

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

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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 - FEB. 8TH - 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a - **Rose Yousko** (Marie & John Foertech)
 11:00a - **Mary P. Sabol** (Joe & Loretta Sabol)

MONDAY-FEB 9TH - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUES - FEB 10TH - ST. SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN

6:45a - **Robert Kosko, Sr.** (Sue & Jim Bevan)

WED - FEB 11TH - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

THUR - FEB 12TH - WEEKDAY

6:45a - **William Bevan** (Mike Sorokacs)

FRI - FEB 13TH - WEEKDAY

8:15a - **Joe Milko** (Kaszychi Family)

SAT - FEB 14TH - STS. CYRIL, MONK & METHODIUS

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN - FEB. 15TH - 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a - **Mary Sorokacs** (Mike Sorokacs)
 11:00a - **Ralph & Rose Biagiarella** (Rose Ann & Phyliss)

HOLY TRINITY INTENTIONS

SUN-FEB 8TH - 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p - (Sat) - **Martin Hock** (Betty Hock)
 9:30a - **Bridget Midla** (John Midla)

MONDAY - FEB 9TH - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Jason & Jennifer Checque** (Family)

TUES - FEB 10TH - ST. SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

WED - FEB 11TH - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Loran, Wilson & Cook Families**

THUR - FEB 12TH - WEEKDAY

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

FRI - FEB 13TH - WEEKDAY

(8:15a Mass at St. Agnes)

SAT - FEB 14TH - STS. CYRIL, MONK & METHODIUS

8:00a - **Ann Szucs** (Marks Family)

SUN - FEB 15TH - 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p - (Sat) - **William M. Lesko, Sr.** (Wife, Mary Ann)
 9:30a - **John Butsko** (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 – Next meeting, Feb. 16.

ST. AGNES CHURCH - EVERYONE WELCOME

**DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE HOTLINE
 1-888-808-1235**

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Job 7:1-4,6-7. Job laments his sufferings and his life.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 147:1-6. A song of praise for the Lord's goodness.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23. Paul explains the conditions under which he preaches the gospel and the reasons why he will not accept financial help from the Corinthians.

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:29-39. Jesus cures Simon's mother-in-law and many others..



Reflecting on God's Word

Sue loves to iron clothes. In the process, she says, she also irons out her life, all its wrinkles and creases. She says she can stand neither her clothes nor her life when they're all ruffled. John runs every day. A lot of folks do. He hasn't missed a day in five years. But it's also where he and they pace out the rhythms of their lives. More than one frazzled mother has locked herself in the bathroom for twenty minutes of solitude and quasi-peace. Sometimes deserts look like bathrooms. Even teenagers know the need, so they crank up some tunes, stretch out on their beds, and listen beyond the music to the melodies played upon their lives.

I suspect there is a lot going on in those spaces. That's where kids get raised and loves get sorted and businesses are merged and decisions unraveled and re-raveled. But somewhere in the midst of it all we also make some decisions about who and what we want to become in this life—at any age. That's where goodness has a chance to surface and values are affirmed and commitments are remade for the umpteenth time and faith sprouts forth. And then it becomes prayer, out of the silence and the stillness and the darkness of time spent alone.

~~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~~

Fri, Feb. 13th.....**St. Agnes School Night at the Races** (Social Hall, \$10p/p, horses \$10 each)

Sat, Feb. 14th.....**K of C #4210 Valentine Dinner Dance** (H.T. Social Hall, Reserv. 412-896-3290)

Wed, Feb. 18th.....**Ash Wednesday, beginning of the Lenten Season**

Wed, Feb. 18th.....**Lenten Fish Fry Starts: 11:00am - 6:00pm** (Holy Trinity Social Hall)

Sat, March 28th.....**Fr. Grosko's Birthday Party** after 4:00pm Mass (**By Reserv. Only**, 412-896-3290)

Sun, March 29th.....**Palm Sunday, Palms will be blessed and distributed to those attending**

Thurs, April 2nd.....**Holy Thursday, Celebrating the institution of the Eucharist and Priesthood**

Fri, April 3rd.....**Good Friday, Four Part Liturgy with no Eucharistic celebration**

Sun, April 5th.....**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

Tue, May 5th.....**Seniors for Safe Driving Class** (9-1pm, HT Social Hall, Register at (800-559-4880)

From the Pastor's Desk...

We are slowly establishing financial stability in the parishes. St. Agnes met their assessed goal for the Parish Share program but we were unable to do so at Holy Trinity. If sufficient funds are not received at Holy Trinity this weekend, it will be necessary to take them out of Holy Trinity's savings. We have had to do this for a number of years in order to meet our goal of \$24,618. The 2015 Parish Share program begins next Sunday, February 15th. Hopefully in the coming year there will be a greater faithfulness in giving.

My heartfelt prayers for the many who do maintain a strong stewardship through their offertory gifts either at the Mass or through the mail. I can only express heartfelt prayers for those who recognize the obligation all of us have in support of Church stewardship. I must say the bills keep coming, especially higher utility costs, as most of us know, because we are all in the same boat. But again, I can only give thanks for your willingness and your stewardship that make my days here at the parishes truly a blessing.

Please note that there are envelopes in your February packet for your Lenten Offering and the Pittsburgh Catholic Newspaper contribution to offset the expense of providing it to you throughout the year.



Recruiting New Altar Servers at Holy Trinity... We are in need of additional *altar servers* for *Holy Trinity Parish*. Any boy or girl in the 5th grade or older, who would like to participate in this *special ministry* is asked to call **Fr. Grosko**. The training will begin sometime during Lent.

2015 Slovak Catholic Federation Annual SS Cyril & Methodius Appeal

The appeal will be taken the weekend of **February 14th & 15th in Holy Trinity parish**. Funds from this collection will aid the priest-graduate students studying at the Pontifical College of SS. Cyril & Methodius in Rome, Italy. After ordination and some years of priestly experience; priests are sent to Rome for graduate studies in order to return to Slovakia and join the theology faculties of the Seminaries in Slovakia. A percentage of the Appeal will also benefit those religious congregations represented in the Conference of Slovak Religious. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. **Please note that there is no printed envelope for this collection. Please place your contribution in an envelope with your name & envelope number on it in the second collection so that we may record your contribution.**

World Marriage Day will be celebrated next weekend. This year's annual Diocesan celebration will take place on Saturday, Feb. 14th at Holy Sepulcher Parish, Butler (Glade Mills) with 4:00pm Mass celebrated by Regional Vicar for Vicariate 4, Very Rev. Philip N. Farrell. Following Mass will be a presentation and social in the church hall. Suggested donation is \$10/couple.



FR. GRSKO'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION & ROAST

The Knights of Columbus Council 4210 is sponsoring a special birthday party and roast for Fr. Joe following the 4:00p.m. Mass at Holy Trinity on Saturday, March 28th. Join us in the Holy Trinity Social Hall for a buffet dinner. The cost is \$10 per person or \$15 per couple. BYOB! **Please note that space is limited. Only the first 200 reservations will be accepted.** To reserve call 412-896-3290 or email timmy1825@aol.com. Payment must be received by Monday, March 14th. Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus #4210 and mail to Tim Richards, 3311 Eisenhower Drive, White Oak, PA 15131. Let's make it a special occasion for Fr. Joe!!!!

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES CONGRESS & PAPAL VISIT

The Diocese of Pittsburgh has arranged transportation and secured lodging for those interested in participating in the World Meeting of Families Congress and Papal visit to Philadelphia this September 22-27, 2015. Registration material is available at www.diopitt.org. Bishop Zubik will celebrate Mass with Pittsburgh Pilgrims in Philadelphia on Saturday, Sept. 26th. Questions: DOPWMOF2015@diopitt.org. Space is limited.

BEST EVER! OUR ANNUAL LENTEN FISH FRY begins on **Ash Wednesday, February 18th**, at **Holy Trinity Social Hall** and continues throughout the Fridays of Lent, including Good Friday, from the hours of **11:00 am until 6:00 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**.

ST. AGNES SCHOOL NEWS

NIGHT AT THE RACES: Friday, February 13, in support of St. Agnes School. Admission is \$10 and horses can be purchased for \$10 each –name your own horse. Owners of winning horses win \$50. Come and join the fun at this event. We love your presence!

CANDY BARS: Our delicious Sarris candy bars are still available for \$2.00 each.

REGISTRATION FOR ST. AGNES SCHOOL AND PRE-SCHOOL

Registration for St. Agnes School and Pre-School begins Sunday, February 1st.

Please see Sister Cynthia or call the School Office, 412-466-6238.

Children for Preschool must be three (3) or four (4) years old by September 1st.

Children for Kindergarten must be five (5) years old by September 1st.



St. Jude Prayer for Strength

Dear St. Jude, my devotion to you
is the source of my Hope.

You give me courage to face my challenges
And joy to celebrate my successes with grace.

I trust that my prayers to you will grant me
God's healing love.

Help me to engage the world with kindness
and compassion so that my actions will show others
an emblem of God's hope.

I pray that today I will share with the world the person
God created me to be.

God lives in me, and it is only in Him
that I will truly be filled.

Help me to discover God's blessings
through you St. Jude, so that my journey of faith
will be strengthened by the power of prayer
and the mercy of our loving God
Amen.

Winter Preparations for Housebound or Elderly

- * Extra blankets and warm clothes in case heat fails.
- * **Flashlights in case electricity fails.**
- * Bottled water and 3 days of food that does not need to be cooked due to lack of gas or electric.
- * At least 3 days of medicine and list of all medications taken.
- * List of current health conditions.
- * **Plans for a neighbor or friend to check in on the elderly person.**
- * A plan in place in case person needs to leave their home for a shelter/safe place.
- * Something to carry needed items in case of evacuation.
- * A small amount of cash to be used if needed during evacuation.
- * **Establish a contact person.** At least two phone numbers are recommended (home & cell).
- * Needed medical and business papers in a tote bag ready for evacuation.
- * Make arrangements for pets.

The George Irvin Green Funeral Home is offering a bereavement support session on Tuesday, Feb. 10th from 6:30-8:30p.m. at the Funeral Home at 3511 Main Street, Munhall. Dr A. Barbara Coyne, a professional bereavement counselor will lead the discussion. The support session is designed to help teach individuals about the mourning process. Any questions please call 412-461-6394.

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, Al Michaels, Helen Ondick,
Ethel Palyo, Ann Sabo, Mary Sabo,
Lois Soltis, Martha Vasil

St. Agnes

Libby Butko, Francis J. Capaleo, Nettie Conley,
Florence Dugan, Irene Fontanese, Jack Funa,
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, Sgt.

son of Ron & Mary Ann Winter

Weekly Collections

ST. AGNES

\$ 2,282 -- Offering for Feb. 1*

\$ 2,043 -- Parish Share

PSP Assessment-2014.....\$ 23,790

Amount Collected PSP.....\$ 23,790

Monthly School Subsidy\$ 6,167

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

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

HOLY TRINITY

\$ 1,753 -- Offering for Feb. 1

\$ 843 -- Parish Share

PSP Assessment-2014\$ 24,618

Amount Collected PSP\$ 21,505

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