

Mass Intentions  **for the week**

EPHESIANS IV — PRAYER & PRAISE
ON MONDAYS AT 7:30 PM IN CHURCH
EVERYONE IS INVITED AND WELCOME

SUNDAY - SEPT. 16 - 24TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME
 6:00p (SAT) - **Ralph/Rose Biaginarelli** (Roseann/Phyllis)
 8:00 - - **Albert McElhinny** (St. Vincent de Paul Society)
 11:00 - - **In Honor of Paula Ann Smith** (Fred/JoAnn Smith)

MONDAY- SEPT. 17 - ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE
 (8:00 - - *Mass at Holy Trinity*)

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 18 - WEEKDAY
 6:45 - - **COMMUNION SERVICE**


WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 19 - ST. JANUARIUS
 (8:00 - - *Mass at Holy Trinity*)

THURS. - SEPT. 20 - ST. ANDREW KIM TAEGON
 6:45 - - **Albert Wessel** (Wickman Family)

FRIDAY- SEPTEMBER 21 - ST. MATTHEW
 8:15 - **Lillian Zosack** (Blythe and John Pariseault)

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 22 - IN HONOR OF BVM
 (8:00 - - *Mass at Holy Trinity*)

SUNDAY - SEPT. 23 - 25TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME
 6:00p (SAT) - **Joseph Lucas** (Ronald and Patricia Funk)
 8:00 - - **Amy Zlokas** (M/M John Wise)
 11:00 - - **Clare Richards** (M/M Cil Jabbour)



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PLEASE PRAY FOR PRIESTLY AND RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS
 AND FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-IN PARISHIONERS

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

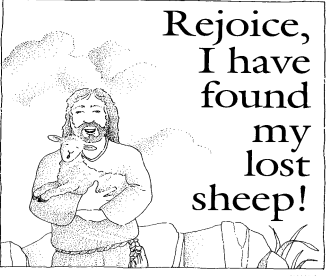
September 9th, 2007

\$ 3,263.00	-- Sunday and Monthly Envelopes
\$ 868.00	-- Annual Mission Appeal
\$ 467.00	-- Bishops Education Fund
\$ 930.00	-- Parish Share Program Contribution
PSP Assessment-2007.....	\$ 23,391.00
Amount Paid.....	\$ 20,609.00
Weekly Budget Expenses.....	\$ 4,390.00
Monthly School Subsidy.....	\$ 6,167.00

YOUR STEWARDSHIP IS PRAYERFULLY APPRECIATED.
 REMEMBER ST. AGNES CHURCH IN YOUR WILL.

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Rejoice with Me because I have found My lost sheep . . . Because I have found the coin that I lost . . . Because your brother was lost and has been found.” Luke 15: 1-32



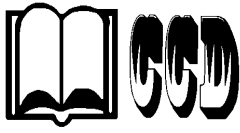
Rejoice, I have found my lost sheep!

“This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.” This complaint, voiced by the Pharisees and scribes in today’s Gospel, describes the behavior of the Lord Jesus throughout Luke’s Gospel. That behavior is no less true right here and right now. **Whether we like to admit it or not, each of us is a sinner. Each week the Lord gathers us around the table of the Eucharist to celebrate a feast of reconciliation. Here we know the love and forgiveness of God. Here we gather with others and are called to conversion of heart. Here, as at the tables at which Jesus ate with sinners, we know the fullness of God’s grace.**

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting an Order-wide “BLITZ” program on the weekend of October 6th and 7th to provide information about the benefits of membership. Please call 412-456-3018.

Please Pray for Our Beloved Sick

Jean Abels, Robert Andres, Rinehart Bost, Tom Dalton, Donald Floris, Edmund Gruber, Mary Elizabeth Hudick, Dorothy Kostovny, Margaret Lucas, Donald Minchoff, Genevieve Obringer, Marguerite Oeler, Dorothy Petrak, Carol Petrozza, Olga Pollock, Dorothy Ruscak, Rudy Saunders, Louise Smith, Paula Smith, Glenn Steimer, Marie Steiner, Aline Thomas, and Kathryn Yousko



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— *Today is Catechetical Sunday –Year 2007 –* —

“Catechetics” means the “Teaching of the **GOOD NEWS** of Jesus Christ”. These are the truths and guidelines and values which enable us to understand the meaning of life, and show us how to live and prepare ourselves for the eternal life to come. These teachings are collected in a “catechism” and the one who teaches them is a “catechist”.

Today has been designated as **CATECHETICAL SUNDAY** in our Diocese and the theme for this year is, “**ENCOUNTERING THE LIVING CHRIST.**” It is an annual reminder that our individual efforts to learn the Teachings of God must begin with the age of reason and end with death. **No one**, at any age in between, can ever say “I know enough”, or “there is nothing more for me to learn”. **Growth in the knowledge and love of Christ and His Teachings is a life-long process.** **May everyone here in our St. Agnes Parish be convinced of this, and show this conviction in a desire and a sincere effort to try to learn more.**

We urge you to listen to the **Sunday homilies at Mass** and apply what you hear to your daily living. Read faithfully the *Pittsburgh Catholic* newspaper that we distribute after the Masses. When we offer **Adult Education classes**, make an effort to attend them. If you are a parent with children, we encourage you to enroll them in our Parochial Grade School and Catholic High Schools. If they attend public schools, see to it that they are enrolled and attend regularly our CCD Classes. *Let’s all take our Faith seriously, and take seriously our need to be well-instructed in it.*

Parents are the first and most important teachers of the Faith for their children. To assist parents, but not to take their place, we provide religious education instructions in our Parochial School and CCD Classes. These instructions are given by trained and certified “catechists”. **Today in a special way we acknowledge them, and express our appreciation to them for the efforts they make. Our Parish catechists will be commissioned at our 8:00 a.m. Mass today, at which we will pray with and for them, and will be giving them a special blessing.**

Parents, please note that Catechism Classes are **every Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.** Classes are scheduled **between the Masses at St. Agnes, i.e., 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.—blessed opportunity of attending one of the Masses with your children.** Our religious classes include not only the teachings of the Church, but the practice of our faith, in our community and our homes. Thus, attending weekend Masses, we fulfill and integrate what we are taught and to celebrate in our offering of prayerful thanks and worship. Parents are the primary examples for their children in this endeavor.

- Sunday,* September 16th.....**CCD CLASSES BEGIN TODAY**, and commissioning of the teachers.
- Tuesday,* September 18th.....**HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS, 7:00 p.m.** in the church. Please join us.
- Thursday,* September 27th.....**HOLY HOUR, 6:00 p.m.** at Holy Trinity.
- Friday,* September 28th.....**INSTALLATION OF BISHOP DAVID ZUBIK**, at *St. Paul’s Cathedral.*
 — **NO CATHOLIC SCHOOL CLASSES THROUGHOUT THE DIOCESE** —
- Sunday,* September 30th..... **SPAGHETTI DINNER** from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m., *Social Hall.*
- Friday,* October 5th..... **FIRST FRIDAY**, Holy Hour/Benediction, *Holy Trinity, after 8:00a Mass.*
- Sunday,* October 7th..... **62nd INTERNATIONAL ROSARY MARCH**, *noon Mass at Epiphany Church, 1:15 p.m. Rosary March to St. Mary of Mercy, 2-3 p.m., Holy Hour, followed by refreshments in Lawless Hall.*

~~ *Our Catholic Schools* ~~

As we begin the 2007-2008 school year, please remember the value of Catholic education to the Church and wider community. This cost effective, quality education, committed to developing the whole person, is one of the strongest pillars of the Church. In “*Catholic Schools Make a Difference*” by Dr. John Convey study after study confirms that **students who graduate from Catholic schools are more likely to recognize the importance of faith in their lives and live according to the teachings of the Church.** Please consider sending your child to a Catholic school. **“Great Beginnings Last A Lifetime.”**