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# St. Agnes Catholic Church

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## January 8 & 9, 2022

Dear St. Agnes Family,

This weekend we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, which marks the end of the Christmas Season. Despite the Omicron Variant of COVID19, we had beautiful Masses celebrating both Christmas, the Feast of the Holy Family, the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the mother of God, and of course, Epiphany this past weekend.

I want to thank once again all who worked so hard to make the church look so festive! Marilyn Thickett and her army of elves worked hard to set up all the Christmas decorations. We are all grateful for their generosity and care! Thanks too to Frank and all our choir members and the musicians. I have never heard such beautiful Christmas music in a parish before. How blessed we are to have such talented and dedicated members of our community here at St. Agnes!

I'm grateful for all of your kindness and support, especially over the whole COVID vaccination issue. I think at this point, as we face a big surge of the virus in January, we need to be more vigilant than ever to protect one another from getting sick. For that reason, I asked Karen Kelly and the hospitality teams to

suspend holding after-Mass hospitality during January. The best way we can show hospitality to one another this month is to make sure we don't end up in the hospital! We will resume this important ministry as soon as it is safe to do so.

I urge you to exercise caution and if in doubt, stay home! We are being careful to follow all the protocols here, but the new variant is spreading rapidly and even those who are triple-vaccinated are still vulnerable to become infected. You can always join us on the live-stream Mass at 10:30 on Sundays (the 1:30 Spanish Mass is also live-streamed). Your safety is our priority here and we need to look after one another's well-being especially during this latest trial that COVID is presenting. Hopefully, the surge will end soon, and we will be able to go back to normal (whatever normal is anymore!)

In the meantime, let's pray for an end to this pandemic, remembering the especially apt prayer of the blessing of the water at the Mass of the Baptism of the Lord: *Renew the living spring of your grace within us and grant that by this water we may be defended from all ills of spirit and body.*

*George Williams SJ*

### 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

### 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</b>	TBA
<b>Comm. Food Pantry Director</b>	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

## Jan. 8 & 9 | The Baptism of the Lord

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

**Isaiah 62:1-5**

**1 Corinthians 12:4-11 • John 2:1-11**

Date	Intention	Presider
<b>Jan. 8 4:00 PM</b>	Thomas Meyer (D)	Fr. George Williams
<b>Jan. 9 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
<b>Jan. 10 12:00 PM</b>	Roger Beckman (D)	Various Presiders
<b>Jan. 11 12:00 PM</b>	Jeanne Nelson (D)	Various Presiders
<b>Jan. 12 12:00 PM</b>	Violet Shinn (D)	Various Presiders
<b>Jan. 13 12:00 PM</b>	Norito Torres (D)	Various Presiders
<b>Jan. 14 12:00 PM</b>	Communion Service	Various Presiders
<b>Jan. 15 4:00 PM</b>	Rupert Meyer (D)	Fr. Joe Spieler
<b>Jan. 16 8:30 AM</b>	Bruce Samson (D)	Fr. Joe Spieler
<b>10:30 AM</b>	Loyola Guild Members (D)	Fr. Donal Godfrey
<b>1:30 PM (SP)</b>	Glen Potter (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
<b>6:00 PM</b>	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Alejandro Báez

D = Deceased; L = Living; SP = Spanish

## 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

*Thank You for all your contributions  
in 2021!*

To make a donation go to  
[www.saintagnessf.org](http://www.saintagnessf.org) or click **HERE**.

## 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

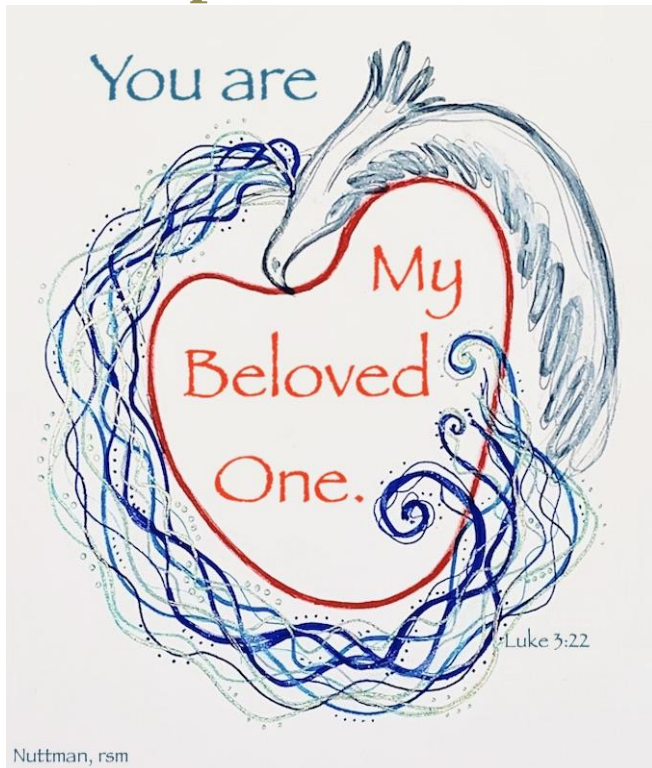
Please contact the Parish Office -

[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.

## Baptism of the Lord



## 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.

## 18th Annual Walk for Life

**January 22, 2022**

Please join the Archdiocese and others in San Francisco for the annual walk for Life. Check out <https://walkforlifewc.com/> for more details.

## Rosary Webinar against Human Trafficking

## Feast Day of St. Josephine Bakhita

**February 8, 2022**

**Time: 6:30 PM**

Please join the Archdiocese for a rosary webinar against human trafficking. To register go to: [sfarch.org/event/bakhita2022/](https://sfarch.org/event/bakhita2022/)

## 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**

*In-Person and Virtual, 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)

### Be Still and Rest in God: Reclaiming the Sabbath in our Daily Lives – Ms. Sara Banini, JD, MA January 28-30, 2022

*In-Person, Non-Silent Retreat for Women and Young Mothers*

Honoring the Sabbath seems to have practically disappeared from our frenetic lives as women and mothers. Take a respite with God through psalms, meditation, and art, to find ways to enjoy Sabbath moments every day alone and with our families. Enjoy a restorative weekend and return home rejuvenated with a fresh outlook.



# Spiritual Life Center

1611 Oak Street  
[www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org](http://www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org)

## 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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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](http://www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org).

## 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.

## **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.