

**Religious Education Classes  
for grades K-11 available through St Agnes**

If you are a registered member of St Thomas More Newman Center your children are able to attend religious education classes through St Agnes.

Classes meet on **Sundays at 9am for grades K-6**, and on **Wednesdays at 7pm for grades 7-11**. Classes have already begun, but there is still room.

Please **contact Mary Denison, Director of Religious Education at St Agnes at 624-5161**, or call the church office at 624-4478. Those in sacramental preparation grades (2nd grade and Juniors) are asked to register as soon as possible so they don't fall behind.



**We Are Pro - Life**

- Abortion is the most important moral issue of our time. Other important issues become irrelevant if the preeminent right—the basic right to life—is lost.
- There are 47 million Catholic voters in the United States. One fourth of all registered voters are Catholics. Some Catholics say they personally would not have an abortion but support a woman's right to "choose"; but - science shows us that human life begins at the moment of conception and that abortion is murder, so Catholics cannot have it both ways.

From Pope Benedict XVI:

- Parliamentarians who vote in favor of abortion have "**doubts about the value of life** and the beauty of life and even **a doubt about the future**".
- "Selfishness and fear are at the root of (pro-abortion) legislation," he said. "We in the Church have a great struggle to defend life...**life is a gift not a threat.**"
- "The Church says life is beautiful, it is not something to doubt but it is a gift **even when it is lived in difficult circumstances. It is always a gift,**" the Pope said.

**Check out the Catholic Diocese of South Dakota website at [www.sfcatholic.org](http://www.sfcatholic.org):**

Catholic Views - a weekly radio program of timely news and interviews, along with a reflection of the Sunday scripture readings.

Prairie Rome Companion - a weekly audio program which provides explanations of Catholic teaching and a Catholic perspective on issues of the day.

Theology on Tap - listen to the latest discussions from speakers at the Theology on Tap meetings in Sioux Falls.

Rosary Online - Pray the rosary for vocations online.

Also find archived issues of the *Bishop's Bulletin* and links to other ministry events and activities throughout the Sioux Falls Diocese.



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<b>MASS, ADORATION AND CONFESSION TIMES</b>			
<b>WEEKEND MASS:</b>		<b>WEEKDAY MASS:</b>	
SATURDAY	6:30PM	Monday-Friday	12:30pm
SUNDAY	11AM & 6:30PM		
<b>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION</b>	11:15am M-F	<b>RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)</b>	1PM M-F

**DIY Bible Study** Two things to remember when you study the Bible: 1) the Bible teaches Truth, and 2) Jesus is God. Pope Benedict has suggested that the conviction of faith -- faith that Jesus truly is God -- is the starting point for reading Scripture. The pope noted the Bible's ability to inspire individuals and impact their day-to-day decisions. What's important, he once said, is to "read the Bible regularly, to let it keep us company and guide us."

<b>10/20, Monday</b> Reading 1 Ephesians 2:1-10 Gospel Luke 12:13-21	<b>10/22, Wednesday</b> Reading 1 Ephesians 3:2-12 Gospel Luke 12:39-48	<b>10/24, Friday</b> Reading 1 Ephesians 4:1-6 Gospel Luke 12:54-59
<b>10/21, Tuesday</b> Reading 1 Ephesians 2:12-22 Gospel Luke 12:35-38	<b>10/23, Thursday</b> Reading 1 Ephesians 3:14-21 Gospel Luke 12:49-53	<b>10/25, Saturday</b> Reading 1 Ephesians 4:7-16 Gospel Luke 13:1-9
<b>10/26, Sunday</b> Reading 1 Exodus 22:20-26 Reading 2 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10		Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 Gospel Matthew 22:34-40

October 18 - October 26, 2008

## IN A NUTSHELL

**10/18 Saturday**  
St Luke, evangelist  
6:30pm Mass

**10/19 Sunday**  
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
11am Mass  
6:30pm Mass  
7:30pm RCIA

**10/20 Monday**  
11:15am Eucharistic Adoration  
12:30pm Mass  
1pm Confessions

**10/21 Tuesday**  
11:15am Eucharistic Adoration  
12:30pm Mass  
1pm Confessions  
6:30pm Women's Group

**10/22 Wednesday**  
11:15am Eucharistic Adoration  
12:30pm Mass  
1pm Confessions

**10/23 Thursday**  
11:15am Eucharistic Adoration  
12:30pm Mass  
1pm Confessions

**10/24 Friday**  
11:15am Eucharistic Adoration  
12:30pm Mass  
1pm Confessions  
5pm Depart for Fall Retreat  
At Broom Tree.

**10/25 Saturday**  
6:30pm Mass

**10/26 Sunday**  
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
11am Mass  
6:30pm Mass

Deadline for bulletin submissions:  
Thursdays at 5pm.

## Last weekend's collection: October 12th - \$1058.26

### Rosary

Pray with meaning and purpose. Pray whole heartedly... think of Jesus and the great mysteries of life.

The repetition of prayer words can help free our minds to think and respond to grace on another level—we don't have to be creating the prayer as we speak it—we can just "ride" the prayer and let our hearts rise. We can enter the mysteries of God. We can sense that we are with Jesus and Mary in their earthly lives and that Jesus and Mary are with us and our families in our lives. Pray the rosary for your own needs or for the needs of the ones you love. It is a great gift to give—to pray for others!



### Catechesis Corner:

**Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.**

**Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.**

**Blessed be her glorious Assumption.**

**Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.**

The *Divine Praises* prayer gives God the glory while lifting our hearts to the awesomeness of God and His creation. The prayer is also a little catechism for us... teaching us what followers of Christ have always held to be true and worthy of reverence.

These four lines of the *Divine Praises* are all about Mary. When we praise God's handiwork, we praise God! Consider Mary, a young woman chosen by God, and who chose God right back. ..But she did not live happily ever after... even the knowledge that "all ages will call me blessed" did not save her from suffering anguish.

Mary is a human, not divine and she goes before us in following Jesus. Her bodily assumption into heaven is about the love of God and gives us hope for our own future. In Revelation St. John tells us of a "woman clothed with the sun," whom we take to be Mary present in heaven, body and soul.

"The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a **singular participation in her Son's Resurrection** and an **anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians**" (CCC 966).

The Church's Declaration *on Religious Liberty* teaches:

"... That society itself may profit by the moral qualities of justice and peace which have their origin in men's faithfulness to God and to His holy will.

(Dignitatis Humanae # 6)

In order for us to be faithful to God's will and work for justice we must submit our minds and hearts to Him. "Practicing" Catholics accept the moral authority of the Church. We work all of our lives to form our consciences to the Truth. Each Catholic has the responsibility to receive and act upon the Church's teaching and practice the whole faith. We study candidates' promises and actions in light of the Gospel teaching of the Church, so we can understand policy positions, party platforms, and vote for Good.

**RCIA**  
**Sunday Oct 19**



### Made in the Image of God

Each of us always has a spiritual soul, with intellect and with free will. From our first moments of life we are "ordered to God" That doesn't exactly mean that God give us marching orders! —Being ordered to God means that our "end" is part of God's original order. It's how we "fit" Him and His creation. We are all directed to that one end, which is Good, which is God. Our destiny is eternal happiness. We constantly seek what is true and good.

How do we explain the "fall" from grace?  
Join us in the classroom Sunday night after Mass  
for RCIA discussion. +

**"Wherever I go I challenge young people--as a friend--  
to live in the light and truth of Jesus Christ."**

--Pope John Paul II, St. Louis, Missouri

## Newman Center Fall Retreat

OVERNITE @ BROOM TREE YOUTH AND FAMILY CAMP  
Friday, October 24 thru Saturday, October 25  
**Register by Wednesday, October 23-**

Registration info is on the reception counter  
And space is limited

## St. Agnes Parish Fall Festival

Sunday, October 19th  
Serving 11am-1:30pm

Roast Turkey Dinner,  
includes choice of  
dessert and beverage.

Silent Auction  
Grand Raffle  
Youth Group Car  
Raffle - '95 Saturn  
Country Store  
Bingo  
and many children's  
games

**\$7 adults,  
\$4 for 10 & under**  
St. Agnes  
Catholic School  
Lewis & Walker  
Streets, Vermillion

### Newman Women's Group

Join other women of  
faith for Bible reading  
and discussion in  
Anne's office at  
6:30pm Tuesdays.  
Anne's e-mail  
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