

# The Church of Saint Agnes

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## 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.

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## MUSIC OFFICE

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## LEGION OF MARY

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

**What's new in the bookstore?**

Stop by the St. Agnes bookstore to check out our new premium 7-day candles. These pillar candles are really beautiful and feature favorite Saints such as St. Anthony, St. Jude, St. Pio, and St. Michael. Of course, we also have our Lord in the image of Divine Mercy and an especially beautiful Our Lady of Fatima candle.



**Mass Readings**

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) posts daily Mass readings online at [usccb.org](http://usccb.org); you can also have them e-mailed to you. Sign up at their website! [USCCB.org](http://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!

**Did you know?**

Sunday's first reading is always picked to match the Gospel. The second reading (in Ordinary Time, anyway) takes us through different epistles, giving highlights from each, and isn't necessarily connected to the other readings. Still pay attention to it, though.

Source: Meg Hunter-Kilmer, Jan 16, 2015, [piercedhands.com/blog](http://piercedhands.com/blog)

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- Be sure to include a note indicating repair and return, NOT a donation.
- Make sure your name and address are clearly printed so it can be returned to you without delay.
- Although they do not request it, including a small donation for return shipping is thoughtful & appropriate. Questions? Feel free to call or e-mail Betty & Dick.

May 28, 2017

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday after the Ascension**  
*(Tridentine Latin Mass)*

**Fixing our Church Doors**

St. Agnes needs help with the expense of repairing the front doors to our church. As these doors receive heavy traffic every day, the repairs necessary to keep up with our schedule are costly. Please consider what you can give; donations can be placed in the collection basket at Mass or dropped off at the rectory.

Thank you for supporting our church!

**St. Philip Neri: May 26th**

Filippo Romolo Neri, Patron Saint of Joy, was born in Florence, Italy on July 21, 1515 and died on May 26, 1595. Canonized in 1622, he is credited with the creation of the Congregation of the Oratory.

**What is that?**

The Congregation of the Oratory is a group of priests and lay brothers living a common life without vows. The Oratorian vocation is unique in the Church, where most priests are either secular (diocesan) or religious (order) priests who normally live in community and are bound by vows. An Oratorian lives in his own community, and cannot be moved around from one house to another. Unless he leaves the Oratory, or makes a new foundation, he will spend his entire life as a priest living in the same place.

The Oratory was founded by St. Philip Neri in Rome in the sixteenth century. He sent many of his followers to join religious orders, but never himself felt called to it. Instead, he founded an institute where the bond between members is not a formal canonical vow, but a bond of charity. The ideal of St. Philip, after which the members of the Oratory strive, is one of community life and priestly service lived in a spirit of prayer, and where obedience is offered out of fraternal love, and not any external compulsion.

**Did you know NYC has a local Oratory?**

Established by St. John Paul II in 1988, the Brooklyn Oratory is a founded in the tradition of St. Philip Neri. They offer a "Little Oratory," also known as the Secular Oratory, which supports the spiritual development of their community through scripture & prayers. The Little Oratory is offered one night a month from September through June.

Source: <http://brooklynoratory.org>, edited.

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Memorial Day Schedule

This Monday, May 29th, is Memorial Day. St. Agnes will offer Mass at 8:10am, 12:10pm, and 1:10pm, in accordance with our Civic Holiday Mass Schedule, printed in the bulletin. The church will close after the 1:10pm Mass. There will be no Confessions that day. The rectory office and the bookstore will also be closed. We will resume our regular schedule the following day.

### In Loving Memory...

The bread & wine Consecrated at our Masses this week has been offered in loving memory of Hernan O. Garcia. May he rest in peace.

### Father's Day Spiritual Bouquet

Now is the time to enroll your loved one into St. Agnes's Father's Day 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 the month of June. You will also receive a special Mass card to send to your intention.

### First Friday Holy Hour

This Friday, June 2nd, 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!

### RCIA Program at St. Agnes

The Church of St. Agnes is happy to announce a RCIA course for those interested in completing sacraments (Baptism, Confirmation) or converting to the Catholic faith. RCIA, the Rite for Christian Initiation for Adults, covers all aspects of Catholic teaching: revelation, scripture, theology, sacraments, and commandments. We also welcome those who seek to deepen their knowledge of the faith. Classes start on September 14th and will meet in the lower church hall on Thursdays at 7pm. After completing the course, students will be received into the Church at the Easter Vigil at St. Agnes on March 31, 2018. There is NO CHARGE for this course. For more information, contact Sim Johnston, an experienced RCIA instructor, at 212 410 4254 or [gsmjohnston@gmail.com](mailto:gsmjohnston@gmail.com). General questions can also be sent to St. Agnes at [church@stagneschurchnyc.org](mailto:church@stagneschurchnyc.org). Now is the time to complete your sacraments! Register today!

### Praying the Rosary for Vocations: Pick up a brochure!

Praying the Rosary for vocations is an excellent way to help the Church. The Lord said, "The harvest is plenty, but laborers are few." He needs help! The word vocation means, literally, a calling. We are in desperate need for men & women to answer God's Call. Today, with a shortage of Religious, we must remember *there isn't a shortage of Calls*. There is, rather, a shortage of those who Answer. Please pray for those who are Called. Pick up a copy of the "Rosary for Vocations" brochure in the narthex. It contains reflections on the Luminous Mysteries that support (1) The universal vocation to be holy, (2) Vocations to marriage, (3) Vocations for permanent deacons, (4) Vocations to Religious life, and (5) Vocations to the Priesthood. The Luminous Mysteries focus especially on the public ministry of Christ, so this Rosary is a simple but fruitful prayer for vocations.

***"Vocations come because God calls us.  
But, God wants all of us, especially Priests,  
to help by talking with whomever might  
think about becoming a Priest, Brother,  
or Sister. Call me anytime."***

**-Fr. Michael Barrett**  
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### Prayer to Know My Vocation

*Lord, I want to be happy in this life  
and spend eternity with You in the life to come.  
From the first moment of my existence,  
You knew my vocation.  
Please help me discover Your plan for my life.  
Help me to know myself.  
Help me to overcome my fears.  
Help me to want what You want.  
Help me to trust You completely.  
Send Your Holy Spirit into my mind and heart  
so I can see the gifts You have given me  
and hear Your call to serve the Church.  
Increase my desire to bring others to You  
and to help them reach heaven.  
Mary Most Holy, Mother of God,  
pray for me, that I can discover my vocation  
and have the courage to respond in faith.  
Amen.*

***Pope Francis to nuns:  
Your joy can change the world***

Women who are consecrated to God live “the prophecy of joy,” and this authentic joy is their most credible witness, Pope Francis told leaders of the Sister Disciples of the Divine Master on Monday, May 22nd. “The world today is in need of this: that joy that arises from the encounter with Christ in a life of personal and community prayer, in daily listening to the Word, in the encounter with brothers and sisters, in a happy fraternal life in the community, including fragility, and in the embrace of the flesh of Christ in the poor. Prophets of a joy that is born of feeling loved and therefore forgiven...Joy is a beautiful reality in the life of many consecrated persons, but it is also a great challenge for all of us,” he said.

The Pope addressed an audience of sisters gathered in Rome for the 9th General Chapter of the Sister Disciples of the Divine Master. Pope Francis advocated a cultivation of care and reciprocal acceptance; practicing fraternal correction and respect for weaker sisters, and “banishing from the community all divisions, envy, gossip; saying this with frankness and charity.”

The Pope noted the sisters’ mission of “bringing to the men and women of our time the Gospel,” particularly through liturgical service and caring for priests. He encouraged them “to combat any form of self-centeredness.” He said, “It is ugly when a consecrated man or woman is self-centered, always looking at him or herself in the mirror. It is ugly.”

“Never tire of exercising continually the art of listening and sharing...[they] are more important than ever before, if we want our life to be fully meaningful for ourselves and for the people we meet” and that this practice requires “a climate of discernment, to recognize what belongs to the Spirit and what is contrary to Him,” Pope Francis said.

He encouraged the sisters to ask two questions at both the personal and community level: “Lord, what do you want me to do? What do you want us to do?” The Pope warned against the dangers of a spirit of resignation, suggesting that the devil might tempt them by citing their small numbers or their few vocations and otherwise do what he can to make them have long faces. “I encourage you also to be prophets of hope, with eyes turned to the future, where the Spirit pushes you, to continue to do great things with you,” he said. “The hope that does not disappoint is not based on numbers or works, but on Him, for Whom nothing is impossible”

“With this trust and this strength I repeat to you: do not join the prophets of misfortune, who do great damage to the Church and to consecrated life, he said. “Awaken the world, illuminate the future! Always with a smile, with joy, with hope,” the Pope concluded. “May Mary our Mother protect you with her gaze, and the Lord bless you, show you His Face, and grant you peace and mercy.”

**MAY 28, 2017**

**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, May 29 Easter Weekday—MEMORIAL DAY**

8:10 AM Mario Agosto  
12:10 PM Edouard Miranda  
1:10 PM Sean Walsh

**Tuesday, May 30 Easter Weekday**

7:10 AM James Gallagher  
8:10 AM Sr. Ehmee Nanlabi  
12:10 PM Theresa Porembski  
12:40 PM Robert G. Becker  
1:10 PM Intentions of Madison Colette Gisler  
5:10 PM Ferdinand Gonzales

**Wednesday, May 31 The Visitation of  
The Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:10 AM Hernan & Ethelia Garcia  
8:10 AM Betty Grube  
12:10 PM John Melo (Living)  
12:40 PM Fr. Kaz Kowalski (living)  
1:10 PM Barbara Holman  
5:10 PM Rose & Danny Rubertone

**Thursday, June 1 St. Justin, Martyr**

7:10 AM Fr. Johny Dominic (Living)  
8:10 AM Giovanna Galea  
12:10 PM Mary Bright  
1:10 PM Florence Scott  
1:40 PM Libby & Joseph Castellano  
5:10 PM George Stempko

**Friday, June 2 Easter Weekday**

7:10 AM Dorothy D'Agostino  
8:10 AM Margaret Jewsen  
12:10 PM Marcelino Opulencia  
12:40 PM Living members of the  
McDermott Family  
1:10 PM Chris Joseph (Living)  
5:10 PM Carmen Elias Rodriguez

**Saturday, June 3 St. Charles Lwanga & Companions,  
Martyrs**

8:10 AM James, Mary, and  
James Thomas McCulloch  
12:10 PM Louise G. Smith  
5:10 PM Joseph Flanagan

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Those who are homebound can receive the Anointing of the Sick and/or Holy Communion. Please contact the rectory office at (212) 682-5722.



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