

# The Church of Saint Agnes

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## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

**Monday-Friday:** 10:00 AM–5:30 PM  
**Saturday and Sunday:** Closed

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Monday-Friday:** 1:50–4:55 PM  
**First Friday:** 8:40AM –12noon and  
1:50–4:55 PM  
(*Vespers and Benediction at 4:55 PM*)

## REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday-Friday:** 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*)

**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.*

## CONFESSIONS

**Monday-Friday:** 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

## Sunday, August 13th—Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## 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 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

## HOLY ROSARY

**Monday-Friday:**

after the 5:10 PM Mass

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

## LEGION OF MARY

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

## DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

**Monday-Friday:** 3:00 PM

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent after the  
5:10PM Mass

## SERVING THE HOMEBOUND

The sacraments are available to the ill and  
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## WEDDINGS

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vance. Pre-Cana is required.

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**The Holy Assumption**

*On November 1, 1950, Venerable Pope Pius XII solemnly pronounced, declared, and defined that the Immaculate Mother of God and ever-Virgin Mary was assumed into Heaven body and soul. This is a dogma of the Church and therefore should be believed by all.*

“Today the liturgy invites us to contemplate Mary, taken up body and soul into heaven. By a special privilege, she was enriched by divine grace from the moment of her conception, and Christ, who ascended to the right hand of the Father, opened the doors of His kingdom to her, first among human creatures. Now from heaven, where the Queen of the angels and saints is crowned, the Mother of God and of the Church is close to the Christian people before whom she shines as the “new and immaculate woman (who) mediated for the guilt of the first woman.” Let us turn trustingly to her who “shines among the saints like the sun among the stars.” Mary, like a bright star, shows us, pilgrims on earth on our way to heavenly glory, the homeland for which we are bound. She reassures us that we will reach our goal if we do not tire of constantly seeking the “things of above” with living faith, certain hope, and fervent love. Not only does she show us the way, but she herself accompanies us and is the “happy Gate of heaven.”

May the Solemnity of the Assumption therefore be an opportunity to experience Mary’s loving presence more deeply. As a sign of sure and comforting hope, she is a support and an incentive for believers to be true disciples of Christ. May everyone feel her closeness; may the suffering, the sick, and all who turn to her in their difficulties and trials, especially experience her efficacious intercession.”

– Pope St. John Paul II, August 15, 1999

**Total Consecration to Jesus Through Mary**

For the 23rd consecutive year, parishioners of St. Agnes are preparing for the Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary, as developed by St. Louis Marie de Montfort. **The 33-day period of preparation begins on Sunday, August 6th** (the Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord). The prayers are said personally and individually, and culminates on Thursday, September 7th with the vigil of the Nativity of The Blessed Mother. The Mass & Consecration on Friday, September 8th, the Feast of the Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary, will be public for all who are prepared to make their Consecration.

*The prayer booklet for Total Consecration is available at the St. Agnes bookstore.*

**Parish Financial Council**

The Church of St. Agnes, by Church law, must have a Parish Financial Council to guide us. Do you work in finance? Can you offer your time & expertise? Please contact Anna Megan at the rectory or mail her at Church@StAgnesChurchNYC.org. Thank you!

August 13th, 2017

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today’s readings: page 522 (red missal)  
Ordinary of the Mass: page 844

Opening hymn: #79 (blue hymnal)  
Offertory hymn: #130  
Recessional hymn: #81

**Tenth Sunday After Pentecost**  
*(Tridentine Latin Mass)*

**Holy Assumption: August 15<sup>th</sup>**

Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, is the Solemnity of the Holy Assumption of The Blessed Virgin.

**It is a Holy Day of Obligation.**

St. Agnes will offer eleven Masses in accordance with our Holy Day Mass Schedule, found on the cover of the bulletin. We will have our regular confession schedule and the bookstore will be open from 11:30am-6:30pm that day. Stop in!

**Mass times are:**

7:10am, 7:40am, 8:10am, 8:40am, 11:40am,  
12:10pm, 12:40pm, 1:10pm, 1:40pm,  
5:10pm (*High Mass*), and 6:10pm.

**You can also fulfill your obligation by attending the 5:10pm vigil Mass on Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>.**

***Our Lady of Fatima: 100 Years***

***Plenary Indulgence for July 13th***

We remind you that The Holy Father has approved a special Plenary indulgence to “the pious faithful who visit with devotion a statue of Our Lady of Fatima solemnly exposed for public veneration in any church...during the days of the anniversary of the apparitions, the 13th of each month from May to October 2017, and there devoutly participate in some celebration or prayer in honor of the Virgin Mary.” Those seeking an indulgence must also pray an Our Father, recite the Creed, invoke Our Lady of Fatima, AND fulfill the “usual conditions” of Confession, receiving the Eucharist, and saying prayers for the intentions of The Holy Father. St. Agnes has a statue of Our Lady of Fatima on the west side of the church, near the sacristy.

Source: Maria Ximena Rondon, Catholic News Agency, 12/6/17.

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

## Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Dear Friends & Parishioners,

As you know, the Church of St. Agnes offers 39 Masses every single week. Our schedule requires a lot of work and preparation to keep things running smoothly. We need help with expenses for special projects and daily needs. Please see our list below and consider what you can give. Donations can be placed in the collection basket at Mass or dropped off at the rectory. Questions? I'd be happy to address any concerns. Just ask.

Yours in Christ,  
Father Michael Barrett

### Special projects

Front door repairs           \$25,000  
Tabernacle Repairs         \$50,000

### Mass linens

14 corporals @ \$45 = \$630  
2 palls for Feast Days @ \$100 = \$200  
60 purificators @ \$23 = \$1,380  
2 embroidered Altar cloths @ \$1,500 = \$3,000

1 corporal for Feast Days @ \$85  
2 palls for everyday Masses @ \$55 = \$110  
60 lavabo towels @ \$20 = \$1,200

### Priest vestments

10 amices @ \$80 = \$800  
Green chasuble set for Ordinary Time \$5,400  
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6 chalice veils @ \$115 = \$690

## RCIA Program at St. Agnes

**This fall, St. Agnes will offer a program of classes for anyone who might want to learn more about the Catholic faith.** RCIA is the Rite for Christian Initiation for Adults and covers all aspects of Catholic teaching. We welcome those who seek to deepen their knowledge of the faith, Catholics who want to update their understanding, those who are interested in the Catholic Church, and those who want to convert to become Catholic.

**Classes begin on September 14th and will meet in the hall below the Church on Thursdays at 7:00pm.** You may attend any or all of the classes. Whoever desires to convert to become Catholic will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. **There is no charge for this course.** For more information, contact Sim Johnston, the instructor for the classes, at 212-410-4254 or at [gsimjohnston@gmail.com](mailto:gsimjohnston@gmail.com). You can also mail us at [church@stagneschurchnyc.org](mailto:church@stagneschurchnyc.org).

### ***Volunteers needed!***

St. Agnes is a busy place! We need volunteers and invite you to join us! Lectors, Altar Servers, and Ushers are essential, especially for weekend Masses. Considering being an Altar Server? Don't be afraid; **training is provided.** We're also looking for individuals to help with our Mass & Altar linens and can offer a flexible schedule.

Please consider how you might be able to help out. Do you have another talent or ability and can contribute to St. Agnes on an as-needed basis? Are you a seamstress? A landscaper? If you see something that you can help with, let us know. Contact us at: [church@stagneschurchnyc.org](mailto:church@stagneschurchnyc.org) or call the rectory at (212) 682-5722 and speak with Anna. Thank you!

## **Pope Francis: Jesus went to the Cross for sinners, not the perfect**

On Wednesday, August 9th, Pope Francis said the Church doesn't exist for people without faults, but for sinners in need of God's mercy – a point he often returns to – and lamented the fact that there are many Catholics who believe the opposite. “We who are accustomed to experiencing the forgiveness of sins, perhaps too much like 'a cheap market,' we should at times remind ourselves of how much we cost the love of God,” the Pope said, speaking to pilgrims in the Vatican's Paul VI Hall for his weekly general audience. “Jesus didn't go to the Cross because He heals the sick, because He preaches charity, or because He proclaims the beatitudes,” he said. Rather, “the Son of God goes to the Cross above all because He forgives sins, because He wants the total, definitive freedom of man's heart... He does not accept that the human being consumes their entire existence with this irremovable 'tattoo,' with the thought of not being able to be welcomed by the merciful heart of God.” And this, Pope Francis said, is how sinners are forgiven. Not only are they reassured at a psychological level, feeling free from a sense of guilt, but Jesus does more: “He offers the people who have erred the hope of a new life, a life marked by love.”

Pope Francis said that, “wherever there is a person suffering, Jesus cares for them, and that suffering becomes His own.” Jesus shares in human pain, “and when He encounters it, from the depths of His being bursts that attitude which characterizes Christianity: mercy.” And, Jesus shows compassion. “It is for this reason that Jesus extends His hands to sinners,” Francis said, noting that there are many people today living a life of error “because they can't find anyone willing to look at them in a different way, with their eyes, or better, with the heart of God, which is hope.” Francis closed his address telling pilgrims that it would do them well to think about how “God did not choose people who have never done wrong as the first dough to form His Church.” Rather, “the Church is a people of sinners who experience the mercy and forgiveness of God,” he said, adding that St. Peter understood the truth about himself when the cock crowed, instead of his generous works, “which swelled his chest, making him feel superior to others.”

The Church is not for the perfect, but for sinners, declared Pope Francis, adding in off-the-cuff remarks that he can think of “a lot of Catholics who think they are perfect and they despise others, (and) this is sad.”

“We are all poor sinners in need of God's mercy, which has the strength to transform us and radiate hope to us every day,” Pope Francis said. And to the people who understand this, “God gives the most beautiful mission in the world, which is to tell of His love for their brothers and sisters, and the announcement of a mercy that He does not deny to anyone.”

***AUGUST 13, 2017***

**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, August 14th St. Maximilian Kolbe,  
Priest & Martyr**

7:10 AM In Thanksgiving for Jo Jo  
8:10 AM Kevin John Houlis  
12:10 PM Patrick Goldrick & Family  
12:40 PM Decima Ibarra  
1:10 PM The Holy Father Pope Francis  
5:10 PM In Honor of The Blessed Mother

**Tuesday, August 15th—HOLY ASSUMPTION**

7:10 AM Padre Michael Barrett (Living)  
7:40 AM Terese Lewis (Living)  
8:10 AM Fr. Francis (Living)  
8:40 AM Glenn Scarpelli & Patricia Colant  
11:40 AM Bishop John O'Hara (Living)  
12:10 PM Susan Gan (Living)  
12:40 PM Lawrence & Julia O'Brien  
1:10 PM Eugene Ancheta  
1:40 AM Phillis Murphy  
5:10 PM Raul Chavez Portillo  
6:10 PM Fr. William Shelley

**Wednesday, August 16th**

7:10 AM Archie Daddio (Living)  
8:10 AM Rosa & Leonardo Mendoza  
12:10 PM In Thanksgiving to the Holy Family  
12:40 PM Nestor Calderon  
1:10 PM Susan DeMarco  
5:10 PM Gerald J. Kemp

**Thursday, August 17th**

7:10 AM Virginia Ngo (Living)  
8:10 AM Sean Ginivan in Thanksgiving (Living)  
12:10 PM Rose D'Amato  
12:40 PM Ramon Tavarez  
1:10 PM King Hang Chung  
5:10 PM Cathy Janowski

**Friday, August 18th**

7:10 AM Theresa Garofalo  
8:10 AM Larry Cummins (Living)  
12:10 PM Captain Bruce D. Webb USMC  
12:40 PM Eleanor Castellano in Thanksgiving (Living)  
1:10 PM Adeline Caruso  
5:10 PM Archie Daddio (Living)

**Saturday, August 19th**

8:10 AM Crona Sheehan  
12:10 PM Marjorie Carol McHorney  
5:10 PM Dr. Cayetano R. Oca

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