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# St. Agnes Catholic Church

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## October 9 & 10, 2021

Dear St. Agnes Community,

As I write this, the Navy's Blue Angels are flying about 10 feet above the church, and the sight and sound of the fighter jets reminds me of my time in the Air Force a long time ago!

Here on the ground, I believe we are doing very well as a parish. Our finance committee met recently, and we are working on a report for the parish.

St Agnes parishioners have been extraordinarily generous. We're in good shape financially despite the challenging time of the pandemic.

For now, I think it's time we focus our attention on stewardship: especially the practical, ministerial dimension of what it means to be church here. This is especially important as we come out of COVID19.

We need one another. Everyone at St. Agnes has a gift, a talent, a role to play in the life of the church. It's critically important in our time that the lay members of the church not only feel empowered but use that power to support and grow the parish here.

I see my role, along with Fr. Alejandro and the Staff and the Parish Council as stewards in the sense that

it's our job to keep the lights on, keep the sacraments going and provide support and guidance as Jesuits for the spiritual life of our members as well as coordinating some of the outreach ministries of our parish.

But the actual work, the legwork, the heavy lifting – that comes from all of us at St. Agnes.

This weekend I am appealing to you to step up and help out. At the back of the church, we are going to have a kind of parish ministry fair, but it will be like a silent auction. No hard sells, no pressure, just an invitation to all to join more in the life of the community.

There will be a table set up with various sign-up sheets and descriptions of ministry and volunteer opportunities at St. Agnes. Please take some time before or after Mass to look over these ministries to see if any of them appeal to you!

*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) | 6:00pm

**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, S.J.
<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>Administrative Assistant</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

## 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

**Collection Last week: \$3,872.53**

*Sunday Masses: \$3,438*

*Online (monthly and one-time donations): \$434.53*

*Please consider a donation through our website at  
[www.SaintAgnesSF.org](http://www.SaintAgnesSF.org)*

## Oct. 9 & 10 | 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

**Isaiah 53:10-11 •**

**Hebrews 4:14-16 • Mark 10:35-45**

Date	Intention	Presider
<b>October 9</b> 4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. George Williams
<b>October 10</b> 8:30 AM	Patty Lee (L)	Fr. George Williams
10:30 AM	Catherine Durieu (D)	Fr. George Williams
1:30 PM (SP)	Robert Szarnicki (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
6:00 PM	Michael Thomas Plunkett (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
<b>October 11</b> 12:00 PM	Fr. Mark Taheny (L)	Various Presiders
<b>October 12</b> 12:00 PM	Jim Pokorny (D)	Various Presiders
<b>October 13</b> 12:00 PM	Lilianne Rainville (D)	Various Presiders
<b>October 14</b> 12:00 PM	Norito Torres (D)	Various Presiders
<b>October 15</b> 12:00pm	Communion Service	Various Presiders
<b>October 16</b> 4:00 PM	David Fleekop (D)	Fr. Alejandro Báez
<b>October 17</b> 8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Agnes	Fr. George Williams
10:30 AM	Loyola Guild Members (L)	Fr. Donal Godfrey
1:30 PM (SP)	Dalia Becerra (D)	Fr. George Williams
6:00 PM	Leslie Marie Callan (L)	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 - [Marco@SaintAgnesSF.org](mailto: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](http://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.

## Spiritual Life Center



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

### 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

@ 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](mailto:californiamandolin@gmail.com).

### Pope Francis'

### October Prayer Intention

*"Missionary Disciples"*

"We pray that every baptized person may be  
engaged in evangelization, available to the  
mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the  
flavor of the Gospel."

### Hospitality Help Needed

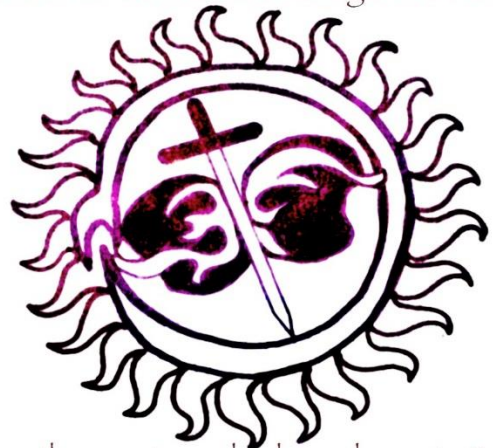
We are in need of volunteers for hospitality after the  
10:30am Masses. We need people who can commit to  
one weekend a month if possible. We are covered for  
most weekends, but when we have a 5<sup>th</sup>  
weekend in the rotation, we need  
volunteers. Our parishioners Karen Kelly  
and Kate Carter have done a wonderful  
job in coordinating and scheduling, but we  
need more volunteers to help serve.



Please contact Maureen in the office at  
[Maureen@saintagnessf.org](mailto:Maureen@saintagnessf.org). We need more volunteers to  
help to serve!

## 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Indeed the word of God is living and effective,



sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even  
between soul and spirit...and able to discern  
reflections and thoughts of the heart."

Hebrews 4:12

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### 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. We hope some of you will give it a try.

### Children's Faith Formation (CFF)

Classes have Started -

Registration is open until October 10<sup>th</sup>!

Children's Faith Formation registration is open  
for children in Grades 1-8! This includes  
sacramental preparation programs: 1st



Reconciliation/1st Eucharist  
(usually for 2nd graders) and  
Confirmation (there is a 2-year  
program at St. Agnes typically  
for 7th and 8th graders). **Classes  
will begin on October 3!** Please  
sign up online through our

website: [www.SaintAgnesSF.com/cff](http://www.SaintAgnesSF.com/cff), or [click here](#)  
for the registration form. If you have any questions,  
please email our new CFF Coordinator – Sr. Teresa  
Malave, VDMF at [Teresa@SaintAgnesSF.org](mailto:Teresa@SaintAgnesSF.org).

### Ride Needed to Church

A parishioner from San Bruno needs a ride to and  
from church for the next couple of weeks. Contact  
[Maureen@SaintAgnesSF.org](mailto:Maureen@SaintAgnesSF.org).



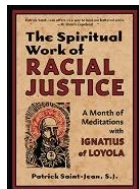
## Pastor's Book Club

October 23@ 10-11 am

### *The Spiritual Work of Racial Justice: A Month of Meditations with Ignatius of Loyola*

By Patrick Saint-Jean, S.J.

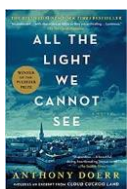
All are welcome to join Fr. George for discussion on the new book by Fr. Patrick Saint-Jean. The book discussion will part of our focus on anti-racism in the month of October. The book is available in paperback or Kindle. Zoom link to follow soon. All are welcome!



## St. Agnes Book Club –

October 29<sup>th</sup>, 7 – 9pm

Join us for a lively discussion on Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup>.



We will discuss *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr in October.

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. For more information:

contact [laetitiabordes@att.net](mailto:laetitiabordes@att.net).

## Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and Altar Servers are Needed!

We are looking for people – Fourteen and older, to become Eucharistic ministers (EM's) and lectors (readers). We welcome people of all ages to be Altar Servers at all 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](mailto:Frank@SaintAgnesSF.org), (415) 450-8639 for more information or to sign-up for training.

## Annual Archbishop's Appeal (AAA) 2021

### *Catholic Stewardship in Action*

Thank you for supporting this years' AAA Appeal. Below is this years' assessment and what we have brought in to-date.

**Goal: \$63,309**

**Raised: \$11,446**

**Needed: \$51,863**

Thank you for helping us meet our goal this year!



## St. Agnes Fall Festival

Save the Date

**Sunday, October 31, 12pm – 3pm**  
**(Rooftop of the Urban School, Oak St.)**

Join your fellow parishioners for a fun-filled day of games – large checkers, connect 4, basketball hoops, foosball, giant Legos; face-painting, henna tattoos, balloon animals, music, and of course a costume parade for the children under 12 along with trick-or-treat bags of candy! Enjoy a catered boxed lunch of your choice (meat or veggie) and a variety of soft drinks and waters. All parishioners are invited, young and old! We hope this will be another way for all of us to continue to re-connect with each other. Space is limited, register [HERE](#) starting Monday, Oct. 11 at 9am or call Maureen at the parish office – (415) 450-4009.



## St. Agnes Outreach

A caring group is coming together to renew and reenergize our contact with our parishioners who are at home. We know some folks are at home because of the pandemic. Others are older, or disabled, or at home recovering from an accident or surgery. We know you are out there, but we are not sure who you are or where you are.



FAITH-SERVICE-OUTREACH

We would like to know how we can connect with you and what you might want...maybe a phone call, a visit with prayer and Communion, a visit with the sacrament of the Eucharist and/or Anointing of the Sick, or something else.

Please tell us. We are in this journey together. How can we connect and help you? Can you, or a family member, or a friend give us a call? Please give a call to Fr. George at (415) 450-8298 or send an email to [George@SaintAgnesSF.org](mailto:George@SaintAgnesSF.org).

# Anti-Racism Programming

## The Month of October



### Calendar of Events:

**October 17, 11:30am-1:00pm (back of Church)**

#### Racial Wealth Gap Experience

An interactive learning experience and discussion about how United States policies impacted white and blacks differently.

Ages 13 years and older.

Light refreshments provided.

[Sign up by Friday, 10/8 to reserve your spot.](#)

**October 26 – November 23, 4:30-6:30pm PST, Via Zoom**  
**Jesuit West Program: Wrestling with Whiteness**

Five, two-hour zoom sessions that help participants understand “whiteness”- how it lives in us and shapes our lives, all through the lens of Ignatian spirituality.

[Sign up today](#) to reserve your spot!

**October 31, 11:30 – 12:30pm PST, VIA Zoom**

#### Conversation with Fr. Patrick Saint-Jean, SJ

Join us for a discussion with Fr. Saint-Jean on his new book – *The Spiritual Work of Racial Justice: A Month of Meditations with Ignatius of Loyola*. The Zoom link is

<https://usfca.zoom.us/j/89558048497>

Meeting ID: 895 5804 8497

**Want to join the St. Agnes racial justice efforts?**

**Email Kate Carter at [krcarrot@gmail.com](mailto:krcarrot@gmail.com)**

## Farewell to Marco Matute

**Wednesday, October 27,**

**5pm- 8pm, Spiritual Life Center**

Stop by between 5pm and 8pm on Wednesday, October 27 to thank Marco for all of his hard work over the past 4 ½ years. He has given above and beyond to St. Agnes over those years and has made everyone feel welcome when they call or stop by the Rectory. We are glad he will remain a part of our parish community, but we will miss him here for the day to day and the help he gave so many of us. We wish him well up at the Jesuit Community at USF. We hope to see you for some nibbles, a drink and a thank you for Marco.

## Staff Corner



### Maureen Beckman

I always love the fall, especially since it's pumpkin season! We all had a great time at the ball game and now we are looking forward to a Fall Festival on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. Before that however, we have several programs related to our month of focus on Anti-Racism.

This week's Gospel is the one we all have heard before, but don't necessarily like to hear – *“How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!”*. I think this Gospel fits in well with our upcoming programming next week after the 10:30am Mass – **The Racial Wealth Gap Experience!** This not only talks about the wealth gap we face in today's society, but how race also plays a role in this wealth gap. It's an interactive learning experience for anyone 13 and up. They will discuss how US policies impact white and blacks differently. It should be a really interesting event on Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> in the back of the church, all are welcome, but they are asking people to register (see the calendar of events in this bulletin).

What I love about our parish is we are not afraid to face issues and problems even if we are a part of them. We are always eager to learn more, to improve who we are as a people and work on it together. The kindness and openness of the people of St. Agnes is why we all stay here. We know we are not perfect, but we learn every week from the Gospels and each other. It's a rich experience between the great community, the thoughtful homilies and reflections and the prayerful music that we experience when we come in person or via Zoom. We are full of wealth from the relationships that we have with our God and one another. I don't think God minds that kind of wealth!

What wealth is it to  
have such friends that  
we cannot think of  
them without elevation!

Henry David Thoreau  
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# Jesuit Retreat Center of Los Altos

## Upcoming Events



### [The Response of Love and Faith](#)

Friday, October 15 (4:00pm) – October 17 (2:00pm)  
Silent retreat for women and men.

### [Women's Magis Retreat: Tasting Heaven: Discovering the True Desires of Your Heart](#)

Friday, October 22 (4:00pm) – October 24 (2:00pm).  
Non-Silent retreat for women.

For more information or to sign- up for any of these retreats, click on the individual names of the retreat above or go to [www.jrclosaltos.org](http://www.jrclosaltos.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.