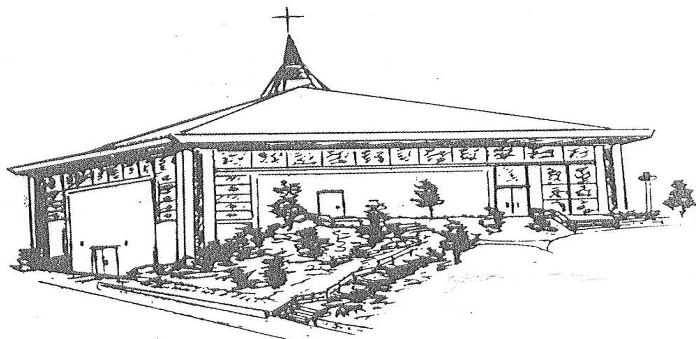


Saint Agnes Church



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ST. AGNES MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY - NOV 16 - 33RD SUNDAY OF ORD TIME

6:00pm (Sat) - **Margaret Lucas** (Janet Reddy)
8:00 -- **Joseph Lucas** (Thomas and Phyllis Sproull)
11:00 -- **Marie Block** (Maureen Kollar)

MON - NOV 17 - ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY

(8:00 -- *Mass at Holy Trinity*)

TUES - NOV 18 - DED.BASILICAS SS PETER/PAUL

6:45 - **Birthday for Fr. Michael Polak** (Irene Slezak)

WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 19 - WEEKDAY

(8:00 -- *Mass at Holy Trinity*)

THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 20 - WEEKDAY

6:45 -- **Albert A. Cominsky** (Family)

7:00p -- Beloved Deceased of St. Agnes Parish

FRIDAY-NOVEMBER 21-PRESENTATION OF BVM

8:15 - **Tim Conboy** (Phil and Family)

SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 22 - ST. CECILIA

(8:00 -- *Mass at Holy Trinity*)

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 23 - CHRIST THE KING

6:00pm(Sat)-**Michael Koehler**-birth (Ted/Carol Koehler)

8:00 -- **Joan Burt** (Bea Susan)

11:00 -- **Bill/Annette Micklo** (Daughter, Leslie & Family)

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**NOVENA TO MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP MONDAYS
AFTER THE 8:00 A.M. MASS AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**

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

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY - NOV 16 - 33RD SUNDAY OF ORD TIME

4:00 p.m. (Sat) - **George Tomko** (Marge Tomko)
9:30 a.m. – **Mary Perun-mon's mind** (Alan, Diane, Robert)

MON - NOV 17 - ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY

8:00 a.m.– **Deceased Members of Holy Trinity**

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8:00 a.m. - **Paul V. Pollack** (Niece, Dolly and Family)

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8:00 a.m. - **Dolores Soska** (Linda Killeen)

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 23 - CHRIST THE KING

4:00 p.m. (Sat) - **Robert Schorr** (Anna and Irene Fabian)

9:30 a.m. – **Mary Petro** (Helen Dudas)

HOLY DAY MASSES: As scheduled.

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays at 5:30 p.m., St. Agnes and Holy Trinity, Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. (or by appt.)

BAPTISM: By appointment. Pre-Baptism preparation required. Arrange before birth.

MARRIAGE: Arrange 6 months in advance.

SICK & SHUTINS: Please call the Rectory.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please register at Rectory.

November 16, 2008

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Since you were faithful in small matters
I will give you great responsibilities



THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

As we enter these final days of Ordinary Time, the scriptures begin to turn our attention to the end times. Saint Paul warns us that “the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night.” It is interesting to note that the season of *Ordinary Time* began way back in January with John the Baptist pointing to Jesus and declaring Him to be the “Lamb of God.” From the moment John sounded that announcement, the Lord Jesus has been our guide and leader calling us into greater discipleship. Today he asks us not to bury the treasures entrusted to us at baptism, but to invest those treasures—our gifts and talents—to help further the reign of God.

— Mark Your Calendar —

- Sunday*, Nov. 23rd....**MEN’S CLUB ROAST BEEF DINNER**, Holy Trinity Social Hall, from noon to 5:00 p.m. Adults \$8:00; Children \$3.00. Turkey raffle every hour. DESSERTS ARE NEEDED. Please bring desserts to Social Hall after Masses on Saturday and Sunday.
- Nov. 23rd....**FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING**—Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at **St. Agnes** at noon, closing with Solemn Benediction at 1:00 p.m. Solemn Benediction at **Holy Trinity** after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.
- Thursday*, Nov. 27th....**THANKSGIVING DAY, 9:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Trinity; and 10:00 a.m. St. Agnes**
- Wed.*, Dec. 03rd....**ONE DAY TRIP TO WHEELING-OGELBAY**. Total cost, \$35 per person. Interested parties, call George Mittleff, 412-466-5062.
- Saturday*, Dec. 06th....**CHEREGI SALE AT NOON** at Holy Trinity Social Hall; \$6.00 per dozen.
- Sunday*, Dec. 07th....**ADVENT MISSION AT BOTH PARISHES** through Thursday, December 11th.

Parish Pastoral Council of St. Agnes

At a very inspiring morning of *Discernment* on Saturday, November 8th, we had seven parishioners who came forward to serve as members of the *Parish Pastoral Council*. We thank *Marcy Earl, Lori Guthrie, Audrey Lesutis, Darla Rojas, Peg Smith, Rita Jennings, and Patty Klocko* for accepting this responsibility of leadership in St. Agnes Parish. They will be installed as the Pastoral Council on Sunday, November 30th at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.



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HEARTFELT SYMPATHY...to the family and friends of **ALBERT SAVOLSKIS**, father of St. Agnes parishioner, *Nancy Funas*; and **MARIAN NISSEN** and **DOLORES STANOSZEK**, both buried from Holy Trinity. *May our Heavenly Father embrace all our beloved deceased and number them among the elect at the banquet of Heaven.*

St. Agnes School has Lottery Calendars for sale for year 2009, \$20, by the PA daily lottery 3-digit #.

St. Agnes Blood Drive... The Central Blood Bank of Pittsburgh will be coming to our Parish to accept your blood donations **Sunday, November 30th**, in the Social Hall, **8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** Plan to donate if you can. **Must have I.D. (driver’s license, CBB donor card, or Social Security card).** Please call **Josephine Andres** at **412-466-9055**.



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— — *WINNER of the weekly FOOTBALL MANIA is FRED RILEY.* — —

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults - RCIA

The first Rite of the RCIA Program occurred today as **KAREN LIST** was accepted as a Candidate. Your prayers are asked for Karen as she journeys towards her acceptance into the faith community of St. Agnes. We also ask for your prayers for the *RCIA team members: Nancy Funas, Nancy Lapinski and Sister Cynthia.*



Collection Next Sunday— “Retirement Fund for Religious”

Annually, the appeal for the Retirement Fund for Religious is a *collection which is taken up nationwide to help the Religious Orders of Sisters, Brothers, and Priests to care for their retired members*. These older Religious, especially Sisters, worked for minimal salaries in the past and now need care which cannot be fully provided by the small number of Community Members who are now working full time. **So in charity, and in gratitude for their dedicated service to the Church and to parishes, the Bishops of the United States have established this annual collection.**

Please use the **special envelope** in your box/monthly packet of envelopes for the **2nd collection** next Sunday, **November 23rd** at all our Masses. *Please be generous according to your means, as God has been generous to you.*

You are the Church in your home You forgive and seek reconciliation.

When you do so, family members come to believe that, no matter what, they are still loved by you and by God.

Special Memorial Mass of Remembrance....*St. Agnes will have a special Mass in remembrance of their beloved deceased who have died during the past year on Thursday, November 20th at 7:00 p.m. We invite the family and friends of the deceased as well as parishioners who wish to offer prayers and remembrances for the beloved deceased of this past year. The names of our deceased of the parish will be announced at Mass and do request the families of the deceased to light the special candles as the names of their beloved deceased are called out.* During the month of the Poor Souls, the envelopes that were given in remembrance of the deceased have been placed on the altar and daily our deceased are remembered. *Throughout the month special Masses will be said for the beloved deceased of our parishes.*



Annual Parish Food Collection at Thanksgiving

St. Agnes Parish Liturgical Arts Committee will create a beautiful Thanksgiving display in front of the altar through Thanksgiving Day. It is an annual reminder to all of us of God’s goodness and bounty. But while we have enough to eat, **there are still people who are hungry and depend on the generosity of others.** And so each year at Thanksgiving, we ask our school children, as well as all adults, to donate a canned, bottled or packaged food item, which we then give to **The Intersection in McKeesport.**

Holy Trinity’s St. Vincent’s de Paul Society will host its **“Cash and Canned Goods”** collection drive for the poor. **Collections for the canned goods and cash offering will take place during the Offertory of the Mass.** *You can bring your cash donations to the altar at the same time.* The local food banks and food kitchens have seen an increase in the number of individuals who need your assistance. *Count your blessings and share with those who are less fortunate and need the generosity of our Thanksgiving outreach.*

— ADVENT MISSION —

Greg Trainor, Catholic Lay Evangelist, will be conducting an Advent Mission for the parishes of **St. Agnes and Holy Trinity** beginning on **Tuesday, December 9th** and continuing through **Thursday, December 11th.** The theme of our Advent Mission is **“WHAT CHILD IS THIS?”**



Each morning there will be mission talks at Holy Trinity parish at 11:00 a.m. and then, in the evenings the talks will be given at 7:00 p.m. at St. Agnes. On Monday, December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, at 8:15 a.m., at St. Agnes Church there will be a gathering of the School children and Greg, our speaker, will speak on the theme of the mission for the children following the Mass.

Prayerfully, we encourage all parishioners to attend these mission talks in preparation of the great feast of the **Nativity, the birth of our Lord and Savior.** There can be no greater opportunity to spiritually prepare for the holy days then by attending these mission talks throughout the week—**truly a blessing for us individually as well as for the faith community of our parishes.** *Let us begin to pray fervently for the success of this Advent Mission given by this highly respected evangelist who preaches throughout the country in his blest ministry.*

Isn't It Strange?

Isn't it strange...

how a 20 dollar bill seems like such a large amount when you donate it to church, but.. such a small amount when you go shopping?

Isn't it strange...

how 2 hours seem so long when you're at church and.. how short they seem when you're watching a good movie?

Isn't it strange...

that you can't find a word to say when you're praying but.. you have no trouble thinking what to talk about with a friend?

Isn't it strange...

how difficult and boring it is to read one chapter of the Bible but.. how easy it is to read 100 pages of a popular novel?

Isn't it strange...

how everyone wants front-row-tickets to concerts or games but.. they do whatever is possible to sit at the last row in Church?

Marriage Moments — *Studies indicate that the average couple spends only 20 minutes a day together.*

(Perhaps it only refers to direct relationship time; not sleeping, eating, chores).

How much time will you spend with your spouse today?

Do you need to increase "face time"?

All items for the *Sister's Place* will be collected during the month of November in the church lobby of St. Agnes.



FEAST OF
OUR LORD JESUS
CHRIST THE KING
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD

Please Pray for Our Beloved Sick
Holy Trinity

**Maria Alzo, Robert Burke, Eleanor Decker,
Harry Fraser, Steve Gaydos,
Mary Lisa Holzwarth, Nancy Jackson,
Ann Kostelnik, Diane Kovalsky, Ann Kurimsky,
Theresa Lovas, Elizabeth Mindas,
Mary Pavlik, Ann Sabo, Ray Shahan,
Debra Sievern, Margaret Svirbel,
Martha Vasil, Mary Wasilisin, Ann Yonek**

St. Agnes

**Jean Abels, Robert Andres, Rinehart Bost,
Alberta Buchleitner, Charles Burgman,
Irene Fontanese, Steve Grochalski,
Ann Gruber, Martha Gruber, Mary Elizabeth
Hudick, Dorothy Kostovny, Roberta Karichko,
Judy Matta, Genevieve Obringer, Robert (Pav)
Pavuchak, Dorothy Petrak, Olga Pollock,
Paul Poulos, Rudy Saunders, Monica Sinai,
Louise Smith, Paula Smith, Glenn Steimer,
Marie Steiner, Kathryn Yousko, Jerome Zosack**

Weekly Collections

ST. AGNES — November 9, 2008

\$ 4,833.00 - - Sunday and Monthly Envelopes
\$ 315.00 - - Parish Share Program Contribution
PSP Assessment-2008 \$ 25,486.00
Amount Collected PSP \$ 22,334.00
New sidewalk and cemetery wall..... \$ 10,000.00
Monthly School Subsidy \$ 6,167.00
REMEMBER ST. AGNES CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

~ YOUR LOYAL AND FERVENT STEWARDSHIP IS
PRAYERFULLY APPRECIATED ~

HOLY TRINITY — November 9, 2008

\$ 1,656.00 - - Sunday and Monthly Envelopes
\$ 699.00 - - Utilities
PSP Assessment-2008 \$ 21,741.00
Amount Collected PSP \$ 14,672.00
REMEMBER HOLY TRINITY CHURCH IN YOUR WILL