

The Church of Saint Agnes

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November 27, 2022
First Sunday of Advent

CHURCH WEBSITE
stagneschurchnyc.org



MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday:

8:00 AM, 12:10*, 1:10, and 5:10 PM

Saturday:

8:00 AM, 12:10*, and
5:10 PM (*fulfills Sunday obligation*)

Sunday:

8:30 AM, 11:00* (*High Mass*),
12:30, 5:00 (*Spanish*), and 7:00 PM
Please note the church closes at 8PM.

Holy Day of Obligation:

See the bulletin for upcoming
Holy Day Schedules.

Civic Holiday:

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Civic Holiday Schedules.

* *Live Streamed on YouTube.*

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday:

12:40-1:40 PM and 5:00-5:30 PM

Saturday:

12:30 PM-1:30 PM

HOLY ROSARY

Monday - Friday ... after 5:10 PM Mass
Saturday after 12:10 PM Mass

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday - Friday
from 1:45 PM to 2:45 PM
(*Benediction at 2:45 PM*)

FIRST FRIDAY

Afternoon Exposition: 1:45 PM-5:00 PM
Holy Hour begins after the 5:10 PM
Mass, ends with Benediction.

NOVENAS & PRAYERS

Monday Miraculous Medal
Tuesday Saint Agnes
Wednesday Saint Joseph
Thursday Saint Agnes
Friday Sacred Heart of Jesus

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Suspended due to Coronavirus

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent after the
5:10 PM Mass.

SAINT AGNES BOOKSTORE

Sunday 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Monday - Friday 12 Noon - 2 PM
Saturday Closed

Phone: (212) 599-7588

bookstore@stagneschurchnyc.org

LEGION OF MARY

Meets every Thursday at 6:30 PM

SERVING THE HOMEBOUND

The sacraments are available to the ill
and homebound. Please contact the
rectory.

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.

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

Email: rcia@stagneschurchnyc.org

Our 2022/2023 RCIA Course began on
September 29th and meets on Thursdays
at 7:00 PM.

YOUTUBE CHANNEL

youtube.com/c/ChurchofSaintAgnesNYC



FACEBOOK

[@stagneschurchnyc](https://www.facebook.com/stagneschurchnyc)



A Letter from our Pastor

Dear Parishioners and Friends

We are entering the joyous seasons of Thanksgiving and Christmas, and we have to think about how good God is in making us his children. What a great gift. St. Agnes is getting ready to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of its existence, and we are grateful to God, who has watched over us through many years of history, but now we are struggling through this time when the number of people attending the Church is half of what it was before COVID.

We receive approximately **\$500,000 annually** in collections from the basket and online, which is low considering our expenses. We have half the people coming to the Church now than in the days before COVID, and fewer people make it harder to get financial support. We receive one-time donations from time to time, but we need more to sustain us financially. We have very few weddings, baptisms, or funerals, so we receive hardly any income from those events.

Our operating cost is **\$1,200,000 annually**, so the **\$500,000** we receive from collections does not cover our expenses. We owe the Archdiocese **\$23,000 a month**, and when we cannot pay, they remind us of our obligation to them. The Archdiocese does not support us when we run out of money. In short, we are in a very precarious situation because of COVID and because many parishioners do not grasp what it means to run a parish like St. Agnes. People give gifts of \$2 or \$3 in the collection, and there is no way a parish can function on that small amount of support. I am being blunt, but I must share our reality with you.

On **January 21**, the Feast of St. Agnes, we begin celebrating the **150th Anniversary Year**, and we ask you to be generous and help us to be here for another 150 years. For St. Agnes to continue for the next 150 years, we need parishioners or former parishioners who can envision St. Agnes being part of your community for the next 100 to 150 years and the importance of offering Mass, Confessions and guidance to hundreds of people. With your support, St. Agnes will be here to serve people for years to come in many different ways.

Thanks to the intercession of St. Agnes, we have reached so many souls over the years, and as we approach Christmas, let us ask Our Lord to help us continue to get many more women and men. May Our Lady, Our Mother, and St. Joseph, the Father of Jesus, guide us to continue this great evangelization.

Fr. Michael J. Barrett

Online Giving

Saint Agnes offers three ways to make church contributions online:
Zelle, Venmo, and WeShare.

zelle

The email associated with Zelle for church contributions is:
church@stagneschurchnyc.org



Visit our website at
www.stagneschurchnyc.org
and click on the
“We Share” icon.

venmo

To donate to Saint Agnes through Venmo, search for user **@StAgnesNYC**



Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday, December 8, 2022

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Day Mass Schedule:

8:00 AM, 12:10 PM, 1:10 PM,
5:10 PM (High Mass) and 6:30 PM (with Music)
Vigil Mass on Wednesday, December 7th @ 5:10 PM

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Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Están cordialmente invitados a la Misa en honor a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe.

**Lunes
12 de Diciembre, 2022
a las 6:00 PM**

La Misa será oficiada por el Padre Michael J. Barrett y será en Español.

Con la tradicional entrega de ofrendas florales & Mariachis!

You are cordially invited to attend a Mass in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

**Monday
December 12, 2022
6:00 PM**

The Mass will be celebrated by Father Michael J. Barrett in Spanish.

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A FESTIVAL OF LESSONS & CAROLS

Wednesday,
December 14, 2022
at 6:00 PM

You are cordially invited to attend this beautiful Advent tradition to prepare for Christmas with a Festival of Lessons that tell the Christmas story alongside seasonal Carols.

Saint Agnes Christmas Spiritual Bouquet



Remember your living and deceased friends and relatives by including them in our Christmas Masses. Pick up an envelope in the rectory office or from the sacristan, fill out your information, and include your offering. Envelopes can be placed in the collection basket at Mass. Your envelope will be placed on the Altar for all of our Christmas Masses. You will also receive a special Mass card to send to your intention.



Christmas Flower Offering envelopes are available in the Rectory Office or from the sacristan.

Spiritual Recollection for Women

takes place on the second Saturday of the month at 2 PM. (Check starts at 1:45 PM)

The next meeting will be on
Saturday, December 10, 2022 at 2:00 PM.

For more information visit:
mhplace.org/afternoon-of-recollection

Donate a Christmas Tree



We are asking for assistance in paying for Christmas trees which will decorate the entrances to the church and rectory. The donation is \$150 per tree, which can be offered in memory of a loved one. Your donation will be published in the bulletin. Please contact the Rectory Office to make a donation.

The Christmas Novena

November 30th is the feast day of St. Andrew the Apostle.

There are many traditions associated with St. Andrew's feast day; beginning a Christmas novena is one of the most popular. The St. Andrew Christmas Novena, or more simply, The Christmas Novena, is a wonderful way to enter into the Advent season that is marked by a time of anticipation, penance, and prayer. This novena is prayed through all four weeks of Advent.

It is piously believed that whoever recites the St. Andrew Christmas Novena prayer FIFTEEN times each day from the feast of St. Andrew (November 30th) until Christmas Eve (December 24th) will obtain the favor requested.

Saint Andrew Christmas Novena

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold.

In that hour, vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior, Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother.

Amen.



First Friday - December 2nd

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the afternoon from 1:45 pm to 5:00 pm.

Holy Hour immediately after the 5:10 pm Mass

(Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, a brief homily & time for personal prayer).

Ends with Benediction. All are Welcome!

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 28

8:00 AM In Memory of John & Eileen O'Malley
12:10 PM Lory Ancheta (Healing)
1:10 PM Jennifer Phan (Living)
5:10 PM In Thanksgiving
by Maria Armi Saludo (Birthday)

Tuesday, November 29

8:00 AM Micheline Quenum
12:10 PM Ma. Rosario Kagaoan Ligot (Healing)
1:10 PM Billy & Sara Kaiserman
5:10 PM All Souls In Purgatory

Wednesday, November 30

Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle

8:00 AM Monsignor George P. Thompson
12:10 PM Eugene Ancheta
1:10 PM Francie Conway
5:10 PM Cristina Salcedo

Thursday, December 1

8:00 AM Leticia Luces
12:10 PM Mark Devlin
1:10 PM Diesra Didem Ark
5:10 PM All Souls in Purgatory

Friday, December 2

8:00 AM All Souls in Purgatory
12:10 PM Chai Chua (Healing)
1:10 PM Dr. Franco Muggia
5:10 PM Meliton Edgardo Martin Ulloa

Saturday, December 3

Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

8:00 AM Vincent McDonnell (Living)
12:10 PM Jose Holguin
5:10 PM All Souls in Purgatory

To arrange an announced Mass, stop by or call the rectory.

The donation for an announced Mass is \$15.

The 2023 Mass book is now open.



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You can find a link on our website: stagneschurchnyc.org



Livestream Masses

Monday-Saturday @ 12:10 pm and Sunday @ 11:00 am

GIVING TUESDAY

November 29, 2022

As we head into the holiday season, it can feel like it's all about consumerism. There's Black Friday, which for years was the traditional start of holiday shopping with the rush to get great deals on electronics and other items. Then there's Cyber Monday when traffic to buy online can slow many computers down to a crawl. There is a relatively new day that is the antithesis of Black Friday and Cyber Monday called Giving Tuesday, which is a day to put aside consumerism and promote charitable acts of giving.

**Please remember
Saint Agnes during your
Giving Tuesday donations this year.**

Supporting our Church is not just about getting through the current tough economic climate, it is also for the decades ahead in bringing the Catholic Faith to the public square of New York City.

Donations can be:

- Placed in the Mass Collection
- Dropped into the Donation Box
- Dropped off at the Rectory Office
- Mailed to: Saint Agnes Church
143 East 43rd Street
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- Made online (see box below)



To donate online (WeShare, Venmo, Zelle) visit:
www.stagneschurchnyc.org/online-giving



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