

# Saint Agnes Church



# & Holy Trinity Church

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

## ST. AGNES MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY - APRIL 10 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

6:00p (Sat) - Delena Bevan (Family)  
8:00 -- Clem and Aline Thomas (Son, Paul Thomas)  
11:00 -- Paula Anne Smith (Gary and Carolyn Smith)

### MONDAY - APRIL 11 - ST. STANISLAUS

(8:00 -- Mass at Holy Trinity)

### TUESDAY - APRIL 12 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

6:45 -- Don Turney (Virginia Greaney)

### WEDNESDAY - APRIL 13 - ST. MARTIN I

7:00p -- Beverly List (Lauren Gavon and Family)

### THURSDAY - APRIL 14 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

6:45 -- Betty Celumbis (Clement Jurica)

### FRIDAY - APRIL 15 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

8:15 -- Theresa Strzelinski (St. Agnes Sisters of H. Sp.)

### SATURDAY - APRIL 16 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

(8:00 -- Mass at Holy Trinity)

### SUNDAY - APRIL 17 - PALM SUNDAY

6:00p (Sat) - Elizabeth Kukta (Joe and Loretta Sabol)  
8:00 -- Josephine Ackerman (Linda Schwoeble)  
11:00 -- Bernadette Godek - Anniversary (Edward Godec)

ADMINISTRATOR, Rev. Joseph R. Grosko

PRINCIPAL, ST. AGNES SCHOOL

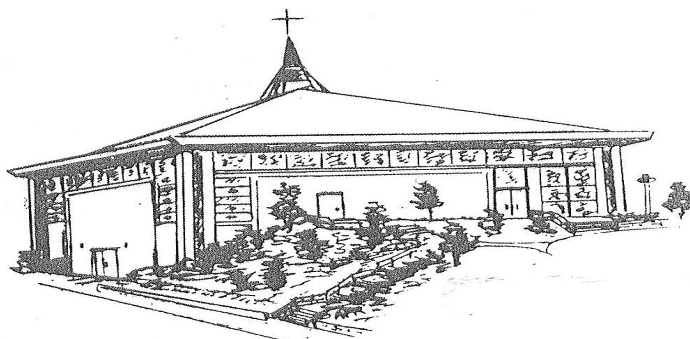
Sister Cynthia Wessel .....412-466-6238

## CONTACT INFORMATION:

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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



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## HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

### SUN - APRIL 10 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

4:00p (Sat) - Bob Rae (Family)  
9:30 -- Priam Family (Frances Bosser)

### MONDAY - APRIL 11 - ST. STANISLAUS

8:00 -- Mary Pastrick (Grofic Family)

### TUESDAY - APRIL 12 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

(6:45 -- Mass at St. Agnes)

### WEDNESDAY - APRIL 13 - ST. MARTIN I

11:00 - James Basden (Wargo Family)

### THURSDAY - APRIL 14 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

(6:45 -- Mass at St. Agnes)

### FRIDAY - APRIL 15 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

11:00 - Richard Mistick (William Mistick)

### SATURDAY - APRIL 16 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

8:00 -- Joseph Bujdos (Reilly Family)

### SUNDAY - APRIL 17 - PALM SUNDAY

4:00p (Sat) - Marjorie Brynes (Elaine Brynes)  
9:30 -- Living Benefactors of St. Vincent De Paul Soc.

**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.

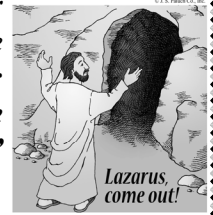
**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Please register at Rectory.

April 10, 2011

Fifth Sunday of Lent

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

We do not need to fear death. God emphasizes this in the first reading: **“O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them.”** God wants us to believe this: **“I will put my spirit in you that you may live.”** Paul confirms this in the second reading, informing us that our mortal bodies will be raised from the dead because Christ dwells within us, and **“the Spirit of the One who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you.”** In the Gospel, we get convincing proof: *when Jesus assures Martha that her dead brother, Lazarus, will rise, Martha says she believes that Lazarus will eventually rise with the resurrection on the last day.* But Jesus surprises her by replying that **believers never die because eternal life begins now, the instant we believe.** **“I am the resurrection and the life . . . Everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?”** Then, as though trying to convince her, **Jesus calls Lazarus out of his tomb!**



### Holy Land Good Friday Collection

From the daily news, we all know of the *challenges in the Middle East*. Christians in the Holy Land urgently need our help. **You can help fellow Catholics in the cradle of Christianity** through your generosity during the **Good Friday Collection**. **Thank you** for *supporting the works of the Catholic Community and helping to protect the Holy Places and Christian Shrines*. May the Lord reward your concern and support!

### — MARK YOUR CALENDAR —

TODAY,	April	10th... <b>ST. AGNES CALENDAR PARTY</b> , doors open at noon.
Sunday,	April	17th... <b>PALM SUNDAY OF OUR LORD'S PASSION</b>
	April	17th... <b>ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING</b> , after 9:30 a.m. Mass, Holy Trinity.
	April	17th... <b>PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING</b> , after the 11:00 a.m. Mass, St. Agnes.
Tuesday,	April	19th... <b>HOLY TRINITY PENANCE SERVICE</b> , 7:00 p.m.
Wed,	April	20th... <b>ST. AGNES PENANCE SERVICE</b> , 7:00 p.m.
	April	20th... <b>HOLY TRINITY MEN'S CLUB MEETING</b> , 7:00 p.m.
Sat,	April	23rd... <b>EASTER VIGIL: Holy Trinity, 7:00 p.m.</b> <b>St. Agnes, 8:00 p.m.</b>
Sunday,	April	24th... <b>EASTER SUNDAY, FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION</b>
Monday,	April	25th... <b>CONSECRATION OF THE NEW AUXILIARY BISHOP OF DIOCESE</b> , St. Paul Cathedral, 2:00 p.m.

**St. Agnes Pastoral Council Meeting**—April 17th, *Palm Sunday*, after the 11:00 a.m. Mass in the School. *We will also be meeting with the Finance Council.* There will be some **important agenda items**.

### St. Agnes School News

—St. Agnes will hold a **Spirit Night** at Red Robin on **Monday, April 18th**. A flier will be in the bulletin on April 17th. **Present the coupon for 20% of your purchase to be donated to St. Agnes School.**

—St. Agnes School will be holding a **Spirit Day** at **Handel's Ice Cream Shop** on Lebanon Church Rd. **Stop buy and purchase some ice cream and 20% will be contributed to St. Agnes School.** A flier will be in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.



**BETTER THAN EVER!** *The Fish Fry of Holy Trinity and St. Agnes* is on every Friday of Lent, including **Good Friday, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.** (eat in or take out, 412-466-9695), at Holy Trinity Social Hall. Do support St. Agnes School and the School Subsidy of Holy Trinity. **Looking forward to seeing our parishioners and friends.**

— **BAKED GOODS SCHEDULE: FRIDAY, APRIL 15TH, A-M** —

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



***Next Sunday Is Palm Sunday — Beginning of Holy Week***

**BLESSING OF PALMS** - will take place at all the weekend Masses, as those in attendance hold them. At ST. AGNES, before the Saturday, 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses, you may gather in the Social Hall or body of the church after receiving your palms on entering for the Divine Services.

At HOLY TRINITY, the solemn procession of palms will be at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. The Gospel for this day is the *Passion of the Lord* and as you stand for the reading, please hold your palms in hand.

**FOOD FOR THE POOR, TODAY**

*This weekend of April 9/10, Reverend Gus Gordon* will speak at all the services about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Father Gordon will share what he has witnessed about Food For The Poor's mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another. **Father Gordon was ordained in 1969 and belongs to the Archdiocese of Castries in St. Lucia.** He worked with a hands-on ministry in Alabama and has preached on behalf of Food For The Poor for 21 years. **His message for the poor is appropriate and needs to be heard by all those in difficult and trying times and our loving support for them.**

**PENANCE SERVICES** will be held at *both parishes*: ST. AGNES, Wednesday, April 20th, 7:00 p.m. with Fr. Edward Litavec, *Retired Priest of the Diocese*, as the homilist and a number of priests assisting with individual confessions. HOLY TRINITY Penance Service, Tuesday, April 19th.

*The Sacrament of Penance restores our friendship with our Lord and Savior.* It is the interior healing that is so necessary in our spiritual life and in our relationships with one another. Thus, confession is our answer and truly contributes to our spiritual development and in our daily struggles and difficulties.

**Weekly, confessions are heard a half hour before the Saturday evening Masses.** At Holy Trinity, they begin at 3:30 p.m. and then at St. Agnes confessions will begin at 5:30 p.m. *Personal appointments can be made with the priest for individual confessions at the penitent's convenience.* Also, your **Easter duty** can be made during these times and up until the 19th of June, that is, Trinity Sunday.

**Holy Trinity Church Decorating Schedule:**

*Saturday, April 16th, at 9:30 a.m.;* *Wednesday, April 20th, immediately after 11:00 a.m. Mass.*  
*Thursday, April 21st, at 11:00 p.m.;* *Friday, April 22nd, immediately after services*



**FCSLA MEETING** - Members of the **First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association (Zenska Jednota)** Branch #107 are invited to the Pittsburgh "Okres Meeting" on Sunday, May 1st in the Church Hall at Holy Trinity.

We will be hosting the Pittsburgh District Branches with **lunch at 1:00 p.m.** followed by the meeting.

**Reservations must be in by April 14th.** Please call **Dorothy Vehc Welsh** at **412-462-3175.**

**HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS, ST. AGNES CHURCH, TUESDAY, APRIL 12TH, 7:00 P.M. PLEASE JOIN US.**

**Palm Sunday, St. Vincent de Paul Collections**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society exists to help those in need. To assist the Society in their work, the second collection on Palm Sunday weekend will be for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. **In appreciation for your kindness, the Holy Trinity Mass on Palm Sunday is dedicated to the Living Benefactors of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.** (NOTE: THIS IS A LOOSE COLLECTION FOR BOTH PARISHES; THERE ARE NO ENVELOPES FOR THIS COLLECTION.)

ALSO, the St. Vincent de Paul Society will do their **EASTER VISITS to the sick and homebound starting on Palm Sunday.** If you or someone you know is sick, in the hospital or nursing home and would like a visit, please let us know. Please contact the SVdP Society (412-656-7447) or call the parish office.

## PRICELESS

A well-known priest had been invited to speak at a parish mission. The church was packed and all eyes were on him as he started his presentation. He looked around the congregation and took something out of his pocket. Everyone could see he was holding up a one-hundred-dollar bill. He asked, ***“Who would like to have this hundred-dollar bill?”*** People looked at each other and wondered if this was some kind of trick, but hands started going up. He said, ***“I am going to give this one hundred dollars to one of you, but first, let me do this.”*** Holding both hands up high he crumpled the bill up into a small tight ball. He then asked, ***“Who still wants it?”*** More hands went up in the air. ***“Well,”*** he replied, ***“What if I do this?”*** And he dropped it on the ground and started to grind it into the floor with his shoe as hard as he could. When he picked it up, everyone could see the money was all crumpled and dirty. ***“Now who wants it?”*** Almost every hand was in the air.

*“My friends, today you have all learned a very valuable lesson because, in spite of what I did to it, this bill has not lost any of its value. It is still worth one hundred dollars.” Many times in our lives, we are dropped, crumpled, and ground into the dirt by the decisions we make and the circumstances that come our way. When you don’t live up to God’s love for you, you may even feel as if you are worthless. But **no matter what has happened or what will happen in your life, you will never lose your value in God’s eyes. Whether you are dirty or clean, crumpled or finely creased, you are still priceless to God.**”*

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## White Elephant Sale

The **White Elephant Sale** will *not* be scheduled during the *Summer Festival of St. Agnes*, Friday and Saturday, July 29th and 30th but at a **date in June**.

**We are still in need of your items for this sale, but the White Elephant Sale will be scheduled at a future date in June with the drop-off details.**

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**Adult Volunteers Needed at Jefferson Regional Medical Center...** Help is needed to comfort patients, serve in Guest Shop, information centers, etc. Day, evening, or weekend hours. Training and orientation is provided. To share your talents with others, please contact the *Volunteer Office*, **412-469-5885**, or email at [voluteer@jeffersonregional.com](mailto:voluteer@jeffersonregional.com).

## 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, visits, and daily prayers are deeply appreciated.

### Holy Trinity

**Maria Alzo, Patricia Brevko,  
Mary Lisa Holzwarth, Betty Horgas,  
Diane Kovalsky, Anne Kushan,  
Justine Mantich, Dolly Monda, Ethel Palyo,  
Mary Pavlik, Ann Sabo, Ray Shahan,  
Margaret Shimko, Margaret Svirbel,  
Martha Vasil, Ann Yonek, Robert Zeok**

### St. Agnes

**Jean Abels, Alberta Buchleitner,  
Patricia DeLuca, Florence Dugan,  
Irene Fontanese, Steve Grochalski,  
Ann Gruber, Edmond Gruber,  
John Gruber, Martha Gruber,  
Mary Hanchak, Mary Elizabeth Hudick,  
Roberta Karichko, Robert Kosko,  
Dorothy Kostovny, Victor Merritt,  
Laura Pasternak, Dorothy Petrak,  
Brian Saunders, Rudy Saunders,  
Delphine Schaff, Teresa Schaff, Glenn Steimer,  
Marie Steiner, Rose Ann Thomas**

## Weekly Collections

### ST. AGNES — April 3, 2011

\$ 5,848.00 - - Sunday Offertory/Japan Collection

\$ 1,019.00 - - Parish Share Program

PSP Assessment-2011 ..... \$ 22,232.00

Amount Collected PSP ..... \$ 6,873.00

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 — April 3, 2011

\$ 2,833.00 - - Sunday Offertory/Japan Collection

\$ 1,209.00 - - Parish Share Program

PSP Assessment-2011 .....\$ 22,074.00

Amount Collected PSP .....\$ 2,825.00

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