

# 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

#### SUNDAY - MAY 12 - SEVENTH SUNDAY of EASTER

6:00p(Sat) - **Marguerite Oeler-BD** (Tom/Peg Smith Family)  
 8:00a - **John and Mary Martha Gruber** (Ann Gruber)  
 11:00a - **Living and Deceased Mothers of St. Agnes**

#### MONDAY - MAY 13 - OUR LADY of FATIMA

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### TUESDAY - MAY 14 - ST. MATTHIAS

6:45a - **Steward Gosney** (Jo Poligone)

#### WEDNESDAY - MAY 15 - ST. ISIDORE

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### THURSDAY - MAY 16 - EASTER WEEKDAY

6:45a - **George Lesko** (Jack and Fran Walters)

#### FRIDAY - MAY 17 - EASTER WEEKDAY

8:15a - **Paula Anne Smith** (Joe and Joan Naccarato)

#### SATURDAY - MAY 18 - ST. JOHN I

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### SUNDAY - MAY 19 - PENTECOST SUNDAY

6:00p(Sat) - **William Cain** (Carolyn Andrews)  
 8:00a - **Eleanor Havrilla** (Ladies of Charity)  
 11:00a - **Leo and Susanne Snyder** (Children)

### HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

#### SUNDAY - MAY 12 - SEVENTH SUNDAY of EASTER

4:00p(Sat) - **James Ingel** (Angie and Harold Sievern)  
 9:30a - **Mary Jean Maresch** (Diana Maresch)

#### MONDAY - MAY 13 - OUR LADY of FATIMA

8:00a - **Margaret Wooddell** (Robert Wooddell)

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

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4:00p(Sat) - **Mary Ann Majernik** (Len Potemra)  
 9:30a - **Agnes Magdic** (June Cuffin)

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

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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**

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**First Reading:** *Acts of the Apostles 7:55-60* Stephen is martyred as Saul looks on.

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalm 97:1-2,6-7,9* The Lord is king over all the earth.

**Second Reading:** *Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20* Come, Lord Jesus.

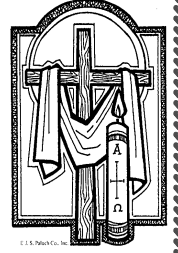
**Gospel Reading:** *John 17:20-26* Jesus prays for his disciples.

### Reflecting on God's Word

The late Paul Harvey was famous for his stories on the radio. He would tell only part of a story, then announce that, after the commercials, he would be back with "the rest of the story." Then he would come back with a surprising or satisfying wrap-up. The word of God reminds us that, no matter what has already happened in our lives or what will happen in future days, God will provide us "the rest of the story." John does not have Jesus praying in the garden of Gethsemane but at the Last Supper. Jesus prays to the Father for his disciples and for all who will hear their words about him. He prays that all may be one. The ending that God has planned for all who believe in Jesus is that we enter into unity with Jesus and the Father and the Holy Spirit.

Today we also witness the end of the story of one of the first preachers of the gospel, Stephen the deacon. As he was being stoned, he prayed that the Lord Jesus receive his spirit and that those stoning him be forgiven. The end of his story on this earth echoes the final words of Jesus on the cross in Luke's Gospel.

Finally, the author of Revelation holds up an image of Jesus as the beginning and the end of the human story. He will return at the end of time and bring a recompense that he "will give to each according to [our] deeds" (Revelation 22:12). At the end, then, is God's plan for unity, forgiveness, and glory. And that's the rest of the story.



### ~~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~~

Tue, May 14th.....**St. Agnes Holy Hour for Vocations 7:00 pm**

Tue or Wed, May 14th or 15th...**Holy Trinity Cemetery Flag Raising**

Sat, May 18th.....**Protecting God's Children Workshop, Christ the Light of the World, Duquesne**

Sat, May 18th.....**Kennywood Park Walk for Life, Check-In begins at 8:45 am. Walk at 9:30 am.**

Sun, May 19th.....**Pentecost Sunday**

Sun, May 26th.....**Blood Drive at St. Agnes, 8:00 am - 11:00 am; Trinity Sunday**

Fri/Sat, June 21st/22nd..**St. Agnes Flea Market, Social Hall. Please gather your gently used items.**

July 26th-27th.....**146th St. Agnes Annual Festival. Save these dates now!!**

*The pious practice of honoring Mary during the month of May has been especially recommended by the Popes.*

### CHILDREN'S BULLETIN

A **Children's Bulletin** with games, puzzles, and activities that are based upon the Sunday (or Holy Day) Scripture readings will now be available each week on the tables in the back of St. Agnes and Holy Trinity churches! We are hoping that this bulletin will enrich the children's understanding of the Mass and Scriptures. Please take a copy for the children.



### BLOOD DRIVE



A Blood Drive will be held at **St. Agnes Social Hall** on Sunday, **May 26th**, from **8:00 am - 1:00 pm**. To make an appointment, please phone **Donna Milko** at **412-466-4610**. Please support this vital effort within our community.



### HOLY TRINITY CEMETERY FLAGS HONORING OUR VETERANS

This year will be the **12th year for the AVENUE of FLAGS**. They are displayed honoring our beloved veterans. The flags have been ordered and will be raised on **May 14th or 15th**. We are in desperate need of **volunteers for this special event**.

**Holy Trinity Men's Club** is sponsoring a trip to Rivers Casino on **Wednesday, May 29th**. Bus departs Church parking lot at 9:00 am and departs casino at 4:00 pm. Coffee and donuts at 7:30 am in Holy Trinity Social Hall. Deadline for reservations is **May 17th**. Call Jean at 412-466-5062. Cost is \$25.00. Everyone welcome.





***“Happy Mother’s Day” to All Mothers***

There is one woman who was and is **Pro-Life**—our **Mother**. She loved life and nurtured it and gave it to us. For nine months we lived in her body, becoming flesh of her flesh, sharing her life. Then, through the miracle of birth, she brought us into this world with a body and soul that are destined one day **to share in the happiness of God in Heaven forever**. *If our mothers had done nothing more than this, they would deserve our eternal gratitude. But we know that they have done much more, and so we honor them today.* Whether they are living, or have already gone to their eternal reward, we **gratefully remember them** in our prayers and Masses today.



As we **honor our mothers** today, both living and deceased, let us **pray for them daily** and always lighten their days by our **cooperative, compassionate, joyful, and willing support**. And may we all in our own special way **pray to Mary**, for whom the title of **“Mother”** is her **finest and greatest!**

**A Mother’s Day Blessing...**

*Blessed is the Mother, who lets the Lord be her guiding hand,  
whose faith brings her family courage, whose wisdom comes from God,  
and whose children still stand and honor her.*

~~CONGRATULATIONS - FIRST HOLY COMMUNICANTS~~

**The joy and wonder of First Holy Communion fills our parish.** Please hold our children and their families in prayer as they approach the Sacrament of the Eucharist. We welcome our communicants at the table of the Lord and pray that they always find strength, nourishment, peace, and love in this beautiful Sacrament. **We are one in COMMUNION. May the blessings and grace of Christ be with our children in a most special way this Easter Season.** Our prayerful congratulations to:

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| ALAINA BEAL    | ELIZABETH BENNETT | BRANDON BORCIK    |
| CODY CAVANAUGH | RILEY COPE        | CORALEE FITZHENRY |
| STEVEN GALIYAS | HALEY GERKIN      | KLAY KRAEUTER     |
| SHAYNE MALLOY  | LOGAN MURR        | COLIN SCOTT       |
| ABIGAIL SMITH  | LUKE STOKES       | MADISON WILCOX    |

**A REMINDER FOR ALL OF US: Have we fulfilled our Easter Duty? What is our Easter Duty?**

It is the obligation to receive Holy Communion between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday, which falls on May 26th this year. Ideally, a Catholic receives Holy Communion at every Mass that he or she attends. The obligation to go to Confession is related to the Easter Duty in the sense that in order to receive Holy Communion, one might need to go to Confession first in order to be in the State of Grace.

Reference: **Catholic Catechism of the Catholic Church 2041-2042; Canon Law 988, 989**

**ST. AGNES FLEA MARKET**

St. Agnes Flea Market will be held in **St. Agnes Social Hall** on **Friday and Saturday, June 21st and June 22nd**. You can drop off your **donations** beginning on **Monday, June 10th**—between **9:00 am and 9:00 pm**. We ask that all of your **"White Elephant" donations** be made by **June 16th**. Please do not drop off anything for the White Elephant Sale before **June 10th**. The hall is rented out, and we do not have anywhere to store items during this time. **We will gladly and gratefully accept all donations between June 10th and June 17th**. Thanks for your understanding! Please no shoes, clothes or stuffed animals. Proceeds will benefit the festival account.



**HEARTFELT SYMPATHY** to the family and friends of **MARIE “MOLLIE” CORTAZZO**, mother of Connie Ferencz, who was buried from *St. Agnes Church*.  
*May her soul and the souls of all our beloved deceased be embraced by the Heavenly Father.*

## FREE STROKE RISK SCREENING

Ages 18 and Over Welcome, No Insurance Required

**Saturday, June 8th**, Christ the Light of the World Parish (Social Hall), 32 South First Street, Duquesne, PA, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. Screening includes:

- \* Stroke risk survey
- \* Body fat analysis
- \* Total cholesterol
- \* Carbon Monoxide
- \* HDL
- testing for smokers
- \* Blood sugar level
- \* Counseling on risk factors

Screening takes about 30-45 minutes to complete.

Registration is preferred. Call 412-469-7100. Sponsored by Jefferson Regional Medical Center.



**GOSNELL IS NOT ALONE...** Looking back, we deplore the human sacrifice of the Aztecs, while at the same time far too many Christians give silent approval as our nation's babies are sacrificed in killing rooms called abortion clinics.

Abortion is human sacrifice on the altar of "choice." How can we call ourselves a civilized nation!

### PRAYER for RELEASE of the SEVEN GIFTS

of the HOLY SPIRIT as

WE PREPARE for PENTECOST

Blessed Spirit of **Wisdom**, help me to seek God. Make Him the center of my life, so that love and harmony may reign in my soul.

Blessed Spirit of **Understanding**, enlighten my mind, that I may know and love the truths of faith and make them truly my own.

Blessed Spirit of **Counsel**, enlighten and guide me in all my ways, that I may always know and do Your holy Will.

Blessed Spirit of **Fortitude**, uphold my soul in every time of trouble or adversity. Make me loyal and confident.

Blessed Spirit of **Knowledge**, help me to know good from evil. Teach me to do what is right in the sight of God. Give me clear vision and firmness in decision.

Blessed Spirit of **Piety**, possess my heart, incline it to a true faith in You, to a holy love of You, my God, that with my whole soul I may seek You, Who are my Father, and find You, my best, my truest joy.

Blessed Spirit of **Holy Fear**, penetrate my inmost heart that I may ever be mindful of Your presence. Make me fly from sin, and give me intense reverence for God and for my fellow men who are made in God's image.

## Please Pray for Our Beloved Sick

*Please call the Parish Offices with any changes or additions. Your cooperation, visits, and daily prayers are deeply appreciated.*

### Holy Trinity

Monica Branik, Patricia Brevko, Anna Cmar,  
Helen Gambal, Mary Lisa Holzwarth, Flo Husfelt,  
Joseph Kirch, Agnes Kovac, Diane Kovalsky,  
Louis Kruszewski, George Miteff, Ann Sabo,  
Mary Sabo, Mary Sabol,  
Margaret Svirbel, Martha Vasil

### St. Agnes

Marie Beney, Alberta Buchleitner,  
Francis J. Capaleo, Nettie Conley, Patricia DeLuca,  
Florence Dugan, Irene Fontanese, Steve Grochalski,  
Mary Elizabeth Hudick,  
Mary Kosko, Robert Kosko,  
Dorothy Kostovny, Joe Milko, Marguerite Oeler,  
Laura Pasternak, Dorothy Petrak, Clara Riley,  
Brian Saunders, Rudy Saunders, Loretta Sabol,  
Marie Steiner, Paul Thomas

### HEARTFULLY

GRATEFUL to all those who faithfully support our parish community by mailing their donations when not able to attend Sunday Mass. Your stewardship is most appreciated. We are also hoping to soon offer Online Giving for those who would like this method for their contributions.



## Weekly Collections

### ST. AGNES - May 5, 2013

\$ 4,643 - - Sunday Offertory  
\$ 1,505 - - Parish Share

PSP Assessment-2013 .....\$ 25,758  
Amount Collected PSP .....\$ 10,116  
Monthly School Subsidy .....\$ 6,167

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR PARISH SHARE CAMPAIGN.

~~ REMEMBER ST. AGNES CHURCH  
AND HOLY TRINITY CHURCH IN YOUR WILL ~~

### HOLY TRINITY - May 5, 2013

\$ 2,814 - - Sunday Offertory  
\$ 1,308 - - Parish Share

PSP Assessment-2013 .....\$ 23,221  
Amount Collected PSP .....\$ 8,079

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