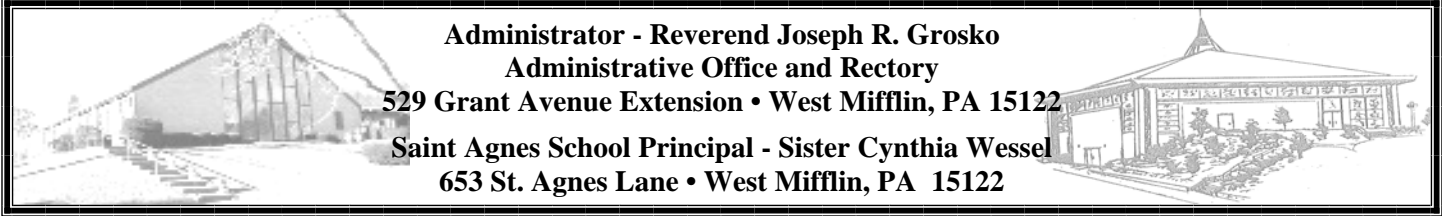


# Saint Agnes Church and Holy Trinity Church



**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

**529 Grant Avenue Extension • West Mifflin, PA 15122**

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 23-TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY in ORD TIME

6:00p(Sat) - **Robert Kosko-Health** (Ladies of Charity)  
 8:00a - **Carol Andres** (Ladies of Charity)  
 11:00a - **Joseph Munda** (Wife)

#### MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 24 - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 25 - WEEKDAY

6:45a - **Andrew Skurnick** (Renee Braun)

#### WED - SEPTEMBER 26 - STS. COSMOS and DAMIAN

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 27 - ST. VINCENT de PAUL

6:45a - **Living & Deceased Benefactors of the St. Vincent de Paul Society**

#### FRI-SEP 28-ST. WENCESLAUS, LAWRENCE RUIZ & COMPANIONS

8:15a - **Betty T. Smith** (Tom & Peg Smith & Family)

#### SAT - SEP 29 - STS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL, & RAPHAEL

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### SUN-SEP 30-TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY in ORD TIME

6:00p(Sat) - **Special Intention - John & Helen Cielieska**  
 8:00a - **William Cain** (Wife & Family)  
 11:00a - **Sisters of the Holy Spirit-75 Years** (St. Agnes Parish)

### HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

#### SUN-SEP 23-TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY in ORD TIME

4:00p(Sat)-**Virginia Halko** (GCU Lodge #117)  
 9:30a - **John Sabol** (Mary Sabol)

#### MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 24 - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Dolores Hatfield** (Evelyn & Joseph Tkach)

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4:00p(Sat)-**Al Melnichak & Grace Marie Melnichak**  
 (Wife & Family)  
 9:30a - **Michael Bracco** (Wife, Dorothy)

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

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 Social Hall - Holy Trinity..... 412-466-9695  
 Saint Agnes Convent ..... 412-466-3554  
 Saint Agnes Website..... [www.stagneswm.com](http://www.stagneswm.com)  
 Holy Trinity Website.....[www.holytrinitywm.com](http://www.holytrinitywm.com)  
 St. Agnes/Holy Trinity Office Email... [h.trinity@verizon.net](mailto:h.trinity@verizon.net)  
 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 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-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**First Reading:** *Wisdom 2:12, 17-20.* The just one is put to the test.

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalm 54:3-4, 5, 6-8.* A prayer for God's protection.

**Second Reading:** *James 3:16—4:3.* James teaches about the wisdom from above.

**Gospel Reading:** *Mark 9:30-37.* Jesus teaches his disciples that the greatest are those who serve all.

The opening prayer of today's Mass serves as a very appropriate theme for our reflection on the Gospel. It places love in the center of all we say and do. In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges us to look within our hearts and root out our hidden lust for power, greed, and prestige; to go out beyond ourselves and live Jesus' command to serve the least of our world. Jesus also lays bare the harm that the seeds of violence cause. He implies that those who compete for power with family and friends are no better than those who live their lives by violence. True disciples of Jesus must be willing to upset the status quo and put themselves at risk for the sake of others.

*Who are the least among us, who don't have an advocate to help them on the journey of life? Identify them and then, like Jesus, be of humble and loving service to them.*

~~~**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**~~~

*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

*Sun, Oct 14th*..... **Spaghetti Dinner**, 12 noon - 5 pm, **St. Agnes Social Hall**

*Sat/Sun, Oct 13/14th*...**Book Fair** after all Masses at St. Agnes and during the Spaghetti Dinner



**HOLY TRINITY PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING** - **Thursday, September 27th**, at 7:00 pm in the rectory. This is an important meeting in preparation for the pastoral visit of our vicar, Father Frederick Cain. Prayerfully grateful for those who represent the parish and give of their time, talent, and gifts for Holy Trinity parish. Our appreciative thanks.

**NOVENA to ST. THERESE of the CHILD JESUS** - **Sunday, September 23rd, through Monday, October 1, 2012**, St. Therese of Lisieux, Munhall, PA, at 7:00 pm. Fr. Grosko is the homilist on Tuesday, September 25th. The Church proclaimed St. Therese, "Prodigy of Miracles...the Greatest Saint of Modern Times."

***ANOINTING OF THE SICK FOR ST. AGNES AND HOLY TRINITY***

On **Saturday, October 20th, 11:00 am**, at **Holy Trinity**, we will celebrate **Mass** and the **Communal Anointing of the Sick**. People who may receive the Sacrament are *those who may be consoled by it, those who are seriously ill, those about to*

*have surgery, elderly people in weakened condition even if not seriously ill, and children who are seriously ill and have reached the age of reason and can be comforted by this Sacrament. This Sacrament provides the*

**Join us for the 2012 Peru Mission Dinner** - Celebrate with us the 47th Peru Mission Dinner, **Wednesday, October 24**, at the Sheraton Station Square Hotel. **A reception and student presentations begin at 6:00 pm; dinner at 7:00 pm.** This is a major fundraising event for the "bridge of love, hope and faith" between the people of Pittsburgh and the people of Chimbote. All proceeds help sustain a maternity hospital, clinic, and orphanage in Chimbote, Peru. Today the maternity hospital delivers more than 300 babies per month. The clinic treats 800 patients each day. Mothers are taught good hygiene and health care to give their babies a better chance. More Information about how you can help is found on the Diocesan website at [www.diopitt.org/chimbote-foundation](http://www.diopitt.org/chimbote-foundation), or email [stewardship@diopitt.org](mailto:stewardship@diopitt.org).



**HEARTFELT SYMPATHY** to the family and friends of **GEORGE "GREG" LESKO**

who was buried from *St. Agnes Church*.

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

## Parish Share Campaign

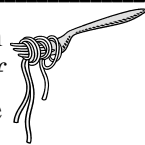
As we pass the **midway mark** in both Parish Share Campaigns, we find that the figures of reaching our assessed goal at **St. Agnes** of **\$24,998.00** and **Holy Trinity** of **\$24,248.00** have a need of a greater giving and fulfilling of the Parish pledges if we are to be successful for this year's 2012 Campaign. In the few months that are left to meet our assessment, we do need a greater understanding and cooperation of the necessity to meet this goal. Otherwise, it is taken out of the offertory collection which then depletes our funds for meeting ordinary expenses of the Parishes. Also, **if we were to collect in excess of our goal, then it could be added to our Parish income. But presently our financial accounts indicate that we are in need of \$6,705 at St. Agnes and \$6,805 at Holy Trinity in order to meet our assessed goals.**

In the next five months, prayerfully, we will be able to gather these funds. Thus, we call upon all parishioners to fulfill their parish pledges. For *St. Agnes and Holy Trinity*, we gratefully request *\$20 a month for 10 months or \$200 for a complete year*. It does call for greater sacrifices in giving and hopefully more will be given, as it is credited to our financial accounts. Please note, the **Parish Share collections** are always the **second collection on the first Sunday of the month**. Perhaps with your **understanding** and **stewardship support**, we can reach our goal sooner than later and help strengthen the financial viability of the parishes.



**Attention! October Count Begins...** Please make a strong effort to **attend Mass HERE** at **St. Agnes** and **Holy Trinity** during the **month of October**. Each October throughout the Diocese a count is taken at each and every Mass celebrated for the Sunday Obligation. It is very important that we **show good attendance** at this time! **Let's bring those numbers up and keep them there for the future! The Eucharist always gathers the parish in unity, peace, and forgiveness.**

**Our Annual Spaghetti Dinner** will be **Sunday, October 14th**, in **St. Agnes Social Hall** from **12 noon to 5 pm**. Tickets are available after Mass in the Social Hall beginning the weekend of *October 6th and 7th*. If possible, please buy in advance so we have a general count. **Thanks!** The price for adults is **\$9.00**; for children 4-11, **\$5.00**; and for children under 3, **FREE**. Your presence helps St. Agnes School. Please enjoy a break from cooking while also benefiting our school.



**Candy Bars** are available for sale. Attention, chocolate lovers! The price is **\$1.00** each.

**Enjoy Books** are on sale for **\$30** and **Kids Stuff Books** for **\$25**. **GIFT CARDS** are always available.

**Book Fair** after all Masses **October 13th and 14th** and during the Spaghetti Dinner on October 14th.

### HELP SAVE LIVES!...St. Agnes and Holy Trinity parishes are participating in the Fall 40 Days for Life

**Campaign this year!** *What is 40 Days for Life?* "40 Days" is a worldwide peaceful prayer vigil outside of abortion clinics to pray to end abortion. The campaign tracks biblical history, where God used 40-day periods to transform individuals, and the entire world! 40 Days for Life calls us to act to stop abortion **in Pittsburgh**. The **St. Agnes and Holy Trinity vigil in front of Planned Parenthood, the largest abortion center in Pittsburgh, is scheduled for Sunday, October 14th, from 7-11 am. Please commit to pray for one-hour during our 4-hour "shift."** A 40 Days for Life Vigil Shift Manager orients all participants. You do not have to talk with anyone. You will be making a **spiritual intercession** for life. The vigil does not involve pictures of aborted children, and abortions do not take place on Sundays. Please **clip and drop the coupon below in the Sunday offering basket**. Phone Nancy Lapinski, 412-466-1361, for more info.

The Fall 40 Days for Life Campaign begins on September 26th through November 4th.

Yes, I am interested in participating in the **St. Agnes and Holy Trinity peaceful prayer vigil** on Sunday morning, **October 14th**, outside the Planned Parenthood facility, 933 Liberty Ave., downtown Pittsburgh. My commitment is for one hour between 7 am and 11 am.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Hour \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_



## **SERRA HIGH SCHOOL \$10,000 RAFFLE**

Again, Serra High School will have an annual raffle in which winners will be selected from the 27th of December to the 31st of December according to the four-digit evening lottery numbers of those days. **On the evening of the 31st of December, the winner will receive \$10,000. Otherwise, \$1,000** will be given on the 27th and continuing to the evening of the 30th. *The donation for the ticket is \$10 of which \$5 is given to St. Agnes School.* Your support in purchasing these raffle tickets is most appreciated and will be a blessing and benefit for St. Agnes School. *The raffle tickets are available after the weekend Masses in the St. Agnes Social Hall. —Or the tickets may be purchased through St. Agnes School Office or the office at Holy Trinity.*

### TIME TO PRAY

I got up early one morning  
And rushed right into the day;  
I had so much to accomplish  
That I didn't take time to pray.  
Problems just tumbled about me,  
And heavier came each task,  
"Why doesn't God help me,"  
I wondered.  
He answered, "You didn't ask."  
I wanted to see joy and beauty  
But the day toiled on, gray and black,  
I wondered why God didn't show me,  
He said, "But you didn't seek."  
I tried to come into God's presence;  
I used all my keys at the lock.  
God gently and lovingly chided,  
My child, you didn't knock."  
I woke up early this morning  
And paused before entering the day.  
I had so much to accomplish  
That I had to take time to pray.

### OUR BULLETIN

Our bulletin is one of the best ways to communicate. We appreciate your support of this effort by patronizing those who advertise in our bulletin. You might consider advertising your own business, celebrating a special occasion, or memorializing a loved one in print. For further information, please contact the Parish Office at 412-466-6545.

For every minute you are angry,  
you lose 60 seconds of happiness.

## 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, Ann Sabo, Mary Sabol,  
Ray Shahan, 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,**

### *Speaker to Address Our Parishes Today*

***Sister Mary Parks,***  
*Director of Sisters' Place,*  
*on compassionate concern for homeless women.*

## **Weekly Collections**

### ST. AGNES — September 16, 2012

**\$ 5,996.00** - - Sunday Offering  
**\$ 165.00** - - Parish Share Campaign  
**PSP Assessment-2012 ..... \$ 24,998.00**  
**Amount Collected PSP ..... \$ 18,293.00**  
**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 16, 2012

**\$ 1,775.00** - - Sunday Offering and Bishop's Education Fund  
**\$ 165.00** - - Parish Share Campaign  
**PSP Assessment-2012 .....\$ 24,248.00**  
**Amount Collected PSP .....\$ 17,443.00**  
**MEMORIALS IN MEMORY OF YOUR LOVED ONES ARE  
BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE ONGOING PROJECTS**