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January 9 & 10, 2021

Dear St. Agnes Parishioners,

Happy New Year! We are still reeling from the shocking events at our nation's Capital on Wednesday, so let's continue to pray for our country and our ideals.

We've made it through 2020, we'll get through this difficult time and I'm confident 2021 will be better. I am looking forward to being able to meet everyone in our community in person. Things are still up in the air regarding COVID19 restrictions. We are following the science and the advice of the public health experts to keep everyone safe here, but as soon as we are able to begin opening up for more in-person Mass attendance, we will.

I'm planning to begin our Saint Agnes/San Quentin prison ministry initiative this month. The idea is that we will not all go into San Quentin! Those who feel so called will have the opportunity, once we are through the pandemic, but more important, I want to begin to help educate our community about how we can be a welcoming, safe place for men and women coming out of prison. It is rare to find a Catholic Parish (or any church, for that matter) equipped to welcome and minister to ex-prisoners and their families. I am hoping we can be the "go-to" Catholic parish for these members of our church who have been marginalized and often forgotten. This is in the spirit of the Four Apostolic Preferences articulated by Fr. Arturo Sosa, S.J. Superior of all the Jesuits in the world. The four apostolic preferences were identified through 2-year process of discernment by the Society of Jesus. All Jesuits and many mission partners and

collaborators were invited to take part in it. Pope Francis confirmed and endorsed this vision in 2019.

As a Jesuit Parish, we will strive together to realize these apostolic ideals in our ministries, our liturgies and our prayer.

The 4 Preferences are:

- To show the way to God through the Spiritual Exercises and discernment.
- To walk with the poor, the outcasts of the world, those whose dignity has been violated, in a mission of reconciliation and justice.
- To accompany young people in the creation of a hope-filled future.
- To collaborate in the care of our Common Home.

To begin to realize the goal of the second apostolic preference, by beginning our prison ministry here at St. Agnes, I am offering an initial planning meeting/training on **Saturday, January 30 from 1 to 3 p.m.** I know how much we all love Zoom so it will be a Zoom meeting! **The link is as follows: <https://usfca.zoom.us/j/83357899430>**
The meeting ID is 833 5789 9430

At this meeting I will offer the scope of the vision and some fundamental education and training regarding criminal justice ministry. Please pray about this and see if the Holy Spirit is calling you to participate in this new ministry here!

In Christ,

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 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 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.

Liturgy Schedule

Sundays

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

Saturdays: 3:00pm | 4:00pm

Weekdays: 12:00pm

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.
Priest in Residence	Fr. Vincent Pereppadan, S.J.
Pastoral Ministry Coordinator	Mr. Manuel Chavira, 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	Dorenda Haynes
Sexton	Mario Hernandez
Cantor	Scott Grinthal
Sacristans	Frank Mitchell, Matthew Tominaga, Teri Bradshaw
Altar Linens & Vessels	Bernice Bennett Fischer
Art & Environment	St. Agnes Staff
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

January 9 & 10 | Baptism of the Lord

For your prayerful consideration, readings for next week:
1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19 •
1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20 • John 1:35-42

Date	Intention	Presider
Jan. 9		
3:00 PM	Rosario Llorca (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
4:00 PM	Don & Virginia Snyder (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
Jan. 10		
8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Alejandro Báez
10:30 AM	Patrice Montaner (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
1:30 PM	Lil Libadia (L)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
(Spanish)		
Jan. 11		
12:00 PM	Matthew Alba (L)	Fr. Lourdu Mummadi
Jan. 12		
12:00 PM	Mary McMullen Williams (D)	Fr. Vincent Pereppadan
Jan. 13		
12:00 PM	John Collins (D)	Fr. George Williams
Jan. 14		
12:00 PM	Frank Clyne (D)	Fr. Joe Spieler
Jan. 15		
10:30 AM	James Ochman (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
Jan. 16		
3:00 PM	Mary Rodgers (D)	Fr. Joe Spieler
4:00 PM	Teodora Lopez (D)	Fr. Joe Spieler
Jan. 17		
8:30 AM	Sr. Kathleen Kearney, RSM	Fr. Joe Spieler
10:30 AM	Loyola Guild Members (L)	Fr. Donal Godfrey
1:30 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Martinez-Callejas
(Spanish)		

D = Deceased; L = Living

Reconciliation Schedule

By appointment only. Please call the Parish Office.

Parish Office Hours

Our hours are modified during Covid-19 pandemic, please call the office to make sure we are open. Currently: 9am – 4:30pm, M, W, Th, F.

Fr. George Office Hours via Zoom = Mon. [Zoom Link](#) & Wed. [Zoom Link](#), 11am -12pm

Fr. Alejandro Office Hours via Zoom = Fri. [Zoom Link](#), 11am – 12pm

Office Phone: 415-487-8560

St. Agnes Stewardship

We thank you for your kind generosity in 2020!

Thank you also for your generosity towards our AAA assessment for 2020.

New Parishioners

You are Home! 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. 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.

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



COMING SOON TO
**THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL
LIFE CENTER**



1611 Oak Street

To RSVP for ISLC events contact Grace Salceanu at
Grace@SaintAgnesSF.org or 415-487-8560 x225.
www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org

Pope Francis' January Prayer Intention
Human Fraternity

"May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all."

Gather + Grow: Young Adult Ministry @ ISLC

Tuesday, February 9, 7 – 8pm on Zoom

Are you seeking a faith-gathering of young adults to grow in relationship with God and others in the Bay Area? Join us for an evening of prayer and spiritual conversation as we begin to rejuvenate young adult ministry at the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center. Contact [Dan Nevares](mailto:Dan@SaintAgnesSF.org) for more information. [Register here.](#)

ISLC's Young Adult Ministry

**SPIRITUAL
CONVERSATIONS**

We'd love to get to know more about your spiritual journey and any insight into what you're seeking within a faith community.

Since we can't meet in person yet,
let's arrange something via Zoom
while enjoying a beverage of choice!

TO ARRANGE A CHAT,
CONTACT: DAN NEVARES
YOUNGADULTS@SAINTAGNESSF.COM

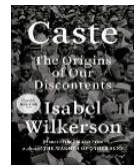


Pastor's Book Club

Saturday, January 16 at 10am, via Zoom

***Caste* - by Isabel Wilkerson**

Join Fr. George in discussing the book – *Caste* by Isabel Wilkerson on Saturday morning, January 16 at 10am. Join the Zoom Meeting at:
<https://usfca.zoom.us/j/85321989838>
Meeting ID: 853 2198 9838



LGBTQ Coffee Hour

Sunday, January 17 at Noon

Please join our new LGBTQ Coffee Hour at noon on Sunday, January 17. It will be a time for sharing and fellowship. All are welcome. The Zoom link:

Time: Jan 17, 2021, 12:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada). Join the Zoom Meeting: <https://usfca.zoom.us/j/88016082287>



Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA) 2020

There is still time to make a final gift for the 2020 AAA until Jan. 31st! You are welcome to make a donation [here](#). We would like to thank all of those who have already donated to our 2020 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. It has been a hard year for so many, we understand the strain many of our parishioners are in this year. So, we would like to thank you again for giving this year.

Goal: \$72,379

Total Raised: \$44,880

\$27,499 still needed

Masses at St. Agnes

If you would like to attend any of the three Masses (3 & 4pm on Saturdays and 8:30am on Sundays), please sign-up on our web site at www.SaintAgnesSF.org or call the rectory. Masks are required.



Saturdays: 3:00pm & 4:00pm

Sundays: 8:30am, 10:30am, & 1:30pm

Join us also on Sunday for our Spanish Mass via live-stream at 1:30pm.

Click [here](#) to join the spanish Mass via Live-Stream.

Weekday Masses have Changed: 12:00pm - Monday – Friday

Receiving Communion

Outside in front of St. Agnes

St. Agnes continues to distribute communion to our parishioners from **1pm – 2pm on Sundays** in front of the Church. We still seeking volunteers to help with communion, please contact

Marco@SaintAgnesSF.org if you can help!

ISLC Continued Programming

Centering Prayer

Monday's @ 7pm

Centering Prayer becomes a weekly practice in the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center! Join us on the on Mondays at 7pm to deepen into this contemplative practice. Contact Mary English if you are interested at: thecentering@comcast.net for more information regarding the "Zoom" Centering Prayer.



Silence of the Heart

Tuesdays, 9am - 10am (Silent prayer & sharing)

Music, poetry, scripture, and spiritual reading set the tone as we enter into silent prayer for half an hour, followed by an opportunity for sharing and holding the prayers of our community all via Zoom. For more information, please contact: Grace Salceanu at

Grace@SaintAgnesSF.org.



Thursday Morning Faith-Sharing

9:15am - 10:30am

Each week, this small faith community 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 always held in sacred confidence. For more information or to join the Zoom, please contact: Grace Salceanu at Grace@SaintAgnesSF.org.



Support Small Businesses @ St. Agnes

The St. Agnes community would like to once again help support our parishioners with small businesses:

JDESIGNBUILD

All this time at home got you dreaming about renovations? Licensed general contractor for custom residential remodeling on all scales: interior (kitchen and baths) and exterior (decks, windows, siding), extensions, seismic retrofitting, foundation to finish. References available upon request. Lic. #1017420.

www.jdesignbuild.com Ph. (415) 318-9525.

Contact [Justin Walsh](mailto:JustinWalsh@jdesignbuild.com)

Early Childhood Matters

We offer parenting workshops, second time mom support groups, private consultations and facilitated nature groups for toddlers and their parents/caregivers. You can support us by signing up for one of our virtual parenting classes, groups or private consults at our website. Like or share our Facebook Page or follow us on Instagram. Contact [Rebecca Walsh](mailto:RebeccaWalsh@stagnes.org)

Staff Corner



Grace Salceanu

"Dear young people, keep running the race before you. The Church needs your momentum, your intuitions, your faith. And when you arrive where we have not yet reached, have the patience to wait for us." — Pope Francis

Last Fall, Dan Nevares, SJ, and I launched "Gather + Grow," a revitalization of the Francis Fellowship, the Ignatian Spiritual Life Center's young adult ministry. Our desire grew from the findings of the Cara report, "[Going, Going, Gone: Dynamics of Disaffiliation in Young Catholics](#)", in combination with the Jesuits' Universal Apostolic Preferences, [Journeying with Youth](#). Although it felt risky to launch a new ministry in this time of global pandemic, we have been consoled by the rich sharing and budding community that has emerged even on Zoom. It is clear we need each other now more than ever.

We envision 3 concurrent threads to this ministry: **Gather + Grow**, which is prayer and faith-sharing; **Nourish**: faith formation (to launch in February) and **Building Bridges**: social friendship + social justice, to launch hopefully in the Spring.

Check out our nascent faith community [here](#), or reach out for a 1-1 with our leadership team. We would love to get to know you and build this ministry together.

Much peace,
Grace

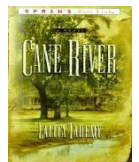
2021 Calendars Available

St. Agnes once again has 2021 calendars available for our parishioners. We will have them available at all the Masses and when you come for communion after the 10:30am Mass on Sundays.

Book Club

Friday, January 29, 7 - 9pm

The Book Club will meet **via Zoom** on Friday, Jan. 29, when we will discuss **Cane River** by Lalita Tademy. The link to Zoom will be forwarded before the January gathering. Please contact Sr. Laetitia at Laetitiabordes@att.net if you are interested.



St. Agnes Town Hall

Save the Date – January 28th!

The next St. Agnes Town Hall will take place on Thursday, January 28 at 7:00pm. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend. The zoom link is coming soon.

Discernment Series: Racial Justice

Hosted by St. Ignatius Parish

Discernment Series - Racial Justice offers an opportunity for education and theological reflection to discern ways we can work for racial justice in our daily lives through the framework of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. *Twice a week, starting the week of the Baptism of the Lord and ending in Pentecost*, participants will receive a newsletter. The first will define terms necessary to engage in dialogues about racial equity and offer insight and examples of how racism is present in individual, structural, and cultural ways. The second newsletter will contain meditations and prayer reflections to open our hearts to see the world as God sees and call us to live out the Good News of Jesus Christ.

We engage in this series on racial justice because working for racial equity stems directly from our call as followers of Jesus. A man of his own culture, Jesus encountered the Syrophenician Woman who taught him that his ministry was for all people, not just the people of Israel. He was able to break out of his preconceived notions shared by his cultural background. Consequentially, Jesus preached a message of radical inclusion and acceptance where all might be freed from chains of division and exclusion.

This discernment series invites us to follow the lead of Jesus: to prayerfully consider where we are being invited to grow so that we individually and as a parish may work for racial equity.

Secondly, the Universal Apostolic Preferences of the Society of Jesus compel us to “walk with the poor, the outcasts of the world, those whose dignity has been violated, in a mission of reconciliation and justice.” Since our founding as a nation, many racial minorities have had their dignity violated and have been deemed the outcasts of our society. To take up the call of the Society of Jesus in our own context is to work for racial equity and reconciliation. Our hope as a parish will be more equipped to do this work following this discernment series.

Discernment Series: Racial Justice is for those who are ready and willing to engage in discerning how one can work for racial justice through faith and reason.

[**SIGN UP HERE**](#)

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