

# St. Agnes Catholic Community

1025 Masonic Ave. San Francisco, CA 94117 [www.SaintAgnesSF.com](http://www.SaintAgnesSF.com) 415.487.8560

Diverse  
Inclusive Jesuit



## Liturgy Schedule

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.**

## August 17 & 18, 2019

Dear Parishioners,

The human body is born complete in a matter of minutes, the birth of the human heart is an ongoing process!

Theologian Karl Rahner put it this way: "In the core of every person is a foundational mystical experience of the incomprehensible God that provides the basic horizon of life, the undertow or basic metabolism of daily existence. God in self communication haunts every human heart. There, hidden in the stuff of everyday experience, God is at work, the one to whom we say our inmost yes or no. We may deny this, ignore it, repress it, or bury it under massive activity, but it is there. God who is both beyond yet so near."

Every year some people in our community explore that yes/no in a unique way—RCIA—the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. In our very ordinariness some people find a home here at St. Agnes, a safe place, a time and space to explore the mystery of who God is.

Who is God - always brings up the question: Who am I? Exploring those mysteries offers a new way of seeing the world around us. There is a sense of God embedded in nature. Common things hold sacred realities. The Catholic way of seeing things goes beyond recognition of God in creation but we also see God in one another. We are urged to see Christ in every person to uncover the face of the divine in the most unexpected faces. Even further, we seek to become Christ for one another.

Throughout our journey God is not so concerned with our answers but with the process, the exploration and discovery. All the while God waits to lavish us with grace upon grace upon grace. And I say all of us, the entire parish, because RCIA is a community event. Each of us individually and corporately as we support one another are giving birth to a truly human heart, building the Kingdom of God.

RCIA will begin September 29. If you or someone you know is interested in Catholicism contact the parish office.

*Cathy Collins*

Director of RCIA, Bookkeeper

# Parish Information

## Parish Staff & Ministries

<b>Pastor</b>	Fr. Ray Allender, S.J.
<b>Associate Pastor</b>	Fr. Joe Specht, S.J.
<b>Associate Pastor</b>	Fr. Stefanus Hendrianto, S.J.
<b>Priest in Residence</b>	Fr. Joe Spieler, S.J.
<b>Priest in Residence</b>	Fr. Vincent Pereppadan, S.J.
<b>Director of Liturgy &amp; Music</b>	Frank Uranich
<b>Director of Operations &amp; Admin.</b>	Maureen Beckman
<b>Director of the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center</b>	Grace Salceanu
<b>Coordinator of Children's Faith Formation</b>	Hannah Everhart
<b>Administrative Assistant</b>	Marco Matute
<b>Bookkeeper</b>	Cathy Collins
<b>Sexton</b>	Mario Hernandez
<b>Cantor</b>	Scott Grinthal
<b>Sacristans</b>	Frank Mitchell, Matthew Tominaga, Teri Bradshaw
<b>Altar Linens &amp; Vessels</b>	Nita Zarilla
<b>Art &amp; Environment</b>	Marilyn Thickett, Marco Matute
<b>Consolation Ministry</b>	Naomi Mayer
<b>Finance Committee Chair</b>	Chris Roman
<b>Food (Snack) Pantry Director</b>	Stacey Shaffer
<b>St. Agnes &amp; St. Ignatius Comm. Food Pantry Director</b>	Kathy Devine
<b>Ignatian Spirituality Ministry</b>	Barbara Nelson
<b>Wedding Coordinator</b>	Shannon McMillen Evans
<b>Marriage Prep Classes</b>	Regina Lathrop & Bob Boguski
<b>Peanut Butter Brigade</b>	Marjorie Miles
<b>Director R.C.I.A.</b>	Cathy Collins
<b>Rita da Cascia</b>	Mary Lou & Kevin Johnson
<b>LGBTQ Ministry</b>	Andrea Wise
<b>Young Adult</b>	<a href="mailto:YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com">YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com</a>

## Aug. 17 & 18 – 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*For your prayerful consideration,  
readings for next week:*

**Isaiah 66.18-21 •  
Hebrews 12.5-7, 11-13 • Luke 13.22-30**

Date	Intention	Presider
<b>August 17</b> 4:00 PM	Don & Virginia Snyder (D)	Fr. Tom Whelan
<b>August 18</b> 8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Ray Allender
10:30 AM	Loyola Guild Members (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
6:00 PM	Jack Nerney (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
<b>August 19</b> 8:30 AM	Delia McCabe (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
<b>August 20</b> 8:30 AM	Jose Matute (D)	Fr. Lourdu Mummadi
<b>August 21</b> 8:30 AM	Snyder Family (D)	Fr. Vincent Pereppadan
<b>August 22</b> 8:30 AM	Carmela May (D)	Fr. Joe Spieler
<b>August 23</b> 8:30 AM	Donald Specht (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
<b>August 24</b> 4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Joe Specht
<b>August 25</b> 8:30 AM	Michael Elliott (D)	Fr. Joe Spieler
10:30 AM	Lori Naso (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
6:00 PM	Bryan Devine Hegedus (D)	Fr. Ray Allender

D = Deceased; L = Living

## Reconciliation Schedule

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

## Parish Office Hours

Monday – Fri

day: 9am to 4:30pm

(Closed Noon-1pm for lunch)

Phone: 415-487-8560

Fax: 415-487-8575

## St. Agnes Stewardship

**Last Sunday Collection: \$2,163.09**

Last year: \$3,288

4pm: \$470; 8:30am: \$359; 10:30am: \$1005; 6pm: \$329.09

*Please Consider EFT or PayPal donations while on Vacation*

## 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](http://www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org).

## Archdiocesan Victim's Assistance

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



## COMING SOON TO THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER

1611 Oak Street

To RSVP for ISLC events contact Grace Salceanu at  
[Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com) or 415-487-8560 x225.  
[www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org](http://www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org)

### Pope Francis' August Prayer Intention Families, Schools of Human Growth

*"That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth."*

### ISLC Summer Film Series: Exploring the Universal Apostolic Preferences through Film

Sunday, August 25 @ 12pm, ISLC

Showing the Way to God, Discernment & the Spiritual  
Exercises: "Of Gods and Men"

Join us for the final film in our summer series, which is based on the true story of a group of French Trappist monks living in a monastery in an Algerian village in the 1990s. The film chronicles the monks' journey of discernment and loyalty to the people and the reality of the Muslim-Christian village in which they live while the village is under serious threat by a group of Algerian fundamentalists. Light lunch included. Suggested donation: \$5. RSVP to [Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com)

### LGBTQ Community Conversation

Thursday, August 29, 7pm and  
Sunday, September 15, 12pm, ISLC

Do you identify within the LGBTQ community and come to St. Agnes? Join Andrea Wise, the new LGBTQ Ministry Coordinator, to discuss your experience as an LGBTQ person of faith and how we might grow in our support of the LGBTQ community at St. Agnes. Contact [andreamwise@gmail.com](mailto:andreamwise@gmail.com) for more information or to RSVP.

### The San Francisco Interfaith Coalition on Immigration

Wednesday, August 14, 6-7:30pm, ISLC

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.

### White-Zone is for

### Loading and Unloading of Passengers

Just a reminder that the white zone in front of the church on Masonic Ave. is only for loading and unloading of passengers during Mass times. Starting September, any cars in the white-zone will be towed.

## Children's Faith Formation (CFF)

Children's Faith Formation **registration is now open** for children in Grades 1-8! This includes sacramental preparation programs: 1st Reconciliation/1st Eucharist (usually for 2nd graders) and Confirmation (a 2-year program at St. Agnes typically for 7th and 8th graders). Classes will begin in mid-September. Please sign up online **SOON** through our website: [www.SaintAgnesSF.com/cff](http://www.SaintAgnesSF.com/cff). Any questions? Contact our new CFF Coordinator, Hannah, [hannah@saintagnessf.com](mailto:hannah@saintagnessf.com).

## Backpack Blessing

Sunday, August 25 at 10:30am

It's almost back-to-school time! On **Sunday, August 25**, there will be a special blessing of all school-aged children as part of our regular Sunday **10:30 a.m. liturgy**. Children of the parish should bring along their school backpack for a special Backpack Blessing Event. Let's send our St. Agnes kids into the new school year assured of God's promises and our loving support! Be sure to join us and to include all of our young people in your prayers as they go back to school.

## Volunteers Needed - Especially Spanish Speakers - Oct. & Nov. Trips to the Border

Our second group of volunteers will be returning from El Paso this weekend. We are grateful to them for their service at Annunciation House. Because of the generous response of parishioners, we have closed the September trip, as well as the first trip in October. We are still accepting volunteers for our second trip in **October 19-27** and for **November 2-10**. We are especially in need of Spanish speakers for these trips. Our arrangement with Annunciation House is to send groups with a 50-50 ratio of those who speak Spanish to those who don't. So far, **we have signed up 68 volunteers for service at Annunciation House!** Future trips to the border will be determined. Volunteers at Annunciation House will help with hospitality tasks, including meals, laundry, cleaning, and organizing clothes. Those who speak Spanish will help with intake, connecting migrants with their sponsors and making travel arrangements. **The major cost involved is airfare to El Paso, TX.** Housing can be provided by Annunciation House. Time commitment is one week. **Please contact Annette Lomont ([Annette.Lomont@gmail.com](mailto:Annette.Lomont@gmail.com))** if you are interested in being a part of this important ministry.

## Our 2019 AAA Update - We Need Your Donations

Goal: \$71,213

**Raised: \$14,116**

**What we need for our Goal: \$57,097** (by 12/31/2019)

Please help us to reach our goal by donating today, you can go online to the Archdiocese, write us a check or see a staff member to donate by credit card. Thank you in advance!

## Our Sanctuary Family is Looking for 3-bedroom Apt. with their New Subsidy

Our sanctuary family has **received a subsidy** for a **3-bedroom apartment** in *San Francisco* as they continue their transition in the United States. If you know of any available apartments in the city, please contact Martha Ryan at [martharyan@homelessprenatal.org](mailto:martharyan@homelessprenatal.org).

## We Need Help - Meals for our Sanctuary Family

Support our sanctuary family with a home-cooked, well-balanced meal for six people. There are no dietary restrictions, and the kids are open to trying new things (although they are not fond of salad). We have current opportunities for **8/29**. We ask the food to be **delivered** to the rectory at 1025 Masonic **by 3:30pm**. Contact [Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com) to sign-up.

## Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? RCIA is the process by which adults become Catholic. Do you know someone who is interested in pursuing Baptism, Confirmation and full admission into the Catholic Church? Please encourage them to inquire about the RCIA program here at St. Agnes. Sessions will begin in September. Names are being gathered at the Parish Offices now. **Please Call Cathy Collins at 415.487.8560, x276 or email [Cathy@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:Cathy@SaintAgnesSF.com) for more information.**



ONGOING AT THE



IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER

### Monday Night Centering Prayer.

Aug. 19 @ 7pm

Join Mary English and the ISLC community to deepen in this contemplative practice. All are welcome! Contact Mary English at [thecentering@comcast.net](mailto:thecentering@comcast.net) for more information.



### Tuesday Morning Mindfulness, 9am - 10am



We will be taking a summer break and will resume the **Tuesday after Labor Day, September 3rd**. Have a great summer!

### Thursday Morning Faith-Sharing

We will be taking a summer break and will resume the **Thursday after Labor Day, September 5th**. Have a wonderful summer!



### Book Club

The Book Club will take a break for the summer. It will resume on September 27<sup>th</sup>

## 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