

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.**

July 8 - 9, 2017

Dear Parishioners,

I am at the Jesuit Retreat Center this week helping with a silent individually directed 8-day retreat. Our parish bulletin, in the ISLC section, asked recently: "Are you longing to deepen your relationship with Jesus? Do you want to find God's will in your life?" That is what a retreat based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius is about.

St. Ignatius wrote the Spiritual Exercises from the experiences of his life and the lives of the people he helped get closer to God. He designed them to take 30 days, full time, in prayer. However, very few people can spend this much time from their daily lives, so he suggests several adaptations. One of them is the program being offered by the ISLC: the "Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life" experience otherwise known as the 19th annotation retreat. A different adaptation is the one I am helping with, 5 to 8 days of silent individually directed prayer. Quite a change from our ordinary lives! We hear in sermons how to let the Lord into our lives, but taking several days for prayer, as these people are doing at the Jesuit Retreat Center of Los Altos, can be a much more powerful experience.

In my experience, all of the retreatants find something of value in their week of prayer. Not just nuns and priests, but real ordinary people, young and old, ranging from a recently engaged young couple to a 92-year-old woman. The woman told me she learned how closely God is with her as she ages. One newly retired and divorced man who was trying to learn how the Lord wanted him to serve at this stage in his life felt the call very strongly to first of all forgive his ex! How can one serve God if he is unable to forgive? When we are open to listening, the Holy Spirit tells each of us what we need to hear.

As I write this letter before I leave for Los Altos, I do not know who I will be directing. Since, as all of you well know, prayer is very important in our lives, I ask you to please keep the people I am directing in your prayers this week.

St. Peter Claver, SJ, reminds us: "*Seek God in all things and we shall find God by our side.*"

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	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

July 8th & 9th – 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*For your prayerful consideration,
readings for next week:*
**Isaiah 55.10-11 •
Romans 8.18-23 • Matthew 13.1-23**

Date	Intention	Presider
July 8 4:00 PM	Moyra Trigueiro (L)	Fr. Ray Allender
July 9 8:30 AM 10:30 AM 6:00 PM	Marie Zarnoch (D) Kevin Mack (D) Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Ray Allender Fr. Kevin O'Brien Fr. Ray Allender
July 10 8:30 AM	Joseph Tuzzolo (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
July 11 8:30 AM	Josie Camozzi (L)	Fr. Ray Allender
July 12 8:30 AM	Pope Francis (L)	Fr. Ray Allender
July 13 8:30 AM	Kate Sedgwick (L)	Fr. Ray Allender
July 14 8:30 AM	Lorenzo Lopus (D)	Fr. Paul Shelton
July 15 4:00 PM	Daniel Beckman (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
July 16 8:30 AM 10:30 AM 6:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes Fr. Ray Allender, S.J. (L) Eugene Maurice Champion (D)	Fr. Paul Shelton Fr. Ray Allender Fr. Joe Specht

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

2nd Collection: Peter's Pence (6/25) \$1453

Due to early submission of the bulletin for July 4th week, we are unable to publish the collection amounts this week.

Please consider electronic monthly donations – EFT

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.



**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 x225.

ISLC Office Hours: please call for an appointment

**Pope Francis' July Prayer Intention
"Lapsed Christians"**

"That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life."

**Summer Wellness Series:
Getting in Touch with Gratitude
Thursday, July 13; 7:00 – 8:00 PM**

Did you know that living with gratitude can help you feel better? It's easy to forget about all the blessings that God has given us with the challenges that life presents. But remembering and appreciating them can shift us into a more positive outlook. Join us for the second Wellness Workshop where we'll write a gratitude list, learn to develop an attitude of gratitude, and meditate together to achieve peace of mind. For more information contact: Natalie@saintAgnesSF.com.

**Summer Film Series:
Pedro Arrupe: His Life & Legacy
Thursday, July 20; 7:00 – 9:00 PM**

A documentary about the life of Pedro Arrupe, S.J., who has been called "The Second Founder" of the Society of Jesus. His legacy is one of "men and women for others," committed to human dignity, the common good, and the integration of lay men and women into the Jesuit mission -- the service of faith and the promotion of justice.

Georgetown University commissioned the film to honor Arrupe, because of his wide reforms to the Jesuit order. The documentary includes interviews with Arrupe, footage of his life and work, and interviews with Jesuits who were closest to him. For more information contact: Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com.

Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius

If you are interested in the Spiritual Exercises beginning this fall, check out the ISLC table for more information.

Save the Date: Sunday, July 30th

Solidarity on Tap

7:00 – 9:00 pm

Faith and Justice reflection offered by Andrew Rodriguez, SJ (our former Deacon) & Sr. Fabian Jose. Check out the ISLC website for more details!

**Stewardship throughout
the Summer**

Please remember Saint Agnes Parish while on vacation. St. Agnes benefits greatly from your consistent support. Please consider the EFT Program as a simple, secure way to provide continuing support for Saint Agnes. Once each month your offering is automatically deducted from your checking account OR charged to your debit/credit card. Additional information is available in the green brochures at the church entrances.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic? RCIA is the process by which adults become Catholic. Do you know someone who is interested in pursuing Baptism, Confirmation and full admission into the Catholic Church? Please encourage them to inquire about the RCIA program here at St. Agnes. Sessions will begin in September. Names are being gathered at the Parish Offices now. Please call Cathy Collins at 415.487.8560, ext. 276 or email Cathy@saintagnessf.com for more information.



Share Your Faith! Volunteer to Teach!

Catechist Orientation and training opportunities begin in July. CFF classes run from September through May.

We're looking for dedicated teachers and aids to help lead our Children's Faith Formation classes. Are you interested in leading kids through experiences of prayer, reading scripture and sharing the love you have for God and our Catholic tradition? Contact Natalie to find out more about how you can serve Saint Agnes' families -- Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com and 415-487-8560 x225.

AAA 2017



Our 2016 AAA Campaign continues. As you know, this year's assessment is **\$69,583**. The total St. Agnes has collected so far (gifts and pledges) is **\$32,679**, we have **\$36,904** to go by December 2017. We are close to the half-way mark! If you haven't given, please consider giving over the summer. **What we don't raise through the parish, we take out of our savings to make up the difference.** Thank you for your continued generosity.

Register for Children's Faith Formation



Our Children's Faith Formation Program for 2017-2018 will begin in the Fall for children in 1st - 8th grades. If you wish to enroll your child in Faith Formation and/or Sacramental Preparation classes, you

can do so today in three easy steps:

- 1) Go to our website: www.SaintAgnesSF.com/cff.html
- 2) Fill out the registration form.
- 3) Pay online or send a check (payable to St. Agnes Church) to 1025 Masonic Ave, SF 94117, Attention: Natalie Terry

CFF is a wonderful opportunity for children and parents alike to experience the presence of God in their lives and come to a new and deeper understanding of our church and community. Feel free to contact Natalie Terry if you have any questions, [415-487-8560](tel:415-487-8560) x225.



ONGOING AT THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER



Tuesday Morning Mindfulness

Tuesday Morning Mindfulness will take a break for the summer and will resume in September.

Monthly Peace Vigil

Fourth Thursday of the Month

July 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

Book club will not meet in July & August, but will resume in September.

Faith Sharing

Faith sharing will take a break for the summer and will resume in September!

Young Adult Ministry

The St. Agnes Young Adult Group meet on the **last Sunday of each month after the 6pm Mass** in the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center for prayer and fellowship.. 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