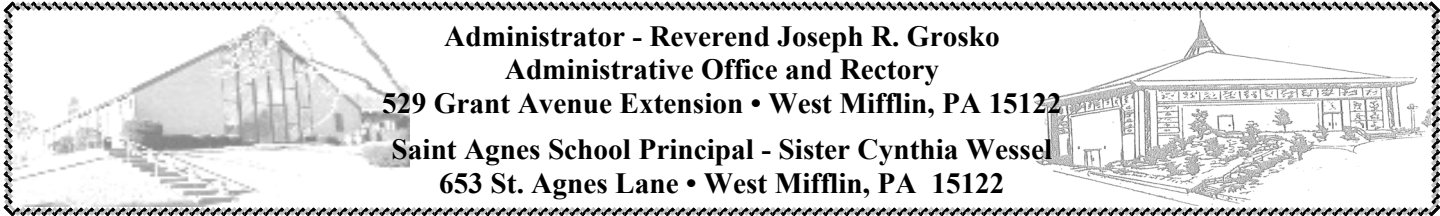


Saint Agnes Church and Holy Trinity Church



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 26 - TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY in ORD TIME

6:00p(Sat) **Victor Merritt** (Ladies of Charity)
 8:00a - **Robert S. Wanless** (Jack and Fran Walters)
 11:00a - **Tom Sable, Sr.** (Ephesians IV Prayer Group)
 4:00p - **St. Agnes School Students, Staff, and Parents**

MONDAY - AUGUST 27 - ST. MONICA

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUESDAY - AUGUST 28 - ST. AUGUSTINE

6:45a - **Health of Richard Jordan** (Dave Salopek)

WED-AUGUST 29-THE PASSION of JOHN the BAPTIST

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

THURSDAY - AUGUST 30 - WEEKDAY

6:45a - **Samuel A. Smith** (Irene Slezak)

FRIDAY - AUGUST 31 - WEEKDAY

8:15a - **Robert Cozza** (Sue Finnegan)

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 1 - BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN-SEP 2-TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY in ORD TIME

6:00p(Sat) **John J. Kukta** (Joe and Loretta Sabol)
 8:00a - **Marilyn (Koehler) Kepes** (Marguerite and Tom Oeler)
 11:00a - **Victor Merritt** (Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Molnar)

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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 Saint Agnes Website..... www.stagneswm.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 26 - TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY in ORD TIME

4:00p(Sat) - **Grace Tarczy** (Audrey Kochis)
 9:30a - **Jodi Matta Dillinger** (Family)

MONDAY - AUGUST 27 - ST. MONICA

8:00a - **Mary Ann Holoman** (Knights of Columbus #4210)

TUESDAY - AUGUST 28 - ST. AUGUSTINE

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

WED-AUGUST 29-THE PASSION of JOHN the BAPTIST

8:00a - **Elizabeth Spirnak** (Mary, Ray, Eleanor)

THURSDAY - AUGUST 30 - WEEKDAY

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

FRIDAY - AUGUST 31 - WEEKDAY

(8:15a Mass at St. Agnes)

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 1 - BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:00a - **Martha J. Palo** (Mary Ann Polinski)

SUN-SEP 2-TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY in ORD TIME

4:00p(Sat)-**John & Margaret Hostovich** (John & Dotty Hostovich)
 9:30a - **Richard Mikulla** (Jim and Bev Stavor)

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**

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: *Joshua 24:1-2a,15-17,18b.* Joshua and the people declare that they will serve the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 34:2-3,16-17,18-19,20-21* The Lord hears the cries of the just.

Second Reading: *Ephesians 5:21-32* Husbands and wives should love one another as Christ loves the Church.

Gospel Reading: *John 6:60-69* Simon Peter confesses his faith that Jesus alone has the words of eternal life.

In the Bread of Life discourse that we've heard for the past few weeks, John points out that many disciples were introduced to Jesus, the Bread from heaven, the *only* source of life and hope, yet they were unable or unwilling to embrace his love and make it a part of their lives. The Lord's invitation to embrace his way of life and love is there for everyone. In the Eucharist, Jesus offers us hope. He offers us the gift of his very self. Christ is our only hope. Our lives do not always make sense. Yet, it is Jesus who walks with us on the journey of life and invites us to enter a trusting relationship with him.

This week, perhaps we need to ask the question of Peter in the Gospel: "Lord, to whom shall we go?" In asking the question, we find the answer.



~~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~~

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

*Sun, Sep 9th.....*HOLY TRINITY MEN'S CLUB STUFFED CHICKEN BREAST DINNER: 1 - 5 pm;
Adults \$9; Children \$4. Desserts are needed. Please drop off in the Social Hall. Thanks!

*Mon, Sep 10th.....*Deadline for reservations for the HOLY TRINITY MEN'S CLUB Rivers Casino trip on
Wednesday, September 19th.

*Wed, Sep 12th.....*HOLY TRINITY MEN'S CLUB MEETING: 6 pm in Holy Trinity Social Hall.

*Tue, Sep 18th.....*Lowering of the AVENUE of FLAGS; 9 am - 12 noon. Volunteers are needed. Thanks!

*Sat, Sep 22nd.....*ST. AGNES PARISH ASSEMBLY and COVERED DISH LUNCHEON.

*Sat, Sep 22nd.....*HOLY TRINITY CHEREGI SALE: \$7 dozen. Sale begins at 2 PM; limit is 3 dozen per
person. The sale supports St. Agnes School.

*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.

MASS in HONOR of OUR LADY of SORROWS...A Slovak/English Mass in honor of Our Lady of Sorrows, Patroness of Slovakia, will take place on Friday, September 14th, at Holy Trinity Church. A prelude of Slovak hymns in honor of Mary will be sung at 7 pm preceding the Mass. A reception will follow in the Church Social Hall. Further information may be obtained by calling Sister Irene A. Benyak at 412-751-1673, Len Potemra at 412-672-6265, or the Parish Office at 412-466-6545.

ARE YOU REGISTERED to VOTE on November 6th? If not--or if you've never voted before, have changed your name, or have moved recently, please register to vote today. **VOTER REGISTRATION FORMS are AVAILABLE on the TABLES at the ENTRANCE to both ST. AGNES and HOLY TRINITY.**



Imagine the impact Americans of faith can have on the future of our nation, the character of its leadership, and the health of its families if we all applied biblical principles to every aspect of our lives - *including committing to vote.*

- In 2008, the presidential race was decided by what the experts deemed a "comfortable" margin. But the winning majority was only 53 percent of the vote.
- In 2004, President Bush won by an even thinner majority--50.7 percent.
- You may remember the 2000 election. It was far closer than either of these. It came down to one state: Florida. President Bush won Florida by only 537 votes out of nearly 6 million votes cast there. If you rounded that off to a whole percent, the percent would be zero.

All indications are that 2012 will be just as close in key areas of the country, including ours.

CALLING ALL SCHOOL PARENTS OF ST. AGNES...4:00 pm MASS and PICNIC TODAY

Today, August 26th, the 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.*

SANCTUARY CANDLE AT HOLY TRINITY...IN MEMORY OF DECEASED MEMBERS OF GROSKO FAMILY.

The St. Agnes School Year of 2012-2013

If you wish to enroll your child/children in St. Agnes School—"THE MOLDER OF A CHRIST-CENTERED YOUTH"—room is available on all class levels, beginning with pre-school to the eighth grade. For further information or enrollment, please call Sister Cynthia, 412-466-6238. We at St. Agnes Parish can be proud that we have such a Catholic school with a history of many years, wonderful graduates, and a tradition that extends over a hundred years. *We call upon all parishioners to be truly proud of our school and ever grateful for their continual and loving support.*



Bring Your Brokenness to Mass Where Bread is Broken for You

What we do in the Eucharist is all about brokenness: about breaking and mending... breaking and healing...breaking and reconciling....

- We gather at this table in the shadow of the One who was **BROKEN FOR US**.
- We gather at the table of the One who, on the night before he died, took the bread, **BROKE IT**, and said, "**This is my body....**"
- And we come to this table with **OUR OWN BROKENNESS**: our physical, emotional, spiritual, individual, and communal brokenness.
- **We often get this backwards. We think we have to have ourselves all put together, even perfectly put together, to come to the Eucharist. But the reverse is true.**
- We come here, week after week, in all our brokenness, *hoping, praying and trusting that sharing in the brokenness of Jesus will bring us the healing and wholeness, the reconciling we so much need and desire.*
- **The bread consecrated at this table is broken for our healing. The wine consecrated at this altar is poured out for our healing. What Christ offered for us in His body and blood on the Cross, He offers us again in the Bread and Cup of the Eucharist.**
- *We receive the gift of the Lord's broken Body into our bodies: into our broken hearts, memories and promises, into our broken spirits and relationships, into our broken hopes and dreams.*
- Is there anyone who has not brought some brokenness to the Lord's table?
- *And we come to drink from the cup of his Blood, shed for us, that he might transfuse our weakness with his strength.*
- **Whatever brokenness might come into your life, wherever you might be, the Lord's mercy and healing will always be there for you in the Eucharist where we are invited to share in the Body and Blood of Christ.**

The **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** will take place in the Spring of 2013. Preparation for this sacrament requires time and prayer. Therefore, on October 13, 2012 at the 6:00 p.m. Mass, we will have the Rite of Intention of all candidates. Any 8th or 9th grader from Holy Trinity or St. Agnes Parish who did not receive a letter about Confirmation, please contact Sister Janelle (janelle81@verizon.net) with your name, address, phone number and email address now. Information will then be forwarded to you. We are waiting for you!



CHOOSE LIFE!! *"Abortion is the most lucrative part of Planned Parenthood's operations. They really want to increase the number of abortions so they can increase their income."*

Pillar of Truth/Pillar of Fire Booklets~

An Evangelization Effort

Heartfelt thanks to a generous parishioner who anonymously donated the *Pillar of Truth/Pillar of Fire* booklets that were available on the tables at the entrance to Holy Trinity Parish and St. Agnes Parish.

The booklets are published by Catholic Answers, Inc., the largest Catholic apologetics and evangelization organization in North America.

Catholic Answers, Inc. believes that the Catholic Church was established by Jesus Christ and teaches the fullness of Christian truth. Catholic Answers, Inc. wants to spread the Catholic faith--by helping good Catholics become better Catholics, by bringing former Catholics "home," and by resolving misconceptions non-Catholics may have about the Church and what it teaches.

Mailing address for Catholic Answers, Inc.: 2020 Gillespie Way, El Cajon, CA 92020.

CATHOLIC RADIO: WAOB-FM, broadcasting at **106.7 FM** and **860 and 1510 AM**, is a Catholic radio station serving the Pittsburgh area. The station is owned by St. Joseph Missions of Latrobe, a Catholic-based organization. Programming consists of teaching and prayer, including Mass, Liturgy of the Hours, Rosary, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. The call letters stand for "We Are One Body" radio. Tune in!



Holy Trinity welcomes
TROY TIMOTHY DONNELLY
to our Faith Community, son of
TIMOTHY and KRISTEN DONNELLY
baptized on August 19th. Prayerful Congratulations.

HEARTFELT SYMPATHY to the family and friends
of **DEBBIE SABO LEBEDDA**,
daughter of *MARY SABO* of Holy Trinity Parish.
*May her soul and the souls of all our beloved
deceased be embraced by the Heavenly Father.*

Football Mania Sweepstakes tickets benefiting our
school are now available! Tickets are \$20 for 17
weeks of the regular football season. See Sister
Cynthia after Masses!

CCD Registration: Resurrection and St. Rita's are holding a registration session today, August 26th, for about one hour after the 9:30 a.m. Mass in the Father Sedlak Room. Registration is for *new* students.

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 Shahan,
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, 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**

The Second Collection today will be
for Catholic Communications
and Catholic University of America.

Weekly Collections

ST. AGNES — August 19, 2012

\$ 4,125.00 - - Sunday and Feast of the Assumption Offerings

\$ 245.00 - - Parish Share Campaign

PSP Assessment-2012 \$ 24,998.00

Amount Collected PSP \$ 15,758.00

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 19, 2012

\$ 2,314.00 - - Sunday and Feast of the Assumption Offerings

\$ 157.00 - - Parish Share Campaign

PSP Assessment-2012\$ 24,248.00

Amount Collected PSP\$ 15,570.00

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