



SAINT AGNES CHURCH



1140 EVERGREEN ST., SAN DIEGO, CA 92106

October 18, 2026

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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WHICH COMMANDMENT IS THE GREATEST?

— MATTHEW 22:36 —



OCIA
Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is going on every Thursday at 6:45pm. 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)

Every Last Sunday of the Month

3:00pm Portuguese Mass

Every second 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.

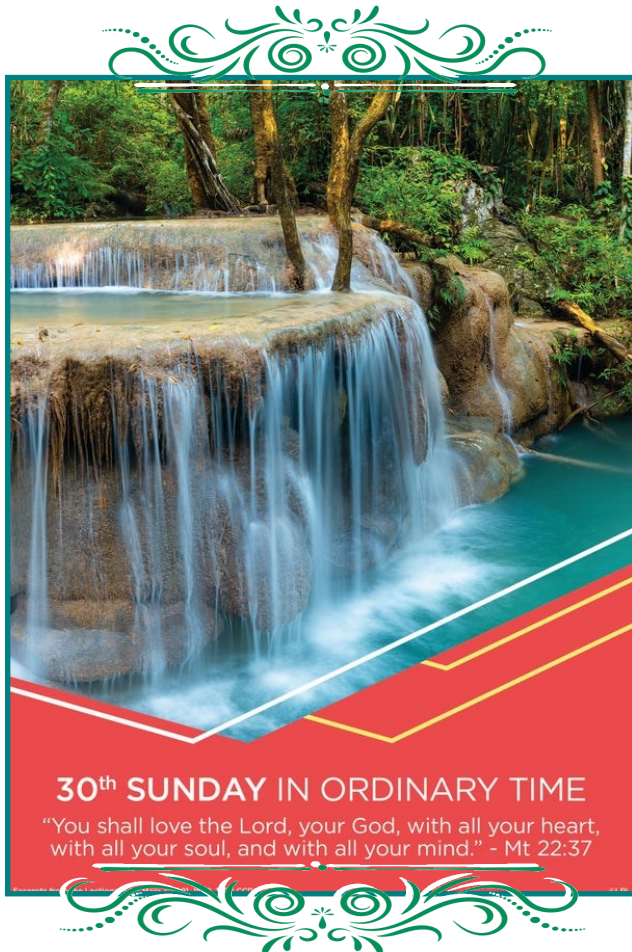
CONFESSIONS: Saturday from

3:15pm-4:15pm

or by appointment only.

BAPTISM: Make arrangements three months in advance.

Please call the Parish Office



GOD FIRST

In the Gospel of Matthew (22:15-21), the religious leaders like the Pharisees, high priests and elders conspired to destroy Jesus' influence and to find ground to accuse Him. They sent their disciples to entrap Him in speech. They presented to Him the question of taxes. They asked, "*Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?*" Poll tax or head tax was imposed when Judea became a Roman province in 6 A.D. Palestine was a colony of Rome and the Jews hated the Romans because of their brutality, corruption and godlessness. Poll tax was to be paid with a denarius coin which bears the image of Caesar and the inscription, "*Tiberius Caesar, August son of the divine Augustus, high priest.*" Jews consider graven images idolatrous and the inscription blasphemous. The question of taxes allows only a yes-or-no answer to compromise Jesus. If He answers that the taxes are lawful, He will alienate the people. If He answers that the taxes are not lawful, Romans will arrest Him for sedition. Either way, Jesus loses and His enemies win. Jesus said to them, "*Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God!*" Tax may be paid to Caesar because it is God's will that Caesar rules. As citizens, we have an obligation to the state and to obey its laws and pay taxes. Obedience to civil law and the payment of taxes don't diminish a person's service to God. The exception is a situation where human law conflicts with God's will. Rendering to God is to gain all. To gain all is to be broken and poured out, like our Eucharistic Lord. We bear God's image and therefore we give ourselves back to God. All that we have and all that we are because God created us and we are integral part of

God's power, each and every one belongs to God. No state can claim to itself divine powers of absolute authority. All are subject to the higher demands of truth and justice and the inviolable dignity of the person centered in God. Jesus does not divide the world into two equal realities. He clearly defines the boundaries between our obligations to the state and our obligations to God. His answer acknowledges our obligation to the state but affirms our larger obligation to God. Coins bearing Caesar's image may belong to Caesar but all things (coins, Caesar, Rome, the planet earth, the universe) come from the mind of God and are under God's dominion. We are called to be responsible and faithful stewards of creation and to participate in God's good governance of the universe. Jesus said, "*Seek first the kingdom of God and the rest will be given unto you.*" (Matthew 6:33) St. Thomas More, an English saint, was heard at his execution to have said:

"I die the King's good servant, but God's first!"



Monday,	October 26
7:30am	†Charles & Suzanne Surles
Tuesday,	October 27
5:30pm	†Rosaria Reis
Wednesday,	October 28
7:30am	†Joey D. Izidoro Jr.
Thursday,	October 29
5:30pm	†Artie Ferreira, Thomas C. Ferreira & Michael Jones
Friday,	October 30
7:30am	For Christine Garcia, that God may continue to strengthen her body and spirit, guide her healing, surround her with His Love, peace, and grace as she continues on her journey to renewed health.
Saturday,	October 31
4:30pm	†Mary Jo Virissimo
Sunday,	November 1
8:00am	†Aldolfo Silveira
11:00am	†Alberto Barbosa
5:30pm	†Tony & Mary Alice Oliveira

Mass Intentions for the Week



October 11, 2026

Sunday Collection	AMOUNT
Envelope	\$ 3,854.11
Online Giving	\$ 1,393.22
Total	\$ 5,247.33
Parish Development Fund: 10/11/2026	
PDF	\$ 380.00
PDF Online Giving	\$ 68.92
Total	\$ 448.92

October 18, 2026

Sunday Collection	AMOUNT
Envelope	\$ 3,620.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,284.14
Total	\$ 4,904.14
Parish Development Fund: 10/18/2026	
PDF	\$ 380.00
PDF Online Giving	\$ 165.75
Total	\$ 545.75

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 10/25	Mon 10/26	Tues 10/27	Wed 10/28	Thurs 10/29	Fri 10/30	Sat 10/31
<u>Masses</u> 8:00am-Live Streamed, 11:00am, 5:30 pm	<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	<u>Mass</u> 8:00am, 4:30pm <u>Confessions</u> <u>Every Saturday</u> 3:15am-4:15pm

St. Agnes Religious Education

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

You can download our St. Agnes 2026-2027 Faith Formation registration packet, from our Saint Agnes Website.

Classes have started for Faith Formation for the 2026-2027 year.

We welcome all students 6 years and above to our Faith Formation program.

The sacrament classes for First Communion and Reconciliation are a two year program per the Diocese of San Diego. Classes are every Tuesday from 4:00pm to 5:00pm.

Confirmation classes have started in the Parish Center. Confirmation students must be at least 15 at the time of Confirmation thru senior year.

The sacrament classes for Confirmation is a a two year program per the Diocese of San Diego, and a once a month class on first Sunday.

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 of Jesus Christ. We never cease to grow and mature in the practice of the faith.



The Rosary for Vocations was begun more than 40 years ago at St Agnes by a group of men who belonged to the Serra Society, an organization which supports vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Join us at 7:05 every Wednesday morning before Mass as we continue to pray for vocations at St Agnes and throughout the world.



Baptism News

The next baptism workshops will be on Tuesday, **November 10**, at 7:30pm, in the school behind the church. Please call Jeanette Finette at 619-224-7562 a week before the class to confirm your attendance.



Loves and Fishes

As we head into the colder months *Loaves and Fishes* is asking for oatmeal cups and boxed cereal in addition to our protein donations of canned chicken and tuna. Donations are the first weekend of every month. Receptacle 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.

Please check out our "Wine Tasting" event on October 22nd at All Souls Episcopal Church.

Tickets are \$30, scan QR code below for more information.



COMMODITIES

The next food distribution will be in the Parish

Teen Center on:

Thursday, October 22, 2026, 8:30-10:00
Food Distribution needs more volunteers to help distribute food to families on the 4th Thursday of each month from 7:00 AM- 10:00 AM.

Saint Agnes Book Club

Magnifica Humanitas; Magnificent Humanity: On Safeguarding the Human Person in the Age of Artificial Intelligence, By Pope Leo XIV.



We will meet on Wednesday evening, November 18, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. and/or Thursday morning, November 19, 2026 at 10 a.m. in the Parish Center. All are welcome!

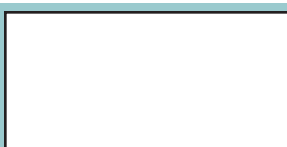
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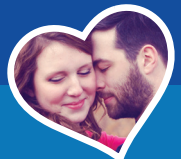
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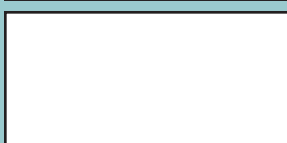
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