

# The Church of Saint Agnes

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**January 8, 2023**  
**The Epiphany of the Lord**

**CHURCH WEBSITE**  
[stagneschurchnyc.org](http://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:

See the bulletin for upcoming  
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](mailto: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](mailto:rcia@stagneschurchnyc.org)

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

## YOUTUBE CHANNEL

[youtube.com/c/ChurchofSaintAgnesNYC](https://youtube.com/c/ChurchofSaintAgnesNYC)



## FACEBOOK

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



We will have a  
Civic Holiday Schedule on  
**Martin Luther King Jr. Day,**  
**January 16, 2023.**



Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 am and 12:10 pm.  
The Church will close after the 12:10 pm Mass.  
There will be no Confessions.  
The Rectory Office and Bookstore will be closed.

**SAINT AGNES  
NEEDS YOUR HELP!**



We are going through a challenging period in the history of the parish. Our operating cost are \$1,200,000 annually but we only receive approximately \$500,000 annually in collections (from the basket and online). Please take some time to prayerfully reflect on what St. Agnes means to you, and what it would mean if it were no longer available.

## Online Giving

Saint Agnes offers three ways to make church contributions online:

**Zelle, Venmo, and WeShare.**

These are popular ways to give and they are known for their safety and ease of use.

Giving online is simple and there no need to remember your envelope!



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.



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



## 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, January 14, 2022 at 2:00 PM.**

[mhplace.org/afternoon-of-recollection](http://mhplace.org/afternoon-of-recollection)

## On Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>:



We will have Coffee & Donuts  
in the Parish Hall after  
the 11:00 AM and 12:30 PM Masses.

We will have Pizza, Beer and Wine  
in the Parish Hall  
after the 7:00 PM Mass.



If you are interested in attending either event  
or would like to volunteer to help please email:  
**church@stagneschurchnyc.org**

## Epiphany - Things to Know

### What does the word "Epiphany" mean?

"Epiphany" means "manifestation." It comes from Greek roots that mean "to show, to display" (*phainein*) and "on, to" (*epi-*). An epiphany is thus a time when something is shown, displayed, or manifested to an audience.

### What is the feast of the Epiphany about?

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God, and Savior of the world. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (*magi*) from the East, together with His baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee.

### When is Epiphany celebrated?

This varies from country to country. In some countries, Epiphany is a holy day of obligation. Where that is the case, it is celebrated on January 6<sup>th</sup>. In the United States, Epiphany is not a holy day of obligation, and its celebration is transferred to the first Sunday after January 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Why is Epiphany connected with January 6<sup>th</sup>?

Pope Benedict explains:

*It is hard to say how far back the beginnings of the Christmas feast go. It assumed its definitive form in the third century. At about the same time the feast of the Epiphany emerged in the East on January 6 and the feast of Christmas in the West on December 25. The two feasts had different emphases because of the different religious and cultural contexts in which they arose, but essentially their meaning was the same: the celebration of the birth of Christ as the dawning of the new light, the true sun, of history.*

Eventually, however, the emphasis on January 6 shifted--particularly in the west (and in some parts of the east)--to reflect manifestations of Christ beside that which occurred at his birth (namely, those that occurred at the coming of the magi, at his baptism, and at the wedding feast of Cana).

Source: Jimmy Akin, National Catholic Register, Jan 3, 2013.

## Second Collection This Weekend for the Catholic University of America and the Catholic Communications Campaign

The Catholic University is a truly unique institution of higher learning, founded by the United States bishops back in 1887, and chartered by the Holy See. In every way, the university belongs to each of us, it is incumbent upon us to help with the education of future leaders of our Church and nation. Your contributions help to underwrite the university's financial aid office so that students, young and old from across the country will have access to quality academic and spiritual programs.

Through the Catholic Communications Campaign, the conference of bishops is able to serve all the dioceses of our nation by providing educational and spiritual programs for radio and television. Half of your giving remains in the Archdiocese of New York to assist with the ongoing and planned efforts of the communications and technology office.

## March For Life – Washington D.C. January 20, 2023

The March for Life in Washington D.C. began as a grassroots response of pro-lifers nationwide to *Roe v. Wade*, the 1973 Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion throughout the nine months of a woman's pregnancy. This year, thanks to the *Dobbs vs Jackson* decision, the 50<sup>th</sup> March for Life takes place in a post *Roe* world. But the March for Life is more important than ever as we strive towards a true culture of life in our nation!

For more details about bus pilgrimages visit:  
<https://bit.ly/archnymarchforlife>

# FORMED

Saint Agnes is pleased to provide all our parishioners and members of the community a subscription to FORMED which provides free 24/7 access to over 300 quality Catholic online programs, 99 movies, 101 audios, and 98 eBooks.

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<https://formed.org/>

To sign up for free,  
select sign up as a parishioner and  
use our zip code (10017) to find St. Agnes.



“The Magi ...  
brought gold because He was a King,  
incense because He was a Priest,  
but also myrrh.  
That's the way He was buried,  
with a hundred pounds of spices and myrrh.  
What would our mothers have thought  
if the neighbors brought in embalming fluid  
when we were born?”

**-Venerable Fulton Sheen**

## The Baptism of the Lord Monday, January 9th

The Baptism of the Lord marks the conclusion of the Christmas Season and the beginning of Ordinary Time. It's a feast of transition from Jesus' hidden life to that of His public ministry. Like Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord announces Jesus' divinity to all of His first followers and to the disciples of St. John the Baptist.

First of all, it needs to be pointed out that Jesus did not need the baptism of John. John was baptizing as a call to and sign of interior repentance. Jesus had no need to repent. But, nonetheless, He comes to John. John resists at first but Jesus insists.



*Lord, I believe that You are the Son of the Eternal Father and the Savior of the World.  
I believe that You have brought about a new era of grace and truth  
and that I am called to follow You wherever You lead.  
As we begin this liturgical season of Ordinary Time,  
may it be a time of extraordinary grace in which I daily heed Your voice.  
Jesus, I trust in You.*

The 2023 Saint Agnes Church Wall Calendar is now available in the rectory office. We would like to thank Crestwood Funeral Home & Cremation Services for supplying our calendar this year.

## **Mass Intentions**

### **Monday, January 9**

#### ***The Baptism of the Lord***

8:00 AM Victor D. Ziminsky Jr.  
12:10 PM Fr. Michael Barrett (Living)  
1:10 PM Felisa T. Binuya  
5:10 PM Lauren O'Neill (Living)

### **Tuesday, January 10**

8:00 AM Jean-Yves Harmon (Living)  
12:10 PM Fr. Francis (Living)  
1:10 PM Fr. Leonard Villa (Living)  
5:10 PM Victor D. Ziminsky Jr.

### **Wednesday, January 11**

8:00 AM Doria Akotegnon  
12:10 PM Tessie Tabile  
1:10 PM Victor D. Ziminsky Jr.  
5:10 PM Patrick Mahon

### **Thursday, January 12**

8:00 AM Victor D. Ziminsky Jr.  
12:10 PM Soledad Reyes (Living)  
1:10 PM Frances Vincent (Living)  
5:10 PM Ewa Pioro

### **Friday, January 13**

8:00 AM Lauren O'Neill (Living)  
12:10 PM Luisa Opulencia  
1:10 PM Victor D. Ziminsky Jr.  
5:10 PM Marie Jean Sabidong

### **Saturday, January 14**

8:00 AM Victor D. Ziminsky Jr.  
12:10 PM Ward Thomas Henderson  
5:10 PM Victor D. Ziminsky Jr.

To arrange an announced Mass, stop by or call the rectory.  
The donation for an announced Mass is \$15.  
Masses are available from March to December 2023.



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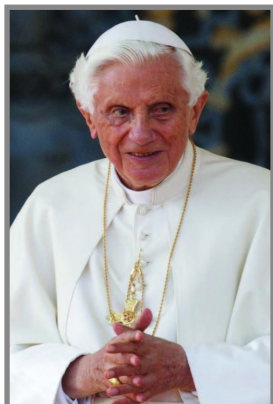
You can find a link on our website: [stagneschurchnyc.org](http://stagneschurchnyc.org)



#### **Livestream Masses**

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

## Prayer for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI (1927-2022)



Almighty ever-living God,  
who made Pope Benedict XVI  
a wise teacher of your people,  
a gentle shepherd of your flock,  
and a faithful pastor of your Church,  
grant in your kindness that your humble servant,  
who in this life believed in you and loved you,  
may now receive your mercy and rejoice in  
your presence for ever in the glory of the Saints.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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At this time, let us invoke the intercession of Mary Most Holy for Pope emeritus Benedict XVI. Let us all join together, with one heart and one soul, in thanking God for the gift of this faithful servant of the Gospel and of the Church.

**Pope Francis - Jan 1, 2023**



**1873-2023**

## **Saint Agnes' 150th Anniversary**

**Saint Agnes will kick off  
its 150th Anniversary Year  
on the Feast of Saint Agnes,  
January 21, 2023, at the 5:10 PM Mass.**

Bishop O'Hara will celebrate this special Mass.

Please join us for this monumental occasion in the history of our parish. We will keep you updated as this event gets closer.

**This Mass will be preceded by a  
mini-concert starting at 4:45 PM.**