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# St. Agnes Catholic Church

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## January 1 & 2, 2022

Dear St. Agnes Family,

The general holiday busy-ness has been unique this year. We celebrated Christmas on a Saturday and normally the Feast of the Holy Family is celebrated the following Sunday. However, this meant it fell on the very next day, Sunday Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>. This is repeated again this weekend. Our Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God falls on Saturday and the Epiphany of the Lord is now celebrated immediately on Sunday January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Whew!

I am sure that many of you feel perhaps overwhelmed with so much happening and things keep moving. This is why I felt that today we should practice our Jesuit/Ignatian principle of “*repetition*”.

“*Repetition* is the return to a previous period of prayer for the purpose of allowing the movements of God to deepen within the heart.” Yet I encourage you to expand on this idea of *repetition* and reflect not only on a time of prayer, but on those wonderful ordinary moments in which God was manifested in your day-to-day life. Perhaps it was through your attendance in person or live-stream for Mass; or a holiday gathering with relatives and friends, or a heartfelt conversation with someone over the phone or even on Zoom.

Repetition is a way of honoring God’s word to us in the earlier prayer period. It is recalling and pondering an earlier conversation with one we love. It is as if we say to God, “Tell me that again; what did I hear you saying?”

In this follow-up conversation or repetition, we open ourselves to a healing presence that often transforms whatever sadness and confusion we may have experienced the first time we prayed.

In repetitions, not only does the consolation (joy, warmth, peace) deepen, but the desolation (pain, sadness, confusion) frequently moves to a new level of understanding and acceptance within God’s plan for us.” (Source: IgnatianSpirituality.com)

As we recall the holidays, let us ask – **what have we experienced, and what were the spiritual gifts we received?** Even as we begin the New Year, we can practice repetition by resting in God and savoring the graces of the previous days.

Merry Christmas! Happy New Year!

*Fv. Alejandro Baey, S.J.*

### 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) | 5:00pm Holy Hour, 6:00pm Mass

**Saturdays:** 4:00pm

**Weekdays:** 12:00pm – Monday - Thursday  
Fridays @ Noon, Lay-led  
Communion Service

**January 1 – 10:30am (Solemnity of the Virgin Mary)**

**January 1 – 4:00pm (The Epiphany of the Lord)**

**January 2 – 8:30am, 10:30am, 1:30pm, 6:00pm**

### Live-stream Schedule

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

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

# Parish Information

## Parish Staff & Ministries

<b>Pastor</b>	Fr. George Williams, S.J.
<b>Associate Pastor</b>	Fr. Alejandro Báez, S.J.
<b>Priest in Residence</b>	Fr. Joe Spieler, Brent Otto
<b>Director of Liturgy &amp; Music</b>	Frank Uranich
<b>Director of Operations &amp; Finance</b>	Maureen Beckman
<b>Co-Directors, Spiritual Ministries</b>	Sr. Julia Prinz, Sr. Ellen Hess and Sr. Sara Postlethwaite, VDMF
<b>Coordinator of Children's Faith Formation</b>	Sr. Teresa Malave, VDMF
<b>Office Manager</b>	TBA
<b>Bookkeeper/Accountant</b>	Dorenda Haynes
<b>Sexton</b>	Mario Hernandez
<b>Cantor</b>	Scott Grinthal
<b>Sacristans</b>	Frank Mitchell, Matthew Tominaga, Terry Bradshaw
<b>Art &amp; Environment</b>	St. Agnes Staff
<b>Finance Committee Chair</b>	Chris Roman
<b>Outreach to Homebound/Sick St. Agnes &amp; St. Ignatius Comm. Food Pantry Director</b>	TBA Kathleen Devine
<b>Wedding Coordinator</b>	TBA
<b>Marriage Prep Classes</b>	Regina Lathrop & Bob Boguski
<b>Parish Council Chair</b>	Karen Xavier
<b>Director R.C.I.A.</b>	Cathy Collins
<b>LGBTQ Ministry</b>	Andrea Wise
<b>Hospitality Coordinator</b>	Karen Kelly

## 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](mailto:George@SaintAgnesSF.org) or call.

Fr. Alejandro's Office Hours by appointment, please email at [Alejandro@SaintAgnesSF.org](mailto:Alejandro@SaintAgnesSF.org) or call.

**Office Phone: 415-487-8560**

## St. Agnes Stewardship

**Due to the Holiday Schedule, we are unable to publish the collection amounts this week.**

**Thank You for all that you have given in 2021!**  
To make a donation go to [www.saintagnessf.org](http://www.saintagnessf.org) or click **HERE**.

## Jan. 1 & 2 | Solemnity of Mary/Epiphany

*For your prayerful consideration,  
readings for next week:*

**Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 •**

**Acts 10:34-38 • Luke 3:15-16, 21-22**

Date	Intention	Presider
<b>Jan. 1</b>		
<b>10:30 AM</b>	Parishioners of St. Agnes	TBD
<b>4:00 PM</b>	Teresa Meyer	Fr. Alejandro Báez
<b>Jan. 2</b>		
<b>8:30 AM</b>	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Joe Spieler
<b>10:30 AM</b>	Ethel Brosnahan (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
<b>1:30 PM (SP)</b>	Richie McAllister (L)	Fr. Joe Spieler
<b>6:00 PM</b>	Con Gill (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
<b>Jan. 3</b>		
<b>12:00 PM</b>	Gladys Clary (D)	Various Presiders
<b>Jan. 4</b>		
<b>12:00 PM</b>	Mel Rothermich (D)	Various Presiders
<b>Jan. 5</b>		
<b>12:00 PM</b>	Barbara Nelson (D)	Various Presiders
<b>Jan. 6</b>		
<b>12:00 PM</b>	Mary Adamson (D)	Various Presiders
<b>Jan. 7</b>		
<b>12:00 PM</b>	Communion Service	Various Presiders
<b>Jan. 8</b>		
<b>4:00 PM</b>	Thomas Meyer (D)	Fr. George Williams
<b>Jan. 9</b>		
<b>8:30 AM</b>	Ted O'Regan (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
<b>10:30 AM</b>	Gary and Kay Altamirano (L)	Fr. George Williams
<b>1:30 PM (SP)</b>	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Alejandro Báez
<b>6:00 PM</b>	Frank Clyne (D)	Fr. George Williams

D = Deceased; L = Living; SP = Spanish

## New Parishioners

Welcome to our 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](http://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 - [Alejandro@SaintAgnesSF.org](mailto:Alejandro@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.

## 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.

## Solemnity of Mary/Epiphany



### **Pope Francis'** **January Prayer Intention**

#### *For True Human Fraternity*

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

### **Parish Offices Closed** **Monday, January 3**

Following the protocols of the Archdiocese, the parish offices will continue to be closed through Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>. The parish priests will be around the offices for any immediate needs, please call Fr. Alejandro at 415-450-8670 for assistance. Happy New Year!

## **Christmas Season Flowers**

You are invited to make a special gift for the beauty of the church. You may remember your loved ones by donating for flowers in their names. Your petitions will remain on the altar through the Christmas season. so you can make a gift by mailing it or going online to our website and specify your gift is for flowers. Thank you in advance.



## **Happy New Year!**

The staff at St. Agnes would like to wish all of you a very blessed New Year as we continue to celebrate the Christmas Season. Peace and Happiness to you all throughout this new year.

## **Thank You!**

Thank you to all who made generous Christmas donations, Christmas flower donations, and year-end gifts! We can't thank you enough for the support that you give to St. Agnes not only monetarily, but also of your time and energy. We are very blessed!

## **Training for Lay Reflection Team**

**Saturdays January 15, 29 and**

**February 12, 11:00-1:00**

Are you called to join the lay reflection team? Come explore your call to this ministry. Join us for three training sessions with Cathy Murray, OP. Please contact Rosemary Robinson ([rosemaryellisrobinson@gmail.com](mailto:rosemaryellisrobinson@gmail.com)) if you are interested. All are welcome. We will meet in the ISLC January 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> and in the church February 12<sup>th</sup>.

## **Office Manager Position**

### **Available at St. Agnes**

St. Agnes is looking for a full-time, salaried Office Manager Position. This role is an opportunity for an experienced person to take their skills to the next level while supporting this wonderful dynamic parish. The position includes a full range of office management, tech support, HR/Payroll, hospitality and people skills! If you are interested in learning more, please contact [Maureen@SaintAgnesSF.org](mailto:Maureen@SaintAgnesSF.org).

## **The Jesuit Retreat Center, Los Altos**

### **Weekend Retreat with Fr. Greg Boyle** **January 21-23, 2022**

#### *Non-Silent Retreat for Women and Men*

"Love is God's Religion": These days of retreat will explore how we are to put love in action at the margins, seeking exquisite mutuality and relational wholeness in the vicinity of the poor. The ministry of Homeboy Industries and outreach to gang members and returning citizens will animate this time of reflection. To register: [https://jrc.retreatportal.com/events/f?p=101:2:2335791454149:::PROGRAM\\_ID:3301](https://jrc.retreatportal.com/events/f?p=101:2:2335791454149:::PROGRAM_ID:3301)



# Spiritual Life Center

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## Upcoming Events

The ISLC together with the University of San Francisco is involved in **two major projects this winter and during the coming spring**. One is oriented towards memory of the spiritual and religious imagination these times have brought forward. The other is oriented towards the future of the Church that cannot be thought of apart from a memory that challenges the status quo of how things seem to always have to be.



It is time during this COVID to see how we discovered resilience and how we began to bring the vision of Pope Francis with his dream for a different Church and a healing of the world.

Please, click further down for the link to the first part of the research and in what way COVID has challenged and perhaps changed our own religious and spiritual imagination. As we receive more responses on this survey, we will be aware of what is evolving into other ways of belonging and of imagination of the Christian Mystery as more, we will be able to respond to it. Please, click [HERE](#) to take the **survey**.

**Every third Thursday of the month** there will be a continuation of the discussion regarding the synodal process Pope Francis is inviting us to! Please, look at the ISLC website and the bulletin to receive more information about how and where this synodal process is going to take place at Saint Agnes and especially at ISLC in collaboration with the other two Jesuit works – the SI Highschool and the University of San Francisco.



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## Continuing Events:

### Centering Prayer – Mondays @ 7pm



Mondays, 7pm. Contact Mary English at: [thecentering@comcast.net](mailto:thecentering@comcast.net).

### Silence of the Heart

Tuesdays @ 9am (Silent prayer & sharing)

Music, poetry, scripture, and spiritual reading, followed by sharing and prayers for our community. Please contact: Leonor Barnett: [SilenceTuesday@gmail.com](mailto:SilenceTuesday@gmail.com).



### Thursday Morning Faith-Sharing

@ 9:30am – 10:30am

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](mailto:californiamandolin@gmail.com).



## St. Agnes Book Club

**Friday, January 28 at 7:00 PM**

The Ignatian Spiritual Life Center  
The Book Club will meet to discuss  
*HAMNET* by Maggie O'Farrell.  
All must be vaccinated to attend.

**Friday, February 25th at 7:00 PM**

The Ignatian Spiritual Life Center  
The Book Club will meet to discuss  
*THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY* by Amor Towles  
All must be vaccinated to attend.

## Parking in the Garage

We welcome everyone to park in the garage for Masses on the weekends. However, there are some spaces on the top level that are **reserved for Urban School 24/7** and should never be parked in. They are marked with URBAN 24/7 and often have small cones to block them. Please do not move the cones and park there. If there are no cones, please do not park there. Outside of weekend Masses, we only have the GREEN and WHITE on the LOWER LEVEL of the garage. Unless you are told we have other parking, please only park in the GREEN and WHITE spaces. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Calendar of Events for St. Agnes

### January:

\* **Sat. Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>** @ 10:30 a.m. Mary, The Holy Mother of God Feast

**Sat. Jan 1** @ 4:00 p.m. (Epiphany of the Lord - Saturday evening Vigil Mass)

**Sun. Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Epiphany of the Lord - All masses as Usual @ 8:30am; 10:30am\*; 1:30pm\* and 6:00 pm

\* **In-person & live-stream**

For more detail information check our website @ [www.SaintAgnesSF.org](http://www.SaintAgnesSF.org)

## Calendar of Events for Children's Faith Formation (CFF)

### January:

**Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>** - 10:30am Family Mass at 10:30am

**Jan 9<sup>th</sup>** - Return to CFF classes.

## 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.