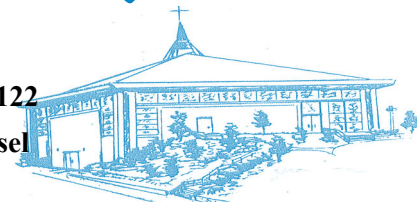


# Saint Agnes Church and Holy Trinity Church



**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

**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-SEPT 28TH-26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a - **Alberta Buchleitner** (Joe & Joan Naccarato)  
 11:00a - **Living & Deceased Benefactors,**  
**St. Vincent de Paul Society**

#### MONDAY - SEPT 29TH - ARCHANGELS

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### TUES - SEPT 30TH - ST. JEROME

6:45a-Special Blessings for **Voyce Family** (Ann Gruber)

#### WED-OCT 1ST - ST. THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### THUR - OCT 2ND - THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS

6:45a - **Charles Moffett** (Ladies of Charity)

#### FRI - OCT 3RD - FIRST FRIDAY

8:15a - **Dana Rossey** (Mike Sorokacs)

#### SAT - OCT 4TH - FIRST SATURDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### SUN- OCT 5TH-27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a - **Josephine Hendry** (Lucia & Roy Orluk)  
 11:00a - **Marie Belancik** (Paul Conley & Family)

### HOLY TRINITY INTENTIONS

#### 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)

#### MONDAY - SEPT 29TH - ARCHANGELS

8:00a - **Helen Mullen** (Dave & Peter Broody)

#### TUES - SEPT 30TH - ST. JEROME

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

#### WED-OCT 1ST - ST THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS

8:00a - **Mary Pastrick** (Paul & Marcie Steimer)

#### THUR - OCT 2ND - THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

#### FRI - OCT 3RD - FIRST FRIDAY

8:00a - **Magdaline Melnichak** (Regina Sabol)

#### SAT - OCT 4TH - FIRST SATURDAY

8:00a - **Margaret Svirbel** (Loretta Schneider)

#### SUN - OCT 5TH-27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p - (Sat)- **Barbara Dudas** (Hubbard Family)  
 9:30a - **Michael Bracco** (Wife, Dorothy)

### 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-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading:** *Ezekiel 18:25-28*. It is possible to turn from sin and preserve one's life.

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalm 25:4-9*. A prayer to God for mercy.

**Second Reading:** *Philippians 2:1-11* (shorter form *Philippians 2:1-5*). Be like Christ who humbled himself and was exalted by God.

**Gospel Reading:** *Matthew 21:28-32*. Jesus poses a question to the chief priests and elders on the meaning of obedience.

### Reflecting on God's Word

In *The Secret Life of Bees*, August, an older black woman, is talking about "the problem with people" to Lily, a younger white woman who has run away from an abusive father. Lily has said that people don't really know what matters. But August says the deeper problem is that people do know what matters, but don't *choose* it.

God tells Ezekiel that virtue's proof is in choosing to do the right thing. What you choose to do matters. So be careful not to go off the right path at the end of your days. On the other hand, you might be off the right path for years, but end up hopping back on at the very end, and you will have life. It doesn't sound very fair; nevertheless, it's where you are when the end comes that counts. And you don't know when the end will come.

Jesus confronts the religious leaders with a parable. A father asks his two sons to do some work in the vineyard. One talks a good game but never makes it into the field; the other refuses outright, but then goes and does what his father asked. In telling this parable, Jesus compares these leaders unfavorably to the tax collectors and prostitutes. The elders must have been shocked.

"Have in you that same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus," writes Paul to his beloved Philippians. The attitude he urged on them was giving oneself for the sake of others—even unto death. In this way, we not only speak but also *do* "Yes." Choose to live Christ.



### ~~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~~

- Friday, Oct. 3rd.....**First Friday** (8am Mass-Holy Trinity & 8:15am Mass-St. Agnes)  
Sun, Oct. 5th.....**St. Agnes Donut Social** (after the 8am and 11am Masses in Social Hall)  
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, \$20 tickets available soon.)

**First Friday...Oct. 3rd**, the parishes of St. Agnes and Holy Trinity celebrate the First Friday of October. **Solemn Holy Hour—reflections, prayers and the closing Solemn Benediction—will follow the 8:00am Mass at Holy Trinity.** Also scheduled is the **8:15am Mass for the school students of St. Agnes.** *Help us to become more Eucharistic parishes by your presence on the First Friday of each month for the Holy Hour.*



**St. Agnes Donut Social, Oct. 5th following the 8 & 11 am Masses!**



**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

### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK AT HOLY TRINITY**

On **Saturday, October 11th, 11:00 a.m.** at **Holy Trinity**, we will celebrate **Mass** and the **Communal Anointing of the Sick**. People who may receive the **Sacrament** are *those seriously ill, those about to have surgery due to serious illness, elderly people in weakened condition even if not seriously ill, and children who are seriously ill and have reached the age of reason and can be comforted by this Sacrament.* **This Sacrament provides the sick person with the grace of the Holy Spirit by which the whole person is brought to health, and trust in God is encouraged and strength is given.** *Do take advantage of this Communal Anointing.*

### ***Respect Life Sunday—Respect Life Month***

Next Sunday, **October 5th**, is ***Respect Life Sunday*** and the entire month of **October** is designated as **Respect Life Month**. These are annual reminders for us to become informed, and to form convictions, that all human life, from conception to natural death, in all physical and social conditions, is sacred and must be protected.

**God is Pro-Life** because He creates and sustains life. **To be “Pro-Choice”** is to be for murder, for abortion, for death—which side are you on? No one can be neutral or straddle the fence. We have an opportunity this month to deepen our own “Pro-Life” convictions. And may we all pray that others, as well, will form similar convictions, moved by God’s grace and right thinking, and not merely swayed by emotion.

***Teach others by your words and example—that is what God is calling all of us to do if we are to be faithful to His teachings and laws.*** Let us be faith communities that speak out boldly and prayerfully and, ever witnessing in defense of **all** life, the wonderful life that you have and enjoy so blissfully!

***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, as you well know, 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!** ***Inform your neighbors and family members of this very important count.***

### **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](mailto: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.**

### ***76th International Eucharistic Rosary March, Sunday, October 5, 2014***

**Please come to honor Jesus and Mary.** 1:30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at **Epiphany Church (164 Washington Place)** followed by procession through Pittsburgh with the Blessed Sacrament and Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Rosary will be prayed en route through the City and will return to Epiphany Church where there will be Benediction and Crowning of Our Lady followed by a special Blessing for healing.

*(There is no noon Mass at Epiphany Church before the march.)*

***Please Note:*** When we receive the consecrated bread and wine at Holy Communion, we are receiving ***both*** the ***Body and Precious Blood of Jesus.*** Let us be ever grateful that each time we attend the Eucharist Celebration, we can receive the Lord Jesus. Let us be faithful each Sunday so we do receive of the Lord Jesus.

### **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](http://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.

**DO YOU SHOP ON-LINE?** If so, please visit [SchoolStore.com](http://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.

## ***A Sunday School Teacher . . .***

. . . . . decided to have her young class memorize one of the most quoted passages in the Bible—*Psalm 23*. She gave the youngsters a month to learn the chapter. Little Rick was excited about the task, but he just couldn't remember the Psalm. After much practice, he could barely get past the first line. On the day that the kids were scheduled to recite Psalm 23 in front of the congregation, Ricky was so nervous. When it was his turn, he stepped up to the microphone and said proudly, "***The Lord is my Shepherd, and that's all I need to know.***"

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***Slovak Cookbooks***...are on sale (the recipes are in English) and the cost is nine dollars.

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***Excellent Tapes, Books, DVD's*** are available for borrowing and can be found in St. A. Parish Office.

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***Booklets, "The Word Among Us"*** will be available for October and also, the Penitential Seasons.

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***ENJOY BOOKS*** are available, \$30, after Mass in **St. Agnes Social Hall** or call the **School Office, 412-466-6238**.

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### **Musician' s Prayer**

*God, please bless our music  
that it might glorify Your name.*

*May using it to serve you  
always be our aim.*

*Let it be as witness  
to Your majesty and love.*

*And remind us that You're watching  
from Your throne above.*

*May others see your beauty  
in every note they hear.*

*And when they hear our music  
may they feel Your presence near.*

*Oh Lord, I ask for guidance  
in everything I do,  
and pray You'll make our music  
an instrument for You. Amen*



**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**

Offerings for both Sept. 24 & 28\* will appear in the  
Oct. 5 bulletin.

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**

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October 5 bulletin.

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

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