

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

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 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 - JULY 14 - 15TH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

6:00p(Sat) - **Joe Milko** (Wife, Donna)
 8:00a - **Alice Stanicar** (Vince Stanicar)
 11:00a - **Margaret & Paul Smith** (JoAnn & Fred Smith)

MONDAY - JULY 15- ST. BONAVENTURE

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUESDAY - JULY 16 - WEEKDAY

7:00a - **Ann May Sloniger** (Sue Finnegan)

WEDNESDAY - JULY 17 - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

THURSDAY - JULY 18 - WEEKDAY

7:00a - **Tammy Fivehouse** (Sue Finnegan)

FRIDAY - JULY 19- WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SATURDAY - JULY 20 - ST. APOLLINARIS

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN - JULY 21 - 16TH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

6:00p(Sat) - **Richard "Dee" Bevan** (Mary & Mike Sorokacs)
 8:00a - **Joseph Milko** (Josephine Andres)
 11:00a - **Emilia Koreny** (Ephesians IV Prayer Group)

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUN - JULY 14 - 15TH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

4:00p(Sat) - **Marie Kapples** (Ed & Gerry Kelmickis)
 9:30a - **Deborah Sievern** (Family) and **Grace Tarczy**
 (Maureen Sersen)

MONDAY - JULY 15 - ST. BONAVENTURE

8:00a - **Clem Jurica** (Pato Family)

TUESDAY - JULY 16 - WEEKDAY

(7:00a Mass at St. Agnes)

WEDNESDAY - JULY 17 - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Steve Bialobok** (Christian Mother Guild)

THURSDAY - JULY 18 - WEEKDAY

(7:00a Mass at St. Agnes)

FRIDAY - JULY 19 - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Grace Tarczy** (Donna Chuck Polesko)

SATURDAY - JULY 20 - ST. APOLLINARIS

8:00a - **Marilyn Sepesy** (Vince Gagotto)

SUN - JULY 21 - 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p(Sat) **David Robinson** (Mom & Dad)
 9:30a - **Adeline Vislay** (Ferchak Family)

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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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 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**

July 14, 2013

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



First Reading: *Deuteronomy 30:10-14* Moses reminds the people that God's commandments are not remote but are already in their hearts.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 69:14, 17, 30-31, 36-37* Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

Second Reading: *Colossians 1:15-20* Jesus is the head of the body, the Church.

Gospel Reading: *Luke 10:25-37* The parable of the Good Samaritan.

Reflecting on God's Word

“Live and let live.” “Mind your own business.” “Leave well enough alone.” “It’s not your problem.” “Don’t get involved.” So goes the wisdom of the world, the law of the jungle. One of these sayings may come to mind when you see a car accident, a bum on the sidewalk, a competitor going bankrupt, a parent slapping a child, a teenage prostitute, a news story about illegal immigrants being deported.

We who have received the love of Christ are to live by a different law. It is “very near to you . . . in your hearts; you have only to carry it out” (Deuteronomy 30:14). We are to live in Christ’s love and let our neighbor experience that same life-giving love. And yet, like the “scholar of the law” in today’s Gospel, we always try to define who is—or more precisely, who isn’t—our neighbor. There’s no escaping the message of this Gospel passage. Everyone we fear or despise, every victim, every outsider, every undeserving soul whom God loves, we are to “go and do likewise.”

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

TODAY, July 14th.....9:30 am Mass of Thanksgiving for Ordination of Lawrence Adams  
(Reception to follow at Holy Trinity Social Hall)

Mon, & Tue, July 15th-16th...9:00am Cabbage Rolls & Halusky Making (Holy Trinity Social Hall)

Thur, July 18th.....Slovak Day at Kennywood

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

Wed, July 31st.....Men’s Club Meadows Casino Trip



**The Holy Trinity Men’s Club** is sponsoring a trip to the Meadows Casino on **Wednesday, July 31**. Bus will leave the Church at 9:00 am and depart the Casino at 4:00 pm. Cost is \$25. Coffee and donuts at 7:30 am. Call George at 412-466-5062. Deadline: **July 21st**. Everyone is welcome! There is also a Casino Trip to Nemaquin on Wednesday, **September 11th**. The cost is \$30. The first bus is filled, and the second bus is filling up fast.

**\$3,000 Labor Day Lottery Drawing**

Tickets to benefit the Holy Trinity and St. Agnes Improvement Funds may be purchased following weekend Masses or at the Rectory Office. The seller of the winning ticket will receive \$200. Thank you!



**2013 LOTTERY CALENDARS**

Lottery calendars are on sale for half price (\$10.00). They will be good for July through December and will be sold after Masses and from the School Office.



**90TH ANNUAL KENNYWOOD SLOVAK DAY PICNIC, THURSDAY, JULY 18TH**...Again, calling upon *all Slovaks* for our annual Western PA gathering of Slovaks in Kennywood Park on **Thursday, July 18th**. **Bishop Lawrence Brandt**, *Ordinary of the Diocese of Greensburg*, will be present and give remarks. **Rev. Thomas Nasta will be the homilist and president**. Tickets are available in the **Holy Trinity Parish Office**. *Ride All Day: \$24; Seniors 55+: \$14; Seniors 70+: Coupon to be redeemed at Park for \$10.*



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Volunteers are greatly needed for food preparation of stuffed cabbage and halusky for Slovak Day Kitchen at Kennywood. If available and able to lend a hand, please be at Holy Trinity Social Hall on Monday and Tuesday, July 15th and 16th, starting at 9:00 am (if needed, also Wednesday, July 17th).

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION



It's high summer now, school is out, the pace of work slows, and some people drift away. There are visitors in the churches every summer, and familiar faces are "among the missing." Some find the summer's call more appealing than the summons or the church bells. Many, however, would not dream of missing a Sunday, and so they make their way to Mass in unfamiliar places, watching the locals for clues as to when to sit or stand, where the Communion stations are. In answering the call, they keep the "sabbatical" rhythm of the Christian life: every seventh day the Body of Christ assembles for worship.

For centuries, there was no obligation to Sunday Mass in the sense of a written law, but Christians have always yearned to be together on Sunday. In the city of Abitina, during a persecution by the Emperor Diocletian, a group of Christians were urged to stop worshipping together on Sundays. **They responded, "Then take our lives, for without the Sunday we cannot live." Are we willing to do the same?**

HIPPA

Because of the health Privacy Law, hospitals and nursing homes do not notify our church when a parishioner is admitted or discharged unless they are instructed to do so by an individual or their family member. If you or a loved one is homebound, hospitalized, is a resident in a nursing home or assisted living facility and would like to have a visit by a Eucharistic Minister or to be on our Bulletin Prayer List, please call the Parish Office. Hopefully through our special ministry of visiting the homes we will be able to provide on a personal level our Eucharistic out-

DIOCESAN PROGRAM

Did you know that Catholic Charities provides counseling services? They have a certified gambling addiction counselor on staff and offer counseling for persons dealing with a gambling problem. Through their Free Health Care Center, they offer free therapy for adults who have no health insurance, for depression, anxiety and life circumstance issues. They can also provide qualified local referrals beyond their scope of services.

All calls are confidential. For more information, call 412-456-6951.

PARENTING POINTERS



"Parents spend 40% less time with their children than did parents in the 1950's... The average father spends less than 30 minutes a week talking to his children... Most kids need more adult time and less money."

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

If you desire children but are not yet parents, tenderly support each other.

Consider how your love may flow out to others needing your generosity. If you already have children, pray for those couples who yearn for what may have come easily to you.

Banners of Evangelists

The **banner of St. Luke** has been memorialized by **Mildred Moran** in remembrance of **May & Matthew Luke Gasparovic**. The **banner of St. Matthew** has been given by **Delphine Schulte** in remembrance of her beloved husband, **Carl**. The **banner of St. John** has been given in memory of **Marie Kapples** by **Bill & Bev Kelmickis**. The **banner of St. Mark** has been memorialized by **Albert & Marie Kapples** in remembrance of **Marie Kapples**. Also, thanks to **Tom Breznai** for his contribution toward the banners. A special **Mass of thanksgiving** is scheduled on **Monday, July 22nd at 8:00 am at Holy Trinity**. Prayerfully grateful in their generous response and remembrance of their loved ones. Our continued prayers for the many who do contribute to those special collections and memorials that are given in our parishes.

Volunteers for a Special Ministry!

Our *outreach for the sick, shut-ins, and those in the local nursing homes* are always in need of visitors and receiving of the Lord Jesus to help sustain them in their sickness and difficulties and thus, our parishes of **St. Agnes and Holy Trinity are calling for volunteers to assist in this blessed and unique ministry.** **Josephine Andres**, who with her helpers, **Nancy Tascarella, Fran Walters and Millie Estochin** coordinated and organized this outreach for the parishes and *we are most grateful for their willingness and dedication.* They are now seeking volunteers for this ministry as there has been an increase in the number of our shut-ins and sick. **Please call Josephine, 412-466-9055** to help us in our special ministry outreach program.

PARENT'S PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



O Jesus, greatest of all priests, knowing the need for Priests and Religious in the world, you uttered those powerful words, "Beg the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into His vineyard." How happy we would be if you would make us the parents of a Priest or Religious. We know that we so often offend you and are not worthy of so high a privilege, but, dear God, do not think of our many sins. Think, rather, of the great needs of your Church. Remember how many confessions are to be heard, how many sermons are to be preached, how many dying people are to be cared for.

Remember, too, the great number of boys and girls who must be taught to know you, to love you and to serve you. Please then, O heavenly Father, give your Church what she so much needs today. If you choose us to be the parents of a Priest or Religious, gladly will we undertake the special care that the training of such a child would require, and for the love of you we will make any sacrifice that such training may put upon us. We desire only your glory and the salvation of souls. We offer that child entirely to your service, to the saving of souls for you.

Amen

Please don't take a vacation from your stewardship. As always, your help continues to be needed during the summer months. Recognizing that many of our parishioners will be away for Eucharistic celebrations and enjoying well-deserved vacations, we do encourage fulfilling your Sunday obligation to **attend Mass** by taking the opportunity to **visit the local parish at your vacation site**. While you are away, our monthly bills continue to come, so please remember your Parish Share Pledges and offerings at home as well.



HEARTFELT SYMPATHY... to the family and friends of **Jane Plake**, of Holy Trinity parish. *May our Heavenly Father embrace all our beloved deceased and number them among the elect at the banquet of Heaven.*

Please Pray for Our Beloved Sick

Holy Trinity

Monica Branik, Patricia Brevko, Anna Cmar,
Helen Gambal, Martin Hock, Mary Lisa Holzwarth,
Zander Holzwarth (15 months old), 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, Marguerite Oeler,
Laura Pasternak, Dorothy Petrak, Clara Riley,
Loretta Sabol, Rudy Saunders, Brian Saunders,
Jim Schragl, Marie Steiner, Paul Thomas

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

Please Pray for Our Beloved in the Military

--RCT Nikolas Eichenlaub, 2nd BT PLT 2049, Echo
Company, Parris Island, SC 24409, Grandson of
Charles and Sue Barnes
--Sean J. Bowen, Grandson of Eileen Cochrane

Weekly Collections

ST. AGNES

\$7,311-- June 30 & July 7 Sunday Offerings
\$826 ---- -Parish Share
\$1,090---- Peters Pense

PSP Assessment-2013 \$ 25,758
Amount Collected PSP\$ 17,201
Monthly School Subsidy \$ 6,167
PLEASE REMEMBER OUR PARISH SHARE CAMPAIGN.

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

HOLY TRINITY

\$4,270-- June 30 & July 7 Sunday Offerings
\$1,186 ---- -Parish Share
\$ 625---- Peters Pense

PSP Assessment-2013\$ 23,221
Amount Collected PSP \$ 11,098

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