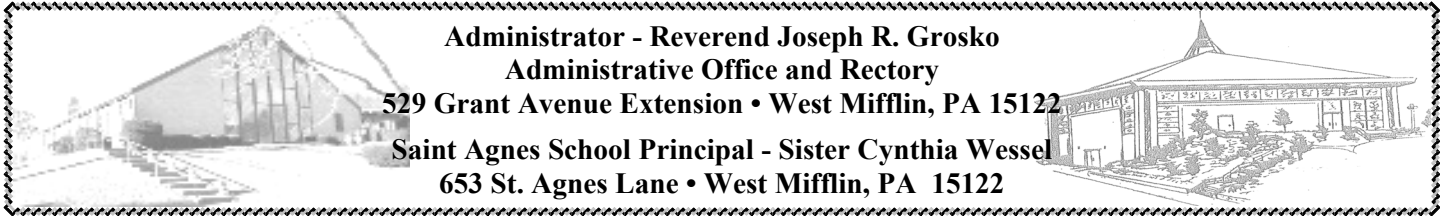


Saint Agnes Church and Holy Trinity Church



Administrator - Reverend Joseph R. Grosko
Administrative Office and Rectory
529 Grant Avenue Extension • West Mifflin, PA 15122

Saint Agnes School Principal - Sister Cynthia Wessel
653 St. Agnes Lane • West Mifflin, PA 15122

Mission Statement of Saint Agnes Parish

622 St. Agnes Lane • West Mifflin, PA 15122

Saint Agnes Parish established in West Mifflin, PA in 1867, is a viable Catholic community that witnesses the message of Jesus through the talents of its members who are nurtured by the Holy Spirit. Our mission is to invite people to know and become one with Jesus Christ reaching out in service to all.

Mission Statement of Holy Trinity Parish

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Holy Trinity Parish is a Faith Community gathered in celebration of the Eucharist, strengthened by the Word of God, reaching out to all generations and inspired by the Holy Spirit to promote holy, authentic and faithful Catholic living.

ST. AGNES MASS INTENTIONS

SUN-AUG 12-NINETEENTH SUNDAY in ORD TIME

6:00p(Sat) **Ada Miklos** (Sharon and Bob Miklos)

8:00a - **Jean Abels** (Jack and Fran Walters)

11:00a - **Joseph Munda** (Wife)

MON - AUG 13 - STS. PONTIAN and HIPPOLYTUS

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUES - AUG 14 - ST. MAXIMILIAN MARY KOLBE

6:45a - **Ed Godec** (Ladies of Charity)

7:00p(Ant)-Gal "**Rusty**" **Stinner** (Paul and Carolyn Knowlson)

WED-AUG 15-ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

9:30a - **Paula Anne Smith** (Jackie Pribila)

7:00p - **Jean Abels** (Ed and Joanne Fink and Family)

THURSDAY - AUG 16 - ST. STEPHEN

6:45a - **Rudy Saunders** (Ladies of Charity)

FRIDAY - AUGUST 17 - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SATURDAY - AUGUST 18 - BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN-AUG 19 - TWENTIETH SUNDAY in ORD TIME

6:00p(Sat) **Josephine Andres-Health** (Jack and Fran Walters)

8:00a - **Samuel A. Smith** (Jack and Fran Walters)

11:00a - **40th Wedding Anniversary** (Paul and Mary Jane Plichta)

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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 Social Hall - Saint Agnes..... 412-466-5500
 Social Hall - Holy Trinity..... 412-466-9695
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 Holy Trinity Website.....www.holytrinitywm.com
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 St. Agnes/Holy Trinity Fax.....412-466-6968

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

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUN-AUG 12-NINETEENTH SUNDAY in ORD TIME

4:00p(Sat) - **Andrew and Eileen Ragan** (Children)

9:30a - **Phyllis (Bialobok) Bowers** (Family)

MON - AUG 13 - STS. PONTIAN and HIPPOLYTUS

8:00a - **George Matthias** (Jim Matthias)

TUES - AUG 14 - ST. MAXIMILIAN MARY KOLBE

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

4:00p - **Steve Gaydos** (Grandchildren)

(Anticipated Mass for the Feast of the Assumption)

WED-AUG 15-ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:00a - **Betty Horgas** (Mary Elizabeth Polatas)

THURSDAY - AUG 16 - ST. STEPHEN

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

FRIDAY - AUGUST 17 - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Grace Tarczy** (Paul and Marie Cmar)

SATURDAY - AUGUST 18 - BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:00a - **Susan Grosko** (Grosko Family)

SUN-AUG 19-TWENTIETH SUNDAY in ORD TIME

4:00p(Sat) - **Marjorie Byrnes** (Vincent Horten Family)

9:30a - **Mary Matthias** (Jim Matthias)

HOLY DAY MASSES: As scheduled.

RECONCILIATION: St. Agnes: Saturdays at 5:30 pm; Holy Trinity: Saturdays at 3:30 pm (or by appointment)

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.

**EPHESIANS IV — PRAYER & PRAISE — ALL WELCOME
 ON 1ST & 3RD MONDAYS, 7:30 PM, ST. AGNES CHURCH**

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

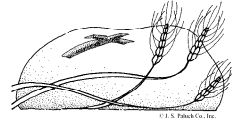
NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: *1 Kings 19:4-8.* The Lord feeds Elijah, strengthening him for his journey to Horeb.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 34:2-3,4-5,6-7,8-9.* A prayer of praise to God for his goodness.

Second Reading: *Ephesians 4:30—5:2.* The Ephesians are encouraged to be imitators of Christ.

Gospel Reading: *John 6:41-51* Jesus responds to the murmurs of the crowd, who wonders what he means when he says that he came down from heaven.



As we continue to listen to the Bread of Life discourse, we see that nothing deters Jesus from proclaiming the Good News. The multitudes can no longer assume the role of cynical bystanders; they must decide whom they will follow and to whom their loyalties will be directed. Today's Gospel signals a definite moment of decision. For Jesus to refer to himself as the Bread of Life was difficult and shocking to many of his listeners. Their individual spins on matters of faith were shattered, so they had to learn to see with a new vision. Of all the new, emotionally charged questions that the people were asking, the one most difficult to comprehend was how a carpenter's son could dare claim to come from God. Many disciples left Jesus, as this was the proverbial backbreaking straw. Jesus knows how difficult it is for us to believe. He reminds us that faith is a gift. It is ours to accept or reject.

In what ways do you need to partner with Jesus in order to lead a contented and full life?

~~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~~

Wed, Aug 15th..FEAST of the ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Sun, Aug 19th...ST. AGNES PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING after the 11:00 am Mass

Sun, Aug 26th...ST. AGNES SCHOOL MASS and PICNIC, 4:00 pm

Sat, Sep 22nd...St. Agnes Parish Assembly and Covered Dish Dinner

Sun, Sep 30th...75th ANNIVERSARY of the SISTERS of the HOLY SPIRIT at St. Agnes - CELEBRATION at the 11:00 am Mass and RECEPTION following the Mass.

HELPFUL HINTS for MASS ATTENDANCE

1. Get there on time. Would you come late to a dinner party?
2. Forgotten what to do at Mass? It's like riding a bike. Plus, every parish has a "how to" handbook, the missalette or order of worship. Just read along.
3. Dress appropriately. Would you wear athletic clothes to a wedding?
4. The reception of Communion is open to all Catholics who are not conscious of serious sin.
5. Remember to fast for one hour prior to Communion.
6. Sing. Active participation will make the experience more meaningful to you.

PLEASE LET US KNOW...We need your assistance to identify parishioners who are shut-ins or in personal care homes or nursing homes. We are not privileged to this information from any of the nursing or personal care homes, and some of our elderly parishioners are too ill or do not even think to call the Parish Office for help. So, we ask that you look out for your relatives, friends or neighbors, and please contact the Parish Office at 412-466-6545.

**ARE YOU A
FAITHFUL
CITIZEN?**

- Religious freedom **preserves the right to follow one's conscience** in acts both internal and external, **in private and in public, as an individual** and as a member of a community.
- Religious freedom is a foundational element of a vibrant democracy and helps **guarantee other precious freedoms.**
- The Health & Human Services Mandate **forces health insurance plans offered by faith-based organizations**, including hospitals, universities, churches, and schools, **to cover items that many, including the Catholic Church, oppose on moral grounds.**

The Holy Trinity Men's Club is sponsoring a trip to the Rivers Casino on Wednesday, September 19th, 2012. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 9 am and leave the casino at 4 pm. Cost is \$25 per person. Deadline for reservations is September 10th. Call George at 412-466-5062. Coffee and donuts begin at 7:30 am.



Assumption of Mary, Wednesday, August 15th

This Wednesday, on the Feast Day of Mary, we celebrate the Assumption of Our Lady into Heaven. As the Father had glorified His Beloved Son in His Resurrection, we as the Church, celebrate Christ glorifying His Beloved Mother in her Assumption into Heaven. **Mary serves as our model.** We look to her son, Jesus Christ who assumes His Beloved Mother to be with Him in Heaven. **Assumed body and soul into heaven,** she enjoys now what we have been promised.

On this beautiful feast of Our Lady's Assumption into Heaven, **the scheduled Masses for the Feast Day** will be **8:00 a.m. at Holy Trinity; and 9:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at St. Agnes.** **Our anticipated Masses** are **4:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity and 7:00 p.m. at St. Agnes.**

Our Lady blesses **your presence and participation in every Eucharistic Celebration of her beloved Son, Jesus Christ.**

IT'S COMING CLOSE... THAT IS THE 2012-2013 ST. AGNES SCHOOL YEAR!

St. Agnes School year will begin for the teachers on August 20th, and the first day for the students will be August 23rd. Half days will be held on August 23rd and 24th. School registrations are open for pre-school, Kindergarten, and Grades One through 8th. I call upon all parishioners, parents and grandparents to help the School attendance and to help fill out the empty spaces with our beloved children. We agree necessary sacrifices need to be made to provide your child/children with the **best of Catholic education** in the **safest environment** here in the Valley. It is a Christ-centered valued education. Also, we ask our parishes to support any calls to assist in the financial strength of St. Agnes School. A Catholic education at all levels, whatever the sacrifices, can be the best investment any parent can make. Call **Sister Cynthia** for **further info** or for **registering of the children** at **412-466-6238.**



RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTIONS

All children attending public schools, particularly from the 1st to the 8th Grade are expected to be registered in the **CCD PROGRAM**, that is, the **Confraternity of Christian Doctrine.** Registration is also needed for the children of St. Agnes and Holy Trinity who are attending public schools. As of last year and this year, our children will be attending either the CCD Programs at Resurrection/St. Rita's or at Holy Spirit.

Therefore, Resurrection and St. Rita will be holding registration sessions for their CCD Program for new students going into Grades Kindergarten through 8th over the next two weeks. Registration will be on August 19th at Resurrection after the 11:30 Mass in the Church vestibule and on August 26th in the Father Sedlak Room at St. Rita's after the 9:30 Mass. Both registration sessions will be open for about one hour.

More detailed information regarding registration will be published in forthcoming bulletins.

CALLING ALL SCHOOL PARENTS OF ST. AGNES.....

Sunday, August 26th, a **Eucharistic Celebration** will be held at **4:00 p.m.,** to **seek the Lord's blessings and graces as we begin the School Year of 2012-2013.** With a gathering of our school children and parents, may the Lord hear our fervent petitions and prayers as we begin the new school year. **A picnic will follow immediately after the Mass.** *This Mass will fulfill the Sunday obligation, and all are welcome in this faith gathering of St. Agnes community.*

RCIA Is there someone in your life who may be interested in learning more about our Catholic faith? The **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)** is a journey of discovery...of sharing the rich tradition and teachings of the Catholic Church with seekers who are unbaptized or baptized in other faiths. **All are welcome to join us in this journey of faith.** So, don't be afraid to invite your friend, or spouse, who may be searching for a deeper relationship with God through the Catholic Church. For more information, contact either **Father Grosko at 412-466-6545** or **Sister Cynthia at 412-466-6238.** Sessions will begin in the Fall. —*And we pray that all of us have a deeper understanding of our gift of faith and know Christ better. INVITE!!*

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Loving God,

We praise You as the source of all that we are and all that we have.

Help us to become a people with thankful hearts, sharing your blessings wherever we go, bringing love where there is none, giving generously with joy and trust.

Accept the sacrifices we offer and the talents we bring that they may bear abundant blessings.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

AMEN.

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Ever grateful for the many of our parishioners who maintain a faithful stewardship in their Sunday offerings and in the fulfillment of their PSP pledges.  
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EPHESIANS IV PRAYER AND PRAISE

*Ephesians IV Prayer and Praise group will meet on the **first and third Mondays** of the month.*

(Because of Labor Day, the first meeting in September will be Tuesday, September 4th.)

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***Our Worth***

*Every human being has dignity as a person, like the Holy Trinity; every human being is capable of knowing self, like the Holy Trinity; every human being has the ability to give freely of self, like the Holy Trinity; and every human being can enter into communion with other persons, like the Holy Trinity.*

*God places human beings at the summit of all Creation. In the words of God Himself, we all are "the apple of His eye."*

*(Deuteronomy 32:10).*

—*The Church Living!* Bishop David A. Zubik

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Football Mania Sweepstakes tickets benefiting our school are now available!! Tickets are \$20 for 17 weeks of the regular football season. In the past, we have had several \$500 winners, a few \$250, \$100, and \$50 winners, and several \$25 winners. *Like all raffle tickets and gift cards, they are available after the weekend Masses!!* **For further information, call Sr. Cynthia, 412-466-6238.**

Be a supporter of St. Agnes School.

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**Westwood Golf Club is now serving breakfast Saturday and Sunday** from 8 am until 2 pm. Seniors 55 and over will receive a 15% discount on any breakfast purchase.

## 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, Eleanor Haselhoff,  
Mary Lisa Holzwarth, Mary Kertis, Joseph Kirch,  
Agnes Kovac, Henry Kovalcin, Diane Kovalsky,  
Louis Kruszewski, Agnes Magdic, Ethel Maydak,  
Larry Maydak, Justine Mantich, Ethel Palyo, Mary  
Pavlik, Ann Sabo, Mary Sabol, Ray Shalen,  
Margaret Shimko, Margaret Svirbel, Martha Vasil,  
Robert Zeok**

### St. Agnes

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

*Flowers in honor of the Blessed Mother at St. Agnes  
are in memory of **Beverly List**  
from her daughter, Karen List.*

## Weekly Collections

### ST. AGNES — August 5, 2012

\$ 4,473.00 - - Sunday Offertory

\$ 1,111.00 - - Parish Share Campaign

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

Amount Collected PSP ..... \$ 15,118.00

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 — August 5, 2012

\$ 2,209.00 - - Sunday Offertory

\$ 1,209.00 - - Parish Share Campaign

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

Amount Collected PSP .....\$ 15,201.00

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