

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
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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 - MARCH 2 - EIGHTH SUN IN ORDINARY TIME

6:00p(Sat)- **Mary P. Sabol** (Loretta & Joe Sabol)
 8:00a - **John Lesutis** (Family)
 11:00a - **Rose Kollar** (Bowen Family)

MONDAY - MARCH 3 - ST KATHARINE DREXEL

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUES - MARCH 4 - ST CASIMIR

6:45a - **In Honor of the Holy Face of Jesus**

WED - MARCH 5 - ASH WEDNESDAY

8:15a - **Rudy Saunders** (Bill Shaming)
 7:00p - **Martha Gruber** (Bernie & Jim Stricklin)

THUR - MARCH 6 - WEEKDAY

6:45a - **James Black** (Maureen Kollar)

FIRST FRIDAY-MAR 7 - STS PERPETUA & FELICITY

(8:00a and 11:00a Masses at Holy Trinity)

SAT - MARCH 8- ST JOHN OF GOD

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN - MARCH 9 - FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

6:00p(Sat) - **Teresa Schaff** (Dolores & Delphine Schaff)
 8:00a - **Richard Jordan** (Joe Stavor)
 11:00a - **Joe Milko** (Maura & Paul Thomas)

HOLY TRINITY INTENTIONS

SUN - MARCH 2 - EIGHTH SUN IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p(Sat) - **John Butsko, Jr.** (Daparana Family)
 9:30a - **Larry Maydak** (Runge Family)

MONDAY - MARCH 3- ST KATHARINE DREXEL

8:00a - **Diane Kovalsky** (Lehart Family)

TUES - MARCH 4 - ST CASIMIR

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

WED - MARCH 5 - ASH WEDNESDAY

11:00a - **Cel Morgan** (Friend)

THUR - MARCH 6 - WEEKDAY

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

FIRST FRIDAY-MAR 7 - STS PERPETUA & FELICITY

8:00a - **Joseph "Sonny" Tkach** (Cheryl Weber)
 11:00a - **Margaret Svirbel** (Loretta Schneider)

SAT - MARCH 8 - ST JOHN OF GOD

8:00a - **Joseph Bujdos** (Family)

SUN - MARCH 9- FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

4:00p(Sat) - **Marjorie Byrnes** (Husband & Daughter)
 9:30a - **Robert Lucas** (Tony & Barb Salopek)

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**

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 49:14–15. Can a mother forget her infant? Even should she forget, I will never forget you

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 62:2–3,6–9. Only in God be at rest, my soul.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 4:1–5. The Lord will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and manifest the intentions of the heart.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 6:24–34. Enough, then, of worrying about tomorrow. Let tomorrow take care of itself.

Reflecting on God’s Word

I am writing this in the aftermath of the earthquake that shattered Haiti in January of 2010. The devastation was beyond words. Newspapers and telecasts were filled with pictures of the dead and heart-breaking stories. More than 220,000 were killed and thousands upon thousands were wounded. There is little food, water, or shelter, and few medical supplies. Yet even in the face of this tragic event, an evening news program two nights after the earthquake had footage of a large group in Port au Prince lifting their voices and hands in prayer, praising God.

This radical faith in God is what Jesus calls his disciples to have. The Father did not intervene to save his Son from death, but neither did he allow death to have the final word. He raised his Son from the dead. This saving death has remained the sign above all signs that God wills us to have eternal life. It can seem impossible at times not to worry about tomorrow. But Jesus assures us that the Father does not abandon us—ever!

We are all called to be stewards of the mysteries of the faith that is centered in the person and saving death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We are to hand on what has been handed down to us: that Jesus is God’s only Son, who suffered and died and was raised for our salvation, and by our baptism we are brought into this mystery of living, dying, and rising in Christ.



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

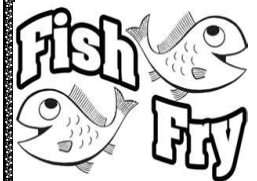
- Wed, March 5th .....**Fish Fry Begins & Every Friday during Lent** (Holy Trinity Social Hall)
- Wed, March 5th.....**Ash Wednesday, Lenten Penitential Season Begins**
- Wed, March 12th.....**Light is Still On For You Reconciliation** (Holy Trinity: 6-7pm; St. Agnes 7-9pm)
- Thur, March 13th.....**45+ Club Meeting 1pm St. Agnes S.H.** (Reserve: call Ed Ferchak 412-462-0904)
- Sat, March 15th.....**K of C St. Patrick’s Day Dinner** (7-11pm, Holy Trinity Social Hall, \$10p/p)
- Sat, April 12th.....**9th Annual Gathering of Catholic Men - COME AND SEE - AJ Palumbo Ctr**
- Sun, April 20th.....**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**
- Sat, April 26th.....**K of C Casino Night** (7-11pm Holy Trinity Social Hall, \$25p/p)
- Sun, May 4th.....**First Communion of the Parishes** (11am Mass, St. Agnes)

**A special thank you from Anna Fabian for the cards and well wishes on her 102nd Birthday!**

**BEST EVER! OUR ANNUAL LENTEN FISH FRY begins on **Ash Wednesday, March 5th**, at **Holy Trinity Social Hall** and continues throughout the Fridays of Lent, including Good Friday, from the hours of **11:00 am until 7:00 pm**.**

***Donations of new items and wine and spirit goods* to help make baskets for the Chinese Auction are needed. Your gifts can be dropped off at **Holy Trinity Parish Office**.**

**A VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET for the *FISH FRY* is available in St. Agnes Social Hall after weekend Masses; and at Holy Trinity, the sheet is in the Sacristy.**



**TAKE OUT  
PHONE  
412-466-9695**



**REMINDER:** Your **BAKED GOODS** for the **FISH FRY** are much appreciated!  
Last name beginning with **A-B-C-D: Wednesday, March 5th;**  
Last name beginning with **E-F-G-H: Friday, March 7th**

**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH IS DONUT and FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY.**  
Heartfelt thanks to the families of Vincent Merritt and Mark Bennett for hosting our Donut and Fellowship Sundays. **Please join us TODAY after the 8 and 11 am Masses at St. Agnes.**



— LIVE LENT AT ST. AGNES AND HOLY TRINITY COMMUNITIES —

**TO BE A BETTER CHRISTIAN, ACCEPT LENT'S CHALLENGE** - As we “journey with the crucified Lord,” reflect on how Christ suffered and died for you and me. Participate in the Mass, and if you can, receive Holy Communion often during Lent for yourselves, for others, for our parishes and for our world. Make the *Stations* weekly and, above all, consider seriously the Lenten observances of **fasting, almsgiving, and praying**, especially in these days, for world peace, justice, and the sanctity of life and marriage. Discover and experience how you can make your faith more meaningful than ever before.



**DAILY LENTEN MASSES:** **St. Agnes:** Daily *Tuesdays* and *Thursdays* at 6:45 am and *Wednesdays* at 7:00 pm; on *Fridays*, Mass is at 8:15 am. **Holy Trinity:** *Mondays* and *Saturdays* at 8:00 am; *Wednesdays* and *Fridays* at 11:00 am with *Stations of the Cross* immediately following the Masses.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** **St. Agnes:** *Fridays* - 2:00 pm (with school children attending); and also *Stations* in the evening at 7:00 pm. **Holy Trinity:** *Wednesdays* and *Fridays* after the 11:00 am Masses.

**CONFESSIONS:** **St. Agnes:** Every *Saturday* at 5:30 pm, before the 6:00 pm Mass. **Holy Trinity:** every *Saturday* at 3:30 pm before the 4:00 pm Mass. **LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES ARE SCHEDULED:**

**Holy Trinity:** Wednesday, March 12th, “*The Light is Still on for You*,” 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm. On Tuesday, April 15th, a *Penance Service* will be celebrated at 7:00 pm.

**St. Agnes:** Wednesday, March 12th, “*The Light is Still on for You*,” 7:00 pm Mass followed by the *Sacrament of Reconciliation* until 9:00 pm. On Wednesday, April 16th, a *Penance Service* will be celebrated at 7:00 pm with *Father Litavec* as *presider* and several *priests* available.

**EASTER DUTY - EASTER PRIVILEGE:** Given that the **Eucharist is the focal point of all our worship**, the Church asks that Catholics **receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion frequently, and, at the very minimum, once a year during the time of Easter** (between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday, the Sunday after Pentecost). For 2014, that would be **between March 5th and June 15th**. We still use the expression “**making our Easter Duty**.” It would be much better to **think in terms of “Easter Privilege.”** For most people, Easter Duty includes “**going to confession**,” but if a person is free of mortal sin, there is no requirement to receive the Sacrament of Penance. We are encouraged, however, to take advantage of the grace of the Sacrament of Penance often.

**ST. AGNES SPECIAL WEDNESDAY EVENING MASSES:** Throughout the season of Lent, every Wednesday evening, a special Mass will be celebrated by a visiting celebrant and homilist. **All welcome.**

—*Help to make Lent ever more meaningful.*—

**“IT’S BEEN A LOOOONG TIME SINCE MY LAST CONFESSION”** This Lenten season, *each Catholic parish in the Diocese of Pittsburgh will have their doors open and lights on Wednesday, March 12th, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm*. If you have been reluctant to come to the sacrament, have been away for some time, or just found it difficult to get to a Saturday afternoon confession time, this is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with Christ and His Church. **“The Light is Still On for You”** especially if you haven’t been to confession in a while. Visit [www.diopitt.org/light](http://www.diopitt.org/light) for you. See the Lenten article above for the specific times at Holy Trinity and St. Agnes parishes.



The 2014 Parish Share Program begins today. **St. Agnes Goal: \$23,790; Holy Trinity Goal: \$24,618.**  
**Thank you for your generosity and stewardship!**



**ANNUAL CALENDAR PARTY**—St. Agnes School will hold its annual **Calendar Party** on **April 6th**. Doors open at **12 noon** for a **relaxing afternoon out**. A **luncheon** will be served at **1 pm**. There will be **auction baskets, good fellowship, and entertainment**. Tickets are \$20 for a seat or \$144 for a table of 8 (\$18 a seat). Tickets can be purchased through the school office and after Mass.

### PRAYER FOR LENT

Jesus, dear Savior,  
during these days of Lent,  
I want to fast,  
to repent and to pray.  
Above all else I want  
to stay in the circle  
of Your love.



Walk with me and surround me  
with Your light; lead me and  
guide me in Your footsteps.  
During this season of Lent  
help me to follow You  
and imitate Your love.  
May this nail remind me today  
and throughout Lent  
of Your great love for me. Amen.

#### **EWTN - GLOBAL CATHOLIC NETWORK**

EWTN television is on Channel 265 on Comcast and is also available on both Dish Network and DIRECTV Satellite systems.

#### ***New Program on EWTN: "HOW TO PRAY FOR YOUR SONS AND DAUGHTERS AND LOVED ONES."***

The first episode, **WHEN GOOD PARENTS SUFFER - WHERE IS GOD?**, explains how the experiences of famous biblical characters, who had difficulties with their children and loved ones, have much to teach us of those who have strayed from the Faith. Sat., **March 8th**, at 5:30 pm.

#### **CEREGI SALE**

Under the dedicated and strong leadership of George Miteff, President of the Men's Social Club, another successful Ceregi sale was achieved this past Saturday. **A profit of \$800 was donated to Holy Trinity which will help in paying the school subsidy to the Diocese.** The many volunteers were truly a blessing. A prayerful thanks to them and those bought.

#### **Knights of Columbus (4210)**

For more information and to purchase tickets for upcoming events, call the Grand Knight, Tim Richards, at 412-896-3290 or email at [timmy1825@aol.com](mailto:timmy1825@aol.com).

**St. Patrick's Day Dinner, March 15:** Corned beef and cabbage, DJ Nick Funn, \$10 (\$12 at door).

**Casino Night, April 26:** Games, Raffles, Gift Baskets & More (\$25 includes \$3,000 play money, raffle ticket, heavy hors d'oeuvres, soda).

**Please Pray for Our Beloved Sick**

**Holy Trinity**

Monica Branik, Patricia Brevko, Veronica Bujdos,  
Anna Cmar, Helen Gambal, Martin Hock,  
Mary Lisa Holzwarth, Zander Holzwarth (toddler),  
Flo Husfelt, Joseph Kirch, Agnes Kovac,  
Louis Kruszewski, George Miteff, Ethel Palyo,  
Ann Sabo, Mary Sabo, Mary Sabol,  
Bob Shivey, Martha Vasil

**St. Agnes**

Marie Beney, Alberta Buchleitner, Libby Butko,  
Francis J. Capaleo, Nettie Conley, Patricia DeLuca,  
Florence Dugan, Irene Fontanese, Steve Grochalski,  
Mary Hanchak, 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**

\$ 2,298 -- Offering for February 23

\$ 45 -- Parish Share

PPSP Assessment-2013.....\$ 25,758

Amount Collected PSP.....\$ 28,437

Monthly School Subsidy .....\$ 6,167

MASS ATTENDANCE: SAT: 6PM....77

SUN: 8AM....88 11AM....74

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

**HOLY TRINITY**

\$ 2,194 -- Offering for February 23

\$ 30 -- Parish Share

PSP Assessment-2013 ..... \$ 23,221

Amount Collected PSP .....\$ 20,539

MASS ATTENDANCE: SAT: 4PM.....133

SUN: 9:30AM....115

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