

# Saint Agnes Church



# & Holy Trinity Church

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

## ST. AGNES MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY – NOV 15 – 33RD SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

6:00p (Sat) - Ethel Wemm—anniv (Paul/Dolores Becker)  
8:00 -- Jim Fagan (Fedele Muraca)  
11:00 -- M/M Joseph Derooy (Tom Klocko)

### MON - NOV 16 - ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND

(8:00 -- Mass at Holy Trinity)

### TUES - NOV 17 - ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY

6:45 - Fr. Michael Polak - birthday (Irene Slezak)

### WED - NOV 18 - DED. - BASILICA OF PETER & PAUL

(8:00 -- Mass at Holy Trinity)

### THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 19 - WEEKDAY

6:45 -- Robert J. Andres (Jeff and Cecilia Egnitz)

### FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 20 - WEEKDAY

8:15 -- Beloved Deceased Members of St. Agnes

### SAT - NOVEMBER 21 - PRESENTATION OF BVM

(8:00 -- Mass at Holy Trinity)

### SUNDAY – NOV 22 – JESUS CHRIST THE KING

6:00p (Sat) - Betty T. Smith (Fontanese Family)  
8:00 - Special Intention-Jo Andres (Fedele/Ellie Muraca)  
11:00 - Elizabeth Mindas (Carol/Patrick Fleming & Fam)

ADMINISTRATOR, Rev. Joseph R. Grosko

PRINCIPAL, ST. AGNES SCHOOL

Sister Cynthia Wessel ..... 412-466-6238

## CONTACT INFORMATION:

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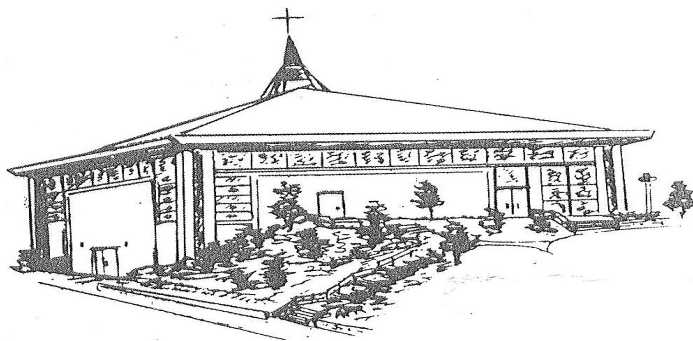
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NOVENA TO MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP MONDAYS  
AFTER THE 8:00 A.M. MASS AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

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



Holy Trinity Administrative Center  
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## HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

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4:00p (Sat) - Dolly Freeman (Ann Szucs)  
9:30 -- George Tomko (Marge and Family)

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4:00p (Sat) - In Thanksgiving for the “Noodle Gang”  
9:30 -- Jerome Swenglish (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.

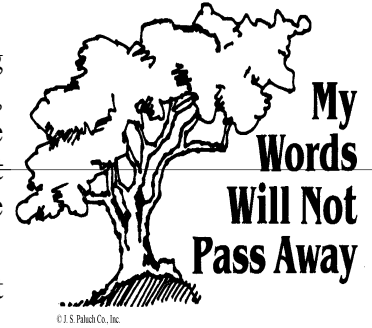
November 15, 2009

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In today's Gospel, we hear the series of events that will signal the coming of the Son of Man. "*Heaven and earth will pass away,*" Jesus tells us, "*but my words will not pass away.*" He is assuring us that the coming of the Son of Man will not signal the ultimate end. **The Lord promises us a life that will endure after this earth passes away.** Today's scriptures are fitting as we experience the ending of one year and stand at the threshold of another.

Name the ways that you have concretely served the Lord during this past year. What might the Lord be calling you to do in the coming year?



### — Mark Your Calendar —

- Wed,* Nov. 18th...**Holy Trinity Men's Club Meeting**, Holy Trinity Social Hall at 7:00 p.m.
- Sunday,* Nov. 22nd...**FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING**  
...**Holy Trinity Men's Club Roast Beef Dinner**, Holy Trinity Social Hall, 2:00-5:00 pm, \$8.00 Adults and \$4.00 children. **DESSERTS NEEDED** for this dinner.
- Thursday,* Nov. 26th...**THANKSGIVING DAY**, Holy Trinity Mass, 8:00 a.m., *St. Agnes* 9:30 a.m.
- Sunday,* Nov. 29th...**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
- Wed,* Dec. 02nd...**Holy Trinity Men's Club Meadows Casino and Tanger Outlets**. For reservations or further information, call *George Miteff*, 412-466-5062.
- Tuesday,* Dec. 08th...**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**, Holy Day of Obligation.
- Friday,* Dec. 11th...**Our Lady of Guadalupe Spanish Mass**, 7:00 p.m. at *St. Paul's Cathedral*.



***St. Agnes Blood Drive***...Last Sunday **26 units of blood** were collected. A sincere and prayerful "**Thank You**" to **Josephine Andres**, all who **donated** and any **volunteers** who were there to lend a helping hand. **God Bless You!!**

### ***Holy Trinity Men's Club Meadows Casino Trip***

**Holy Trinity Men's Club** is sponsoring a trip to the **Meadows Casino and Tanger Outlets** on **Wednesday, December 2nd**. *Coffee and donuts will be available in the church hall at 7:30 a.m.* The bus will depart for the casino at **9:00 a.m.** The bus will leave casino for the outlets at **3:00 p.m.** The bus departs the outlets at **5:00 p.m.** Call **George Meteff** at **412-466-5062** for reservations. The cost is **\$30.00 per person**. **The money is due by November 20th.**

**LOTTERY CALENDARS FOR 2010** are in. The price remains the same, **\$20**, for the entire year of 2010.

A **special thanks** to **Maloy-Schleifer Funeral Home** for sponsoring the calendars for us. The *calendars, gift cards* and *raffle tickets* are always on sale in *St. Agnes* social hall following the weekend Masses.

**ON SALE - THE NEW ADDITION OF THE ANNIVERSARY SLOVAK COOKBOOK** is on sale in the church offices of *St. Agnes* and *Holy Trinity*. The cookbook may be purchased throughout the week at the parish office of *Holy Trinity*. **The price is \$9.00.** *Yes, the cookbook is written in English.*

### ***On Thanksgiving Day, the St. Vincent de Paul Society...***

...will hold its annual "**Cash and Canned Goods**" collection drive. *Please bring dry and canned goods to church on Thanksgiving Day and present these gifts at the altar.* There will be a *cash collection* taken during the Offertory. For your convenience there will be a box in the back of church during November: *please feel free to bring your dry and canned goods anytime during November.* Count your blessings and share with those who are far less fortunate. **May God bless you for your charity and prayers.**

## ***Second Collection Next Sunday—Retirement Fund for Religious***

Next weekend's (November 21st/22nd) second collection will be the annual collection for Retired Religious. The title of this collection is a misnomer. Religious men and women don't actually retire. At a certain age, a compensated ministry ends. **Compensation that was paid directly to the religious community, rather than to the individual, is no longer available.** Therefore, they must seek another compensated or volunteer ministry. Contemplative religious never retire from prayer.

Now in its 22nd year, **this appeal was established to address unfunded "retirement" liability.** Catholic faithful have given more than \$460 million to this appeal. However, this amount is less than one-half of the cost of care that elderly women and men religious needed last year alone. **Religious communities are doing all that can, and they are reliant upon God's providence and the compassion of others.**

The lives of women and men religious are a powerful reflection on discipleship. **They have dedicated themselves to bringing joy to others, comforting those who mourn, ministering to the sick and to prisoners, helping to heal the broken hearted and much more.** *They face numerous financial challenges, yet they continue to live lives of hope, giving thanks in all circumstances.*

Your **generous contributions** to this second collection will be an **opportunity for you to help ease the genuine need of religious institutions** faced with spiraling health care costs.

***Heartfelt Thanks...*** Prayerful thanks for the **support of both parishes, St. Agnes and Holy Trinity**, in last Sunday's **TURKEY TROT BINGO**. A great time was had by all and hopefully, we can again have another bingo for the support of Catholic Education. ***Our gratitude for your presence and support in our needs for Catholic Education!***

### ***Marriage***



Prayerful and Hearty Congratulations!

Lawrence J. O'Leary and Sandra L. Kosko did exchange their marriage vows

Saturday, November 7th, at St. Agnes Church.

*May "they" and all married couples be enriched and blessed in their married lives!*

### ***Diocesan Adult Faith Formation Series...***

The Diocese of Pittsburgh is hosting its second in a series of talks focused on prayer and spirituality. **Dr. Susan Muto**, executive director of Epiphany Association, native of Pittsburgh and renowned speaker, author, and teacher, will give a presentation on ***"Practicing the Prayer of Presence,"*** **Tuesday, November 17th**, at **St. Paul Seminary Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.** —The lecture is **free** and all are welcome to attend.

***HEARTFELT SYMPATHY*** to the family and friends of **MARY (MINNIE) MAGERA**, sister of St. Agnes parishioner, **Margaret Becze**, and who was buried this past week. *May all our beloved deceased be embraced by the Heavenly Father at the Banquet of Heaven.*



### ***Two Envelopes in Packet for Special Collections in November***

**RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS** - This **annual collection** will be taken up at all the Masses on **November 21st and 22nd**. As we look on the history of the parish of St. Agnes, with the wonderful education and administration given by the Sisters of the Holy Spirit of the Diocese, it surely beckons us to respond to this annual appeal by being most generous and expressing our prayerful attitude in the continued, dedicated and wonderful reflection of the religious in our Diocese.

**CEMETERY CARE FUND** - The **first burial** in **St. Agnes Cemetery** was in **October, 1867**. ***All available lots have been sold years ago. There are lots available at Holy Trinity Cemetery.*** A **"Cemetery Care Fund"** is for **perpetual maintenance** of the cemeteries. Thus, included in your November monthly packet/box is a *special envelope* for this *Fund*. We invite parishioners, especially those who have relatives buried in the cemeteries, to contribute to this fund. **Any donation you make will be greatly appreciated.** *Just use the envelope in your monthly packet/box and drop it in the collection any time this month.*

*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?*

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***The Angel Tree Continues this week!***

The Angel Tree will be on display before and after all Masses through November 29th. Please stop by in the back of the church and pick one or more of the paper angel ornaments off the tree. **Items will be collected before and after all Masses November 28th-December 13th.** *Please leave items unwrapped*—you may include wrapping materials with your gift if you'd like or take an ornament with wrapping materials listed.

The gifts will be going to men, women, and children at the **Light of Life Rescue Mission** on the North Side. Questions-call *Ruthann Talbott, 412-460-1055.*

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***Free Stroke Screening (no insurance required)***  
**Friday, November 20th, 8:00 a.m.–noon,**  
**Jefferson Regional Medical Center,**  
**2nd Floor, Bibro Bldg. Registration is required.**  
**To register call 412-469-7100.**

## 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, John Holzwarth,  
Mary Lisa Holzwarth, Betty Horgas,  
Nancy Jackson, Diane Kovalsky, Anne Kushan,  
Theresa Lovas, Mary Pavlik, Ann Sabo, Ray  
Shahen, Margaret Shimko, Margaret Svirbel,  
Frank Tovlin, Martha Vasil, Mary Wasilisin, Ann  
Yonek, Robert Zeok**

### St. Agnes

**Jean Abels, Alberta Buchleitner, Rene Dalton,  
Irene Fontanese, Steve Grochalski, Ann Gruber,  
Edmond Gruber, John Gruber, Martha Gruber,  
Mary Elizabeth Hudich, Dorothy Kostovny,  
George Manns, Judy Matta,  
Genevieve Obringer, Catherine Olsakovsky,  
Dorothy Petrak, Olga Pollock, Gerry Saracco,  
Monica Sinai, Louise Smith, Paula Smith,  
Glenn Steimer, Marie Steiner, Jerome Zosack**

## Weekly Collections

### ST. AGNES — November 8, 2009

\$ 4,884.00 - - Sunday Offertory

\$ 550.00 - - Parish Share Program

PSP Assessment-2009 ..... \$ 25,546.00

Amount Collected PSP ..... \$ 18,378.00

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 — November 8, 2009

\$ 2,138.00 - - Sunday Offertory

\$ 692.00 - - Utilities

PSP Assessment-2009 ..... \$ 24,285.00

Amount Collected PSP ..... \$ 23,561.00

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