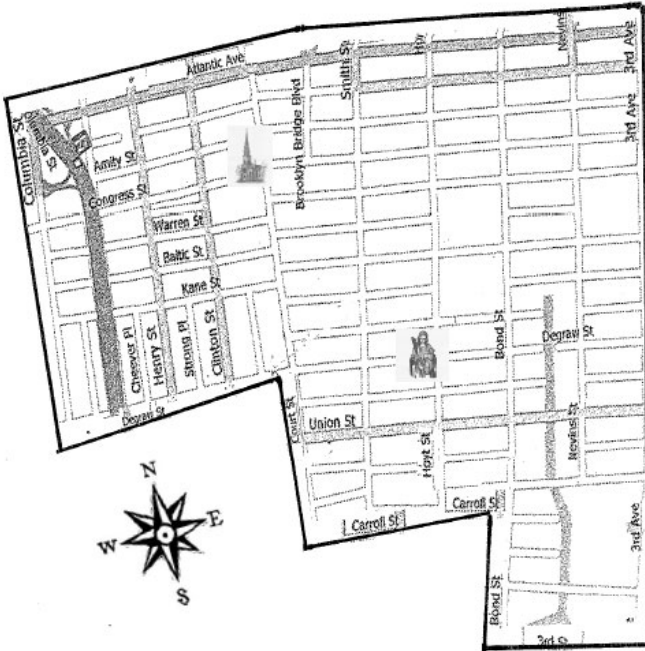




St. Paul & St. Agnes Parish
Saint Paul's Church
Saint Agnes Church

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

Brooklyn, New York



January 5, 2014

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Monday through Friday, 9 AM—12 Noon

The office is closed until Mon., Jan. 6th.



Office at St. Agnes Church

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Monday through Friday, 1:00—5:00 PM

The office is closed until Mon., Jan. 6



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 Schedule on Saturdays

11:30 AM — 12 Noon 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

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.

Sponsorship (Godparent) Certificates

Any parishioner who seeks a letter or certificate in order to serve as godparent/sponsor in another parish should immediately contact Fr. Powers in order that regular Mass attendance can be certified objectively.

Parish of St. Paul & St. Agnes

Epiphany

January 5, 2014

Epifania

Saint Paul's Roman Catholic Church

Sat., Jan. 4 8 AM Christmas Mass Remembrance
5 PM Christmas Mass Remembrance

Sunday, Jan. 5

8 AM Christmas Mass Remembrance
9:30 Christmas Mass Remembrance

11 AM Christmas Mass Remembrance

Mon., Jan. 6 8:30 AM Christmas Mass Remembrance

Tues., Jan. 7 8:30 AM Christmas Mass Remembrance

Sat., Jan. 11 8 AM Christmas Mass Remembrance
5 PM Christmas Mass Remembrance

Pray for ... *Recen por...*

...Our Sick: Cristina Justino, Daniel Ramon Ortiz, Margo Gonzalez, Bernardo Rodriguez, Michael Justiniano, Elizabeth Henriquez, Mark Lites, Bobby Perry, Tere Padin, Maria Elena Rosa, Mark Soto, Juanita Martinez, Marilyn Glynn, Hilda Rios Sanchez, Angie Cuadrado, Victor Soto, Felicita Pedraza, Christopher Benson, Milton Piedra, Miguel Sotolongo, Vincent Biscaino, Gisele Zollria, Dr. Allen Davis, Madeline Tarantino, Altagracia Almanzar, Luisa Rodriguez, Toni Sanchez-Rodriguez, Joey Ruiz,

Traveling & Need a Sunday Mass?

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

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**—praying for ourselves, and interceding for our loved ones and for our world at Mass

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

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

Saint Agnes Roman Catholic Church

Sat., Jan. 4
5 PM Christmas Mass Remembrance

Sunday, Jan. 5

9 AM Christmas Mass Remembrance

11:30 the People of the Parish of St. Paul & St. Agnes

Wed., Jan. 8 8:30 AM Christmas Mass Remembrance

Thurs., Jan. 9 8:30 AM Christmas Mass Remembrance

Sat., Jan. 4
5 PM Christmas Mass Remembrance

Welcome to St. Paul & St. Agnes!

St. Paul & St. Agnes Parish 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, Dec. 29th?

Skipped Mass on Jan. 1, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God?

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 if one deliberately has missed Mass on a Sunday or a holy day of obligation until one has gone to Confession and is in the state of grace once again. —*RMP, Adm.*

COMING UP AT SPSA

SPSA Anniversaries Mass 01/25

The Anniversaries Celebration of St. Paul (175 years) and St. Agnes (135 years) continues with a special Mass at **5PM on Sat., Jan. 25** at St. Paul's which will incorporate the feasts of St. Agnes (Jan. 21); St. Paul (Jan. 25); and St. Peter (Feb. 22). Our celebrant is Bishop Raymond Chappetto, Auxiliary Bishop of Brooklyn and Vicar General of the Bklyn. Diocese. Mass is followed by a reception in St. Paul's Hall.

There will be **no 5 PM Mass** in St. Agnes on Jan. 25.

- **World Marriage Day** celebrated at SPSA on **Sat. & Sun., Feb. 8 & 9**. All married couples and married individuals who are at Mass are invited to renew their marriage vows. A reception follows each Mass. Couples are invited to register for a commemorative certificate; a form will be in the bulletin beginning Jan. 12.
- **Open Doors** at St. Agnes, **Sun., Feb. 9**, 2—5 PM
- **Open Doors** at St. Paul's, **Sun., Feb. 23**, 2—5 PM
- **St. Joseph & St. Patrick Brunch**
at St. Paul's Hall, **Sun., March 16**
- **Closing Mass of the Anniversaries**
Celebration of St. Paul's & St. Agnes
at St. Agnes Church, **Sat., June 14**, 5 PM

Need an IRS deduction for 2013?

Give to the ACA 2013 before Jan. 10th.

It's not too late to contribute to Annual Catholic Appeal 2013. More than \$23,000 that were given to the appeal since March 26, when SPSA made its goal in this bishop's appeal, have been returned to the parish to pay for repair and renovation of our churches. Any contributions given at this time the ACA Office will continue to forward back to this parish fund. Brochures can be found by the church entrances.

And you can put this charitable deduction into your 2013 income tax if you get it to the Parish Office or to the ACA office (31 Prospect Park West, Windsor Terrace) by Jan. 10.

SPSA Goal for 2013 ACA (completed 3/26/13)	\$	37,852
+ Money Given Over the Goal for SPSA	\$	23,048
Total Pledged to ACA from SPSA	\$	60,900*

**as of December 23, 2013*

No. of pledges from SPSA	139
No. of pledges \$250+	91
No. of Court of Honor pledges \$1000+	15

THIS WEEK AT SPSA

Preschool, K, & Infant Religious Ed 01/05

Preschool, kindergarten, and infant religious ed meets again in the sacristy of St. Agnes Church **Sun., Jan. 5** at the end of the 9 AM Mass. No registration or fee; parents of young children are invited to come when they can and experience the joy of seeing their children receive the gift of faith at a young age.

Parish Office Reopens 01/06; Jan, Feb, March Mass Intentions

Our parish secretary, Ines Torres, will return to work tomorrow, **Mon., Jan. 6th**. The Mass Book for Mass intentions in January, February, & March will open tomorrow at 9 AM for Masses in St. Paul's and at 1 PM for Masses at St. Agnes. **No reservations for Mass intentions can be made for Masses occurring in our parish after March 31st.** Please wait until the end of March when the Mass book will open for the second quarter of 2014. **No parishioner should feel entitled to preferred treatment by our office staff.** Equal access to the Mass book by all is a small but important matter of justice.

Holy Hour 01/06

Eucharistic adoration & benediction in the chapel on Congress St. **Mon., Jan. 6**, 6—7 PM.

Rosary for Life Resumes 01/06

Rosary for Life resumes at 1 PM on Mon., Jan. 6 in the chapel on Congress St. under the direction of Sister Innocentia.

Bible Study 01/06

Fr. Rob Powers continues with *The God of Jesus of Nazareth: A Bible Study* on **Mon., Jan. 6th** at 7:15 PM. The course covers the portrayal of God in the Old Testament and demonstrates their impact upon the historical person of Jesus of Nazareth as evidenced in the Gospels. No registration necessary. Mon. nights as announced in the bulletin; 7:15 PM; 234 Congress St.

Fundraising & Social Events 01/09

The Fundraising & Social Events Committee meets this **Thurs., Jan. 9** at 7:15 PM in St. Agnes Center to plan the events of 2014. New volunteers are always welcome.

Thank You, SPSA

Thank you to the SPSA parishioners who contributed toys, clothing, and gift cards to poor children and their families through the Advent Giving Tree. Catholic Charities Brooklyn West, headquartered on Joralemon Street, distributed the gifts to persons of low income households in our area before Christmas Day.

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 all events that appear 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.

Medieval Treasures from Hildesheim 01/05

Display of ecclesiastical furnishings and art treasures, including bronze works from St. Mary's Cathedral, Hildesheim, Germany. **Thru today, Sun., Jan. 5** at The Metropolitan Museum of Art, 1000 Fifth Ave, NY. \$25; seniors, \$17; students, \$12. 212-535-7710. metmuseum.org

Leonardo Da Vinci thru Feb. 2

Leonardo Da Vinci Treasures from the Biblioteca Reale, Turin; Morgan Library & Museum, 225 Madison Ave, NY. 212-590-0393.

Gary Shteyngart Lecture 01/08

Gary Shteyngart discusses his latest work, *Little Failure*, as first event of *Bklyn. Voices* lecture series on **Wed., Jan. 8**, 7:30 PM Tuohy Hall, St. Joseph's College, 245 Clinton Ave. Autobiographical comedy of author's emigration from Russia, family life, alcoholism, & desire to be a writer. Tickets @ \$25 include copy of his book. Purchase tickets at the door or online at <http://www.greenlightbookstore.com/event/gary-shteyngart>

*Catholic Lesbians 01/10

Catholic Lesbians meets **Fri., Jan. 10**, 7—9 PM, West Room, St. Francis Xavier Church, W. 15th St. (betw. 6th & 7th Ave.), NY. Info: SFXWomen@aol.com or 917-297-6804.

Faith & Spirituality in the Digital Age 01/12

Fr. Daniel P. Horan, OFM & Fr. Anthony D. Andreassi, CO lead discussion on faith & technology: What are concrete ways in which technology can foster our relationship with God? And when must we retreat from our wired worlds to hear God's voice. **Sun., Jan. 12**, 7 PM Newman Hall, St. Boniface Oratory Church, 111 Willoughby St. Food & drink available. Info: adultfaithformation@oratory-church.org

Household Safety Workshop 01/15

Balance Your Body to Help Avoid Falls. Easy home suggestions by Alision Schoenfeld, Madison occupational therapist. Part of *The Senior Edge* series for seniors, caregivers, family & friends. Carroll Garden Branch, Bklyn. Public Library, 396 Clinton St. at Union St., **Wed., Jan. 15**, 1:30—2:30 PM. 718-596-6972.

Winter Silent Retreat 01/17—01/19

St. Francis Xavier/NY offers 3 day silent retreat on Martin Luther King weekend, **Fri.—Mon., Jan. 17—20** at Jogues Retreat House, Cornwall-on-Hudson, NY. Facilitated by Fr. Joseph Marina, SJ. \$225. Talking permitted during dinner. Info. and reg.: [Joan Schechter](mailto:JoanSchechter), 347-803-9972; JoanJSA@aol.com

Traditional Latin Mass Training 01/18

Learning About the Traditional Latin Mass with priests of the Christ the King Institute at Our Lady of Peace, 522 Carroll St., **Sat., Jan 18**. Class at 12 PM; Mass at 1 PM with Gregorian chant. www.LatinMassBrooklyn.org

Cardinal O'Malley 01/19

Sean Cardinal O'Malley, Archbishop of Boston, offers "face to face" on his experience of the Church and her love for the human person. **Sun, Jan. 19**, 11 AM. The Manhattan Center, 311 W. 34th St., NY. Part of the New York Encounter, a 3 day cultural festival. Info: www.newyorkencounter.org

*Partner Project: Breaking the Silence 01/29

The Partner Project presents *Breaking the Silence*, an attempt to end all forms of violence against women. Keynote speaker Ted Bunch delivers a *Call To Men* to educate men on this sad social phenomenon. A Molloy student will speak on her experience of relationship violence. **Wed., Jan. 29**, 5 PM Madison Theatre, Molloy College, Rockville Centre, LI. Free. www.acalltoaction.org; www.molloy.edu

Marriage Encounter 02/14—02/16

An opportunity for married couples to grow more deeply in love with God, spouse, and family. **Fri.—Sun., Feb. 14—16**. Info: 877-NYS-WWME option 2 or www.wme.org or Deacon Leroy Branch, 917-496-4221

Blankets for Children With Cancer

We Care Blankets is an organization that provides knitted and crocheted blankets to children undergoing cancer treatment in hospitals throughout the NYC area, including Downstate, Maimonides, Lutheran, & Sloane Kettering. If you would like to crochet or knit a blanket that is of any color or pattern and measures 32" by 40" or donate yarn, contact Tamara Baker, founder (TamaBak9@aol.com or 516-797-2250) or Harriet, a Cobble Hill resident, at 718-596-7297. www.wecareblankets.org

Chagall: Love, War & Exile thru Feb. 2

Display of 30 Chagall paintings, including images of Jesus and the Crucifixion. At the Jewish Museum, 1109 Fifth Ave. at 92nd St., NY, **thru Feb. 2**. Free admission on Saturdays. \$12; seniors: \$10; students: \$7.50. 212-423-3200

Play the January 50/50.

Only \$5 per envelope chance.
Return your chances in the collection
no later than Sun., Jan. 26.

Since this bulletin had to go to
press early (on Dec. 27th,) the
collection statistics for Dec. 21 & 22
and for Dec. 28 & 29 could not be
reported.

Remember: 'It's not over 'til it's over'

- It's Christmas until midnight on Sun., Jan. 12, the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord
- Until Jan. 13, it's right for us to continue to wish one another *Merry Christmas*
- Keep the *crèche* up until Jan. 14 and the tree up for as long as you can.
- Imitate Mary, Mother of God & continue to contemplate the mystery of the Incarnation now that the "holiday" *busy-ness* has passed.

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):

***Mass of the Anniversaries Celebration
of St. Paul's Church (175 Years)
and St. Agnes Church (135 Years)***

Bishop Raymond F. Chappetto, celebrant
Sat., Jan. 25, 2014, 5 PM
St. Paul's Church

Merry Christmas... *Feliz Natal...*
Joyeux Noël... *Frohe Weihnachten...*
Feliz Navidad... *Buon Natale...*
Happy Christmas... *Mùnng Giang Sinh...*
God jul... *jwaeu Nwel...*
Maligayang Pasko... *Krismasi Njema*

**It's not too late to give to
Annual Catholic Appeal 2013
and help with the repair
and renovation of our churches.**

You have until this Fri., Jan. 10th.
You may deduct this contribution
from your 2013 taxes.

2013 ACA brochures are available by
the entrances to our churches.

**Thank you to the 139 SPSA
households that have given
to ACA 2013.**

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