

Saint Agnes Church and Holy Trinity Church



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Administrative Office and Rectory
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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 - MAY 31ST - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

8:00a - **David Bevan** (Jim & Family)
 11:00a - **Joseph Conley** (Conley Family)

MONDAY - JUNE 1ST - ST. JUSTIN, MARTYR

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

TUES - JUNE 2ND - WEEKDAY

8:15a - **Safe Summer for St. Agnes School Students**

WED - JUNE 3RD - ST. CHARLES LWANGA

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

THUR - JUNE 4TH - WEEKDAY

7:00a - **Joseph Banko** (Sister Janelle)

FIRST FRI - JUNE 5TH - ST. BONIFACE

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

FIRST SAT - JUNE 6TH - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

SUN - JUNE 7TH - THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

8:00a - **Emil Tomac** (Family)
 11:00a - **Roy W. Cochrane** (Eileen & Family)

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUN - MAY 31ST - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

4:00p - (Sat) **Robert Kosko, Sr.** (Mary Mayher)
 9:30a - **Special Intentions** (Dottie & John Hostovich)

MONDAY - JUNE 1ST - ST. JUSTIN, MARTYR

8:00a - **Mary Jean Maresch** (Diana Maresch)

TUES - JUNE 2ND - WEEKDAY

(8:15a Mass at St. Agnes)

WED - JUNE 3RD - ST. CHARLES LWANGA

8:00a - **Martin Hock** (Steve & Patty Dudash)

THUR - JUNE 4TH - WEEKDAY

(7:00am Mass at St. Agnes)

FIRST FRI - JUNE 5TH - ST. BONIFACE

8:00a - **Joe Milko** (Donna Milko)

FIRST SAT - JUNE 6TH - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Howard Ondick** (James & Susan Gyurina)

SUN - JUNE 7TH - THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

4:00p - (Sat) - **Steve & Anna Breznay** (Family)
 9:30a - **John Bodnar** (Nancy Bodnar)

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.

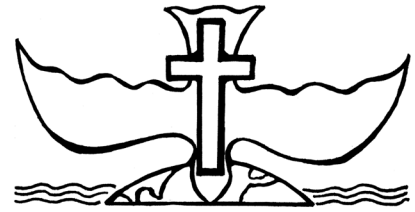
NEW PARISHIONERS: Please register at Rectory.

EPHESIANS IV-PRAYER & PRAISE-Next Mtg., June 1, 7:30pm

ST. AGNES CHURCH - EVERYONE WELCOME

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

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



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First Reading: *Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40.* Moses teaches the people that Yahweh is the only God.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 33:4-5,6,9,18-19,20,22.* A prayer for the Lord's mercy.

Second Reading: *Romans 8:14-17.* Through the Spirit, we have been adopted as children of God.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 28:16-20.* Jesus sends his disciples to make disciples of all nations.

Reflecting on God's Word

It is not always easy to be family. Good parents, the old saying goes, give their children roots and wings, a sense of security and freedom to live their lives. But achieving such a balance is often accomplished only after years of working at it. Sometimes children feel smothered by their parents, that they are trying to control their lives; at other times, children feel neglected, that they are not important, even not loved.

The readings today remind us that God wishes us to know that we can find our roots in the divine love of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and that we can also find our freedom there. Paul's words to the Romans pick up first on the purpose of the gift of the Spirit that we celebrated last Sunday. The Spirit has been given us to lead us more deeply into the mystery of God, into the love of God, so that we recognize that we are God's beloved children.

This same message is found in Moses' words to the people as they are about to enter into the Promised Land. Has anyone ever had a God like our God? Moses marvels. Has any God ever shown a people how dear they are by such signs and wonders as our God has shown us? Moses is moving them to know who they are as God's beloved family and to "fix in your heart, that the LORD is God . . . and that there is no other" (Deuteronomy 4:39).

But we are not to stay all curled up in the divine embrace. We have been sent forth to proclaim to others this good news, to "go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19). We do this when we allow the Spirit to lead us, to guide us in witnessing to God who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

~~~MARK YOUR CALENDAR~~~

Tue, June 2nd**St. Agnes Kindergarten Graduation** (After the 8:15am Mass)

Tue, June 2nd**St. Agnes Last Day of School**

Tue, June 9th.....**Catholic Schools Picnic** (Kennywood Park - Tickets, \$27, at Rectory)

Thurs, June 11th**St. Agnes Seniors Picnic** (12:30, Holy Trinity S.H. Call Ed 412-462-0904)

Fri-Sat, June 12th-13th....**St. Agnes White Elephant Sale** (St. Agnes Social Hall)

Wed, June 24th.....**H.T. Men's Club Bus Trip to Rivers Casino** (Contact George 412-466-5062)

Sun, June 28th**St. Agnes Blood Drive** (To make an appt. call Donna Milko at 412-466-4610)

Fri-Sat, July 25-26th.....**St. Agnes Festival** (St. Agnes Church & grounds)

The 101st Anniversary Catholic Schools Picnic will be held on Tuesday, June 9th, at Kennywood Park Tickets are available at the Holy Trinity Office for \$27.00.

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE CHANGES STARTING JUNE 4TH
St. Agnes: Tuesday & Thursday.....7:00am
Holy Trinity: Mon., Wed., Fri. & Sat.....8:00am

*HEARTFELT SYMPATHY...to the family and friends of **Allen Soltis**, of **St. Agnes**, 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.

Congratulations to Katelyn Kovalsky who won the Cardinal Wuerl Junior Achievement Scholarship Award of \$3,000 to Serra Catholic High School. Our best wishes for her continued academic success.



Feast of The Most Holy Trinity TODAY, May 31st

That there are **three Divine Persons in one God** is a **fact**, revealed to us by **Jesus Christ** — but at the same time it is a **mystery** beyond our human understanding, which we cannot explain but only accept with the **gift of faith** that God has given us. But one day it will no longer be a “mystery” when we “**see**” **God face to face in Heaven** in the **Beatific Vision**.

We profess our Faith in the Blessed Trinity every time we make the **Sign of the Cross**, beginning and ending everything we do in the **Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit**. Today’s feast should remind us to *make the Sign of the Cross carefully and reverently*, and to say the words distinctly and prayerfully.

We also express our Faith in the Trinity in the “creeds we “profess” and pray — the **Apostle’s Creed**, which should be a part of our daily prayers and which we recite at the beginning of the Rosary — and the **Nicene Creed**, which we say together every Sunday at Mass. *May this Feast of the Holy Trinity deepen for us our understanding and love on the day we honor the Divine Trinity.*

Is God Calling You to Become a Catholic or to Know the Faith Better?

*Have you thought about the fact that God may be calling you to become a Catholic? Have you been searching for meaning in your life? To help find the answers to these questions, you may want to consider entering the “**Process of Christian Initiation**”. This process will formally begin in **early October**.*



- ***Time of Inquiry:*** A time when you feel a ‘tug’ in your heart that God is gently nudging you in this direction. This is a time to seek, ask, question, and find out if this is the direction for your life right now.
- ***Who is this process for?*** If you have never been baptized, or were baptized in another religion other than Catholic or were baptized Catholic and never received any other sacraments, then this process is for you. Also, Fr. Grosko is available for any questions about your faith.
- ***How do I start?*** If you would like to sign up or have questions, call *Sister Cynthia at 412-466-6238* or call *Father Grosko, 466-6545*.
- This is a time to seek, ask, question, and find out if this is the direction for your life right now. A time of inquiry, but not necessarily leading to any personal conversion.



St. Agnes Annual Summer Festival

On **Friday and Saturday, July 24/25, 2015**, the Parish will celebrate its **148th Annual Festival**. We are most grateful for the many volunteers and patrons who will grace this annual fundraiser for the Parish. **Jason Bevan and Sister Cynthia** are the **General Chairpersons** and **Shawna Fitzhenry** is **Games Chairperson**. ***Raffle tickets for the Festival will be available this weekend in the Social Hall!*** *Your enthusiastic cooperation in purchasing and selling the raffle tickets will guarantee a joyful beginning for our annual Summer Festival.*

HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR EIGHTH GRADERS who graduated last **Thursday, May 28th**. The **GRADUATES:** **Jared Bevan, Jessica Bevan, Paige Bosic, Mark Bye, Joseph Gluscic, Zoe Kosko, Katelyn Kovalsky, Anthony Mazzocco, Julie McCarthy, Katelynn Oliverio, Alexys Riley, Joseph Salzmann, Brianna Seech, Sebastian Seech and Sabrina Stokes**. Prayers and heartfelt blessings for your continued success.



St. Agnes White Elephant Sale

The **White Elephant Sale** will be held in the **Social Hall** on **Friday and Saturday, June 12th and 13th** and on **Sunday, June 14th**, **only** after the **11:00am Mass**. **Beginning at 9:00 a.m. on June 3rd through the 8th**, you can bring your “golden treasures.” ***We will keep the back door of the Social Hall open until 9:00 p.m.*** We ask that all donations be made by **June 8th**. “Your golden treasure is needed and welcomed.”

SUMMER PARENTING TIPS

With schools out for the summer, parenting becomes a 24-hour-a-day job. For a smooth-running household with children, try some of the following:

- 1. DON'T DISAPPROVE OF WHAT A CHILD IS—DISAPPROVE OF WHAT HE/SHE DOES.**
2. GIVE ATTENTION AND PRAISE FOR GOOD BEHAVIOR. NOT FOR BAD BEHAVIOR.
- 3. ENCOURAGE AND ALLOW DISCUSSION BUT REMEMBER IT IS THE PARENT WHO SHOULD MAKE THE FINAL DECISION.**
4. PUNISHMENT SHOULD BE SWIFT, REASONABLE, RELATED TO THE OFFENSE AND ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN TO OCCUR. IT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE SEVERE.
- 5. THROW OUT ALL RULES YOU ARE UNWILLING TO ENFORCE AND BE WILLING TO CHANGE RULES IF YOU THINK IT'S REASONABLE TO DO SO.**
6. DON'T LECTURE AND DON'T WARN. YOUNGSTERS WILL REMEMBER WHAT THEY THINK IS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER.
- 7. DON'T FEEL YOU HAVE TO JUSTIFY RULES, ALTHOUGH YOU SHOULD TRY TO EXPLAIN THEM.**
8. AS YOUR CHILD GROWS OLDER, MANY RULES MAY BE FLEXIBLE AND SUBJECT TO DISCUSSION AND COMPROMISE. HOWEVER, ON THE FEW RULES YOU REALLY FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT, ENFORCE THEM NO MATTER WHAT RULES OTHER PARENTS HAVE.
- 9. ALLOW THE CHILD/YOUTH TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR HIS/HER DECISIONS AS HE/SHE SHOWS THE ABILITY TO DO SO.**
10. DON'T EXPECT CHILDREN TO SHOW MORE SELF-CONTROL THAN YOU DO AS A PARENT.
- 11. BE HONEST WITH YOUR CHILD: HYPOCRISY SHOWS.**
12. THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR IN YOUR CHILD'S SELF-IMAGE IS WHAT HE/SHE THINKS YOU THINK OF HIM/HER, AND HIS/HER SELF-IMAGE IS A MAJOR FACTOR IN HOW HE/SHE ACTS AND DOES.

DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY is having their largest open house event, DuquesneFest, on Sunday, June 14th beginning at 8:00am for Fall 2015 high school seniors to learn more about the University. Register online at www.duq.edu/duquesnefest.

Unable to attend Mass? Why not send your weekly offering through the mail!

Please Pray for Our Beloved Sick

Holy Trinity

Monica Branik, Patricia Brevko, Margaret Breznai,
Veronica Bujdos, Anna Cmar, Esther Gonos, Helen Gambal,
Betty Hock, Mary Lisa Holzwarth,
Zander Holzwarth (toddler), Flo Husfelt, Betty Jozefov,
Joseph Kirch, Agnes Kovac, Louis Kruszewski, Cecelia
Minella, 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 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

May 24, 2015

\$ 3,987 -- Offering

\$ 560 -- Parish Share

PSP Assessment-2015\$ 22,228

Amount Collected PSP.....\$ 6,275

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

May 24, 2015

\$ 1,282 -- Offering

\$ 35 -- Parish Share

PSP Assessment-2015.....\$ 21,505

Amount Collected PSP.....\$ 5,447

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