

St. Agnes Catholic Community

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Diverse
Inclusive Jesuit



Liturgy Schedule

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| Sunday: 8:30am | Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm |
| 10:30am | Weekdays: 8:30am |
| 6:00pm | Holy Days: 8:30am & 5:30pm |

Mission Statement

We the people of Saint Agnes are:

an inclusive urban community, rich in diversity of age, ethnicity, gender, orientation, culture, talent, & treasure; a faith community, enlivened and empowered through Baptism to celebrate and proclaim the presence of Christ among us.

We declare to one and all that we commit ourselves to:

grow spiritually as disciples of Christ to become men and women for others
build community through hospitality, ecumenism and social & cultural events
understand cultural differences and accept them as sources of enrichment
give loving service & outreach to those in need
promote social justice issues in our neighborhood and in the larger community of city, nation, and world.

We pledge ourselves to be a light in the darkness through the love that we share in the name of Christ and through the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

January 26 & 27, 2019

Dear Parishioners,

We are now smack in the middle of ordinary life. Christmas is over; winter is here. Sometimes it seems like there is no light at the end of the tunnel. The humdrum of daily existence and ordinary obligations can bore us to death.

Now is the time to realize that “our one precious life” should have love and joy as its foundation. People should see this on our faces and in our actions. Our faith that God is with us in everyday life, that in nature around us and in the people and events in our life God is speaking. We are surrounded by God.

Anthony de Mello, S.J., has a wonderful meditation on the Joyful Mysteries of our life. He asks us to go back to a person, event, a letter, an experience, whatever that brought you a sense of being loved or loving. He asks you not to recall but to relive that time in your life. See the people, hear the sounds, feel, touch. Allow those feelings of love and joy to fill your conscious mind. Soak in the love and joy of the memory. De Mello makes the point that within us is a resistance to experiencing love and joy because we don’t feel we are worthy of being loved. This is Original Sin. This meditation stretches our intake of love and joy.

You may say what is the sense of doing such a meditation with so much suffering around us? Yes, it is critical that we face the suffering and injustices of our world but to do so with loving, joyful hearts rather than angry ones. Let’s go through everyday life with love and joy on our faces.

Raymond Allender, S.J.

Parish Information

Parish Staff & Ministries

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| Pastor | Fr. Ray Allender, S.J. |
| Associate Pastor | Fr. Joe Specht, S.J. |
| Priest in Residence | Fr. Joe Spieler, S.J. |
| Priest in Residence | Fr. Lourdu Mummadi, S.J. |
| Priest in Residence | Fr. Vincent Pereppadan, S.J. |
| Director of Liturgy & Music | Frank Uranich |
| Director of Operations & Admin. | Maureen Beckman |
| Director of Children's Faith Formation & Ignatian Spiritual Life Center | Grace Salceanu |
| Administrative Assistant | Marco Matute |
| Bookkeeper | Cathy Collins |
| Sexton | Mario Hernandez |
| Cantor | Scott Grinthal |
| Sacristans | Frank Mitchell, Matthew Tominaga, Teri Bradshaw |
| Altar Linens & Vessels | Nita Zarilla |
| Art & Environment | Marilyn Thickett, Marco Matute |
| Consolation Ministry | Naomi Mayer |
| Finance Committee Chair | Chris Roman |
| Food Pantry Director | Stacey Shaffer |
| St. Agnes & St. Ignatius Comm. Food Bank | Kathy Devine |
| Funeral Ministry | Jim Connor |
| Gabriel Project | Mary Alba |
| Ignatian Spirituality Ministry | Barbara Nelson |
| Wedding Coordinator | Shannon McMillen Evans |
| Marriage Prep Classes | Regina Lathrop & Bob Boguski |
| Peanut Butter Brigade | Marjorie Miles |
| R.C.I.A. | Cathy Collins |
| Rita da Cascia | Mary Lou & Kevin Johnson |
| Young Adult | YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com |

January 26 & 27 – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

*For your prayerful consideration,
readings for next week:*
**Jeremiah 1.4-5, 17-19 •
1 Corinthians 12.31-13.13 • Luke 4.21-30**

| Date | Intention | Presider |
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| Jan. 26 4:00 PM | Elsie Tom & Stella Ho (D) | Fr. Donal Godfrey |
| Jan. 27 8:30 AM | Charlie Caspersen (D) | Fr. Joe Specht |
| 10:30 AM | Don & Virginia Snyder (D) | Fr. Donal Godfrey |
| 6:00 PM | Parishioners of St. Agnes | Fr. Ray Allender |
| Jan. 28 8:30 AM | Nenita Matute (L) | Fr. Ray Allender |
| Jan. 29 8:30 AM | Julia David Paul (D) | Fr. Lourdu Mummadi |
| Jan. 30 8:30 AM | Patricia Gray (L) | Fr. Vincent Pereppadan |
| Jan. 31 8:30 AM | Jeffrey Scales (D) | Fr. Joe Spieler |
| Feb. 1 8:30 AM | Pat Talbot (L) | Fr. Joe Specht |
| Feb. 2 4:00 PM | Parishioners of St. Agnes | Fr. Ray Allender |
| Feb. 3 8:30 AM | Judy Hedges (D) | Fr. Joe Specht |
| 10:30 AM | Loyola Guild (D) | Fr. Ray Allender |
| 6:00 PM | Joe Gordon (D) | Fr. Lourdu Mummadi |

D = Deceased; L = Living

New Parishioners

You are Home! Welcome to a great parish community! Please fill out a registration form found at the entrances to the church or stop by the rectory to add your name to our mailing list. All are welcome!

Sacraments

Please contact the Parish Office for information about the following: Anointing of the Sick * Baptism * Children's Faith Formation & Liturgy of the Word * Communion for the Homebound * Marriage * Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

Children's Care during Liturgy

Care is provided for children 18 months through 5 years of age during the Sunday 10:30 AM Mass. Our Daycare Room is located across from the daily mass chapel. Parents with children under 18 months are welcome to use the daycare room as long as at least one parent stays with the child.

Ignatian Spiritual Life Center

The Spiritual Life Center (1611 Oak Street) provides programs and services to the parish and larger faith community through educational programs, opportunities for prayer, and community events. Visit www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org.

Archdiocesan Victim's Assistance Coordinator

If you or someone you know has been a victim of sexual abuse; or you suspect sexual abuse, please call (415) 614-5506 for help.

Reconciliation Schedule

Saturdays • 3pm – 3:45pm or by appointment

Parish Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9am to 4:30pm
(Closed Noon-1pm for lunch)

Phone: 415-487-8560

Fax: 415-487-8575

St. Agnes Stewardship

Last Sunday Collection: \$3,433.47

Last year: \$4,607.17

4pm: \$1034; 8:30am: \$484; 10:30am: \$1675; 6pm: \$240.47

Please consider EFT or PayPal donations



COMING SOON TO THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER

1611 Oak Street

To RSVP for ISLC events contact Grace Salceanu at
Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com or 415-487-8560 x225.

www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org

Pope Francis' January Prayer Intention

"Evangelization: That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world."

"Encounter: Reflections from the Border"

This Sunday, January 27, 12 pm; ISLC

On January 9-13, a group of parishioners participated in a delegation to the border in El Paso, TX and in Juarez, Mexico facilitated by the Encuentro Project, a ministry co-sponsored by the Jesuits in El Paso, and in partnership with the Ignatian Solidarity Network. Join the conversation over a **light lunch** as they **share reflections** of what they saw, heard and felt on the border and how this might shape our commitment to sanctuary in the new year. All are welcome. Suggested donation is \$5 for lunch. RSVP to Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com.

San Francisco Interfaith Coalition on Immigration

Wednesday, February 13, 6 - 7:30pm; ISLC

Join St. Agnes and other San Francisco sanctuary congregations in our monthly conversation facilitated by the Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity. Together, we will discuss current events in immigration and faithful actions committed to justice.

Centering Prayer Workshops

Monday, February 25, 7 - 8:30pm; ISLC

"Prayer as Relationship with God & Methods of Centering Prayer"

Monday, March 4, 7 - 8:30pm; ISLC

"Thoughts and Use of Sacred Word & Deepening Our Relationship with God"

These workshops will introduce the method of Centering Prayer, which is a practice that leads to resting in God and consenting to God's presence and action within our lives. Centering Prayer prepares us for contemplative prayer, which gradually transforms us. The emphasis is on our relationship with God based on Jesus's teaching in the Gospels. "We are always in the arms of the beloved, whatever we may feel or think" (Thomas Keating). Mary English, our parishioner, who has trained in Centering Prayer with the network, Contemplative Outreach, will lead the sessions. RSVP to Mary English (thecentering@comcast.net).

125th Anniversary Events & Happenings



Save the Dates: April 6 & 7, 2019

Dinner Gala (Marine's Memorial, SF) and
Rededication Mass of St. Agnes Church

Dinner Gala (Marine's Memorial) - **Saturday, April 6, 6pm**

Church Rededication Mass - **Sunday, April 7, 10:30am**

Tickets and Tables go on sale in early February!

Dinner Gala Auction

During our gala event, we will hold an auction to raise funds for an improved church sound system. We are looking for donated items such as vacation home stays, airline miles, sports tickets and other unique goods. We will also be collecting gift cards for baskets. The auction committee members will have a **table in the hospitality area after Masses**. For more information or to arrange a donation stop by the table or contact **Ruth Mitchell** at rfmitch@pacbell.net or **415.661-9104**. Thank you!

Sign UP - New Parish Photo Directory!

(Photos Sessions: Feb 27 & 28; March 1 - 3, 2019)

Sign-ups for the new parish directory's photo sessions have begun and will continue for the next month. Sign up in two ways: **1) In person** before and after weekend Masses, or **2) Online** - go to <https://www.saintagnessf125.com/yearbook> and click the [Sign Up] button. **One volunteer is needed at each weekend Mass up to Feb. 17** to assist in signing up parish households for their photo session. If you are a regular at one of the Masses and are willing to do this, 15 minutes before the Mass and 15 minutes after, on 1 or all 5 weekends, please contact **or email Mike Henseler at hensemike@yahoo.com**, or you can **sign up online** at: <https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/2630057/true#/invitation>.

Eucharistic Ministers Needed at St. Francis Memorial Hospital

Interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister at a community hospital? Saint Francis Memorial Hospital located in Nob Hill is looking for additional volunteers to provide the Eucharist to their Catholic patients. Volunteering commitment would be one hour a week, with a flexible schedule and complementary parking. Contact Preston Becker to learn more: 415-353-6343 or Preston.Becker@DignityHealth.org.

Thank YOU - CFF Volunteers!

A huge **thank you** to Andrea Robb & Family, and to all of the St. Agnes families who swept, scrubbed, spackled, painted and re-designed the St. Francis Room and its adjoining kitchen and bathroom! The rooms have been transformed to offer hospitality, a welcoming space for faith formation, and a warm environment for the many support groups that take place there. Be sure to check it out! Donations are welcome to support this project. Contact Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com for more information.

8:30 Mass Next Weekend - Feb. 3

Sunday (Feb. 3), the Kaiser Permanente Half Marathon will take place with road closures in our area **until 10:00am!** This will mainly affect the 8:30 am Masses since the roads will re-open by 10am.

A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land with Fr. Russ Roide, SJ

Join Fr. Russ Roide (former Pastor of St. Agnes) on a pilgrimage in the Holy Land, *Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus*, **June 19-29, 2019**. The cost is \$2,190 per person (land only), space is limited. Please email Fr. Roide at russellroide@aol.com if you are interested.



ONGOING AT THE



IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER

Tuesday Morning Mindfulness 9am - 10am

Join us for an opportunity to use music, poetry & spiritual reading to meditate together, hold the prayers of our community and enjoy the gift of our presence to one another.

Thursday Morning Faith Sharing 9am - 10am

Each week, participants have the opportunity to reflect on how and where God has been working in their lives and the world and to share their insights with others in a safe and respected space. The morning begins with prayer, and then moves into silence and then into discussion.

Book Club

If you enjoy lively discussion over a glass of wine and tasty snacks, come join us! The Book Club meets monthly (Sept. - June) the last Friday of the month at **7:00pm**.



Siddhartha

By Hermann Hesse

February 22, 2019

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, Our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
And ascended into heaven,
And is seated at the right hand of God,
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the
living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Stewardship Prayer

Lord and source of all gifts, I rejoice in the fullness of your generosity. I thank you for those whose lives are visible signs of your love and blessing to others. Give me the courage to do the same. Make me a good steward of all I have received generously sharing my time, abilities and material resources to build up your kingdom of love and justice. We ask this through Jesus Christ, in whom we begin and end all things. Amen.

Prayer of St. Francis

(Prayer for Peace)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console;
to be understood, as to understand;
to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we
receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and
it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life. Amen