

Saint Agnes Church



& Holy Trinity Church

St. Agnes Administrative Center
622 St. Agnes Lane • West Mifflin, PA 15122-2925

ST. AGNES MASS INTENTIONS

SUN -APR 5 -PALM SUNDAY OF LORD'S PASSION

6:00pm (Sat) - Delena Bevan (Jim, Susan, David, Jason)
8:00 -- Leo Schaff (Daughters)
11:00 -- Living Benefactors of SVdP Soc (SVdP Society)

MONDAY -APRIL 6 - HOLY WEEK

(8:00 -- Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUESDAY - APRIL 7 - HOLY WEEK

6:45 -- Robert Brown (Irene Slezak)

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 8 - HOLY WEEK

7:00p -- Living and Deceased Members of St. Agnes

THURSDAY - APRIL 9 - HOLY THURSDAY

7:00p -- Charles Burgman (Jim and Suzann Bevan)

FRIDAY - APRIL 10 - GOOD FRIDAY

3:00p -- Good Friday Liturgy; and 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY - APRIL 11 - EASTER VIGIL

8:00p -- Living and Deceased Members of St. Agnes

SUNDAY - APRIL 12 - EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 -- Living and Deceased Members of St. Agnes
11:00 -- Rinehart Bost - birthday (Phil and Family)

ADMINISTRATOR, Rev. Joseph R. Grosko

PRINCIPAL, ST. AGNES SCHOOL

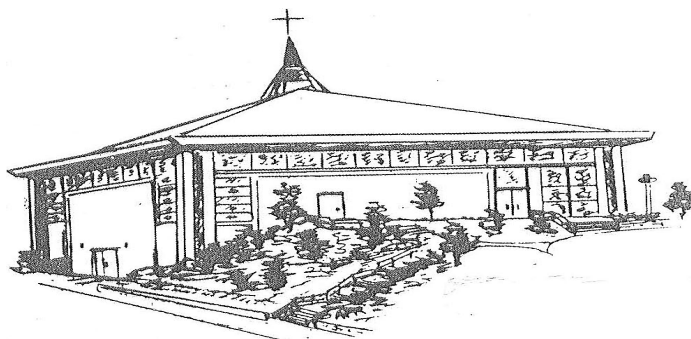
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NOVENA TO MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP MONDAYS
AFTER THE 8:00 A.M. MASS AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

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



Holy Trinity Administrative Center
529 Grant Avenue Ext. • West Mifflin, PA 15122-3830

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUN -APR 5 -PALM SUNDAY OF LORD'S PASSION

4:00pm (Sat) - Andrew Vasil (Martha Vasil)
9:30 -- Living Benefactors of St. Vincent de Paul Soc.

MONDAY -APRIL 6 - HOLY WEEK

8:00 -- Danica Novosel (Ann Kushan)

TUESDAY - APRIL 7 - HOLY WEEK

7:00p -- Penance Service

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 8 - HOLY WEEK

11:00 -- Joseph Bujdos (Ross Family)

THURSDAY - APRIL 9 - HOLY THURSDAY

4:00p -- Frank Kontul (Family)

FRIDAY - APRIL 10 - GOOD FRIDAY

1:30p -- Stations followed by Good Friday Liturgy

SATURDAY - APRIL 11 - EASTER VIGIL

(8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass at St. Agnes)

SUNDAY - APRIL 12 - EASTER SUNDAY

9:30 -- Edward Dzurcanin (Jim Matthias)
11:00 -- Living and Deceased Members of Holy Trinity

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.

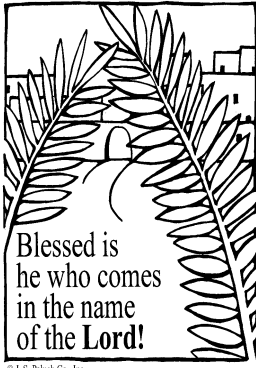
MARRIAGE: Arrange 6 months in advance.

SICK & SHUTINS: Please call the Rectory.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please register at Rectory.

April 5, 2009


Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Our Lenten journey of repentance and conversion today reaches the holy city of Jerusalem. During these Lenten days we have spent time with the Lord Jesus in the desert, seen Him transfigured on the mountaintop, and recalled time and again the covenant that God established with us through our baptism into Christ Jesus. Now we travel with the Lord Jesus through the gates of the city in which He will be betrayed, arrested, tried, tortured, and suffer capital punishment. This holiest of weeks beckons us to enter the paschal mystery once again. Let us enter this week with hearts willing to be transformed again by a paschal love that has the power to lift us from the grave of sin and into the light and life that come only from God.

— Mark Your Calendar —

- TODAY,* April 05th....PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION
- Tuesday,* April 07th.... PENANCE SERVICE, HOLY TRINITY, 7:00 p.m.
- Wed,* April 08th....WEDNESDAY EVENING MASS, ST. AGNES, 7:00 p.m.
Fr. Angelus Shaughnessy, O.M.F., c.a.p., well-known homilist, EWTN
- Sat,* April 11th....BLESSING OF BASKETS. Holy Trinity, 11:00 a.m.; St. Agnes, 12:30 p.m.
- Sunday,* April 12th....FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION AND RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS
- Monday,* April 13th....EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AT HOLY TRINITY
8:30 A.M. TO NOON WITH CLOSING BENEDICTION. 
- Sunday,* April 19th....DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY. Novena and Chaplet begins on Good Friday.
- Thursday,* April 30th....SUMMER FESTIVAL MEETING, 7:-00 p.m., St. Agnes Parish Center.



BETTER THAN EVER! *The Fish Fry of Holy Trinity and St. Agnes continues through Good Friday, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. (eat in or take out, 412-466-9695).*

— BAKED GOODS SCHEDULE: FRIDAY, APRIL 10TH, W-X-Y-Z —

If your last name begins with these letters, please bring your baked goods to Holy Trinity Social Hall.

Divine Mercy Novena and Chaplet begins on *Good Friday* and ends *April 19th, Divine Mercy Sunday.*

Pray For The Dead



HEARTFELT SYMPATHY - to the family and friends of **RINEHART W. (RINEY) BOST**, who was buried from St. Agnes Parish. *May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed be embraced by the Heavenly Father unto everlasting life.*

Our St. Agnes Ladies of Charity Visit Shut-ins - Every week five dedicated ladies of our Parish, together with one of our retired Sisters, visit parishioners who are homebound to chat with them, to pray with them, and to let them know that they are not forgotten. They are carrying out a *Corporal* as well as a *Spiritual Work of Mercy*. **Josephine Andres, Margaret Becze, Roberta Karichko, Mary Alice Stanicar, Nancy Tascarella and Sr. Edward** are commissioned members of our Ladies of Charity. *We commend and support them, and we would hope that more women of the Parish would consider joining this parish ministry which has its own rewards. It takes a commitment, and a bit of time, which God certainly rewards!* Any of our shut-ins or sick who are in need of a visit from the *Ladies*, please notify.

SIX-WEEK BIBLE STUDY—EASTER SERIES

Saint Clair of Assisi Parish in Clairton is holding a six-week Bible Study—Easter Series on the Book of Revelation. Classes begin **Monday, April 13th** through **Monday, May 18th** from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at **Saint Clare Center**. The cost is \$10 and includes the book. To register, please call the **parish offices at 412-233-7870.**

PALM



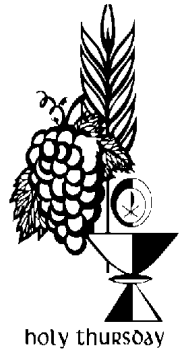
Holy Week, St. Agnes and Holy Trinity

PALM SUNDAY - The **blessed palms** you received today are a Sacramental and are a reminder that we are **followers of Jesus Christ**. Place the palm in a prominent place at home, like behind a crucifix, as a year-long reminder. And as we participated in **reading the Passion** today, may it be a week-long and a year-long **reminder** of what our **Divine Lord** had to suffer for our sins and overcome the sting of death.

PENANCE SERVICES - The *Penance Service* at **Holy Trinity** on Tuesday, **April 7th**, will be at **7:00 p.m.** Also, confessions before all 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. Saturday Masses.

HOLY THURSDAY - There is a **Mass of Chrism at 10:00 a.m.** at the **Cathedral** in Oakland to which all Catholics are invited. It is a beautiful experience. **Priests** of the diocese join the **Bishop in renewing their priestly commitment**. The **Holy Oils** (Oil of Catecumens, Oil of the Sick, and Chrism) which are used in the various Sacraments, are blessed by the Bishop and brought back to the parishes for the procession on the evening Mass.

At **St. Agnes**, **MORNING PRAYERS** will be at **9:00 a.m.** on **Thursday, Friday, and Saturday**. **Holy Trinity** will offer evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at **4:00 p.m.** and **St. Agnes** at **7:00 p.m.** The **Washing of Feet** will take place at **St. Agnes** immediately after the homily. The **collection** taken up at this Mass will become **part of our Rice Bowl offering** for the **needy and hungry**. After Mass there is an opportunity for **Adoration of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament** in **BOTH** churches until **11:00 p.m.** We encourage a visit with the Lord on this evening of adoration.



GOOD FRIDAY - At **Holy Trinity**, **Stations of the Cross** and **Good Friday Liturgy** which includes the **Passion**, the **Solemn Petitions**, **Veneration of the Cross** and **Holy Communion**, will begin at **1:30 p.m.** The **Good Friday Liturgy**, will be conducted at **St. Agnes** at **3:00 p.m.** At the Liturgy, the **special annual collection** will be taken up for the **Holy Land**. At **7:00 p.m.**, at **St. Agnes**, there will be **Stations of the Cross**, the **Passion of the Lord**, followed by individual **ADORATION OF THE CROSS** — and *remember*, this is a **day of fast and abstinence**.



HOLY SATURDAY - The **Easter Vigil Liturgy** which must begin in darkness, will begin this year at **8:00 p.m.** at **ST. AGNES** — It includes the *blessing of the new fire*, as well as *lighting of the Easter Candle*, *special readings*, the *reception into the Church of our RCIA candidate*, and concludes with the *Mass of the Resurrection*. **We will renew our Baptismal Promise** at this Mass as well as at all the **Easter Masses**.

EASTER SUNDAY - Though there are **three envelopes** for this day—including regular Sunday, and Easter Sunday—there will be **only two collections** for **April 12th**. Your *understanding and stewardship support* are needed and in particular, *we ask that your Easter gift for the parishes be a sign of your love for the Church*. As always, *I am prayerfully grateful for your generous and vigilant stewardship*. **May the Lord reward your support!**



—Your Lenten Folders are being asked to be returned as a remembrance of your almsgiving of Lent.—

55 Plus Club meeting is **Thursday, April 16th at 1:00 p.m.** Anyone **40 years or older** is welcome to join.

ST. AGNES CALENDAR PARTY.....Sunday, **April 19th**, **St. Agnes Social Hall**. Doors open at 12:00 noon. The **luncheon** will be served at **1:00 p.m.** The **cost is \$18** per individual or **\$16** per person for a table of eight. **Tickets** are on sale now **after all the St. Agnes Masses** or by **calling the School at 412-466-6238**.

WATERFRONT COUPON BOOKS.....for retailers only at the Waterfront are being sold. If you shop at the Waterfront and like saving money at stores such as *Giant Eagle* and *Dick's* or at restaurants such as *TGI Fridays*, *Damons*, *Mitchell's*, etc., this is the book for you —usable for the entire year. The cost is **\$20 per book**. The **sale ends April 7th**. Please contact **Sister Cynthia at 412-466-6238** with questions.

“ALWAYS FORGIVE YOUR ENEMIES. NOTHING ANNOYS THEM SO MUCH.” —*Oscar Wilde*

— **Decorating Schedule for Easter Holy Trinity Church** —

Wednesday, April 8th at 1:30 p.m., **Thursday, April 9th at 11:00 a.m.**, **Friday, April 10th at 5:00 p.m.**
Your help is needed for an hour or two. Many hands make our decorating task a joyful event.

Prayerful Thanks!

—Ever grateful for the many who helped to make my birthday a wonderful day by your warm greetings and expressions of support. The greeting cards were wonderful and in particular, one card expressed, *“If you believe that each of us was designed by God for a specific reason, then there is no such thing as an ‘ordinary’ person.”*

—As we come to the end of our annual *Fish Fry*, and it has been “the best ever”, a **heartfelt expression of thanks** is given for the many of both parishes who generously gave of their time, talents, and efforts—and the baked goods were just great! It truly was a community of joy and service on the part of both parishes. A **prayerful thanks to all** and in particular, **Jason Bevan** for accepting the responsibility of again chairing this outstanding endeavor.

—A **LITANY OF ACKNOWLEDGMENTS** can be made for the many who in the various ministries, activities, and fundraising events give generously of their time and talents for which *I can only give a daily promise of prayers and heartfelt remembrance in making my task of administering the parish less of a burden and ever encouraging in my joyful priestly ministry and above all, heartfelt appreciation in the presence of all the faithful.*

—**Legacy of Ed Dzurcanin...**After a number of years of a prayerful sickness, Ed came to the end of his earthly pilgrimage, but he did remember the parish of Holy Trinity in his will. **His generous benefice was recently received which enable us to make a final payment on the completed lighting in the Parish.** Thus, we did not need to borrow from our church savings and prevented further depletion. In heartfelt expression and prayerful remembrance, a number of Masses will be said for the repose of his soul. May the Heavenly Father reward him in the saving Mercy of His everlasting life.

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**SERVICE OF APOLOGY....**At 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday of Holy Week, April 7th, Bishop David Zubik will be leading a special Service of Apology at Saint Paul Cathedral in Oakland. If you, a loved one, a friend or a family member has been harmed in any way by the Church, please prayerfully consider attending. **When we forgive and are forgiven, we are healed. And when we are healed, we are healthy, strong and able to truly celebrate Easter, able to live the mission that God designed for each of us.**

## *Please Pray for Our Beloved Sick*

Weekly, the bulletin lists our sick, shut-ins, and hospitalized. *If you wish to add or alter this listing, please call the Parish Offices, so that we can have our special listing updated.* Your cooperation and prayers are appreciated.

### *Holy Trinity*

**Maria Alzo, Robert Burke, Marie Cmar,  
Eleanor Decker, Harry Fraser, Steve Gaydos,  
Mary Lisa Holzwarth, Betty Horgas,  
Nancy Jackson, Diane Kovalsky, Theresa Lovas,  
Mary Pavlik, Ann Sabo, Ray Shahren,  
Debra Sievern, Margaret Svirbel, Martha Vasil,  
Mary Wasilisin, Ann Yonek, Robert Zeok**

### *St. Agnes*

**Jean Abels, Robert Andres, Rinehart Bost,  
Alberta Buchleitner, Rene Dalton,  
Irene Fontanese, Steve Grochalski, Ann Gruber,  
Edmond Gruber, Martha Gruber,  
Mary Elizabeth Hudick, Dorothy Kostovny,  
Judy Matta, Genevieve Obringer,  
Catherine Olsakovsky, Robert (Pav) Pavuchak,  
Dorothy Petrak, Olga Pollock, Monica Sinai,  
Louise Smith, Paula Smith, Glenn Steimer,  
Marie Steiner, Jerome Zosack**

— *JOHN HOLZWARTH and others express their heartfelt thanks for your prayerful remembrance.*

## **Weekly Collections**

### **ST. AGNES — March 29, 2009**

**\$ 3,646.00** - - Sunday Offertory  
**\$ 130.00** - - Parish Share Program  
PSP Assessment-2009 ..... \$ 25,546.00  
Amount Collected PSP ..... \$ 2,357.00  
Total Utility Bill for January..... \$ 4,200.00  
Monthly School Subsidy ..... \$ 6,167.00

**REMEMBER NEXT SUNDAY 2ND COLLECTION,  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT**

~ YOUR LOYAL AND FERVENT STEWARDSHIP IS  
PRAYERFULLY APPRECIATED ~

### **HOLY TRINITY — March 29, 2009**

**\$ 1,745.00** - - Sunday Offertory  
**\$ 45.00** - - Parish Share Program  
PSP Assessment-2009 ..... \$ 24,285.00  
Amount Collected PSP ..... \$ 3,805.00

**MEMORIALS IN MEMORY OF YOUR LOVED ONES ARE  
BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE ONGOING PROJECTS**