



SAINT AGNES CHURCH

1140 EVERGREEN ST., SAN DIEGO, CA 92106

September 21, 2025

Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

PRAISE THE LORD
WHO LIFTS UP
THE LOWLY AND
THE POOR.

PSALM 113

*"It's better to
light a candle
than curse the
dark."*



OCIA

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is going on every Thursday at 6:45pm, in the Parish Center. This is a program for those who are preparing to receive the sacraments. For more information please call the Parish Office at (619) 223-2200.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday Closed.

Tues-Friday 9:30am-4:00pm

Closed for Lunch from Noon-1:00pm

SCHOOL OF RELIGION: (619) 840-4241

PARISH WEBSITE: www.saint-agnes.org

Parish Schedule

MASS TIMES

Saturday

4:30pm

Vigil of Sunday

FIRST Saturday of the month ONLY-8:00am

Sunday

8:00am-Live Streamed, 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

From the Desk of Romeo Velos

COSTLY GRACE



In the eyes of the world, the Cross is an instrument of defeat, shame, humiliation, cruelty, violence, betrayal and death. In fact, the Romans used the Cross as a horrible punishment against convicted criminals. But for us Christians and believers, the Cross is an instrument of our salvation that gives us new life and empowers us to share in the life of God. In Jesus we have full access to God. We are not anymore condemned and punished. We are reconciled with God. The Cross is a powerful reminder of God's immense, excessive and extravagant love for us. He did not spare Jesus, His Son from death. He withholds nothing to us not even His only Son to lead us to the goodness He desires for us. The Cross is the wisdom and power of God, scandal to the Jews and stumbling block to the gentiles. But for us believers, the Crucified Christ is the power of God because only God's love is the true power.

The Cross is the wisdom of God because it is the key, the doorway to life, the heart of God through which we glimpse the mystery of the divine love. On the Cross, Jesus reveals that God's love is stronger than death, greater than our infidelities, betrayals and sins. Nothing is beyond God's grace, love and mercy. The Cross is not optional because it is the shape and heartbeat of our Christian life. We are called to integrity. We are called to stand against evil, sin and injustice. We are called to love the way God loves, to give all and love to the end. Jesus does not eliminate suffering but transforms it. True love involves sacrifice. Jesus said, *"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that he who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life."* (John 3:16)

This is costly grace because we have been bought at a grace price, the blood of the Son. What has been costly to God cannot be cheap for us. Failing to believe in Jesus and rejecting Him result to self condemnation and self judgment. The work of Christ is efficacious only if we accept His gift of salvation. Salvation is not a passive gift. It requires an active reception of the gift. Faith is not static. It redefines everything: our values, priorities, relationships and even our very selves. It transforms us and empowers us to transform the lives of others. Grace is costly because God demands first place in our lives. He is the foundation of all love, the supreme and ultimate good, the absolute treasure. When we are grounded and centered in His love all our actions and relationships fall into the right place.



- Monday, September 22**
7:30am †Rita Ballatore
- Tuesday, September 23**
5:30pm For the People of Saint Agnes
- Wednesday, September 24**
7:30am For the People of Saint Agnes
- Thursday, September 25**
5:30pm For the People of Saint Agnes
- Friday, September 26**
7:30am For the People of Saint Agnes
- Saturday, September 27**
4:30pm Manuel, Lucilia & Maria Avila,
Joaquim & Lucilia, Manuel &
Gilda Goulart
- Sunday, September 28**
8:00am Antonio Melo Gomes
11:00pm Maria B. Avila & Orlando Manuel
Silva
5:30pm Elvira & Antonio Correia



Mass Intentions for the Week

September 14, 2025

Sunday Collection	AMOUNT
Envelope	\$ 3,679.00
Online Giving	\$ 996.90
Total	\$ 4,675.90

Parish Development Fund: 9/14/2025

PDF	\$ 105.00
PDF Online Giving	\$ 17.50
Total	\$ 122.50

Your generous donations to the Parish Development Fund (PDF) help support the upkeep and maintenance of our church and outlying buildings. PDF is also used for basic furniture and equipment needs to run the parish.

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS						
Sun 9/21	Mon 9/22	Tues 9/23	Wed 9/24	Thurs 9/25	Fri 9/26	Sat 9/27
<u>Masses</u> 8:00am-Live Streamed, 11:00am, 5:30pm	<u>Mass</u> 7:30am	<u>Mass</u> 5:30pm	<u>Mass</u> 7:30am	<u>Mass</u> 5:30pm <u>AA Meeting-7pm</u>	<u>Mass</u> 7:30am <u>Adoration</u> 8:00am-12:00pm <u>NA Meeting-7pm</u>	<u>Masses</u> 4:30pm <u>Confessions</u> <u>Every Saturday</u> 3:15am-4:15pm



Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

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The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

at a
BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2025
10:00 AM
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St. Agnes Religious Education

Our St. Agnes Faith Formation classes will resume this October.

You can download our St. Agnes 2025-2026 Faith Formation registration packet, from our Saint Agnes Website.

This year we will ONLY be offering sacrament classes for Reconciliation and 1st Holy Communion.

Classes start for **Communion** on Tuesday, October 14 in the Parish Center from 4:15pm to 5:30pm. May start first year in 1st grade or 8 years and above.

Confirmation classes start Sunday, October 5, following the 5:30 mass, in the Parish Center. Confirmation students must be at least 15 at the time of Confirmation thru senior year.

Please make checks payable to Saint Agnes Religious Education, and check our website to download the application, or call the Parish office.

We would also like to take this opportunity to appreciate our St. Agnes faith community for their prayers and support. Our students, families and teachers, for keeping the commitment to partner and grow our Catholic faith, to awaken in our children's hearts a love of God and an adherence to the Gospel



Protein Sunday at St. Agnes



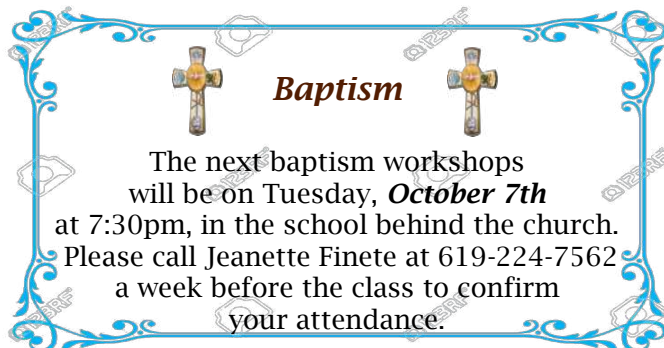
First weekend of every month, **Loaves and Fishes** food pantry is asking for your donations of canned tuna, canned chicken, and peanut butter. These hard to find items will benefit our local hungry. Receptacles will be located on church alter for collection. We thank you for your ongoing support in achieving our mission of feeding our community. We ask no expired items or glass jars be placed in the contribution bins. Thank you again and if you have any questions please contact: Morghan Graham (402) 802-2149.



Lectors



Saint Agnes is currently seeking lectors for all Saturday and Sunday masses. Come help serve and speak Gods word. Please contact Therese Garces if you are interested. 619-726-6685



SEEKING CCD TEACHERS

Teach the Love of Christ

CCD Classes we are seeking teachers and substitutes, Tuesdays from 4:00-5:30pm. First day of class is October 14th. Registration packets available soon. Contact Trisha Myers 619-840-4241

Save-the-Date!

Our Annual Fall Gathering will be held at Saint Agnes Church, on Saturday, November 8, 2025 at 6:00pm. More details to follow.



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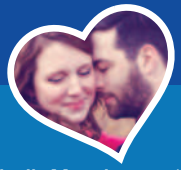
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