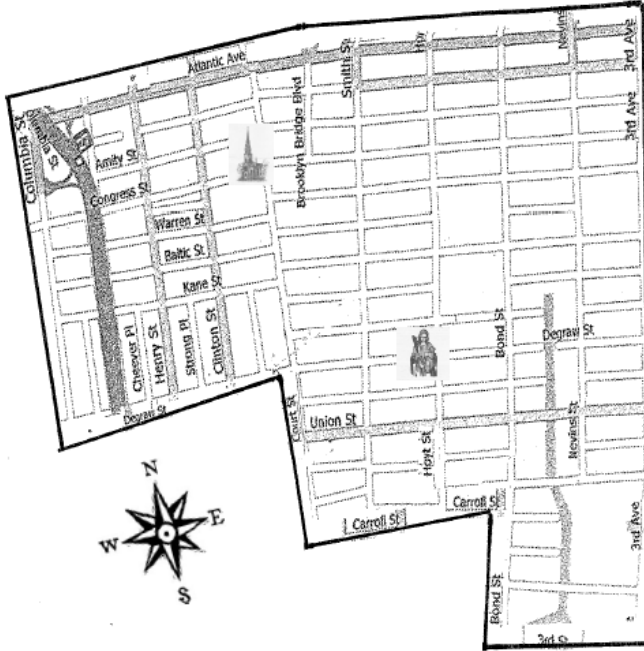




St. Paul & St. Agnes Parish
Saint Paul's Church
Saint Agnes Church

Boerum Hill + Carroll Gardens +
 Cobble Hill + Gowanus +
 Columbia St. Waterfront District

Brooklyn, New York



April 8, 2012

Parish Clergy

Father Robert M. Powers, Administrator
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Sunday Mass Schedule at St. Agnes

Saturday: 5 PM Vigil Mass
 Sunday: 9 AM English, 11:30 AM Spanish

Sunday Mass Schedule at St. Paul's

Saturday: 5PM Vigil Mass
 Sunday: 8 AM & 9:30 AM English; 11:00AM Spanish

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday: 1--1:30 PM in St. Agnes; 4--4:30 PM in St. Paul's

Weekday Masses

Monday & Tuesday 8:30 AM, St. Paul's (Chapel)
 Wednesday & Thursday 8:30 AM, St. Agnes (Chapel)
 Saturday 8:00 AM, St. Paul's (Chapel)

Blessed Sacrament Chapel on Congress Street

Open for prayer, Monday through Friday, 7 AM to 3 PM.

Exposition & Benediction: Mondays, 6 to 7 PM, St. Paul's
Thursdays, 11 AM--12:30 PM, chapel on Congress St.

New Parishioners

We welcome new members of the parish. All parishioners should register and use church envelopes in order to maintain our parish of two churches.

Rite of Infant Baptism

Parents may inquire at either parish office about the commitment that is entailed.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples should make arrangements with one of the parish clergy at least six months in advance.

Religious Education (CCD)

Sundays in St. Agnes Hall, after the 9AM Mass.

RCIA (Sacramental Process for Adults)

Adults interested in receiving sacraments are invited to call either parish office.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

Parishioners who can not leave their homes may have the sacraments brought to them. Call the Parish Office.

Societies and Organizations

Please call either parish office about any of these organizations: Boy Scouts; **Caballeros de Colon**; **Carismáticos**; **Cursillistas**; Knights of Columbus; **Legión de Maria**, Young At Heart

Parish of St. Paul & St. Agnes
Easter Sunday April 8, 2012 *Domingo de Pascua*

Saint Paul's Roman Catholic Church

Saturday, April 7

8 PM Easter Novena

Sunday, April 8

8 AM Jaime Johns r/b Julia

9:30 AM Julio & Juana Hernandez
r/b their daughter, Nereida

11 AM Baby Michelle & Maria Dora Roman p/p Cesi
Felicia Rodriguez (60. Aniv.) p/p su hija, Maria Rodriguez
Felicitia Costoso p/p su hija, Ines Torres
Juana Sierra p/p su hija, Teodora Topete
Ramon Sorote p/p su esposa, Helen Diaz
Simona y Juan Lino Rodriguez p/p sus siete hijos
Ramon Sorote p/p su esposa Helen Diaz

Monday, April 9

8:30 Easter Novena

Tuesday, April 10

8:30 Easter Novena

Saturday, April 14

7:30 AM Mass of Helpers of God's Precious Infants

5 PM Easter Novena

Welcome to St. Paul & St. Agnes!

Skipped Mass Last Sunday, April 1st?

The Church advises you:

**Don't receive Holy Communion today
to avoid committing another mortal sin.**

You are always welcome at St. Paul & St. Agnes, no matter what your frequency of Mass attendance is. But I urge all (adults and children) to abide by Church law and not to receive Holy Communion again until one has gone to Confession and is in the state of grace once again. —RMP, Adm.

Dial a Homily

Fr. Danny Murphy, Pastor of St. Savior Church, Park Slope, offers a three minute homily based on the scripture readings of that day's Mass. Homily line: 718-768-2560

Deacon Louis' Farewell Mass

next Sunday, April 15, 10:15 AM

No 9:30 or 11:00 AM Masses at St. Paul's on April 15th
All other parish Masses remain at the same times.

Saint Agnes Roman Catholic Church

Sunday, April 8

9 AM Rose Caracappa and Maria & John Bruzzese
r/b Dolly Mari

Thomas J. Fallon (Birthday Remembrance)
r/b Florence Anderson

Jack Wheary (Living Birthday Remembrance)
r/b his daughter Jennifer & granddaughter Jillian

11:30 People of the Parish

Wednesday, April 11

8:30 Joan LoCricchio r/b Louise & Antonio Trigo

Thursday, April 12

8:30 The Fallon Families r/b Irene Fallon

Saturday, April 14

5 PM Emmanuel Zuppardo (Birthday Remembrance)
r/b his wife, Nunzia Zuppardo

*Wine and Hosts at St. Agnes for the week of
April 8th were donated by Lee Lopresti
in memory of all the Deceased of the Lopresti Family*

Traveling and need to find a Sunday Mass?

**Visit www.masstimes.org
or call 734-794-2100**

Pray for ... Recen por

...Our Sick: Felicitia Pedraza, Victor Soto, Mark Soto, Olga Castro Christopher Benson, Luisa Rodriguez, Maria Fernandez, Chris Medina, Milton Piedra, Helen Diaz, Vincent Biscaino, Miguel Sotolongo, Francisca Baez, Madeline Tarantino, Dr. Allan Davis, Raymond Silva, Renee Wagner, Freddy Mercado, Susan Sengupta, Maria Elena Rosa, Hilda Rios Sanchez, Altagracia, Almanzar, Jose Antonio Padillo, Jr.

...the prayer intentions of our Holy Father, **Pope Benedict XVI** for the month of April: General Intention: **Vocations:** that many young people may hear the call of Christ and follow Him in the priesthood and religious life; Missionary Intention: **Christ: Hope for Africans:** that the risen Christ may be a sign of certain hope for the men & women of the African continent.

This bulletin can be found on line at
stpaulstagnes@gmail.com

COMING UP AT SPSA

dom., 22 de abril, 11 AM, San Pablo
misa en honor del Beato Charlie

Thurs., Apr. 19, 7:30 PM, Healing Mass

with **Msgr. Joseph Malagrecia**; St. Paul's Church
This is an annual liturgical event at SPSA, and is always a beautiful Mass. Healing really occurs, not through the imposition of hands, but through the proclamation of Word of God & the consecration of the Eucharist. You don't want to miss this Mass.

Wed., Apr. 25, Bally's, Atlantic City bus trip.

Sponsored by Young At Heart. Leaves St. Agnes, 9 AM; Leaves St. Paul's, 9:15 AM. Seat is \$30 with casino "give-back" of \$25. Call Ines at the Parish Office or Jeanne at 718-855-7768 to purchase seats.

Sab., 28 abril, Dia de Reflexion, 9:30—3 PM

con el Padre Joseph Tizio, CSsR en el Centro Sta. Ines.

Friendly Visitor Program

A pilot parish program that matches volunteers with the sick or elderly for a weekly or biweekly visit. The goal is to provide companionship & enrich the lives of individuals who would greatly benefit from a friend! Flexible times for visits; children and infants may be brought along. If you are interested in volunteering or being matched with a volunteer, contact parishioner Cynthia Verhave at 646-315-0822 or by email at cynthiaverhave@gmail.com

The Ritual at Mass Today

An aspersion, a sprinkling with newly blessed water over the assembly at the Masses of Easter, is a beloved part of our liturgical tradition as Catholics. Occurring just after the renewal of our profession of faith at the Easter Vigil and at the beginning of Mass on Easter Sunday, the aspersion reminds us that the Paschal mystery which we celebrate in the Sacred Triduum, the death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, is not just a supernatural fact out there in the universe. We are intimately joined to that mystery by our baptism.

A fine priest with whom I worked used to remind the people that it was not right for them to say "*I was baptized*," as though it was just an event that happened long ago, but better to say "*I am baptized*," the present tense reflecting our belief that the living waters of baptism remain with us throughout our lives, never ceasing to refresh and invigorate us with God's grace. Just as new water falls upon us each Easter, He offers new opportunities to us to allow the mystery of His Son's death and Resurrection to manifest itself in our lives.

What we do at SPSA at our Easter Masses is simply an individual aspersion as each of the faithful comes to the baptismal font to be blessed and renewed. May all of us rejoice in our intimate union with Christ that began on the day of our baptism and remains with us our entire lives. -RMP

THIS WEEK AT SPSA

Mon. Apr. 9, Rosary for Life, 1 PM, CS Chapel

Mon., Apr. 9, Holy Hour, 6 PM — 7 PM, St. Paul's Church

Mon, Apr. 9, Fundraising & Social Events Comm.

7:30 PM, St. Agnes Center. New volunteers welcome

Tues., April 10, St. Anthony Novena, 12 PM

The St. Anthony Novena continues this Tuesday at noon for 14 Tuesdays, & ends with Mass on Tues., June 12. CS chapel.

Wed., April 11, Young at Heart, 1-3 PM, St Agnes Ctr.

Thurs., Apr. 12, Holy Hour, 11-12:30 PM, CS Chapel

Sat. Apr. 14, 7:30 AM, Mass with the Helpers

of Precious Infants; Bishop DiMarzio, presider; Msgr. Philip Reilly, preacher; in St. Paul's Church.

Followed by procession to Planned Parenthood clinic at 44 Court St where the Rosary is peacefully prayed in front of the building for the conversion of all persons involved in or supportive of abortion.

Procession back to St. Paul's; concludes with benediction.

Sun., Apr. 15, 10:15 AM, Farewell Mass

For **Deacon Louis Gonzalez** at St. Paul's at **10:15 AM.** No 9:30 or 11 AM Masses at St. Paul's on April 15th; all other parish Masses remain the same next weekend.

All parishioners are encouraged to come to this Mass Next Sunday at 10:15 AM, which will be offered as a Mass of Thanksgiving for Deacon Louis' splendid and generous Diaconal service in the parish since his arrival in November 2003. A reception will follow the Mass in St. Paul's Hall.

Sun., Apr. 15, Sun. PreK & K Religious Education

meets again next **Sun., Apr. 15** at St. Agnes Center at **10 AM.** No registration or regular attendance required. All infants, pre-K & kindergarten children & their parents welcome.

St. Paul's March Maintnce. & Repair Env.

When St. Peter-St. Paul-Our Lady of Pilar and St. Agnes merged in 2007 to form the Parish of St. Paul & St. Agnes, the new parish retained 2 separate envelope lists for each church in order that lifelong and longtime parishioners not have their envelope numbers changed. Occasionally the envelope company has the 2nd collection of each church on a separate Sunday. This month, those on the St. Agnes list received a Maintenance & Repair envelope for March 18th; those on the St. Paul's list never received one for the month of March. I ask all St. Paul's envelope holders to take one of the M & R envelopes available in the back of the church in order that the parish receive these funds. Thank you. -RMP

SPSA Parish Mission Statement

Relying upon the Holy Spirit in all that we do, we, the Roman Catholic Parish of **St. Paul & St. Agnes**, invite all in our neighborhood to celebrate our common baptism in the **Lord Jesus Christ**

—as a **priestly people**—interceding for our loved ones and our world at Mass;

—as a **prophetic people**—proclaiming the Word of God in dialogue with our neighbors;

—as a **royal people**—building up the Kingdom of God through lives of humble service.

KEEP GIVING TO THE

2012 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL!

SPSA Goal for 2012 ACA (completed) \$ 28,005

Money given over the goal for SPSA \$ 3,835

Total pledged to ACA from SPSA \$ 31,840*

No. of pledges 48

No. of pledges of \$250 or more 31

No. of Court of Honor pledges (\$1000+) 9

Please consider a pledge of \$250 or more.

Since we have reached our goal, all money that is now given to the 2012 ACA will be returned to SPSA to pay our fuel bills.

ACA brochures are by the doors of the churches.

*as of Thurs., March 29, 2012

Play the monthly 50/50.

With only about 60 chances in each raffle, you have a great chance of winning.

50/50 envelope chances are available by the doors of the church. Only \$5 each. Envelopes for the April 50/50 should be returned in the collection no later than Sunday, April 29th.

ENVELOPE REGISTRATION

You may return this form by mail, in the collection, or to stpaulstagnes@gmail.com

Name _____

Address (with apt. #) _____

City, State, Zip _____

Age (optional) _____

Email address (optional) _____

Telephone number (optional) _____

SPSA appreciates your desire to be a registered member. If you should decide for any reason to discontinue your registration, please contact the Parish Office to cancel unnecessary mailings.

Deacon Louis' Farewell Mass & Reception at St. Paul's Church Sunday, April 15th 10:15 AM

No 9:30 or 11 AM Mass at St. Paul's next Sunday, April 15th.
All other parish Masses remain at the usual times.

THE COLLECTION March 24 & 25, 2012

St. Paul's \$2381*

St. Agnes \$1909

Parish \$4290

*14% of this figure came from 3 individuals

Happy Easter!

¡Felices Pascuas!

Cool Things to Do Around Town

The items below are for the information of our parishioners, who may find these programs pastorally & spiritually helpful. I do not endorse every event that appears on this page. Feedback from readers who attend these events is welcome at stpaulstagnes@gmail.com. Readers are also welcome to share any information about other events at that email address. Items appearing for the first time in this column are highlighted (*). —RMP, Adm.

***Byzantium & Islam: Age of Transition**

Exhibit at the Metropolitan Museum of Art covering the 600's AD, the century of the rise of Islam and the beginning of the decline of the Eastern Roman Empire. **March 14 —July 18.** 1000 5th Ave. & E. 84th St.; metmuseum.org; 212-535-7710

LGBT Outreach at St. Francis of Assisi/NY

Gay & lesbian people are welcome to explore their spirituality and share their experience, strength, & hope with one another. St. Francis of Assisi, W. 31st St (betw. Bdwy. & 7th Ave), NY, provides faith opportunities for those who have experienced spiritual disconnection. Info: Meredith Augustin, LGBT ministry liaison, 212-736-8500 ext. 327

Flamenco Dancing at SJC 4/13

Flamenco Vivo Carlota Santana at St. Joseph's College, Tuohy Hall, 245 Clinton Ave, Bklyn. **Fri., April 13, 7:30 PM.** *Tour of the Boros.* www.sjcnyc.edu; 718-399-0358

Catholic Underground 4/14

Catholic Underground, the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal's hip cultural apostolate to hipsters & yupsters that is acclaimed for its beautiful Eucharistic adoration and liturgical music, followed by showcasing of artists of faith. Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 230 E. 90th St, NY. **Sat, April 14, 7:30 PM** (adoration); 9 PM (music presentation). Sacred Hearts-St. Stephen offering round trip transpo.; leaving SH-SS 6 PM; returning to SH-SS, 10 PM. \$5. 718-596-7750.

Van Gogh: Writings & Art 4/14

"Seduced by Beauty/ the Journey of Van Gogh's life & art in his own words." A dramatic reading of Vincent Van Gogh's letters to his brother Theo accompanied by images of his paintings. Cosponsors: Crossroads Cultural Center & American Bible Society. At the ABS, 1865 Bdwy & W. 61st St., NY; **Sat. April 14, 7:30 PM.** www.crossroadsculturalcenter.org

***Liturgical Dance Workshop 4/14**

Finding God in Movement. **Sat., Apr. 14, 5 PM.** Come explore how to deepen your prayer practice through body awareness & simple movement with liturgical dancers Katie & Becky Bignell. Teens & adults of all ages are welcome. No prior movement experience necessary. Wallace Hall, St. Ignatius Loyola Church, 980 Park Ave at E. 84th St., NY. Reg by Apr. 11: kbignell@gmail.com; 212-288-3588

Christopher Leadership Course beg. 4/18

Course that develops leadership potential within the framework of the Gospel message, encouraging personal growth in self-confidence, communication skills, personal relations, & a sense of purpose. 8 weekly classes, meeting on Wednesdays. **April 18— June 6, 5:45 PM—8:45 PM.** \$150. Must register by April 11: www.christophers.org/leadership or 212-759-4050; leadership@christophers.org The Christophers, 5 Hanover Square, (betw. Pearl & Beaver Streets), NY.

***Finding God in Art 4/20**

Ph.D candidate in African art history leads tour of Metropolitan Museum of Art's African galleries, with emphasis on faith and spirituality. Tour interspersed with discussion. No previous knowledge of art history required. **Fri., Apr. 20, 7:30 PM.** Register by Apr. 17 with Fr. Anthony SooHoo, SJ of St. Ignatius Loyola, NY. soohooa@stignatiusloyola.org; 212-288-3588

Fr. Groeschel on Mother Teresa 4/21

Fr. Benedict Groeschel speaks on Mother Teresa as the final session of *"Our Great Teachers—The Saints"* at Holy Innocents Church, 128 W. 37th St. & Bdwy., NY, on **Sat., April 21.** Conference at **2:30 PM**; Vigil Mass at 4 PM.

Vatican II: 50th Anniv. Conf. 4/23 & 4/24

Several professors from American Catholic universities address *"The Universal Call to Holiness"* from Vatican II. At Sacred Heart Univ., Fairfield, CT, **Tues. & Wed., April 23 & 24** Info: www.sacredheart.edu/VII_conference.cfm; 203-371-7790

Lecture: "The Atheistic Imagination A Challenge for Jews, Christians, & Muslims"

Fr. Patrick J. Ryan, SJ, presenter; respondents: Rabbi Daniel Polish & Amir Hussain. **Tues., Apr. 24, 6 PM**, Pope Auditorium, Fordham U/ Lincoln Center, 113 W. 60th St, NY & on **Wed., Apr. 25, 6 PM**, Walsh Library, Fordham U/Bronx. Free; Info: 718-817-4745 or email mcgchair@fordham.edu

Guided Tours of St. FX/Bklyn 5/5 & 5/6

As part of its 125th Anniversary celebration, St. Francis Xavier, 225 6th Ave at Carroll St., offers guided tours of its neo-Gothic church on **Sat. & Sun., May 5 & 6.** St. Francis Xavier was constructed in 1904, in the same year & by the same architect as St. Agnes, Thomas Houghton. Info: 718-638-1880.

Pilgrimage to India 10/1—10/15

"Along the Pathways of St. Thomas & St. Francis Xavier: Pilgrimage to India." With Fr. Joe Constantino, SJ, pastor of St. Francis Xavier, NY, and Angie Cruz, Ph.D. **Oct. 1—15, 2012.** Includes shrines of St. Francis Xavier in Goa & St. Thomas the Apostle in Chennai, and visits to churches & other sites of interest in Bombay (Mumbai), Cochin, Allepey, Delhi, Jaipur & Agra. \$3995. Includes airfare, breakfast, & 7 dinners. Optional 3 day post-extension tour to Nepal, additional \$600. Info: Angie Cruz: 917-607-0937; cruzangie@yahoo.com

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