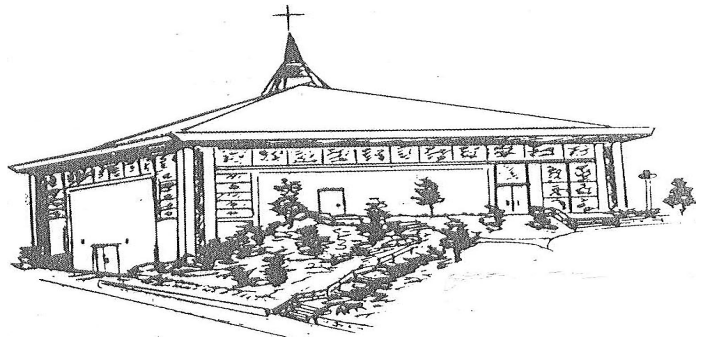


# Saint Agnes Church



# & Holy Trinity Church

St. Agnes Administrative Center  
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## ST. AGNES MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY - APRIL 15 - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

6:00p - Elizabeth Kukta (Joe and Loretta Sabol)  
8:00 - Victor Merritt (Dolly Hackett)  
11:00 - Nick Bracco (Family)

### MONDAY - APRIL 16 - EASTER WEEKDAY

(8:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Trinity)

### TUESDAY - APRIL 17 - EASTER WEEKDAY

6:45 - Father Ben - Special Intention

### WEDNESDAY - APRIL 18 - EASTER WEEKDAY

(8:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Trinity)

### THURSDAY - APRIL 19 - EASTER WEEKDAY

6:45 - Raymond Milko (Dubyak Family)

### FRIDAY - APRIL 20 - EASTER WEEKDAY

8:15 - Michael Slezak - Anniversary (Irene Slezak)

### SATURDAY - APRIL 21 - EASTER WEEKDAY

(8:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Trinity)

### SUNDAY - APRIL 22 - THIRD SUNDAY of EASTER

6:00p - Gal "Rusty" Stinner (Joe & Donna Milko)  
8:00 - Mark Vash (Alco Parking Corporation)  
11:00 - Mr. & Mrs. Henry Czaikowski (Pat DeLuca & Family)

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 1ST & 3RD MONDAYS, 7:30 PM, ST. AGNES CHURCH

EVERYONE IS INVITED AND WELCOME

HOLY DAY MASSES: As scheduled.

## HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY - APRIL 15 - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

4:00p (Sat) - - John Jasek Family (Joe & Mary Ann Lewis)  
9:30 - - Grace Tarczy (Family)

### MONDAY - APRIL 16 - EASTER WEEKDAY

8:00 - - Mary Karas (Family)

### TUESDAY - APRIL 17 - EASTER WEEKDAY

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

### WEDNESDAY - APRIL 18 - EASTER WEEKDAY

8:00 - - Helen Galvanek (Family)

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

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(8:15 a.m. Mass at St. Agnes)

### SATURDAY - APRIL 21 - EASTER WEEKDAY

8:00 - - Marianne Genes (Family)

### SUNDAY - APRIL 22 - THIRD SUNDAY of EASTER

4:00p (Sat)-Stella Kovac (Daughters, Mary Ann Bednar and  
Patricia Dudash)  
9:30 - Joseph Dudas (Helen Dudas)

**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.

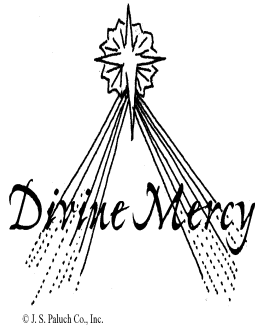
**SICK & SHUTINS:** Please call the Rectory.

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

**DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE HOTLINE**  
1-888-808-1235

April 15, 2012

Second Sunday of Easter



## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER—DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

**First Reading:** *Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35*

The first Christian community shared their possessions, and no one was needy.

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalm 118:2-4,13-15,22-24*

The Lord's mercy endures forever.

**Second Reading:** *1 John 5:1-6*

Those who love God keep his commandments.

**Gospel Reading:** *John 20:19-31*

We've often heard the phrase, "If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is."

It's a warning to us to beware of someone or something that has yet to be seen or confirmed. Our instinct is to doubt because we don't trust the person or the product. **Today's Gospel emphasizes the journey of faith.** Thomas reminds us that doubt sometimes is a part of having a committed faith in Jesus. The apostles shared the news of Christ's resurrection with Thomas, but he allowed the darkness of the Crucifixion to blind him to the reality of the Lord's promise of victory over sin and death. Thomas felt that the Resurrection was too good to be true--that death had conquered Jesus forever. Thomas struggled with this, and yet in his struggle he embraced a deeper, lasting faith. He did not come to believe because he touched the Lord's wounds. Thomas' faith in Jesus was prompted by the Lord's invitation, "Do not be unbelieving, but believe." **Like Thomas, we too sometimes allow the disappointments of life to consume us. But also like Thomas, we hear the Lord's call to faith and believe.**

***Do you think Jesus' promise to bring good out of a seemingly disappointing event or situation is too good to be true? Do not be unbelieving, but believe!***

### ~~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~~

Sun, April 15th.....DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Wed, April 18th.....MEN'S CLUB MEETING, Holy Trinity Social Hall, 7 pm

Sat, April 21st.....CHEREGI SALE, Holy Trinity Social Hall, 2 pm, limit 3 dozen per person

Sun, April 22nd.....CALENDAR PARTY benefiting St. Agnes School, doors open at noon, luncheon begins at 1 pm, tickets \$20 for a seat, \$144 for a table of 8 (\$18 a seat)

Wed, April 25th.....FEAST of ST. MARK, Evangelist

Sun, April 29th.....HOLY TRINITY MEN'S CLUB STUFFED CABBAGE DINNER, 1 - 5 pm, Holy Trinity Social Hall, adults \$9, children \$4

Tue, May 1st.....FEAST of ST. JOSEPH the WORKER

Sun, May 13th.....MOTHER'S DAY

Fri, July 27th, and Sat, July 28th.....ST. AGNES PARISH FESTIVAL

**Prayerful and Heartfelt Congratulations** to the three young people and one adult who completed the *process of Christian initiation* and were brought into the Faith Community of St. Agnes at the Easter Vigil. **Kenneth Johnson** was baptized, received his First Holy Communion, and was confirmed with the added Confirmation name of **James**. The three young people who were initiated through Baptism into the Faith Community of St. Agnes were **Noah John Coppola, Sebastian Paige Darrah,** and **Samantha Krista Hindman**. Also **Samantha** and **Sebastian** did make their First Communion with the reception of the Lord. We welcomed them with great joy as we celebrated with them their entrance into our Faith Community. May our community continue to pray that the seed of glory given to all of us and, particularly, to our newly baptized, be ever nurtured and watered by our prayerful life, gathering in the Eucharistic celebration and ever giving support to each and every member of our Faith Community.



## ***Heartfelt Thanks to the Communities of Holy Trinity and St. Agnes***

Our **Holy Week Liturgies** were ever so impressive as the **Church celebrates the Divine Life** in focusing upon the central theme of our faith, namely, the **Resurrection of our Lord**. Helping to highlight this awesome truth is the greater number of parishioners who came to the services and the countless hours of involvement from the many of our ministries which assured the prayerfulness and the devotional beauty of the liturgies; namely, the **Worship Committees, Music Directors and Choirs, Liturgical Arts Committees, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Altar Servers, Sacristans**, and the **endless volunteers on all levels**, and **all individuals who, directly or indirectly, involved themselves** in adding to the spiritual richness of this past Holy Week and Easter Sunday. Not only was the attendance outstanding, but the *contributions of the many collections was truly a blessing for the Parishes*. Yes, we can pay our bills and continue to meet our Parish Share commitment, by your faithful stewardship. ***May the Lord bless those who give so cheerfully of their time, talents, and gifts. Yes, you are truly lovable Faith Communities!***

### **VICAR VISITS**

Frederick Cain, VF, the Vicar of our vicariate #2, will be making a pastoral visit to both St. Agnes and Holy Trinity parishes. The visit for Holy Trinity will be on Friday, June 22nd, and then for St. Agnes on Friday, June 29th. All staff members are asked to make themselves present and available beginning at 2:00 pm. Fr. Cain will convene a meeting with all office staff, music ministers, sacristans, and maintenance personnel. At 4:00 pm, he will meet with the administrator of both parishes. At 6:30 pm, he will meet jointly with both pastoral council and finance committee members of each parish. In the coming weeks, there will be a series of meetings with all concerned parties and, in particular, with the pastoral councils and finance committees. In the near future, individual letters will be sent out to the concerned members who will be attending the meetings with Fr. Cain. Prayerfully, those who represent the various committees will be available for these meetings and respond as you have in the past in the full-hearted support of our community.

### ***Paschal Candle***

***Prayerfully grateful*** to Betty Clark and Bea Susan who donated to this year's Paschal Candles in memory of their beloved husbands. Betty with her daughters has given the Paschal Candle at Holy Trinity **in memory of RAYMOND CLARK**. Bea Susan and her family have given the Paschal Candle at St. Agnes **in memory of JOHN SUSAN**. *May the souls of Ray and John be embraced by the Heavenly Father in the divine ecstasy of everlasting love and peace until all eternity*. Yearly, donations are sought by the parish for the beautiful Paschal Candles, ever representative that each of us are called to the Light of Christ.

***Truly the Paschal Candle symbolizes the Light of Christ among us,  
a Light that scatters the darkness of sin and death!***



**Alleluia!  
Christ  
is  
risen!**

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The wonderful success of our ***Holy Trinity/St. Agnes Fish Fry*** was made possible by the excellent leadership skills of **Jason Bevan**, who coordinated all the needed efforts of the hardworking and giving **volunteers of both parishes and the children of St. Agnes School**. Their willingness to give of the many hours in *perseverance, dedication, and joyful service*, truly made for Faith Communities in cooperative service. And then, the “icing on the cake” were the **donations in the diversity of baked goods given by the wonderful bakers of both parishes**, and also, those from **other parish communities which were just as delicious!**

*And to each and every one of you who made the Fish Fry a joyful blessing, and that is the volunteers and the patrons of both parishes, you have my heartfelt prayers and remembrance of the “wonderful Lenten Friday experiences” in the spirit of serving, attending and fellowship. Winners of the Fish Fry raffle baskets are in the special insert of the bulletin. The Lord bless you all!!*

## ***Be An Easter Light!!!***

***Only you are you—You are unique!!*** No one is like you. You have a unique approach and personality different from everyone else. No one has had the experiences, the struggles, joys and sorrows that you have had. No one is in the same place or job as you are. No one is part of your family in the same position and way as you are. No one interacts with others as you do. No one encounters all those around you as you do. No one is able to be present to others in the same times and ways as you. ***No one is able to serve, inspire, encourage, or challenge in holy ways those around you as you do.***

Since you are special, you are called to be a light to those people who only you can touch in ways that are unique. God places people in your family, in your places of work and commerce, in the many occasions of your life, and throughout your whole existence on earth, that He does not place in the exact same ways and times in the lives of any other person. ***Please make good use of all the time you have been given. In one lifetime, you have the power to affect good for many generations or even until the end of time. It is an awesome responsibility to know this is true and to pass it on to the children and everyone around you, who then have a choice of passing it on to future generations.***

*This is the power you have in your hands. Be an Easter Light to others as they are often placed in your path to be a light to you.*

***“Come Risen Lord, and fill us with Your love, light and joy so that we may be perfected in You and all that is in You may be perfect in us.”***

*-Marian Peace Center*

**A National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day** is scheduled for **Saturday, April 28, 2012, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** This is a great opportunity for those who missed the previous Drug Enforcement Act events, or who have subsequently accumulated unwanted, unused prescription drugs, to safely dispose of those medications.



Convenient drop-off locations will be available throughout western PA. Visit [www.dea.gov](http://www.dea.gov) for details and locations, or phone Michael Stepaniak of the PA Resources Council at (412) 488-7452 or [michaels@ccicenter.org](mailto:michaels@ccicenter.org) for more information.

## 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,  
Mary Kertis, Joseph Kirch, Agnes Kovac,  
Diane Kovalsky, Agnes Magdic, Ethel Maydak,  
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

		Easter Sunday
<u>April 1, 2012</u>	<u>April 8, 2012</u>	
\$ 3,351.00	\$10,796.00	- Sunday Offertory
\$ 1,475.00	\$ 635.00	- Parish Share Campaign
\$ 340.00	\$ -	- St. Vincent DePaul Donations

~~Good Friday Holy Land Donations: \$445.00~~

PSP Assessment-2012 .....	\$ 24,998.00
Amount Collected PSP .....	\$ 7,443.00
Monthly School Subsidy .....	\$ 6,167.00

### HOLY TRINITY

		Easter Sunday
<u>April 1, 2012</u>	<u>April 8, 2012</u>	
\$ 3,060.00	\$ 5,569.00	- Sunday Offertory
\$ 1,542.00	\$ 1,817.00	- Parish Share Campaign
\$ 459.00	\$ -	- St. Vincent DePaul Donations

~~Good Friday Holy Land Donations: \$550.00~~

PSP Assessment-2012 .....	\$ 24,248.00
Amount Collected PSP .....	\$ 7,700.00

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