

Saint Agnes Church



& Holy Trinity Church

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

ST. AGNES MASS INTENTIONS

SUN - JULY 17 -16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:00p (Sat) - Alice Stanicar (Husband, Vince Stanicar)
8:00 - - Bob Johns, Sr (Michael and Marsha Beresh)
11:00 - Susanne and Leo Snyder (Aimee Tokarski)

MONDAY - JULY 18 - ST. CAMILIUS DE LELLIS

(8:00 - - Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUESDAY - JULY 19 - WEEKDAY

7:00 - - Joseph A. Lapinski (Ladies of Charity)

WEDNESDAY - JULY 20 - ST. APOLINARIS

(8:00 - - Mass at Holy Trinity)

THURS - JULY 21 - ST. LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI

7:00 - - Gal "Rusty" Stinner (Jeff and Pat Deardorff)

FRIDAY - JULY 22 - ST. MARY MAGDALENE

(8:00 - - Mass at Holy Trinity)

SATURDAY - JULY 23 - ST. BRIDGET OF SWEDEN

(8:00 - - Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN - JULY 24 -17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:00p (Sat) - Andrew Grosko (Margaret Baker)
8:00 - - Fr. George Jurica (Clem Jurica)
11:00 - Joseph A. Lapinski (Jack and Fran Walters)

ADMINISTRATOR, Rev. Joseph R. Grosko

PRINCIPAL, ST. AGNES SCHOOL

Sister Cynthia Wessel412-466-6238

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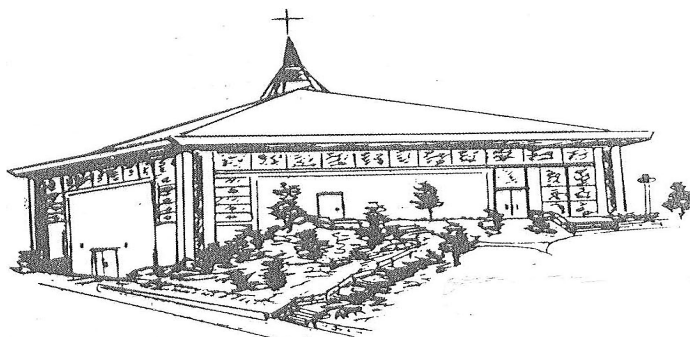
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NOVENA TO MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP MONDAYS
AFTER THE 8:00 A.M. MASS AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

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



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

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUN -JULY 17 -16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p (Sat) - Helen & Martin Krupinski (Scahill Family)
9:30 - - 40th Wedding Anniv – Bill & Beverly Kelmickis

MONDAY - JULY 18 - ST. CAMILIUS DE LELLIS

8:00 - - Joseph Kocheran (Debbie, Mike, Brian, & Katie)

TUESDAY - JULY 19 - WEEKDAY

(7:00 a.m. Mass at St. Agnes)

WEDNESDAY - JULY 20 - ST. APOLINARIS

8:00 - - Dolores Stanoszek (Vojtusak Family)

THURS - JULY 21 - ST. LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI

(7:00 a.m. Mass at St. Agnes)

FRIDAY - JULY 22 - ST. MARY MAGDALENE

8:00 - - Joseph Svirbel (Grandchildren)

SATURDAY - JULY 23 - ST. BRIDGET OF SWEDEN

8:00 - - Roy Martin (Soltis Family)

SUN -JULY 24 -17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p (Sat) - Francis Kahler (Family)
9:30 - - Matthew Gasparovic (Wife, Mary)

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.

July 17, 2011

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

If you've ever desired that an offensive person be punished quickly, you will appreciate today's Gospel. **Jesus tells a parable in which a farmer sows good seed in His field, but His enemy sows weeds in that same field.** As the weeds grow amidst the wheat, the farmer forbids his workers to pull up the weeds, instructing them instead to wait until harvest, when the weeds will be aerated and burned. *Jesus teaches that the world is composed of both good and bad people. Instead of judging others, He wants us to pray for them, to repent ourselves, and be patient until Judgment Day. At that time all wicked people will meet a fearful end, while believers will be gathered into God's house.* By the way,

The kingdom of heaven is like a farmer who sowed good seed

we may count our blessings that God delays judging us today, when we are perhaps far from grace! We give thanks for this aspect of God's love in the first reading. "With much lenience you govern us."

— MARK YOUR CALENDAR —

- Thursday, July 21st..... **SLOVAK DAY AT KENNYWOOD**
- Fri/Sat, July 29/30..... **ST. AGNES SUMMER FESTIVAL**
- Monday, Aug 15th..... **ASSUMPTION OF THE BVM**
- Monday, Sept 5th..... **LABOR DAY**
- Sunday, Nov 27th..... **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

PLEASE NOTE: ALL PHONE CALLS CAN ONLY BE RECEIVED AT HOLY TRINITY PARISH OFFICE, 412-466-6545.

WRAP-UP MEETING FOR THE ST. AGNES SUMMER FESTIVAL WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 19TH IN ST. AGNES SOCIAL HALL AT 7:00 P.M. ALL ARE WELCOME TO ASSIST IN THE ENDLESS DETAILS IN PREPARATION FOR THE FESTIVAL.

Holy Trinity Men's Club - Rivers Casino Trip - Wednesday, August 3rd. Cost is \$23. Bus *departs from Holy Trinity* at 9:00 a.m. and *departs Rivers Casino* at 4:00 p.m. *Coffee and donuts before departure.*
DEADLINE: JULY 25TH. Call George Miteff at 412-466-5062.

Slovak Day, Thursday, July 21st, Kennywood Park

Father Thomas Burke, Good Shepherd in Braddock, will grace his presence on Slovak Day and be in attendance at our concelebrated **Mass at 4:00 p.m. at the Kennywood Pavilion.** We encourage those of Slovak heritage to honor his presence and to gather in solidarity with one another in the proclamation of our Slovak Day. A number of priests of the surrounding dioceses will be concelebrating and Fr. Burke and Fr. Martin Stefanec, S.V.D., are the homilists at the Mass. ***Your presence will honor this wonderful gathering.***

All-day Fun Tickets for the Park are on sale at the **Holy Trinity Parish Office** for \$22 (55+ pays \$12). Special Kennywood **coupons for those 70+ years** (pay \$8.50) are available at the Holy Trinity Parish Office.

CCD Classes Moved

St. Agnes and Holy Trinity will no longer be holding CCD classes at St. Agnes beginning this fall. Parents have the choice of having their children attend at either **Holy Spirit** or **St. Rita** classes. We do not have enough children attending the classes to hold them individually any more. Both of these programs are good programs that can offer the children a better religious education. **However, the Sacraments, First Holy Communion and Confirmation** will continue to be received at the perspective parishes of St. Agnes and Holy Trinity. *Holy Spirit and Resurrection/St. Rita are on the same rotation as we are for the Sacrament of Confirmation.* **We wanted to offer our children the best religious formation and we feel a wise and prayerful decision has been made.**



St. Agnes Annual Summer Festival in 2 Weeks

This is our ***one big annual parish fundraiser***. Over the past several years we have realized a profit of about \$30,000 each year from this parish effort. We certainly need **patrons** who spend, but they cannot spend unless there are **workers** in the various booths. So, please help!

If you are a long-time parishioner, we appreciate what you did in the past — **but, we also need your help now!** If you are school parents, **we need your help, because this profit keeps your tuition down!** And if you are a parishioner who has not yet helped, **we need you to give some time!** Please sign up in the Social Hall.

Not only is help needed on the 2 days of the Festival, but also on the few days leading up to it—for example:

KITCHEN HELP – on Thursday and Friday mornings, to bread fish, cut buns, and make general preparations.

GROUNDS SET-UP HELP – on Wednesday and Thursday nights, to prepare booths, set up tables, wire lights, etc. (Help is also needed after the Festival on Saturday night to tear down and clean up.)

CHINESE AUCTION - Still need items for baskets—*gardening, liquor, Steelers, scratch lottery tickets and religious.* Please leave items at the convent or social hall marked for “Chinese Auction.”

So, PLEASE, everyone, make a commitment to help SOMEWHERE.

SPONSORS - We are still looking for individuals and business outlets to contribute to our recognized sponsor listing.

— **SIGN-UP POSTERS IN SOCIAL HALL FOR FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS** —

Those Raffle Tickets!! All parishioners have received ***two sets of raffle tickets*** in your personal envelope. ***Please sell what you can and perhaps make an added effort to sell more.*** Remember the raffle ticket sales are a large input of our **profit for the “Summer Festival” of 2011.** Your **presence** at the “affair” and **selling raffle tickets** are prayerfully appreciated. ***Please return all unsold tickets either through the mail or the offertory collection.*** — ***And yes, there are extra tickets available if you need more to sell.*** —

Pictorial Directory

We are going to put together a new Pictorial Directory for both parishes. We are asking all families to be photographed for the directory. We use this directory so often to identify people. **Photography dates** will be on ***August 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th at St. Agnes and August 30th and 31st, and September 1st at Holy Trinity.*** There will be more days later. We want to fill these slots up now and then will be able to add slots later. **We ask for you to sign up in early July either by phone (1-877-764-4535), or on-line click on the link on St. Agnes’s website (stagneswm.com) or sign-up in the social hall after the Masses on July 23rd, 24th, August 6th and 7th at St. Agnes and August 6th, 7th, 13th and 14th at Holy Trinity.** You must sign-up to be photographed. ***Families of four (4) or more are asked to take two consecutive time slots.*** Our volunteers will be present at the sign-ups after the Masses to answer your questions and to help you out. By being photographed you will receive one **free 8X10 portrait** and one **free directory.** You can arrange your own packages for purchase. **Checks, cash, credit and debit cards will be accepted on the day of being photographed only.**

HEARTFELT SYMPATHY...to the family and friends of **SISTER MARION STEINER,**

sister of St. Agnes parishioner, ***Marie Steiner.*** *May our Heavenly Father embrace all our beloved deceased and number them among the elect at the banquet of Heaven.*



Off to Vacation-Land?

As summer approaches and you are going away on that long-awaited, well-deserved vacation, please do not forget about us! Before you leave, please remember that your parish still has to pay the bills; bills sent by vendors who do not take vacations from sending them! **Please put your envelopes in the collection before you leave or mail them.** ***Your contributions are greatly appreciated!***

Also, include plans to **attend Sunday Mass while you are on vacation.** **Have a safe, happy and healthy vacation!** There is a free ministry to traveling Catholics. For nationwide Mass times and location, call **MASS TIMES (1-734-794-2100)** or visit the Internet at ***www.masstimes.org.***

Pope Benedict's Reflection On the Christian Family

“Everyone knows that the *Christian family* is a special sign of the presence and love of Christ and that it is called to give a specific and irreplaceable contribution to evangelization. Blessed John Paul II, said that the “Christian family is called upon to take part actively and responsibly in the mission of the Church in a way that is original and specific, by placing itself, in what it is and what it does as an **“intimate community of life and love,”** at the service of the Church and of society.

The *Christian family* has always been the first way of transmitting the faith and still today retains great possibilities for evangelization in many areas. **Dear parents**, commit yourselves always to teach your children to pray, and pray with them; draw them close to the Sacrament, especially to the Eucharist, and introduce them to the life of the Church; in the intimacy of the home do not be afraid to read the sacred Scriptures, illuminating family life with the light of faith and praising God as Father. Be like a little Upper Room, like that of Mary and the disciples, in which to live in unity, communion and prayer.

By the grace of God, many *Christian families* today are acquiring an ever deeper awareness of their missionary vocation, and are devoting themselves seriously to bearing witness to Christ the Lord. Blessed John Paul II once said: “*An authentic family, founded on marriage, is in itself ‘good news’ for the world.*” And he added: “*In our time the families that collaborate actively in evangelization are ever more numerous...the hour of the family has arrived in the Church, which is also the hour of the missionary family.*”

In today's society, the presence of exemplary Christian families is necessary and more urgent than ever. Unfortunately, we are forced to acknowledge the spread of secularization which leads to the exclusion of God from life and the increasing disintegration of the family.

Dear families, be courageous! Do not give in to that secularized mentality which proposes living together as a preparation, or even a substitute for marriage. Show by the witness of your lives that it is possible, like Christ, to love without reserve, and do not be afraid to make a commitment to another.

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,
Anna Cmar, Marie Cmar, Helen Gambal,
Mary Lisa Holzwarth, Betty Horgas,
Joseph Kirch, Diane Kovalsky, Anne Kushan,
Agnes Magdic, Justine Mantich, Dolly Monda,
Ethel Palyo, Mary Pavlik, Ann Sabo,
Ray Shahen, Margaret Shimko,
Margaret Svirbel, Martha Vasil, Margaret
Wooddell, Ann Yonek, Robert Zeok**

St. Agnes

**Jean Abels, Josephine Andres,
Alberta Buchleitner, Gabrielle CiFaldi,
Patricia DeLuca, Florence Dugan,
Irene Fontanese, Steve Grochalski,
John Gruber, Martha Gruber, Mary Hanchak,
Mary Elizabeth Hudick, Gene Johnson,
Roberta Johnson, Roberta Karichko,
Marilyn Koehler, Robert Kosko,
Dorothy Kostovny, Victor Merritt,
Laura Pasternak, Dorothy Petrak,
Jean Saunders, Brian Saunders,
Rudy Saunders, Glenn Steimer,
Marie Steiner, Rose Ann Thomas, Jack Walters**

Weekly Collections

ST. AGNES — July 10, 2011

\$ 4,568.00 - - Sunday Offertory

\$ 429.00 - - Parish Share Program

PSP Assessment-2011 \$ 22,232.00

Amount Collected PSP \$ 12,037.00

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 — July 10, 2011

\$ 2,465.00 - - Sunday Offertory

\$ 202.00 - - Parish Share Program

PSP Assessment-2011 \$ 22,074.00

Amount Collected PSP \$ 8,397.00

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