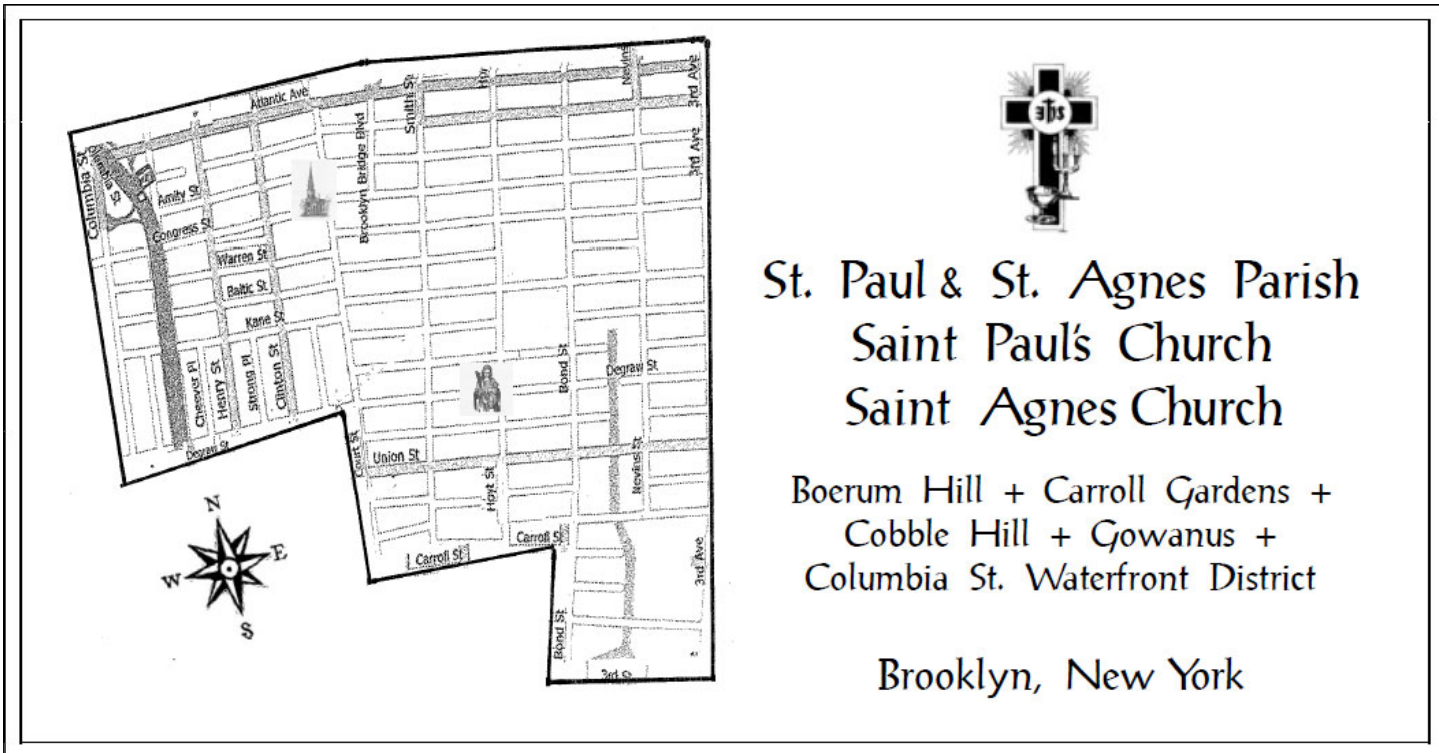




St. Paul & St. Agnes Parish
Saint Paul's Church
Saint Agnes Church

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

Brooklyn, New York



March 16, 2014

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Parish Clergy

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Rectory & Office at St. Paul's Church
 234 Congress Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201
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Monday through Friday, 9 AM—12 Noon



Office at St. Agnes Church
 433 Sackett Street, Brooklyn, NY 11231
 Telephone: 718-625-1717
Monday through Friday, 1:00—5:00 PM

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
 4—4:30 PM in St. Agnes; 4—4:30 PM in St. Paul's

Weekday Masses

The weekday Mass schedule is inside the bulletin.

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

Infirm 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 to satisfy the other parish's demands.

Parish of St. Paul & St. Agnes

Second Sunday of Lent

March 16, 2014

Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma

Saint Paul's Roman Catholic Church

Sat., Mar. 15

8 AM Louis & Lucy Ranghelli r/b their niece, Teresa
5 PM

Sunday, Mar. 16

8 AM
9:30 Patricia Faint (living), Anthony, Paul, Catherine,
Bobby, Paulie r/b Sister Marie Innocentia Lipari

11 AM Dennis Soto p/p su madre, Daisy Soto
Manuela Tita Ayala p/p su hija, Angelica Kreiger
Jesus "Bigote" Valdez p/p Ceci
Rafael Mercado Sr. p/p Daisy Soto
Rafael Mercado Jr. p/p su hermana Angelica Kreiger
Zoraida y Julio Perez p/p su hijo Ricardo Perez
Gracias a la Virgen de la Guadalupe p/p Juanita Martinez
Helen y William Reilly y la Familia Reilly: Joseph J., Helen, y Philip

Mon., Mar. 17 8:30 John Scala Jr. r/b his loving daughter, Nancy

Tues., Mar. 18 8:30 the Pflamitzer Family (living)
r/b Barbara Zelenko

Sat., Mar. 22

8 AM Joseph Laface (10th Anniv.) r/b his loving wife, Nancy
5 PM

Pray for ... Recen por...

+ Antonio Dattero, 72, who died on March 3rd, and for those who mourn him, including his wife, Clara; his daughter, Concetta; and his sister, Olga.

...Our Sick: Julia Kelly, Norma Matos, Aurelio Almanzar, Margo Gonzalez, Daniel Feliciano, Joey Ruiz, Cristina Justino, Bernardo Rodriguez, Michael Justiniano, Elizabeth Henriquez, Mark Lites, Bobby Perry, Tere Padin, Maria Elena Rosa, Toni Sanchez-Rodriguez, Vincent Biscaino, William Torres, Juanita Martinez, Marilyn Glynn, Angie Cuadrado, Victor Soto, Felicita Pedraza, Christopher Benson, Milton Piedra, Mark Soto, Miguel Sotolongo, Madeline Tarantino, Altagracia Almanzar, Luisa Rodriguez, Enrique Jose Rosa, Daniel Ramon Ortiz, Gisele Zollria

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

Traveling & Need a Sunday Mass?

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

Saint Agnes Roman Catholic Church

Sat., Mar. 15

5 Mary & Matthew Fallon r/b Irene Fallon

Sunday, Mar. 16

9 AM Giselle McGee (for her health) r/b Frances Collazo
Dorothy Lowe r/b Josephine Spada
Helen & William Reilly & the Reilly Family:
Joseph J., Helen, and Philip Reilly

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

Wed., Mar. 19 8:30 Lena Cangiano r/b Young At Heart

Thurs., Mar. 20 8:30 The Fallon Family r/b Irene Fallon

Sat., Mar. 22 5 PM John Melone r/b Joan Melone

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, March 9th?

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. **Certainly if one is ill, or if one is elderly and is in danger of falling on snow or ice, the obligation is lifted, and there is no sin in remaining at home.** —RMP, Adm.

Lenten Regulations

Regulaciones Cuaresmales

Fasting: On Ash Wednesday & Good Friday, Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 may have one full meal and 2 light meals for sustenance but may not eat between meals.

Abstinence: Catholics 14 years of age and older may not eat meat on Ash Wednesday, on any of the Fridays of Lent, or on Good Friday.

Ayuno: *En el miercoles de ceniza y el viernes santo, catolicos entre las edades de 18 y 59 comida complete y dos comidas ligeras para sustentencia, sin comer entre comidas.*

Abstinencia: *Todos catolicos de la edad de 14 anos o mayors están requeridos abstenerse totalmente de carne de cualquier forma el miercoles de ceniza, el viernes santo, y los viernes de la Cuaresma.*

Annual Catholic Appeal 2014

As in past years, I ask every SPSA household to consider giving at the level of at least \$250. I ask house-holds who have given at that level or at much higher levels to give the same amount or even higher this year. The Bklyn Diocese has set our goal again this year at \$37,851. Once that money has been pledged, all funds received from SPSA parishioners returns to the parish to repair & renovate our two beautiful but aging churches. ACA brochures can be found near our church entrances.

ACA 2013 raised \$23,276 for the parish after parishioners who gave early enabled us to achieve the goal of \$37,851 in March 2013. About 35% of registered parish households, 139 parishioners, gave to the appeal. Ninety-one (91) of those 139 gave \$250 or more. Among those 91, one household gave \$12,000; five gave between \$2000 and \$2750; and 7 gave between \$1000 and \$1200. Fifty-one percent (51%) of the \$61,127 raised at SPSA came from the 13 households who gave \$1000 or more.

SPSA donors pledged and gave what they said they would; of the \$61,500 pledged in the 2013 ACA, \$61,127 was given by Jan. 15th (99.4%.) Only \$373 (0.6%) was not received!

Thank you to all 139 stewards of SPSA who gave so generously in 2013. Please join them this year in ACA 2014. —RMP, Adm.

NEXT WEEK AT SPSA

Bible Study

Deacon Leroy will continue with *The God of Jesus of Nazareth: A Bible Study* on **Mon., March 24** at 7:15 PM at 234 Congress Street. The course covers the portraits of God in the Old Testament & demonstrates their impact upon the historical person of Jesus of Nazareth as evidenced in the Gospels. This class will cover **Deuteronomy & Numbers**. No registration necessary.

COMING UP AT SPSA

The Girl With The Guitar 3/30

Kathie Bistreich will play the guitar and lead song at the 8 AM Mass in St. Paul's on Sun., March 30.

Fundraising & Social Events 04/03

The Fundraising & Social Events Committee meets **Thurs., April 3** at 7:15 PM at 234 Congress St. New members welcome.

Mass to Close Annivs. Celeb. 06/14

The final Mass of Thanksgiving which will conclude the 18 month Anniversaries Celebration of St. Paul's Church and St. Agnes Church will be **Sat., June 14** at 5 PM at St. Agnes Church.

Upcoming Bulletins Prepared in Advance

I write this bulletin on Tues., March 11th, and am scheduled for knee surgery at the Hospital for Special Surgery in NY on Wed., March . I am submitting the March 23rd & March 30th bulletins to the printer today. Please pay close attention to the announcements at Mass, for possible changes in schedule that cannot appear in these two bulletins. —RMP, Adm.

TODAY AT SPSA

St. Joseph & St. Patrick Brunch 03/16

St. Paul's Hall, today, **Sun., March 16, 1:30 — 4:30 PM.** \$15; children: \$12. **Tickets on sale after Mass and at the doors of the hall.** Corned beef and cabbage, music & entertainment; Italian pastries; this year, spaghetti & meatballs for those who don't go for the typical St. Paddy's Day fare.

Grand 50/50 Raffle 03/16

It's not too late to get your chances into the raffle drum or *tumbula* for the Grand 50/50 drawing at the conclusion of the St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's Brunch. The red envelope chances with Grand 50/50 labels can be found by the church entrances. Just bring them with you to the brunch today or drop them at the entrance after 1:30 PM. **As of last Sun., March 9th the level was at \$1560: \$780 for the winner and \$780 for the parish.** We anticipate a much larger last minute submission of many chances today. All Grand 50/50 chances that were placed in the collection today will be pulled out and put into the drum. Get your chances in now!

Preschool, K, & Infant Religious Ed 03/16

Preschool, kindergarten, and infant religious ed meets again in the sacristy of St. Agnes Church today, **Sun., Mar. 16**, after the 9:00 Mass. No registration or fee; parents & young children welcome any time.

THIS WEEK AT SPSA

Parishioners who wish to register for the **Dioc. Wedding Anniv. Mass** on **April 26th** may contact Ines Torres at the Parish Office. See next page for details.

Mon., Mar. 17: **Rosary for Life**, 1 PM, Congress St. chapel
Holy Hour, 6—7 PM, Congress St. chapel
No Bible Study on Mon., March 17th

mart., mar. 18: **Via Crucis, 7:15 PM, Iglesia Sta. Ines**

Wed., Mar. 19: **Young At Heart**, 1—3 PM, St. Agnes Center

Wed., Mar. 19: **Children's Choir**, 3:30—4:45 PM, St. Agnes

viern., Mar. 21: **Via Crucis, 7:00 PM, Iglesia San Pablo**

9 AM Children's Choir 3/19

Children's Choir rehearsal meets **Wed., Mar. 19** from 3:45 to 4:30 PM at St. Agnes in preparation for the 9 AM Mass. Info: see Joan O'Brien

New Confession Time at St. Agnes 03/22

Beginning on Sat., March 15 and continuing on **Sat., March 22nd**, confessions will be offered at St. Agnes every Sat. from 4—4:30 PM. Confessions will continue to be offered at the same time at St. Paul's, from 4—4:30 PM.

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 (*) & are in larger font.** —RMP, Adm.

Canterbury Cathedral Stained Glass

Radiant Light: Stained Glass from Canterbury Cathedral thru May 18 at the Cloisters, 99 Margaret Corbin Drive, Fort Tryon Park, NY. Metmuseum.org; 212-923-3700

Medieval English Sculpture

Object of Devotion: Medieval English Alabaster Sculpture from the Victoria and Albert Museum (1370-1520) until June 7 at Museum of Biblical Art, 1865 Bdw & W. 62nd St., NY. 212-408-1500. mobia.org

Apartments Needed for Parishioners

A married couple in their 70's who are active parishioners seek a **studio or one bedroom** apt. in the parish. A family in the parish—a couple with three children under 12— is seeking a **three bedroom** apartment within our parish. Please contact Fr. Rob Powers at 718-207-0035 or stpaulstagnes@gmail.com if you have an apt. to rent.

*Catholic Volunteer Network

Catholic Volunteer Network offers opportunities ranging from one week to one year or more. Volunteer placements in 48 states, DC, & 100+ countries; for single and married volunteers, including those with children; positions in housing, community organizing, education, medicine, elderly outreach, AIDS ministry, evangelization, religious ed, Hispanic ministry, homeless services, immigration & refugee services, law, Native American ministry, social justice advocacy, prison ministry, social services, and more. Order your directory, *Response 2014*: 1-800-543-5046; www.catholicvolunteernetwork.org

Romance in the City 04/06

Fr. Edward Hopkins, LC and Fr. Jason Smith, LC lead discussions on the meaning of sexuality for Catholic men & women today. St. Patrick's Old Cathedral, 263 Mulberry St. Sunday afternoons, 5—6 PM.
Sun., Apr. 6: *Discerning Each Day/Examen Prayer.*
Sun., Apr. 13: *Discerning the Word/Lectio Divina.*
oldcathedral.org Reg: romance-in-the-city-2.eventbrite.com

Bklyn Conservatory at Visitation 03/23

Bklyn Conservatory Orchestra performs at Visitation Church, 98 Richards St., Red Hook on **Sun., Mar. 23** at 4 PM. Suggested donation: \$15 but pay what you can. 718-624-1572

*Neuroplasticity for Spiritual Care 03/28

Contemplative Practice & Healing: Insights on Neuroplasticity for Spiritual Care **Fri., Mar. 28, 9 AM—3 PM.** Fordham U., Bronx. Fordham & Georgetown faculty. \$50 per guest; \$25 for Fordham GSRRE students & alumni. www.fordham.edu/gre/events; 718-817-5966

*BrooklynCatholic.org

The F & G subway stations in our neighborhood and Boro Hall soon will have an ad with Pope Francis, the word welcome, and the website Brooklyn.Catholic.org. This site lists by neighborhood all of the parishes of Brooklyn Deanery 3. Because SPSA spans five neighborhoods, there are five links on the site to our parish. We hope the campaign will bring new congregants to our churches.

Go Bococa Babies 03/28

Free, high quality new & used baby child equipment, toys, books, maternity clothes, to anyone in the neighborhood. No charge. Items donated & picked up from Cuyler Warren United Methodist Church, 450 Warren St. at Bond St. **Sat. March 22, 4—6 PM.** gobococa.com

Blankets for Children With Cancer

We Care Blankets provides knitted & crocheted blankets to children receiving cancer treatment in hospitals through-out the NYC area. If you would like to crochet or knit a small blanket contact Harriet, a Cobble Hill resident, at 718-596-7297. www.wecareblankets.org

*Shi'ism & Imam Politics 04/03

Shi'ism & the Politics of the Hidden Imam: lecture by Dr. Mehdi Aminrazavi of Mary Washington U. at St. Joseph's College, 245 Clinton Ave. **Thurs., Apr. 3, 12:30 PM.** Free; no reg. Info: 718-940-5584

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*Worldwide Marriage Encounter 04/25—27

A weekend for married couples to restore communication, renew commitment, & rekindle romance. **Fri.—Sun., April 25—27.** Info: Deacon Leroy Branch, 917 496 4221; wwme.org; 877-NYS-WWME option 2. wwwwwme.org

*Latin Mass Training 04/26

Learn about the Traditional Latin Mass: class at 12 PM; Sung Mass with Gregorian chant, 1 PM. **Sat., Apr. 26.** Our Lady of Peace, 522 Carroll St., Gowanus. www.LatinMassBrooklyn.org

Diocesan Wedding Anniv. Mass 04/26

All couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, or 50th+ Anniv. in calendar year 2014 may register with Ines Torres through SPSA Parish Office **before Apr. 4.** Certificates given & photo op with Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio, the celebrant. **Sat., Apr. 26, 11 AM,** St. James Cathedral-Basilica, 250 Cathedral Place, near Jay & Tillary Sts.

THE COLLECTION

March 8 & 9, 2014

St. Agnes	\$ 1552
<u>St. Paul's</u>	<u>\$ 2187</u>
Parish	\$ 3739

Help us make it a very

GRAND 50/50

later today!

Our goal is \$4000:

\$2000 for the winner and

\$2000 for SPSA

You can still get your chances in today!
You can bring them to St. Paul's Hall
between 1:30 and 3 PM.

As of Sun., March 9th the level was at **\$1560:**
\$780 for the winner & **\$780** for SPSA.

Red envelope chances are available in the
vestibule; only \$5 each.

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):

St. Joseph & St. Patrick's Day Brunch

today

1:30 PM

St. Paul's Hall

corned beef & cabbage, Italian pastries,
spaghetti & meatballs (**new this year**)
great music & entertainment,
Grand 50/50 drawing and
the *craic* will be mighty!

\$15

Participate in
Annual Catholic Appeal 2014
at the level of at least **\$250**
and assist SPSA in the
repair and renewal of
St. Paul's Church and
St. Agnes Church

Play the March 50/50!

Get your envelope chances in the collection
by **Sun., March 30th**. Only \$5 per chance.
And you've got incredible odds of winning!

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before, after, or during Mass
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