

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.

February 4 & 5, 2017

Dear Parishioners,

Last week we celebrated the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. We all know the story of Paul being knocked off his horse on his journey to arrest Christians. "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" asked Jesus. From then on Paul's life changed. He had been a good Pharisee who saw the Christians as a threat to the Jewish religion. After his conversion, he became the great Apostle to the Gentiles (the non-Jewish people).

Paul was the Church's first theologian. He never knew the earthly Jews but from his own experience and the witness of others, he came to significant truths about Christianity.

Through grace he realized that salvation was for all people, not just Jews. He believed that the gentiles only needed to be baptized in Christ and were not required to become Jews first and follow Jewish practices.

Paul also believed that a person was justified by faith in Jesus alone. Our deeds did not earn us God's love. That love was there even when we were sinners; all we needed to do was embrace the love of Jesus and that would change us. Laws could not do that.

Finally, he deeply believed in the Mystical Body of Christ. We are Christ's Body and His Spirit (Holy Breath) gives us life. We each are a member of Christ's Body. This was a primary image of the Church.

We owe so much to Paul and his "It is not I that lives, but it is Christ who lives within me."

Raymond Allen, S.J.

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	YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com

Feb. 4 & 5 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

**Sirach 15.15-20 •
1 Corinthians 2.6-10 • Matthew 5.17-37**

Date	Intention	Presider
Feb. 4 4:00 PM	Charles, Ersilia & George DeBono (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
Feb. 5 8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Ray Allender
10:30 AM	Wanda McCormack (D)	Fr. Kevin O'Brien
6:00 PM	Kevin Ballard, S.J. (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
Feb. 6 8:30 AM	Jackie Howell (L)	Fr. Ray Allender
Feb. 7 8:30 AM	Brian Cotter (D)	Fr. Vincent Hansdak
Feb. 8 8:30 AM	Joan Beckman (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
Feb. 9 8:30 AM	Rebecca Lapuz (D)	Fr. Joe Spieler
Feb. 10 8:30 AM	Gene Tongson (D)	Fr. Vincent Hansdak
Feb. 11 4:00 PM	Frank Uranich, Sr. (D)	Fr. Joe Spieler
Feb. 12 8:30 AM	Madalyn Trouten (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
10:30 AM	Loyola Guild (L)	Fr. Joe Specht (Pitts)
6:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Ray Allender

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 year: \$4,420

The weekly amounts were not available
in time for publication.

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.



COMING SOON TO
THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER

1611 Oak Street

To RSVP for SLC events contact Natalie Terry at
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."

Save the Date: *February 10th*

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.

Save the Date: *February 16th, 6:30pm*

Invoking the Spirit, Claiming the Call: An International Call to Prayer for the Study Commission on the Women's Diaconate

Join us for an evening of prayer for the ongoing work of the Study Commission on the Women's Diaconate. Catholics around the world will have the opportunity to join this prayer service via live-streamed video hosted by FutureChurch. The prayer service will remember and honor the women in history who served the Church as deacons, give witness to women who - today- experience a call to the diaconate, and call upon the Holy Spirit as the Commission continues to work.

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. To find out more, visit the **new website:**
www.ignatianspiritualifecenter.org

Save the Date - Ash Wednesday,
Soup Dinner!

Please join us on **March 1** immediately following the 5:30pm **Ash Wednesday Mass** for a **soup dinner** in the Spiritual Life Center. Unfortunately, parking will not be available for the soup dinner in the parking lot (only for the Mass), Urban will be using it at 7pm that night. Please RSVP to Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com.

"Mercy in Action:

The Social Teaching of Pope Francis"

The Joan and Ralph Lane Center for Catholic Studies and Social Thought at University of San Francisco is hosting a lecture (on the social teachings of Pope Francis) by the 2017 Lo Schiavo Chair, **Thomas Massaro, S.J.** (Professor of Moral Theology and former Dean of the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley). The lecture will take place **Thursday, February 9, 4-5pm** in the **McLaren Conference Center, Room 252**. All are welcome!

Retreats in Los Altos

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.

Save the World...or Savor it? Being Reached by the Widow, Orphan, and Stranger

April 21 - 23

Jesuit Retreat Center

This retreat will offer a prayerful and reflective consideration of the original covenantal relationship between God and God's people. It will explore the four things Jesus took seriously: inclusion, non-violence, unconditional loving-kindness, and acceptance. **Fr. Greg Boyle, S.J.** of Homeboy Industries in East LA will the retreat Director. This is a non-silent retreat for women and men.



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!

Monthly Peace Vigil

Fourth Thursday of the Month

February 23, 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. The chapel will be reserved for meditation, the library will be open and tea will be served.

Book Club

Brooklyn

By Colm Toibin

Friday, February 24 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

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.

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