hope that all communities will devote the necessary effort to advancing along the path of a pastoral and missionary conversion which cannot leave things as they presently are. ‘Mere administration’ can no longer be enough. Throughout the world, let us be ‘permanently’ in a state of mission.” (Pope Francis, Joy of the Gospel, #25)**

Almighty God, my parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly if I am. It will be holy if I am. Its pews will be filled if I help fill them. It will do great work if I work. It will be prayerful if I pray. It will make generous gift so many causes if I am a generous giver. It will bring other people into its worship if I invite and bring them. It will be a parish family of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity and mercy if I — who make it what it is — am filled with the same qualities. Therefore, with the help of God, I will dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be. Bless my journey, Lord God, I will dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be. Bless my journey, Lord God that I might follow Jesus and build the Church for you glory. Amen

**Weekend Online Mass Resources**

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 ALSO available YouTube. Also take advantage of FREE available catholic resources: [dio.org](http://dio.org), [wordonfire.org](http://wordonfire.org) with Bishop Robert Barron, Laudate app, [catholicmom.com](http://catholicmom.com), EWTN available on Direct TV 370, Dish Network 261, website [ewtn.com](http://ewtn.com), Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, Instagram, & YouTube & app. *If you have any questions please contact our office 532-5288.*