Today has traditionally been called “Gaudete Sunday.” The Latin tag is derived from Paul’s appeal in the second reading to “rejoice always in the Lord,” and the Latin Mass text based on that reading. The irony and paradox of this Christian joy is underlined by the fact that Paul wrote those words in prison. But from there he could see the progress of God’s work.

Is it obvious to us? We feel that this is not the time for joy when there is so much suffering and moral evil. It is interesting, then, that the first reading is from the prophet Zephaniah, who is almost exclusively concerned with gloomy visions of Judgment Day. Today the Church selects the only optimistic text in Zephaniah, in which the prophet has been touched by the spirit of joy.

This, we are assured on all sides, is “the season of joy.” Let us recapture that feeling of joy in our lives and reflect it to those who are joyless.
Welcome, New Parishioners
Please pick up a registration form in the Narthex, at the doors of the church, in front of the office or on our website www.stagnesnaples.org. Completed forms may be dropped in the collection basket, hand delivered, mailed, emailed or faxed. Thank you for becoming part of our Parish Family. God bless.

Bienvenidos, nuevos Feligreses
Por favor recojan su registración en el Narthex y puertas de la Iglesia, a la entrada de la oficina o en nuestro website, después de ser completada puede colocarla en la canasta de las ofrendas durante la misa, entregarla en la oficina, mandarla por correo, fax o e-mail. Gracias por hacerse miembro de nuestra familia. Dios lo bendiga.

SCRIPTURE READINGS
FOR THE WEEK
DECEMBER 17-23

Monday, December 17
Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

Tuesday, December 18
Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

Wednesday, December 19
Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25

Thursday, December 20
Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38

Friday, December 21
Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45

Saturday, December 22
1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56

Sunday, December 23
Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45
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- NX=Narthex PC=Parish Center
- CH=Church PR=Prayer Chapel
- CP=Chapel CR=Conference Room
- PL=Parking Lot CL=Classroom
- CY=Canopy BR=Bride’s Room

**Parish Office Closed**
Pray for Peace and Safety:
If you have a family member serving overseas, please let us know. We will publish their names in the bulletin to remind everyone to ask God’s blessings on them, that they may return safely to their families. Let us join our prayers for peace and safety with yours. Also, please let us know when they return home safely so that we may rejoice with you.

SPC Peter Holder
PFC Scott Norris, USMC
PFC Michael Baker
A1C Michael Melicia, USAF
Francisco Chavez, USAF
SSG David Clark, USA
BM2(SW) Charley Davidson USN
PFC Zack Steelman
SSG Andrew White
Cpl. Oasis J. Diaz, U.S.A.

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CDR Gregory Meyer
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PFC Luke Kerney Kuser
Spc Jacob Nienow USA
Timothy D. Trax USA

Capt. Dominic Francis Adams
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Giving Permission to Die

One of the greatest gifts we can offer our family and friends is helping them to die well. Sometimes they are ready to go to God but we have a hard time letting them go. But there is a moment in which we need to give those we love permission to return to God, from whom they came. We have to sit quietly with them and say: “Do not be afraid … I love you, God loves you … it’s time for you to go in peace. … I won’t cling to you any longer … I set you free to go home … go gently, go with my love.” Saying this from our heart is a true gift. It is the greatest gift love can give.

When Jesus died he said; “Father, into your hands I commit my Spirit” (Luke 23:46). It is good to repeat these words often with our dying friends. With these words on their lips or in their hearts, they can make the passage as Jesus did.

–Henri Nouwen
St. Agnes Parish                     7                   December 16, 2018

Christ has no body on earth but yours, no hands, no feet but yours...

—St. Teresa of Avila

Saint Stephen - The December Saint

The day after Christmas is called “St. Stephen's Day” to commemorate the first Christian martyr. It is also this “Feast of Stephen” that is mentioned in the English Christmas carol, “Good King Wenceslas.”

Stephen was a Greek-speaking Jew living in Jerusalem. He became a follower of Jesus Christ and was one of seven individuals chosen by the twelve apostles to serve tables, look after the distribution of the community funds (alms), especially to widows, and assist in the ministry of preaching.

Stephen was also a leader in the Christian group known as the “Hellenists,” a community that had its own synagogues where the scriptures were read in Greek. The Hellenist Christians maintained that the new Christian faith could not grow unless it separated itself from Judaism and specifically the Temple and the Mosaic law. The Hellenists also urged the expansion of the Church’s mission to the Gentiles.

The elders in a number of neighboring synagogues opposed Stephen and the Hellenists and charged him with blasphemy for saying that the Temple would be destroyed and that Jesus had set aside the Mosaic law even though Stephen maintained that Jesus came to fulfill the law, not set it aside.

When dragged before the Sanhedrin, the supreme legal court of Jewish elders, Stephen made an eloquent defense of the Hellenist Christian teaching. He charged his accusers of trying to stifle the movement of the Holy Spirit, of persecuting those who spoke prophetically and of betraying and murdering Jesus. Then he looked up to heaven and began to describe a vision he was having of the recently executed Jesus standing on the right side of God.

The council erupted into a furor and its members began shouting, covered their ears and ordered Stephen to be dragged outside the city and executed. As he was being stoned to death, Stephen asked God to forgive his attackers while the witnesses to his martyrdom placed their cloaks at the feet of Saul of Tarsus who consented to Stephen’s death. Saul would later undergo a conversion experience and become Saint Paul.

Saint Stephen was one of the most popular saints in the Middle Ages and in many countries his feast day of December 26 is still a public holiday. He is the patron saint of deacons and his name is included in Eucharistic Prayer I of the Mass.

Stewards Needed

Looking for a way to give back to Our Lord for the many gifts He has given you? Here are several opportunities. There will be an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist training on Saturday, January 12, 2019 after the 8:30 Mass in the Chapel. We will meet in the Narthex after Mass. Please call Karen Carollo at 239-370-6520 or email: luvsub00@hotmail.com to let her know of your interest.

Are you a person that loves working on the computer? Our Sound and Screens have availability. Call or email: John Stanley at 239-821-5113, e-mail: bigstanjr@earthlink.net
As you consider your Christmas and end of year giving, remember your extended Catholic family!

Your gift can be designated to our parish, Catholic School, the Catholic Faith Appeal, the Catholic Community Foundation or an individual ministry. These gifts provide support for Christ’s ministry and may assist you with some tax benefits. We are most grateful for your generosity to the Church!

Please consider a possible year end gift. Remember to consult with your financial advisor

**Gifts of Cash, Stock or Real Estate**

A cash contribution can be made to your parish, Catholic school, Catholic Community Foundation, or to the Catholic Faith Appeal (CFA) and may provide you with an income tax benefit. Please call the Development Office to facilitate a transfer of stock or to discuss a gift of real estate. Be sure to let us know if your gift is being restricted for a certain use such as a building fund, scholarship, CFA or unrestricted for the greatest need. For more information please contact: Carla Repollet at (941) 484-9543

**Contribute to an Endowment Fund**

One can give to an endowment fund through the Catholic Community Foundation of Southwest Florida to benefit a parish, school, seminarians or other Catholic institution within the Diocese of Venice. A gift or series of gifts made now, can provide a long-term income stream to benefit your selected institution, ministry or program well beyond your lifetime. At certain levels of giving, a named endowment fund can be established.

**Charitable Gift Annuities**

Your gift to the Catholic Community Foundation of Southwest Florida can generate regular fixed payments to you or a loved one. Charitable gift annuities provide guaranteed income during your life and a residual gift to an endowment fund benefitting your parish, Catholic School or the Diocese of Venice.

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Example: A $25,000 cash contribution from a 75-year-old donor will produce an annual fixed income payment of $1,450, that is partially tax free and provides an estimated initial income tax deduction of $10,670.

The minimum amount required to establish a charitable gift annuity is $25,000

For more information, please contact:
Michael Morse, Executive Director
Catholic Community Foundation of SW Florida
(941) 441-1124 / CCF@dioceseofvenice.org

*Annuity rates listed are for illustration purposes only, actual rates may vary.*
Dear Helpers in Waiting,
I received this letter from the good girls and boys at St. Agnes. If any of you can be one of my “helpers” this year I would sure appreciate it. Merry Christmas!
Love, Santa

Santa Claus | The North Pole

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are you? We are fine. Are you and your elves getting ready for the big night? Our parish family sure is! We have been very good this year. This past year St. Agnes continued to grow with more and more people coming to worship here. We now have more than 4,732 families registered! This year we hope that you will help our parish by bringing us the following items:

**Liturgical**
- Ciborium with Lid for Chapel Tabernacle • $420
- Spare Altar Cloth for Palmetto Ridge High School • $429
- Baptism Garments • $250

**Maintenance**
- Marble Floor Polish/Buffing Machine • $2,000
- Leaf Blower • $200
- Tow behind trailer for Golf Cart • $750

**Faith Formation/Youth Group**
- World Youth Day Scholarship - Any amount toward $2,850 per person total • $2,850
- College Scholarship for HS Seniors with parish service record • $500
- Mobile Sound System for outdoor youth events • $150
- My First Reconciliation and My First Communion booklets, need 150 each • $8.50 each ($2,550)
- “Scholarships” for First Communion and Confirmation Preparation need 20 • $100 each ($2,000)
- Family Prayer Books need 100 • $5 each ($500)
- Altar Server Appreciation Event, need 75 ($50 per server) • ($3,750.00)

**Music**
- Condenser Microphone for the Piano • $1,000
- Choir Microphones (CAD - Equitek E100S) need 4 • $1000 each ($4000)
- Children’s Choir: BETA 58A Super Cardioid Dynamic Microphones need 12 • $159 each ($1908)
- Wireless Printer for quick copies in Music Room • $100
- Music Stands - Lightweight - fold up for Storage, need 12 $40 each • ($480)
- Mic Stands (Stackable), need 12 $24.95 each • ($299.40)

Santa, we know you’re not made of money, and you have other important and worthy obligations during this season of giving, and so if you cannot bring us everything we need then perhaps you can ask one of your helpers to assist. We greatly appreciate whole or partial gifts for all of the above. Just ask them to contact the parish office at their convenience at 592-1949. Thank you and Merry Christmas!

Love, Fr. Bobby and The Entire Pastoral Staff of St. Agnes Parish

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I agree to donate the following item(s)

I agree to make a financial contribution in the amount of $________ to be used for the purchase of the following item(s)

Name: ___________________________ Address: ___________________________________________

City: __________________ State: _______ Zip: __________

Phone #: __________________ Email: ________________________________________________
Did you know that **Perpetual Adoration** is coming to St. Agnes?

We will begin three days per week from

Wednesday 9:00 A.M. through Friday at 9:00 P.M.

*(Looking for 122 Adorers to cover)*

To sign up, please register using the link at: [www.stagnesnaples.org/](http://www.stagnesnaples.org/)

If you need assistance, please e-mail us at: adoration@stagnesnaples.org and we will help you to sign up.

**ADORATION WILL HOPEFULLY BEGIN IN JANUARY**

*“Will you not spend one hour with Me?”*

*O, Come Let Us Adore Him! Christ the Lord!*

In a world where there is so much noise, there is a need for silent adoration of Jesus concealed in the Eucharist. Perpetual Adoration gives each of us a great opportunity to meet the most important person in our life, Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe, in a very special way. This is a very intimate time, when we surrender to Jesus in prayer, contemplating His Holy Body, present in the Host. It helps us to approach the Passion, the Cross and his Resurrection and help to transform us to be like him. Pope Benedict the XVI said, “In the Eucharist we experience the fundamental transformation of violence into love, of death into life; the Body and Blood of Christ are offered so that we ourselves may in turn be transformed.” When we adore Him we are astonished at how much He loved us, not only to die on the cross for us but to give us His very Body and Blood Soul and Divinity, which is hidden in the form of bread displayed in the monstrance. The more we pray before the Blessed Sacrament, the more we will grow in relationship with him and unite ourselves with Him in the Eucharistic celebration. The more we receive Him in the Eucharist, the more we will wish to be like him. In so doing, we will experience great spiritual growth. Pope John Paul II urged that the “worship given to the Trinity . . . must fill our churches outside of the timetable of Masses.” He continued...“adoration of Christ in this sacrament of love must find expression in the various forms of Eucharistic devotion...Let us be generous with our time in going to meet him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith” *(Dominicae Cenae, 3).*
Help us beautify the church on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day with flowers. This is a special way to remember those who cannot be with us at this special time of the year and it also gives us an opportunity to honor someone very special in our lives. We are seeking donations to purchase the Christmas Poinsettias. Fill out the form below and enclose a check in the amount selected. Please return both the form and check to the parish office or put in the collection basket. A special listing of the memorials and those honoring someone special will be in the bulletin after Christmas. Thank you for your support in making our church look even more beautiful during this blessed season.

St. Agnes Christmas Flowers

In Memory of: ____________________________________________________________

In Honor of: _____________________________________________________________

Requested by: ___________________________________________________________

___$10.00 Poinsettia ___$20.00 Poinsettia ___$50.00 Poinsettia ___$100 Poinsettia
UPCOMING MEETINGS

Assembly Officers’ Meeting: Monday, December 17, Classroom #1, 6:00 P.M.
Officers’ Meeting: Monday, December 17, Classroom #1, 7:00 P.M.
Color Corps Practice: Wednesday, December 19, Narthex, 7:30 P.M.
Color Corps Practice: Wednesday, January 2, Narthex, 7:30 P.M.
Assembly Meeting: Monday, January 7, Classroom #1, 6:00 P.M.
Council Meeting: Monday, January 7, PC Hall, 7:00 P.M.
Color Corps Practice: Wednesday, January 16, Narthex, 7:30 P.M.
Assembly Meeting: Friday, January 18, PC Hall, 5:00 P.M.
Frist Degree Exemplification: Sunday, January 20, Classroom #1, 10:00 A.M.
Assembly Officers’ Meeting: Monday, January 28, Classroom #1, 6:00 P.M.
Officers’ Meeting: Monday, January 28, Classroom #1, 7:00 P.M.
CATHOLIC WOMEN OVER THE AGE OF 18

WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF ORGANIZING A ST. AGNES COLUMBIETTE AUXILIARY WHICH WILL BE AFFILIATED WITH OUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 14202.

The Columbiettes are a unified body of Catholic women who work side by side with the Knights of Columbus Councils, with whom we are affiliated.

We contribute to our Parishes, our communities and our country through projects and activities within our own Auxiliaries, as well as the Chapter, State and Supreme Columbiette levels.

For more information or questions, please contact: Martha Gomez at mmgcolumbiette@gmail.com

Oh Come All Ye Faithful

Help Decorate your Church!

We need and welcome your help decorating St. Agnes for Christmas on Sunday, December 23rd at 6 p.m. There are bows to make, wreaths to fluff, trees to put up and more in the church, chapel and grounds.

Please join us for fellowship and fun!

ST. AGNES

CASH RAFFLE

$20,000 In Cash Prizes

The drawing will be held March 16th, 2019 during our St. Patrick’s Day Dance. Winner need not be present to win.

CASH PRIZES

- 1st prize $10,000
- 2nd prize $5,000
- 3rd prize $2,000
- 4th-6th prizes $1,000

Donation $25 per ticket or 5 tickets for $100
Make checks payable to St. Agnes

Tickets are on sale in the Narthex after Mass, in the Parish Office during the week, and online at www.stagnesnaples.org. Proceeds benefit Capital Improvements at St. Agnes & New Mission Development and our Diocesan Catholic Schools.

We will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Ordination of Fr. Tom Glackin at St. Agnes on Friday, December 21st with Mass at 5:00 p.m. and a dinner celebration at 6:00 p.m. in our Parish Hall. Tickets are $50 per person and are available at the Parish Office.

Space is limited.
Proceeds to benefit St. Vincent de Paul.

50th Anniversary of Ordination

Catholic-Jewish Dialogue of Collier County

Presents Film: Bogdan’s Journey
Sunday, February 24 at 2:30 PM
At St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Pulte Center

A Roman Catholic man works to heal a 69-year-old rift between Poles and Jews. In a story that begins with murder and ends with reconciliation, one man persuades the people of Kielce, Poland, to confront the truth about the darkest moment in their past: Kielce was the site of Europe’s last Jewish pogrom.

In 1946 forty holocaust survivors seeking shelter in a downtown building were murdered by townspeople. Communist authorities suppressed the story, leaving the town deeply embittered.

For Bogdan Bialek, a Catholic Pole, anti-Semitism is a sin. This conviction is the animating force of his life. Conflict over the pogrom was still a festering wound when Bialek moved to Kielce in the late 70s. He was shocked by the poisoned atmosphere of his new town. Trained as a psychologist, he has made it his life’s work both to persuade people to embrace their past and to reconnect the city with the international Jewish community.

90 minutes English Subtitles | Watch and discuss. Light refreshments will be served.

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* Mass aboard during our day at sea

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This cruise is arranged by Get Out of Town Travel and operated by Royal Caribbean Cruises, who will be responsible for the event. The cruise is not an event sponsored by or endorsed by the Diocese of Venice or by St. Agnes Church. While Fr. Bob Kantor will be attending this cruise, neither he, nor the Diocese is responsible for any of the arrangements. This cruise represents travel to destinations outside of the United States. Participants must make their own travel arrangements; should familiarize themselves with the destination(s); and must make their own decision on the safety and security of the travel arrangements provided by the cruise operator. The role of the parish in helping promote the trip should not be deemed as an endorsement or a representation of any kind as to the travel arrangements.
St. Agnes Parish  

St. Agnes Date Night  
Does Marriage Matter?

Monday, January 14 in the main hall  
6pm drinks and appetizers  
6:30pm dinner with show & discussion

Long before cultures or governments ever discussed marriage, God placed on the human heart a longing for the unique, lifelong commitment, and total self-giving love found in the Sacrament of Matrimony. What does God’s design mean for us in our daily lives together? A remarkable assembly of experts shows us the answer.

Beloved  
FINDING HAPPINESS IN MARRIAGE

Register & pay $40 per couple by Jan. 10 at www.StAgnesNaples.org or at the Parish Office. Childcare is provided. Questions? Rose@StAgnesNaples.org

Join us each month to continue enriching your marriage this year!  
Feb 11, Mar 11, Apr 8, May 13, June 24, July 8, Aug 12, Sept 9, Oct 28, Nov 11, Dec 9
Join Us for the Next Sunday Night Study!

Jan 13 - Apr 14

6:00pm: Light dinner & fellowship (donations accepted)
6:30-8pm: ‘You Did It to Me’ video, conversation, & prayer based on the book.

Cost: $10 donation for the book
Contact: Jan Christopher at 239-287-3684
or Email: mrs520@aol.com
Register with Jan or stop by the Parish Office, M-F, 9-4
This week’s photo is a bit different! Featured above are just some of the magnificent adult leaders who donate their time and talent to the Youth Group each week. We could not run the program without them!

Important Youth Group Update

Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, or Snapchat to see all the fun and exciting events we are doing this year!

Facebook: St. Agnes High School Youth Group
Twitter: @saintagnesyg
Snapchat: Agnes Naples

Questions?
robert@stagnesnaples.org
239-592-1949 Ext. 150

All events are in the Youth Room of the Parish Center located behind the main church.
**EVENTOS PARROQUIALES HISPANOS**

Los días de atención a los feligreses del Padre Luis Pacheco son los jueves y viernes de 10:30 a.m. a 4:00 p.m. El Diácono Roberto Landron está disponible de lunes a Viernes. Por favor llamar a la oficina para hacer su cita. (239) 592-1949

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**CD DEL MES DE DICIEMBRE**

El reconocido erudito de las Escrituras y autor, Doctor Tim Gray, ofrece una fascinante explicación de la importancia de la Iglesia visible y la centralidad de Dios en la Tierra. Ofrece ideas increíbles que aclaran el papel de la Iglesia como una parte esencial del plan de Dios para la salvación, que seguramente ayudarán a aquellos que la han abandonado, o que erróneamente afirman ser “espirituales, pero no religiosos”.

Este CD está disponible en el quiosco de Lighthouse Catholic Media, delante de la tienda de artículos religiosos.

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El Ministerio de Padres y Madres Orantes los invita a su reunión mensual para orar por sus hijos y todos los jóvenes. Se comienza con el Santo Rosario y tenemos la exposición del Santísimo Sacramento. Los días de reuniones son siempre día viernes en la Capilla de 6:30pm a 9:00pm.

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