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St. Agnes Catholic Church

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November 6 & 7, 2021

Dear St. Agnes Community,

This Sunday our scriptures tell the stories of two widows -- the paradigm in the bible for the vulnerable and marginalized of society. Concerning them, prophet Elijah and Jesus manifest God's unequivocal love and saving intent while upbraiding the comfortable and powerful who are responsible--perhaps without even knowing it--for their oppression. What the widows in these scriptures do have, which I suspect many in Jesus' audience do not, is a deep faith and trust in God.

On the contrary, those who enjoy comfort and power, social capital, forms of security, and even the esteem of society, commonly have a lot of faith in *themselves*, their judgment, their correctness, even a feeling of entitlement. Harboring such attitudes blinds us to the injustices in which we participate and

perpetuate. How may Jesus be calling us to deepen our faith in God, replace entitlement with gratitude, and thus open our eyes to doing right by the most vulnerable sisters and brothers?

Thanks for all those who are helping our monthly family Mass and weekend hospitality. Special thanks to the Young Adult Group for their beautiful work on the "**Altar de los Fieles Difuntos**" that is in the hospitality area.

Blessings,

+ AMDG

Alejandro Sáez, 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

Thanksgiving Day: 10:30am

Live-stream Schedule

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

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

Parish Information

Parish Staff & Ministries

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| 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 |
| Co-Directors, Spiritual Ministries | Sr. Julia Prinz, Sr. Ellen Hess and Sr. Sara Postlethwaite, VDMF |
| Coordinator of Children's Faith Formation | Sr. Teresa Malave, VDMF |
| Administrative Assistant | TBA |
| Bookkeeper/Accountant | Dorenda Haynes |
| Sexton | Mario Hernandez |
| Cantor | Scott Grinthal |
| Sacristans | Frank Mitchell, Matthew Tominaga, Terry Bradshaw |
| Art & Environment | St. Agnes Staff |
| Finance Committee Chair | Chris Roman |
| Outreach to Homebound/Sick St. Agnes & St. Ignatius | TBA |
| Comm. Food Pantry Director | Kathleen Devine |
| Wedding Coordinator | TBA |
| 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: \$2,994.83

Sunday Masses: \$1,689.83

Online (monthly and one-time donations): \$1,305

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

Nov. 6 & 7 | 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Daniel 12:1-3 •

Hebrews 10:11-14, 18 • Mark 13:24-32

| Date | Intention | Presider |
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| Nov. 6 4:00 PM | Parishioners of St. Agnes | Fr. Brent Otto |
| Nov. 7 8:30 AM 10:30 AM 1:30 PM (SP) 6:00 PM | Barbara Nelson (D) Patrick Sullivan (D) Juan Pablo Novoa Grández (D) Carmen Rodriguez (D) | Fr. Brent Otto Fr. Brent Otto Fr. Alejandro Báez Fr. Alejandro Báez |
| Nov. 8 12:00 PM | Ron Burke (L) | Various Presiders |
| Nov. 9 12:00 PM | Martin & Margaret Burke (D) | Various Presiders |
| Nov. 10 12:00 PM | Julia Paul (D) | Various Presiders |
| Nov. 11 12:00 PM | Peter Clausen (D) | Various Presiders |
| Nov. 12 12:00pm | Communion Service | Various Presiders |
| Nov. 13 4:00 PM | Maria & Joseph Moon (D) | Fr. George Williams |
| Nov. 14 8:30 AM 10:30 AM 1:30 PM (SP) 6:00 PM | Virginia Snyder (D) Loyola Guild Members (L) Juan Pablo Novoa Grandez (D) Parishioners of St. Agnes | Fr. Donal Godfrey Fr. Donal Godfrey Fr. Martinez-Callejas 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. 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.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.

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Pope Francis' November Prayer Intention

People Who Suffer from Depression

“We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.”

6pm Mass is Back along with a Meditative Hour from 5 – 6pm!

The 6pm Mass is back! Before Mass, from 5 -6pm, we offer a quiet time of meditation, prayer, and eucharistic adoration. Please join us for prayer at 5pm and Mass at 6pm.

St. Agnes – November the Month of Remembrance

We invite our parishioners to bring in photos of their deceased loved ones to display in the church along with writing the names of those deceased on leaves to be placed on a banner. If you are not able to come to St. Agnes, we also invite you to send in electronic



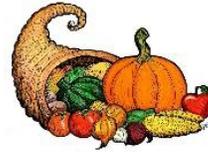
photos of loved ones to Matthew@SaintAgnesSF.org where they will be displayed on the TV screen in the back of the church and during the live-stream.

Veteran's Day

In observance of Veteran's Day, the offices will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 11. Please join us in prayer for all those who have served our country, especially those in our own St. Agnes community.



Thanksgiving Day at St. Agnes



Please join us on Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 25) for Mass at 10:30 am. Traditionally at the Mass, people bring **non-perishable** “snack” items along with socks

for men and women or monetary gifts for the food pantry. Thank you in advance!

Anti-Racism Programming Continued

Saturday, November 13

10:00am – 11:00am, via Zoom

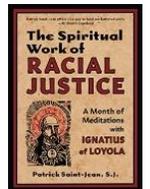
Virtual Book Discussion: *The Spiritual Work of Racial Justice: A Month of Meditations with Ignatius of Loyola* by Patrick Saint-Jean, S.J.

[Google Meet Link](#)

Let's continue our conversation from the October Pastor's Book club and last Sunday's discussion with the author, Patrick Saint-Jean, S.J.

This book is an easy read and equal parts biography of Saint Ignatius, spiritual exercises, and anti-racism motivation and love. [Audio, digital, and written copies of the books are available.](#)

We will be discussing the first two weeks of mediation. All are welcome to attend.



Annual Archbishop's Appeal (AAA) 2021

Catholic Stewardship in Action

We are coming to the end of the year, and we are far off from our goal of \$63,309. We have received some generous gifts, so thank you.

We hope that others will join in to help us make our goal. The money has to be paid by the end of the year if we raise the funds or not. Thanks again to those who have already given gifts of cash, checks, and credit cards, totaling:



Goal: \$63,309

Raised: \$16,806

Still Needed to Reach our Goal: **\$46,503**

Pastoral Council Update

- October

The twelve members of the Pastoral Council meet on a monthly basis to discuss parish administration, ministries, committee work, and novel ideas expressed by the community.

Items discussed during the **October** Council meeting :

- A good attendance to Racial Justice programs. The Racial Wealth Gap Learning Simulation had over 20 participants from all parish ministries. Several parishioners have registered for the *Wrestling with Whiteness* program. The Council provided ideas for how to share key learnings with the community.
- A solid participation in Restorative Justice activities, Youth 6pm mass and Spanish-speaking mass.
- An invitation for men parishioners to join women in the Lay Reflections ministry.
- Several building renovation projects: a new glass door for the confessional to meet compliance, a fully functional Hospitality kitchenette, hot water in the interior restrooms, a keypad-restricted access to the exterior restrooms and hardwood floor restoration in the Rectory.

Please reach out to the Council (pastoralcouncil@saintagnessf.com) for any questions, concerns or suggestions you may have. Let us work all together for our beloved church !

“Heading Towards the Promised Land: Scripture and the Long Arc Towards Racial Justice”

St. Ignatius Parish Zoom Retreat

Saturday, November 6th, 9am - noon

The retreat will include presentations, off screen time for reflection, and small groups. This retreat is open to all for a reflection on scripture, the racial divide and hope moving forward. **To register, contact Lucy Irwin at LucileIrwin@gmail.com.**

Ministry Opportunities at St. Agnes

At the back of the church there is a table with sign-up sheets for the various ministries available for parishioners at St. Agnes. Please look at the list and see how your gifts match up with our ministries. We look forward to your participation.



Jesuit Alumni & Friends

Morning of Reflection:

Cura Personalis

**Care of the Whole Person in the
Time of Covid**

Saturday, November 20th

9:30 – 11:30am, Via Zoom

A morning of reflection for Jesuit alumni and friends to listen, share, and pray on the Jesuit maxim of Cura Personalis (Care for the Whole Person) and the call to rest and spiritual care in these times.

This program is for anyone who has graduated or been formed by a Jesuit university, high school, volunteer program, formational program, parish and/or has an appreciation for all things Jesuit. All are welcome. This event is sponsored by the Ignatian Spirituality Center. For more information or to register go to: www.ignatiancenter.org/jesuit-alumni-friends. **Please register by November 15th!**

Jesuit Retreat Center of Los Altos

Upcoming Events



Ignatian Mindfulness (In Person)

Friday, October 29 (4pm) – Sunday, Oct. 31 (2pm).

Silent Retreat for Women and Men

Fr. Andrew Rodriguez, S.J.

Register [HERE](#).

Pray the Examen (Virtual)

Wednesday, November 3, 7:30pm – 8:30pm

Fr. Andrew Rodriguez, S.J.

Register [HERE](#).

Workshop – St. Ignatius and The Spiritual Exercises

Friday, November 5 (4pm) – Sunday, Nov. 7 (2pm)

Non-Silent workshop for Men and Women

Register [HERE](#).

For more information or to sign-up, click on the individual names of the retreat above or go to

www.jrclosaltos.org



Spiritual Life Center

1611 Oak Street

www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org

Upcoming Events

A Black Lives Matter Litany

Wed., November 17 @ 7:00pm via Zoom

Praying with, learning from, praying for people of color who died of unjust causes. Great Saints well known to us and humble individuals, victims to invisibility all of them will be present to us and our loved ones in this litany. You are invited to a unique contemplative remembrance and protest on zoom! Music, Prayer and Sharing organized by the Verbum Dei sisters.

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81743431493?pwd=M3N2RzIzSR1ZnZXpjUjMk9OT3MvZz09>

Meeting ID: 817 4343 1493

Passcode: 495818

"Blessed Are Those Who Mourn"

A Talk and Discussion with

Professor Jung Run Sophia Park, SNJM

Thurs., November 18, 2021 @ 6:30pm – 8:00pm

(Outside @ the ISLC with heat lamps & Live-streamed)

Professor Jung Run Sophia Park, SNJM is a scholar, spiritual director, a person of hybrid cultures, and a Holy Names sister, her publications embrace a wide spectrum. *A Hybrid Identity Creating a Borderland Space* (New York: Peter Lang, 2010) and *Border Crossing Spirituality: Transformation in Borderland* (Eugene, OR: Wipf Stock, 2016)

She will be reflecting on her twenty years of spiritual direction and retreat ministry in the USA and Korea, she authored *Dislocation as Experience: women in Korea and the US*, she published, *Beauty of the Broken* 부서진것의아름다움 (Seoul, South Korea: Marianist, 2015), and *Considerate Chat: How Women Experience Transformation through Storytelling* 사려깊은수다: 여성은이야기를 통해어떻게성장하나 (Yellow Bric, 2016) in Korean.

She continues to research her topic of liminal space through her field work with Korean Shamans every summer.

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SLC Cont.

St. Agnes Book Club

Friday, December 3 at 7pm, ISLC

The St. Agnes Book Club will resume on Friday,



December 3, at 7:00 PM at the Spiritual Life Center. We will discuss *The Post Office Girl* by Stefan Zweig. Vaccinated folks are welcome to join us in person for an evening of spirited discussion over snacks and a glass of wine or a cup of tea.

Advent Day of Prayer (Retreat)

Sat., December 11, 10:30am – 1:00pm

Join our parishioners – Rosemary Robinson and Christine Rodgers for a retreat which will include music, scripture, poetry and silence, as we prepare for the birth of Jesus.

Spiritual Life Center



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www.IgnatianSpiritualLifeCenter.org

Continuing Events:

Centering Prayer – Mondays @ 7pm



Mondays, 7pm. Contact Mary English at: 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.



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.

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.