
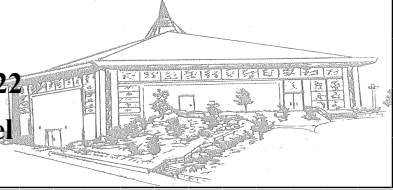


Saint Agnes Church and Holy Trinity Church

	<p>Administrator - Reverend Joseph R. Grosko Administrative Office and Rectory 529 Grant Avenue Extension • West Mifflin, PA 15122</p> <p>Saint Agnes School Principal - Sister Cynthia Wessel 653 St. Agnes Lane • West Mifflin, PA 15122</p>	
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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

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-OCT 7-TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY in ORD TIME

6:00p(Sat) - Jack Cielieska - (Family)
 8:00a - Deceased Members of Stanicar Family (Family)
 11:00a - Victor Merritt (Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fink)

MONDAY - OCTOBER 8 - COLUMBUS DAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUE - OCT 9 - ST. DENIS and ST. JOHN LEONARDI

6:45a - Joe Milko - Health (Ladies of Charity)

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 10 - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 11 - WEEKDAY

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

FRIDAY - OCTOBER 12 - WEEKDAY

8:15a - Eleanor Havrilla (St. Agnes Pastoral Council)

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 13 - BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN-OCT 14-TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY in ORD TIME

6:00p(Sat) - Roy W. Cochrane (Wife and Family)
 8:00a - Roberta Karichko (Jim and Won Borsch)
 11:00a - Anne and Paul Eckley (Fred and Joann Smith)

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUN-OCT 7-TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY in ORD TIME

4:00p(Sat)-Michael Potemra (Len Potemra)
 9:30a - Edward Polatas (Mary Elizabeth and Alexandra)

MONDAY - OCTOBER 8 - COLUMBUS DAY

8:00a - Raymond Polinski (Mary Ann)

TUE - OCT 9 - ST. DENIS and ST. JOHN LEONARDI

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 10 - WEEKDAY

8:00a - Grace Tarczy (Mary Elizabeth Polatas)

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 11 - WEEKDAY

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

FRIDAY - OCTOBER 12 - WEEKDAY

(8:15a Mass at St. Agnes)

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 13 - BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:00a - Harvey Burdick (Virginia Jasek)

SUN-OCT 14- TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY in ORD TIME

4:00p(Sat) - Anne Kushan (Helen Dudas)
 9:30a - Living and Deceased Members of Slovak Catholic Slovak Branch #295

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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

October 7, 2012

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: *Genesis 2:18-24* God creates woman from Adam's rib.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalms 128:1-6* A prayer for God's blessing.

2nd Reading: *Hebrews 2:9-11* Christ was made perfect through suffering so that we might all be consecrated.

Gospel Reading: *Mark 10:2-16* Jesus teaches against divorce and welcomes the children.

In today's Gospel, Jesus refuses to be caught up in petty squabbles over the reasons divorce is allowed. In Jewish law, a woman was simply not allowed to divorce her husband. Jesus moves the conversation beyond the legal aspects of the law to the heart of the divorce question: it is a question of marriage. In light of our contemporary experience of everything from "fast food" to "fast marriages" and "fast divorces" when things don't work well, Jesus' teaching on divorce is not easily accepted, and leaves little wiggle room. Jesus is clear. He not only transcends Jewish law, he also transcends the contemporary thinking of his day. His teaching is crystal clear: God's intention for marriage has its origin in creation. It is a covenant of love.

In what ways can you encourage couples preparing for marriage to be living witnesses to Christ in the world?

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

*Today*.....**Respect Life Sunday; Blessing of Animals and Pets** following 11 am Mass at St. Agnes. Father will be available in the upper parking lot until 1 pm.

*Thur, Oct 11th*.....**45+ Club Meeting** in **St. Agnes Social Hall** at 1 pm. New members please call Ed Ferchak at 412-462-0904 for a lunch reservation.

*Thur, Oct 11th*.....**Rosary and Benediction** at Holy Trinity, 7 pm. Social to follow.

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

*Sat, Oct 13th*.....**2012 Public Square Rosary Crusade**, Holy Spirit Church, Old Elizabeth Rd., 12 noon

*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.

*Sun, Oct 14th*.....**Jednota Sacred Heart of Jesus Branch #580 Meeting** after the 9:30 Mass at Holy Trinity Social Hall. All members are welcome.

*Sat, Oct 20th*.....**Anointing of the Sick for St. Agnes and Holy Trinity**, 11 am Mass, at Holy Trinity.

**NOT ALL ISSUES HAVE THE SAME MORAL WEIGHT.**

⇒ **There are some things we must never do**, as individuals or as a society, because they are **always incompatible with love of God and neighbor**. Such actions are so deeply flawed that they are always opposed to the authentic good of persons. They are deemed **intrinsic evils** and must never be supported or condoned. **A prime example is the intentional taking of innocent human life, as in abortion and euthanasia.**



⇒ Similarly, **direct threats to the sanctity and dignity of human life**, such as **human cloning and destructive research on human embryos**, must always be opposed.

⇒ Other **direct assaults on innocent human life** and **violations of human dignity**, such as genocide, torture, racism, and the targeting of noncombatants in acts of terror or war, **can never be justified.**

~**Let us see the world through the eyes of faith and not judge the faith through the eyes of the world.**~

FORMING CONSCIENCES for FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

Our **HOLY TRINITY CEMETERY** suffered damage due to the tornado last Thursday, September 27th. If you have a monument that is damaged, please call **HOLY TRINITY** parish office at 412-466-6545 and give us the family name and contact person so that we can work to have the monuments repaired.



**HOLY TRINITY MEN'S CLUB** is sponsoring a **RAFFLE to BENEFIT the FLAG FUND.**

*Tickets will be sold before and after Masses for a \$2 donation. Winner will be receive \$1,200.*

The winning number will be determined by the First Number Drawn from the 7 pm Daily Lottery Number on Sunday, **November 4th**. The **seller** of the winning ticket will receive **\$200**.

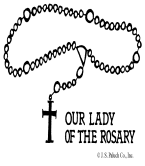
**HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY to BETTER UNDERSTAND OUR FAITH!**

**AN ADULT EDUCATIONAL VIDEO SERIES on CATHOLICISM**

On **Tuesdays in October**, we are hosting **Fr. Robert Barron's** video series, "**Catholicism**," from 7-8:30 pm in St. Agnes School Learning Center. No registration is required. In **brehtaking cinematography**, this video series illustrates the **beauty of the Church**. As we begin the Year of Faith Evangelization, the series is a special opportunity to discuss our faith and have a **deeper understanding of the Church's doctrinal teachings**. **All are welcome**.

Pamphlets are available this weekend to all parishioners regarding the forthcoming year, the Year of Faith, as the Synod on the New Evangelization begins in Rome on **Thursday, October 11th**. It is the 50th Anniversary of Vatican II and will conclude on **November 24th**, the Feast of Christ the King. ***For this Year of Evangelization to be meaningful and understandable, we need to thoroughly read the pamphlets that will be handed out with the bulletin this weekend and earnestly pray for the success of this effort.***

**BENEDICTION and PRAYER SERVICE in HONOR of the MOST HOLY ROSARY**



Since the feast of the Most Holy Rosary falls on Sunday, October 7th, and is superseded by the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time and also since the outdoor Rosary in the cemetery has been cancelled, we plan to celebrate with benediction and a prayer service in honor of the Most Holy Rosary on **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11TH, AT 7 PM AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**. A social will follow. This



prayer service and benediction gives us the opportunity of highlighting our devotion and seeking always the intercession of Our Blessed Lady. It is strongly recommended to pray the Rosary daily.

***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 sick person with the grace of the Holy Spirit by which the whole person is brought to health, trust in God is encouraged, and strength is given. Do take advantage of this opportunity.***

**Healing Mass** - The Pittsburgh Fraternity of Priests will offer a Healing Liturgy at St. Therese of Lisieux, Munhall, on Wednesday, October 10th, at 7 pm. All who are in need of emotional, physical, or spiritual healing are invited to attend. This is not the Sacrament of Anointing. Songs of praise and worship will be offered.



St. Agnes Parish welcomes **NATHAN CHRISTIAN DEWAR** and **NOAH MICHAEL DEWAR** to our Faith Community, sons of **ASHLEY and BRANDON DEWAR**, baptized on September 29th. Prayerful Congratulations!

**Marriage**



**Joyful and Hearty Congratulations to**  
**KENNETH JOHNSON and BETHANY ROUNDS**  
on their marriage at St. Agnes Parish on October 5th, 2012, and to  
**SAMUEL SMERKOL, JR. and KATHRYN BARUM**  
on their marriage at St. Agnes Parish on October 6th, 2012.



**Heartfelt Sympathy** to the family and friends of  
**MARIA ALZO, MARGARET SHIMKO, and HENRY KOVALCIN** of Holy Trinity;  
**ELEANOR HAVRILLA**, mother of **RITA JENNINGS** of St. Agnes; and  
**ANNE and BERNARD ZEDO**, parents of **LISA OROSS** of St. Agnes.

May their souls and the souls of all our beloved deceased be embraced by the Heavenly Father.

**Attention! October Count Begins...**Please make a strong effort to **attend Mass HERE** at St. Agnes and Holy Trinity during the **month of October**. It is very important that we show good attendance at this time!

**Holy Trinity and St. Agnes  
Prayer Vigil for Life - 40 Days for Life**



As of September 25th, 77 churches, including Holy Trinity and St. Agnes, signed up for a "shift" during the prayer vigil downtown at Planned Parenthood, the largest abortion clinic in Pittsburgh.

This photo shows members of a local parish at their vigil during this Fall Campaign.

Please let Nancy Lapinski know if you would like to participate for one hour during our vigil on Sunday, October 14th, 7 - 11 am, by phoning 412-466-1361.

**October 7th is Respect Life Sunday.**

Traditionally during the month of October, Catholics throughout the world are asked to support the missions in a special way on **World Mission Sunday**. This year the collection for World Mission Sunday is scheduled for the Masses of **October 20th/21st**. Please be as generous as possible.



**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 today.* 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 3 and under, **FREE**. Your presence benefits our school.

**Candy Bars** are available for **\$1 each**.

**Enjoy Books** are on sale for **\$30**.

**Kids Stuff Books** are on sale for **\$25**.

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

**Gift Cards** are always available.

**Serra High School \$10,000 Raffle** tickets are available after Masses, through the School Office, or the office at Holy Trinity.

**Keep Christ in Christmas** - magnets (two selections) are being sold by the **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**. Available now! Beautiful and colorful! Place on your car, office file, fridge, or in your Christmas cards as a surprise gift. Evangelize! Society members will be at the back of Church after Masses to purchase these magnets at both Holy Trinity and St. Agnes. Get them early; don't miss out! **Contact-Dottie 412-646-7447**.

## 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

Patricia Brevko, Anna Cmar,  
Marie Cmar, Helen Gambal, Eleanor Haselhoff,  
Mary Lisa Holzwarth, Joseph Kirch, Agnes Kovac,  
Diane Kovalsky, Agnes Magdic, Ethel Maydak,  
Larry Maydak, Justine Mantich, Ethel Palyo, Ann Sabo,  
Mary Sabol, Ray Shahen, 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,  
Joe Milko, Marguerite Oeler, Laura Pasternak,  
Dorothy Petrak, Clara Riley, Brian Saunders, Rudy Saunders,  
Glenn Steimer, Marie Steiner,  
Roseann Thomas, Paul Thomas

### October is Respect Life Month

**“A nation that kills its own children is a nation without hope.” -- Pope John Paul II**

~St. Agnes Parish is in need of Money Counters.~

Please contact Father Grosko  
to apply to be a volunteer money counter.

## Weekly Collections

### ST. AGNES — September 30, 2012

\$ 3,184.00 - - Sunday Offering

\$ 75.00 - - Parish Share Campaign

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

Amount Collected PSP ..... \$ 18,453.00

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 30, 2012

\$ 1,892.00 - - Sunday Offering and Bishop's Education Fund

\$ 55.00 - - Parish Share Campaign

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

Amount Collected PSP .....\$ 17,618.00

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