

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS and EVENTS**

### **From Fr. Jim – Planning a Wedding?**

If you are planning a wedding and want to have it here, what steps should you take to prepare to celebrate your wedding day at Saints Agatha and James? If you are a registered contributing parishioner of Sts. Agatha and James, you should contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the wedding, ideally one year before, to determine if the date you wish is available and to begin the preparation. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia requires Marriage Preparation (Pre-Cana) for engaged couples. We offer Pre-Cana here twice a year - in March and October. The next Pre-Cana will be offered March 2 and 3 (see this bulletin). If you are not a registered parishioner of Sts. Agatha and James, but still wish to be married here, what are the steps you should take? First, contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the wedding, ideally one year before, to determine the availability of dates and to begin the preparation. Next, contact the parish in which you are registered and ask that a letter of Permission to Marry be sent to Sts. Agatha and James. Then, ask the priest who has agreed to marry you to write a letter to Sts. Agatha and James stating that he will be responsible for the paperwork for your wedding, conduct the rehearsal, and celebrate the wedding on the appointed day. However, the most important factor to keep in mind is that you should practice your faith regularly, not only on your wedding day but every day! Invite the Lord often under your roof and when you marry, do so under His roof.

God's blessings to each of you.

**Weekly Holy Hour:** Each Tuesday evening from 7PM to 8PM Holy Hour will be held in the Chapel in the Newman Center. Everyone is welcome to attend. The evening will include Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Adoration, Benediction, music, and various forms of prayers.

**Sign Up for Ministry at Saints Agatha & James:** If you missed the opportunity to sign-up for Ministry Service, please call the Parish Office 215-396-9732 or stop by the Newman Center to request a Sign-Up Form.

**Pauline Book Exhibit:** At Nativity of Our Lord Parish in Warminster Oct. 22-23 after the 5:00PM, 8:00AM, 10:00AM and Noon Masses. Come see the selection of religious media appropriate for all ages. Call 215-675-1925 with questions.

**Stand Up for Life:** Join us for a Pro Life Liturgy at the 8:30AM Mass on 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month in the Center's Chapel. After Mass we prayerfully process to Penn Family Care at 39<sup>th</sup> and Chestnut Streets.

**Penn Grad Student Needs Transportation To and From Sunday Mass:** Lives in the vicinity of 47<sup>th</sup> and Spruce Streets; would like to go to the Sunday 9:30AM or the 11:30AM. Please call 215-386-9732 or write to [info@saintsaj.com](mailto:info@saintsaj.com).

### **PARISH COUNCILS**

**Parish Pastoral Council:** Fr. Jim McGuinn, Eric Banecker, Thomas Holloman, Natalie Seminole, Carole Tokarczyk

**Parish Finance Council:** Fr. Jim McGuinn, Eileen Brennen, John Doyle, Ray Jones, Ed Nelling, Peter Scoles

### **PARISH MINISTRIES**

#### **This Week at Saints Agatha and James**

##### **Saturday, October 15**

2:30PM Wedding Sean Bernard and Erin Carnish

4:00PM – 5:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:30PM Saturday Vigil Mass Parishioners and Benefactors

##### **Sunday, October 16 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30AM Mass Intentions of the Candeloro & Zagrosky Families

11:30AM Mass Intentions of Parishioners and Benefactors  
Baptism – Leah Yosmanovich-Islam

5:30PM Mass Students, Staffs, & Faculties at area Universities

9:00PM Mass In Memory of Salvador Pasuquin, Sr.

##### **Tuesday, October 18**

7:00PM Holy Hour St. Bede Chapel, Newman Center

##### **Wednesday, October 19**

12:05PM Mass In Memory of Juan Chico

##### **Friday, October 21**

7:30AM Mass In Memory of Harry Lilly

12:05PM Mass In Memory of Maria Del Carmen Seara

##### **Saturday, October 22**

2:30PM Wedding Eric Nograles and Ka Kim

Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:00PM - 5:00PM Fr. George

5:30PM Saturday Vigil Mass Parishioners and Benefactors

#### **Celebrants for the Weekend Masses, October 22 and 23**

##### **Sunday, October 23 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:30PM Saturday Vigil Mass Fr. George

9:30AM Sunday Mass Fr. Jim

11:30AM Sunday Mass Fr. Jim

5:30PM Sunday Mass Fr. Benjamin

9:00PM Sunday Mass Fr. George

### **ADULT MINISTRIES**

TBA, Director of Adult Ministries

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For matters pertaining to Catholic Forum, Circle of St. Bede, Connections, Legion of Mary, Outreach, Pre-Cana, RCIA, Scripture Study, Young Adults, please contact TBA.

**Catholic Forum:** Everyone is welcome to attend this gathering to share fellowship and reflect on the readings of each Sunday's Mass. Meet after the 9:30AM Mass in back of the Church near the Heritage Room to walk to the Center.

**Circle of St. Bede:** invites interested early risers to join. We seek to promote the integration of faith with our academic lives and to foster a sense of Catholic community in the campus setting. We meet in the lower level of the Newman Center for coffee and socializing following the 7:30AM Mass. Presentations begin promptly at 8:10AM and finish at 8:50AM. Typically, the group discusses a reading on the topic distributed a week before. For more information, please contact Dr. Peter Dodson at [dodsonp@mail.vet.upenn.edu](mailto:dodsonp@mail.vet.upenn.edu).

**Legion of Mary (Korean):** We meet at 6:00PM Wednesday evenings in Room 2, Lower Level, the Newman Center. Please contact [yjk72770@gmail.com](mailto:yjk72770@gmail.com) for more information.

**Pre-Cana:** will be offered Friday evening, March 2, and all day Saturday, March 3, 2012: For more information, please write to [info@saintsaj.org](mailto:info@saintsaj.org) or call 215-386-9732 and leave your name and contact information.

**Scripture Study:** New members are warmly welcomed at 8:00AM on Wednesdays in the lower level of the Newman Center. We are discussing the Book of Job. Contact Charlotte

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Ethier at [ethiercc@aol.com](mailto:ethiercc@aol.com) for more information.

### **HOSPITAL MINISTRIES**

Rev. Benjamin Nwanonyi, Director of Hospital Ministries  
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Rev. George L. Strausser, Director of Hospital Ministries  
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For matters pertaining to Hospital Ministries, Hospital Eucharistic Ministers, contact Fr. Benjamin or Fr. George.

### **LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**

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For matters pertaining to: Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers, Art & Environment, Sextons, Audio/Visual, contact Bruce Carlson.

**Interested in Music?** Do you sing or play an instrument? Are you interested in participating in the Music Ministry at Sts. Agatha and James? If so, write to Bruce Carlson.

### **OPERATIONAL MINISTRIES**

Joseph Lamb, Director of Operational Ministries  
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For matters pertaining to Business Ministries, Facilities Ministries, Office Ministries or Custodial Ministries, please contact Joe Lamb.

**Weekend Parking:** For weekend Masses parking is available in the lot adjacent to the Rectory; the lot behind the Center – enter from 3700 Sansom St.; or little parking lot, off 38<sup>th</sup> St.

**Weekday (Mon – Fri) Parking:** As there is limited availability, please consult Joe Lamb for weekday parking permission.

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### **DREXEL NEWMAN MINISTRY**

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**Connections I and II:** Gather with others, reflect on Scripture, and spend some time in prayer. All are welcome to Connections which meets Wednesdays at 4:00PM or 9:00PM in the Newman Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Intercultural Center, 30 S. 33<sup>rd</sup> Street. Contact [Drexelnewman@gmail.com](mailto:Drexelnewman@gmail.com).

**Get connected!** Learn about upcoming events. Join our email list by emailing Mike Chovanes at [Drexelnewman@gmail.com](mailto:Drexelnewman@gmail.com).

**Freshmen retreat:** Drexel freshmen are welcome to join us on our freshmen retreat this year, *Novus*, Nov. 12-13. Topics will range from “choices”, to “friendship”, to “religion”. Upperclassmen—we need your help to run the retreat!

**Newman Dinner:** On Thursdays at 6:00pm at the Newman Center, 3720 Chestnut St., gather with us for our weekly \$3 dinner! All Drexel Students are welcome!

### **PENN NEWMAN MINISTRY**

Jeff Klein, Assistant Director, Penn Newman  
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### **ALL PENN STUDENTS**

**Family Weekend Pancake Breakfast!** All Penn students and their families and friends are invited to join us on Sunday, Oct. 30 at 10:30AM! Please RSVP to Jeff Klein with the number attending by October 23.

**Get Connected!** To join one of Penn Newman’s email listservs (one for undergrads; one for grad students), see [www.newman.upenn.edu](http://www.newman.upenn.edu) and click on REGISTER NOW!

**Newman Dinner:** On Thursdays at 6:00PM at Penn Newman, gather with us for our weekly dinner! A great meal for only \$3! The event also features Open Mic! All Penn students welcome and no reservation necessary! Also, volunteers are needed to help set up (5:00-6:00) and clean up (7:00-7:30).

**Newman Center Open Late!** The Center will be open Mon.-Thur., 9AM-9PM and Fri., 9AM-5PM. A great place to study and socialize – AirPennNet enabled!

**Spiritual Mentoring/Direction:** An opportunity to meet one-on-one with a professional minister to speak about your life. Several mentors are available to Penn undergraduate and graduate students. See [www.newman.upenn.edu](http://www.newman.upenn.edu).

### **PENN GRADUATE STUDENTS**

**Grad Student Weekly Service:** The Univ. City Hospitality Coalition’s meal for the poor and homeless needs volunteers 5:30-7:00PM on Mondays at St. AJ’s. Email Anna Smith at [annasm@vet.upenn.edu](mailto:annasm@vet.upenn.edu)!

**Connections:** On Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30 pm, a weekly small-group program featuring social opportunities, discussion on how faith impacts our lives and prayer. A 6-week series starting Oct. 18. Email Jeff Klein.

### **PENN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS**

**Newman Nights:** Newman Nights have moved to Thursdays, 7:15 pm, following Newman Dinner! NN’s feature an opportunity for socializing, prayer and discussion on current topics. All Penn undergrads welcome! For Oct. 20: “Condom Nation” – The Church’s teaching on artificial contraception is one of its most controversial. Let’s talk about what the Church says and why so many disagree.

### **U SCIENCES NEWMAN MINISTRY**

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**Connections:** This is a great opportunity to gather with others, reflect on Scripture, and spend some time in prayer. All are welcome to Connections which meets Tuesday evenings at 8:00PM in Woodland Hall, Room 13. For more information, contact [uscience.newman@gmail.com](mailto:uscience.newman@gmail.com)

**Freshmen retreat:** USci freshmen are welcome to join us on our freshmen retreat this year, *Novus*, Nov. 12-13. Topics will range from “choices”, to “friendship”, to “religion”. Upperclassmen—we need your help to run the retreat!

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