



Connecting Students and Families through Faith
August 16, 2026



Upcoming Events

Wednesday, August 19th

1st Day of School

Friday, August 22nd

Safety Day

****Important Reminders:**

- PE days are M-Th-F: Please be sure your child is wearing tennis shoes
- Library books are due on Tuesday
- Lunch count is turned in to the caterer by 8:15. If your child will be late, please call before this time to ensure a lunch is ordered for them.
- Mass day is Wednesday. Please be sure that your student is dressed appropriately for Mass. They are visiting the house of the Lord – please look nicer than a normal school day. (No athletic wear or logoed t-shirts)

Giving Tree

The teachers and support staff of St. Agnes would like to thank all the generous supporters of the Giving Tree, who filled a multitude of wish-list items for the classrooms, playground and other programs. What a wonderful surprise for our staff to return to school to a bucketful of items graciously donated by individual parishioners and school families! We are most grateful to HSA for hosting the tree and to each of the individuals who took time to fill a wish. We are blessed to have such a supportive village of people who help us in our mission to continue to build the kingdom of God through our faith-based education.



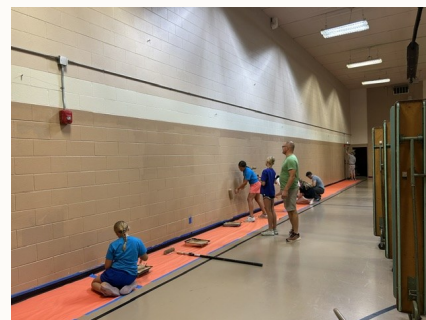
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Facility Upgrades Completed this Summer

Multiple spaces underwent a refreshing this summer. With the help of a gracious group of parents, the music room, library and gym were all repainted. New carpet was laid in both the library and music rooms courtesy of the Home & School Association. We are very excited to showcase the new look in these rooms during open house. Thanks to the parents who helped with painting and to the HSA for helping make these upgrades possible.

Our computer network and firewall also underwent a refresh this summer, bringing that equipment up to standard.



Easy Ways to Support St. Agnes School

We know that parents, grandparents, alumni, friends and parishioners love to do what they can to support St. Agnes School. There are some very easy ways to offer support to our school.

Legacy Coop Receipts: If you shop at Legacy Co-op, please save your receipts and turn in at the school or in the collection basket. For every \$100,000 in receipts, the school receives \$1000.

Lunch Help: We need 2 volunteer servers daily to assist our lunchroom supervisor. If you can give 1 hour (11:30-12:30), please contact the school office and get signed up.

100 Club: This long-standing fundraiser is both fun and easy. Members pay \$10/month to participate. Winners are drawn monthly and can win from \$50-\$200. If you'd like to be a member, please contact 100 coordinator, Mary Skiles at skilesmary@hotmail.com.

Star Cards: Star Cards may be purchased in physical cards or online to purchase items you would already be buying. The participating businesses give a percent back to the organization, (our school). Cards are sold the 3rd Sunday of the month after all Masses, are available in the school office, can be ordered at starcards@st-agnes-school.com, or can be purchased as e-cards online. There are hundreds of participating merchants. For more information, contact coordinator, Jody Windhorst.

Hot Lunch Menu for August 17st, 2026 - August 21st, 2026

<u>Monday, Aug 17</u>	<u>Tuesday, Aug 18</u>	<u>Wednesday, Aug 19</u>	<u>Thursday, Aug 20</u>	<u>Friday, Aug 21</u>
NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	Cheese Enchiladas Black Beans Spanish Rice Grapes	Chicken Tenders Mashed Potatoes Corn Pears	Sloppy Joes Celery Cucumbers Oranges
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What's Happening at St. Agnes School.....

Welcoming New Staff

Erin Marks

Hello! My name is Erin Marks. I was born and raised in Scottsbluff and have been a lifelong parishioner of St. Agnes Parish. My husband, Jeffrey, and I were married here at St. Agnes in 2005, and together we have two daughters. Our oldest, Emma, is 19 and a graduate of St. Agnes School. She is currently attending Colorado State University in Fort Collins. Our youngest, Bella, is 12 and will be in seventh grade at Bluffs Middle School. For most of my married life, I have been a stay-at-home mom, while also serving in a variety of roles, including as a para educator for students in kindergarten through fifth grade. My mother is from Colombia, South America, so I was raised bilingual and surrounded by a rich Latin culture. I am excited to share my love of the Spanish language, the traditions of Latin America, and, of course, its wonderful food with your children!



Keri Benton

I am so excited to be the 3rd grade teacher at St. Agnes Catholic school! Teaching is my calling and I am so blessed to walk this journey with you. I have taught for 13 years and this is my first year teaching 3rd grade. I previously taught Pre-K here at St. Agnes for 3 years. I was the Kindergarten teacher at Community Christian School for 5 years. I have also taught 1st and 2nd grade. I earned my bachelor's degree from Chadron State and my Masters degree from Walden University. I live in Scottsbluff with my two amazing kids and our 3 dogs. I also have 2 grown children. One is in college in Atlanta and the other lives here in Scottsbluff. I love spending time with my family, growing in my faith, and teaching!



Nancie Riesen

My name is Nancie Riesen, and I am the new 5th grade teacher. First and foremost, I am a mom to four wonderful young people; Brenton, Whitney, MacCormick and Madelyn. My husband, our two youngest, and I make our home in the country. There, we raise fainting goats and sheep. I enjoy nature, helping my kiddos at fair, gardening, reading, hiking and art. I have taught English at the high school level, but I am really looking forward to teaching elementary!!!

