

The Church of Saint Agnes

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Sunday, June 25, 2017

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SERVED BY

Rev. Michael J. Barrett S.Th.D., *Pastor*
Rev. Robert J. Brisson, *Parochial Vicar*
Most Reverend John O'Hara,
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 & PRAYERS

Monday: Miraculous Medal
Tuesday: St. Agnes
Wednesday: Saint Michael
Thursday: St. Agnes
Friday: Sacred Heart of Jesus

*Novenas follow the 7:10am, 8:10am,
1:10pm, and 5:10pm Masses only.*

HOLY ROSARY

Weekdays: after the 5:10 PM
Mass

Saturday: after the 12:10 PM
Mass

BAPTISMS

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

WEDDINGS

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

SAINT AGNES BOOKSTORE

Open **Sunday:** 12:00 Noon–2:00 PM

Weekdays: 12:00 Noon–2:00 PM

Saturday: Closed

(212) 599-7588

church@stagneschurchnyc.org

MUSIC OFFICE

Mr. Heitor Caballero
sacredmusic@stagneschurchnyc.org

LEGION OF MARY

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

**Do you have a special intention
or a petition?**

If so, St. Agnes has several ways to work with you. Options include:

1. Arrange a Mass at St. Agnes. You choose the time & date from our regularly scheduled Masses. (Please note this does not include Sunday Masses.) The Archdiocese determines the donation amount for each Mass, currently at \$15. Stop by the rectory to sign up! Your arranged Mass will be printed in the bulletin.
2. Arrange a Mass with the Missions. St. Agnes supports our Missionary priests by passing along your intention & donation (\$10) for a Mass that they will say for you. This is an excellent way to support our priests abroad while honoring your intention.
3. Offer the bread & wine for our Masses at St. Agnes. Your donation (\$50) will provide the bread & wine that will be consecrated at our Masses for your chosen week. This is a very beautiful way to remember your petition. Your donation will be printed in the bulletin.
4. Make a donation for the sanctuary lamp. As you know, this lamp reminds us of the Living Presence of Our Lord in the tabernacle. It must always be lit when He is present. Your donation (\$50) will provide continuous candlelight for a chosen week and will be printed in the bulletin.
5. Light a tall (pillar) candle and place it within the church. You can purchase them at the bookstore or through the rectory for \$10/each. These candles burn for approximately 7 days. Light your candle and leave it with the plastic casing. The sacristan will put it into an appropriate glass sleeve.
6. Light a small candle from one of the many stations in the church. Help yourself! Please remember to leave a donation of \$1 in the nearby receptacle.

Masses and donations for the bread & wine or sanctuary lamp are cash only, arranged through the rectory. Candles are cash only. Thank you.

Traveling this summer?

If you are traveling this summer and need to find a Catholic church for Mass, visit **www.masstimes.org**.

**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!

July 2, 2017

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

External Solemnity of Saints Peter & Paul
(Tridentine Latin Mass)

Welcome to St. Agnes!

All visitors are most welcome to worship and pray at St. Agnes. To register as a parishioner or volunteer, contact the rectory at (212) 682-5722.

In Thanksgiving...

A generous, longterm donation for our Sanctuary Lamp has been made in thanksgiving by Mr. & Mrs. Roberto Adsuar.

2nd Collection for the Church in Africa

Through the Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa, the Church provides grants to finance pastoral projects that support the maintenance and growth of the Church in Africa. Funded projects include outreach programs, schools, evangelization, and education of clergy and lay ministers. Please support their good work in our second collection this weekend.

Mass Readings

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) posts daily Mass readings online at usccb.org; you can also have them e-mailed to you. Sign up at their website! USCCB.org —>Bible—> Today's Reading. Scroll down to the bottom the daily reading and sign up for the e-mail. The mailing will arrive at about 6:10am EST every morning. If you would prefer to listen to the readings, you have that option on the menu to the left of "Today's Reading." Or, if you receive the mails, scroll to the bottom and click on "Listen to an audio of this reading." You'll also find an additional link, "Watch a video reflection."

The Church provides these resources in order to make it easier (no stress!) to follow the Mass or enrich your practice when you can't visit a church. These resources are FREE, so give them a try!

Looking for daily Mass Readings in a booklet form? Stop in the St. Agnes bookstore for the monthly publication of *Magnificat*. This booklet is available in English, with a very limited availability in Spanish, for \$5.95.

Need a Latin Missal?

The Father Lasance *New Roman Missal* is now in stock at the St. Agnes bookstore.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Agnes schedule change—July 4th

This year the Fourth of July falls on a Tuesday. **St. Agnes will offer Mass at 8:10am and 12:10pm ONLY on Monday, July 3rd AND Tuesday, July 4th.** The church will close after the 12:10pm Mass. The rectory office will be closed on both days, as will the bookstore. There will be no confessions on either day. We will resume our regular schedule on Wednesday, July 5th.

First Friday Holy Hour

Friday, July 7th, is the First Friday of the month. St. Agnes offers a Holy Hour immediately following the 5:10pm Mass on First Fridays. Holy Hour includes Eucharistic Exposition & Benediction. Join us!

Love to Knit? Donate your good works!

The St. Francis Knitters are a group of volunteers who make knitted and crocheted items for the guests of the St. Francis Breadline and others in need of a warm hat or scarf. They welcome new members to join in the ministry, even if you can only work from home. If you are interested, please contact Edward Trochimczuk, Director of Volunteers, at 212-736-8500, Ext. 361, or etrochimczuk@stfrancisnyc.org. The Knitters are also looking for donations of dark colored yarn, which you can drop off at the reception desk in the lobby. The Church of St. Francis of Assisi is located at 135 West 31st Street. This could be a great opportunity for someone who is homebound and willing to share their knitting talents!



The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal is underway! As you know, funds raised from the Appeal support programs in our archdiocese, including our schools and religious education. It also provides for our retired religious and invests in our future by supporting our seminarians. Lastly, it helps to fund Catholic Charities, which provides care to millions of people in our archdiocese.

Please prayerfully consider your gift. Pledge envelopes can be found in the back of the church; they can be mailed to the Appeal office or submitted to the parish. You can also pledge online. Thank you!

Dear Friends,

Peace and blessings!

My sincere thanks for the prayers you are offering for our speedy recovery and for the get well wishes and words of encouragement you sent me. I appreciate them a lot. They help to keep my spirits buoyant. Please give me a little more time before I can respond to you personally as I am not allowed to sit at my computer.

By God's grace, all of us – Fr. Jose, Sr. Daisy, and I - are improving. I am also allowed to increase gradually the time for sitting, standing and walking but always listening to my body.

In the beginning I wondered how I would pass two months in bed. But, now I really do not know how time passes. I realize I can do a lot of things even when laid up. The day is full with counseling clients in person and on phone, praying, reading, talking to relatives and friends. Nothing can really defeat the human spirit! No doubts!

I have also become more convinced of another challenging truth - **that spirituality is a way of being 24/7 and not just fulfilling some religious obligations or being engaged in some spiritual practices some time during the day.** The latter are only occasions to fill the oil to keep the lamp of love within me burning continuously. True spirituality, for me, is experiencing the glow and warmth of that flame of love within always and allowing it to transform my thoughts, feelings, motivations, calculations, choices, responses, and behaviors according to the mind and heart of Jesus; "for God is love and he who lives in love lives in God and God lives in him." (1 Jn 4:16)

For me, the true test of the quality of our spiritual life is this: Do I continue to experience love, peace and joy in my depths even as I am challenged by the human givens - hurting words and indifferent looks of those with whom we rub our shoulders daily, let downs and betrayals by friends and family members, wayward life of those dear to us, pride and prejudice of those in authority, lack of sufficient financial and other resources, accidents, sicknesses and losses? The ocean looks troubled by the constant moving waves that crash on to the shores; but a few feet below it is calm and serene.

Buon voyage to us in our journey into the depths!

Fr. Johnny Dominic

Pope Francis Marks 25 Years as a Bishop

Pope Francis celebrated Mass on Tuesday morning in the Pauline Chapel of the Apostolic Palace, together with the members of the College of Cardinals present in the city, in order to mark the 25th jubilee of his ordination to the episcopacy.

The Dean of the College of Cardinals offered greetings and best wishes to Pope Francis on the occasion, recalling the words of St. Paul the Apostle in his Second Letter to the Corinthians, “Make room for us in your hearts,” Cardinal Sodano said. “Holy Father, you need not tell us to make room for you in our hearts,” he continued, pledging him all the love and reverence due the Successor to Peter.

In remarks following the Readings of the Day, the first of which was taken from the Book of Genesis, recounting the episode in which Abraham and Lot part ways, Pope Francis focused on the three imperatives that God gives the Father of Faith: “Arise!” “Look out!” “Be hopeful!”

“When Abraham was called, he was more or less our age,” Pope Francis said to the elder statesmen of the Church. “He was going to retire, to go into retirement for some rest – he started out at that age.”

“An old man,” the Pope continued, “with the weight of old age, old age that brings pain, illness – but [God said to him], as if he were a young man, ‘Get up, go, go! As if he were a scout: go! Look and hope!’”

The Holy Father went on to say that the message God gave to Abraham in that day, He also gives to each of those present in this day: to be on the way, about the journey; to look toward the ever-retreating horizon, and to hope without stint, despite it all.

“There are those, who do not love us, who say that we are the ‘Gerontocracy’ of the Church. This is mere mockery. Whoever says so knows not what he says. We are not tired old fools [It. *geronti*]: we are grandfathers. And if we do not feel this, we must ask the grace to feel that it is so. We are grandfathers, to whom our grandchildren look – grandparents who, with our experience, must share with those grandchildren a sense of what life is really about - grandparents not closed off in melancholy over our salad days, but open to give this [gift] of meaning, of sense. For us, then, this threefold imperative: ‘Arise! Look outward! Hope!’ is called ‘dreaming’. We are grandfathers called to dream and to pass on our dream to today’s youth: they need it, that they might take from our dreams the power to prophesy and carry on their work.”

After the Mass, the Holy Father greeted the Cardinal-concelebrants one-by-one. He also greeted members of the household staff and the professional staff of the Secretariat for Communications, who had done the live Vatican Radio commentary for the liturgy in several languages, including English.

JULY 2, 2017

Mass Intentions

Monday, July 3 St. Thomas, Apostle

8:10 AM Madeleine Sullivan & Tom Swift
12:10 PM Tom, Kate, Patrick Sheerin & Family

Tuesday, July 4

8:10 AM Erika Brodmann
12:10 PM Nicola Novielli

Wednesday, July 5

7:10 AM Thomas McGowan
8:10 AM Colleen Gale Lannan-Walter
12:10 PM Mercedes Rodriguez
12:40 PM Clifford & Mary McEvoy
1:10 PM Michelle I. Wenis (Living)
5:10 PM Lisa D'Urso (Living)

Thursday, July 6

7:10 AM Felicidad DeGuzman
8:10 AM Intentions of the
Gonzalez-Paris Family (Living)
12:10 PM Rose D'Amato
12:40 PM Richard C. Coppola, Sr.
1:10 PM Nicolas Del Valle
5:10 PM Felicidad DeGuzman

Friday, July 7

7:10 AM Sr. Carol Beairsto
8:10 AM Souls in Purgatory
12:10 PM Tommy Maguire
12:40 PM Living members of the
McDermott Family
1:10 PM Richard Stimpfl
5:10 PM Eugene Ancheta

Saturday, July 8

8:10 AM Rosa & Leonardo Mendoza
12:10 PM Joan McDonald (Living)
5:10 PM Betsy Haas

Serving the ill & homebound...

Those who are ill and/or homebound can receive the Sacraments! Anointing of the Sick, Confession, and the Holy Eucharist are available to you. Please contact the rectory office at (212) 682-5722.

Law of the Eucharistic Fast

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

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS

Sunday, June 26, 2016 \$6,396.00
Sunday, June 25, 2017 \$5,469.00