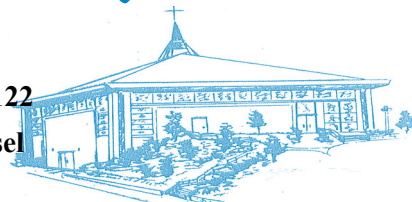


Saint Agnes Church and Holy Trinity Church



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

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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-OCT 27 - 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:00p(Sat) - **Charles Howell** (Family)
 8:00a - **Joe Milko** (Rose Spirnak)
 11:00a - **Roy W. Cochrane** (Eileen Cochrane & Family)

MONDAY-OCT 28 -SS. SIMON & JUDE

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUES-OCT 29 - WEEKDAY

6:45a - **Rudert "Rudy" Saunders** (Irene Slezak)

WED-OCT 30 - ST. WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

THUR-OCT 31 - WEEKDAY

(4:00p Anticipated Mass at Holy Trinity)

FRIDAY-NOV 1 - ALL SAINTS - FIRST FRIDAY

8:15a - **Cecilia Ferko** (Holy Spirit Sisters)
 7:00p - **Living & Deceased Members of St. Agnes**

SAT-NOV 2 - ALL SOULS DAY - FIRST SATURDAY

11:00a - **Debbie Sabo Lebedda** (Ladies of Charity)

SUN-NOV 3 - 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:00p(Sat) - **James Abels** (Edward Fink Family)
 8:00a - **Teresa E. Schaff** (Husband, Robert)
 11:00a - **Deceased Mbrs. of Suhoski Family** (Conley Family)

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUN-OCT 27 - 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p(Sat) - **Margaret L. Svirbel** (Friends)
 9:30a - **Steve Bialobok** - (Wife, Kitty, & Family)

MONDAY-OCT 28 - SS SIMON & JUDE

8:00a-Cel **Morgan** (Friend)

TUES-OCT 29 - WEEKDAY

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

WED-OCT 30 - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Joseph "Sonny" Tkach** (M/M Matthew Sloss)

THUR-OCT 31 - WEEKDAY

4:00p - **Living & Deceased Members of Holy Trinity**

FRIDAY-NOV 1 - ALL SAINTS - FIRST FRIDAY

8:00a - **Living & Deceased Members of Holy Trinity**

SAT-OCT 26 - ALL SOULS DAY - FIRST SATURDAY

8:00a - **Living & Dec'd. Mbrs. K of C #4210**

SUN-NOV 3 - 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p(Sat) - **Living & Dec'd. Mbrs. Jednota #580**
 9:30a - **Memorial Mass Knights of Columbus #4210**

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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 Social Hall - Saint Agnes..... 412-466-5500
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 Saint Agnes Website..... www.stagneswm.com
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 St. Agnes/Holy Trinity Office Email... 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**

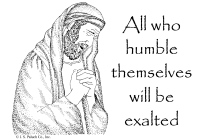
THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: *Sirach 35:12-14,16-18.* God hears the prayer of the poor.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 34:2-3,17-18,19, 23.* The Lord hears and answers the cry of the poor.

Second Reading: *2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18.* Paul perseveres in faith, confident God will rescue him.

Gospel Reading: *Luke 18:9-14.* Jesus tells the parable of the proud Pharisee who prayed from his self-importance and the tax collector who prayed humbly.



Reflecting on God's Word:

It's not that the Pharisee's prayer is a bad prayer. It starts out well: "O God, I thank you ..." Gratitude is good. But then it gets into boasting: "I am not like the rest of humanity... I fast... I pay tithes". It's a Little Jack Horner prayer. Remember the old nursery rhyme that ends with Jack saying, "What a good boy am I!"? The Pharisee's prayer is all about him and what he does, while gauging the distance between himself and the rest of humankind.

In contrast, the tax collector "stood off at a distance" with bowed head, beating his breast and saying, "O God, be merciful to me a sinner". He knows who he is and who God is and what God alone can do for him. He is just a repentant figure, one who asks to receive what only God can give—mercy.

Jesus tells this story "to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else". It acknowledges God who makes us "just," who helps us to be in proper relationship with God, with each other, and with creation. Sirach reminds us that our just God hears the cry of the oppressed, the wail of the orphan, the complaint of the widow, the petition of those who serve God willingly, and the prayer of the lowly. They allow room for God to enter their minds and hearts, and then many things can begin to happen, both within and all around them.

~~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~~

Tue, Oct 29th.....**Holy Trinity & St. Agnes Joint Finance Committee Mtg.** (7 pm Holy Trinity Rectory)

Fri, Nov 1st**All Saints** (Holy Day of Obligation)

Sat, Nov 2nd.....**All Souls Day & Remembrance throughout the month**

Sun, Nov 3rd**St. Agnes Blood Drive** (8-1pm St. Agnes Cafeteria)

Wed, Nov 6th**H.T. Men's Club Rivers Casino Bus Departs H.T. at 9 am.** More Info: 412-466-5062

Fri, Nov 8th..... **Dinner & Show, "Bible Bingo,"** (St. Agnes Cafeteria)

Sat, Nov 9th..... **St. Agnes Basketball Teams Night at the Races**

Sat, Nov 16th..... **Mass & Communal Anointing of the Sick** - (11:00 am - Holy Trinity)

Sun, Nov 17th.... **Holy Trinity Men's Club Roast Beef Dinner** (Turkey give away)

Sun, Nov 24th.... **Feast of Christ the King, Our Lord, Morning Adoration**



ST. AGNES DONUT SOCIAL: SUNDAY, NOV. 1, AFTER THE 8 & 11 am Masses

Autumn Arts and Crafts will be available for the children. Please join us for this special activity!

Holy Trinity & St. Agnes Finance Committees will hold a joint meeting on Tuesday, October 29th at 7:00 pm at Holy Trinity Rectory. This all important meeting will review the budgets of each parish and discuss pending projects in reference to our Church Alive Campaign. If unable to attend please call.



St. Agnes Parish welcomes Olivia Jonnette Catone, who was recently baptized, to our Faith Community. She is the daughter of **Beth and John Catone.**

SERRA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Come join us on Tuesday, October 29th at 7:00 pm and meet the faculty, parents and students! Refreshments, prizes and more!

Religious Christmas cards on sale after Liturgies on Saturdays & Sundays during October by the Knights of Columbus Council #4210 to raise money for K of C Charity. Help "Keep Christ in Christmas" by sending religious cards - an evangelization message from you!!



Bulletin Submission Deadline: Monday of each week. Please submit all items to the Holy Trinity Church Office. Thank you for your help!



Flowers for the Blessed Mother at Holy Trinity are in Memory of Steve Bialobok by the Belan Family

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS, FRIDAY, NOV 1ST

St. Agnes: *Feast Day Mass, Friday, 8:15 am*
Feast Day Mass, Friday, 7:00 pm

Holy Trinity: *Vigil Mass, Thursday, 4:00 pm*
Feast Day Mass, Friday, 8:00 am

The Feast of All Saints is a Holy Day of Obligation. May our prayers on this day be for the grace to become the saints of our day and a remembrance of our deceased, as they surely have earned the right to be numbered among the elect.

**FEAST OF POOR SOULS SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 2ND**

St. Agnes: *Mass, Saturday, 11:00 am*

Holy Trinity: *Mass, Saturday, 8:00 am*

The candles for St. Agnes Cemetery will be lit on Saturday Evening.

Throughout the month of November our beloved poor souls will be remembered at each Eucharistic Celebration and also special remembrance as indicated in our bulletin.

— CATHOLICS AND THE EUCHARIST —

Catholics need to examine their consciences prior to receiving Holy Communion. The U.S. Bishops have said, "...Like every Catholic generation before us, we must be guided by the words of St. Paul: 'Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the Body and Blood of the Lord' (1 Corinthians 11:27). This means that all must examine their consciences as to their worthiness to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. This examination includes fidelity to the moral teaching of the Church in personal and public life."

It is an ancient teaching of the Church that we ought not receive Holy Communion simply because we are present at Mass. Please respect one's Catholic integrity. If we are not "properly disposed," if we are not in communion with Christ and the Church, we should refrain from receiving Holy Communion. This teaching is applicable to the average Catholic as well as to the Catholic politician.

Prayerful thanks to **John and Dottie Hostovich** who donated toward the purchase of the Japanese Dogwood trees that line the parking lot at Holy Trinity. We will look forward to a beautiful blooming in the spring. We also welcome any contributions to support the endless financial needs of the parish.



The **Enjoy Books (\$30)** are in and so are the **Kids Stuff Books (\$25)**. **Candy bars (\$2)** are also available. They are a little bigger, so chocolate lovers, dig a little deeper into your pockets. Your love of chocolates helps our wonderful **St. Agnes School**. Thank you for your continued support!

**BIBLE BINGO: AN ACT OF CHARITY IN TWO ACTS
SHOW & DINNER, FRIDAY, NOV. 8TH 6 PM**

The show is about the Catholic culture of fundraising and bingo. In this interactive comedy, the parish needs money and the Archdiocese has a new bingo dept. Bring the two together and you have a night of bible trivia, audience interaction, and improvised moments. **Tickets for dinner (Stuffed Chicken Breast) and show are \$35/pp. Seats are limited. We will try to keep groups seated together if tickets are ordered together. Tables seat 8. Call St. Agnes School Office at 412-466-6238. Don't miss all the fun!!!**



CHRISTMAS STOCKING STUFFER RAFFLE TICKET

Each year **St. Agnes School** partners with **Serra Catholic High School** on the Christmas Stocking Stuffer. The ticket is \$10 based on the evening **Big 4 Lottery**. Please make checks payable to **St. Agnes School**: **Prizes are New Year's Eve - \$10,000, Bonuses – Dec. 27, 28, 29, 30 - \$1000 each night. Seller of winning ticket - \$100.** Don't miss this opportunity to help our **St. Agnes school**. **Raffle Tickets are available at School Office or Holy Trinity Office.**

St. Agnes Basketball Teams will be holding a **Night at the Races on Sat., Nov. 9th**. If you would like to support the Basketball Teams **you can purchase and name a horse for the races for \$10**. We would more than welcome you to attend the event by purchasing a ticket for \$10. **Horses and tickets are available after the Masses in the Social Hall or by calling the school office 412-466-6238.**

For Confidence in Prayer

O Jesus, your disciples often found you at prayer, and so they asked you to teach them how to do it. Help me to pray in confidence to the Father, just as you did. When I am facing my own agony of doubt and fear, pray with me so that I find courage and hope. When my life leads me to the cross, take my hand so that my heart stays strong. Most of all, strengthen my resolve to pray:

“Not my will, but Yours be done.”

Amen

OAKLAND CATHOLIC OPEN HOUSE

Oakland Catholic High School will hold their annual Open House for 6th, 7th, & 8th grade girls on **Sunday, November 3 from 12 to 3 pm**. For more information, visit www.oaklandcatholic.org or contact the Admissions Director at cmarchiano@oaklandcatholic.org.



PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

Celebrate May, the month of Our Lady, by being in the Grace-filled village of Medjugorje with Mother's Pilgrims pilgrimage to Medjugorje, April 29-May 8, 2014. Spiritual Director will be Fr. Joseph Freedy. For more information, please call Cathy Howe at 412-278-4673 or Chuck Wysor at 412-366-7200.

Catholic Hospice

Celebrates October as Respect for Life Month

Catholic Hospice & Palliative Services, serving those of **all** faiths is the area's only hospice program which fully embraces and upholds hospice's founding Christian principles, as well as the Church's position on care of the dying as stated in the Vatican's Declaration on Euthanasia for all faiths to follow. Catholic Hospice encourages all to "stand out" on those beliefs and pray together that every person may truly realize the gift of life that is bestowed upon us from God. Together, we can defend the sanctity of human life and respect that gift with full rights and responsibility. The intent of hospice is to provide comfort measures when a cure is no longer probable. It's not giving up, nor demeaning life's value, but instead making a graceful change of focus. For more information call 1-866-933-6221 or visit catholichospicepgh.org.



St. Agnes Blood Drive: Sun., Nov 3 8:00 am -1:00 pm

Please call Donna Milko (466-4610) or Jean Saunders (466-7700) to schedule a time.

Please Pray for Our Beloved Sick

Holy Trinity

Monica Branik, Patricia Brevko, Veronica Bujdos,
Libby Butsko, 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,
Catherine Olsakovsk, 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

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

\$3,730 -- October 20 Sunday Offering
\$ 135 -- Parish Share

PSP Assessment-2013	\$ 25,758
Amount Collected PSP	\$ 23,816
Monthly School Subsidy	\$ 6,167

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR PARISH SHARE CAMPAIGN.

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

HOLY TRINITY

\$1,700 -- October 20 Sunday Offering
\$ 120 -- Parish Share

PSP Assessment-2013	\$ 23,221
Amount Collected PSP	\$ 15,973

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