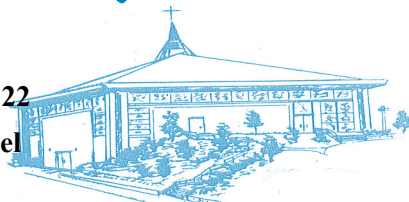


Saint Agnes Church and Holy Trinity Church



Administrator - Reverend Joseph R. Grosko
Administrative Office and Rectory
529 Grant Avenue Extension • West Mifflin, PA 15122
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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

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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 26TH - 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a - **Charles Howell** (Family)
 11:00a - **Marie C. Belancik** (Children)

MONDAY - OCT 27TH - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUES - OCT 28TH - STS. SIMON AND JUDE

6:45a-Special Blessing, Jeannatte/Patrick Voyce & Children

WED - OCT 29TH - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

THUR - OCT 30TH - WEEKDAY

6:45a - **Rose Montalbano** (Daughter, Roseann)

FRI - OCT 31ST - WEEKDAY

8:15a - **John & Anna Rubinsak** (Mike Sorokacs)

SAT - NOV 1ST - ALL SAINTS

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN- NOV 2ND -ALL SOULS DAY

8:00a - **Living & Deceased Members of St. Agnes**
 11:00a - **Joseph Munda** (Family)
 7:00p - **Prayer Service of Remembrance**

HOLY TRINITY INTENTIONS

SUN-OCT 26TH-30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p - (Sat) - **Marie C. Belancik 1st Anniv.** (Children)
 9:30a - **Margaret Gamret** (Virginia Jasek)

MONDAY - OCT 27TH - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Steve Bialobok** (Wife Kitty & Family)

TUES - OCT 28TH - STS. SIMON AND JUDE

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

WED-OCT 29TH - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Albert Soltis** (Andrew Martel)

THUR - OCT 30TH - WEEKDAY

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

FRI - OCT 31ST - WEEKDAY

(8:15a Mass at St. Agnes)

SAT - NOV 1ST - ALL SAINTS

8:00a - **Living & Dec'd. Members of Holy Trinity**

SUN - NOV 2ND - ALL SOULS DAY

4:00p - (Sat) - **Joseph Svirbel** (Children)
 9:30a - **Maureen Sersen** (Andy & Marcie Muha)

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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**

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



First Reading: *Exodus 22:20-26.* The Lord teaches that compassion ought to be shown to the alien and poor.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 18:2-4, 47, 51.* The Lord is our strength.

Second Reading: *1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10.* Paul tells the Thessalonians that their conversion to the Lord has been an example to all believers.

Gospel: *Matthew 22:34-40.* The Pharisees continue to test Jesus asking about the greatest Commandment.

Reflecting on God's Word:

In an article on "successful aging", Dr. Lawrence M. Lenoir proposes that the art of giving and receiving love is at the heart of growing old gracefully. Research shows that being in a loving relationship quiets the demons of depression and despair. So, if you want to be healthy, be loving. Jesus would agree.

The rabbis of Jesus' day argued about which was the greatest commandment of the six hundred thirteen in the Torah. When the Pharisees asked Jesus, he answered that what God wanted most from the chosen people who had been liberated from slavery and called to live in a covenantal relationship was a return of the love God showed to them. This love has two faces: loving God totally and loving one another as one loves oneself. Loving is a contagious activity. If you are loved, you tend to be loving. Paul is sounding this note when he writes to the Thessalonians about how they became imitators of him and his fellow evangelizers Timothy and Silvanus, and of the Lord himself, receiving the word and living in faith, joy, and love for each other, because they believed in God's love for them, revealed in Christ. Our love must flow outward in compassionate generosity. The Lord called on Israel to show its love by not oppressing aliens, not wronging weak orphans and defenseless widows, and not extorting the poor. No less is asked of those who have received the Holy Spirit and live in community with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. That's us. Love one another.

~~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~~

- Sat, Oct. 25th.....**HT Men's Club Ceregi Sale** (\$7/doz. Limit 2 doz. p/p. Starts 2:00pm)
- Sun, Oct. 26th.....**HT Men's Club Stuffed Cabbage Dinner (noon - 5:00pm, Social Hall)**
- Tue Oct. 28th.....**Social Security Seminar** (11:00am, Holy Trinity Social Hall, See Insert)
- Sun, Nov. 2nd.....**St. Agnes Donut Social** (following 8 & 11am Masses, Social Hall)
- Sun, Nov. 2nd.....**St. Agnes Prayer Service of Remembrance** (7:00pm)
- Wed, Nov. 5th.....**HT Men's Club Meadows Casino Trip**
- Sat, Nov. 8th.....**Vera Bradley Bingo** (1:00pm, St. Agnes Social Hall)
- Sun, Nov. 23rd.....**Feast of Christ the King**
- Sun, Nov. 30th.....**First Sunday of Advent Lessons in Carols** (4:00pm, Holy Trinity)



St. Agnes Donut Social, Sunday, Nov. 2 following the 8 & 11 am Masses



RESCHEDULED HOLY TRINITY MEN'S CLUB STUFFED CABBAGE DINNER

Join us **TODAY** for a delicious stuffed cabbage dinner from noon 'til 5:00pm in the Holy Trinity Social Hall. Adults, \$9.00 p/p and children, \$5.00 p/p. All are welcome for food and fellowship. Individual stuffed cabbage will be sold after 5:00pm for \$2.00 each. Bring your own container.

ANNUAL GALA: The Jodie Matta Dillinger Cancer Resource Center is having it's annual gala on **Nov. 1, 2014**, at the Youghioghenny Country Club in Elizabeth. All proceeds from the event enable the center to offer 100% free service to cancer patients and their families. This year the JMD will honor it's Cancer Care Champion – **Reverend Dennis Colamarino**. Tickets include dinner, entertainment at \$100 person/\$175 a couple. For tickets and information, call Cathy Matta (412-672-5330).

The Holy Trinity Men's Club is sponsoring a trip to the **Meadows Casino on Wednesday, Nov. 5th**. Bus will leave the church hall at **8:30am** and depart the casino at 4:00pm. Coffee and pastries beginning at 7:00am. Cost is \$25 p/p. Deadline is Oct. 27. Call George at 412-466-5062 for reservations. Bonus \$20 free slot play and \$5 food. Everyone welcome!



November — Month of the Poor Souls

At death we will all face a **final judgment**, which will be determined by our actions and lives here on earth. This has been **revealed to us by Christ**, and is clearly **taught in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church***. But we here on earth do not know what is the result of that judgment—only God knows. For some it may be immediate entry into **Heaven**. God wants some of these to be examples for us, so He allows miracles through their intercession, which tells the Church to canonize them. Some, unfortunately, have chosen by their lives to be eternally separated from God, and their eternal lot is **Hell**. Others, however, although dying as friends of God and assured of Heaven, need to be further purified from the effects of their sins, which leads to our belief in **Purgatory**. In the Liturgy, *the Church prays for all our beloved deceased at every Mass*. And we are *encouraged to privately pray for the dead throughout the year, but especially during the month of November*. God will allocate the benefits of our prayers to those who are in need of them. *May our beloved deceased be embraced by the Heavenly Father in the loving ecstasy and the joy of Heaven*.

“Book of Remembrance” . . . is on display in the **back of the church**. You may **write a name/names of your deceased loved ones** to be remembered during the month of November.

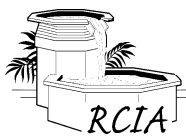
All Souls Envelopes . . . Enclosed in your envelope packet is a **special envelope of remembrance** to be **placed on the altar during November Masses**. **Please list the names of your beloved deceased on the back of the special envelope and place it in the offertory basket or mail**. Your beloved deceased will be remembered throughout the month.

It is **our honored and privileged tradition**, particularly during the month of November, **to pray and seek intercession from the Eternal Father for our beloved deceased**.

ST. AGNES PRAYER SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 7:00pm

St. Agnes will hold a Prayer Service at 7:00pm for the families who have lost a loved one buried from St. Agnes from November 1, 2013 to the present. All are welcome to attend.

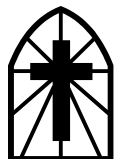
It has also been a tradition to place candles on the graves of our cemetery for All Souls Day. In the past families were required to purchase candles and place them on the graves of their loved ones. In the last several years we no longer ask families to purchase them. We place candles on EVERY grave. That is close to 700 candles. **We invite our parishioners who are able to walk through the cemetery to come around 6:00pm on Sunday, November 2nd, to place the candles on the graves and light them**. If you are not able to help then we invite you to stop by the cemetery anytime after dark and view the beautiful site! We are sure many of you are not aware of this beautiful custom. Let us remember to pray for our deceased parishioners!



RCIA Session Have Begun... You are asked to remember in your prayers our candidates in the RCIA program. We have two families in our program for this year, Dania Johnson and her children, Nathaniel & Nicole Richardson and their children. These families are on their journey, we are to be witness for them and pray for them during this time. If anyone else is interested in learning more about the Catholic Church and becoming a member in full membership, please contact Nancy Lapinski, Nancy Funa or Sister Cynthia.

HEARTFELT SYMPATHY...to the family and friends of **Margaret Moran, of Holy Trinity**,
who died this past week.

*May our Heavenly Father embrace all our beloved deceased
and number them among the elect at the banquet of Heaven.*



Our Heartiest Congratulations to the family of **Troy Richard Belancik, the son of
Gina & Richard Belancik, Jr., recently baptized at St. Agnes Church.**



Prayer for all the Faithful Departed

Heavenly Father, I believe that in Your Wisdom and Justice, You willed to purify all persons who die without having attained the state that they need for all eternity, all who have still to expiate completely the sins committed here on earth. also believe that You have mercifully arranged that this process of purification can be aided by the prayers of the living, and especially by the Eucharist. Help me to pray for my brothers and sisters who have departed from this world. May their time of purification be short, and may they be quickly guided into that holy light promised by our Lord to Abraham and his descendents. I offer You sacrifices and prayers of praise. Accept them for all the souls of the faithful departed and admit them all to the eternal joy of Heaven. Amen

SARRIS CHRISTMAS CANDY ORDERS... forms are on the table in the vestibule of St. Agnes Church. Orders are due to school on Nov., 17th.



SERRA HIGH SCHOOL \$10,000 RAFFLE

Again, Serra High School will have an annual raffle. Winners will be selected from the 27th of December to the 30th of December according to the four-digit evening lottery numbers of those days. **On the evening of the 30th of December, the winner will receive \$10,000. Otherwise, \$1,000 will be given on the 27th and continuing to the evening of the 30th. The donation for the ticket is \$10 of which \$5 is given to St. Agnes School. Tickets are available after the weekend Masses in the St. Agnes Social Hall, or may be purchased through St. Agnes School Office or the Office at Holy Trinity.**

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, 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

\$3,188 Offering for Oct. 19*
\$ 115 Parish Share Oct. 19
\$ 688 World Mission Sunday

PSP Assessment-2014.....\$ 23,790
Amount Collected PSP.....\$ 16,065
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

\$2,061 Offering for Oct. 19
\$ 65 Parish Share Oct. 19
\$ 521 World Mission Sunday

PSP Assessment-2014\$ 24,618
Amount Collected PSP\$ 15,233

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