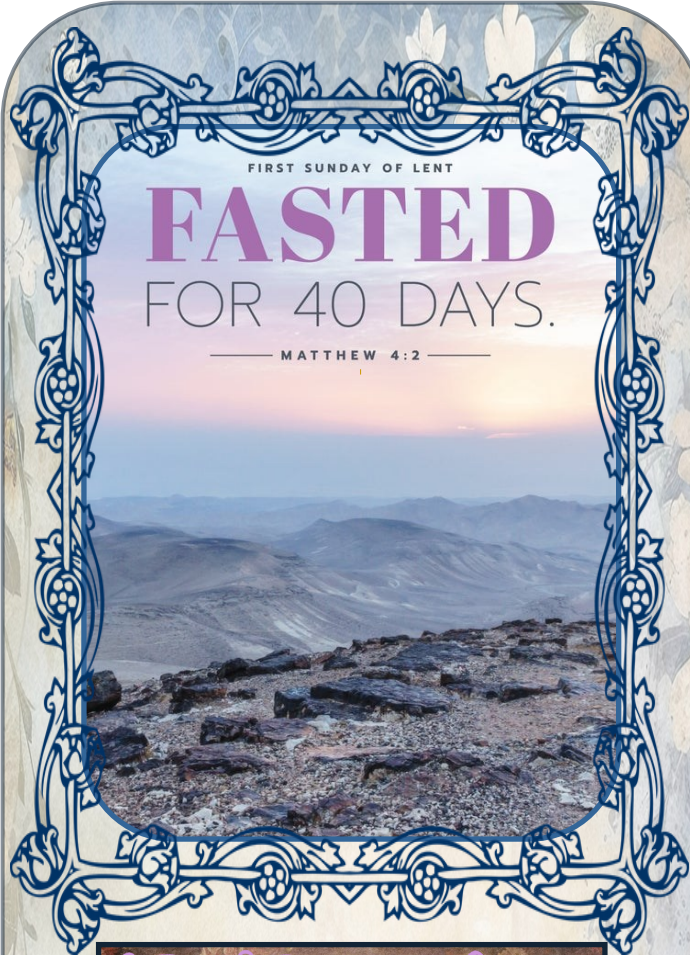




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1140 EVERGREEN ST., SAN DIEGO, CA 92106

February 22, 2026
First Sunday of Lent



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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 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

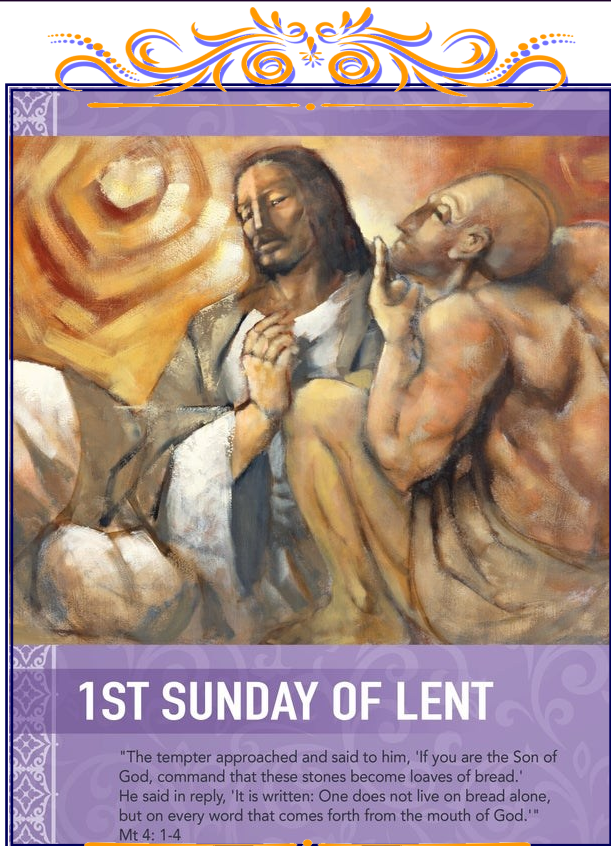
Tuesday, Thursday:
5:30pm

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



1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

"The tempter approached and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread.' He said in reply, 'It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.'" Mt 4: 1-4

From the Desk of the Pastor

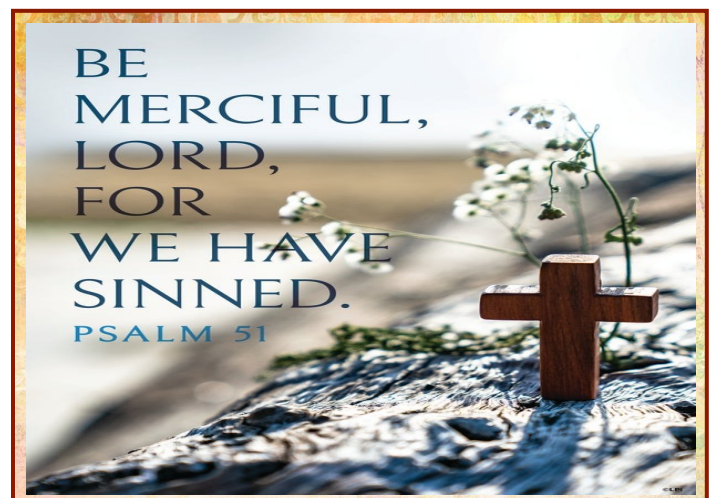
THE WAY OF LOVE

The Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5:17-37) is His vision of life in the Kingdom of Heaven. It includes His major teachings. It is the path of Christian perfection. Jesus said, *"You must be perfect as your Father is perfect!"* (Mt 5:48) The perfection of God is His love. Love is the fullness of the law. God is love. He is the author and source of perfect, steadfast, infinite, extravagant and unconditional love. Jesus is the fullness of the law. He is the perfect manifestation of God's love. He shows us the way to love. He held nothing back not even His own self. He saved us by His total self giving love on the Cross. Because of that total love we are reconciled with God. And those who believe in Him are empowered to become children of God. Jesus said, *"I have come not to abolish the law but to fulfill it."* He accomplishes and brings to perfection the law by dying on the Cross. He said, *"There is no greater love than this: laying down one's life for his friends."* (John 15:13) He fulfills the work of new creation. He brings out the spirit of the law by giving His all and loving to the end. The law is observed out of love. The real meaning of the law has its roots in love for God and love for neighbor. He is the Law in person, the Divine Wisdom incarnate. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus begins with the antitheses, a contrasting idea. *You have heard but I say to you.* He brings out the real meaning of the law. In His prohibition against murder, He goes to the root of murder. Real uncleanness comes from within, from the heart. He said that whoever is angry with his brother is liable to judgment. It means that there should be no hostility between human beings. He calls us not to use insulting words with others. Words have the capacity to wound emotionally and spiritually. No one can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. For out of the mouth comes forth blessing and cursing. He points out that reconciliation is more important than offering worship and sacrifice because life and worship cannot be separated. By loving our neighbor, we love God. The teachings of Jesus are radical because His Words are life, truth and light that guide our path and lead us to eternal life. He wants us to understand that sin is so deadly that we need to be serious in eradicating it from our lives. We have to recognize our need of grace. Our only hope is the grace that Christ makes available to us. Grace makes us grow in our relationship with Him so that we love the way He loves and we see the way He sees with mercy, courage and truth. When we do that, we follow the way of love.



- Monday, February 23**
7:30am †Mary Jo Virissimo
- Tuesday, February 24**
5:30pm †Felicidade Luis
- Wednesday, February 25**
7:30am †Happy Heavenly 72nd Anniversary- Cristiano & Evelina Da Rosa
- Thursday, February 26**
5:30pm †In Memory of Jorge Melo
- Friday, February 27**
7:30am †In memory of Leonel Garcia Da Rosa
- Saturday, February 28**
4:30pm †John & Elsie Cerny Sr.
- Sunday, March 1**
8:00am †Deceased Members of Correia & Martin Families
11:00am †Jorge Andrade
5:30pm †Francisco & Leonor Teles

Mass Intentions for the Week





WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Sun 2/22	Mon 2/23	Tues 2/24	Wed 2/25	Thurs 2/26	Fri 2/27	Sat 2/28
<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 Vocation Rosary- 7:05am	<u>Mass</u> 5:30pm	<u>Mass</u> 7:30am <u>Adoration</u> 8:00am-12:00pm 5:30pm-Stations of the Cross 6:00pm-Soup Supper	<u>Masses</u> 4:30pm <u>Confessions</u> <u>Every Saturday</u> 3:15am-4:15pm

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Save the Date! Saint Agnes Women's Guild Invites You To



A special luncheon:
Tuesday, March 10
11:30 AM

Point Loma Cafe

Guest speaker Cyndi Peterson, MD will share her inspiring journey and her book, **Waiting for a Miracle: A Mother's Journey to Unshakable Faith.**

Registration forms will be in next weekend's bulletin and at the back of church.

Don't miss this uplifting morning of faith and fellowship!



TUNAMAN MEMORIAM MASS AND CELEBRATION



Sunday, March 15, 2026
11:00 am

Saint Agnes Catholic Church
1145 Evergreen Street
San Diego, CA 92106

Tunaman's Memorial
1718 Shelter Island Drive
San Diego, CA 92106

The Portuguese Historical Center invites you to our annual Tunaman's Memoriam Mass and Celebration Service in honor of all tunamen who have lost their lives at sea.

We begin at St. Agnes Church with a special mass. Immediately following the mass we will proceed to the Tunaman's Memorial on Shelter Island where a touching service will take place.

We encourage you to bring flowers. Desserts and refreshments will be served.

Second "Stations of the Cross"

Friday, February 27, 2026
at 5:30pm.

Lenten Soup Supper

Served after Stations of the Cross, in the Parish Hall.

Second Soup Supper:

Friday, February 27, at 6:00pm.

Hosted by: Saint Agnes Women's Guild



Saint Agnes Book Club

The St Agnes Book Club Choice for March 2026 is:

The Screwtape Letters By C. Lewis

We will meet on Wednesday evening, March 18, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. and/or Thursday morning, March 19, 2026 at 10 a.m. in the Teen Center.



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We value you as a parishioner of Saint Agnes.

Each week your presence, support and active participation brings life to our community. If you are not receiving mailings from Saint Agnes on a regular basis, or have not filled out a registration form, then we have no record of your presence in our parish. **The fact that you've been "coming here for years" is not the same as being registered. You must fill out a Parish Registration Form.**

This can be done on our Parish Website www.saint-agnes.org. Please keep in mind that families must be registered, active and supporting the parish to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, First Communion, and Holy Matrimony at Saint Agnes.

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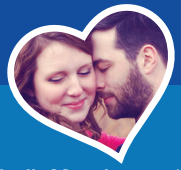
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