

St. Agnes Catholic Community

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Diverse
Inclusive Jesuit



Liturgy Schedule

Sunday: 8:30am	Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
10:30am	Weekdays: 8:30am
6:00pm	Holy Days: 8:30am & 5:30pm

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.

March 28 & 29, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

Holy Week is not too far away, and I can't help but think of one of my favorite passages from the New Testament. It is John 13.1-17, the washing of the disciples feet by Jesus. It has much to say to us in our present situation.

It is Jesus' moment of impending death and he knows that he came from God and is going to God. In the midst of life and death he becomes an extraordinary sign of life. He takes upon himself the role of a slave and washes his disciples feet. "You call me teacher and master, and rightly so, for indeed I am. If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet." (Jn 13:13-15) Afterwards, at the Last Supper continues, Jesus can only speak of love and hope and even reaches out to Judas in a gesture of friendship. In the midst of darkness Jesus is truly Light!

So, my sisters and brothers, what does this say to us today in our present situation? We can be light to one another if we can be positive. We can speak and live hope and love. The frustrations and anxieties of isolation or close family living does not have to be a curse. We can grow closer to one-another, we can reach out to one another by a phone call, an email, a text. This is how we can wash one another's feet.

Yet, we can't have this attitude without Jesus' presence and grace. Let us not be like Peter who did not want Jesus to wash his feet. We must let Jesus minister and heal us. We must let him wash our feet. We must take time for real prayer so that God might lift us up.

Raymond Allender, S.J.

Parish Information

Parish Staff & Ministries

Pastor	Fr. Ray Allender, S.J.
Associate Pastor	Fr. Joe Specht, S.J.
Priest in Residence	Fr. Joe Spieler, S.J.
Priest in Residence	Fr. Vincent Pereppadan, 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
Community Coordinator	Douglas Pierce
Administrative Assistant	Marco Matute
Bookkeeper	Kristina Tan
Sexton	Mario Hernandez
Cantor	Scott Grinthal
Sacristans	Frank Mitchell, Matthew Tominaga, Teri Bradshaw
Altar Linens & Vessels	Bernice Bennett Fischer
Art & Environment	Marco Matute
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

March 28 & 29 – 5th Sunday of Lent

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

Isaiah 50.4-7 •

Philippians 2.6-11 • Passion Matthew 26.14-27.66

Date	Intention	Presider
March 28 4:00 PM	Don & Virginia Snyder (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
March 29 8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Ray Allender
10:00 AM	The Brennan Family	Fr. Ray Allender
6:00 PM	Barbara Chudzinski (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
March 30 8:30 AM	Coronavirus Victims	Fr. Ray Allender
March 31 8:30 AM	Marlene Lucero (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
April 1 8:30 AM	John Fannon (D)	Fr. Ray Allender
April 2 8:30 AM	Healthcare providers	Fr. Ray Allender
April 3 8:30 AM	Scientist and Researchers for Vaccine	Fr. Ray Allender
April 4 4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Ray Allender
April 5 10:00 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. Ray Allender

D = Deceased; L = Living

New Parishioners

You are Home! Welcome to a great parish community! Please fill out a registration form online, at the entrances to the church (orange form) or stop by the rectory to add your name to our mailing list. All are welcome!

Sacraments

Please contact the Parish Office 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.

Children's Care during Liturgy

Care is provided for children 18 months through 5 years of age during the Sunday 10:30 AM Mass. Our Daycare Room is located across from the daily mass chapel. Parents with children under 18 months are welcome to use the daycare room as long as at least one parent stays with the child.

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

Reconciliation Schedule

Saturdays • 3pm – 3:45pm or by appointment

Parish Office Hours

Monday – Fri

day: 9am to 4:30pm

(Closed Noon-1pm for lunch)

Phone: 415-487-8560

Fax: 415-487-8575

St. Agnes Stewardship

Collection last week: \$756.70
(via Mail and website)

Last year: \$3,548

Please consider donating via our Web Site



**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' March Prayer Intention
Catholics in China

"We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity."

*ALL Events are POSTPONED
until Further Notice!*

Masses to stream on the Internet:

- **9:00 am Daily Mass** - Click [here](#) to connect to the livestream. [Note: Requires that you have a Facebook account.]
- **10:00 am Sunday Mass** - Click [here](#) to connect to the livestream. Fr. Ray Allender and Fr. Greg Bonfiglio will alternate being the Presider and giving the Homily for the Sunday Mass.

**Lenten Alms Giving -
Healing WELL**

This year our St. Agnes Alms giving will be for the Healing WELL located in the Tenderloin district of San Francisco. Our parishioner, Kathy Curran is the founding Director of the Healing WELL and has seen it grow into a thriving environment of healing and accompaniment. Several of our parishioner's volunteer as well using their many gifts to help the center with the wonderful work they do. For more information about the Healing WELL, go to www.HealingWellSF.org.



Coronavirus Update for St. Agnes

- **Masses:** Fr. Ray will concelebrate the Sunday Masses (10:00am) at St. Ignatius Church. Daily Masses will be celebrated at St. Ignatius at 9:00am. Both Daily and Sunday Masses will be livestreamed. Click [here](#) to connect to **Livestream** at St. Ignatius Parish's YouTube page.
- **Donations to St. Agnes:** All are invited to continue your Sunday giving by going to our web site and making a donation, <https://www.saintagnessf.org/make-a-gift-to-st-agnes.html>. As always, we appreciate anything you can do.
- **Mass Intentions:** We continue to pray for the Mass intentions that are already in the calendar. Fr. Ray is praying for the weekday intentions as well at the weekends.
- **All St. Agnes Staff will be working from home, priests will shelter in place in the rectory.** If you want to contact any staff or need to contact a priest, please do so by individual emails.
- **All events POSTPONED!** If anyone has questions or concerns, please contact Maureen Beckman Maureen@SaintAgnesSF.org.
- **All CFF Classes are cancelled until further notice.** Hannah will be in touch with all families, especially those preparing for Sacraments.
- **Thursday Food Pantry** – Food pantries are considered “essential”, so we will have our food pantry on Thursday until further notice.
- **Snack Bags to homeless** – we will discontinue giving out snack bags until further notice.

These are the precautions we are taking until further notice. You may also find information on our website. Thank you for your cooperation during this difficult time, we will keep you updated as more info comes in.

Poem by Fr. Richard Hendrick, OFM

Yes there is fear.
Yes there is isolation.
Yes there is panic buying.
Yes there is sickness.
Yes there is even death.
But,
They say that in Wuhan after so many years of noise
You can hear the birds again.
They say that after just a few weeks of quiet
The sky is no longer thick with fumes
But blue and grey and clear.
They say that in the streets of Assisi
People are singing to each other
across the empty squares,
keeping their windows open
so that those who are alone
may hear the sounds of family around them.
They say that a hotel in the West of Ireland
Is offering free meals and delivery to the housebound.
Today a young woman I know
is busy spreading fliers with her number
through the neighbourhood
So that the elders may have someone to call on.
Today Churches, Synagogues, Mosques and Temples
are preparing to welcome
and shelter the homeless, the sick, the weary
All over the world people are slowing down and
reflecting
All over the world people are looking at their
neighbours in a new way
All over the world people are waking up to a new
reality
To how big we really are.
To how little control we really have.
To what really matters.
To Love.
So we pray and we remember that
Yes there is fear.
But there does not have to be hate.
Yes there is isolation.
But there does not have to be loneliness.
Yes there is panic buying.
But there does not have to be meanness.
Yes there is sickness.
But there does not have to be disease of the soul
Yes there is even death.
But there can always be a rebirth of love.
Wake to the choices you make as to how to live now.
Today, breathe.
Listen, behind the factory noises of your panic
The birds are singing again
The sky is clearing,
Spring is coming,
And we are always encompassed by Love.
Open the windows of your soul
And though you may not be able
to touch across the empty square,
Sing.

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