

# The Church of Saint Agnes

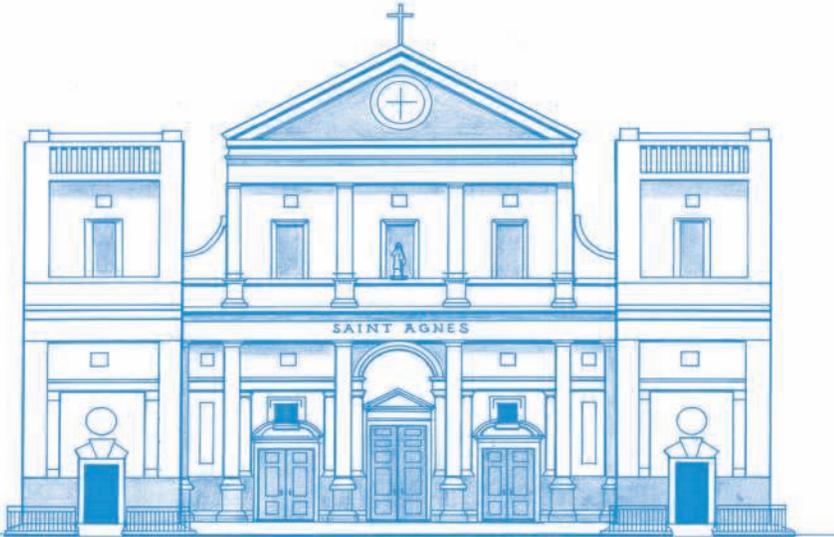
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Rev. Michael J. Barrett S.Th.D., *Pastor*  
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*In Residence*  
Rev. William Elder, *In Residence*

## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

**Weekdays:** 10:00 AM–5:30 PM

**Saturday and Sunday:** Closed

## REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

**Sunday:** 8:30, 10:00,  
11:00 AM (*Tridentine Latin Mass*),  
12:30, 5:15, and 7:00 PM  
*Please note the church closes at 8PM.*

**Weekdays:** 7:10, 8:10 AM,  
12:10, 12:40, 1:10, and 5:10 PM  
**Saturday:** 8:10 AM, 12:10, and  
5:10 PM (*fulfills Sunday obligation*)

## HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

5:10 PM (*Vigil Mass*)

7:10, 7:40, 8:10, 8:40,  
11:40 AM, 12:10, 12:40, 1:10, 1:40,  
5:10 (*High Mass*), and 6:10 PM

## CIVIC HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

8:10 AM, 12:10PM, and 1:10PM

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Weekdays:** 1:50–4:55 PM

**First Friday:** 8:40AM –12noon and  
1:50–4:55 PM

(*Vespers and Benediction at 4:55 PM*)

## CONFESSIONS

**Weekdays:** 7:30–8:30 AM,  
12:40–1:40 PM, and 5:00–5:30 PM  
**Saturday:** 11:45 AM–12:30 PM,  
4:45–5:30 PM

## FIRST FRIDAY VIGIL

Opens with Mass at 5:10 PM  
Closes with Benediction at 7:00 PM

## DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

**Weekdays:** 3:00 PM

## NOVENAS

**Monday:** Miraculous Medal  
**Wednesday:** Saint Michael  
**Friday:** Sacred Heart of Jesus  
*Novenas follow the 7:10am, 8:10am,  
1:10pm, and 5:10pm Masses only.*

## BAPTISMS

Baptisms of children should take  
place as soon as possible. Please  
make arrangements one month  
before your preferred date.

## WEDDINGS

By appointment at least six months  
in advance. Pre-Cana is required.

## HOLY ROSARY

**Weekdays:** after the 5:10 PM Mass  
**Saturday:** after the 12:10 PM Mass

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## MUSIC OFFICE

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## LEGION OF MARY

Meets every **Thursday** at 6:30 PM

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent after the  
5:10PM Mass

**Pope Francis' Laundry for the poor opens in Rome**

The first washing machines and tumble dryers for the homeless in Rome whirred into action on Monday as 'Pope Francis' Laundry' opened its doors to provide a much needed service.

One of the many difficulties for those who live on the streets is to be able to wash, dry and iron their clothes and blankets, and the Vatican-sponsored laundry is a response to Pope Francis's invitation to give concrete signs of solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

A communiqué released by the Apostolic Almoner quotes from the Pope's Apostolic Letter, *Misericordia et misera*, at the conclusion of the Jubilee Year of Mercy: "The desire for closeness to Christ requires us to draw near to our brothers and sisters, for nothing is more pleasing to the Father than a true sign of mercy. By its very nature, mercy becomes visible and tangible in specific acts."

So, Papal Almoner, Archbishop Konrad Krajewski noted: "Here is a concrete sign wanted by the office of Papal Charities: a place and a service to give concrete form to charity to restore dignity to so many people who are our brothers and sisters and who are called, with us, to build a city we can trust."

Pope Francis' Office of Papal Charities has already set up showers, a barber shop, a dormitory, a healthcare clinic and a pharmacy for the poor in the eternal city. What was missing, until now, was a laundry service, an urgent need indeed as Krajewski explained: "One of the greatest difficulties for those who live on the streets, along with that of finding food, a place to spend the night and public baths, is to wash and dry the clothes they wear, in many cases the only ones they own."

The laundry room is located at the "People of Peace Center" run by the Sant'Egidio Community at the old hospital complex of San Gallicano, in the central Trastevere area of Rome.

The press release offers the information that the laundry boasts six, latest generation washers and six dryers along with several irons donated by the Whirlpool Corporation. Other commercial detergent producers ensure the full and free supply of soap powder and fabric softener.

Source: Vatican Radio, April 10, 2017

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- Use the code for St. Agnes Church: 2JZC49

**CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS**

Sunday, April 10, 2016                      \$5,266.00  
**Sunday, April 9, 2017                      \$7,013.00**

April 16, 2017  
**EASTER SUNDAY**

**Easter Sunday**  
*(Tridentine Latin Mass)*

**2nd Collection for Church doors**

We will have a second collection at all of our Easter Masses this weekend in order to help with the expense (\$40,000!) of fixing our doors to the church. Many have noticed that some of our doors are permanently locked; this is to prevent further damage to stressed hinges and doors. The most sensible repair for our doors, which are used multiple times every day, is also a costly one. Please be generous in your support, which is much needed. Thank you!

**A MASS IN HONOR OF THE FEAST OF BLESSED MARGARET OF CASTELLO**

Church of St. Catherine of Siena  
 411 East 68th St., New York, NY  
 Wednesday, April 19, 2017 Time: 5:15 PM

*Blessed Margaret (1287 – 1320) was born a hunchback, midget, blind and lame. When she was 6, her proud noble parents walled her up beside a chapel. She could not get out, but could attend Mass and receive the Sacraments. After 14 years of imprisonment, her parents took her to a shrine to pray for a cure. When no cure was forthcoming, they abandoned her. She became a lay Dominican and spent the rest of her life in prayer and works of mercy. When she died at age 33, the townspeople thronged to her funeral and demanded that the saint be buried in a tomb inside the church. The priest protested, but when a crippled girl was miraculously cured at the funeral, the people had their way. Blessed Margaret's story is one of the most moving we have ever read. Her body is still incorrupt. In our ever confused society, Blessed Margaret stands as a firm pillar of faith, hope, love and trust in God and service to others.*



**Rosaries, Catholic Medals, and Prayer Cards accepted!**

St. Agnes is happy to accept donations of Catholic medals and prayer cards in addition to the Holy Rosary (broken Rosaries are OK). Bring your items to the bookstore during regular hours. Thank you!

## EASTER SUNDAY

Dear Friends and Parishioners,

We have struggled to fulfill our resolutions to grow closer to Our Lord through prayer and self denial during Lent. But now, the Easter season has begun! Now we sing "Alleluia!" Our new life is filled with optimism and peace, and we tell Our Lord in our Easter celebration that we will pray more and tell others about Him.

My brothers and sisters, many of us have worked to make a good Confession this Lent. Remember that God *has* forgiven us and *will continue to forgive us* as we struggle and live in this joy with Christ; as we look forward to the Holy Spirit who will descend upon us on Pentecost. As we celebrate the Lord's divinity, He remembers our humanity. So, keep the joy of Easter with you throughout the season and throughout the year. Joy **is** alive in the Church of Christ!

*Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!*

With my Easter prayers & blessings,  
-Fr. Michael Barrett

### *In Loving Memory...*

The bread & wine that will be Consecrated at our Masses on Easter Sunday and throughout Easter Week has been offered in loving memory of Dr. Celso P. Paguia and Teodora Guison Paguia by their six daughters.

### *Supporting St. Agnes...*

*The Church of St. Agnes is beautiful church in an important place within New York City. In the coming years we will help souls through the sacraments and through other ways to live out our faith.*

*Currently, we have an operating deficit of \$213,000 a year. Though St. Agnes sold much of its land in recent years, almost all of that went to the Archdiocese.*

*To overcome our operating deficit I am asking you to help in a simple way. You know how much you give St. Agnes in the collection basket. If you gave 25 -50% more, it would change the situation of the Church of St. Agnes.*

*Thank you to all who practice at and support the Church of St. Agnes. May God bless you and remember your generosity to His church.*

-Fr. Michael Barrett

### **What to do with your blessed palm? Bring it to St. Agnes!**

St. Agnes is very pleased to announce a blessed palm take-back opportunity for our Friends & Parishioners. As you know, the only proper way to dispose of blessed palms is to burn or bury them. We understand this is a very practical problem for many in New York City, where a backyard and fireplace are hard to come by. Therefore, we are glad to accept your blessed palms from Monday, April 17th through Sunday, April 30th. Bring them to St. Agnes and deposit them into the boxes located in the narthex (under the tables). **PLEASE REMEMBER THIS IS FOR BLESSED PALMS ONLY!** Please work with us! And, many thanks to Fr. Michael McLoughlin of St. Columba Parish in Hopewell Junction, NY. He (and his Parish) have generously agreed to help us with this project. Friends & Parishioners of St. Agnes might remember St. Columba, as it is the home parish of Fr. James Sheridan, the wonderful priest who celebrated the Gaelic Mass for us on St. Patrick's Day.

### *Easter Spiritual Bouquet...*

*Now is the time to enroll your living and deceased friends and relatives into St. Agnes's Spiritual Bouquet. Pick up an envelope in the rectory office, fill out your information, and include your offering. Your envelope will be placed on the Altar for all of our Easter Masses. You will also receive a special Mass card to send to your intention.*

### **Proper Disposal of Holy Water**

Is your Holy Water looking a little murky? Did you find a long-lost Holy Water bottle that is still full? If so, we remind you that the proper disposal of Holy Water is to pour it directly into the ground. You can use a potted plant, otherwise throw your bottle into your bag and empty it into the **CLEAN** earth in one of our City's parks, public squares, or planters. Find a clean spot, empty your bottle, and you're done! Do you have a large quantity of Holy Water to dispose of? If so, stop by the Rectory during normal working hours. We can pour it down the sacrarium, which is a special sink that empties directly into the ground (**NOT** the sewer system). The sacrarium (note the word "sacred" here) is for the disposal of Holy Water and the Sacred Species for very particular situations. A sacrarium is part of the architectural makeup of any Catholic Church.

### ***Did you know?***

In the original language of the gospels, the Greek word *pascha* is used for the Aramaic form of the Hebrew word *pesach*, which means Passover. During the first three centuries of the Church, *Pasch* referred specifically to the celebration of Christ's passion and death; by the end of the fourth century, it also included the Easter Vigil; and by the end of the fifth century, it referred to Easter itself. In all, the term signified Christ as the new Passover Lamb. Together, the mystery of the Last Supper, the sacrifice of Good Friday and the resurrection of Easter form the new Passover - the new Pasch.

Latin used the Greek-Hebrew root for its word *Pascha* and other derivatives to signify Easter or the Easter mysteries: for instance, the Easter Vigil in Latin is *Sabbato Sancto de Vigilia Paschali* and in the First Preface of Easter, the priest prays, "...Cum Pascha nostrum immolatus est Christus," ("When Christ our Pasch was sacrificed"). The Romance languages later used the Hebrew-Greek-Latin root for their words denoting Easter: Italian, *Pasqua*; Spanish, *Pascua*, and French, *Paques*. Even some non-Romance languages employ the Hebrew-Greek-Latin root: Scotch, *Pask*; Dutch, *Paschen*; Swedish, *Pask*, and the German dialect along the lower Rhine, *Paisken*.

However, according to St. Bede (d. 735), the great historian of the Middle Ages, the title *Easter* seems to originate in English around the eighth century A.D. The word *Easter* is derived from the word *Eoster*, the name of the Teutonic goddess of the rising light of day and Spring, and the annual sacrifices associated with her. If this is the origin of our word Easter, then the Church "baptized" the name, using it to denote that first Easter Sunday morning when Christ, our Light, rose from the grave and when the women found the tomb empty just as dawn was breaking.

*Source: Father William Saunders, EWTN.com*



### **Fr. Barrett's St. Patrick's Day Homily Available**

By popular request from parishioners (we're not kidding), a transcript of Fr. Barrett's homily for the St. Patrick's Day Gaelic Mass here at St. Agnes is available on our website. Several people commented on this homily in particular; stop by [stagneschurchnyc.org](http://stagneschurchnyc.org) to check it out.

***APRIL 16, 2017***

**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, April 17 Monday in the Octave of Easter**

7:10 AM Tim Russert, Sr.  
8:10 AM Eileen O'Malley  
12:10 PM James A. Wade  
12:40 PM Patricia Finan  
1:10 PM Madeline Giordano  
5:10 PM Edward Smith

**Tuesday, April 18 Tuesday in the Octave of Easter**

7:10 AM Vince Zombardi  
8:10 AM Al McGuire  
12:10 PM Rose D'Amato  
12:40 PM Joan & Thomas Feeney  
1:10 PM Marilyn Elizabeth Jandoli  
5:10 PM Gladys Ilacqua

**Wednesday, April 19 Wednesday**

**in the Octave of Easter**

7:10 AM Kathleen McKeon  
8:10 AM In honor of St. Joseph  
12:10 PM Fank Yacovelli  
12:40 PM Grace Feeney  
1:10 PM Laetitia Aboui (Living)  
5:10 PM Elisada Aranguren

**Thursday, April 20 Thursday in the Octave of Easter**

7:10 AM Tim Russert, Jr.  
8:10 AM Joan & Thomas Feeney  
12:10 PM Intentions of Rose Mannion  
12:40 PM Isidoro & Marcelina Mijares  
1:10 PM Uta Atzrodt  
5:10 PM Fr. Vincent Hart

**Friday, April 21 Friday in the Octave of Easter**

7:10 AM Adolf & Rose Sierra  
8:10 AM In honor of St. Joseph  
12:10 PM Rose D'Amato  
12:40 PM Dr. Joseph Hayner  
1:10 PM James Millerman  
5:10 PM Norberto S. Linao

**Saturday, April 22 Saturday in the Octave of Easter**

8:10 AM Marianne T. Bogunovich  
12:10 PM Thomas McGuire  
5:10 PM George Gabrynowicz

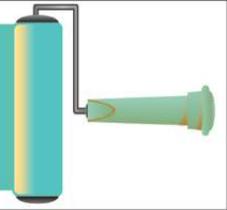
**Law of the Eucharistic Fast**

A complete fast from all food and drink for 1 hour before the reception of the Holy Eucharist is ***current law*** for all Catholics. The fast does not include water & medicine.

***Serving the ill & homebound...***

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