



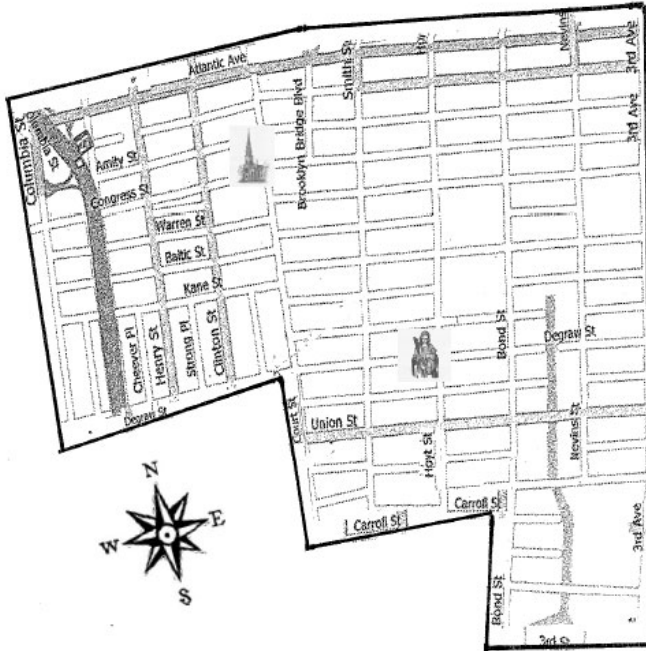
St. Paul & St. Agnes Parish

Saint Paul's Church

Saint Agnes Church

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

Brooklyn, New York



April 14, 2013

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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

Confession

Saturdays: 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.

Holy Hour: Mondays, 6-7 PM, chapel on Congress Street

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction

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 Maria*; Young At Heart

Parish of St. Paul & St. Agnes

Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2013

Tercer Domingo de Pascua

Saint Paul's Roman Catholic Church

Saturday, April 13 8 AM Easter Novena
5 PM Easter Novena

Sunday, April 14

8 AM Mary L. Hudson r/b Buddy & Dee

9:30 Judith Sayegh r/b Loretta Attara

11 AM La Divina Misericordia p/p Maria Cabrera

Luis Robles () p/p su hermana, Julia Rios

Ignacio Cruz p/p Maria Gonzalez

Juana Dinora Castillo (10o. Aniv.)

p/p su madre, Mariana Villar y familia

Sebastian Romero Tesis (Recordatorio de cumpleaños y aniversario)

p/p su hija, Tulia

San Jose p/p la Legion de Maria

El Gran Poder de Dios por la Salud de Michael Justiniano

p/p su madre Cesi

San Alejo en accion de gracias p/p Tomasa Rijos

Por la salud de Mark Soto p/p su madre, Daisy Soto

Helen y William Reilly y la Familia Reilly: Joseph J., Helen y Philip

Mon., April 15 8:30 Rosa Assiduo (Birthday Remembrance)

r/b the Mazzella Family

Tues., April 16 8:30 Heidirose Schultz & family
r/b the family

Sat., April 20

8 AM Terrance White (26th Anniv.)

p/p Peggy & Hugh White & family

5 PM Michael & Helen Barrett (Birthday Remembrance)

p/p their daughter, Helen Barrett

Pray for ... Recen por...

... **Dylan Carter Dodson**, who was baptized in St. Agnes on April 6, and for his parents, who have committed to teach him the Catholic faith by word and example.

... **Our Sick:** Michael Justiniano, Elizabeth Henriquez, Miguel Colon, Sylvia Gonzalez, Juanita Martinez, George Limnios, Mark Lites, Marilyn Glynn, Francisco Fernandez, Lidia Alvarez, Steven Arcivar, Felicita Pedraza, Mark Soto, Christopher Benson, Rosemary Rumsey, Chris Medina, Milton Piedra, Pura Irizzary, Altagracia Almanzar, Vincent Biscaino, Renee Wagner, Miguel Sotolongo, Alicia Ocasio, Victor Soto, Madeline Tarantino, Luisa Rodriguez, Daniel Feliciano, Maria Elena Rosa, Hilda Rios Sanchez, Maria Luisa Barbat,

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Saint Agnes Roman Catholic Church

Sat., April 13

5 PM Easter Novena

Sunday, April 14

9 AM Easter Novena

11:30 People of the Parish

Wed., April 17 8:30 Rosa Assiduo (Birthday Remembrance)
r/b the family

Thurs., April 18 8:30 Easter Novena

Sat., April 20 5 PM Hermenegilda Garcia (Birthday Remembrance) r/b the Garcia children

*The Altar Candles at St. Agnes
for the week of April 14th
were donated by Nunzia & family
in memory of Emmanuel Zuppardo*

Welcome to St. Paul & St. Agnes!

We are a parish that greatly values your presence among us, whether you attend Mass exclusively here or also at other churches, or whether you attend Mass weekly, 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, April 7th?

The Church advises you: Don't receive 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 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.

Becoming a Godparent in Another Parish (con'd)

They demand letters from me and insist that I endorse for them for a sacred role for which they are clearly not equipped. There is no regard for my conscience; to describe them as practicing Catholics would be a lie. But to deny them any correspondence puts me as a pastor in a punitive mode that would also be unethical.

I now have a process by which all parishioners—from daily communicants to those who never attend Mass here—may receive letters that will enable them to be sponsors in other churches. I urge all to undertake this role only if they have all the requirements listed on the next page. But correspondence can be obtained by emailing me at stpaulstagnes@gmail.com. —RMP, Adm.

NEXT WEEK AT SPSA:

The Girl with the Guitar at the 8 4/21

Kathie Bistreich, the Girl with the Guitar, will lead song at the 8 AM Mass next **Sunday, April 21st**.

Atlantic City 4/24

Young At Heart is sponsoring a bus trip to Tropicana Casino, Atlantic City on **Wed., April 24**. Bus leaves St. Agnes at 9 AM; leaves St. Paul's at 9:15 AM. Seat is \$30 with casino "give-back" of \$25. See Ines Torres in the Parish Office or call Jeanne at 718-855-7768.

COMING UP AT SPSA:

Taizé Vespers in French 5/22

SPSA will host another liturgy in French on **Wed., May 22** at 7:30 PM at St. Agnes Church. This time we will not have Mass but Vespers (Evening Prayer) with Taizé music throughout the liturgy. The Vespers will be celebrated in anticipation of the feast of a beloved patron of France, Saint Joan of Arc. Father Rob Powers will preach and preside; Samuel Lefebvre of Notre Dame Church, W. 114th Street, NY will be pianist and will be accompanied by francophone choristers from Notre Dame. Share the date with your French speaking neighbors and with others who would enjoy this music filled hour of prayer.

Diocese of Bklyn Events

For more info. about these events, consult the next page:

- **Young Adult Day of Reflection, Sat., April 20**
 - **Worldwide Marriage Encounter, Sat. April 19—21**
 - **Youth Pilgrimage to St. Kateri Shrine, Sat., May 4**
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Becoming a Godparent in Another Parish

There is only one aspect of being a parish priest that I truly dislike and that is having to respond to a request for me to write a letter for someone who lives within SPSA's territorial parish boundaries to enable that person to become a sponsor in another parish. I understand the concern of another pastor to want only appropriate, churchgoing people for this role; I do not understand why I am to be the evaluator of the godparent candidate's worthiness as though I were God Himself. As a pastor, it is my role to advocate for the parishioners who live within my parish boundaries, not to interrogate them and ecclesiastically incriminate them. Usually these requests come from large suburban parishes who have large staffs to read and file these letters; while in this small, understaffed parish they cause an unnecessary burden.

Many times, I also find the way in which these letters are requested by the godparent candidates somewhat offensive.

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Mother's Day Baby Shower: see p. 5

THIS WEEK AT SPSA:

Preschool & K Religious Ed Sun. 4/14

The weekly Religious Education program of pre-school & kindergarten children & toddlers & babies continues this **Sun., April 14** at 10 AM in the basement of St. Agnes Center. No fee or registration or regular commitment to attend; just come & experience the joy of seeing your child receiving the gift of faith at a young age.

Fundraising & Social Events Comm. 4/15

The Fundraising & Social Events Committee meets this **Mon., April 15th** at 7:30 PM at 234 Congress Street. New members are always welcome; the committee takes care of all details of fundraising and hospitality during this 18 month Anniversaries Celebration of our churches.

Rosary for Life: Mon., April 15, 1 PM, chapel/Congress St.
Holy Hour, Mon., Apr. 15, 6 PM, chapel/Congress St.
St. Anthony Novena, Tues., Apr. 16, 1 PM, chapel/Congress St.
Young at Heart, Wed., Apr. 17, 1—3 PM, St. Agnes Center

Father Powers in the Tablet during April

Fr. Rob Powers, Administrator, is the guest columnist for *Sunday's Scriptures* in the April issues of *the Tablet*, the weekly newspaper of the Diocese of Brooklyn. Copies of the Tablet and photocopies of the column are available by the entrances.

What a Sponsor (Godparent) Should Be

He/she should be a Catholic who can receive Communion:

- baptized, confirmed, & has made First Holy Communion
- if married, married by the Catholic Church. Catholics who have chosen civil marriage, marriage in another church, or cohabitation can not receive Communion.
- if single, living celibately, and committed to continuing in celibacy until sacramental marriage

He/she must actually receive Holy Communion every Sunday:

Not just frequently. Not just be someone who considers him/herself to be a "spiritual person." One who really believes that Communion is the Body & Blood of Christ enough to value its reception weekly. A true sponsor is one who prays for his/her godchild weekly at this most sacred moment of prayer 52 Sundays a year plus holy days of obligation.

Becoming a Godparent (Sponsor) in SPSA

When parents register their children for baptism, they are given the requirements for godparents that are listed above. The other parish clergy and I do not ask for letters of proof of the eligibility of godparent candidates; we trust that the parents will choose appropriate, faithful Roman Catholics as their children's godparents.

Info. on Becoming a Godparent in Another Parish to the left

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 those 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 marked with an asterisk (*).** —RMP, Adm.

Christianity & Secularism series 4/15

Ryan Williams offers first of 3 part Mon. nite series on this topic beginning **Mon., April 15** at 7 PM with lecture *America's Future: A Nation of Unbelievers?* At Lyons Hall, Immaculate Conception Church, 21-47 29th St., Astoria. \$10 per lecture; \$25 for all 3. Tix: 718-728-1613; www.ic-astoria.org

Voices of Women Symposium 4/19

"The Church & Women: 50 Years After Vatican II", Molloy College, Rockville Centre, LI, **Fri., Apr. 19**, 9—3 PM. Reg. deadline: 4/11. 516-678-5000 ext. 6302; dmcgovern@molloy.edu

Early Childhood Development Conf. 4/17

10th annual conference organized by Los Niños Services & sponsored by Fordham Univ. Grad. School of Education. Latest info. about early childhood development & resources, services, & products. **Wed., Apr. 17—Fri. Apr. 19**; all day; Hotel Pennsylvania, 33rd St. & 7th Ave., NY. Register online. Info: Nancy Evangelista, 212-787-9700, ext. 333; expo@losninios.com; www.youngchildexp.com/

New Evangelization Conference 4/20

The New Evangelization: Obstacles & Opportunities. Speakers include Bishop Frank Caggiano. **Sat., Apr. 20**, 9:30—5:30 PM. McGinley Center, Fordham Univ., Rose Hill campus, Bronx. A study of the New Evangelization movement in light of Church teaching & current cultural trends. No fee or reg. Info: Jodi Hunt, 718-817-5966; jhunt18@fordham.edu; www.fordham.edu

The Legacy of Pope Benedict XVI 4/20

Conference on the Pope's legacy for the universal Church, the American Church, & the Church on Long Island. **Sat., Apr. 20**, 12—3:15 PM. Free; reg. required. Center for Catholic Studies, Nassau Community College, Garden City. 1-516-572-7472

LGBT Outreach

Meets 1st & 3rd Mondays, 6:30 PM at St. Francis of Assisi, W. 31st St., (Bdwy. & 7th Ave.), NY. Spiritual support for gay & Lesbian Catholics. Meredith Augustin, ministry liaison: 212-736-8500 ext. 327

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Young Adult Day of Reflection 4/20

Year of Faith retreat for persons 18-39. Holy Trinity Church, Whitestone, Queens; Fr. Joseph Gibino; \$10. **Sat. Apr. 20**, 9 AM—4 PM. Reg: Christian Branch; sbkyyouthministry@gmail.com

Marriage Encounter 4/19—4/21

Retreat weekend for couples who are married sacramentally and who wish to deeper & strengthen their marriages. **April 19-21**; May 17-19; July 26-28; Nov. 1-3. Info: Deacon Leroy Branch (917 496 4221) or 1877-NYS-WWME or www.wwmebq.org or www.wwme.org

*Retreat with Fr. James Martin, SJ 4/23

Popular speaker and author Fr. James Martin, SJ's e-book *Together on Retreat: Meeting Jesus in Prayer.* At St. Francis Xavier, W. 16th St. (5th & 6th Aves.), NY. **Tues., April 23**, 7 PM. Info: mjdanis@gmail.com

*Women Deacons 4/24

Nancy Lorence and Sister Marylee Raymond Diamond claim that women were deacons for the first 1000 years of our Church's history. Their presentation, *Women Deacons in the Catholic Church*, will chronicle this history, speak of the obstacles to reintroducing the practice, ways in which one can advocate for women's diaconal ordination, & the significance for the Church. **Wed, Apr. 24**, 7—9 PM, Mary Chapel of St. Francis Xavier, W. 16th St (5th & 6th Aves.), NY. www.sfxavier.org

*Fr. Barron's Catholicism Series 4/25

The famous documentary created by Fr. Robert Barron on 5 Thursdays beginning **Thurs., April 25** at 7:30 PM. St. Francis Xavier Auditorium, Carroll St. (5 & 6 Aves.), Park Slope. Reg: Sr. Helene Conway, 718-857-2903; or email hacreled@aol.com with Catholicism Series on the subject line.

*Ecumenism Lecture 5/1

Social Harmony and Religious Identities: Foundations for a true dialogue among religions. **Wed., May 1**, 7 PM. Holy Family Church Auditorium, 315 E. 47th St., NY. www.crossroadsculturalcenter.org

*Dolls and Dames Concert 5/3

Pianist Linda Ippolito & jazz vocalist Adi Braun bring to life stock characters of the medieval theatre & the silver screen in an evening of Commedia del'Arte & Film Noir classics. **Fri., May 3**, 8 PM. St. Francis Xavier, W. 16th St. (5 & 6 Aves.)

Youth Pilgrimage to Upstate NY 5/4

Year of Faith Youth Pilgrimage to St. Kateri Shrine, Fonda, NY for youth 13—18. **Sat., May 4**. Leave Bklyn 7 AM; return to Bklyn. 8 PM. Reg. deadline: April 19. \$20. contact Christian Branch, sbkyyouthministry@gmail.com

Mother's Day Baby Shower

begins next weekend, **April 20 & 21.**

Donations to be given to the **Sisters of Life**
Visitation Mission Center, 257 E. 71st St., NYC,
a center which helps young unwed mothers.
Bring **new baby goods** to St. Paul's or St. Agnes:
maternity clothes, baby outfits, diapers,
onesies, wipes, undershirts, hats, socks,
blankets, bottles, sleepers, diaper bags,
or any other **new** item a baby could use.

Play the April 50/50!

Only \$5 per chance. Envelope chances available by
the church entrances. Get your chances in the collection
no later than Sun., April 28th.

SPSA Mission Statement

Relying upon the Holy Spirit, 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 for our
world at Mass

—**as a prophetic people**—proclaiming the word of God in re-
spectful dialogue with our neighbors

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

THE COLLECTION

April 6 & 7, 2013

St. Paul's	\$ 2574
<u>St. Agnes</u>	<u>\$ 2635</u>
Parish	\$ 5209

Keep Giving to the ACA.

All Pledge \$ Now Goes to SPSA

Since we made our goal on March 26, all money that
has been given to the Annual Catholic Appeal from SPSA
parishioners after that date will be given to our parish's
Repair and Renovation Fund. Please consider a pledge
or gift of at least \$250 to help us restore our churches.

The ACA brochures can be found by the church
entrances. You can mail your pledge directly to the ACA
or return it in the Sunday collection.

SPSA Goal for 2013 ACA (completed)	\$ 37,852
+ Money Given Over the Goal for SPSA	\$ 2,439
Total Pledged to ACA from SPSA	\$ 40,291*
No. of pledges from SPSA	69
No. of pledges \$250+	43
No. of Court of Honor pledges \$1000+	11

**as of April 8, 2013*

Saturday, October 19, 2013

SPSA Gala Anniversaries Dinner Dance

Baron DeKalb K of C Hall
Sheepshead Bay
\$100

ENVELOPE REGISTRATION

*You may return this form by mail
or in the Sunday collection.*

Name _____

Address (with apt. #)

City, State, Zip

Age (optional) _____

Email address (optional):

Telephone number (optional):

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