

# St. Agnes Catholic Community

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Sunday:	8:30am 10:30am 6:00pm	Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm Weekdays: 8:30am Holy Days: 8:30am & 5:30pm
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## 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 21 & 22, 2017

Dear Parishioners,

*"Use me God,  
show me how to take who I am,  
who I want to be,  
and what I can do,  
and use it for a purpose greater than myself."*

These are the words of Martin Luther King Jr., a person whose life we celebrate this month. His words echo St. Ignatius of Loyola's prayer the Suscipe (Latin word for receive) that reads, "Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, and my entire will...Everything is yours; do with it what you will. Give me only your love and your grace, that is enough for me."

This week, as the new United States President and Congress begin their elected roles, we need to pray the prayers of these two holy and prophetic people so that we can begin the work to heal the great divisions that polarize our country. Healing division is work that Jesus calls us to in his life and ministry. He associated with everyone. He proclaimed that all people are children of God. We hear this today in the second reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Corinthians: "I urge you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ...that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and in the same purpose."

We are united with God. In our union with God, we are united with the whole world because we are witnesses to the risen Christ, whose ministry it was to love the world and whose ministry it still is, through us. My brothers and sisters, in a country that is incredibly divided, God comes to us today, asking that we believe in God's dream for the world - a dream rooted in peace, mercy and compassion. Through our everyday lives, may we have the courage, conviction and faith to make God's dream a reality.

This week the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center will offer space to pray communally for peace in our world and to gather for a training on how we can practice solidarity during immigration raids in San Francisco. See the bulletin or our brand-new website ([ignatianspiritualifecenter.org](http://ignatianspiritualifecenter.org)) for more details.

Natalie Terry

# Parish Information

## Parish Staff & Ministries

Pastor	Fr. Ray Allender, S.J.
Associate Pastor	Fr. Joe Specht, S.J.
Priest in Residence	Fr. Joe Spieler, S.J.
Deacon	Stephen Pitts, S.J.
Director of Liturgy & Music	Frank Uranich
Director of Operations & Admin.	Maureen Beckman
Director of Children's Faith Formation & Ignatian Spiritual Life Center	Natalie Terry
Cantor /Administrative Asst.	Scott Grinthal
Sexton	Mario Hernandez
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
Funeral Ministry	Jim Connor
Gabriel Project	Mary Alba
Ignatian Spirituality Ministry	Barbara Nelson
Legion of Mary	Felina Lapuz
Marriage Prep Classes	Regina Lathrop & Bob Boguski
Peanut Butter Brigade	Nancy Stretch
R.C.I.A.	Clay Tominaga, Cathy Collins
Rita da Cascia	Cathy Collins
Young Adult Contact	<a href="mailto:YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com">YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com</a>

## 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

Desired Goal for the week: \$4500

Last Sunday Collection: \$3921

Last year: \$3484

4pm: \$1307, 8:30am: \$684, 10:30am: \$1450, 6:00pm: \$480

Jan. 21 & 22 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

For your prayerful consideration,

readings for next week:

Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13 •

1 Corinthians 1:26-31, Matthew 5:1-12

Date	Intention	Presider
Jan. 21 4:00 PM	Pete Ruzir (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
Jan. 22 8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Joe Specht
10:30 AM	Fred Papapietro (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
6:00 PM	Jean Kientz (L)	Fr. Kevin O'Brien
Jan. 23 8:30 AM	Pope Francis (L)	Fr. Ray Allender
Jan. 24 8:30 AM	George Collins, SJ (L)	Fr. Joe Specht
Jan. 25 8:30 AM	Gene Pasquinelli (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
Jan. 26 8:30 AM	Soledad Mina (D)	Fr. Vincent Hansdak
Jan. 27 8:30 AM	Fr. Bill Cain, S.J. (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
Jan. 28 4:00 PM	Al & Moyra Trigueiro (L)	Fr. Donal Godfrey
Jan. 29 8:30 AM	S.S. Wong (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
10:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Donal Godfrey
6:00 PM	Dr. Martin Luther King (D)	Fr. Ray Allender

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. We invite you to support Saint Agnes generously and to participate in the various programs that are offered here and through the Spiritual Life Center. 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 and is open for all Masses. 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. It houses a library, book center, garden, and chapel. Visit [www.SaintAgnesSF.com/slc.html](http://www.SaintAgnesSF.com/slc.html).



## COMING SOON TO THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER



1611 Oak Street

To RSVP for SLC events contact Natalie Terry at  
[Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com) or 415-487-8560 x228.

*SLC Office Hours: please call for appointment*

### Pope Francis' January Prayer Intention "Christian Unity"

*"That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity."*

#### Special Announcement:

#### ISLC Website Launch & Renewed Mission Statement

We are happy to announce that the renewed mission of the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center is to mobilize God's people to love the world. The Center has two hands: one helps people nurture a profound and authentic relationship with God, while the other provides the spiritual support and concrete opportunities to live out what this relationship demands: a fierce and uncompromising love of the world. The ISLC cultivates, trains and supports contemplatives in action. To find out more, visit the new website: [www.ignatianspiritualifecenter.org](http://www.ignatianspiritualifecenter.org)

#### New: Monthly Peace Vigil

Fourth Thursday of the month.

January 26, 6-8pm

Each month we gather to pray for God's peace to be poured out upon the world. Carve out some time to pray in community and find your center. Stop by anytime from 6-8pm, the chapel will be reserved for meditation, the library will be open and tea will be served.

#### Save the Date: February 10<sup>th</sup>

#### Companions in a Mission of Reconciliation & Justice Briefing on the Jesuit's General Congregation 36

Join us on Friday, February 10 from 7-9pm in the ISLC to hear from Hung Pham, SJ, a delegate to the Congregation & Asst. Prof. at JST in Berkeley and Chris Kerr, Director of the Ignatian Solidarity Network. From Oct. 2-Nov. 12 Jesuits from all over the world gathered in Rome for General Congregation 36. When convened, a GC is the supreme governing body of the Society of Jesus and is charged with choosing a new Superior General for the Jesuits and promulgating decrees on mission and identity. Join us for a briefing of the recently released GC36 decrees so that we can discern how the GC36 decrees will influence our lives and work as a member of the Ignatian family.

## Feast of St. Agnes - Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>

St. Agnes was martyred at the age of 13 by the Roman officials for not relinquishing her belief in Christ. Agnes is often depicted holding a lamb signifying her chastity, purity, dedication and Christian devotion. She is an example for all generations. We will celebrate at all the Masses. Happy Feast Day!



## Retreats in Los Altos

### Retreat for Women - Feed Your Soul

February 10-12, 2017

Jesuit Retreat Center

Come away to nourish your body and mind and renew your spirit. Take time to integrate meditation, artistic expression, gentle yoga, individual and group spiritual direction, liturgy and community. This is a non-silent retreat for women. Mary Abinante and Cynthia Robertson will be leading the retreat. For more information go to the website at [www.jrclosaltos.org](http://www.jrclosaltos.org).

### Discernment and the Digital World

February 17 - 19, 2017

Jesuit Retreat Center

Opportunity or distraction? A chance to grow, or just more noise? In the business world, these are questions about strategy. In the spiritual life, they are question for discernment – not just what will work, but where God's spirit is at work. At the founding of the Jesuits in 1540, Ignatius faced similar challenges. In the retreat, they will explore how his insights and methods still apply to our lives today. This is a non-silent retreat for women and men. Fr. Eric Sundrup, S.J. (a graduate of the Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley) and Fr. Sam Sawyer, S.J. will be leading the retreat. For more information go to the website at [www.jrclosaltos.org](http://www.jrclosaltos.org).

## Thank YOU!

Thank you to all who made generous Christmas donations, Christmas flower donations, and year-end gifts! We can't thank you enough for the support that you give to St. Agnes not only monetarily, but also of your time and energy. We are very blessed!

## Families with School-Aged Children

We are planning some exciting community building events for families with school aged children in 2017. If you have not received recent parent/family gathering electronic communications from St. Agnes, but would like to be added to the distribution list, please submit your email address to Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com and indicate the names and ages of your children.

### ONGOING AT THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER

#### Tuesday Morning Mindfulness

*Tuesdays at 9:00 am – 10:00 am*

Each week the Tuesday Morning Mindfulness group seeks to carve out a space for communal prayer amidst the busyness of our daily lives. Join us for morning prayer with contemplative silence inspired by scripture, poetry and art. All are welcome!

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#### Book Club

*Alexander Hamilton*

*By Ron Chernow*

*Friday, January 27 at 7pm*

The Book Club meets monthly (Sept.-June) all are welcome!

#### Faith Sharing

*Thursdays 9:00 – 10:00 am*

Join with others on Thursday mornings in a journey of faith and discovering God's action in our lives. All are welcome.

#### Young Adult Ministry

*NOTE: New Day and Time of Meetings*

Beginning in January, the St. Agnes Young Adult Group will meet on the last Sunday of each month after the 6pm Mass at the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center for prayer and fellowship. Stay tuned for the line-up of theologians, activists and faith leaders who will join us at the YA gatherings throughout the year! To receive

Our emails, contact:

[YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com).

## 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