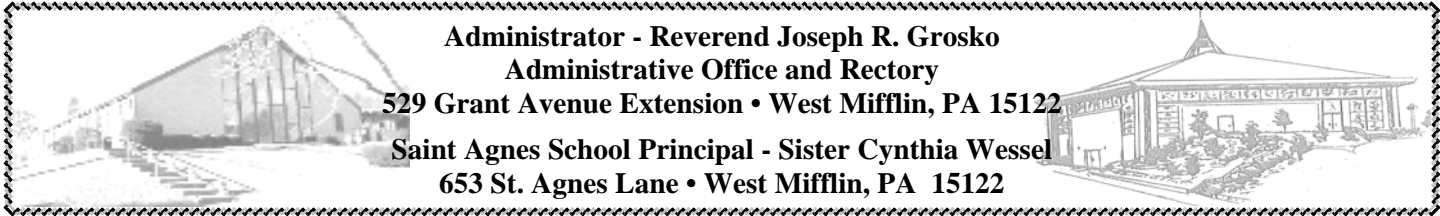


Saint Agnes Church and Holy Trinity Church



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

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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-SEP 9 - TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY in ORD TIME

6:00p(Sat) **40th Anniversary - Dave and Kitty Hornyak**
 8:00a - **Emilia Koreny** (Ladies of Charity)
 11:00a - **Ray Milko** (Dennis Family)

MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 10 - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 11 - WEEKDAY

6:45a - **Sister Berchmans** (Sisters at St. Agnes)

WED-SEP 12-THE MOST HOLY NAME of MARY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

THURSDAY - SEP 13 - ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

6:45a - **Robert S. Wanless** (Irene Slezak)

FRI - SEP 14 - The EXALTATION of the HOLY CROSS

8:15a - **Delena Bevan** (James Bevan and Family)

SATURDAY - SEP 15 - OUR LADY of SORROWS

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN-SEP 16-TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY in ORD TIME

6:00p(Sat) **Ralph & Rose Biagiarelli-Wedding Anniversary**
 (Roseann and Phyllis)
 8:00a - **Mark Vash** (Tom and Patty Klocko)
 11:00a - **Paula Anne Smith** (Joann and Fred Smith & Family)

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUN-SEP 9 - TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY in ORD TIME

4:00p(Sat) - **Michael Laychak** (Cecelia Minella)
 9:30a - **Mary Pollack & Daughter Mary Dudash** (Ann Szucs)

MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 10 - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Grace Tarczy** (Mary Ann Polinski)

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 11 - WEEKDAY

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

WED-SEP 12-THE MOST HOLY NAME of MARY

8:00a - **Michael Laychak** (Cecelia Minella)

THURSDAY - SEP 13 - ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

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7:00p - Mass in Honor of Our Lady of Sorrows

SATURDAY - SEP 15 - OUR LADY of SORROWS

8:00a - **Martha J. Palo** (Robert Horgas)

SUN-SEP 16-TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY in ORD TIME

4:00p(Sat)-**Eleanor Rusnak** (Sisters)
 9:30a - **Francis Kahler** (Eileen Vukovich)

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

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-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: *Isaiah 35:4-7a*; **Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10*

Second Reading: *Ephesians 5:21-32*; **Gospel Reading:** *Mark 7:31-37*.

In today's Gospel, we are reminded of the incredible compassion Jesus feels for those who suffer. Jesus invites his disciples into the heart of his boundless compassion and love, and he challenges them to act as compassionately as he does. Healing is not only a sign of God's loving care, it's a sign of the reign of God at hand. The healing that Jesus brought to the people of his time and moved him to the core of his own being. Suffering is a reality of the human condition. Jesus invites us to join our suffering to his. Not all experience physical healing, but all who ask do receive spiritual healing. The Church's great commission, in addition to preaching the Word, is to heal. The Church is a sign of our great celebration of life and the victory of life over death--the resurrection of Jesus from the dead.

Who are the people in your life who need to experience the Lord's healing? Imitate Jesus by searching for them, and then be for them his channel of healing.

-ENJOY BOOKS for \$30 and KIDS' STUFF BOOKS for \$25 are on sale after all Masses at St. Agnes. --

~~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~~

Today, Sep 9th..... **Holy Trinity Men's Club Stuffed Chicken Breast Dinner** from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Mon, Sep 11th..... **Holy Hour for Vocations** at 7:00 pm at St. Agnes

Wed, Sep 12th..... **Holy Trinity Men's Club Meeting** at 6:00 pm in the Holy Trinity Social Hall

Thur, Sep 13th..... **45+ Club Meeting** at 1:00 pm in the St. Agnes Social Hall

Tue, Sep 18th..... **Holy Trinity Avenue of Flags** will be lowered.

Wed, Sep 19th..... **Holy Trinity Men's Club Rivers Casio Event**

Sat, Sep 22nd..... **St. Agnes Parish Assembly and Potluck Luncheon** from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm

Sat, Sep 22nd..... **Holy Trinity Cheregi Sale** at 2:00 pm in Holy Trinity Social Hall

Sun, Sep 30th..... **Celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the Sisters of the Holy Spirit at St. Agnes** at the 11:00 am Mass and **Reception** following the Mass.

Sun, Sep 30th..... **St. Vincent de Paul Meeting** in the Holy Trinity Social Hall after the 9:30 am Mass.

Sat, Oct 13th..... **Rite of Intention Mass** for Confirmation Students, 6:00 pm at St. Agnes



HEARTFELT SYMPATHY to the family and friends of

J. SCOTT MOONEY and **WILLIAM R. CAIN** who were buried from *St. Agnes Church* and **MARY KERTIS** who was buried from *Holy Trinity Church*.

May all our beloved deceased be embraced by the Heavenly Father at the Banquet of Heaven.

HOLY TRINITY MEN'S CLUB STUFFED CHICKEN BREAD DINNER - today from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm in Holy Trinity Social Hall; \$9.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children.

HOLY TRINITY MEN'S CLUB MEETING - will take place on **Wednesday, September 12th**.

HOLY TRINITY AVENUE of FLAGS - will be lowered. Volunteers are needed to lend a hand in taking down the flags. Please come to Holy Trinity Social Hall at 9:00 a.m., **Tuesday, September 18th**.

RIVER'S CASINO EVENT- Holy Trinity Men's Club is sponsoring a trip to the **River's Casino** on Wednesday, September 19th. Cost is \$25 per person. 7:30 am - Enjoy coffee/donuts before departure! 9:00 am - Depart for Rivers Casino. 4:00 pm - Depart for home. Please call George Miteff for reservations at 412-466-5062. The deadline for reservations is September 10th.

HOLY TRINITY CHEREGI SALE - Saturday, September 22nd. Sale starts at 2:00 pm in Holy Trinity Social Hall. Cheregi are \$7.00/dozen. Limit 3 dozen/person. The sale supports St. Agnes School.

CHRISTIAN FOUNDATION for CHILDREN and AGING... On the weekend of September 15th and 16th, Fr. William Wangler will speak on this issue to give us a deeper awareness of the needs of this group.



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.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTIONS AND CATECHETICAL SUNDAY-SEPTEMBER 16, 2012

All children attending public schools, particularly from the 1st-8th Grade are expected to be registered in the *Confraternity of Christian Doctrine Program (CCD)*. Our parishes can make a choice to register either at Holy Spirit Church in West Mifflin or St. Rita Church in Whitaker. Do register for your selected program so preparations can be made for our students. Registration can be at the individual locations as indicated below, or at St. Agnes Social Hall after the weekend 8 and 11 am Masses, or by calling Sister Cynthia at 412-466-6238.

At St. Rita's, classes for **K-8th Grade** are held on **Sundays after the 9:30 am Mass from 10:30-11:30 am**. The fee per family is \$35. Registration can take place at St. Rita's before the first class on Sunday, September 16th.

At Holy Spirit, classes for **1st-4th Grade** are held on **Sundays from 9:30-10:45 am**; classes for **5th-8th Grade** are held on **Tuesdays from 7:00-8:15 pm**. The first classes are September 16th and 18th respectively. The registration fee is \$15 per child. Registration can be by calling Mrs. Cocco at 412-346-0475.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE...Bishop Zubik will be leading a pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC on Saturday, October 6, 2012. It is being held on the eve of the "Year of Faith" which is set to run from October 11, 2012 through November 4, 2013 and will be a very timely opportunity for faith renewal at the beginning of this important year. The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith calls the faithful to go on pilgrimage to Marian Shrines in its recommendations for the Year of Faith. Buses will be leaving from local parishes in our Regional Vicariate 2. If interested in bus reservations, please call Holy Spirit Parish at 412-346-0477 or St. Therese of Lisieux Parish at 412-462-8161, and refer to www.diopitt.org for complete reservation listings.

Join Us for the 2012 Peru Mission Dinner

This year we celebrate the 47th annual Peru Mission Dinner on Wednesday, October 24th. It represents a long and beautiful mission partnership, what has been called a "bridge of love and hope" between the people of Pittsburgh and the people of Chimbote. Pope Benedict XVI has announced a "Year of Faith" beginning in October. This year's dinner theme will reflect on the "bridge of love, hope, **and faith!**"

It reminds us prayerfully to focus on the Gospel's call to serve the poorest of the poor. This one-half century commitment of southwestern Pennsylvania to a mission maternity hospital, clinic and orphanage in Chimbote is one sure way of responding to that call. Please join Bishop Zubik, WTAE-TV's Mike Clark, and your brothers and sisters from throughout the six counties of the Diocese. The dinner will be at Sheraton Station Square Hotel. More information about how you can help is found on the Diocesan website at www.diopitt.org/chimbote-foundation, or email stewardship@diopitt.org.

St. Vincent de Paul always said that "love is inventive to the point of infinity." On September 27th, the Church celebrates the feast of St. Vincent de Paul. The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are on the front line in laboring for the poor. They are among the first to know their real needs. The Holy Trinity St. Vincent de Paul Society has reached 55 years of service to our community. During the past year, SVDP was able to be "inventive" in helping the poor by providing 30 families with food, rent, clothing, and other basic and essential needs. With over 125 hours of service, helping and visiting the sick, it is through your prayers and generosity that we are able to extend a helping hand. Thank you and God bless.

Families Make Faith a Priority



“One of the best gifts parents can give their children is the habit of praying throughout the day. Yet the hectic pace of family life often means that prayer gets lost in the shuffle. Here are five ways that families might add more prayer to their day. Start by picking the one or two that call your attention and see how it goes. Remember, even *your desire* to pray more is a prayer.

- **Start the day with prayer** - I learned this trick many years ago from my second grade teacher, Sister Regina. Put your bedroom slippers or shoes far under your bed at the end of the day. Each morning while on your knees retrieving your footwear, say a quick prayer offering the whole day to God.

- **Give a minute to prayer in the car** - Many families spend a lot of time in the family auto. As you start the engine, say a quick prayer that you will be aware of God’s presence in your day. Our family often said the *Prayer of St. Francis* as we buckled in.

- **Keep special intentions in mind** - A family I know keeps a jar on the kitchen windowsill in which each family member can place a note listing a special intention that the others can pray for. It could be to do well on a test, handle a work situation well, or for the health of a relative or a friend. Everyone keeps those special intentions in mind throughout the day.

- **Pray at every meal** - Never let a meal begin without at least a moment of thanks to the one who provides all that we need.

- **Pray when people or events upset you** - If you want a sure-fire way to pray more each day, make a habit of saying a short prayer whenever someone irritates you. A quick “*Help me, God*” is sufficient. You’ll never run out of opportunities!

A 45+ Club Invitation to fellowship, games, and lunch on September 13th at 1:00 pm. Please phone Ed Ferchak at 412-462-0904 for a boxed lunch.

Sister Mary Parks, Director of Sisters’ Place, will speak on the weekend of September 22nd/23rd to **heighten our awareness of the work of 14 religious communities who have joined together to provide housing for homeless women.** *There will not be any collection; but, hopefully, our attention to this issue will make us more keenly aware of what needs to be done in our community and will foster a compassionate concern for these women in need.*

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, 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 Shahen,
Margaret Shimko, Margaret Svirbel, Martha Vasil,
Robert Zeok**

St. Agnes

**Josephine Andres, Marie Beney,
Alberta Buchleitner, Nettie Conley, Patricia DeLuca,
Florence Dugan, Irene Fontanese, Steve Grochalski,
John Gruber, Martha Gruber, Mary Elizabeth
Hudick, 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**

***Football Mania Sweepstakes tickets
benefiting our school are available!***

*Tickets are \$20 for 17 weeks of the regular football
season. See Sister Cynthia after Masses!*

Weekly Collections

ST. AGNES — September 2, 2012

\$ 3,050.00 - - Sunday Offerings

\$ 505.00 - - Parish Share Campaign

PSP Assessment-2012 \$ 24,998.00

Amount Collected PSP \$ 17,398.00

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 — September 2, 2012

\$ 2,445.00 - - Sunday Offerings

\$ 1,257.00 - - Parish Share Campaign

PSP Assessment-2012\$ 24,248.00

Amount Collected PSP\$ 17,161.00

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