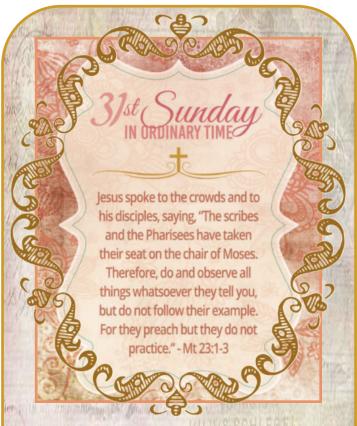


# SAINT AGNES CHURCH

1140 EVERGREEN ST., SAN DIEGO, CA 92106 -November 5, 2023 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time









The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
(RCIA) is going on every
Thursday, at 6:45pm. It is held at the Parish
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# Rarish Schedule

**MASS TIMES** 

Saturday 4:30pm-Live Streamed Vigil of Sunday FIRST Saturday of the month ONLY-8:00am

Sunday 8:00am, 11:00am, 5:30pm 5:30pm-Bilingual Mass (Portuguese-English) Last Sunday of the Month

> Daily Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 7:30am

> > Tuesday, Thursday: 5:30pm

ADORATION: Every Friday 8:00am-12:00pm Every first Saturday, 8:30am-9:30 am.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday from 3:15pm-4:15pm or by appointment only.

BAPTISM: Make arrangements three months in advance.
Please call the Parish Office at 619-223-2200.

MARRIAGES: Please contact the Priest nine months in advance.

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## 31st Sunday In Ordinary Time

"As for you, do not be called "Rabbi". You have but one teacher, and you are all bothers. Call no one on earth your father, you have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called "Master", you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant."

Mt 23:8-11



#### From Pastor Romeo Velos

THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT

A scholar of the law tested Iesus by asking. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest? (Matthew 22:36)" This was a tricky question because there was a long standing debate among the Jews as to which commandment had the supreme importance. In the Old Testament, there are 613 commandments: 248 refer to the positive laws and 365 are the negative laws. The Ten Commandments could not cover all the moral duties of the Jews hence the scribes added more prescriptions and laws to fulfill the Covenant code established by God for His people. Jesus responded by quoting the Old Testament. "You shall love the Lord, your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind. And you shall love your neighbor as yourself. (Mt 22:37-39)" He emphasized that the two greatest commandments are one and have similar weight. They are inseparable and complementary. They are like two sides of the same coin. Allegiance to God must be absolute. Our response to God must be total and not divided. To love truly, we must start at the eternal font of all generous love. These two commandments shape us according to the mind and heart of God. It is because we are created in His image and likeness. Our relationship with God must not be halfhearted. There is no middle ground, no neutrality. Or we are for Him or against Him. In the Book of Revelation, God said, "If you are lukewarm, neither hot nor cold, I will vomit you out of my mouth! (Revelation 3:16)" The second commandment calls us to recognize God's image and likeness in our brothers and sisters. This is Agape love, a decision and choice to work for the well being of others. Is it possible for us to love God above all things? St. Paul says, "The love of God is poured into our hearts! (Romans 5:5)" This is the Holy Spirit given to us by Jesus. He revealed God's extravagant, total and boundless love by dying on the Cross. God's love for us is irreversible and everlasting. Nothing can separate us from the love of God. And only through God's grace that real love is possible. We are called then to rely on God alone because our task is to make Him shine in our lives.



# Everything is gained through humility!

Weekly Offering

October 29, 2023	
Sunday Collection Envelope	MOUNT 3,617.59
Online Giving Total	1,807.50 5,425.09
Parish Development Fund: 10/29/2023	
PDF	\$ 442.00
PDF Online Giving Total	\$ 92.50 534.50

#### WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS Wed 11/08 Thurs 11/9 Fri 11/10 Sat 11/11 Sun 11/5 Mon 11/6 Tues 11/7 Mass <u>Mass</u> 4:30pm <u>Mass</u> 8:00am, 11:00am 5:30pm <u>Mass</u> <u>Mass</u> <u>Mass</u> <u>Mass</u> 7:30am 7:30am 5:30pm 7:30am Adoration Every Confessions Rosary for AA Meeting Friday 8:00am-12:00pm Every Saturday 3:15pm-7:00pm **NA Meeting** Fall Gathering 6:00pm



# Protein Sunday at St. Agnes

All of us here at Loaves and Fishes express our deepest gratitude from your November donations. Our shelves have been scarce and your generosity is making an impact in our community. From here on we will be asking the first weekend of each month for protein donations. We ask no expired items or glass jars be placed in the contribution bins. Our next food collection will take place the weekend of December 3rd. Thank you again and if you have any questions please contact:

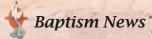
Morghan Graham (402) 802-2149.





#### CONFIRMATION UPDATE

Preparation for Sacrament of Confirmation:
meets first Sunday of each month,
beginning at the 5:30pm Mass,
pick up time is at 8:30pm.



The next baptism workshop
will be on November 7th, at 7:30pm,
in the school behind the church.
There will be no class the month of December.
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week before the class to confirm your attendance.



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