

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.

September 23 & 24, 2017

Dear Parishioners,

Bob and Joan McGrath have been enthusiastic parishioners at St. Agnes for many, many years. They have financially supported many of our parish works and have especially focused on the development of the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center. Bob and Joan have served on many Boards, including the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley and the University of San Francisco. Their philanthropic generosity has helped so many Catholic institutions. On Thursday, October 26th at the Fairmont Hotel they will be given St. Vincent de Paul Society's prestigious Brennan Award for their service to the poor. I really encourage our parishioners to support Bob and Joan by attending the dinner. For information please see the inside of our bulletin or contact Terry Hopper at thopper@svdp-sf.org, (415) 757-6561.

It has been a personal honor to get to know this marvelous couple. Joan loves a good discussion and Bob, when he is not watching his beloved Irish play football, is praying over a good cup of Peet's coffee. He continually searches out Ignatian Spirituality as his life compass. You will see him at Peet's in Laurel Village at an early hour beginning his day with thoughtful prayer. Thank you, Bob and Joan, for being such great people!

Once again, I encourage you to attend the 10am Mass at St. Ignatius Church on October 1st as we celebrate the formation of the new province – Jesuit West. It comprises 10 states and brings together the former California and Oregon provinces. You will learn more about this new province at the reception following the liturgy. Please RSVP to the parish offices by Sept. 25th if you plan to attend.

A big welcome to Fr. Stephen Pitts, S.J. a great deacon and now a priest!

Raymond Allender, S.J.

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 Assistant	Marco Matute
Sexton	Mario Hernandez
Cantor	Scott Grinthal
Sacristans	Frank Mitchell, Matthew Tominaga, Teri Bradshaw
Altar Linens & Vessels	Nita Zarilla
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

September 23 & 24 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*For your prayerful consideration,
readings for next week:*
**Ezekiel 18.25-28 •
Philippians 2.1-11 • Matthew 21.28-32**

Date	Intention	Presider
Sept. 23 4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Stephen Pitts
Sept. 24 8:30 AM	John Mulvihill (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
10:30 AM	Hermann Ruitter (L)	Fr. Stephen Pitts
6:00 PM	Virginia Snyder (L)	Fr. Ray Allender
Sept. 25 8:30 AM	Mary Fitzgerald (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
Sept. 26 8:30 AM	Madie Baptiste (L)	Fr. Stephen Pitts
Sept. 27 8:30 AM	Karen L. Woods (D)	Fr. Stephen Pitts
Sept. 28 8:30 AM	Esperanza Medina (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
Sept. 29 8:30 AM	Delai Dizon (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
Sept. 30 4:00 PM	Troyann Nilsen (L)	Fr. Joe Specht
Oct. 1 8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Ray Allender
10:30 AM	Anne Dito (D)	Fr. Stephen Pitts
6:00 PM	Greg Willis (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

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.

St. Agnes Stewardship

Last Sunday Collection: \$3,325

Last year: \$4,339

4pm: \$627; 8:30am: \$904; 10:30am: \$1622; 6:00pm: \$172

2nd Collection - Priest Retirement: \$2,006



COMING SOON TO THE IGNATIUS 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' September Prayer Intention "Parishes"

"That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen."

Radical Hospitality Mini-Retreat: Tuesday, September 26th 6:30 – 8:00pm at the ISLC

In this mini-retreat, we will explore radical hospitality, towards ourselves and others, through quiet prayer, gospel reflections, and contemplative listening and sharing. We will explore how hospitality begins inside, what it means to welcome the other, and listen to the call of hospitality in our lives and in our communities. Participants are encouraged to attend all three sessions. However, if you can only attend one session, please feel free to register. ** *Colette Lafia is a writer, spiritual director, and retreat leader. She's the author of Seeking Surrender, and Comfort & Joy.*

Peace Vigil Thursday, September 28th 6:00 – 7:00pm Steps of St. Agnes Church

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 for peace in our world. Stop by the steps of St. Agnes Church ([1025 Masonic](http://1025Masonic.com)) to pray & hold public witness to our commitment and hope for peace in our world. Candles provided, sidewalk chalk available, signs with loving messages welcome.

25th Annual Brennan Award Dinner – Oct. 26, 2017, Fairmont Hotel

Honoring Joan and Bob McGrath, St. Agnes Parishioners

Please join us in congratulating Joan and Bob McGrath for this wonderful honor. To purchase tickets/sponsor, contact St. Vincent de Paul Society at www.svdp-sf.org, 415-757-6561. Proceeds from the dinner go to SVDS's works with the homeless and the homeless shelter legal clinic.

St. Agnes Food Pantry Needs

The St. Agnes Food Pantry continues to provide weekly and monthly groceries to our neighbors in need. Donations may be placed in the green barrel by the side entrance. The pantry is especially in need of **pasta sauce, peanut butter, canned vegetables and meats, and men's sport socks or cold weather socks**. Thank you for your continued support.

Hospitality Volunteers Needed

Please consider volunteering for hospitality after the 10:30 am Mass. If you are interested and available to volunteer for this ministry, please call the parish office (415-487-8560) or email Phylis Silk at thejsilks@sbcglobal.net. There will be a **meeting for all hospitality volunteers on Oct. 8** after 10:30am Mass.

Children's Liturgy of the Word - Catechists Needed!

We are looking for a few more people to help lead Children's Liturgy of the word once per month. Preparation materials are provided electronically and involve simply reading and reflecting on the Sunday readings. Contact Natalie, Natalie@saintagnessf.com or 415-487-8560 x225.

Sanctuary Update – Donate Today!

We began to accompany an undocumented family from Mexico this Summer and in July they came to stay with us at St. Agnes for a respite. As they continue to get settled in San Francisco and move through their asylum case, we will help provide an apartment for them to live for 8 months. To provide this support, **we need 200 people** (100 people from the St. Agnes Community and 100 from the St. Ignatius Community) **to commit to donate \$20 a month to our Sanctuary Fund** to pay for rent and living expenses. Would you like to make this commitment? You can sign up at the ISLC table in the hospitality area or e-mail Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com.

Jesuit West Province Celebration

October 1, 2017, at 10am, St. Ignatius Church
Mass and Reception – All are Welcome!

The St. Agnes community is invited to celebrate the newly formed Jesuit West Province of the Society of Jesus on Oct. 1st. The Jesuit West Province was created out of the California and Oregon Provinces on July 1, 2017. There will be a Mass at 10:00am at St. Ignatius Church followed by a reception. **RSVP's are required by 9/25** if you would like to attend the reception following the Mass. People will be required to check in for the reception, so please RSVP to Maureen Beckman at Maureen@SaintAgnesSF.com.

Register for Children's Faith Formation

Our Children's Faith Formation Program for **2017-2018** began **Sept. 17** 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

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 – 9-10am

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, poetry & spiritual reading we will meditate together, hold the prayers of our community and enjoy the gift of our presence to one another.

Thursday Morning Faith Sharing –9-10am

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. All are welcome!

Everybody's Fool, by Richard Russo

Friday, September 29th at 7pm

The Nightingale, by Kristin Hannah

Friday, October 27th at 7pm

Young Adult Ministry

The young adult group meets once a month in the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center. Check back next week for information on our next meeting. To receive Our emails, contact: YoungAdults@SaintAgnesSF.com.

Holy Yoga – Mondays, 7-8pm

Join us every Monday at 7:00 pm for one hour of Slow Flow yoga. 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. All levels and abilities welcome. Please arrive 5-10min early to get settled in.

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