

Saint Agnes Church



& Holy Trinity Church

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

ST. AGNES MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY – AUG 23 – 21ST SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

6:00p (Sat) - Amy Zlokas (Family)
8:00 - - Robert Andres (Ladies of Charity)
11:00 - - Bert Kovalsky (Aunt Sue and Uncle Jake)

MONDAY – AUGUST 24 - ST. BARTHOLOMEW (8:00 - - Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUESDAY - AUGUST 25 - ST. LOUIS OF FRANCE
7:00 - - Michael Slezak - birthday (Irene Slezak)

WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 26 - WEEKDAY (8:00 - - Mass at Holy Trinity)

THURSDAY - AUGUST 27 - ST. MONICA
6:45 - - Kathryn Yousko (Pete and Janet Dzurilla)

FRIDAY - AUGUST 28 - ST. AUGUSTINE 8:15 - - Students of St. Agnes School

SAT-AUG 29-MARTYRDOM OF JOHN THE BAPTIST
(8:00 - - Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUNDAY – AUG 30 – 22ND SUNDAY IN ORD TIME 6:00p (Sat) - Clare Richards-birthday (Richards Family)

8:00 - - Marie McElhinny (Ladies of Charity)
11:00 - - Special Intention (Joe and Loretta Sabol)

ADMINISTRATOR, **Rev. Joseph R. Grosko**
PRINCIPAL, ST. AGNES SCHOOL

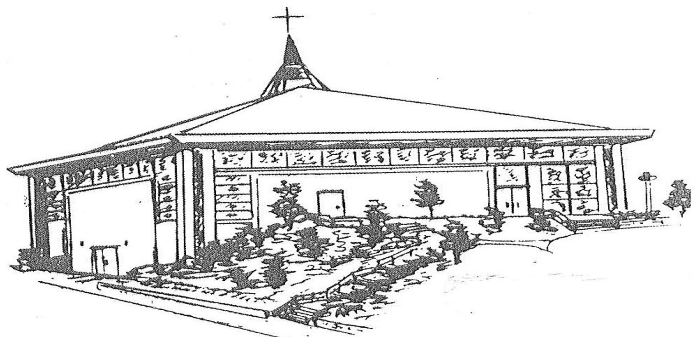
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NOVENA TO MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP MONDAYS
AFTER THE 8:00 A.M. MASS AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

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

SUNDAY – AUG 23 - 21ST SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

4:00 (Sat) - Ann Maydak (Larry Maydak)
9:30 - - John Sebest (Peter and Patricia Miljus)

MONDAY – AUGUST 24 - ST. BARTHOLOMEW 8:00 - - Margaret Yarosik (Alice Svirbel)

TUESDAY - AUGUST 25 - ST. LOUIS OF FRANCE
(7:00 - - Mass at St. Agnes)

WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 26 - WEEKDAY

8:00 - - Patricia Kushma (Erma Shaming & Cheryl Hart)

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FRIDAY - AUGUST 28 - ST. AUGUSTINE
(8:15 - - Mass at St. Agnes)

SAT-AUG 29-MARTYRDOM OF JOHN THE BAPTIST
8:00 - - Elizabeth Spirnak (Mary, Ray, Eleanor)

SUNDAY – AUG 30 - 22ND SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

4:00 (Sat) - Larry and Donna Day (Sisters)
9:30 - - Jodi Matta Dillinger (Family)

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.

August 23, 2009

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In both the first reading and the Gospel today, we hear the story of a people who recognized God's presence in their lives. In the first reading, time when the Israelites fled the this, Joshua swears, "As for me and In the Gospel, Peter recognizes *Each week we come to Mass presence of God in our lives and in recognition, coupled with our will-God's presence beyond the doors*



Joshua recalls God's protection during the yoke of their Egyptian captors. Because of **my household, we will serve the Lord.** Jesus as **"the Holy One of God."** *because we, too, have recognized the the celebration of the Eucharist.* This ingness to serve God, impels us to **extend of the church into our everyday lives.**

— Mark Your Calendar —

- Thursday, August 27th....First Day of School for St. Agnes School. (St. Agnes Mass begins at 6:45 a.m.)*
Friday, August 28th....Children's School Mass at 8:15 a.m., St. Agnes Church
Sunday, August 30th....Back to School Family Mass at 4:00 p.m. followed by picnic
Friday, Sept. 04th.....Children's School Mass at 8:15 a.m., St. Agnes Church
Sunday, Sept. 06th.....First Sunday of month begins St. Agnes Donut Sunday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass
Sept. 06th.....St. Vincent de Paul Meeting following the 9:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Trinity
Monday, Sept. 07th.....LABOR DAY, Holy Trinity Mass and Novena at 8:00 a.m., St. Agnes Mass 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 08th.....NATIVITY OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Sept. 08th.....TAKE FLAGS DOWN from Holy Trinity Cemetery
Sunday, Sept. 13th.....Opening Day of CCD at St. Agnes School, 9:00 to 10:45 a.m.
To enroll your child/children, please call Sr. Cynthia at 412-466-6238.
Sept. 13th.....Holy Trinity Men's Club Stuffed Cabbage Dinner, noon-5:00 p.m. Adults-\$8. Children-\$3 Haluski, \$3.00 a quart.

~~~ New Mass Schedule Begins August 27th ~~~

Daily Mass schedule for ST. AGNES will be at 6:45 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 8:15 a.m. on Fridays. On Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, the Masses will be at HOLY TRINITY at 8:00 a.m.
 —On Mondays at Holy Trinity, the *Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help* follows the Mass.—

This coming Tuesday, August 25th, the daily Mass at St. Agnes is scheduled for 7:00 a.m. and thereafter the daily Mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays at St. Agnes will be at 6:45 a.m. And every Friday, the Mass is at St. Agnes with the school children at 8:15 a.m. Become more Eucharist Parishes by your presence at our daily Masses.

Duquesne Appreciation Day....On Saturday, September 12th, the city of Duquesne will hold its annual Appreciation Day with the **parade beginning at 11:30 a.m. on Grant Avenue.** The day's celebration follows, noon-8 p.m., **with live entertainment and with a special kid's zone for the children.**



The St. Agnes School Year of 2009-2010

The school days will begin at St. Agnes on Thursday, August 27th with our *dedicated teaching staff under the steady and experienced leadership of Sr. Cynthia Wessel, Principal.* This coming Friday, the school children will participate in the *Eucharistic Celebration* as they will on **all the Fridays** of the school year in a *spirited, joyful and prayerful manner.* What a wonderful way to begin our school year at St. Agnes. If you wish to enroll your child/children in St. Agnes School—"THE MOLDER OF A CHRIST-CENTERED YOUTH"—room is available on all class levels, beginning with pre-school to the eighth grade. For enrollment or information, please call **Sister Cynthia, 412-466-6238.** We at St. Agnes Parish can be proud that we have such a Catholic school with a history of many years, wonderful graduates, and a tradition that extends over a hundred years. **We call upon all parishioners to be truly proud of our school and ever grateful for their continual and loving support.**

— CATHOLICS AND THE EUCHARIST —

Catholics need to examine their consciences prior to receiving Holy Communion. As the U.S. bishops said in their recent statement, "...like every Catholic generation before us, we must be guided by the words of St. Paul: 'Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the Body and Blood of the Lord' (1 Cor 11:27). This means that all must examine their consciences as to their worthiness to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. This examination includes fidelity to the moral teaching of the Church in personal and public life." It is an ancient teaching of the Church that we ought not receive Holy Communion simply because we are present at Mass. Please respect one's Catholic integrity. If we are not "properly disposed," if we are not in communion with Christ and the Church, we should refrain from receiving Holy Communion. This teaching is applicable to the average Catholic as well as to the Catholic politician.

Religious Program — CCD

On September 13th, the Catechetical Sunday of the Diocese, we will begin our Religious Program at the St. Agnes School from 9:00-10:45 a.m., giving the parents of the students the opportunity of attending Mass at either 8:00 or 11:00 a.m. If your child/children is not yet registered, please do come to the classes and call upon Sr. Cynthia for the proper registration in the classes. **All grade school children, 1-8, attending public school are expected to attend CCD classes on Sunday mornings throughout the year.**

—We are in need of volunteers in teaching the 5th, 7th and 8th grade CCD classes. If you are interested and have any questions in regard to helping our CCD program, please contact Sr. Cynthia, 412-466-6238.

Please Note, Envelope Users......Because of the increasing costs of envelopes and in mailing, we will establish a new policy of not sending envelopes to parishioners who give a dollar or less in the Sunday offerings. They will continue to be on our parish records and be privileged to receive the sacraments of the Church. If they wish, they can give their contributions in their own envelopes by placing their name and address on the outside of the envelopes. Hopefully, there is a clear understanding of why this policy needs to be established. Please note, your names will continue to be listed in our parish rolls and our hope is that we will better stabilize our finances for the present and for the future, and thus, being parishes that embrace all the faithful in our Steel Valley.

Also, anyone committed to having their children baptized or wish to be married in either parish, needs to be registered in our parish six months previous to receiving these sacraments. Again, we wish to emphasize the importance of belonging to an active and fervent faith community and being enrolled accordingly. **Otherwise, we are simply just available for sacraments and not nurturing a faith community in worship, communal activities and growing in the spirit of caring for and loving one another.**

Prayerfully grateful for the many in their faithful stewardship in fulfilling their pledges for our Parish Share Campaign and the many, who through the mail, send in their Sunday offerings. *With the understanding and faithful stewardship of all our parishioners, we can indeed stabilize our financial responsibilities.*

Prayerful Congratulations! St. Agnes Parish offers their sincere congratulations and God's blessings to Sr. Grace Fabich, former principal of St. Agnes School, as Sister celebrates her 50th anniversary of Religious Life. We also congratulate Sr. Irene Margaret Ellis, who spent six months of her Novitiate experience here at St. Agnes School. Sister made her Final Profession of Vows as a Sister of the Holy Spirit on August 15th.



PRAYER FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Spirit of God, fill our hearts with a desire to seek truth and rejoice in beauty.

Help us to know what is pleasing to you and to understand what is right and good in your sight.

Give us the spirit of learning that we may please you by our thoughts and love you in your creation.

Give all teachers your constant encouragement and guide them in their good work.

Keep all students and teachers safe and secure while at school.

Spirit of God, make us effective witnesses of your truth to all whose lives we touch.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen

YOUNG ADULTS OF THE PARISHES

In a preparatory meeting, in establishing a program for the coming months for our young adults, **the following dates and programs were developed:**

—On **Sunday, September 6th**, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass, a *donut and coffee social* will be held in the St. Agnes Social Hall.

—On **Wednesday, September 9th**, a *Potluck Housewarming Dinner* will be held at the St. Agnes Parish Center beginning at 6:30 p.m.

—On **Tuesday, October 6th**, a **VIDEO NIGHT and social** at 6:30 p.m. will be held at the Parish Center. A discussion will follow.

—*In November, two service projects are planned:*

1) **Saturday, November 14th**—a trip to the *Greater Pittsburgh Food Bank*; 2) Young adults will be responsible in working on and sending out gifts for the *Angel Tree of the Parish*.

—*In December, a social gathering is planned, but in our discussions with the group, a decision will be made of what project or activity will be forthcoming.*

All young adults of St. Agnes and Holy Trinity parishes are encouraged and welcome to join in these social gatherings and activities that are planned for the coming months. The success of this young adult ministry will depend on your presence and willing involvement.



Our Heartiest Congratulations to the family of **JOSHUA ADAM**, the child of *Joshua and Rachel Pastor*, baptized Sunday, August 16th at St. Agnes Church.

HEARTFELT SYMPATHY to the family and friends of **EDWARD MAGIERA**, father of *Ron (Carrie) Magiera*, parishioners of St. Agnes, and who was buried from Resurrection Church.



May all our beloved deceased be embraced by the Heavenly Father at the Banquet of Heaven.

Financial Results-Recent Summer Festival

With prayerful gratitude for the many volunteers and participants in our Summer Festival, we are able to report a profit of \$28,067.21. We still have a Pepsi refund with is forthcoming but not of a significant total. *A complete breakdown of the Festival figures will be given in the near future.* Again, *our hearty and prayerful thanks!!*

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,
Mary Cmar, Eleanor Decker, Harry Fraser,
Steve Gaydos, Mary Lisa Holzwarth,
Betty Horgas, Nancy Jackson, Diane Kovalsky,
Anne Kushan, Theresa Lovas, Mary Pavlik,
Ann Sabo, Ray Shahen, Margaret Svirbel,
Martha Vasil, Mary Wasilisin, Ann Yonek,
Robert Zeok**

St. Agnes

**Jean Abels, Jim Bevan, 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, Gerry Saracco,
Monica Sinai, Louise Smith, Paula Smith,
Glenn Steimer, Marie Steiner, Jerome Zosack**

— *CONTINUE TO REMEMBER OUR BELOVED SICK
IN YOUR PRAYERS AND VISITS* —

Weekly Collections

ST. AGNES — August 16, 2009

\$ 5,614.00 - - Sunday and Assumption Offertory
\$ 435.00 - - Parish Share Program
PSP Assessment-2009 \$ 25,546.00
Amount Collected PSP \$ 13,363.00
Monthly School Subsidy \$ 6,167.00

REMEMBER OUR PARISH SHARE PROGRAM CAMPAIGN

~ REMEMBER ST. AGNES CHURCH
AND HOLY TRINITY CHURCH IN YOUR WILL ~

HOLY TRINITY — August 16, 2009

\$ 1,842.00 - - Sunday Offertory
\$ 468.00 - - Feast of the Assumption
PSP Assessment-2009 \$ 24,285.00
Amount Collected PSP \$ 15,696.00

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