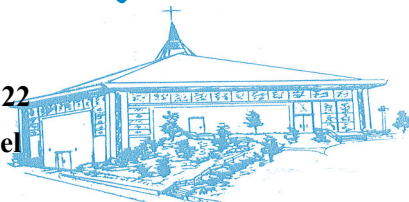


Saint Agnes Church and Holy Trinity Church



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

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

SUN - MARCH 30 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

6:00p(Sat)- **Joe Milko** (Marie Steiner)
 8:00a - **Rudy Saunders** (Gene Johnson)
 11:00a - **Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Klocko** (Tom & Patty Klocko)

MONDAY - MARCH 31 - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUES - APRIL 1 - WEEKDAY

6:45a - **Ray Milko, Sr.** (Paul & Kaye Milko)

WED - MARCH 2 - ST. FRANCIS OF PAOLA

7:00p - **Daniel Onofrey** (Wife & Family)

THUR - APRIL 3 - WEEKDAY

6:45a - **Alice Stanicar** (Vince Stanicar)

FRIDAY-APRIL 4 - FIRST FRIDAY, ST. ISIDORE

8:15a - **Barbara Vamos** (St. Agnes School)

SAT - APRIL 5 - ST. VINCENT FERRER

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN - APRIL 6 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

6:00p(Sat) - **Delena Bevan** (Jim & Family)
 8:00a - **Alice Stanicar** (Vince Stanicar)
 11:00a - **Barbara Joyce** (Donna Milko)

HOLY TRINITY INTENTIONS

SUN - MARCH 30 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

4:00p(Sat) - **Bridget Midla** (Family)
 9:30a - **Thomas Wooddell** (St. Vincent de Paul Society)

MONDAY - MARCH 31 - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Joseph Chuba** (McVay Family)

TUES - APRIL 1 - WEEKDAY

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

WED - MARCH 2 - ST. FRANCIS OF PAOLA

11:00a - **Larry Maydak** (Mary Lou Schuetz)

THUR - APRIL 3 - WEEKDAY

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

FRIDAY-APRIL 4 - FIRST FRIDAY, ST. ISIDORE

11:00a - **Joseph Bujdos** (Miljus Family)

SAT - APRIL 5 - ST. VINCENT FERRER

8:00a - **Agnes Jasek** (Jednota Branch #580)

SUN - APRIL 6 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

4:00p(Sat) - **Albert Kapples** (Family)
 9:30a - **Bess Cvejkus** (Ondechek Family)

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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**

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: *1 Samuel 16:1b,6-7,10-13a.* Samuel is sent to anoint David as king.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 23:1-6.* The Lord is our shepherd.

Second Reading: *Ephesians 5:8-14.* The Ephesians are told to live as children of light.

Gospel Reading: *John 9:1-41.* Jesus heals the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man.



Reflecting on God's Word

Most of us can recognize times when we are "in the dark" and occasions when we carry darkness in our hearts, just as there are moments when we feel enlightened and find that our vision is clear. It is quite another thing to become identified with darkness or with light. The first words of today's reading from the Letter to the Ephesians stand out for their boldness: "You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord" (Ephesians 5:8).

We get a glimpse of what it means to be light in the Lord both from Samuel, who finally sees as God sees, and in the courageous behavior of the man born blind after Jesus has healed him. Samuel anoints Israel's greatest king, David, and the man born blind comes to faith in Jesus as Lord.

The man born blind is one of those strong figures found in John's Gospel. Like the woman at the well, we never learn his name but we come to know his heart. His speech is straightforward, whether speaking to his neighbors, the Pharisees, or Jesus. You can hear the gradual dawning of faith as he responds to those around him, from the simple "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see" to "He is a prophet," to his answer to Jesus' question about having faith in the Son of man standing before him, "I do believe, Lord" (John 9:15, 17, 38). In the beginning God spoke. Those first words have never stopped bringing about what they said: "Let there be light" (Genesis 1:3).

~~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~~

- Fri, April 4th.....**First Friday** (St. Agnes Mass: 8:15am. Holy Trinity Mass: 11:00am)
- Sun, April 6th.....**Jednota Branch 580 Meeting** (Following 9:30am Mass, Holy Trinity Social Hall)
- Sun, April 6th.....**First Slovak Catholic Union Meeting** (1:00pm, Holy Trinity Social Hall)
- Sun, April 6th.....**St. Agnes School Annual Calendar Party** (1:00pm)
- Sat, April 12th.....**9th Annual Gathering of Catholic Men - COME AND SEE - AJ Palumbo Ctr.**
- Sun, April 13th.....**Palm Sunday, Hosanna 2014** (Stage AE, North Shore) Info: diopitt.org/hosanna
- Sun, April 20th.....**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (Bishop Zubik presiding/homilist)**
- Sun, April 27th.....**Canonization of Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II**
- Wed, April 30th.....**H.T. Men's Club Meadows Casino trip** (\$25 p/p: **Call George 412-466-5062**)
- Sat, May 3rd.....**Holy Trinity May Crowning** (following 4pm Mass)
- Sun, May 4th.....**First Communion of the Parishes** (11am Mass, St. Agnes)
- Tue, May 6th.....**Safe Driving Class for 55+** (Holy Trinity Social Hall, 9-1pm) **See Bulletin Insert**
- Fri, May 9th.....**St. Agnes May Crowning** (following 8:15am Mass)

BEST EVER! OUR ANNUAL LENTEN FISH FRY at Holy Trinity Social Hall

continues throughout the Fridays of Lent, including Good Friday, **11am until 6pm.**

TAKE OUT PHONE: 412-466-9695



**DON'T FORGET TO PURCHASE YOUR \$5 RAFFLE TICKETS FOR A CHANCE TO WIN
A LG 55" LED FLAT SCREEN TV (1080 HD)**

REMINDER: Your **BAKED GOODS** for the **FISH FRY** are much appreciated!

Last names beginning with **U-V-W-X-Y-Z: Friday, April 4th**

Last names beginning with **A-B-C-D: Friday, April 11th**



The Holy Trinity Men's Club is sponsoring a trip to the **Meadows Casino on Wednesday, April 30th.** **Cost is \$25 p/p.** The bus leaves the Church Parking Lot at 9:00am and departs the casino at 4:00pm. Coffee and donuts beginning at 7:30am. **Call George at 412-466-5062 for reservations. Deadline is April 21st.** Everyone welcome. **Bonus is \$20 slot play and \$5 food.**

LAETARE SUNDAY

On this Fourth Sunday of Lent, sometimes called *Laetare* or “Rejoice”. Sunday, we have passed the halfway point of Lent, and we rejoice and give thanks to God for having helped us to come this far on our Lenten journey. *This is a good Sunday to take stock and see how our Lenten practices are going*, and to get started if we have been delayed. How are we doing at changing our hearts this Lenten season? Let us pray today for God’s help and guidance along this pilgrimage way of our Lenten journey.



Easter Flower Memorials for Living/Deceased

As in the past, the lilies and other flowers that will enhance our Sanctuary at Easter can be memorials for the living or deceased. If you wish to make a donation toward these flowers in memory of someone, please put it in the special yellow envelope found in your monthly packet of envelopes. This year we will not be listing the names of your loved ones in the bulletin but in making these flower offerings, you are indeed honoring your loved ones.

Please note that monthly at both parishes, the *second collection of the first Sunday of the month* is for the Parish Share Program and we are asking that all envelope users do pledge **\$20 monthly** to help meet the assessed Parish goal of the Diocese.


Your continued and understanding support in light of the need for special collections in meeting the financial obligations of both parishes is prayerfully appreciated.

In the month of April, of particular importance, these collections will occur: Easter Flowers, Holy Land-Good Friday, and at St. Agnes, Angel Fund. *Our prayerful thanks for your faithful stewardship.*

A unique cookbook, “Out of this World Recipes & Morsels of Mercy, will be available for sale **following the 9:30am Mass at Holy Trinity, next Sunday, April 6th.** The price of the 250 page book is \$22 (tax included) and the Jesus-The Divine Mercy Foundation is offering a 10% rebate to the parish for sales of 50 and over. It features a collection of fantastic foods for the body, with recipes submitted exclusively by bishops, clergy, religious and deacons globally as well as devotions for the soul, and nourishment for the spirit. Don’t forget to look for the special recipes submitted by Fr. Ed Litavec!

Hoagies: If anyone would like to order Hoagies **for April 30th**, please place your order through St. Agnes school by **April 16th.** We will not be in school from April 17th through April 24th. We will not be selling hoagies after the Masses on the weekend of May 3rd and 4th because of First Communion. So all hoagies will be made fresh on April 30th and must be picked up between 2:30pm and 5:30pm. And as always, the best made in the Steel Valley!



 **Pittsburgh Pirates Ticket Raffle:** Two tickets (Sec. 108, Row T) to the **April 24th Cincinnati Reds Game** will be raffled off on **April 14th.** Tickets may be purchased after Masses. **\$5 per ticket.** Yes, Spring is really here –at least it will be by April 24th. Cheer on our Buccos and **help support St. Agnes School. Thank you for your continued support.**

First Friday...On April 4th, the parishes of St. Agnes and Holy Trinity celebrate the First Friday of April– The **8:15am Mass for the school students of St. Agnes** and the **11:00am Mass at Holy Trinity.** *Help us become more Eucharistic parishes by your presence on the First Friday of each month.*

NO DONUT SOCIALS IN APRIL & MAY because of Calendar Party & First Communion!



Our Heartiest Congratulations to the Hutchison and Smith families on the recent baptism of their children, Michael Anthony Hutchison and Benjamin Francis Smith at St. Agnes Church.

Please remove all artificial flowers, wreaths & items on graves in Holy Trinity and St. Agnes Cemeteries by April 1 to get ready for Spring Clean Up!

ANNUAL CALENDAR PARTY- St. Agnes School on **April 6th.** There are only a few Tickets (\$20 each) still available. See Sister Cynthia.

ST. AGNES SPECIAL WEDNESDAY EVENING

7:00 pm MASSES

THROUGHOUT THE SEASON OF LENT, A SPECIAL MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED BY A VISITING CELEBRANT AND HOMILIST: THE THEME FOR OUR LENTEN SERVICES WILL BE "WALKING WITH THE CRUCIFIED LORD." ALL WELCOME.

APRIL 2ND.....FR. LARRY ADAMS
APRIL 9TH.....FR. VICTOR ROCHA
APRIL 16TH.....PENNANCE SERVICE

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

Eucharistic Ministers - Ministers serve the entire community. Specifically they help in the distribution of communion on Sundays and holy days. Some ministers also take the Eucharist to shut-ins who are unable to attend Mass.

Lectors - The Lector is entrusted with the crucial task of making the Word of God come alive by proclaiming it for the Christian assembly. This ministry provides proclaimers at all weekend, weekday and other special liturgical celebrations.

There will be a meeting of all current ministers, lectors, and those interested in serving from both parishes on Saturday, April 5, at 11:00am, in St. Agnes Social Hall. A refresher course for current ministers and lectors as well as training for new volunteers will be available.

WEDDING BELLS



If you know of someone who is making plans for an upcoming wedding, please pass on the FREE copy of the *Pittsburgh Catholic* **2014 Wedding Guide** which you will receive soon.

It is filled with interesting and informative articles along with a number of ads to help couples make wise decisions. There's even a chance to win a \$100 Gift Certificate for the Carylton Restaurant!

Seminars on the Holy Spirit

You are invited to attend a charismatic Life in the Holy Spirit seminar at **St. Louise DeMarrillac Church**. This two-part program will be offered on **Saturday, April 5th & Saturday, April 12th** from 9:00am to 12:30pm. It is necessary to attend both weeks. Each day begins with Mass & continues with refreshments and seminar presentations in the Bishop Leonard Room. Please join us!

Please Pray for Our Beloved Sick

Holy Trinity

Monica Branik, Patricia Brevko, Veronica Bujdos,
Anna Cmar, Helen Gambal, Betty Hock,
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

\$2,604.50 - -Offering for March 23
\$ 155 - - Parish Share

PSP Assessment-2014.....	\$ 23,790
Amount Collected PSP.....	\$ 2,194
Monthly School Subsidy	\$ 6,167

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

HOLY TRINITY

\$1,459 - - Offering for March 23
\$ 220 - - Parish Share

PSP Assessment-2014	\$ 24,618
Amount Collected PSP	\$ 1,924

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