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St. Agnes Catholic Church

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July 17 & 18, 2021

Dear St. Agnes Community,

As I mentioned in a homily a few weeks ago, as a Jesuit parish, we all share in the worldwide mission and charism of the Society of Jesus.

In 2019, following a two-year process of discernment among Jesuits and their lay collaborators around the world, Jesuit Superior General, Fr. Arturo Sosa, S.J., the Superior General of the Society of Jesus, announced four Universal Apostolic Preferences for the Society of Jesus over the next decade.

These four apostolic preferences endorsed by Pope Francis are:

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

As I also mentioned, we just began an Ignatian Year,

commemorating the 500th anniversary of the conversion of St. Ignatius of Loyola.

I hope, over the course of the next 12 months, starting in September to spend one quarter of the coming year focusing on each of these four apostolic preferences, imagining ways we can incorporate these preferences into actions in the life of our parish.

For example, from September through November, we'll look at ways to deepen our personal and our parish-wide experiences of the Spiritual Exercises. I will invite us to consider ways to expand the good work of the Spiritual Life Center to be an Ignatian resource for the whole Bay Area.

Then, from December through February as a parish community we might explore ways to concretize even more our service to the marginalized and poor. This can be as simple as expanding participation among our parishioners in the work we are already doing in sanctuary, homelessness and restorative justice, or exploring other ministries in need of our help.

From March through May, we can focus on ways we

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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	Vivian Nabuule
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: \$3,343.47

Mailed-in: \$420; In Person Masses: \$2,309

Online (monthly and one-time donations): \$614.47

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

July 17 & 18 | 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

For your prayerful consideration, readings for next week:

2 Kings 4:42-44 •

Ephesians 4:1-6 • John 6:1-15

Date	Intention	Presider
July 17 4:00 PM	Lani Branco (D)	Fr. George Williams
July 18 8:30 AM	Daniel Iannitelli (D)	Fr. George Williams
10:30 AM	Patrick Sullivan (D)	Fr. George Williams
1:30 PM (Spanish)	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. George Williams
July 19 12:00 PM	George White (D)	Various Presiders
July 20 12:00 PM	Jose Matute (D)	Various Presiders
July 21 12:00 PM	John Murphy (D)	Various Presiders
July 22 12:00 PM	Mary Ahlback (L)	Various Presiders
July 23 12:00pm	Communion Service	Various Presiders
July 24 4:00 PM	Maria and Joseph Moon (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
July 25 8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Alejandro Báez
10:30 AM	Lara Petrossian (L)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
1:30 PM (Spanish)	Jean Kelly (D)	Fr. Joe Spieler

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.IgnatiusSpiritualLifeCenter.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 cdegraw@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

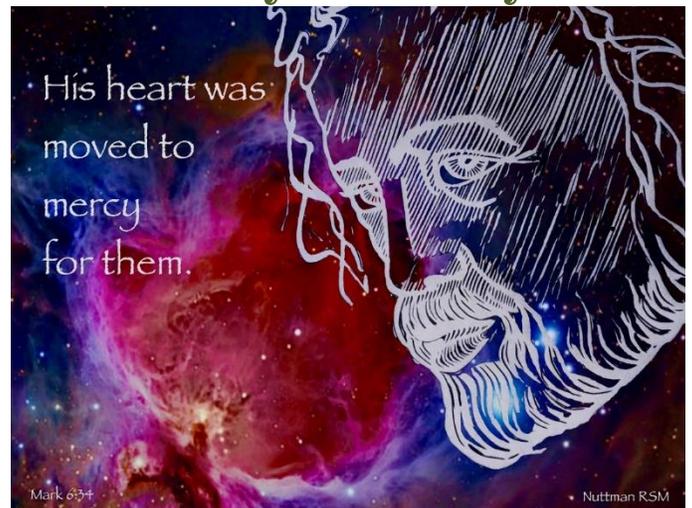
Tuesdays @ 9am (Silent prayer & sharing)

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.

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Pope Francis'
July Prayer Intention**
“Social Friendship”

“We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.”

**Are you Called to Be a
Eucharistic Minister,
Lector (Reader) or Alter 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 Alter 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.



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.

Letter from Fr. Williams and the Lay Reflection Team

Beloved Community,

Our thanks to all of you who attended the Parish Town Hall Meeting July 1 and for sharing your thoughts with us about lay reflections during mass at St. Agnes. In a spirit of open communication and dialogue, we would like to share information with you about this endeavor.

Since December 2020, a group of lay women and men, along with Fr. George, have been meeting twice a month to collaborate with one another and the Spirit to form and train women to share reflections during the masses one weekend a month. Our leadership team offered a retreat for women in April, as well as six training sessions on how to write and deliver a reflection based on the scriptures of the weekend and informed by the lived experience of the women sharing. It has been a Spirit filled, uplifting and enlivening experience for the women involved and for many in our community. We look forward to having laymen join in this endeavor in the Fall. Please be in touch with any of us if you are interested in participating in this collaborative effort.

In June, Fr. George, Rosemary Robinson and Karen Brugge met with Archbishop Cordileone to clarify when these reflections could be offered during the mass. He has directed us to move the reflections from after the gospel to either before mass or after communion.

After much discernment among the group and with Fr. George, we have decided to give the reflections as a Communion Meditation after communion. We recognize that this placement is not ideal and involves another change for our St. Agnes community. We believe it to be vitally important to continue hearing diverse voices – breaking open the Word together in community. We are committed to grounding our reflections in scripture and our lived experience and keeping them 4-5 minutes in length.

We are all the Body of Christ, the People of God, in the community of St. Agnes. We welcome ongoing dialogue with each of you as we continue to answer the call of the Spirit to birth something new in our Church.

In the love of Christ,
Kate Carter, Cathy Collins, Ellen Jewett, Heidi Kallen, Patti May, Rosemary Robinson, Christine Rodgers, Fr. George Williams, S.J.

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can continue to accompany young people in our parish. By then I hope we will have an active youth-oriented Mass in place on Saturday or Sunday evenings. Our parish's survival requires us to attract new and younger people to our community.

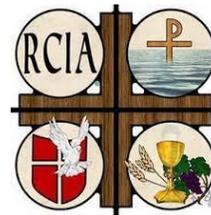
Finally, next summer, from June through August we can collectively imagine ways to better care for our common home, the environment. I'd like to see us become the first carbon-neutral parish in the Archdiocese! We can be leaders in the work of climate protection and environmental justice.

This may seem like a lot, but the Apostolic Preferences were named as goals for the next 10 years- so we don't have to do it all at once. But it is exciting to me to think we have a clear roadmap for putting our faith into action, in collaboration with Jesuits and lay colleagues around the world.

George Williams SJ

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!***

St. Agnes Outing to PARKLAB gardens

Saturday, July 31, 2021

(St. Ignatius Day)

1:00pm – 4:00pm

Come join us for an afternoon of fun in the sun (The Campground, 1379 4th St., San Francisco) with St.



Agnes's parishioners while enjoying San Francisco's only outdoor **mini-golf** – Stagecoach Greens, designed to immerse you in the story of Boom and Bust, using sight, sound and technology

that puts you in the middle of the story. There will be

food trucks to grab some lunch as well as time to **enjoy each other's company**. We have rented a pavilion for our event. Again,



this will be a **free event for all** our parishioners thanks to the generosity of a donor for our "back to St. Agnes" adventures. We are limited to 100 people, so don't wait to sign-up! To Register, go to:

[https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-agnes-afternoon-at-parklab-tickets-](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-agnes-afternoon-at-parklab-tickets-161838678845)



[161838678845](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-agnes-afternoon-at-parklab-tickets-161838678845). For any questions, please contact Marco at Marco@saintagnessf.org. All are welcome!

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. Any questions? Contact our CFF Coordinator, Vivian Nabuule at Nabuule@SaintAgnesSF.org.

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

www.ignatiancompanions.org



- 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, we invite you to attend one of the upcoming [Come & See events](#).

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.

Ignatian Companions is a program of the Spiritual Life Center and operates in the Jesuits West Province. Companions meet at Santa Clara University, the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley and at the Spiritual Life Center.

Divine World Missionaries

Guest Priest this Weekend

This week at all the Masses we will have a visiting SVD priests here preaching about Divine World Missionaries. Here is the [link](#) to the Divine Word Missionaries [video](#) on [YouTube](#) and [Google Drive](#).

- <https://youtu.be/wBgs8SFJbXI>
- <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1bYGoRo90fi-gi30lNbbJhfwJDgKaUHtj/view?usp=sharing>

We hope you will be as generous as possible for their collection.

The Ignatian Year 2021-2022

The 500th Anniversary of St. Ignatius' Conversion



St. Ignatius of Loyola, S.J.

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.