

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.

August 24 & 25, 2019

Dear Parishioners,

In a recent British survey, 38% of the people thought of themselves as Christian. In the same survey taken in 1983, 63% of the population considered themselves Christian. Only 22% thought of themselves as Anglican and 7% as Catholic, both downward trends. Evangelicals saw a slight increase. What does this mean? It means that mainline churches have to begin to listen to younger generations so that they will know how to communicate with them.

Ronald Rolheiser grasps the problem as a mistaken identity of what Christianity means. It's not about success, full churches or good manners. It is about who God is in Christ Jesus. It is about the crucified Christ who became a victim because he called his followers to love the victims; those who are excluded: the lepers, the tax collectors, the children, the prostitutes. He became a victim because he cared about the victims. As Pope Francis stresses, the church regains its credibility when it goes to the margins of society and brings home the excluded.

We live in a country where the present administration demonizes the immigrant, the people of color, the Muslim. It does nothing for the poor but caters to the affluent. It ignores health-care remedies for the elderly and those struggling financially. It supports white nationalism. It is time to state the Christian message: the excluded are the ones Jesus especially loves. We are called to support the voiceless in these difficult times.

Raymond Allen, S.J.

Parish Information

Parish Staff & Ministries

Pastor	Fr. Ray Allender, S.J.
Associate Pastor	Fr. Joe Specht, S.J.
Associate Pastor	Fr. Stefanus Hendrianto, S.J.
Priest in Residence	Fr. Joe Spieler, S.J.
Priest in Residence	Fr. Vincent Pereppadan, S.J.
Director of Liturgy & Music	Frank Uranich
Director of Operations & Admin.	Maureen Beckman
Director of the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center	Grace Salceanu
Coordinator of Children's Faith Formation	Hannah Everhart
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 (Snack) Pantry Director	Stacey Shaffer
St. Agnes & St. Ignatius Comm. Food Pantry Director	Kathleen Devine
Ignatian Spirituality Ministry	Barbara Nelson
Wedding Coordinator	Shannon McMillen Evans
Marriage Prep Classes	Regina Lathrop & Bob Boguski
Peanut Butter Brigade	Marjorie Miles
Director R.C.I.A.	Cathy Collins
Rita da Cascia	Mary Lou & Kevin Johnson
LGBTQ Ministry	Andrea Wise
Young Adult	YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com

Aug. 24 & 25 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

For your prayerful consideration,

readings for next week:

**Sirach 3.17-20, 28-29 •
Hebrews 12.18-19, 22-24a • Luke 14.1, 7-14**

Date	Intention	Presider
August 24 4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Joe Specht
August 25 8:30 AM	Michael Elliott (D)	Fr. Joe Spieler
10:30 AM	Lori Naso (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
6:00 PM	Bryan Devine Hegedus (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
August 26 8:30 AM	Richard Kain (D)	Fr. Stefanus Hendrianto
August 27 8:30 AM	Marilyn Himmelberg (D)	Fr. Lourdu Mummadi
August 28 8:30 AM	Helen Allen (D)	Fr. Vincent Pereppadan
August 29 8:30 AM	Gabriel Whooley (D)	Fr. Joe Spieler
August 30 8:30 AM	Joe Gordon (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
August 31 4:00 PM	Elsie Tom (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
Sept. 1 8:30 AM	Jeffrey Scales (D)	Fr. Joe Specht
10:30 AM	Frank Beering (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
6:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Stefanus Hendrianto

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.

Archdiocesan Victim's Assistance

If you or someone you know has been a victim of clergy 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: \$3,406

Last year: **\$2,580.23**

4pm: **\$803**; 8:30am: **\$454**; 10:30am: **\$1548**; 6pm: **\$601**

Please Consider EFT or PayPal donations while on Vacation



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.

www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org

Pope Francis' August Prayer Intention Families, Schools of Human Growth

"That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth."

Final ISLC Summer Film Series: Exploring the Universal Apostolic Preferences through Film

Sunday, August 25 @ 12pm, ISLC

Showing the Way to God, Discernment & the Spiritual

Exercises: *"Of Gods and Men"*

Join us for the final film in our summer series, which is based on the true story of a group of French Trappist monks living in a monastery in an Algerian village in the 1990s. The film chronicles the monks' journey of discernment and loyalty to the people and the reality of the Muslim-Christian village in which they live while the village is under serious threat by a group of Algerian fundamentalists. Light lunch included. Suggested donation: \$5. RSVP to Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com

LGBTQ Community Conversation

Thurs. August 29, 7pm & Sunday, September 15, 12pm, ISLC

Do you identify within the LGBTQ community and come to St. Agnes? Join Andrea Wise, the new LGBTQ Ministry Coordinator, to discuss your experience as an LGBTQ person of faith and how we might grow in our support of the LGBTQ community at St. Agnes. Contact andreamwise@gmail.com for more information or to RSVP.

19th Annotation: The Spiritual Exercises October 2019 – June 2020

Are you longing to deepen your relationship with God? Do you desire to discern how God is at work in your life and enjoy the freedom that comes with this? Consider making the 19th Annotation Retreat. St. Ignatius realized that not everyone could make the Spiritual Exercises as a 30-day silent retreat and created a provision, the 19th Annotation, for people to make the retreat in daily life. Over the course of 9 months, retreatants commit to daily prayer using Ignatius's contemplations and meeting weekly one-on-one with a spiritual director. It is a profound and incredibly rewarding journey of faith. If you feel called to experience the 19th Annotation this year, please contact Barbara Nelson: barbarajnelson3@gmail.com or call 415-728-8939 Applications are due September 24.

Children's Faith Formation

It's time to sign up for Children's Faith Formation (CFF)! Our CFF program classes are for students in grades 1-8



and are held 9:15-10:15 a.m. three Sundays per month throughout the school year. The program includes parent workshops, social events, and service opportunities. Special sacramental preparation programs include 1st Reconciliation and 1st

Eucharist, which is ordinarily for 2nd graders, as well as Confirmation, a 2-year program at St. Agnes typically for 7th and 8th graders. **Classes will begin with a parent and student orientation on September 22.** Please sign up online soon through our website www.SaintAgnesSF.com/cff. Any questions? Contact our new CFF Coordinator, Hannah, hannah@saintagnessf.com.

St. Agnes Community Potluck Welcome Back from Summer!

Sept. 8, 2019 (Sunday), 12:00pm at the ISLC

All are welcome to our "welcome back from summer" potluck on Sept. 8 in the ISLC. Sign-ups to bring a dish are in the back of the church. You can drop-off food before Mass in the ISLC anytime after 8:00am that morning. Come see all the changes that we have done to the ISLC over the summer (new paint, new patio, etc.) and enjoy reconnecting with your fellow parishioners. We hope to see everyone there!



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)



Are you interested in becoming 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, x276 or email Cathy@SaintAgnesSF.com for more information.**

White-Zone is for Loading and Unloading of Passengers

Just a reminder that the white zone in front of the church on Masonic Ave. is **only** for loading and unloading of passengers during Mass times. Starting September, **any cars in the white zone will be towed.** Thank you for your cooperation.



Our 2019 AAA Update – We Need Your Donations

Goal: \$71,213

Raised: \$14,216

To our Goal: \$56,997 (by 12/31/2019)

Please help us to reach our goal by donating today, you can go online to the Archdiocese, write us a check or see a staff member to donate by credit card. Thank you in advance!

Our Sanctuary Family is Looking for 3-bedroom Apt. with their New Subsidy

Our sanctuary family has **received a subsidy** for a **3-bedroom apartment** in *San Francisco* as they continue their transition in the United States. If you know of any available apartments in the city, please contact Martha Ryan at martharyan@homelessprenatal.org.

Sign – Up to make a Meal for our Sanctuary Family!

Support our sanctuary family with a home-cooked, well-balanced meal for six people. There are no dietary restrictions, and the kids are open to trying new things (although they are not fond of salad). We have current opportunities for **9/5, 9/12, 9/19 & 9/26**. We ask the food to be **delivered** to the rectory at 1025 Masonic by **3:30pm**. Contact Grace@SaintAgnesSF.com to sign-up.



ONGOING AT THE



IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER

Monday Night Centering Prayer

1st and 3rd Mondays at 7:00pm

Join Mary English and the ISLC community to deepen in this contemplative practice. All are welcome! Contact Mary English at thecentering@comcast.net for more information.



Tuesday Morning Mindfulness, 9am – 10am



We will be taking a summer break and will resume the Tuesday after Labor Day, **September 3rd**. Have a great summer!

Thursday Morning Faith-Sharing

We will be taking a summer break and will resume the Thursday after Labor Day, **September 5th**. Have a wonderful summer!



Book Club

The Book Club will take a break for the summer. It will resume on **September 27th**

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