

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 25 & 26, 2017

Dear Parishioners,

When Lent comes around, a lot of us think of it as a time for sacrifice and even deprivation – e.g., fasting and abstaining, etc. But *Sacrifice* is only one aspect of Lent. There's also *Pray* and *Give*. And since today is Laetare Sunday, it is a break in the *Sacrifice* aspect of Lent. If you've been regularly attending the weekend liturgies at St. Agnes since the start of Lent, listened to the homilies, read the weekly bulletins or listened to the announcements after each liturgy, and looked around in the hospitality area, there have been and still are plenty of opportunities to *Pray* and *Give*.

In one of the Sunday liturgies right before the start of Lent, during his homily Fr. Tom Whelan mentioned the hungry and homeless people of our city, and raised this question: "Where is God working in their lives?" He reminded us about the teaching of St. Paul – "that we are the Body of Christ in today's world." Similarly, here's a prayer written by St. Teresa of Avila:

Christ Has No Body

Christ has no body but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
Compassion on this world,
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,
Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the
world.
Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
Yours are the eyes, you are his body.
Christ has no body now but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks compassion on
this world.
Christ has no body now on earth but yours.

If these words sound familiar, it's because the song *Christ Among Us* (by David Haas) was inspired by St. Teresa's prayer and the choir has sung it several times including last Sunday. Couldn't we do the same to others? This is a call for us to be the hands, feet and eyes of Christ. Let us *Sacrifice*, *Pray* and most especially *Give*. Give your time, your love, your compassion, your forgiveness, your patience, your friendship, your strength, your hope... lend a hand, heal others with your touch, walk for a cause, bear witness to injustice, stand with our sisters and brothers who are refugees and immigrants.

Marco Matute, Administrative Assistant

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
Administrative Asst.	Marco Matute
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
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

March 25th & 26th – 4th Sunday of Lent

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

**Ezekiel 37.12-14 •
Romans 8.8-11 • John 11.1-45**

Date	Intention	Presider
March 25 4:00 PM	James Pokorny (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
March 26 8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Joe Spieler
10:30 AM	Jack Bredemeier(D)	Fr. Ray Allender
6:00 PM	Silene Russo (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
March 27 8:30 AM	Genie Allender (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
March 28 8:30 AM	Barbara Chudzinski (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
March 29 8:30 AM	Susan Tudoni (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
March 30 8:30 AM	Beverly Carpenter (L)	Fr. Joe Spieler
March 31 8:30 AM	David Wong (L)	Fr. Stephen Nduati
April 1 4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Joe Specht
April 2 8:30 AM	Pete Murphy (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
10:30 AM	Calvin James Biane (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
6:00 PM	Gene Broemmelsiek (D)	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

Goal for the week: \$4,500

Last Sunday Collection: \$3,631

Last year: \$3,845

4pm: **\$910**; 8:30am: **\$735**; 10:30am: **\$1661**; 6:00pm: **\$325**

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 IGNATIANT SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER

1611 Oak Street

To RSVP for ISLC events contact Natalie Terry at Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com or 415-487-8560 x228.

ISLC Office Hours: please call for appointment

Pope Francis' March Prayer Intention "Support for Persecuted Christians"

"That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church."

Community Reading:

Mercy in the City

Thursday - April 6

7 - 8:30pm, ISLC

This Lent join St. Agnes & the ISLC for a community reading of *Mercy in the City: How to Feed the Hungry, Give Drink to the Thirsty, Visit the Imprisoned & Keep Your Day Job* by Kerry Weber, Associate Editor at *America* Magazine. We'll gather for a book group at the ISLC to discuss the book and explore how God is calling us to live as people of mercy and compassion. For the March 9th meeting, we will discuss Chapters 1-8. To RSVP contact: Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com.

Training: Immigration Raids

Rapid Response Training, Part II

Tuesday, March 28, 5:00pm - 7:00pm

USF, Bermann Room at Fromm Hall

(Parker St. at Golden Gate Ave.)

If you have already attended a Rapid Response training at St. Agnes, USF or elsewhere, this training will provide more legal information to prepare you to be part of a team of committed people ready to respond and be present during ICE raids of homes and workplaces. This training will provide deeper information on how to:

- * Connect families affected by ICE raids with specific resources for social and legal services available to them in San Francisco;
- * Document any abuses during raids, and help build visibility by giving a real face to the mass deportations.

No RSVP necessary.

The Crawford Lecture 2017

Multifaceted Considerations in Transgender

Health in California; Monday, April 3, 5:30 - 7:30pm

Presented by: USF's School of Nursing and Health Professions in the McLaren Complex 250, registration starts at 4pm, Reception at 4:30pm. To register, go to: <http://register.usfca.edu/crawford2017>.



St. Agnes Parish Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday April 9th (Palm Sunday)

Immediately following the 10:30am Mass



Join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt at the University of San Francisco's Welch Field (located next to St. Ignatius Church). All are welcome!

Easter Flowers

You are invited to make a special gift to help defer the cost of flowers for the Easter Season. You may remember your loved ones by making a donation for flowers in their names. Last year's offering allowed us to beautify the church for our Triduum and Easter season liturgies. Please use the special envelopes in the pews. Thank you for your generosity!



Holy Yoga

Monday Night Slow Flow Yoga with Emily Moss

7-8pm at the ISLC, every Monday during Lent



Join us every Monday of Lent (3/6-4/17) at 7:00 pm for one hour of **free** Lent Slow Flow. This will be a sacred time of using a slow flow yoga postures and breath work to ground into truth and set our focus for the week. We'll practice showing up as simply and honestly as we can manage so that our focus can shift from us to God, and we can begin to sense God's grace (Matthew 6:6). All levels and abilities welcome. Please arrive 5-10min early to get settled in. **All are welcome**, regardless of age, body type, religion, gender, or experience with yoga. RSVP to Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com

St. Francis Walk

New Date! Saturday, April 1 @ 1:00pm

Dave Olson will lead a tour of sites in San Francisco dedicated to St. Francis on Saturday, **April 1**. We begin in the **Ignatian Spiritual Life Center at 1:00 pm**, where you may park in the garage (for parking information, please RSVP). The walk will last 3 to 4 hours, depending on our pace. You may leave the walk at any time if you cannot do the whole thing. We will travel by bus, BART, and walking. The walking will be about 3 miles, all downhill or flat except for 2 uphill blocks. We end at Fisherman's Wharf where you can make bus connections back to the ISLC. If you would like to go by car, please name a driver and let Dave know at dave.olson55@gmail.com. You can also meet us at the Old Mission, 16th & Dolores streets, at 1:30 pm. There is a \$5 entrance fee to visit the mission. RSVP to Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com.



Parish Potluck

Holy Thursday, April 13th at 5:30pm
St. Agnes Gym – 1530 Page St.



Join in the fellowship at our Potluck Dinner before the Liturgy on Holy Thursday. You may choose to bring an entrée, vegetable, or salad or help with set up or clean up. Sign-up sheets are in the back of church so think about your favorite dish to bring. Also, we need volunteers for set-up and clean-up, so please consider signing up to help! Parking will be available in the Parking Garage starting at 5pm.



ONGOING AT THE IGNATIUS SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER



Tuesday Morning Mindfulness

Tuesdays at 9:00 am – 10:00 am

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 and poetry we will meditate together. Led by Rev. Pat Kleinberg, Interfaith minister and spiritual director.

Monthly Peace Vigil

Fourth Thursday of the Month
April 27, 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

Diary of a Country Priest by George Bernanos
Friday, March 31 at 7pm

The Sympathizer by Viet Nguyen
Friday, April 28 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