

# The Church of Saint Agnes

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**February 25, 2024**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**

**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  
† On the first Sunday of the month the  
12:30 PM Mass will be in Latin  
(*Novus Ordo - Mass of St. Paul VI*)

### Holy Day of Obligation:

8:00 AM, 12:10\*, 1:10,  
5:10 and 6:10 PM  
The 5:10 PM Vigil Mass on the day before  
the Holy Day will also fulfill the Obligation.

### Civic Holiday:

8:00 AM and 12:10 PM\*  
Please note the church closes after the  
12:10 PM Mass and there are no confessions.  
\* Live Streamed on YouTube.

## HOLY ROSARY

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

## CONFESSION SCHEDULE

### Monday - Friday:

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

### Saturday:

12:30 PM-1:30 PM

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday - Friday: 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

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

## SAINT AGNES BOOKSTORE

*Located in the rear right of the church.*

Sunday ..... Closed  
Monday - Thursday .... 12 Noon - 2 PM  
Friday  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri. of Month.. 12 Noon - 2 PM  
Other Fridays ..... Closed  
Saturday..... Closed  
Phone: (212) 599-7588  
[bookstore@stagneschurchnyc.org](mailto:bookstore@stagneschurchnyc.org)

## SERVING THE HOMEBOUND

The sacraments are available to the ill  
and homebound. Contact the rectory.

## BAPTISMS

Baptisms of children should take place  
as soon as possible. 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)  
Classes meet on Thursdays at 7 PM.  
Contact the Rectory Office for more  
information.

## LEGION OF MARY

Meets every Thursday at 6:00 PM

## YOUTUBE CHANNEL

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



## FACEBOOK

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



For forty days Jesus prayed and fasted in the desert preparing the beginning of his public ministry to us. In this he relived in a new way the process of purification that the people of Israel underwent for 40 years in the desert.

Jesus accompanies his disciples and all human beings as we go through the desserts of purification, letting go of the old ways and embracing the ways of God. At the same time He gives us the hope of entering into the Joy envisioned in the Transfiguration.

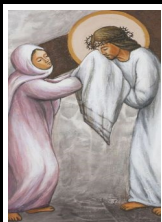
May we let ourselves be transformed by Him once again this Lent with the help of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. And may we be better able to encourage others in their own Journey.

## Fridays during Lent

### Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament



On Fridays during Lent, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 1:45 PM to 5:00 PM (Benediction).



### Stations of the Cross

Saint Agnes offers Stations of the Cross, lead by a Priest, every Friday during the season of Lent. Stations will follow the 5:10 PM Mass.

Please do not leave flowers in the church during the Lenten Season. It is a time of penance. Thank you.

## Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

**Abstinence:** *Obligatory from age 14 onwards.*

Abstinence forbids the eating of meat (including pork) and poultry. Saltwater fish, freshwater fish and shellfish are permitted. Those who are not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in the discipline of abstaining to the extent that they are able.

### Special circumstances:

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence include the physically or mentally ill, including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women. In all cases, common sense should prevail.

## Prayer Before A Crucifix: A Plenary Indulgence for Lent

On any Friday during Lent a plenary indulgence is granted the Faithful who, after Communion, devoutly recite the following prayer before an image of the crucified Lord. On other days of the year the indulgence is a partial one.

At St. Agnes, the large Crucifix on the wall above the sanctuary will work, in addition to a printed image in a missal, prayer book, or church bulletin.

If you have received the Eucharist and recite the prescribed prayer, the only remaining requirements for this indulgence are (1) confession and (2) prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father; one Our Father, One Hail Mary, and one Glory Be will do.

One can obtain a plenary indulgence for themselves, or, we can offer it for a soul in purgatory, including a friend or relative. **This is an act of charity and spiritual tithing to do during Lent.**

## Prayer Before The Crucifix

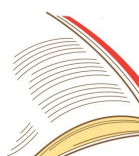


*Look down upon me, good and gentle Jesus, while before Thy face I humbly kneel, and with burning soul I pray and beseech Thee to fix deep in my heart the lively sentiments of faith, hope and charity, a true contrition for my sins, and a firm purpose of amendment. Meanwhile, I contemplate with great love and tender pity Thy five Precious Wounds, pondering over them within me, having in mind the words which David, Thy prophet, said of Thee, my Jesus: "They have pierced My hands and My feet; they have numbered all My bones."*

## NOTES ON LENTEN MUSIC

During Lent, the setting of the Mass Ordinary is Chant Mass XVII. This can be found on page 887 in the Lumen Christi Missal. Except for Lent IV and Solemnities, the organ is used only to accompany singing. For more details about the liturgical music, please visit:

**[stagneschurchnyc.org/upcoming-music](http://stagneschurchnyc.org/upcoming-music)**



## BIBLE STUDY IN ENGLISH

**Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

**12:45 PM - 1:15 PM**

Father Jose will lead these afternoon bible study session in the Parish Hall. Everyone is Welcome.

# Movie Night



Our next Movie Night will be on  
**Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM**  
in the Parish Hall and will feature  
**Shadowlands.**

Based on a true story.  
C.S. Lewis, a world-renowned Christian  
theologian, writer and professor,  
leads a passionless life until he meets  
spirited poet Joy Gresham.

**Our next Novus Ordo Latin Mass  
(Mass of St. Paul VI) will be on  
Sunday, March 3, 2024 at 12:30 PM.**

## Saint Patrick's Day Mass



Join us for our annual  
Saint Patrick's Day Mass  
on Saturday, March 16, 2024  
at 9:00 AM.

The Mass will be  
celebrated in Gaelic (Irish).

**Monsignor Aidian O'Driscoll  
from County Cork, Ireland  
will return to Saint Agnes to celebrate  
our annual Saint Patrick's Day Mass.**

All are welcome as we continue this  
beautiful St. Agnes tradition  
for the Feast of Saint Patrick.



The virtue of hope lies not in the future of time,  
but beyond the tomb in eternity; its object is not the  
abundant life of earth, but the eternal love of God.

- Venerable Fulton J. Sheen

## Spiritual Recollection for Women

takes place at St. Agnes on the second Saturday  
of the month from 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM.

*Check-In begins at 2:15 PM.*

Next Women's Recollection Dates:  
March 9<sup>th</sup> & April 13<sup>th</sup>

For more information visit:  
[mhplace.org/afternoon-of-recollection](http://mhplace.org/afternoon-of-recollection)



## Inner Healing Retreat

*A Spiritual Confluence of  
Psychology and Catholicism*

Father Johny Dominic will return to Saint Agnes this  
September to lead two inner healing retreats. Find out  
more by attending an Open House here at St. Agnes  
where he will discuss the benefits of these retreats.

### Open House Event:

Saturday, March 16, 2024 from 2pm to 6pm

### Retreat 1 - Module A:

Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> through Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>  
from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM each day

### Retreat 2 - Module B:

*Module B builds on Module A*

Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>  
from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM each day

### About Rev. Fr. Johny Dominic PhD:

Asst. Director, Sumedha Centre for Psychology and  
Spirituality (in India), and former parochial vicar of  
St. Agnes (2008-2015), who specializes in helping  
people explore and address their emotional conflicts  
as a pathway to a deeper inner life in Christ.

### For more information and to register contact:

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Andrea O'Boyle

(732) 639-4296 / [aoboyle270@gmail.com](mailto:aoboyle270@gmail.com)

## Goretti NY Young Adult Event

On March 1<sup>st</sup> The Goretti Group will host a talk by  
Erin K. McAtee from Arthouse 2B titled:

### Starving Artists and Full Hearts

The talk begins at 7:00 PM (after the 5:10 PM Mass  
and Way of the Cross). There will be fellowship at  
6:30 PM for those attending the talk.

For more information contact: [ny@thegorettigroup.org](mailto:ny@thegorettigroup.org)

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and use our zip code (10017) to find St. Agnes.*



You can purchase tall pillar candles at the rectory office, bookstore or through the sacristan. These candles burn for approximately seven days.

Plain white candles are \$10 each.  
Candles with images of our Lord, the Blessed Mother and various Saints are \$12 each or two for \$20.

## ***Mass Intentions***

*Second Week of Lent*

### **Monday, February 26**

8:00 AM Joseph Pappa  
12:10 PM Acila Tamir (Living)  
1:10 PM Jordyn Marie Santabarbara  
5:10 PM Emiliana Nanlabi, OND

### **Tuesday, February 27**

8:00 AM McDermott Family (Living)  
12:10 PM Gloria Casugbo (Birthday)  
1:10 PM Vito Mazzaro  
5:10 PM Alejandro Fider

### **Wednesday, February 28**

8:00 AM Elevyn Shelley  
12:10 PM Stella Cebulski & Regina Grabowski  
1:10 PM Pasquale Maffeo  
5:10 PM Jieroh "Jerome" Yanga

### **Thursday, February 29**

8:00 AM Vincent McDonnell (Healing)  
12:10 PM Jack Rader  
1:10 PM Micheline Quenum  
5:10 PM Elizabeth H. Segers

### **Friday, March 1**

8:00 AM Leticia Lucas  
12:10 PM Grace Young  
1:10 PM Percival Solis Oca  
5:10 PM Dao Phan

### **Saturday, March 2**

8:00 AM Elevyn Shelley  
12:10 PM Zeferina Mascarenhas  
5:10 PM Louise Ragusa

The 2024 Announced Mass Book is now Open.

You can also enroll the deceased in the St. Agnes Purgatorial Society (Sundays 12:30pm Mass) and the living in the St. Agnes Parish Living Intentions (Sundays 11:00am Mass).



## SAINT AGNES NEEDS YOUR HELP!



We are going through a challenging period in the history of the parish. 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. Your financial support will not only help St. Agnes get through this tough time but will shape the future of our church and its ability to bring the Catholic Faith to the public square of New York City. Please also consider including Saint Agnes in your will or trust when planning your estate.

*Lord, we offer You these first fruits of our labor.  
Please bless this sacrifice and use it to Your glory.*

## Online Giving

Saint Agnes offers three ways to make church contributions online:

**Zelle, Venmo, and WeShare.**

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**



## Do you have a Special Intention?



You can donate the Altar Flowers (\$250/arrangement), the Sanctuary Lamp (\$50/week) or the bread and wine that will be consecrated at Mass (\$50/week) for the intention of a love one. Your Donation will also be printed in the bulletin. Contact the rectory office for more information.