

# 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 - JUNE 14TH - 11TH SUN IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a - **Rose Yousko** (Marie & Joe Foertech)  
 11:00a - **Paul & Margaret Smith** (Fred & Joann Smith)

#### MONDAY - JUNE 15TH - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### TUES - JUNE 16TH - WEEKDAY

7:00a - **Irene Slezak** (Carol McElligott)

#### WED - JUNE 17TH - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### THUR - JUNE 18TH - WEEKDAY

7:00a - **Julia, Carl & Frances Gutilla** (Family)

#### FRI - JUNE 19TH - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### SAT - JUNE 20TH - WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### SUN - JUNE 21ST - 12TH SUN IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a - **Charles E. Bye** (Bye Family)  
 11:00a - **Robert Conley** (Conley Family)

### HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

#### SUN - JUNE 14TH - 11TH SUN IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p - (Sat) **Bess & Arlene Cvejkus** (Family)  
 9:30a - **Anna Moran** (Daughters)

#### MONDAY - JUNE 15TH - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Bill Turney** (Sue Finnegan & Virginia Greaney)

#### TUES - JUNE 16TH - WEEKDAY

(7:00a Mass at St. Agnes)

#### WED - JUNE 17TH - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Ernest Humenik** (John & Joann Engel)

#### THUR - JUNE 18TH - WEEKDAY

(7:00am Mass at St. Agnes)

#### FRI - JUNE 19TH - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Andrew Stupar** (Ray & Dusty Kondos)

#### SAT - JUNE 20TH - WEEKDAY

8:00a - **Martin Hock** (Mary Cmar)

#### SUN - JUNE 21ST - 12TH SUN IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p - (Sat) - **Eugene & Josephine Devine**  
 (Michael Cvejkus & Family)  
 9:30a - **Living & Deceased Fathers of Holy Trinity**

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

Administrative Office and Rectory.....412-466-6545  
 St. Agnes School.....412-466-6238  
 Social Hall - Saint Agnes..... 412-466-5500  
 Social Hall - Holy Trinity..... 412-466-9695  
 Saint Agnes Convent ..... 412-466-3554  
 Saint Agnes Website..... [www.stagneswm.com](http://www.stagneswm.com)  
 Holy Trinity Website.....[www.holytrinitywm.com](http://www.holytrinitywm.com)  
 St. Agnes/Holy Trinity Office Email... [h.trinity@verizon.net](mailto:h.trinity@verizon.net)  
 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., June 22, 7:30pm**

**ST. AGNES CHURCH - EVERYONE WELCOME**

**DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE HOTLINE**

**1-888-808-1235**

## ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading:** *Ezekiel 17:22–24.* I, the Lord, bring low the high tree and lift high the lowly tree.

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalm 92:2–3, 13–16.* They that are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God.

**Second Reading:** *2 Corinthians 5:6–10.* The lives of all are to be revealed before the tribunal of Christ.

**Gospel Reading:** *Mark 4:26–34.* The reign of God is like a mustard seed.

### Reflecting on God's Word

I watch most of the children growing into what is called “emerging adulthood.” It must be very difficult at times for parents, only being able to watch, hope, and pray as their children start to move away from home and begin to make their own way into the world. Will they be safe, make the right choices, be happy?

Making use of images from nature, scripture reminds us that God gives the growth, whether it is to mighty cedars springing from small shoots, ripened grain sprouting from the blade, or a fully grown mustard plant emerging from the tiniest of seeds to offer its large branches as housing for the birds.

Such poetic language calls us to reflect on the mystery of the kingdom of God, whose seeds were found in the various covenants extended to Noah, Abraham, Moses, and David, and then fully enfolded in Jesus so many millennia ago. This kingdom continues to sprout in our day, often where least expected.

Sometimes it breaks through like a mighty cedar, but more often it is a quieter blossoming, suddenly emerging like stalks of grain, or the first signs of life carried in a mother's body. I am sure God has worried for all the children of every age who have filled the earth. The kingdom of life won by Christ continues to have the power to carry all God's sons and daughters into the loving arms of the God Jesus taught us to call Father.



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

Tue, June 16th.....**K of C Car Cruise** (5:30-9:30pm. Holy Trinity Lot, Weather permitting)

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)

Thur, July 16th.....**Slovak Day at Kennywood** (Tickets available at Holy Trinity Office)

Fri-Sat, July 24-25th.....**St. Agnes Festival** (St. Agnes Church & grounds)

**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS:** If you are unable to attend Mass and would like a periodic visit from a fellow parishioner or to request a Eucharist Minister to bring you the Holy Eucharist, **please call Suzann or Linda on Monday or Tuesday between 9:00am and 3:00pm at the rectory. Call 412-466-6545.**



**2015 LOTTERY CALENDARS are on sale for half-price (\$10).**

It's not too late for you to be a winner. The tickets are good through December and your purchase benefits St. Agnes School.

### OFF TO VACATION LAND?

As summer approaches and you are going away on that long-awaited, well-deserved vacation, **PLEASE DO NOT FORGET US!** The car is packed or the plane tickets are in your hand, or you are heading to the train or bus station. **Have a safe, happy and healthy vacation.** But before you leave, *please remember that your parish still has to pay the bills; bills sent by vendors who do not take vacations from sending them!* Your help will still be needed to meet current expenses.

**Please put your envelopes in the collection basket before you leave, or mail them or deposit them in the front door mail slot. Your contributions are prayerfully appreciated!**

Also, include plans to **attend Holy Mass while you are on vacation.** If it were not for the wonderful gifts that God has given us, we would not be able to take those vacations and enjoy that leisure time. Please be sure that your plans include your obligation to the Lord. There is a **FREE ministry to traveling Catholics.** For nationwide Mass times and locations visit [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org).

## *The Mass: The Perfect Prayer*



Have you ever noticed how **powerful the words of the Sacred Liturgy of the Eucharist** are? We can hear the prayers of the Mass again and again over a lifetime, and still never exhaust their meaning. At different times in life we will be deeply touched by some particular part of the Mass and hear those prayers again as if for the first time. They seem to be **speaking just to us** and to our particular life experience. **They draw us into the heart of Christ** and His Paschal Mystery, and everything takes on new and deeper meaning. It is with great wisdom that the Church teaches that **regulations of the Sacred Liturgy depend solely on the authority of the Church**. — Therefore, no other person, even if he be a priest, may add, remove, or change anything in the Liturgy on his own authority. **How fortunate we are to be able to really “pray the Mass” over a lifetime!** **During the Summer months the weekday Masses at St. Agnes are at 7:00am, Tuesdays and Thursdays. For Holy Trinity the Masses are at 8:00am on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays.**

### **POPE ASKS PARENTS TO HELP THEIR CHILDREN DISCOVER IMPORTANCE OF SUNDAY MASS**

During the recitation of the Angelus in St. Peter’s Square, **Pope Francis** underscored the **importance of Sunday as the Day of the Lord** and asked every Catholic family to accept the invitation of Christ to **attend Sunday Mass with their children**, thus helping them to **discover the value and importance of the Eucharist for their lives**. The Pope also reminded the faithful present that **“Sunday Mass must never be felt as an imposition or weight, but rather as a need and a joy,”** for **“gathering together with our brothers and sisters, listening to the Word of God, and being nourished by what Christ sacrificed for us is an experience that gives meaning to life and brings peace to the heart. We Christians cannot live without Sundays”**.

***Who are your fellow parishioners?*** Every parish is a unique blend of people, events, activities and interests, giving the community a characteristic spirit and spirituality. It is very possible that two members of the community, both active and involved, never meet. Over the summer months try attending a different Mass time or attend the same service but sit somewhere different and introduce yourself to someone new.



***Flowers at Holy Trinity  
In Memory of Anna Moran  
By Daughters***

**Holy Trinity Men’s Club trip to Rivers Casino, Wed., June 24th.** Bus leaves the Church parking lot at 9:00am & departs the casino at 4:00pm. Coffee & pastries at 8:00 am. Cost: \$25 per person. Call George at 412-466-5062 for reservations.

### **SLOVAK DAY AT KENNYWOOD PARK, THURSDAY, JULY 16TH**

**TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT HOLY TRINITY OFFICE STARTING MONDAY**

**RIDE ALL DAY: \$25    Age 55+: \$15    Age 70+: COUPON FOR PAY AT GATE \$12.00 plus tax**

### **St. Agnes Parish Summer Festival Raffle Tickets...**

***WE NEED YOUR HELP!*** Hopefully, you have picked up your personal letter with the enclosed two books of raffle tickets that need to be purchased. Each envelope user in the parish has their personal letter. If not, please call the parish office to notify that you are not on the parish roles—that is, a registered member of the parish. Your personal letter with the tickets can be **picked up in the Social Hall** after any of the Masses. **Your help ensures success of our Summer Festival!!** Extra tickets are available—so you can request more tickets to sell. ***Please begin to return your stubs & check to the Parish Office in the church or through the usual offertory collections. A Prayerful Thank you!***

**St. Agnes Annual Summer Festival, JULY 24th and 25th. Mark Your Calendar!!**



## A Flag Day Prayer

*Lord God, early founders of the nation on this day in 1777 adopted a flag to symbolize their solidarity in defense and in belief of a new type of republic. They selected stars and stripes to speak both of colonial individuality as state rights drawn upon a broader field of federal identity.*

*Lord, our pledge as a people means even more in today's world on this Flag Day. Fill us with promising hope and peaceful unity as we stare at the starry sky. Enable us to reach out further and further in the broad bands of freedom and compassion to fellow citizens of this world most in need.*

*Lord, may this flag, before which we stand, be a mirror of this people and a sign of promise to others, that equal justice under governing law assures progressive victory over egoism and evil, both in times of prosperity and adversity, in times of war, and peace.*

*In our allegiance, we witness to "one nation under God" as a promise of what others in this world can yet become. For this, we Americans stand together today, proud and strong, both now and forever.*

*Amen.*

## CHOOSING A SCHOOL FOR YOUR CHILD/ CHILDREN

Perhaps the **biggest responsibility** a parent faces is the **careful choices for the education of their children**, making whatever sacrifices are necessary in give your child the finest educational opportunities.

**St. Agnes** has long been **blessed** with an **excellent school** that provides a **very solid academic, spiritual, physical and social program** for children from **pre-school through the eighth grade**. **If you are looking for a well-rounded Christian education and a solid program for your child/children, call Sister Cynthia at 412-466-6238.** Financial help is available.

As we come to the close of the school year, **the Parish and I express heartfelt appreciation and gratitude** to the staff of **St. Agnes School** under the **leadership of Sister Cynthia** for *an excellent school year with endless achievements*. And, above all, our **prayerful thanks to the parents and families** for their willingness to make the **endless sacrifices** for their children's at **St. Agnes Catholic School**.

**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**

Margaret Becze, 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, 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**

June 7, 2015

\$ 5,195 -- Offering

\$ 1,076 -- Parish Share

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

Amount Collected PSP.....\$ 7,511

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**

June 7, 2015

\$ 2,467 -- Offering

\$ 1, 239-- Parish Share

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

Amount Collected PSP.....\$ 6,856

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