

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-SEPT 21ST-25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 8:00a - **Robert Schaff, Jr.** (Father)
 11:00a - **Honor of Nettie Conley Birthday** (Conley Family)
MONDAY - SEPT 22ND - WEEKDAY
 (8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)
TUES - SEPT 23RD - ST. PIUS OF PIETREICINA
 6:45a - **Martin Ott** (Timmy Stanish)
WED-SEPT 24TH - WEEKDAY
 (8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)
THUR - SEPT 25TH - WEEKDAY
 6:45a - **Genine Bucsock** (Ladies of Charity)
FRI - SEPT 26TH - WEEKDAY
 8:15a - **Sister Edward** (Sisters at St. Agnes)
SAT - SEPT 27TH - ST VINCENT DE PAUL
 (8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)
SUN- SEPT 28TH-26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 8:00a - **Alberta Buchleitner** (Joe & Joan Naccarato)
 11:00a - **Living & Deceased Benefactors,**
St. Vincent de Paul Society

HOLY TRINITY INTENTIONS

SUN-SEPT 21ST-25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 4:00p(Sat) - **Bridget Midla** (Florence Husfelt)
 9:30a - **Nick Miteff** (Parish)
MONDAY - SEPT 22ND - WEEKDAY
 8:00a - **Ann Mann** (Christian Mothers Guild)
TUES - SEPT 23RD - ST. PIUS OF PIETREICINA
 (6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)
WED-SEPT 24TH - WEEKDAY
 8:00a - **John J. Sabol** (Mary & Family)
THUR - SEPT 25TH - WEEKDAY
 (6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)
FRI - SEPT 26TH - WEEKDAY
 (8:15a Mass at St. Agnes)
SAT-SEPT 27TH-ST VINCENT DE PAUL
 8:00a - **Health of Fr. Grosko** (Parish)
SUN - SEPT 28TH-26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 4:00p - (Sat)- **Living & Deceased Benefactors,**
St. Vincent de Paul Society
 9:30a - **Mary Elizabeth Hudick** (Mary Mayher & Family)

CONTACT INFORMATION:

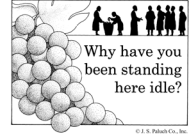
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**NOVENA TO MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP MONDAYS
 AFTER THE 8:00 A.M. MASS AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**

HOLY DAY MASSES: As scheduled.
RECONCILIATION: One-half hour before all weekend Masses at Holy Trinity and St. Agnes 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 –First & Third Mondays
7:30 PM, ST. AGNES CHURCH

DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE HOTLINE
1-888-808-1235

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



First Reading: *Isaiah 55:6-9.* God's ways are far beyond the ways of human beings.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 145:2-3,8-9,17-18.* God is near to those who call upon him.

Second Reading: *Philippians 1:20c-24,27a.* Paul tells the Philippians to live for Christ.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 20:1-16.* In the parable of the workers in the vineyard, Jesus teaches about God's generous mercy.


Reflecting on God's Word

What is a just wage? We might say it is pay proportionate to the amount of work performed, but in today's parable we learn that God's view of a just wage is high above our view. It is the wage a person needs to live on for one day: the "daily wage." In God's view of justice a person's worth (or pay) is not determined by industriousness, righteousness, status, wealth; not by anything a person has or does. Human worth is based only on our personhood. It is not "just" in God's eyes for anyone to receive less than the wages needed to live each day in dignity.

Is the landowner generous? Yes, certainly. In God's eyes, only such indiscriminate generosity would be truly just. God's view of justice requires God—and us—to be generous. Whether we are speaking of spiritual or material "pay," here or hereafter, God wants to pay us not according to what we deserve, but according to what we need. All are equally worthy of a just wage in the eyes of our generous God.

~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~

- Mon, Sept. 22.....**St. Agnes Spirit Night at Chick-Fil-A**
- Wed, Sept. 24th.....**H.T. Men's Club Bus trip to Rivers Casino** (Call George, 412-466-5062)
- Tue, Oct. 7th.....**Queen of Rosary, Benediction & Rosary** (7:00pm, Holy Trinity)
- Wed, Oct. 8th.....**Pgh. Fraternity of Priests Healing Mass** (7:00pm, St. Therese, Munhall)
- Thur, Oct. 9th.....**St. Agnes Seniors** (1:00pm, Social Hall)
- Sat, Oct. 11th.....**K of C Night at the Races** (Holy Trinity Social Hall)
- Sun, Oct. 12th.....**Rite of Intention before Confirmation** (8:00am Mass, St. Agnes)
- Sat, Nov. 8th.....**Vera Bradley Bingo** (1:00pm, St. Agnes Hall)



The Sanctuary Candle at St. Agnes
Is in Memory of **Paula Anne Smith**
By Mom & Dad

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND is to provide humanitarian relief and pastoral support for our affected brothers and sisters in the Middle East

PLEASE LET US KNOW... We need your assistance to identify parishioners who are shut-ins or in personal care homes or nursing homes. We no longer receive this information from nursing or personal care homes, and some of our elderly parishioners are too ill to think to call the Parish Office for help. So, we ask that you look out for your relatives, friends or neighbors, and please contact the Parish Office at 412-466-6545.

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 57 years of service to our community. During the past year, SVDP was able to be "inventive" in helping the poor by providing more than 35 families with food, rent, clothing, and other basic and essential needs. With over 125 hours of service, helping and visiting the sick, it is through your prayers and generosity that we are able to extend a helping hand. Thank you and God bless. If you wish to become a member, please call the Rectory 412-466-6545.

HEALING MASS... The Pittsburgh Fraternity of Priests will offer a Healing Liturgy at St. Therese Church in Munhall on Wednesday, October 8, at 7:00pm. All who are in need of an emotional, physical or spiritual healing are invited to attend. This is not the sacrament of anointing. Songs of praise and worship will be offered. For further information, call the St. Therese Rectory at 412-462-8161. All are welcome to join us.

HELPFUL HINTS for MASS ATTENDANCE

1. Get there on time. Would you come late to a dinner party?
2. Forgotten what to do at Mass? It's like riding a bike. Plus, every parish has a "how to" handbook, the missalette or order of worship. Just read along.
3. Dress appropriately. Would you wear athletic clothes to a wedding?
4. The reception of Communion is open to all Catholics who are not conscious of serious sin.
5. Remember to fast for one hour prior to Communion.
6. Sing. Active participation will make the experience more meaningful to you. Remember, those who sing pray twice.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

This is our year for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Information has already been e-mailed to those whom we are aware of in 8-9th grade. If you or your teen has not received that mailing from August, please contact Sister Janelle at janelle81@verizon.net. The first forms need to be returned by October 1st and the Rite of Intention will be celebrated on October 12th during the 8:00am Mass at St. Agnes. Also, **special classes will be made available for the adults or others who have not been confirmed.** It is an important Sacrament of the Church and all of us need to be Confirmed. **Please contact Father Grosko if you intend and need to receive this Sacrament or seek further information in regard to this matter.**

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTIONS AND CATECHETICAL SUNDAY-SEPTEMBER 21, 2014

All children attending public schools, particularly from the 1st-8th Grades are expected to be registered in the *Confraternity of Christian Doctrine Program (CCD)*. Our parishes can make a choice to register either at Holy Spirit Church in West Mifflin or St. Rita Church in Whitaker. Do register for your selected program so preparations can be made for our students.

Holy Spirit: Grades K-4 begin on Sunday, September 21 in Horner Hall. Grades 5-8 begin on Tuesday, Sept 23, from 7-8:15pm. To register go to new.schoolnotes.com/mrscagney & click on CCD Information. To register click on the Files tab at the top of the page and then on the 2014-15 Registration Form. If you are unable to register via the internet, call Patricia Cagney at 412-346-0475.

St Rita: Grades K-8 begin on Sunday, September 21 from 10:30-11:25am. New registrants should contact Dan Gallagher at 412-916-4373.

ATTENTION SHOP N' SAVE SHOPPERS!!

We no longer save the Shop N' Save receipts. Please register your Shop N' Save card. Go to www.ShopNSaveFood.com/Perks/PerksCard/PerksCardRegistration.aspx. Be sure to choose St. Agnes School from the drop-down list. We really appreciate your help in bringing a Science Assembly to our school.

SPIRIT NIGHT AT CHICK-FIL-A AT THE WATERFRONT

Join members of St. Agnes/Holy Trinity Parishes and School to raise funds for St. Agnes School by attending Spirit Night at Chick/Fil-A on Monday, Sept. 22 from 4:00-7:00pm at the Waterfront. Be sure to pick up a card or two today and take it with you on Monday or call St. Agnes School to pick one up there.

The **Enjoy Books (\$30)** are in and so are the **Kids Stuff Books (\$25)**. **Candy bars** are also available for **\$2.00** this year. **Your love of chocolates does support our St. Agnes School. Thanks for your support.**

MEN'S RETREAT

A group of men from Holy Trinity will be attending a men's retreat at St. Paul Seminary, South Side, on September 26-28. Men from Holy Trinity and St. Agnes, why not join us for this spiritual time together. For more information call John Hostovich at 412-466-7447. An excellent opportunity for spiritual renewal.



Families Make Faith a Priority

“One of the best gifts parents can give their children is the habit of praying throughout the day. Yet the hectic pace of family life often means that prayer gets lost in the shuffle. Here are five ways that families might add more prayer to their day. Start by picking the one or two that call your attention and see how it goes. Remember, even *your desire* to pray more is a prayer.

- **Start the day with prayer** - I learned this trick many years ago from my second grade teacher, Sister Regina. Put your bedroom slippers or shoes far under your bed at the end of the day. Each morning while on your knees retrieving your footwear, say a quick prayer offering the whole day to God.

- **Give a minute to prayer in the car** - Many families spend a lot of time in the family auto. As you start the engine, say a quick prayer that you will be aware of God’s presence in your day. Our family often said the *Prayer of St. Francis* as we buckled in.

- **Keep special intentions in mind** - A family I know keeps a jar on the kitchen windowsill in which each family member can place a note listing a special intention that the others can pray for. It could be to do well on a test, handle a work situation well, or for the health of a relative or a friend. Everyone keeps those special intentions in mind throughout the day.

- **Pray at every meal** - Never let a meal begin without at least a moment of thanks to the one who provides all that we need.

- **Pray when people or events upset you** - If you want a sure-fire way to pray more each day, make a habit of saying a short prayer whenever someone irritates you. A quick *“Help me, God”* is sufficient. You’ll never run out of opportunities!

VERA BRADLEY BINGO... Tickets are now available for our Vera Bradley Bingo on November 7 at St. Agnes Social Hall. There is a limited amount of tickets, so get yours now! Tickets are \$20. The doors open at 12 noon. Bingo starts at 1:00pm.

DO YOU SHOP ON-LINE? If so, please visit SchoolStore.com and do your shopping through this site. St. Agnes School will earn money. Our School ID is 119870. If you know a student who attends St. Agnes School, why not give them credit and help them earn a prize by your shopping. It’s a fast and easy way to shop. We appreciate all the help you can give us.

Please Pray for Our Beloved Sick

Holy Trinity

Monica Branik, Patricia Brevko, Veronica Bujdos,
Anna Cmar, Helen Gambal, Betty Hock, Mary Lisa
Holzwarth, Zander Holzwarth (toddler), Flo Husfelt,
Joseph Kirch, Agnes Kovac, Louis Kruszewski,
Ethel Palyo, Ann Pavlan, Mary Sabo,
Lois Soltis Martha Vasil

St. Agnes

Libby Butko, Francis J. Capaleo, Nettie Conley,
Mario DeLuca, Patricia DeLuca, Florence Dugan,
Irene Fontanese, Steve Grochalski,
Mary Kosko, Dorothy Kostovny, Lois Mohrbach,
Marguerite Oeler, Laura Pasternak,
Loretta Sabol, Brian Saunders, Jim Schragl,
Diana & Allen Soltis, Michael Sorokacs,
Marie Steiner, Lucy Stinner, 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

--Sean J. Bowen

Grandson of Eileen Cochrane

--Joshua J. Winter, Spc. E4

son of Ron & Mary Ann Winter

Weekly Collections

ST. AGNES

\$ 3,495 Offering for Sept. 14*
\$ 410 Parish Share for Sept. 14
\$ 496 Bishop's Education Fund

PSP Assessment-2014.....\$ 23,790
Amount Collected PSP.....\$ 14,534
Monthly School Subsidy\$ 6,167

*includes monies for all purposes such as Angel Fund, candles,
diocesan collections, hall rental, etc.

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

HOLY TRINITY

\$2,110 Offering for Sept. 14
\$ 318 Parish Share for Sept. 14
\$ 391 Bishop's Education Fund

PSP Assessment-2014\$ 24,618
Amount Collected PSP\$ 12,898

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