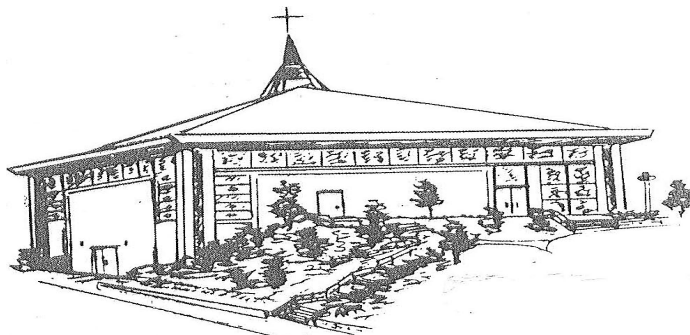


Saint Agnes Church



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ST. AGNES MASS INTENTIONS

SUN - FEBRUARY 12 - 6TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

6:00p (Sat) - - William M. Lesko, Sr. (Wife, Mary Ann)
8:00 - - Roberta Karichko (Vince Stanicar)
11:00 - - Roy Cochrane (Wife and Family)

MONDAY - FEBRUARY 13 - WEEKDAY

(8:00 - - Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUES - FEB 14 - SS. CYRIL, MONK, & METHIDIUS

6:45 - - Mary Jean Maresch (Diana Maresch)

WED - FEBRUARY 15 - WEEKDAY

(8:00 - - Mass at Holy Trinity)

THURSDAY - FEBRUARY 16 - WEEKDAY

6:45 - - Jim Romanoski (Frey Family)

FRI - FEB 17 - SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS-SERVITES

8:15 - - Patty Hart (Patty and Glenn Hart)

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 18 - IN HONOR OF BVM

(8:00 - - Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN - FEBRUARY 19 - 7TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

6:00p (Sat) - Ralph & Rose Biagiarelli - Birthdays (Children)
8:00 - - Gal "Rusty" Stinner (Ed & Catherine Manns Fam)
11:00 - - Robert Conley (Nettie Conley and Family)

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUN - FEBRUARY 12 - 6TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

4:00p (Sat) - - William and Helen Kelmickis (Family)
9:30 - - John J. Sabol (Mary Sabol)

MONDAY - FEBRUARY 13 - WEEKDAY

8:00 - - Ann Matthias (Jim Matthias)

TUES - FEB 14 - SS. CYRIL, MONK, & METHIDIUS

(6:45 a.m. Mass at St. Agnes)

WED - FEBRUARY 15 - WEEKDAY

8:00 - - Anna Gripp (Evelyn & Joseph Tkach, Jr.)

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(6:45 a.m. Mass at St. Agnes)

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SAT - FEBRUARY 18 - IN HONOR OF BVM

8:00 - - Mary Gasparovic - (Sister Marie Joanita Fedor)

SUN - FEBRUARY 19 - 7TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

4:00p (Sat) - - Ann McCollum (Marie Kapples)
9:30 - Health of Mary Lisa Holzwarth (Mother, Flo Husfelt)

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

Sister Cynthia Wessel412-466-6238

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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 FIRST AND THIRD MONDAYS
AT 7:30 PM IN ST. AGNES CHURCH
EVERYONE IS INVITED AND WELCOME

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.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Of all the diseases that were considered repulsive in the time of Jesus, leprosy was the worst. People with the disease would be required to declare themselves “unclean” before the entire community, and then be subjected to quarantine and ostracism. Leprosy is not a disease that is easily passed on to others; the quarantine was primarily about the observance of the laws concerning ritual purity. Anything or anyone who was blemished or imperfect in any visible fashion was automatically deemed incapable and unworthy of God’s holiness.



Jesus breaks down this barrier by his willingness to make the leper clean and restore his human dignity. We likewise are blemished and imperfect by our sin against God and neighbor. Like the leper, we beg Jesus to **make us clean** and to **restore our dignity**. **His forgiveness and healing are ours if we but ask for them.** *Do you take advantage of the opportunities each day to be clean and whole in God’s presence?*

— MARK YOUR CALENDAR —

- Tuesday, February 14th...SAINTS CYRIL AND METHODIUS, VALENTINE’S DAY*
Wed, February 15th...HOLY TRINITY MEN’S CLUB MEETING, 7:00 p.m.
Sat, February 18th...NIGHT AT THE RACES, St. Agnes Social Hall. Doors open at 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, February 19th...PARISH SHARE CAMPAIGN BEGINS FOR 2012
Wed, February 22nd...ASH WEDNESDAY. Penitential Season of Lent begins.
*Sat, February 25th...Important meeting of all new and old Eucharistic Ministers and
Lectors from both parishes, 11:00 am in St. Agnes Social Hall.*
Sunday, March 11th.....DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME begins.
Sunday, April 1st.....PALM SUNDAY, Distribution of Palms to all parishioners.
Sunday, April 8th.....EASTER SUNDAY, Resurrection of Our Lord.

Holy Trinity’s Seneca Allegheny trip scheduled for April 10th, 2012 open to all by calling George at (412) 466-5062 to reserve your spot. Deposit of \$100 due March 1st, 2012 for your personal reservation.

ARE YOU INTERESTED? WHEN 70% OF CATHOLICS DON’T GO TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY, ISN’T IT TIME WE DID SOMETHING? We need bold new initiatives to capture people’s attention and convince them of the genius and relevance of the Catholic faith. One such initiative is the **Dynamic Catholic Parish Book Program** which is **energizing parishes** and **inspiring Catholics**. As part of this Program and the *new evangelization*, St. Agnes and Holy Trinity parishes would like to **give as a GIFT to every family who attends Mass on Ash Wednesday and the following Sunday a copy of the BOOK Rediscover Catholicism** written by Matthew Kelly to the availability of the books that are ordered. There is an overwhelming response to the content of the book.

We are hoping that **hundreds of faithful parishioners and our welcome returning home Catholics and guests** will have their **faith taken to a new level** by accepting and reading this book. The Dynamic Catholic Parish Book Program makes **books available for just \$2, and we have ordered 500 copies**. These are **not small booklets** or pamphlets. These books usually retail at \$17.95 each and are some of the **bestselling Catholic books of our time**. We can obtain **Rediscover Catholicism** through this Program. Your donation for the book in the Offertory collection will be deeply appreciated.

Diocesan-Wide Parish Share Program begins February 19th, 2012

The annual "Parish Share Program," as we all know, is the way that our Bishop obtains funds from the parishes to run various diocesan programs that benefit the entire diocese. He does this with a "tax" on our ordinary income, at a rate of 17.6%. But instead of taking this amount directly out of our parish income, each parish is asked to "raise" that amount from parishioners, **in addition to their ordinary contributions**. **St. Agnes assessed 2012 PSP goal is \$24,998. Holy Trinity assessed 2012 PSP goal is \$24,248.**

And so each February as our Parish Share Program begins, let us please note our goals. In our parishes, payments are made through the **golden Parish Share Envelope** in the monthly packet of envelopes. On the first Sunday of the month, the **second collection will be for the Parish Share** envelopes. Yes, there are many envelopes in your packet, but please remember you have the entire month to address these needs of the Parish.

If a parish collects **more** than its goal, (*thank God and to you personally, both parishes were able to reach their goals*), that money is not kept by the diocese, but is put into the parish's Savings Account as **income that is not taxable the following year**. Many parishes are raising huge amounts as Parish Share Payments over and above their goals, and for them it's like an annual **fundraiser—and it could be for us!**

So that we can meet our parish share goal, I ask each wage earner and envelope user of St. Agnes and Holy Trinity to contribute \$20 per month for 10 months or a total of \$200 for the Parish Share Program.

A MOTHER'S CONCERN AND ALSO FOR ALL OF US

"My teenage son will not go to confession. How can I help him understand the importance and the need for this sacrament?" It seems to me that not only teenagers fail to appreciate the reason why **Christ instituted the Sacrament of Reconciliation-Penance**, but this has become evident for Catholics of all ages. There is sin in the lives of all of us; teenagers in particular may have the tendency to deny the need for the sacrament because of shame, guilt, embarrassment, etc., to openly admit to their sinfulness. **Most Catholics do not appreciate the therapeutic as well as the spiritual value of this beautifully given sacrament.** The more frequently one confesses sins the better the chance for spiritual growth within the individual. The teaching of the Church is that all mortal sins must be confessed. Good example is the most powerful teacher; therefore, in answering the mother's concern, her own frequent confession is witnessed by the son. **Unfortunately the sense of sin is lacking in our culture.** It is not surprising that we find this in our teenage sons and daughters. Self-esteem is important to teenagers, They need to feel forgiven, to feel loved, and especially by the merciful Lord Jesus. The Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation rekindles one's importance in the eyes of the ever-loving God.

— ST. VINCENT'S EXPRESSION OF HEARTFELT THANKS ---

What would we do without you! The past year has been another busy one for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Economic conditions and lack of funding have increased the need for many in the area, and the need continues to grow. However, we are blessed with the generosity, support and prayers of many benefactors - you - and that has eased our work greatly. **We thank you for your support and we ask for your continued prayers. In appreciation, there will be a candy treat for you after Mass; please help yourself, with our thanks.** *Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul*

ST. AGNES STUDENTS EXPRESS APPRECIATION

The recent service project of the students of St. Agnes School for the needy and homeless was a great success as it generated endless packages of toothbrushes, toothpaste, mouthwash, dental floss, bars of soap, men's and women's deodorant, individual packs of Kleenex, shampoo, combs, hand sanitizer, denture tablets, --the list continues--in giving support to the many who are in greater need than we can imagine. May the Lord bless you **for your unconditional support and know St. Agnes students express their prayerful thanks.**

In addition, six of the students served lunch at Intersection and 16 spent the morning working at the Food Bank along with four Sisters of the Holy Spirit and Mrs. Guthrie. As the climax of Catholic Schools Week, a collection of \$905 was garnered for our Souper Bowl Sunday. *Prayerfully grateful for your generous giving.*

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## **WHAT PARENTS CAN DO TO FOSTER VOCATIONS AND CHRISTIAN VALUES**

Some parents talk directly about vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Others simply try to help their children learn Christian values. Here are some suggestions parents and families can do to foster vocations.

- Talk positively and enthusiastically about activities of priests and religious.
- Encourage role playing for the very young, help them to think about ways in which they can care for and help people.
- Make prayer a normal part of family decision-making, with the recitation of the Holy Rosary.
- Look for opportunities to share with those who have less. Teach children to learn.
- Discuss your response when a neighbor is sick, unemployed lonely or misunderstood.
- Encourage your children to volunteer their time, talents and gifts.
- Pray always for those in dire need.
- Speak about your life as a vocation — as a husband or wife, father or mother.
- Set aside family time each week — give each child time to share and answer their questions.
- Give children opportunities to lead prayer and to pray in their own words.
- Invite priests and religious into your home.
- Challenge young adults to look at church-related vocations. Tell them about gifts of ministry you see in them.
- Ask your children's friends what they are thinking about for life choices. They may not say anything, but on the other hand, they may pick up your interest and be more prepared to talk to you than to their own parents.
- Take part in parish activities together as a family and in particular, Mass attendance.

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**A special insert of our Lenten Services will be forthcoming in next week's bulletin and also the various Lenten activities for our penitential season. On Wednesdays of Lent we will have scheduled Masses at 7:00 pm at St. Agnes Parish.**

## 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, Betty Clark,  
Anna Cmar, Marie Cmar, Helen Gambal,  
Mary Lisa Holzwarth, Mary Kertis,  
Joseph Kirch, Diane Kovalsky,  
Agnes Magdic, Ethel & Larry Maydak,  
Justine Mantich, Ethel Palyo,  
Mary Pavlik, Ann Sabo,  
Ray Shahen, Margaret Shimko,  
Margaret Svirbel, Martha Vasil, Robert Zeok**

### St. Agnes

**Jean Abels, Josephine Andres, Marie Beney,  
Alberta Buchleitner, Nettie Conley,  
Patricia DeLuca, Florence Dugan,  
Irene Fontanese, Edward Godec,  
Steve Grochalski, John Gruber,  
Martha Gruber, Mary Elizabeth Hudick,  
Gene Johnson, Roberta Johnson, Richard  
Jordan, Marilyn (Koehler) Kepes, Mary Kosko,  
Robert Kosko, Dorothy Kostovny,  
Joe Milko, Marguerite Oeler, Laura Pasternak,  
Dorothy Petrak, Clara Riley, Brian Saunders,  
Rudy Saunders, Glenn Steimer, Marie Steiner,  
Rose Ann Thomas, Paul Thomas**

## Weekly Collections

### ST. AGNES — February 5, 2012

\$ 4,638.00 - - Sunday Offertory

\$ 1,041.00 - - Parish Share Campaign

PSP Assessment-2012 ..... \$ 24,998.00

Amount Collected PSP ..... \$ 1,041.00

Monthly School Subsidy ..... \$ 6,167.00

**PRAYERFULLY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP**

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

### HOLY TRINITY — February 5, 2012

\$ 2,564.00 - - Sunday Offertory

\$ 1,140.00 - - Parish Share Campaign

PSP Assessment-2012 .....\$ 24,248.00

Amount Collected PSP .....\$ 1,140.00

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