

Saint Agnes Parish

THE CHRIST INITIATIVE:

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WELCOME! New to our parish or just visiting for the day? Thank you for joining us! Just before the end of Mass, we welcome visitors and new parishioners. We are eager to meet you. Welcome

Mass Intentions Week of:

May 16, – May 24, 2015

Saturday: 4:00PM - (Fr. Tocci)

Patricia Gettings by Paul & Family

Sunday: 7:30AM - (Fr. Medas)

Farid Sfeir By Tanya

10:00AM - (Fr. Tocci)

Rozzie Jaworski by The Jones Family

Tuesday: 9:00AM

Jim Thompson by Millie Thompson

Thursday: 9:00AM

Rev. Richard J. Mehm

Saturday: 4:00PM (Fr. Tocci)

Tulita Gibson by Fred Gibson

Sunday: 7:30AM (Fr. Tocci)

Betsy Memmer by Francis J. Leary

10:00AM (Fr. Tocci)

Sheree Doherty by Kathy Surett

Contact Us

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Reconciliation:

Saint Agnes:

Wednesday, May 27th

7:00PM - 8:00PM.

St. Rose of Lima:

Wednesday, 20th

7:00-8:00PM

Last Week's Parish Support:

\$2,947.00

2nd Collection for Nepal: \$755.00



25th and 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass: His Eminence, Sean Cardinal O'Malley, OFM invites all couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2015 to the Silver and Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. The Mass will be celebrated on June 14th at 11:30AM and will include a renewal of vows. Family members and friends are welcome to attend. For more information and to register, please visit bostoncatholic.org/WeddingAnniversaryMass. Please register by June

1st to have your name included in the printed list of anniversary couples. A formal invitation and more information will be mailed to each registered couple in May.

Good News: I have great news to share with you. Cardinal Sean is sending our collaborative a seminarian from Saint John's Seminary, to be with us for a Pastoral Internship year. Americo Santos will begin his time with us this Monday, May 18, 2015 and continue through the Spring of 2016.

Americo is from El Salvador. His Pastoral Year with us - a full-time assignment - will give Americo a chance to become more familiar with the Archdiocese of Boston, and improve his english skills. For our parishes, his pastoral skills and love of God will be a great blessing!

Ladies of St. Agnes Game Night: Please join the Ladies for our Domino game night which is Monday, May 18th at 7:00 PM in the lower church hall. Light refreshments are served. Bring a friend to learn and play this fun game.

Vacation Bible School:

Vacation Bible School is coming to our collaborative the week of July 27-31, 2015, at St. Agnes Hall. We invite children entering grades K thru 5 to participate in this year's program called SonSpark Labs. Children will explore God's life-changing plan as they find out the answers to life's most important questions. They will discover that God loves them, and that through Jesus they can be members of God's family and personally experience God's plan for each of us. The cost for registration is \$30.00 per child and registration forms are available in the church foyers and online at thechristinitiative.org. For questions please contact Patsy Hemeon at hemeonp@gmail.com or call the parish office.

Monday Night:

On Monday, May 18th, from 7:00PM - 8:00PM in Saint Rose church hall, we will have our meeting of Heart to Heart. In the last year and a half, many of our parishioners have experienced the heartache of a loved one passing from this world into the next. While the death of a loved one is never easy, families in our parish have experienced some particularly unexpected, and untimely, death of a cherished family member. Our Faith tells us we are never alone, and asks us to walk with each other during times of joy and sorrow. Our gatherings will be an opportunity to have an open, honest, and safe conversation about what is happening in your life, heart, family, and faith since your loved one passed into the hands of God. Over the course of the next six meetings, we will have the chance to support and give light to each other. Please join us.

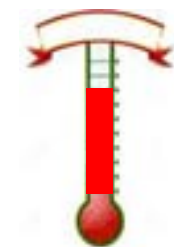
frmichael@thechristinitiative.org or 978.887.5505. Fr Michael

2015 Graduates - Please join us, with your family, on **June 20, 2015 at the 4:00PM Mass** for a very special Mass and blessing as you embark on the transition to high school, college, or the post college challenges of employment or continued education. This is a very special time for family and friends to gather to have a blessing on your future, give thanks to God for all you have accomplished thus far, and seek God's guidance in this moment of transition. If you would like to volunteer to participate in the Mass - bring forward the gifts of bread and wine, usher, or welcome others as a greeter - or if you have any questions about the Graduation Mass, please email Tricia Williams at williamspartyof5@comcast.net. A reception of food and family will follow the Mass in the church hall.

Our Share:

Every parish in the Archdiocese is asked to support those efforts one parish could not do alone. An example would be the running of a seminary. Each parish is asked to offer a fair share so we can educate future priests to minister to us, the people of the Archdiocese. Our parish has received the benefits of the Archdiocesan seminary in several ways; we received Fr Tom MacDonald as a Parochial Vicar, now Fr Ren, last summer Jason was sent to us for his seminarian summer, and this Monday Cardinal Sean is sending us a seminarian for a full year of Pastoral Internship. Many thanks to everyone who has contributed to the Catholic Appeal thus far. You have brought us so very close to meeting the goal of our fair share. We have raised 73% of our goal of \$27,279.00. With \$7,292.00, left to raise we need everyone's participation. If you have not had a chance to contribute to the Appeal, please take a moment to think about the blessings our parish

has received from the resources the Appeal makes possible - like the seminary - and kindly considering helping these blessings to continue. Catholic Appeal envelopes are in the pews and can be dropped off at the parish office or given to an usher. Many thanks!



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Rachel mourns her children; She refuses to be consoled, because her children are no more. Thus says the Lord: "Cease from your cries of mourning. Wipe the tears from your eyes... There is hope for your future."
 Jeremiah 31:15-17

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