



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

July 22, 2012

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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, at St. Paul's (*will resume Sat., Aug. 4*)

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

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*;
Knights of Columbus; *Legión de María*; Young At Heart



Parish of St. Paul & St. Agnes

Sixteenth Sunday of the Year

July 22, 2012

Decimosexto Domingo del Año

Saint Paul's Roman Catholic Church

Sat., July 21

5 PM

Sunday, July 22

8 AM

9:30 Alba Catapano r/b Frances Collazo

11 AM Eufemia Cruz p/p su hija, Daisy Soto
Juan Manuel Riso Romani (16th Anniv.)

p/p su esposa e hijos

Pascual Hangad (Recuerdo de sus hijos) p/p Alan y Judith

El Divino Niño p/p Maria Leon

La Virgen de la Caridad del Cobre p/p Maria Leon

Mon., July 23 8:30

Tues., July 24 8:30 McGuigan, Touse, & McKevon
r/b Peggy White Cannon

Saturday, July 28

5 PM

Pray for ... Recen por

...the prayer intentions of our Holy Father, **Pope Benedict XVI**, for the month of August: **General Intention:** that prisoners may be treated with justice & respect for their human dignity
Missionary Intention: Youth Witness to Christ: that young people, called to follow Christ, may be willing to proclaim & bear witness to the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

...**Our Sick:** George Limnios, Mark Lites, Steven Arcivar, Olga Castro, Felicita Pedraza, Susan Sengupta, Mark Soto, Maria Luisa Barbat, Christopher Benson, Maria Fernandez, Chris Medina, Milton Piedra, Altagracia Almanzar, Vincent Biscaino, Miguel Sotolongo, Francisca Baez, Dr. Allan Davis, Victor Soto, Madeline Tarantino, Renee Wagner, Freddy Mercado, Pura Irizzary, Luisa Rodriguez, Maria Elena Rosa, Helen Diaz, Hilda Rios Sanchez, Pura Irizzary, Maria Luisa Barbat

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www.stpaulstagnes.wordpress.com

Because of vacation schedules, this bulletin had to be prepared earlier than usual, on Friday, July 6th.

Saint Agnes Roman Catholic Church

Sat., July 21

5 PM Margarita Sanchez (Birthday Remembrance)
r/b her daughter, Frances Collazo

Sunday, July 22

9 AM

11:30 People of the Parish

Wed., July 25 8:30

Thurs., July 19 8:30 Ana Estrella & Ana Naut
r/b Carmen Hernandez

Saturday, July 28

5 PM Salvatore Minardi (23rd Anniv. Remembrance)
r/b Connie Minardi

Wine & Hosts at St. Agnes for the week of July 22 were donated in memory of Salvatore Minardi as a 23rd Anniversary Remembrance by his daughter, Connie Minardi.

Welcome to St. Paul & St. Agnes!

We are a parish that greatly values your presence among us, whether you attend exclusively here or also at other churches, whether you attend Mass frequently or periodically. We strongly emphasize what contemporary liturgists call the Ministry of the Assembly. We urge you to pray attentively in the Mass by singing God's praises loudly, by listening attentively to the Word of God, and by praying silently the Eucharistic prayer as the priest celebrant prays it aloud. You will discover that God will transform you and others through your participation in the mysteries of the Mass. May your experience of the liturgy here bring you lasting peace! —RMP, Adm.

Skipped Mass Last Sunday, July 15?

The Church advises you:
Don't receive Holy Communion today to avoid committing another mortal sin.

You are always welcome to attend Sunday Mass at St. Paul & St. Agnes, whatever your frequency of Mass attendance is. But I urge all (adults & 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.

Traveling & Need a Sunday Mass?

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

THIS WEEK AT SPSA

**Holy Hour, Mon., July 30th,
6—7 PM, St. Paul's Church**

Consider spending some quality time in prayer with the Lord at this exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

The Card Party is October 13th

There was an error in the letter that was mailed out to registered parishioners. The correct date for the Card Party & Chinese Auction appeared at the beginning of the letter (Saturday, Oct. 13, 2012) but last year's date appeared in a paragraph in the middle of the letter. Oct. 13th is the date this great event is happening. Sorry for the confusion. Tickets will be on sale in August.

Mega 50/50 Chancebooks

Mega 50/50 chancebooks were mailed out to all registered parishioners. They are also available in white envelopes for all parishioners to take home. The envelopes can be found by the church entrances. Last year the winner's prize was \$4000; in 2010, it was \$5000. The drawing will be at the Card Party & Chinese Auction on **Sat., Oct. 13th**. Please return your chance books early; the earlier the prize climbs to an attractive level, the greater the success of the raffle.

SPSA Parishioners Asked to Underwrite the Card Party & Chinese Auction

As in the past two years, all parishioners are asked to donate money or new merchandise for gift or gift basket to be raffled off at the Card Party & Chinese Auction Fundraiser, to be held on **Sat., October 13**. Gifts must be unused, unopened and if packed in plastic, in clear, nonyellowing, nondusty plastic. An envelope marked with yellow and blue dots will be included in the mailing to all registered parishioners. These envelopes are also available by the entrances of our churches for everyone. We ask all parishioners to give either a new gift worth \$25 or a cash donation of at least \$25. For the 2011 Card Party, parishioners donated more than \$4600 in cash. The committee, skilled at squeezing \$1.50 out of every dollar, bought an incredible quantity of beautiful gifts.

Comm. Planning SPSA Anniv. Celebration

At their June 19th meeting, Fundraising & Social Events Comm. members drew up a tentative schedule of events to mark the 175th anniversary of St. Paul's and the 135th of St. Agnes. Over an 18 month period, from **Jan. 2013 to June 2014**, the committee proposes:

- **Opening Mass**, Jan. 2013
- **Day of Recollection**
at LI retreat house, March 2013.
- **Godspell**, April 2013.
- **Doo-Wop Show**, May 2013
- **BBQ/Block Party**, August 2013
- **SPSA 6th Anniv. Mass**, Sept. 2013
- **Gala Dinner Dance**, Oct. 2013
- **Sight & Sound (PA) trip**, Nov. 2013
- **Advent Party**, Dec. 2013
- **Concert**, Dec. 2013
- **Quebec bus trip**, March 2014
- **St Patrick's Day Brunch**, March 2013 & 2014
- **Closing Mass & Honoree Banquet**, June 2014

The next Fundraising & Social Events meeting will be **Thurs. Aug. 16 at 7:15 PM**, 234 Congress St. New volunteers are needed and welcome.

Reception of Holy Communion

The call to live the Christian life is an exciting opportunity to be creative and original. Every baptized and confirmed Catholic, open to the direction of the Holy Spirit and striving to know the will of God, should move in whatever way God directs him/her.

The time of receiving Holy Communion, however, is not a time to be creative and different. The sacrament unites us in a oneness of love, and that oneness calls us to a oneness of ritual in the celebration of the Eucharist and the reception of Holy Communion. Faithful Catholics would get upset understandably if a priest celebrant departed from the prayers and started making the ritual up as he went along. Understand then my stress and dismay when a congregant comes forward to receive the Body and Blood of Christ but is not observant of the proper forms of receiving on the tongue or in the hand.

Please observe the ritual correctly and reverently:

- Do not socialize with or wave to other congregants on the way to and from receiving Holy Communion.
- Bow before approaching the minister with the host or cup. This moment reminds one how sacred is the substance that one is about to receive.
- All communicants should gaze upon the host and clearly and audibly say "Amen." When a communicant doesn't say 'Amen,' the minister does not have confidence that the person believes in the real presence in the Eucharist.
- When receiving in the hand, place the right hand under the left to form a throne. Take one small step to the side and place the host on your tongue so that the minister of Holy Communion can see you receive. (And never bless yourself with the host!) Never turn your back on the minister & walk off with the host. You and I will both regret it if you do! —RMP

DON'T STOP GIVING TO THE 2012 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL!

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

+ **Money given over the goal for SPSA \$ 19,715**

Total pledged to ACA from SPSA \$ 47,720*

No. of pledges 110

No. of pledges of \$250 or more 66

No. of Court of Honor pledges (\$1000+) 12

**as of Mon., July 2, 2012*

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.

New, Unused Gifts You Might Donate to the Card Party & Chinese Auction

mixer blender toaster oven

flat screen high definition TV

pressure cooker DVD player lap top

stainless steel knife set GPS

wok sports equipment ipod

game systems (wii, xbox, game cube)

crock pot alarm clock radio

cuisinart ice cream maker or food processor

cordless telephone

child's bicycle comforter & sheet set

glass beverage set

coffee maker & grinder (all in one unit)

crystal vases Mikasa set china set

**or you could donate the cash
equivalent, using a donation envelope,
and the Fundraising Committee
would buy the prize for you.**

THE COLLECTION

Collection statistics for

July 7 & 8

July 14 & 15

will appear in the July 29th bulletin.

Play the Mega 50/50!

Chancebooks are available by the doors of
the church for this Oct. 13th raffle.

Play the July 50/50!

Envelope chances are available by the
doors of the church. Only \$5.

Return them in the collection by **Sun., July 29th.**

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.

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)

Activities I would like to see in this parish & in
which I would like to become involved:

What's Happening 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 info. about other events at that email address. **Items appearing for the first time in this column are highlighted (*).** —RMP, Adm.

* **Argia Sunset Cruises off Mystic, CT**

St. Edmund's Retreat House, which is an island retreat on Enders Island connected by causeway to Mystic, CT, has a sailing every Monday night on the Mystic River on the Argia, a 19th century schooner. Leaves Mystic at 5:30 PM and returns at 7:40 PM every Monday, with final cruise on Mon., Aug. 20. Evening prayer and spiritual reflection from retreat staff. There is time for quiet reflection & meditation on God's creative majesty in the glory of a beautiful sunset. Boxed supper served. Only \$40; group rates for 35 or more attendees. 860-536-0565 or www.endersisland.com & click on Retreats and Programs—Sunset Cruise.

Monthly Hope Dinner 8/19

Every third Sunday of the month, from 3 to 6 PM, a dinner for people affected by HIV/AIDS. Volunteers join the guests at the dinner table and all are served family style. St. Augustine's, Park Slope sponsors these dinners at 47 Sterling Place (betw. 5th and 6th Aves.) Info: Katherina Ansink kat@ansink.us 917 478 5051

Love & Responsibility in NYC 7/24

An eight week series on Tues. nights continuing **until Tues., Aug. 28, 7:30—9:30 PM**. In the Old School Courtyard of St. Patrick's Old Cathedral, Mott St. (betw. Prince & Spring Sts.), Little Italy. Weekly social discussion group for young adults in their 20's & 30's to inspire a deeper understanding of love & to help them flourish in their relationships. The primary text will be Dr. Edward Sri's *Men, Women and the Mystery of Love: Practical Insights from John Paul II's Love and Responsibility*. Following the discussion, group gathers at a Nolita venue for food & drinks. 212-226-8075. www.oldcathedral.org

Atlantic City 7/28

St. Augustine's, Park Slope sponsors trip to Trump Plaza, Atlantic City on **Sat., July 28**. Leaves from 6th Ave & Sterling Place at 8:30 AM.; returns approx. 10 PM. \$40, with \$20 'give-back.' Deacon Joe Bichotte, 1-347-844-9661.

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Pilgrimage to Quebec Province 8/31—9/3

St. Augustine's, Park Slope sponsors bus trip that includes St. Joseph's Oratory, Montreal; OL Assumption Shrine, Trois-Rivieres, Cap de la Madeleine, Quebec City, & St. Anne de Beaupre Basilica. **Fri., Aug. 31—Mon. Sept. 3**. Passport required. Only \$370 for bus fare & motels; meals not included. Info/tix: Deacon Joe Bichotte, 1-347-844-9661.

A New Way to Pray the Rosary

Father Robert Blauvelt, a senior priest of the Brooklyn Diocese, has written a book for people to try to help them make the Rosary a deeper, more prayerful experience. 20 meditations on the original mysteries & 20 meditations on how these mysteries touch our lives today & deepen our faith in God. Available also in Spanish. Published by Minuteman Press. \$10. To order: moellinger@diobrook.org or Fr. Bob, 718-281-9625

The Beginning Experience 8/17—8/19

For divorced, widowed, & separated persons at the Montfort Spirituality Center, Bay Shore, LI. The program helps grieving single-again persons emerge from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning and move into the future with Renewed hope. Turn the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth. Info/reservations: Jim 718 474 3779 or BeginningExperienceLI@hotmail.com

Helpers of God's Precious Infants 8/25

Msgr. Philip Reilly's ministry of prayer for the conversion of all hearts supportive of and engaged in abortion. Next Mass: **7:30 AM, Sat., Aug. 25**, Our Lady of the Cenacle Church, 136-08 87th Ave, Richmond Hill, Queens. Mass followed by procession to an abortion clinic, where the Rosary is peacefully prayed outside. Procession then returns to the church for Benediction. www.helpersny.org

Rosary for Life 20th Anniv. Mass 10/4

Rosary for Life is celebrating its 20th Anniv. Mass on **Thurs., Oct. 4 at 7:30 PM** at Good Shepherd Church, 1950 Batechelder St., Marine Park, Bklyn. Bishop Frank J. Caggiano is celebrant & homilist. Info: 718-377-6920 Rosary Life is also celebrating with a luncheon at Gargiulio's Restaurant, 2911 W. 15th St., Coney Island, Bklyn. on **Sun., Oct. 7th** from **1 to 5 PM**. Tickets: \$100. Info: Louis Pepe, 646-773-6920

***Pilgrimage to India 10/1—10/5**

St. Francis Xavier NY offers *Along the Pathways of Saints Thomas & Francis Xavier: Pilgrimage to India*. Oct. 1—15; With Fr. Joe Constantino, SJ & Angie Cruz, PhD. \$3995 (includes airfare, breakfast & 7 dinners); optional 3-day post Extension tour to Nepal, additional \$600. Info: Angie Cruz, 212-807-0484 or cruzangie@yahoo.com

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