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St. Agnes Catholic Church

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July 31 & August 1, 2021

Dear St. Agnes Community,

Happy Feast of St. Ignatius!

It's been a bit of a bumpy week here! As you know, Fr. Alejandro tested positive for COVID19 on Tuesday. He's now in isolation and after a few days of not feeling well, he is now feeling 100% better. We've all had COVID tests here in the rectory and the staff and so far, everyone has tested negative.

This has been a wakeup call for us all to be vigilant as we adjust to the changing reality of the Delta Variant of the virus.

So, to be safe, we all need to resume wearing masks at Mass and practice social distancing. We'll move the after-Mass hospitality to the Spiritual Life Center patio for the rest of August.

We don't want to over-react, but at the same time, we want to be prudent. We're all used to the ups

and downs of this pandemic experience – this is yet another challenge for us. But as we heard at last Sunday's Mass, God and one another are our strength for this Journey.

We'll continue to monitor the situation and follow the advice of public health professionals. Let's pray for all those who have been affected by COVID19 and we pray for Fr. Alejandro's rapid recovery.

George Williams ST

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 commit ourselves to grow spiritually as disciples of Christ; to become people 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 to be lights in the darkness through the love that we share in the name of Christ and through the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Liturgy Schedule

Sundays

8:30am | 10:30am | 1:30pm (Spanish/Español)

Saturdays: 4:00pm

Weekdays: 12:00pm – Monday - Thursday

Fridays @ Noon, Lay-led
Communion Service

Live-stream Schedule

<https://www.saintagnessf.org/st-agnes-livestream.html>

Sundays: 10:30am | 1:30pm (Spanish/Español)

Parish Information

Parish Staff & Ministries

Pastor	Fr. George Williams, S.J.
Associate Pastor	Fr. Alejandro Báez, S.J.
Priest in Residence	Fr. Joe Spieler, S.J.
Director of Liturgy & Music	Frank Uranich
Director of Operations & Finance	Maureen Beckman
Director of the Spiritual Life Center	In Transition
Coordinator of Children's Faith Formation	Sr. Teresa Malave, VDMF
Administrative Assistant	Marco Matute
Bookkeeper	Dorenda Haynes
Sexton	Mario Hernandez
Cantor	Scott Grinthal
Sacristans	Frank Mitchell, Matthew Tominaga, Teri Bradshaw
Art & Environment	St. Agnes Staff
Bereavement Team	TBA
Finance Committee Chair	Chris Roman
Outreach to Homebound/Sick	TBA
St. Agnes & St. Ignatius Comm. Food Pantry Director	Kathleen Devine
Wedding Coordinator	Shannon McMillen Evans
Marriage Prep Classes	Regina Lathrop & Bob Boguski
Parish Council Chair	Karen Xavier
Director R.C.I.A.	Cathy Collins
LGBTQ Ministry	Andrea Wise

Reconciliation Schedule

Saturdays, 3pm – 4pm or by appointment, please call the Parish Office.

Parish Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9am – 4:30pm

Fr. George's Office Hours by appointment, please email at George@SaintAgnesSF.org or call.

Fr. Alejandro's Office Hours by appointment, please email at Alejandro@SaintAgnesSF.org or call.

Office Phone: 415-487-8560

St. Agnes Stewardship

Collection Last week: \$2,695

Mailed-in: \$75; In Person Masses: \$2,620

Online (monthly and one-time donations): \$TBD

Please consider a donation through our website at www.SaintAgnesSF.org

July 31 & Aug. 1 | 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

For your prayerful consideration, readings for next week:

**1 Kings 19:4-8 •
Ephesians 4:30-5:2 • John 6:41-51**

Date	Intention	Presider
July 31 4:00 PM	Society of Jesus	Fr. George Williams
August 1 8:30 AM	Barbara Nelson (L)	Fr. George Williams
10:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. George Williams
1:30 PM	Violet Shinn (D)	Fr. George Williams
(Spanish)		
August 2 12:00 PM	Helen Allen (D)	Various Presiders
August 3 12:00 PM	Donna Simpson Baker (D)	Various Presiders
August 4 12:00 PM	Tom Snyder (D)	Various Presiders
August 5 12:00 PM	Betty Castagnola (D)	Various Presiders
August 6 12:00pm	Communion Service	Various Presiders
August 7 4:00 PM	Eleanor Michaels (L)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
August 8 8:30 AM	Robert Reynolds (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
10:30 AM	Patrick Sullivan (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
1:30 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Alejandro Báez
(Spanish)		

D = Deceased; L = Living

New Parishioners

Welcome to a great parish community! If you would like to become a part of St. Agnes Parish, please fill out a registration form online at our web site, www.SaintAgnesSF.org. You may also fill out an orange registration form in the back of the church. All are welcome here!

Sacraments

Please contact the Parish Office - Marco@SaintAgnesSF.org 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.

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 sexual abuse; or you suspect sexual abuse, please call (415) 614-5506 for help.



Spiritual Life Center

1611 Oak Street
www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org

St. Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises – The 19th Annotation Retreat

Experience the Gift of the Exercises
in Your Daily Life

September 2021 – June 2022

(Applications due August 8th)

Have you felt a desire to experience St. Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises, but never thought you had the 30 days to devote to the retreat? St. Ignatius has an answer – the 19th Annotation Retreat! What better way to celebrate this Ignatian Year than personally experiencing the gift of Ignatian spirituality through the Exercises? Interested in learning more? Call or email Cate DeGraw at [781-718-3709](tel:781-718-3709) or cdegrow@me.com to learn more. In person, remote, and multi-lingual options are available to help you experience the joy and wisdom of the Exercises. Ideally you will meet with your Retreat director a couple times to prepare over the summer, think of it as a warmup. The Retreat is typically aligned with the liturgical calendar, and often begins in September and finishes in the Spring. Please complete your application by August 8, but if the Spirit is moving you, don't wait!

Centering Prayer – Mondays @ 7pm

A weekly practice in the Spiritual Life Center, Mondays, 7pm. Contact Mary English at: thecentering@comcast.net.

Silence of the Heart

Tuesdays @ 9am (Silent prayer & sharing)

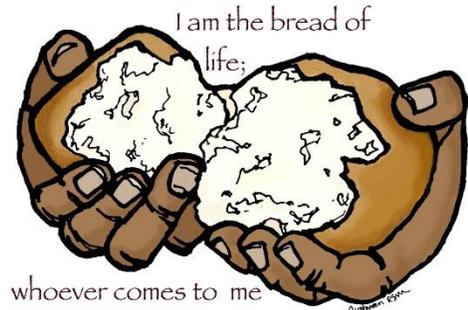
Music, poetry, scripture, and spiritual reading with silent prayer for half an hour, followed by sharing and prayers for our community. Please contact: Leonor Barnett: SilenceTuesday@gmail.com.

Thursday Morning Faith-Sharing

@ 11:00am – 12pm

Gathers for word, silence, and sharing of our lives and faith journeys. We give all the opportunity to share without interruption, advice, or cross talk. These reflections are held in confidence. Please contact: Patti May: californiamandolin@gmail.com.

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time



whoever comes to me
will not hunger...
John 6:35

Pope Francis' August Prayer Intention "The Church"

"Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel."

St. Ignatius Feast Day

This weekend we will celebrate the Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Society of Jesus. When St. Ignatius died on July 31, 1556, there were more than 1,000 Jesuit priests around the world. He was eventually beatified on July 27, 1609 and canonized by Pope Gregory XV on March 12, 1622. Please join us in wishing all our Jesuit community here and abroad, a happy Feast Day!



Children's Faith Formation (CFF) Sign-up Today!

Children's Faith Formation registration will be opening soon for children in Grades 1-8! This includes sacramental preparation programs: 1st Reconciliation/1st Eucharist (usually for 2nd graders) and Confirmation (a 2-year program at St. Agnes typically for 7th and 8th graders). Classes will begin in mid-September. Please sign up online through our website: www.SaintAgnesSF.com/cff, or [click here](#) for the registration form.



Faith Formation
Registration

Are you Called to Be a Eucharistic Minister, Lector (Reader) or Altar Server?

Now that we are back in church, if you are feeling you want to be more involved with the liturgy, now is your chance. We are looking for people – Fourteen and older, to become Eucharistic



ministers (EM's), lectors (readers) and Altar Servers at all the Masses. Frank Uranich, our Director of Liturgy, is happy to train you, so you do not need prior experience.

It's a wonderful way to become more involved and help the parish at the same time. Please contact Frank at Frank@SaintAgnesSF.org, (415) 450-8639 for more information or to sign-up for training.

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 late September. Names are being gathered at the Parish Offices now. Please contact Cathy Collins by email



Cathy@SaintAgnesSF.com for more information.

Stewardship throughout the Summer

With summer here, please remember St. Agnes Parish while on vacation. Please consider monthly donations through our [online system](#) (PayPals – you do not need an account) - it is a simple, secure way to provide continuing support for St. Agnes Parish. Once each month your offering to Saint Agnes is automatically deducted from your checking account OR charged to your credit card. ***Saint Agnes Parish benefits greatly from your consistent support!***

“For it is
in
giving
that
we
receive.”
- St. James of Assisi

COVID-Related Updates

With the increased infection rates of the Delta variant in the Bay Area, we are taking these precautions to ensure everybody's safety:

- Wear a mask while attending Mass in person, whether you are fully vaccinated or not, until further notice.
- Hospitality after the Sunday 10:30 am Mass will be held in the patio of the Spiritual Life Center for the rest of August.
- Daily Masses and Friday communion services will be held in the main Sanctuary throughout the month of August.



Young Adult Hike through Glen Park Canyon Sunday, Aug. 8, 2021

Join us for a Young Adult hike through Glen Park Canyon after the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, August 8th! We will meet for a pizza lunch near the trailhead right after Mass and then hike together.

Please RSVP with Stacey Yu via email at staceyju@gmail.com.

**Ignatian Companions 2021-2022
Program Now Accepting Applications
Until Aug. 13th**



- Do you have a strong yearning to deepen your spiritual life with other women and men seeking to do the same?
- Are you willing to accompany the poor and marginalized on their journey and get more out of the experience than you give?
- Do you want to share your gifts and talents by giving back to your community?

Ignatian Companions may be what you are looking for! It is a program for those who desire to deepen their love of God through accompanying the poor and marginalized and engaging with others in dialogue, prayer, and reflection. The spirituality of St. Ignatius Loyola is the basis for the program.

The spiritual component includes daily prayer and meditation using an *Ignatian Companions Spiritual Exercises Guide*, monthly gatherings with other members of their group to reflect on prayer and its connection with service, monthly meetings with a spiritual director to be attentive to God's presence in our lives and beginning and ending retreats. If you would like to know more about the program, please visit www.ignatiancompanions.org.

We are currently accepting applications for the 2021-2022 program which begins with an opening retreat on Saturday, August 28 at the Dominican Motherhouse in Fremont. We hope to have in-person monthly meetings this year. If it is not safe, we will continue to meet via Zoom. Applications are available [here](#). You can also contact Marco at Marco@SaintAgnesSF.org.

Looking for Apartment to Rent

Parishioners of St. Agnes are looking for a one-bedroom apartment to rent in the St. Agnes area, but would consider other areas as well. Please contact the office at (415) 487-8560 if you know of any or have one to rent. Thank you.

**Annual Archbishop's Appeal
(AAA) 2021**

Catholic Stewardship in Action

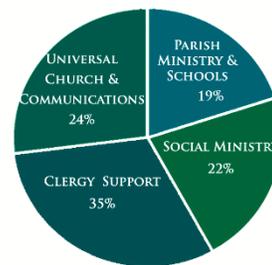
Thank you for supporting this years' AAA Appeal. This supports many programs that St. Agnes is involved in including the Restorative Justice program, prison chaplains, inter-religious relationships, etc. Below is this years' assessment and what we have brought in to-date.

Goal: \$63,309

Raised: \$7,925

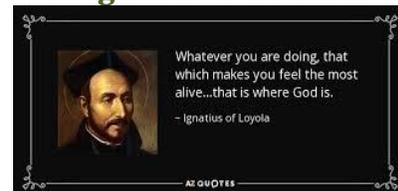
Needed to Reach Our Goal: \$55,384

We want to thank those who have contributed already either **through the AAA or as an unrestricted gift to St. Agnes**. There are envelopes in the pews; you can drop a check in the weekly collection made out to: "Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2021" or go to our



[website here](#) or the [Archdiocese website](#) and make an online donation. **THANK YOU for helping us meet our goal!**

**The Ignatian Year 2021-2022
The 500th Anniversary of
St. Ignatius' Conversion**



Join us in celebrating the Ignatian Year by clicking on the [link](#) to access resources and information, including video's, virtual pilgrimages, prayer broadcasts and other links in several different languages. It is a year of celebrations!

**5th Annual *Together in Holiness*
Marriage Conference**

Saturday, September 18, 2021

**8:45 - 4pm, Church of the Immaculate Heart of
Mary in Belmont, CA**

Married and engaged couples are invited to attend the 5th annual marriage conference. For more information, please visit togetherinholiness.org or Email: erin@forlifeandfamily.org.

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.