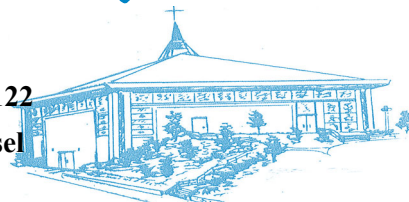


Saint Agnes Church and Holy Trinity Church



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 - MAR 22ND - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00a - **Josephine Hendry** (Jean & Bob Phillips)
 11:00a - **George Schmidt, Jr.** (Sister, Nancy)

MONDAY - MAR 23RD - LENTEN WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUES - MAR 24TH - LENTEN WEEKDAY

6:45a - **Josephine Abels** (Ed Fink Family)

WED - MAR 25TH - ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

(11:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)
 7:00p - **Rose Yousko** (Staff at Salvolskis)

THUR - MAR 26TH - LENTEN WEEKDAY

6:45a - **Sister Bernadine** (Sisters at St. Agnes)

FRI - MAR 27TH - LENTEN WEEKDAY

8:15a - **Kathryn Derhofer** (St. Agnes School)

SAT - MAR 28TH - LENTEN WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN - MAR 29TH - PALM SUNDAY

8:00a - **Mary Alice Stanicar** (Husband Vince)
 11:00a - **Living & Dec'd Benefactors, St. Vincent de Paul**

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUN - MAR 22ND - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

4:00p - (Sat) **Albert Michaels** (Wife & Sons)
 9:30a - **Ann Szucs** (Family)

MONDAY - MAR 23RD - LENTEN WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Hayley, Cade & Theresa Checque** (Family)

TUES - MAR 24TH - LENTEN WEEKDAY

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

WED - MAR 25TH - ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

11:00a - **Margaret Gamret** (Sis. Marie Joanita & M.J. Fedor)

THUR - MAR 26TH - LENTEN WEEKDAY

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

FRI - MAR 27TH - LENTEN WEEKDAY

(8:15a Mass at St. Agnes)
 11:00a - **Albert Michaels** (Alice Svirbel)

SAT - MAR 28TH - LENTEN WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Carl & Julia Gutilla** (Family)

SUN - MAR 29TH - PALM SUNDAY

4:00p - (Sat) **Fr. Grosko's Birthday** (Parishes)
 9:30a - **Living & Dec'd Benefactors, St. Vincent de Paul**

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 St. Agnes/Holy Trinity Fax.....412-466-6968

**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 Mtg., April 6th
 ST. AGNES CHURCH - EVERYONE WELCOME**

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



First Reading: *Jeremiah 31:31-34.* Jeremiah tells the people that the Lord will make a new covenant with them, planting the law within their hearts.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalms 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15.* A prayer for God's mercy and forgiveness

Second Reading: *Hebrews 5:7-9.* Through his sufferings, Jesus gained salvation for all who obey.

Gospel Reading: *John 12:20-33.* Jesus teaches his disciples about the way in which he will be glorified by God

Reflecting on God's Word:

One of the earliest pictures of Jesus I can remember portrayed him at prayer in the garden of Gethsemane. I still see his hands, clasped tight. They spoke to me of an inner struggle long before I knew about his words, "Father, all things are possible to you. Take this cup away from me, but not what I will but what you will" (Mark 14:36). More than any other scene in the Gospels, this one brought home what it meant to say Jesus was truly man.

Today's Gospel has been called John's version of the agony in the garden. The word agony (*agonia* in Greek) means struggle, and we can hear the struggle in Jesus' awareness that "the hour" he has spoken of before in John's Gospel, beginning at Cana, has finally arrived. It is the hour of his being lifted up—the hour of both his glory and his crucifixion. It is why he came into the world, and yet we hear him say, "I am troubled." We hear him wrestling with himself, asking for release from the hour, but then recognizing that it holds "the purpose for which I came."

Hebrews affirms this when it says "he offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to the one able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence" (5:7). He was able to bear the suffering and become the source of eternal salvation for all who listen to him and heaven is heard to affirm this teaching.

~~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~~

- Wed, March 25th.....**St. Agnes Lenten Mass with guest celebrant & homilist Fr. Edward Litavec (7pm)**
- Sat, March 28th.....**Fr. Grosko's Birthday Party** after 4:00pm Mass by reserv. only. Doors open 5:00pm.
- 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**
- Wed, April 15th.....**Holy Trinity Men's Club Meeting (6:30pm, Holy Trinity Social Hall)**
- Sun, April 19th.....**Spaghetti Dinner to Benefit Team Joshua Autism Speaks (12 noon, St. Agnes)**
- Tues, May 5th.....**Seniors for Safe Driving Class (9-1pm, HT Social Hall, Register at (800-559-4880)**



The second collection next week, **Palm Sunday**, at both parishes, will be for the benefit for the **St. Vincent DePaul Society**. Your generous support will make it possible for the Society to continue it's good works in helping the poor in our community.



HEARTFELT SYMPATHY to the family & friends of **Al Hvozdovic**, brother-in-law of **Frances & Harry Sweeney**, of **St. Agnes**, who died recently.

May our Heavenly Father embrace all our beloved deceased

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

BEST EVER! OUR ANNUAL LENTEN FISH FRY at Holy Trinity Social Hall continues throughout the Fridays of Lent, including Good Friday, from the hours of **11:00 am until 6:00 pm**. Don't miss this once a year opportunity for fellowship & good food.



**TAKE OUT PHONE
412-466-9695**

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

Last names beginning with **A-B-C-D** **Friday, March 27th**

Last name beginning with **E-F-G-H** **Friday, Good Friday, April 3rd.**

NOTE: Due to changes in Health Dept. rules, no bake goods needing refrigeration can be accepted.



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



HOLY TRINITY		ST. AGNES	
Holy Thursday:	4:00pm	Wednesday: Penance Service	7:00pm
		Holy Thursday:	7:00pm
Good Friday:		Good Friday:	
Stations of the Cross	1:00pm	Stations of the Cross	12 noon
Liturgy	2:00pm	Liturgy	3:00pm
		Tenebrae	8:00pm
Holy Saturday:		Holy Saturday:	
Blessing of Baskets	12 noon	Blessing of Baskets	12:30pm
No Saturday 4:00pm Mass		Easter Vigil: (St. Agnes Only)	8:00pm
Easter Sunday:	9:30am	Easter Sunday:	8:00am
			11:00am



Easter Flower Fund

Each year at Easter, St. Agnes/Holy Trinity are *beautifully decorated for the Resurrection of the Lord* with Easter Flowers. We invite you to make a donation to the EASTER FLOWER FUND “**In Memory of**” a *deceased* loved one or, “**In Honor of**” a *living* one, by using the envelope in your packet and placing it in the **collection basket**. **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.

The next ST. AGNES DONUT SOCIAL will be held on Sunday, April 12th, due to Easter.



The May DONUT SOCIAL will be held on Sunday, May 10th due to First Communion.

2nd Annual Spaghetti Dinner
To Benefit Team Joshua Autism Speaks
St. Agnes Social Hall

Tickets: 5 & under (free), 6-12 (\$8), Adults (\$12).
Contact Rachel Pastor (412-266-2065) for tickets.
Come and enjoy spaghetti, salad & drinks, raffles and other fun activities!

— LIVE LENT AT ST. AGNES AND HOLY TRINITY COMMUNITIES —

DAILY LENTEN MASSES: St. Agnes: Daily *Tuesdays* and *Thursdays* at 6:45 am and *Wednesdays* at 7:00 pm; on *Fridays*, Mass is at 8:15 am unless otherwise noted. Holy Trinity: *Mondays* and *Saturdays* at 8:00 am; *Wednesdays* and *Fridays* at 11:00 am.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: St. Agnes: *Fridays* - 2:00 pm (with school children attending); and also Stations in the evening at 7:00 pm. Holy Trinity: *Wednesdays* and *Fridays* after the 11:00 am Masses.

CONFESSIONS: St. Agnes: Before 7:00pm Mass on *Wednesdays* of Lent.

EASTER BLESSING OF FAMILIES

On Easter Sunday, April 5, Bishops David Zubik, William Waltersheid and William Winter will welcome families of the Diocese of Pittsburgh to their Annual Blessing of Families at St. Paul Cathedral, Oakland beginning at 2:00pm. As they greet and bless your family personally, they affirm and support you as a household of love and witness to The Faith. Come and experience the Bishops' expression of appreciation for the gifts that you bring to our Diocese. Each family attending will receive a special memento to take home; and the children will receive a sweet treat.

Seeds of Faith

*Use me, Lord, in some small way
To help someone somewhere today.*

*Help me bear my brother's load
If he should fall upon life's road.*

*Teach me, Lord, to know Thy ways
That I might serve You all my days.*

*Fill my heart with love divine
Impart Thy will and make it mine.*

*Give me strength when I am weak
And bless the words I choose to speak
That I might glorify Thy name
And minimize my claim to fame.*

*Fill me, Lord, till I overflow
With seeds of faith where'er I go.
Root them deep within my soul
And may they blossom pure and whole.*

*Use me, Lord, in some small way
To help someone somewhere today.*



ST AGNES SCHOOL ANNUAL CALENDAR PARTY

*Thank you to all who attended the
Calendar Party on March 21st.
It was a sell out!*

ST. AGNES SCHOOL NEWS REGISTRATION FOR ST. AGNES SCHOOL AND PRE-SCHOOL

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.

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, Helen Ondick, Ethel Palyo,
Mary Sabo, Lois Soltis, Martha Vasil

St. Agnes

Libby Butko, Francis J. Capaleo, Nettie Conley,
Florence Dugan, Irene Fontanese, Jack Funa,
Steve Grochalski, Joseph Naccarato, Mary Kosko,
Dorothy Kostovny, Lois Mohrbach,
Marguerite Oeler, Laura Pasternak, Loretta Sabol,
Brian Saunders, Jim Schragl, Cindy Silvio,
Diana & Allen Soltis,
Michael Sorokacs, 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

\$ 3,370 - -Offering for March 15*

\$ 230 - - Parish Share

\$ 588 - -Human Dev./Home Missions

PSP Assessment-2015.....\$ 22,228

Amount Collected PSP.....\$ 2,460

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

\$ 2,178 - - Offering for March 15

\$ 65 - - Parish Share

\$ 454 - - Human Dev./Home Missions

PSP Assessment-2015\$ 21,505

Amount Collected PSP\$ 2,150

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