



St. Agnes Catholic Parish



News Bulletin

Dec. 8th, 2024

St. Agnes Christmas Bazaar

SUN. DEC. 8TH, 2024
10 AM TO 7 PM



This Sunday join us at our annual Christmas Bazaar & celebrate the Christmas spirit with our St. Agnes community. Enjoy our holiday extravaganza of shopping, food, fun and good times with friends and family.



Masses	Confessions	Rosaries	Adorations
Monday - Friday 8:00 AM (English) 6:00 PM (Spanish) Saturday 9:00 AM (English) 5:00 PM (English Vigil) Sunday 8:30 AM (English) 10:00 AM (English Family) 11:30 AM (English) 1:00 PM (Spanish) 7:00 PM (Spanish)	Monday 5:00 PM - 5:50 PM 8:40 PM - 9:20 PM at Singing Adoration Wednesday 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Friday 5:00 PM - 5:50 PM Saturday 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Monday - Friday 7:30 - 8:00 AM (English) 5:30 - 6:00 PM (Spanish) Saturday 8:30 - 9:00 AM (English) Sunday 12:30 - 1:00 PM (Spanish)	24 hrs a day / 7 days a week Visit Jesus anytime at the Blessed Sacrament Chapel located at the right of the main entrance of the church. Monday 8:30 - 9:30 PM Singing Adoration by Agnes Live on IG @agneschoir

ST. AGNES CATHOLIC PARISH

PASTOR'S CORNER



Reflections From Our Pastor

Dec. 8th, 2024

My Dear St. Agnes Family,

Blessings!

Pilgrimages are a vital part of Catholic life, offering a unique opportunity to deepen our faith, renew our prayer life, and encounter God in a powerful way. The Catholic Church sees pilgrimages as a journey of spiritual transformation, where we follow in the footsteps of Christ and experience moments of grace, conversion, and reflection. They are not merely physical trips but sacred acts that draw us closer to our Christian vocation and to God's presence.

Throughout history, pilgrims have embarked on these journeys to seek spiritual change, healing, and to mark a personal growth. As we walk, we join the communion of Christians, both past and present, united in faith and devotion. Pilgrims echo the journey of life itself, as we all move toward our ultimate destination, of heaven.

The Bible also highlights the spiritual importance of pilgrimage, with stories like the Exodus and the missionary journeys of St. Paul. These experiences symbolize the ongoing path of faith and conversion, teaching us that our earthly lives are in essence, a pilgrimage towards the eternal life.

In the spirit of pilgrimage, I want to personally invite each of our St. Agnes parishioners to join us on a very special spiritual journey as we walk together from our church to La Ermita de la Caridad on Saturday, December 14th at 7:30 AM. This is a beautiful tradition that has united our parish for many years. Let us walk as one community, seeking God's grace and growing in our faith.

May this pilgrimage be a time of renewal and transformation for all of us.

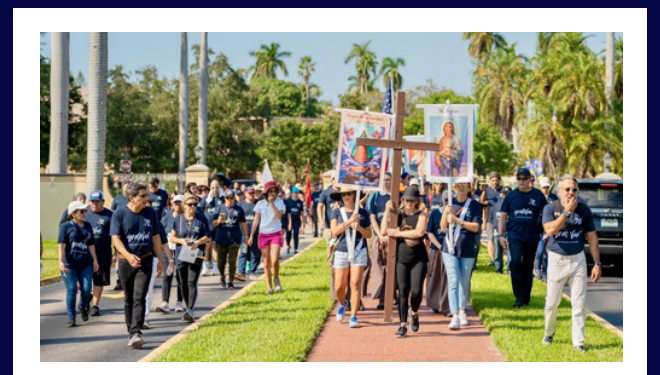
**TOGETHER WE
ARE ST. AGNES!**

Rev. Juan Carlos Paguaga
Pastor



**Father Juan Carlos
Paguaga**

**ST. AGNES CATHOLIC PARISH
PILGRIMAGE**



**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2024
JOIN US**

**REGISTER HERE
TO WALK
WITH US**



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

John went throughout the
whole region of the Jordan,
proclaiming a baptism of
repentance for the
forgiveness of sins, as it is
written in the book
of the words of
the prophet Isaiah:
A voice of one crying
out in the desert:

Peace



“Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths.
Every valley shall be filled
and every mountain and
hill shall be made low.
The winding roads shall
be made straight,
and the rough ways made
smooth, and all flesh shall see
the salvation of God.”

Luke 3: 1–6



hope



Prophecy Candle

Jesus is Coming.

It takes us back to Isaiah's foretelling of the birth of Christ and all of the promises God gave us in the Old Testament that would be fulfilled by the birth of Jesus.

peace



Bethlehem Candle

Kingdom of Peace is Coming.

Mary & Joseph's journey to Bethlehem reminds us that after so much division & destruction, Jesus is finally coming, and so is His Kingdom of Peace on earth.

joy



Shepherd's Candle

Joyful Anticipation

The third candle takes us back to the joyful anticipation of the shepherds who journeyed to see Jesus in Bethlehem, even before the wise men.

love




Angel's Candle

Love of God

The fourth candle of Advent represents the ultimate love of God. He loves us so much, that he sends His only Son for us. It leads us to eagerly await the new Kingdom of God on earth.

Advent Calendar

2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<div>1</div> <div>The First Sunday of Advent</div> <div>Begin your Advent journey by blessing your Advent wreath. Light the first violet candle and sing “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.”</div>	<div>2</div> <div></div> <div>What can you do this Advent to prepare your heart and life for the coming of Christ?</div>	<div>3</div> <div></div> <div>In those days Judah shall be safe and Jerusalem shall dwell secure; this is what they shall call her: “The LORD our justice.” Jeremiah 33:16</div>	<div>4</div> <div></div> <div>“By his perennial presence in the life of the pilgrim Church, the Holy Spirit illumines all believers with the light of hope. He keeps that light burning, like an ever-burning lamp, to sustain and invigorate our lives.” Pope Francis, <i>Jubilee Bull of Indiction</i>, no. 3</div>	<div>5</div> <div></div> <div>Make plans to receive the gift of God’s mercy in the Sacrament of Penance during this Advent season.</div>	<div>6</div> <div></div> <div>In honor of Saint Nicholas, known for his generosity to those in need, in this season of giving, make a gift of your time or treasure to an agency that works with those who lack the necessities of life.</div>	<div>7</div> <div></div> <div>Consider joining the Walk with One Initiative (Walk With One Eucharistic Revival Initiative for the Year of Mission) to invite someone into a deeper relationship with Christ and to accompany them on their spiritual journey.</div>
<div>8</div> <div>The Second Sunday of Advent</div> <div>On this Second Sunday of Advent, light two violet candles on your Advent wreath and ask God for the strength to be like John the Baptist, preparing the way of the Lord.</div>	<div>9</div> <div></div> <div>This year, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is observed today. Attend Mass and complete it until pray the Rosary, if the day of Christ possible.</div>	<div>10</div> <div></div> <div>I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to Jesus. Philippians 1:6</div>	<div>11</div> <div></div> <div>In the bustle of the holiday season, spend some time this week in silence and prayer, possibly before the Blessed Sacrament, to prepare your heart to receive the Lord at Christmas.</div>	<div>12</div> <div></div> <div>Today is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Our Lady of Guadalupe reminds us that God’s unfailing love encompasses all of us, regardless of immigration status, race, nationality, and all other differences. Learn more at Our Lady of Guadalupe – Justice for Immigrants.</div>	<div>13</div> <div></div> <div>On this Memorial of Saint Lucy, patron saint of persons who are blind, consider ways that your parish, community, and other groups can become more welcoming to persons with disabilities.</div>	<div>14</div> <div></div> <div>“We need to recognize the immense goodness present in our world, lest we be tempted to think ourselves overwhelmed by evil and violence. The signs of the times, which include the yearning of human hearts in need of God’s saving presence, ought to become signs of hope.” Pope Francis, <i>Jubilee Bull of Indiction</i>, no. 7</div>
<div>15</div> <div>The Third Sunday of Advent</div> <div>Today is the Third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday. At this halfway point in the season of Advent, light two violet candles and the rose candle on your Advent wreath and Rejoice! For the Lord is near!</div>	<div>16</div> <div></div> <div>According to custom, the Christmas tree is set up before Christmas and remains in place until the Solemnity of Epiphany. Share this blessing with your family and friends.</div>	<div>17</div> <div></div> <div>Today marks the beginning of the “O Antiphons.” This tradition, which comes from Evening Prayer, has been around since at least the eighth century.</div>	<div>18</div> <div></div> <div>The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior; he will rejoice over you with gladness, and renew you in his love. Zephaniah 3:17</div>	<div>19</div> <div></div> <div>“All of us, however, need to recover the joy of living, since men and women, created in the image and likeness of God (cf. Gen 1:26), cannot rest content with getting along one day at a time, settling for the here and now and seeking fulfillment in material realities alone.” Pope Francis, <i>Jubilee Bull of Indiction</i>, no. 9</div>	<div>20</div> <div></div> <div>Use this blessing to bless the nativity scene in your home: Blessing of a Christmas Manger or Nativity Scene USCCB</div>	<div>21</div> <div></div> <div>As winter begins in the Northern hemisphere, consider how you can share the light and warmth of Christ with others, especially those on the margins, in the new year.</div>
<div>22</div> <div>The Fourth Sunday of Advent</div> <div>On this Fourth Sunday of Advent, light all three violet candles and the rose candle on your Advent wreath and pray that the light of Christ will enter your heart so that you may share the warmth of God’s love with those you meet.</div>	<div>23</div> <div></div> <div>Spend a family evening eating cookies and drinking hot chocolate while you read the Christmas cards you have received. Before bed, pray an Our Father and a Hail Mary for all your beloved family and friends.</div>	<div>24</div> <div></div> <div>“Through our witness, may hope spread to all those who anxiously seek it. May the way we live our lives say to them in so many words: ‘Hope in the Lord! Hold firm, take heart and hope in the Lord!’ (Ps 27:14). May the power of hope fill our days, as we await with confidence the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and glory, now and forever.” Pope Francis, <i>Jubilee Bull of Indiction</i>, no. 25</div>	<div>25</div> <div></div> <div>Before opening presents, gather at your Nativity Scene and read the Christmas story (Luke 2:1-20) from your family Bible.</div>			



Christmas Masses

Tuesday December 24, 2024
Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord

8:00 AM English – Daily Mass
4:00 PM English
6:00 PM English – Children’s Mass
8:00 PM Spanish

Wednesday December 25, 2024
Nativity of the Lord
(Holy Day of Obligation)

10:00 AM	English
12:00 PM	Spanish
5:00 PM	English
7:00 PM	Spanish

Tuesday December 31, 2024
Vigil of Mary Holy Mother of God

8:00 AM English – Daily Mass
4:00 PM English
6:00 PM Spanish

Wednesday January 1, 2025
Solemnity of Mary Holy Mother of God

10:00 AM	English
12:00 PM	Spanish
5:00 PM	English
7:00 PM	Spanish



GREGORIAN CHANTS

DURING ADVENT

Advent is a liturgical season that marks the beginning of the ecclesiastical year in the Catholic Church. It is characterized by spiritual preparation for the coming of Christ, both in His Nativity and His glorious second coming. It is a period of reflection, hope, and expectation. A Gregorian chant is the official liturgical chant of the Latin Rite of the Catholic Church, developed primarily between the 9th and 10th centuries. It is monophonic (a single melody) and unaccompanied by instruments, which gives it an austere and contemplative character. Its origin is attributed to Pope Gregory the Great, who reorganized the Roman liturgy and promoted this style of music.

In this context, Gregorian chants, with their spirituality, simplicity, and theological depth, are especially appropriate for liturgical celebrations during Advent. The chants help to enhance prayer and meditation, convey solemnity: and introspection, and they foster Church unity and faith.

ADVENT GREGORIAN CHANTS

11

KYRIE

(Capo 3)

Re m (Si m) Dm (Bm) Sol m (Mi m) Gm (Em) Re m (Si m) Dm (Bm)

Ký - ri - e e - lé - i - son. Ký - ri - e

Sol m (Mi m) Gm (Em) Re m (Si m) Dm (Bm) Fa (Re) F (D) Si b (Sol) B b (G) Sol m7 (Mi m7) Gm7 (Em7) Fa (Re) F (D)

e - lé - i - son. Chri - ste e - lé - i - son.

Si b (Sol) B b (G) Sol m7 (Mi m7) Gm7 (Em7) Fa (Re) F (D) Re m (Si m) Dm (Bm) Sol m (Mi m) Gm (Em) Re m (Si m) Dm (Bm)

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Ký - ri - e e - lé - i - son.

13

SANCTUS

Mi m Em La m Am Mi m Em La m Am Mi m Em Do7M Cmaj7 Mi m Em

San - ctus, San - ctus, San - ctus Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá - ba - oth.

Sol G La m Am Mi m Em

Ple - ni sunt coe - li et ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a.

La m Am Mi m Em Sol G Mi m Em

Ho - sán - na in ex - cél - sis. Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit in

La m Am Sol G La m Am Mi m7 Em7 La m Am

nó - mi - ne Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán - na in ex - cél - sis.

14

POST CONSECRATIONEM

Celebrante: a cappella/ Priest: unaccompanied

o bien/ or

My - sté - ri - um fí - de - i. My - sté - ri - um fí - de - i.

Mi m Em La m Am Fa F Re m Dm Mi m Em

Todos/All

Mor - tem tu - am an - nun - ti - á - mus, Dó - mi - ne, et tu - am

Re m Dm La m Am Sol G Do C Re m Dm Mi m Em Re m Dm Mi E

re - sur - re - cti - ó - nem con - fi - té - mur, do - nec vé - ni - as.

15

AMEN

Celebrante: a cappella/ Priest: unaccompanied

Mi m Em La m Am

Todos/All

...per ó - mni - a sáe - cu - la sae - cu - ló - rum. A - men.

17

AGNUS DEI

Mi m Em La m Am Re m Dm Mi m Em Sol G La m Am Mi m Em

1. 2. A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis.

3. A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Christmas Migrant Gifts

For more than 30 years, the generous parishioners of St. Agnes have been giving Christmas gifts to migrant children in Homestead from the Redlands Christian Migrant Association (RCMA.)

We encourage you to once again, open your hearts and share the Christmas spirit by donating to support the RCMA families in need this holiday season.

You can help by taking one or more of the gift envelopes placed inside the baskets located at the entrances of the church and give \$20 in cash or check (payable to St. Agnes Catholic Parish along with a wrapped box of cookies or candies by Monday, December 16th, 2024.





The Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Monday, December 9, 2024

Masses

8 AM, 12 PM (Eng.) & 6 PM (Span.)

The Immaculate Conception of Mary refers to how Mary was preserved from the time of her conception from Original Sin, in anticipation that she was to bear God's Son. No sin would touch her, so that she would be a fitting and worthy vessel of the Son of God.

Prayer for The Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary

Totally yours,
Immaculate Conception,
Mary my Mother,
Live in me, Act in me,
Speak in me and through me,
Think your thoughts in my mind,
Love through my heart,
Give me your dispositions and feelings,
Teach, lead me and guide me to Jesus,
Correct, enlighten and expand my thoughts
and behavior, Possess my soul,
Take over my entire personality and life,
replace it with Yourself,
Incline me to constant adoration,
Pray in me and through me,
Let me live in you and
keep me in this union always.

--Pope John Paul II

GRIEF SUPPORT ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



**Tuesday, December 10, 2024
at 7 pm in our Church**

The Bereavement Ministry also welcomes all those who have experienced some type of loss or hardship to a special Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. This is an opportunity for you to pray and to experience the depth and power of Christ's love, comfort, mercy, and healing.



ST. AGNES CATHOLIC ACADEMY

122 Harbor Dr. Key Biscayne, FL 33149



ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

Apply
Online
Today!



Admissions Application
www.stakb.org

Admissions Applications Deadline
December 11, 2024

Entrance Exam Screening Day
January 11, 2025

By appt. only. Only students with a completed Admissions file, will receive an appointment email.

Late Application Window Opens
January 13, 2025

Decisions Emails Sent
January 31, 2025

At St. Agnes Catholic Academy, we are proud to provide an education that shapes not only our student's intellect but most importantly, their moral character rooted in God's image. Join us on our journey to inspire a generation of compassionate, virtuous, and service-minded individuals who will make a difference in our world.



Our Lady of Guadalupe

Thursday, December 12th, 2024 at 6:00 PM

**Come join the mass honoring
Our Lady of Guadalupe
featuring a Mariachi serenade.**

**The celebration will continue following
the mass at in Albertson Hall.**

MORNING RETREAT

MY MONTHLY ENCOUNTER WITH GOD

Thursday, Dec. 12th, 2024

9:00 - 11:20 am

St. Agnes Catholic Parish

Confessions, Meditation, Talk & Benediction

**MORNING RETREAT FOR WOMEN UNDER THE AUSPICES
OF OPUS DEI. IN SPANISH.**

**A MONTHLY DAY OF RECOLLECTION IS A TIME SET ASIDE
SPECIFICALLY FOR A CHRISTIAN TO SERIOUSLY GO DEEPER
INTO HIS OR HER RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD.**



Pages To Heaven BOOK CLUB

A spiritual reading club for anyone who wants to deepen their understanding of their Christian faith through literary classics. Spiritual reading is a cornerstone of Catholic practice, as it inspires our hearts and conforms our minds to Christ. This month, we will continue to discuss the book: **Mere Christianity** by C.S. Lewis. In the book, Lewis Lewis argues for the logical validity of Christianity. He explains that moral law isn't just an arbitrary human invention—it's actually a real, timeless thing—invented by an all-powerful being who stands outside the confines of material space and time, and reveals itself to humans through moral law.

FEATURED BOOK OF THE MONTH

MERE CHRISTIANITY

BY C.S. LEWIS

**TUES DEC. 17TH, 2024 AT
7:30 PM**

**ST. AGNES CATHOLIC PARISH
IN THE PASTORAL CENTER RM 401**

Join Our Book Club



bit.ly/PagesToHeavenBookClub

ST. AGNES CATHOLIC PARISH PILGRIMAGE



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2024

JOIN US

AS OUR COMMUNITY GOES ON A
SPIRITUAL JOURNEY--WALKING
TOGETHER FROM ST. AGNES TO
LA ERMITA DE LA CARIDAD.

REGISTER HERE
TO WALK
WITH US





Santas Misas

con el Padre Manuel Rodríguez.

Te invito a una celebración, en la cual bendeciré los nuevos distintivos de los consagrados a María.



14 de diciembre

Iglesia de St. Peter,
Jupiter, Florida - 7:00 p.m.

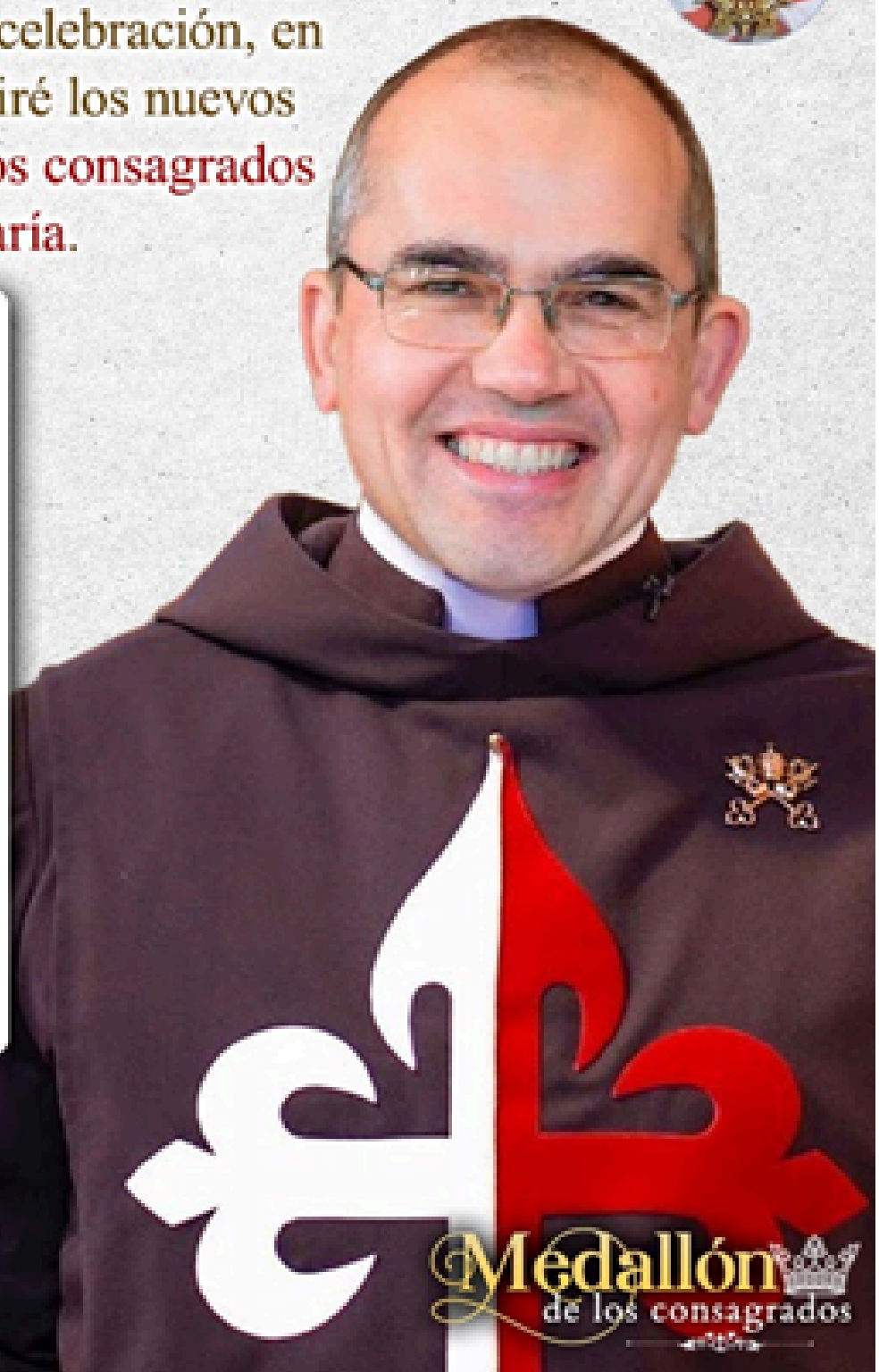
15 de diciembre

Iglesia de St. Agnes,
key Biscayne, Florida - 1:00 p.m.

Iglesia de Good Shepherd,
Miami, Florida - 7:00 p.m.



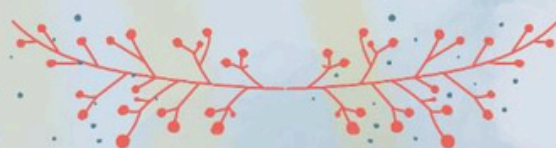
Entrada libre



“Madres de rodillas logran hijos de pie”



Oración de las Madres



Todos los **jueves**

🕒 **8:30** am.

St. AGNES Catholic Church
Key Biscayne. FL.
(Después de misa de 8:00 am.)

ROAD TO EMMAUS

St. Agnes Catholic Parish

Join us for a transformative
journey at the English

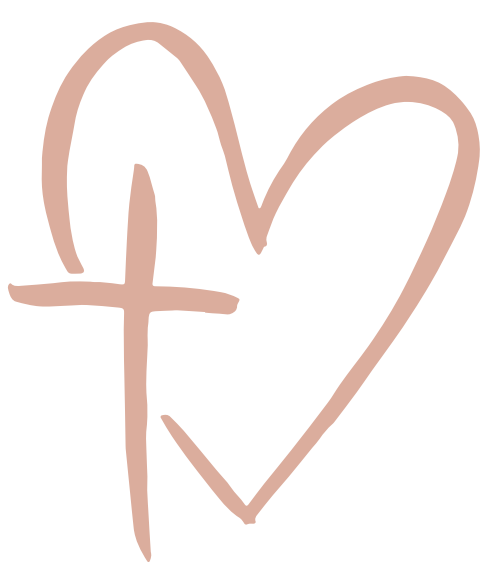
EMMAUS MEN'S RETREAT

Jan. 31 - Feb. 2, 2025

Register today!



bit.ly/MensEmmausRetreat49



ST. AGNES GIFT SHOP

Located in the entrance of the church.

We invite you to visit our St. Agnes Catholic Parish gift shop. It is filled with a beautiful and broad selection of artisanal and exquisite religious items from around the world.



STORE hours

Wednesday

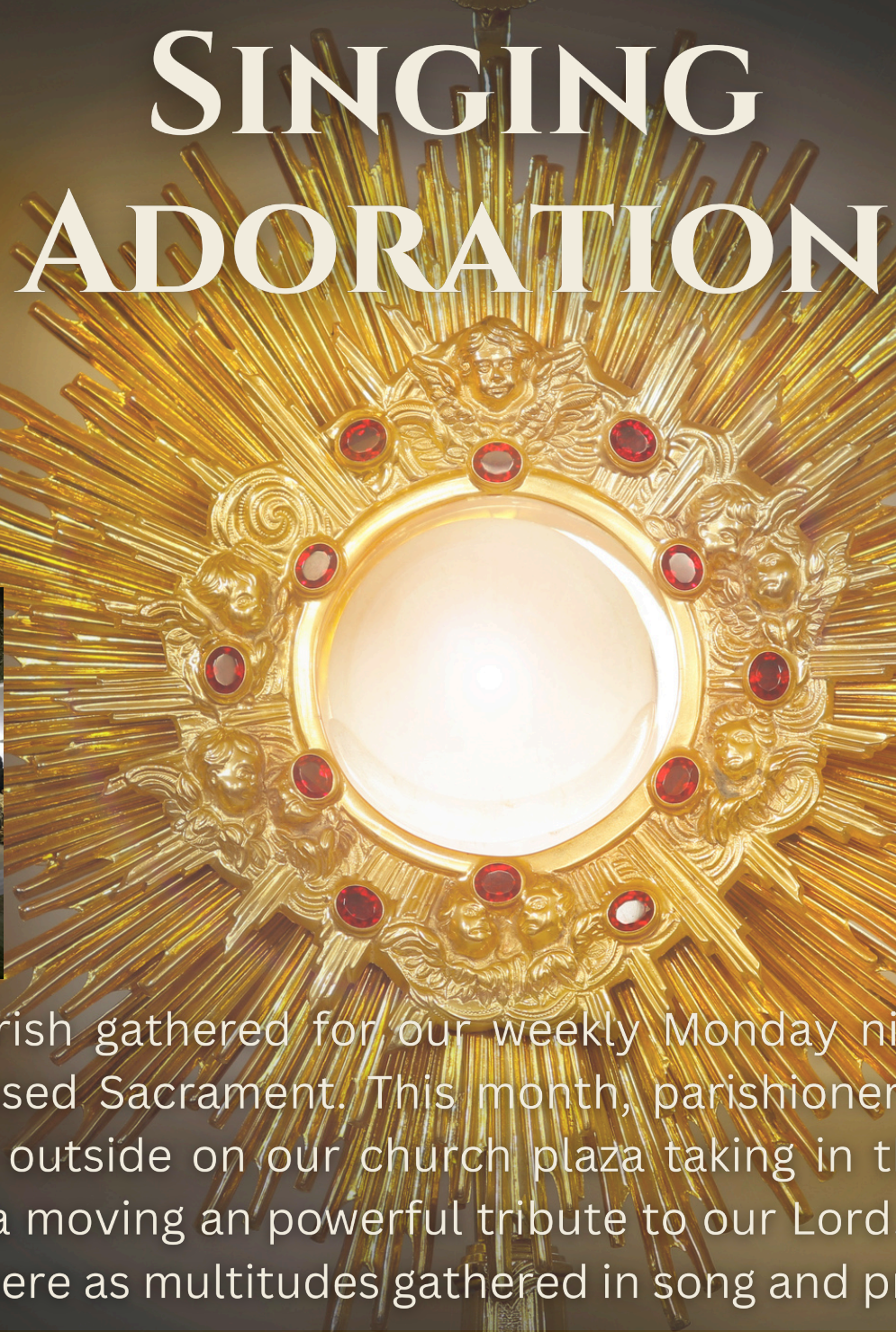
11AM - 2PM

Sunday

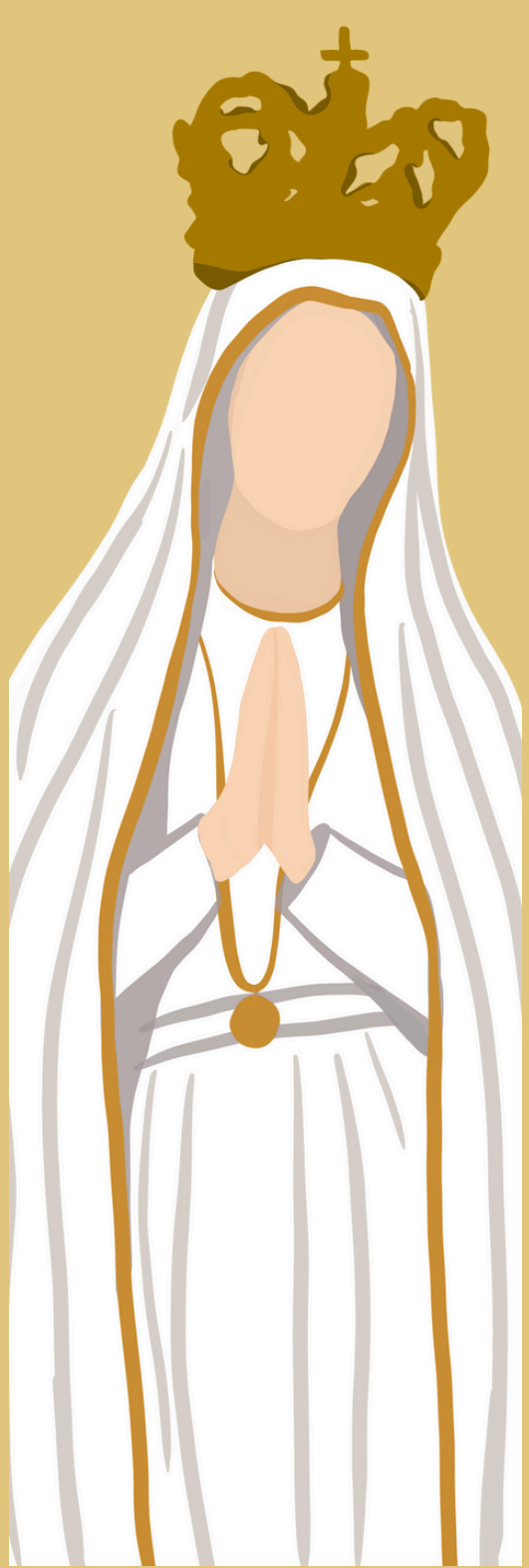
11AM - 2PM



SINGING ADORATION

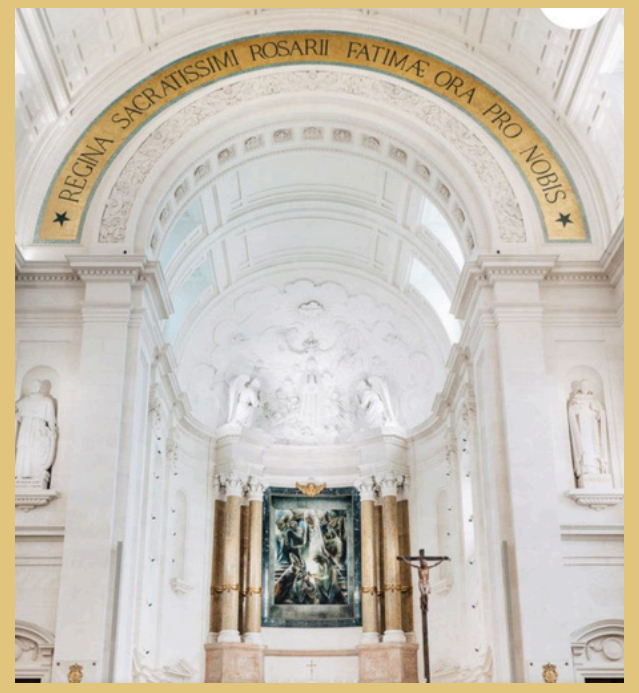
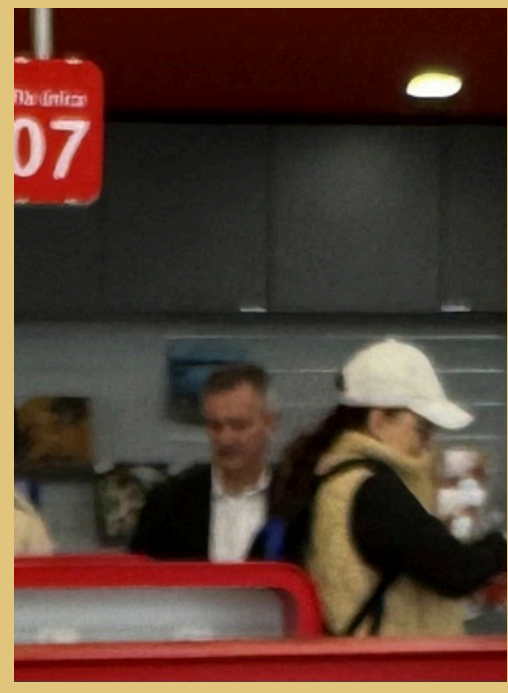


Last week our parish gathered for our weekly Monday night singing Adoration honoring the Blessed Sacrament. This month, parishioners led by our talented Agnes Choir sang outside on our church plaza taking in the season's fresh and breezy air. It was a moving and powerful tribute to our Lord. Love, hope, and faith filled the atmosphere as multitudes gathered in song and prayer.



Our Lady of Fatima St. Agnes Prayer Petitions

A few months ago our parish had the honor to host and exhibit the blessed statue of the Virgin of Fatima, brought to us by her custodian, Judy Studer. While the Fatima statue was here, our St. Agnes community of parishioners and students were able to venerate Our Lady, as well as submit their prayer intentions to her. Soraya Lazcano, one of our parishioners and her husband, recently visited Fatima in Portugal and kindly mailed all of our St. Agnes parishioners' prayer petitions directly to the World Apostolate of Fatima. Soon after, they received a letter from the World Apostolate of Fatima – Secretariat, next to the Shrine of Our Lady of the Rosary, confirming that they received our parish prayer petitions. The World Apostolate of Fatima assured them that our St. Agnes prayer petitions will be placed in the Repository in the Fatima chapel on the exact site where Our Lady appeared in 1917, beginning Thursday, December 5, during the evening Rosary. It is a blessing to know that our prayer intentions will perpetually be remembered and offered to God through our Lady of Fatima's intercession.



St. Agnes Sacrament Announcements



Baptisms

Welcome to our parish and to God's family.



Nicolas Garcia

Nov. 30, 2024 at 11:00 am



Cristina Swart

Nov. 30, 2024 at 12:30 pm



Alessio Nicolas Bello

Dec. 1, 2024 at 2:30 pm



May God always bless your

Marriage

Maribel Porth & Carlos Wiegering
November 2, 2024 at 3pm





AGNES CHOIR
SINGING
ADORATION
BEFORE THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT



MONDAYS
8:30 - 9:30 PM
ST. AGNES
CATHOLIC PARISH

100 HARBOR DRIVE
KEY BISCAWAYNE, FL 33149

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WHY SET UP RECURRING ONLINE GIVING?

BENEFITS FOR YOU

- Convenient:**
Set up only once. No need to have cash or check.
- Better Planning:**
Allows you to plan what you want to contribute for the year.
- Give when you want:**
Flexible - weekly, monthly, quarterly gift options.
- Give how you want:**
From checking, savings, debit or credit card accounts.
- Material Benefits:**
Gain miles or points on credit card.
- Greater Long-Term Support:**
Allows you to donate more over time than in a one-time gift.

BENEFITS FOR ST.AGNES

- Improved Cash Flow:**
Steady stream of income
- Better Planning:**
Predictable revenue. We can count on your support even when you are travelling.
- Cost Effective:**
Easy & efficient for staff
- Long-Term Support:**
More funds received over time
- Increased Donor Loyalty:**
To support our mission



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to continue its mission

CHURCH.STAKB.ORG/GIVE-NOW

Week	Online Donors	Online Giving	Envelopes	Anonymous	Total
12/1/2024	241	\$11,495	\$4,898	\$7,055	\$23,448
11/24/2024	224	\$10,041	\$1,430	\$5,429	\$16,900
11/17/2024	221	\$13,150	\$2,067	\$5,246	\$20,463
11/10/2024	224	\$12,608	\$2,781	\$5,109	\$20,498
11/3/2024	245	\$12,136	\$4,623	\$5,834	\$22,593

Contribution statements can be downloaded Visit
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Together we are St. Agnes!

NEW!

