

The Parish of St. Agatha

Milton ~ Quincy, MA

June 9-10, 2018

StAgathaParish.org

ST. AGATHA RECTORY

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9am-4pm
432 Adams Street
Milton, MA 02186

ST. AGATHA SCHOOL

440 Adams Street
Milton, MA 02186

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Daily Masses:

Monday-Friday:
7:00am & 9:00am
Saturday & Holidays: 8:00am

Reconciliation: 3:45-4:15pm
on Saturdays. Any other time
by appointment

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am
9:00 am
10:30 am
12:00 noon
5:00 pm

Holy Days: As Announced

- There are assistive devices for the hearing impaired available in the Sacristy before all Masses.
- Low gluten hosts are available. Please see priest before Mass if needed.

They heard the
sound of the
LORD God walking
in the garden
at the time
of the evening
breeze ...

Genesis 3:8, NRSV

Next Week's Special Collection

Promoting the Gospel

The rosary is recited
every morning before the
9am Mass. Please join us.

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Agatha Parish is a Christian Community of Catholics from Milton, Quincy and beyond, whose Mission is to demonstrate Love by:

- proclaiming and celebrating God's Presence on earth;
- being open and welcoming to all;
- reaching out to our sisters and brothers near and far; providing opportunities for prayer, service, education and recreation.
- In living this Mission, we accept our responsibility for giving witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Friday after the 9am Mass in the Chapel until reposition at 1pm.

Legion of Mary

meets every Wednesday
after the 9am Mass.



Please call
617-698-2439 and we
will arrange for a
minister of communion to
bring Eucharist to you.

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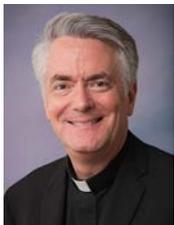
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A Note from Our Pastor,

Yes, June is here, and summer is around the corner! There is still a lot of activity in anticipation of the end of the school year, but also the expectation that the pace may slow down a bit once this month hits 20 days or so!

Well, we are certainly in the midst of graduation season! Last Sunday the seniors at Milton High School graduated, and this past Thursday we celebrated the Graduation Mass for the eighth-graders from St. Agatha School, as they now make the transition into high school. Let's be sure to remember in our prayers these young men and women as well as all the other members of our parish who are graduating at this time and embark on new academic ventures or who begin new careers.

Last Saturday the St. Agatha School 5K Race and Walk attracted a fine crowd of athletes young and younger! Jen Hopkins and her team did a masterful job in planning and carrying out the events of that day. The drawing of the winning ticket for the 2018 Ford Escape took place at that time. I am grateful to the Schlager family who made this raffle happen and to Sheila O'Connor Taylor and her team who put in oodles of hours and effort, including a push among the school parents to sell over 100 remaining tickets the last week before the drawing. Kudos to all who contributed time, effort, and donations to make this both enjoyable and lucrative for our school.

We just celebrated the Mass of Anointing of the Sick. It is always a joy to have a large number of parishioners with us for both the Sacrament of the Sick and for the Holy Eucharist. Mrs. Pat Clasby and her team as always outdid themselves in serving a lovely luncheon after the Mass where we had a chance to have a bite to eat, relax, and enjoy one another's company.

This weekend we have our annual Can and Bottle Drive to support our teens and their chaperones who will represent our parish as they travel to West Virginia for their annual Appalachian Service Project. I know many people save up their "empties" during the year to help fund their mission trip. It is also a great way to clear up a little space in your homes too!

Here is an update on some of our new staff members and staff openings. As you know Lisa Gulino whom many of you have met already stepped into the Pastoral Associate position here in the middle of last month. Some examples of her ministry here so far are the baptismal preparation program she conducted last Sunday together with the Biagiottis, making contact with Kathy Ferraro and other members of our Bereavement Team, as well as with Dell Staunton and members of our Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound, and Lisa has also been in communication with a number of our homebound parishioners already. Beth Peterson who is our

new Director of Faith Formation for Grades 1-6 began this past Monday and is very quickly coming up to speed on our program here with the assistance of Jenn Caputo and input from Ellen Cronin. Mrs. Nancy Carr will begin as Principal of St. Agatha School on July 1st, but met with a number of school parents this past Wednesday evening. This weekend another interview team will be reviewing with me the resumes of those who have submitted applications for the position of Youth Minister/Faith Formation Director, Grades 7-10. I am hopeful that within several weeks this last key position here will be filled with a worthy successor to Brian Pelligano.

Finally, in an attempt to combine reverence for a saint with a bit of humor I am repeating something I mentioned a year ago. This coming Wednesday we celebrate the Memorial of one of the most beloved saints. St. Anthony of Padua (originally from Lisbon) was a Franciscan friar and Doctor of the Church who was a very popular and gifted teacher and preacher. Because he was so effective in winning back to the Catholic faith those who had wandered astray from their Catholic faith and practice, St. Anthony has become known not only for finding lost people, but also as the Patron Saint of finding lost articles. Years ago an older priest who briefly served here as administrator (Fr. Frank Delaney), with whom I would play golf once in a while, gave me a golf ball with a picture of St. Anthony on it. You can guess what happened. The first time I hit the ball, off it went far into the woods (not unusual for me then or now), and after searching for about 5 minutes we had to give it up as lost! Fr. D. called me a couple of names I cannot include in a parish bulletin, and he never let me live it down. But apart from retrieving lost golf balls with his picture on them, St. Anthony's intercession still works wonders!

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Palardy

Next Week's Second Collection: Promoting the Gospel

Next week's second collection will be shared by the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) and the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). These two organizations communicate the Gospel by promoting works of justice, education and the dignity of human life. Your generous donations will give those in poverty the support they need to make lasting changes and will support our local communications needs, such as Catholic TV programming. For more information about these organizations, please visit

1. www.usccb.org/cchd
2. www.usccb.org/catholicgiving/opportunities-for-giving/catholiccommunication-campaign/index.cfm

This collection supports both national efforts, and local CCHD grants and parish communication efforts.

FEATURED WEEKLY READING

THE WEEKLY UPDATE

Read Reflect Respond

THEME: Following God’s Will

Which line in this reading caught your ear? What sense do you get about God as you listen to this Word proclaimed today?

First Reading : Genesis 3:9-15

After the man, Adam, had eaten of the tree, the LORD God called to the man and asked him, “Where are you?”

He answered, “I heard you in the garden; but I was afraid, because I was naked, so I hid myself.”

Then he asked, “Who told you that you were naked? You have eaten, then, from the tree of which I had forbidden you to eat!”

The man replied, “The woman whom you put here with me—she gave me fruit from the tree, and so I ate it.”

The LORD God then asked the woman, “Why did you do such a thing?”

The woman answered, “The serpent tricked me into it, so I ate it.”

Then the LORD God said to the serpent: “Because you have done this, you shall be banned from all the animals and from all the wild creatures; on your belly shall you crawl, and dirt shall you eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike at your head, while you strike at his heel.”

Pastoral Planning

June 10 ~ Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today’s scriptures remind us that even when we try to hide from God because of our failings and sinfulness, God is present extending healing and forgiveness. Being open and responsive to that grace, we then are “mother, sister and brother” of Jesus. Take a few moments today to pray again, the opening prayer of today’s Mass: “O God, from whom all good things come, grant that we, who call on you in our need, may at your prompting discern what is right, and by your guidance do it.”

The months of May and June are extremely busy for many of us, since it is a time for many joyous family celebrations as we head off for First Communions, Weddings, graduations and the like, and then thoughts turn to summer vacations and relaxing with family and friends. Just last weekend many parishioners attended Mass at St. Francis in Weymouth to celebrate Fr. Peter Casey’s 50th Anniversary of Ordination. Someone at the reception jokingly said “I wonder what the Offertory Collection will be like at St. Agatha’s?” since so many parishioners were at the celebration. My response was “I hope they all contribute electronically!” So this is a good opportunity to remind you about the availability of the electronic payment option for Weekly Offertory contributions. Parish expenses continue year round, so your ongoing support is critical to the parish’s financial stability. As of today, 235 people have selected this payment method and are now having their contributions either deducted from their checking account or charged to a credit card once a month. This past month this resulted in a total of \$11,018 in Offertory contributions. No more writing numerous checks, searching for envelopes etc. It is also a huge help to the parish, since it makes our flow of income a little more predictable. For example, the **in-pew** Offertory collection three weeks ago was \$10,747. This was \$1,912 higher two weeks ago which was the Memorial Day weekend when many people were away! But our **electronic contributions** are steady each week, and so the fact that many people were away did not affect it and \$2,912 was added to the in-pew total. This is a big help to the parish. If you would like to enroll, the process is very easy and can be done at any time. If you would like more information, please contact me at the Rectory at 617-698-2439, or by e-mail at operations@stagathaparish.org.

Last week at the conclusion of the St. Agatha School Road Race the winning ticket—number 056—was drawn. Full details were not available at the time the Bulletin went to be published so more will be in next week’s Bulletin. Nearly all of the tickets were sold, so this was a very profitable fundraiser for the School. Thank you so much to the many parishioners who joined the excitement to support a great cause.

Jack Riley



Weekly Offertory Report					
Weekly Budget	Jun 2-3 In-Pew Collection	Electronic Collection	Jun 2-3 Total Offertory	Weekly Difference	Total Difference YTD
\$13,235	\$9,307	\$2,912	\$12,219	-\$1,016	-\$37,160

Note from the Music Director

This Sunday the Children & Adult Choirs of St. Agatha Parish will conclude its 2017/2018 season.

On behalf of the music leadership, I would like to express my gratitude to all choir members and instrumentalists for their hard work and desire to minister.

The choir members are an inspiration to me as they share their talent so selflessly for the vitality of the music program in our Parish. It takes a considerable amount of time and effort to attend rehearsals, prepare concerts and serve all Liturgies throughout the year. Therefore, I would like to assure that their dedication and devotion is appreciated very much.

Wishing you all a great summer!

Sincerely,
Agata Orzechowska



Communion Calls to St. Agatha Parishioners Who are Homebound

Our parish is blessed to have several parishioners who serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Communion (EMC) to parishioners who are homebound. We are grateful for Dell Staunton who chairs this important initiative. It is most fitting to bring Communion to the sick and/or the homebound from the Mass. This ministry, a corporal work of mercy—visiting the sick—reminds those who are homebound that they are an important part of our faith community. The Church prays over the EMC with these rich words: **“As you go to the sick and the homebound, take with you not only the sacrament we have celebrated, but also the Word of God which we have heard, as well as the affection of this parish community. Ask for the prayers of those whom you visit in return. Go, now, with God’s peace and blessing.”** Do you know a St. Agatha parishioner who is homebound? Share this bulletin announcement with fellow parishioners whom you know and please invite them to call us. Please call Lisa M. Gulino, Pastoral Associate, at 617-698-2439 x209 to make arrangements.



Early Bird Special

Boston & South Shore
Men’s Prayer Gathering
Saturday, 7:00-8:30 AM
Next meeting: June 16

- ✕ Prayer ✕ Coffee and refreshments
- ✕ Presentation and discussion

Keeping Your Kids Catholic

DVD of Talk by **Dr. Marcellino D’Ambrosio**
(Dr. Italy)

Men, fathers, uncles, Godfathers, grandfathers, come for fellowship, recharging, and hearing Dr. Italy’s perspective on how to keep children Catholic

St. Mary of the Hills Lower Church
29 St. Mary’s Road (off Brook Road), Milton
617-696-3170 for more information



CREATIVITY & SPIRITUALITY

Will be taking a break for the months of June, July and August—see you in September. Have a blessed summer!

FYI:

St. Agatha’s Parish Summer Schedule of Weekend Masses begins **JULY 1st**. Please mark your calendars. Saturday Mass is 4:30pm with Sunday Masses at 7:30am, 9am, 11am and 5pm.

CAMP KANGAROO

Seasons Hospice Foundation Camp Experience

*Where Children Find Comfort,
Camaraderie and Hope After Loss*

CAMP KANGAROO is a free camp experience providing a supportive and therapeutic environment for children and teens who have experienced the death of someone close to them.

Led by dedicated professionals and trained volunteers from Seasons Hospice & Palliative Care, **CAMP KANGAROO** provides a unique opportunity for campers to build relationships with one another helping them to feel less alone in their loss. Participants will receive grief education and emotional support combined with fun camp activities.



FAST FACTS:

Date: July 14-15, 2018

Schedule: 9am-4pm daily

Location: Mount Ida College,
777 Dedham St., Newton, MA 02459

Deadline for Registration:
June 15, 2018

Contact: Annemarie Thompson, LICSW, Bereavement Specialist, 866-670-9449 or AnThompson@seasons.org



NEED HELP? The “Caring Circle” dares to care... Call 617-337-3225 for short-term non-financial help or visit www.mccaringcircle.org

FAITH FORMATION UPDATES



FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION Grades 1-8 is now past due.

All registrations received will now be placed on the waiting list to be processed and assigned to classes. In the past, registrations have continued to be accepted throughout the summer and even into the fall, but this year it will be necessary to strictly adhere to the policy of timely registrations. Only those who are entering Grade 1 or are new to the parish may submit registrations to be processed. Even for them, assignment to a small group will depend on the availability of catechists.

Sacramental preparation for First Penance and First Eucharist is a two-year process, usually in Grades 1 & 2. If your child will be entering Grade 2 in September and did not complete Grade 1 preparation, s/he must enter the Gr. 1 process for this year and receive the sacraments in Grade 3 (this is not an unusual occurrence).

Due to the transition in our Faith Formation office and with the pastors in the other parishes in Milton, we will not be having Vacation Bible School this summer.

CONFIRMATION & YOUNG CHURCH MINISTRY

FOLLOW THE YOUTH GROUP ON
 @staggieslifeteen or St. Agatha's youth group
 YouTube channel at StaggiesLT



HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP – July 21st – 28th, 2018:
Registration is full for our high school mission trip to West Virginia! To those signed up – get ready for the trip of a life time!

June 9th-10th – Can & Bottle Drive THIS WEEKEND! Stop by the rectory garages after Mass to drop off your cans and bottles to support the High School Mission Trip!

June 16th weekend – Sponsorship Weekend – Our teens will be speaking about their experience and we will have a 50/50 raffle in the back of the church after all Sunday Masses. In addition you can grab a form to sponsor a teen on the trip! We can email you pictures and a letter!

We will also be raffling off picnic tables built by the teens going on the trip! They're great for a cape house or your summer BBQs! Keep your eyes on the upcoming bulletins for more details!

Prefer to give online? We have an online donation platform available on GoFundMe.com

To Donate, visit: <https://www.gofundme.com/stagathaasp2018>

Thank you in advance for your support!

SAINT AGATHA SCHOOL

The winding down of the school year brings many fun activities and events at Saint Agatha School.



Spirit Day featured the annual Student-Teacher Basketball Game. All grades participated in the Spring Concert which was kicked off with a talented synchronized swimming team (not pictured).



Field Day had the students enjoying the fresh air in Cunningham Park.



SAINT AGATHA SCHOOL

Last Saturday was an event-filled day for St. Agatha School with the **4th Annual 5K Race & Walk**, celebrating the SAS community, and the drawing of the winning ticket for the 2018 Ford Escape raffle. Special thanks to our race director, Jen Hopkins; Lt. Kevin Foley and the entire Milton Police department for providing safety along the race course; and our sponsors. Well done!



Dylan Raimondi was our first place winner with a time of 17:36

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 8:00am	June 9 Wedding Anniversary	Sal & Jean Gulino
11:00am 4:30pm	Memorial	Anointing of the Sick Mass Agatina & Jerome McConvey
Sunday 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 12:00pm 5:00pm	June 10 16th Anniversary 20th Anniversary 9th Anniversary Memorial	Eileen P. Kreinsen Robert Bold Martin Glavin Powers & Shine Families For the Parishioners of St. Agatha
Monday 7:00am 9:00am	June 11 Special Intention Anniversary	Frank Porter Rev. Charles J. Murphy
Tuesday 7:00am 9:00am	June 12 Special Intention	Frank Porter
Wednesday 7:00am 9:00am	June 13 Memorial Anniversary	Anthony T. King Vincent C. Forrest
Thursday 7:00am 9:00am	June 14 Birth. Memorial	Mary Ring
Friday 7:00am 9:00am	June 15 Special Intention Good Health	Frank Porter James Regan
Saturday 8:00am 4:30pm	June 16 3rd Anniversary Memorial	Mary Clasby Caroline & Molly Krueger
Sunday 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 12:00pm 5:00pm	June 17 For the Anniversary All Fathers 13th Anniversary 3rd Anniversary	Father's Day Parishioners of St. Agatha Joan Galvin David Donaghue Cornelius F. Wholey

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

Baptism: 2:00pm on the 2nd/4th Sundays of each month. Please call the Rectory to arrange/ask questions regarding other arrangements.

Reconciliation: 3:45-4:15pm on Saturdays Any other time by appointment

Marriage: Call one of the parish priests or deacon. Arrangements are ordinarily to be made at least 6 months before the proposed marriage.



Saint Agatha School
Milton ~ Quincy
Currently accepting applications
for the 2018-2019 academic year.

Pre-school ages 3 & 4 and Kindergarten-Gr 8

For more information or to schedule a visit
please call 617-696-3548

Celebrate Christian Values • Excel in Education



Every Monday • Doors Open @ 4:30pm
BINGO begins at 6:40pm

Come and Play

School Parents, your help is needed. Thank You Volunteers!!!

