

December † St. Agnes Faith First for Families

WEDNESDAY AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE

Dinner & Check-in	5:00
Music & Prayer	5:45
Stations	6:30
Closing Prayer & Treasure Tickets	7:35
Dismissal	7:45
<i>Treasure Table opens this month!</i>	

SUNDAY AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE

Dinner & Check-in	4:30
Music & Treasure Tickets	5:10
Mass	5:30
Stations	6:35
Closing Prayer & Dismissal	7:30
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Dinner & Check-in. Say grace as a family & enjoy your dinner out on the lawn. Extra blankets and chairs are available under the canopy near the main doors if you forgot yours. Be sure to check-in at the Reception Desk. Homework sheets will be given out at dismissal. *Optional childcare for children under 5 is in the Cry Room with adult & teen supervision after dinner.*

Music & Prayer/Announcements (Wed only). Gather in the main church for songs & prayer. We will focus on the "Question of the Week" for the Sunday Mass Reading.

Stations. 3 Stations in 20 minute rotations follow prayer. (See descriptions on back.)

Homework & Treasure Tickets. The Treasure Table opens in the Narthex immediately following the closing prayer. Station leaders/assistants will be at the exits to handout this month's homework calendar. Sign up for events at the Sign-in table in the Narthex.

Stations

STATION 1 - The Immaculate Conception (Located in the main church.)

Based on "Mary" (Homework Theme 19) we will learn about the feast of the "Immaculate Conception" which celebrates Mary being conceived in her mother's womb, without any sin.

ENTER: When exiting the Chapel, enter the main Church through the northeast side door by the handicapped parking.

EXIT: Go out through the four glass doors into the Narthex to station 2.

STATION 2 - Snowflake Craft (Located in the Narthex.)

Each child will make a snowflake Christmas card to mail to someone they love, based on "Christmas" (Homework Theme 25.) If you finish your card before it is time to rotate to the next station, you may make a second card. Please be sure to leave this area neat and clean for the next group.

ENTER: from the main church through the four glass doors into the Narthex.

EXIT: Walk through the main Narthex doors & follow the sidewalk to the nearest doors of the Chapel. Please do not run or climb on the water features.

STATION 3 - Our Lady of Guadalupe (Located in the Chapel.)

Based on "Advent" (Homework Theme 24) It was 500 years ago that Mary, the Mother of Jesus, appeared to Juan Diego on his way to Mass. Tonight we will talk about the miracle of this event.

ENTER: from the West chapel doors. Please do not climb or play on water features.

EXIT: from the Chapel's back door, follow the path to the main Church (Station 1) through the northeast side door by the handicapped parking.

Announcements

We need decorators, actors, actresses, and other helpers for our LIVE NATIVITY on Dec. 19, please sign up tonight in the Narthex after dismissal! All ages are needed!

Save the dates! More information will be in the weekly bulletin:

Dec. 19 – Live Nativity & Multicultural Celebration, 5:30-9:30pm
Jan. 2 – Free “Dinner & A Movie” Night, follows 4pm Mass @5
Jan. 21 – St. Agnes Feast Day Mass & Celebration, 7pm
Feb. 6 – Free “Dinner & A Movie” Night, follows 4pm Mass @5
Feb. 17 – Ash Wednesday, 7pm Mass
Feb. 22, 23, 24 – Parish Mission, 7pm all three nights
April 1 – Holy Thursday, 7pm Mass
April 2 – Good Friday Stations of the Cross, 7pm
April 3 – Holy Saturday Easter Food Blessing & Egg Hunt, 2pm
May 8 – May Crowning Mass & Ice Cream Social, begins with 4pm Mass
May 19 – First Communion rehearsal 6-8pm for all grades
May 23 – First Communion at 8:30, 10:30, 12:30 Masses

Youth Group meets every Sunday! Plus other dates are planned throughout the year for the teens including social nights, service, & diocesan events.

Middle School (6th -8th grades) 5-6:30 pm & High School (9th -12th grades) 6:30-8:30pm.

NOTE! Starting on Dec. 1st Middle School will meet 4-5:15 followed by 5:30 Mass.

Adult Volunteers Needed! Leave your name on the sign-up sheet in Reception to help with:

Set-up/Clean-up

Office Work & Communications

Station Leader/Assistant

Prayer Leader

Special Projects

Photographers

Information. All forms and parish information including the weekly bulletin and homework is posted at our parish website: www.StAgnesNaples.org

December Homework

Workbooks and family guides were given last month. If you were in the program last year, you will use your *At Home Family Guide* again and every student gets a new workbook according to their grade level. *Spanish Family Guides* change according to grade level every year, also.

This Week: No worries! There is never homework on the week of the Family Assembly!

Week 2: Theme 24 – Advent. Also, follow the Advent Calendar published in the 11/29/09 bulletin.

Week 3: Theme 19 – Mary

Week 4: Theme 25 - Christmas

If you have internet access, when children are done with their chapter, they may go to the Faith First website to take the chapter test. Here's how to take an online Chapter Test:

1. At the www.FaithFirst.com website, click **Kids' Clubhouse (K-3)** or **Kids Only (4-6)**.
2. Choose **Chapter Review, Legacy Edition**, then choose the appropriate **Grade & Chapter**.
3. Follow the directions on the screen to take the test.
4. Email the results with your child's First and Last Name to **Ivy@StAgnesNaples.org**
5. For every test Ivy receives, your child will get a ticket that can be cashed in for prizes at the Tickets for Treasure table the following month. The table will be open at dismissal.
6. **NOTE:** If your weekly assignment does not have an online test associated with it (such as the Kindergarten and some Liturgical themes) you can send an email stating in your child's own words what they learned and/or what family activity was chosen to be carried out that week.

Extra Credit! Extra Tickets! Only after you have completed the homework each week can you attempt the extra credit for extra tickets. Find the "Question of the Week" that goes with the Scripture readings at Mass for Sunday in the St. Agnes Sunday Bulletin. (It is usually printed on the inside front cover of the bulletin inside a tan box.) Re-read the Gospel and discuss your answers to the question(s) as a family. If you did not get a bulletin at Mass you can read or print a copy from the parish website. Be sure to email Ivy with your family's response to the question to earn a Ticket for Treasures! Ivy's email is **Ivy@StAgnesNaples.org**

If you do not have internet access and cannot borrow a friend/relative's computer or get to the public library, write out your family's responses to the question of the week and bring it to next month's assembly to earn your tickets! You may also have your child bring his textbook to show the completed chapters.

If you need assistance, call the office at 592-1949.

We will do our best to help you!