

# 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.**

## March 30 & 31, 2019

Dear Parishioners,

The story of the Prodigal Son is full of questions, possibilities and freedom.

We often think of the younger son as the one who was lost but returned to the father with contrition. Actually, this father has lost both sons, one to selfishness and one to self-righteousness. The parable doesn't tell us if the younger son really accepts his father's forgiveness and remains at home. Does the father continually forgive as he leaves and returns home again and again? As to the older son, does he ever leave behind his jealousy and joyfully accept all that the father has?

This story is offered to us in the middle of Lent so that we can ask ourselves: "Who am I?" or more importantly, "Who am I becoming?" Many of us identify with one son or the other, sometimes with both sons, but don't forget the parent image--the mother or father.

We are all works in progress. Life is full of choices, full of possibilities. In a society that applauds money, control, status and titles where am I going? The younger son took his inheritance and left town. When we accept all the gifts God gives but fail to stay close to God, the gifts seem to disappear into the chaos of our culture. The older son never really accepted all he had as gift. He isn't the hired hand but thinks like one. He sees the gifts from the father as responsibilities, a weight on his shoulders. Just like the older son, we need to let go of past sins and live in the present, in forgiveness and freedom. In Lent we are invited to return to prayer; to question how we attend to our spiritual life. It's a time to ponder what is holiness and who am I becoming.

And one more thing: remember the image of the parent. Sometimes we are also like the parent, loving and forgiving. Sometimes we create the music and we dance because in the end we know we are an Easter people.

It's Laetare Sunday, Rejoice! Rejoice always!

*Cathy Collins*

Director of RCIA, Bookkeeper

# 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>Priest in Residence</b>	Fr. Lourdu Mummadi, S.J.
<b>Priest in Residence</b>	Fr. Vincent Pereppadan, 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>	Grace Salceanu
<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>Art &amp; Environment</b>	Marilyn Thickett, Marco Matute
<b>Consolation Ministry</b>	Naomi Mayer
<b>Finance Committee Chair</b>	Chris Roman
<b>Food Pantry Director</b>	Stacey Shaffer
<b>St. Agnes &amp; St. Ignatius Comm. Food Pantry</b>	Kathy Devine
<b>Funeral Ministry</b>	Jim Connor
<b>Gabriel Project</b>	Mary Alba
<b>Ignatian Spirituality Ministry</b>	Barbara Nelson
<b>Wedding Coordinator</b>	Shannon McMillen Evans
<b>Marriage Prep Classes</b>	Regina Lathrop & Bob Boguski
<b>Peanut Butter Brigade</b>	Marjorie Miles
<b>R.C.I.A.</b>	Cathy Collins
<b>Rita da Cascia</b>	Mary Lou & Kevin Johnson
<b>Young Adult</b>	<a href="mailto:YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com">YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com</a>

## March 30 and 31 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

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

**Isaiah 43.16-21•  
Philippians 3.8-14 • John 8.1-11**

Date	Intention	Presider
<b>March 30</b> 4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Joe Specht
<b>March 31</b> 8:30 AM	Kevin O'Brien, S.J. (L)	Fr. Kevin O'Brien
<b>10:30 AM</b>	Valentine Tynan (D)	Fr. Kevin O'Brien
<b>6:00 PM</b>	Bob Baker (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
<b>April 1</b> 8:30 AM	Gerald Mauch (D)	Fr. Lourdu Mummadi
<b>April 2</b> 8:30 AM	Lester & Nelsa Belarde (L)	Fr. Lourdu Mummadi
<b>April 3</b> 8:30 AM	Mike Beckman (D)	Fr. Vincent Pereppadan
<b>April 4</b> 8:30 AM	Chris & Eunice Matteo (L)	Fr. Joe Spieler
<b>April 5</b> 8:30 AM	Barbara Chudzinski (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
<b>April 6</b> 4:00 PM	St. Agnes Parish	Fr. Donal Godfrey
<b>April 7</b> 8:30 AM	St. Agnes Parish	Fr. Joe Specht
<b>10:30 AM</b>	St. Agnes Parish	Fr. Ray Allender
<b>6:00 PM</b>	St. Agnes Parish	Fr. Joe Specht

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. 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. 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. Visit [www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org](http://www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org).

## Archdiocesan Victim's Assistance Coordinator

If you or someone you know has been a victim of sexual abuse; or you suspect sexual abuse, please call (415) 614-5506 for help.

## Reconciliation Schedule

Saturdays • 3pm – 3:45pm or by appointment

## Parish Office Hours

Monday – Fri

day: 9am to 4:30pm

(Closed Noon-1pm for lunch)

Phone: 415-487-8560

Fax: 415-487-8575

## St. Agnes Stewardship

**Last Sunday Collection: \$3,548**

Last year: \$3,619

4pm: \$864; 8:30am: \$673; 10:30am: \$1779; 6pm: \$232

*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](mailto:Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com) or 415-487-8560 x225.

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

### Pope Francis' March Prayer Intention

Recognition of the Right of Christian Communities

*"That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected."*

### Lenten Prayer Series: *Conversations of the Heart*

April 3: 7pm – 9pm, ISLC

Do you long for a way of relating to God that is more personal, real, and meaningful? This evening of prayer for young adults and adults is facilitated by members of St. Agnes Church and Fr. Tri Dinh, SJ. The session includes an interactive presentation, guided prayer, and heartfelt conversations with practical applications for daily life. The event is co-sponsored by Christus Ministries. RSVP to [Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com).

### Film Screening, Friday April 5 @ 7pm:

"A Six-Dollar Cup of Coffee" (ISLC)

What would you think is more shocking: a one-dollar cup of coffee or a six-dollar cup of coffee? The documentary features a coffee co-op founded by indigenous Tzeltal producers in Chiapas, Mexico with support from the Mexican province of the Jesuits. The movie reminds people what is behind the scenes in the coffee industry and the real price of the coffee that we all so enjoy. Fr. Stephen Pitts, SJ & laywoman Christina Rossini have been instrumental in bringing the co-op's coffee to the USA market, addressing the biggest challenge plaguing producers in the developing world: lack of large market access. Join us for screening followed by a Q&A, coffee will be available for purchase. RSVP to [Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com).

### Monastic Day of Prayer

Saturday, April 27, 10am – 6pm (ISLC)

Join the ISLC community and the Cistercian women monastics of the Redwoods Monastery for this unique day of prayer and contemplation. This day-long, urban monastic retreat will weave together silent, meditative prayer with collective prayer, sharing, and introductions to monastic life and spirituality. Come and give yourself the space to search and long for God. A \$25 pay-as-you-can donation is requested. All are welcome regardless of ability to donate. RSVP to [Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com)

## 125th Anniversary Events & Happenings



### Anniversary Mass – Sunday, April 7 @ 10:30am

Please join the Archbishop of San Francisco and the entire St. Agnes Community on Sunday, April 7 for the Anniversary Mass. It is sure to be a beautiful liturgy followed by a reception in the back of the church. We hope to see everyone there!



### Gala Dinner Information

April 6<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm (Marine's Memorial, SF)

Tickets are sold out, but you still can be a sponsor or donor, contact [Maureen@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:Maureen@SaintAgnesSF.com).

#### Info for the night of the Gala:

**Getting There:** Uber, Lyft; Parking Garages - California Parking Garages, 660/665 Sutter St., 450 Sutter Garage (Valet Available).

**Cash and Credit Cards:** The Bars will take both cash and credit cards. The auction will take cash, credit cards and checks for all items *except* for the Balloon Pop and 50/50 card raffles, you will **need cash**, so please plan accordingly.

**Silent Auction and Reception:** Both begin at 6pm in the Crystal Lounge, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor and ends promptly at 7:30pm. We have wonderful items to bid on...

**Dinner, Program, Live Auction, Dancing:** Dinner will begin promptly at 7:30pm on the 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Commandant's Ballroom. We will be showcasing a wonderful Anniversary video (thanks to the hard work of our parishioner, Shannon Kastner) during the dinner. The Live Auction will take place after the video and will have three exciting items to bid on and then on to dancing the night away.

#### 125<sup>th</sup> Gala Website:

For more information about the evening, go to the 125<sup>th</sup> Gala website at: [www.SainAgnesSF125.com](http://www.SainAgnesSF125.com)!

### Auction Pre-Sale

With more than 50 lots, there will be something for everyone that night. We'd like to give those who cannot attend the event a chance at some of our most interesting items, so **we have selected several lots that we will allow bidding on before the Gala**. Just come to the back of the church after Mass for a chance to view and bid on a few premier items such as several amazing vacations stays and two beautiful paintings. (*You do not have to be present to win the auction, you just need to bid!*)

## St. Agnes Parish Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 14th (Palm Sunday)

Join us immediately following the 10:30am Mass at the University of San Francisco's Welch Field (located next to St. Ignatius Church) for our Parish Easter Egg Hunt. Children of all ages welcome!



## Calling All Former Jesuit & Mercy Corps Volunteers!

Sunday, March 31 @ 12pm (ISLC)

We are having a potluck brunch with the current Jesuit Volunteers and Mercy Corps Volunteers in the ISLC on Sunday, March 31 at 12pm. If you participated in a year of service domestically or internationally, we'd love to have your presence with us! RSVP to [Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com](mailto:Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com) and let Grace know what you'd like to bring.



### ONGOING AT THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER

#### Monday Night Centering Prayer, 7pm

Centering Prayer becomes a weekly practice in the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center! Join us on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month, beginning on April 1 at 7pm to deepen into this contemplative practice. **Contact Mary English** at [thecentering@comcast.net](mailto:thecentering@comcast.net) for more information.

#### 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.

#### 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 at 7:00pm**.

#### *The Music Shop*

By Rachel Joyce  
April 26 @ 7pm

## 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