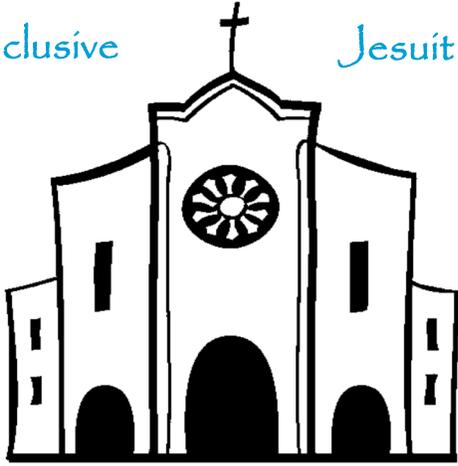


St. Agnes Catholic Community

1025 Masonic Ave. San Francisco, CA 94117 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.

March 17 & 18, 2018

Dear Parishioners,

Lent is almost over. It seems to be a season of paradoxes. We started Lent this year (2018) with a paradox: Ashes and Valentines on the same day (at least this is a paradox with the common use of Valentines instead of the spiritual meaning of St. Valentine). And of course, during Lent we are preparing for the great paradox which is the basis of our Faith - the Passion of Our Lord which leads to His Resurrection.

Concerning this paradox, I am reminded of St Paul's statement: "Have among yourselves the same attitude that is also yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave." (Phil 2:6-7) Thus, again God lets us know another paradox: His ways of doing things are very different from our own human ways.

Lent is a time when we consider that sacrifice leads to new life. And so Lent has been an intense spiritual experience for followers of Christ throughout the past twenty centuries.

Most important of all, during this season we pray that God may "help us to imitate [Him] in his kindness." (Preface of Lent III). By this dying to self we bring new life to those in need. We do not have to look very far to find places which need us to imitate His kindness and compassion – not only in our world and nation and city and neighborhood, but often in our very own families. In this we have another paradox: we, with all our faults, are called to bring the image of the Son of God into this messy world that we live in.

This season of Lenten paradoxes presents us with a lot of material for our reflection and imitation.

Joseph Specht, SJ

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.
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
Funeral Ministry	Jim Connor
Gabriel Project	Mary Alba
Ignatian Spirituality Ministry	Barbara Nelson
Legion of Mary	Felina Lapuz
Wedding Coordinator	Rita Clunies-Ross
Marriage Prep Classes	Regina Lathrop & Bob Boguski
Peanut Butter Brigade	Marjorie Miles
R.C.I.A.	Clay Tominaga, Cathy Collins
Rita da Cascia	Mary Lou & Kevin Johnson
Young Adult	YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com

March 17 & 18 – 5th Sunday of Lent

*For your prayerful consideration,
readings for next week:*
Isaiah 50.4-7 •
Philippians 2.6-11 • Mark 14.1-15.47

Date	Intention	Presider
March 17 4:00 PM	Norman Larson (D)	Fr. Tom Whelan
March 18 8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Ray Allender
10:30 AM	Brian Cotter (D)	Fr. Kevin O'Brien
6:00 PM	RCIA Participants	Fr. Joe Specht
March 19 8:30 AM	Ginny Davey (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
March 20 8:30 AM	Violet Runningen (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
March 21 8:30 AM	Howard Meehan (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
March 22 8:30 AM	Deogracias & Myna Belarde (L)	Fr. Joe Spieler
March 23 8:30 AM	Ken Carter (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
March 24 4:00 PM	Philip Smith (D)	Fr. Stephen Pitts
March 25 8:30 AM	Bob Baker (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
10:30 AM	Marshall & Damien Lopez (D)	Fr. Donal Godfrey
6:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Joe Spieler

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.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org.

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: \$4,228

Last year: \$4251

4pm: \$1603; 8:30am: \$292; 10:30am: \$1981; 6pm: \$352

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.

ISLC Office Hours: please call for an appointment

Pope Francis' March Prayer Intention "Formation in Spiritual Discernment"

"That the church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels."

Return to Me:

A Lenten Movement Towards Sanctuary

3/22: **Taizè Prayer**, 5:00pm, St. Ignatius Parish. We invite you to join the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center and the University of San Francisco for a Taizè prayer service. Let us return to the Lord, gathered as one community to pray with music, silence, and meditation. We will pray in a special way for Sanctuary in our world, our city, and our hearts.

Reconciliation Service

Saturday, March 24 at 11:00am in the church

In preparation for Easter, St. Agnes will host a **Reconciliation Service** on **Saturday, March 24** at 11am. During the service, you may individually celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday – March 29

Potluck Dinner – 5:30pm in the GYM (1530 Page St., Parking in the garage. Please only park in garage if staying for Mass)

Liturgy of the Lord's Supper – 7:30pm (Parking in the garage) Please bring Lenten almsgiving jars and donations for the food pantry

Good Friday – March 30

Stations of the Cross:

Outside along Haight St. – 12noon / In the church – 2pm (Parking on Lower level – GREEN and WHITE spots only)

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion – 7:30pm (Parking in the garage)

Holy Saturday, March 31

Great Vigil of Easter – 8pm (no 4pm Liturgy, Parking in the garage)

Easter Sunday, April 1

Liturgies at 8:30am & 10:30am (no 6pm Liturgy, Parking in garage and at Hayes/Masonic)

Parish Potluck

Holy Thursday, March 29 at 5:30pm

St. Agnes Gym – 1530 Page St.

Join in fellowship at our Potluck Dinner before the Liturgy on Holy Thursday. You may choose to bring an entrée, vegetable, dessert, or salad or help with set up or clean up. Sign-up sheets are in the back of church. Parking in the garage if you are staying for Mass.



Join us in celebrating St. Agnes' 125th Anniversary by volunteering, making a prayer flag, and joining us on May 6th for the kick-off block party! More info at: <http://saintagnessf125.com/>; www.SaintAgnesSF.com or contact the **Church offices** at (415) 487-8560.

St. Agnes Parish Block Party

Sunday, May 6, 12:00pm – 3:00pm

(Page Street, between Masonic and Ashbury)

Join us for a community celebration on **May 6th** to kick-off the year-long 125th Anniversary for St. Agnes Church. Enjoy:

- **Food Trucks** - Serving a variety of foods (*included*)
- **Beer, Wine, non-alcoholic drinks** – We will be serving beverages in the Gym all day!
- **Kids Games/Activities** – Bouncy Houses, face painting, crafts, etc. (*included in ticket price*)
- **Fire Truck** – the kids and grown-ups alike will love being able to see a fire truck up close.
- **Talent Show** – Featuring our own parishioners, sign-up today (*talent show takes place in the gym*)!
- **Bake Sale** – Cakes, cookies, pies, etc., sign-up to donate your specialty.
- **Raffle** – Cash prizes, a vacation in Wales, Dinner with the parish priests. (*winner chosen onsite at 2pm*)

Block Party Ticket Pricing

\$25 – 12yrs. and up

\$10 – 3yrs. – 11yrs.

\$0 - 2 and under

\$0 – "**Angel Tickets**" For anyone/family in which cost is a burden. Contact the Rectory or any Anniversary Ambassador with a maroon ribbon on. We want everyone to be able to attend!

Raffle Tickets on Sale!

Raffle tickets (**\$25 each/5 for \$100**) go on sale this week after all the Masses. We have some wonderful prizes including a **one-week stay in Wales, Dinner with the Jesuits of the parish in the rectory and cash prizes - \$3,000, \$1,000 & another \$1,000** in cash! So get your tickets today!

Easter Egg Hunt ~ CANCELLED!



Due to lack of volunteers this year, we have had to cancel our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday. Hopefully we will be able to bring it back next year!



ONGOING AT THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER



Holy Yoga Lenten Classes, 7pm, 3/19 & 3/26

Each week we will progress through Christ's Passion, starting with the triumphal entry, and progressing toward the crucifixion by the end of the Lenten season with a special "stations of the cross" class (3/19) and a "silent vigil" class (3/26). All levels are welcome!



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.

Tuesday, Pathways Grief Support Group 4 - 5:30pm

Pathways Hospice offers a free grief support group for those suffering the loss of a family member or loved one. Sessions are held in 6-week programs, but people are welcome to join meetings as needed. **Tuesday sessions will be ongoing through March & April.** For registration and further information, please contact Dave Rutchman at 650-808-4603.

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.

Hidden Figures

By Margot Lee Shetterly
Friday, March 23, 2018 at 7pm

A Gentleman in Moscow

By Amor Towles
Friday, April 27, at 7pm

Young Adult Ministry

The young adult group meets once a month in the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center. 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