

# St. Agnes Catholic Community

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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.**

## November 18 & 19, 2017

Dear Parishioners,

Our society gives us social cues that influence our cultural consciousness. For weeks now, the ads in the newspaper and on television for grocery stores have been encouraging us to think about the Thanksgiving holiday and the food that we will serve at our Thanksgiving table. There is one local store, with many locations, that offers food items that has pumpkin as its main ingredient in just about every culinary creation. All of this informs and shapes our shared life experience in some way.

The church also has traditions that we celebrate during the month of November as we remember our beloved dead. This faith expression began to manifest during the "Dark Ages" and found its perpetual commemoration around the 10<sup>th</sup> century. Here at St. Agnes we attach paper leaves signed with the names of our deceased ones on a banner that is carried in liturgical procession throughout the entire month. We bring photographs of our dead and place them in the window sills of the church. We sing songs at liturgy with texts that emphasize gratitude, thanksgiving and fellowship with our sisters and brothers who have gone before us whom we count among the communion of saints.

On Thanksgiving Day, we will celebrate a 10:00 am liturgy which includes a procession of our gifts of nonperishable food items and monetary donations that will go to our struggling neighbors in bags of food from our parish food pantry. This is a concrete way for us to unite the two cultures to which we belong, namely our society and our church. In a real way this allows us to not live two realities but rather to live one for we recognize that we are God's children and our way in the world is to look for and to bring Christ everywhere thus uniting the sacred and the secular. The gifts we share with others is an expression of our love for God and our desire to be more like Jesus. We encourage one another in these works of the spirit gently living faith, hope and love without words.

Last week our longtime parishioner and friend Virginia Snyder died at home surrounded by her family. Virginia was born into St. Agnes Parish and was baptized in our baptismal font. She and her late husband Don raised their family in the neighborhood and sent their children to our parish school. Virginia and others, volunteered in just about every aspect of St. Agnes Parish life the whole of her life. She ran our grade school cafeteria until the school closed and then became parish secretary until she retired being followed by Scott Grinthal. We offer our sympathy to the Snyder Family and pray for her among the Communion of Saints. Virginia was truly a daughter of St. Agnes Parish and a woman of service. May she rest in Peace.

Happy Thanks Giving everyone!

*Frank Uraind*

# Parish Information

## Parish Staff & Ministries

<b>Pastor</b>	Fr. Ray Allender, S.J.
<b>Associate Pastor</b>	Fr. Joe Specht, S.J.
<b>Priest in Residence</b>	Fr. Joe Spieler, S.J.
<b>Director of Liturgy &amp; Music</b>	Frank Uranich
<b>Director of Operations &amp; Admin.</b>	Maureen Beckman
<b>Director of Children's Faith Formation &amp; Ignatian Spiritual Life Center</b>	Natalie Terry
<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>Consolation Ministry</b>	Naomi Mayer
<b>Finance Committee Chair</b>	Chris Roman
<b>Food Pantry Director</b>	Stacey Shaffer
<b>Funeral Ministry</b>	Jim Connor
<b>Gabriel Project</b>	Mary Alba
<b>Ignatian Spirituality Ministry</b>	Barbara Nelson
<b>Legion of Mary</b>	Felina Lapuz
<b>Wedding Coordinator</b>	Rita Clunies-Ross
<b>Marriage Prep Classes</b>	Regina Lathrop & Bob Boguski
<b>Peanut Butter Brigade</b>	Marjorie Miles
<b>R.C.I.A.</b>	Clay Tominaga, Cathy Collins
<b>Rita da Cascia</b>	Cathy Collins
<b>Young Adult</b>	<a href="mailto:YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com">YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com</a>

## Nov. 18 & 19 – 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*For your prayerful consideration,  
readings for next week:*  
**Ezekiel 34.11-12, 15-17 •**  
**1 Corinthians 15.20-26, 28 • Matthew 25.31-46**

Date	Intention	Presider
<b>Nov. 18</b> 4:00 PM	Gloria Petrovich (D)	Fr. Donal Godfrey
<b>Nov. 19</b> 8:30 AM	Joseph & Maria Moon (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
10:30 AM	Nick Papapietro (D)	Fr. Donal Godfrey
6:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Ray Allender
<b>Nov. 20</b> 8:30 AM	Carol Galletta (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
<b>Nov. 21</b> 8:30 AM	Virginia Snyder (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
<b>Nov. 22</b> 8:30 AM	Elsie Fontana (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
<b>Nov. 23</b> 10:00 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Ray Allender
<b>Nov. 24</b> 8:30 AM	Theresa McDonnell (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
<b>Nov. 25</b> 4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Joe Spieler
<b>Nov. 26</b> 8:30 AM	Mima Herrera (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
10:30 AM	Bill Zarilla (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
6:00 PM	Maria de la Luz (D)	Fr. Kevin O'Brien

D = Deceased; L = Living

## 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: \$3189**

Last year: \$3,601

4pm: \$797; 8:30am: \$419; 10:30am: \$1691; 6:00pm: \$282

2<sup>nd</sup> collection for Fire Victims: \$3255

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



## COMING SOON TO THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER

1611 Oak Street

To RSVP for ISLC events contact Natalie Terry at [Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com) or 415-487-8560 x225.

ISLC Office Hours: please call for an appointment

### Pope Francis' November Prayer Intention "Christians in Asia"

*"That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions."*

Solidarity on Tap  
Sunday, November 19  
7:00 – 8:00 pm

Solidarity on Tap is a simple gathering for socializing and social justice for Jesuit school alumni (21+ over), Jesuit parish members, current & former Jesuit Volunteers, Ignatian Volunteer Corps members, Jesuit institution staff, Jesuits, etc.



**GUEST SPEAKERS:** **Laura Slattery** has been the Executive Director of the Gubbio Project since 2010. Prior to that, she worked at Pace e Bene Nonviolence Service for 7 years as a nonviolence trainer, workshop facilitator and organizational coordinator. She is co-author of the workbook "Engage: Exploring Nonviolent Living." **Flavio Bravo** currently serves as a live-in volunteer at the Oakland Catholic Worker supporting their immigrant accompaniment program. Prior to arriving to the Bay Area, Flavio served as a volunteer with Brophy College Preparatory's Alumni Service Corps in Phoenix where he led monthly delegations to the Kino Border Initiative in Nogales, Sonora, Mexico. Flavio is currently pursuing an MA in Migration Studies at the University of San Francisco.

### Grief Support Group

Pathways Hospice will be offering a free grief support group for those suffering a loss of a family member or loved one, which will take place on Tuesday evenings at the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center. The group is intended to provide a safe place for sharing and support, along with discussions about the grieving process, loneliness, longing, anger, coping skills, lifestyle transitions and much more. For registration and further information please contact Dave Rutchman at 650-808-4603.

### Happy Thanksgiving!

We are so thankful and grateful for the community that is St. Agnes. May you and your families have a very Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving.



## Thanksgiving Day at St. Agnes



Please join us on Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 23) for **Mass at 10 am**. Traditionally at the Mass, people bring **non-perishable food items** along with **socks for men and women or monetary gifts**. This helps our food pantry tremendously with our need for pasta, pasta sauce, canned vegetables, canned meats, etc. Please help us re-stock our food pantry during the holidays. Also, the parish office and the ISLC will be closed both Thanksgiving Day and the day after. Thank you in advance!

## Holy Yoga Advent Series

Mondays, 7:00 – 8:00pm

Holy Yoga will spend the seven weeks leading up to Christmas meditating on the seven names of God used in the O Antiphons (a set of prayers the church has been using since the 6th century!) These are the prayers that inspired the verses of the song *O Come O Come Emmanuel* and they each represent our deepest needs and longings as people. Join us each week for a heart, soul, mind, body meditation.

## Catholic Charities Needs Your Help for Thanksgiving!

Help Catholic Charities provide a memorable Thanksgiving meal by providing food baskets, turkeys, or pumpkin pies to families in need. Volunteer at one of their programs on Thanksgiving, lunch or dinner. Visit: [CatholicCharitiesSF.org/All-Opportunities](http://CatholicCharitiesSF.org/All-Opportunities), (415)972-1246. Help spread holiday cheer by volunteering or donating food.



## Peanut Butter Brigade

The PB Brigade is always looking for volunteers to help make PB&J sandwiches and assemble the bags that will be handed out to the hungry in our neighborhood. Sandwich making experience not required, all ages welcome! If you want to help, just show up! We will meet in the St. Francis Room (across from the small chapel) after the 10:30 am Mass on these dates: **Dec. 3, Jan. 7, Feb. 4, and Mar. 4.**

## Feast of Immaculate Conception

Masses for the Feast Day will be **Friday, December 8 at 8:30am and 5:30pm**. Parking will be available in the lower level of the parking garage – **8:30am Mass - green and white spaces only; 5:30pm Mass - green and white along with green and yellow only.**

## Children's Christmas Choir



Rehearsals for the Children's choir in preparation for the 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Eucharistic Liturgy will start on **Sunday, Nov. 26 - through Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>**. Rehearsals are on Sundays after 10:30am Mass. **All children are welcome** to participate, and they don't need to be able to read music. Parents are asked to be in the Church while rehearsal is going on.



## ONGOING AT THE IGNATIUS SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER



### Tuesday Morning Mindfulness 9am - 10am

Are you feeling worried and stressed out? You will experience a peaceful start to your day as you join us at the ISLC for 9 AM Tuesday Morning Mindfulness where using music, poetry & spiritual reading we will 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 from **7:00 - 9:00pm**. (please note there is no meeting of the book club in November and **parking will NOT be available in the garage on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>**)

### *Working Stiff*



By Judy Melinek

Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm

### Young Adult Ministry

The young adult group meets once a month in the Ignatius Spiritual Life Center. Check back next week for information on our next meeting. 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