

Saint Agnes Church and Holy Trinity Church



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Administrative Office and Rectory
529 Grant Avenue Extension • West Mifflin, PA 15122
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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-SEPT 22 - 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:00p(Sat) - **Joe Milko** (Joe & Joan Naccarato)

8:00a - **Teresa Schaff** (Husband, Bob)

11:00a - **Anne & Paul Eckley** (Joann & Fred Smith)

MONDAY-SEPT 23 - ST. PIUS OF PIETREICINA

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUES-SEPT 24 - WEEKDAY

6:45a - **John Gruber** (Ladies of Charity)

WEDNESDAY-SEPT 25 - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

THUR-SEPT 26 - SS. COSMAS & DAMIAN

6:45a - **Richard Jordan** (Dave Salopek, Jr.)

FRIDAY-SEPT 27 - ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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

SAT-SEPT 28 - ST. WENCESLAUS & ST. LAWRENCE RUIZ & COMPANIONS

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN-SEPT 29 - 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:00p(Sat) - **Living & Deceased. Members, St. Vincent DePaul Society**

8:00a - **Joe Milko** (Lisa & Ron Oross)

11:00a - **Richard "Dee" Bevan** (Tom & Roberta Bevan)

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUN-SEPT 22 - 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p(Sat) - **Martin Soltis** (Parents)

9:30a - **Andy Pollak** (Kallenborn Family)

MONDAY-SEPT 23 - ST. PIUS OF PIETREICINA

8:00a - **Helen & Albert Ivak** (Alice Svirbel)

TUES-SEPT 24 - WEEKDAY

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

WEDNESDAY-SEPT 25 - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **John J. Sabol** (Wife, Mary & Children)

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4:00p(Sat) - **Living & Deceased Members, St. Vincent DePaul Society**

9:30a - **Joseph Tkach Month's Mind** (Wife & Children)

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**

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: *Amos 8:4-7*, Unfair business practices and injustice to the poor will be judged by God.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 113: 1-2,4-6,7-8*, Praise be to God, who raises up the poor.

Second Reading: *1 Timothy 2:1-8*, Paul tells Timothy that prayer for those in authority is pleasing to God because God wills the salvation of all.

Gospel Reading: *Luke 16:1-13* (shorter form, *Luke 16:10-13*), Jesus tells a parable about a dishonest steward who is commended for his prudence; one cannot serve both God and money.

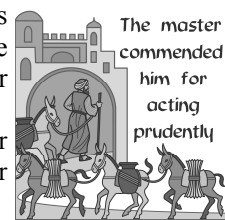
Reflecting on God's Word

When Jacob Marley appears to Ebenezer Scrooge at the beginning of *A Christmas Carol*, he tells Scrooge that he wears the chain he forged in life, and now he wanders the earth. ~~Old Marley's life had been about money until it ended; now he pays the price.~~

Luke calls on his community to consider its use of money. In today's parable a steward has been caught squandering his master's property. Seeing that his days are numbered, the steward acts quickly to ensure that he will have friends at the end. Surprisingly, the master commends him for "acting prudently." Jesus then comments that the children of this world have more gumption than the children of light, using their money to make friends.

Three other comments follow: Use money to make friends for eternity; trustworthiness in small matters and earthly wealth will lead to being trusted with true wealth, i.e. God's kingdom; and you have to choose between God and mammon" (whatever holds your deepest trust other than God). In a nutshell, use your money to serve; allow God to save.

Jesus is in line with the prophet Amos, who castigates the businessmen of his day for cheating the poor and needy. God is on the side of these little ones. They are the ones we are to befriend by using our money for their good. Jesus, who came as a "ransom for all" (1 Timothy 2:4), is our true wealth.




~~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~~

- Sat, Oct 5th.....**Holy Trinity Stuffed Cabbage Sale** (No dinners - bring your own containers)
- Sun, Oct 6th.....**Jednota Sacred Heart Branch #580 Mtg.** (following 9:30 pm Mass)
- Mon, Oct 7th.....**Indoor Rosary** in honor of our Lady, 7:00 pm (Holy Trinity), Social to follow
- Sat, Oct 12th.....**Chergi Sale** (after 1:00 pm - 2 dozen limit)
- Sun, Oct 13th.....**Knights of Columbus Family Breakfast & Canned Food Drive**
- Sun, Oct 20th.....**Knights of Columbus Canned Food Drive**
- Wed, Nov 6th.....**Rivers Casino Trip** (\$25/pp)
- Fri, Nov 8th.....**Dinner & Show, "Bible Bingo,"** (St. Agnes Cafeteria)
- Sun, Nov 17th.....**Roast Beef Dinner** (Turkey give away)
- Sun, Nov 24th.....**Feast of Christ the King, Our Lord, Morning Adoration**



FAMILY BREAKFAST
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2013
8:00am to 1:00pm
\$8-Adults & \$4-Children 12 and under
Holy Trinity Social Hall
Sponsored by Knights of Columbus
EVERYONE WELCOME!!

Knights of Columbus Canned Food Drive 

SUN. OCT 13 & 20

Help those in need by contributing canned goods in boxes at the rear of Holy Trinity Church. Collections will take place the second Sunday of every month. Your generosity will be rewarded.

HOLY TRINITY STUFFED CABBAGE TAKE-OUT ORDERS must be placed by **SATURDAY, SEPT. 29**. Please call **George Miteff** (412-466-5062) or **Virginia Jasek** (412-466-4737). Cost is \$2.00 each.

Annual Mass in Honor of Padre Pio...All are welcome to the annual Mass on **Monday, Sept. 23rd, 7:00 p.m.** at **St. Augustine Church**, 37th Street, Pittsburgh. *The glove worn by Padre Pio to protect the stigmata wound on his hand will be on display for this occasion.* **The public is invited.** Confessions will be heard from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Light refreshments will follow the Mass in the Capuchin Ministry Center Hall.

Jednota Sacred Heart Branch #580 will hold a meeting on **Sunday, October 6**, after the 9:30 Mass in the Holy Trinity Social Hall. All members are welcome.

CELEBRATE LIFE: *People Concerned for the Unborn Child's* annual Celebrate Life Luncheon will be held on Sunday, **October 20, at South Hills Country Club** from 11-2. Everyone is invited to join the fun and festivities. The speaker will be Mr. Jack Ames, from DEFEND LIFE. Food, prizes, including a raffle for two seats to the *Steelers/Browns* game, \$1.00 grab bag, and silent auction, will raise money to defend life. For more information and to obtain lunch or raffle tickets, call 412-531-9272 or visit www.pcuc.org.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

What is the meaning of transubstantiation? Transubstantiation means the change of the whole substance of bread into the substance of the Body of Christ and the whole substance of wine into the substance of His Blood. This change is brought about in the Eucharistic prayer through the effectiveness of the word of Christ and by the action of the Holy Spirit. However, the outward characteristics of bread and wine, that is, the "Eucharistic species," remain unaltered.



We need to become a more Eucharistic parish ever deepening our awareness and faith of Christ's presence in our daily lives by attending, as often as we can, the **Eucharistic Celebration during the week and that is Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at Holy Trinity and Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at St. Agnes.** And on Sundays hopefully we can fill our pews by your presence with family and children.



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 56 years of service to our community. During the past year, SVDP was able to help the poor by providing 35 families with food, rent, clothing, and other basic and essential needs. with over 150 hours of service, helping and visiting the sick. It is through your prayers and generosity that we are able to extend a helping hand. If you are interested in becoming a member, please call Holy Trinity Rectory (412-466-6545).

ADULT EDUCATIONAL VIDEO SERIES on CATHOLICISM...On Tuesdays in October: the 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th we will host **Fr. Robert Barron's video series, "Catholicism,"** from 9:30 am-11:00 am in Holy Trinity Social Hall and from 7-8:30 pm in St. Agnes School Learning Center. **Please call Peg Smith (412-469-3452) to register.** In breathtaking cinematography, this video series illustrates the beauty of the Church in multimedia. This series is a special opportunity to discuss our faith and have a deeper understanding of the Church's doctrinal teachings. It's a blessing to see this video in the year of Faith.



Attention! October Count is Near.....Each October throughout the Diocese, a count is taken at each and every Mass celebrated for the Sunday Obligation. Many churches, have been closed due to lack of participation. We surely don't want that to happen at St. Agnes or Holy Trinity. Please make a strong effort to **attend Mass at ST. AGNES and HOLY TRINITY** during the **month of October.** It is very important that we **show good attendance** at this time!

ATTENTION CHICK-FIL-A WATERFRONT CUSTOMERS!!

Please save your receipts and give them to Sister Cynthia for the Making a Difference Campaign. St. Agnes School is collecting the Chick-Fil-A receipts from now until the beginning of May hoping to receive enough Chick-Fil-A food cards to provide a treat for our students on Track & Field Day.



We will be hosting a Spirit Night at the Waterfront Chick-Fil-A on October 14 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. There will be a flyer and coupon in the bulletin on the weekend of October 12 & 13. The coupon must be presented at check-out and our school will receive 20% of School Spirit patron's sales. Thanks for your support!

The **Enjoy Books (\$30)** are in and so are the **Kids Stuff Books (\$25).** **Candy bars (\$2)** are available beginning this weekend They are a little bigger! So chocolate lovers—we all just have to dig a little deeper in our pockets. **Your love of chocolates does support our St. Agnes School.**

TEN WAYS YOU CAN SPOT A SPIRITUAL MOTHER...

**She nurtures others to become who they are
meant to be in God's eyes.**

**She recognizes, affirms, and protects
human dignity.**

**She performs spiritual and corporal works of
mercy with maternal care.**

**She helps others as an intercessor for them,
especially priests.**

**She practices the arts of friendship
and hospitality.**

**She passes on what she knows as a mentor
when asked.**

She is a joy catalyst.

**She keeps Christ close in her heart
by imitating Mary**

**She is a woman of holy influence
Who helps to give birth to saints.**



WEEKEND RETREAT

The Sisters of the Divine Redeemer will host a Weekend Retreat for Single Women at the Motherhouse at 999 Rock Run Rd., Elizabeth, on **Friday, October 18 (6:30-7:00 pm Arrival) thru Sunday, October 20 (3:00 pm Departure)**. Spend a relaxing weekend with other single women listening to God who calls us to peace and fullness of life. The cost is \$60. **Call Sister Joanne, S.D.R. at 412-751-8600 to make reservations or for more information.**



A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Parents are like the shepherd for they don't give up and can't rest if one of their children has wandered away. A parent's persistent love provides a glimpse of the unconditional love for each of us by God, Our Father. A parent is a window to the Divine.

Please Pray for Our Beloved Sick

Holy Trinity

**Monica Branik, Patricia Brevko, Anna Cmar,
Helen Gambal, Martin Hock, Mary Lisa Holzwarth,
Zander Holzwarth (toddler), Flo Husfelt,
Joseph Kirch, Agnes Kovac,
Louis Kruszewski, George Miteff, Ann Sabo,
Mary Sabo, Mary Sabol, 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, Brian Saunders,
Jim Schragl, Michael Sorokacs,
Marie Steiner, Paul Thomas, Betty Tucak,**

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 Grandson of Charles & Sue Barnes
- Sean J. Bowen, Grandson of Eileen Cochrane
- Joshua J. Winter, Spc. E4, son of Ron & Mary Ann Winter

Weekly Collections

ST. AGNES

**\$6,138 - - September 15 Sunday Offering
\$ 210 - - Parish Share
\$ 632 - - Bishop's Education Fund**

**PSP Assessment-2013\$ 25,758
Amount Collected PSP\$ 22,176
Monthly School Subsidy\$ 6,167
PLEASE REMEMBER OUR PARISH SHARE CAMPAIGN.**

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

HOLY TRINITY

**\$1,750- - September 15 Sunday Offering
\$ 210 - - Parish Share
\$ 392 - - Bishop's Education Fund**

**PSP Assessment-2013\$ 23,221
Amount Collected PSP\$ 14,541**

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