

# 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 - OCT. 4TH - 27TH SUN IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a - **60th Wedding Aniv. Harry & Fran Sweeney**  
 11:00a - **Health of Nettie Conley (Conley Family)**

#### MONDAY-OCT. 5TH- WEEKDAY

*(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)*

#### TUES - OCT. 6TH - WEEKDAY

6:45a - **William Flaherty (Bernie & Kathy Kelley)**

#### WED - OCT. 7TH - OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

*(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)*  
*(7:00p Rosary Prayer Service & Benediction at Holy Trinity)*

#### THUR - OCT. 8TH - WEEKDAY

6:45a - **Joe Milko (Eleanor Lucas)**

#### FRI - OCT. 9TH - WEEKDAY

8:15a - **Joseph & Rose Banko (Sister Janelle)**

#### SAT - OCT. 10TH - WEEKDAY

*(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)*

#### SUN, OCT. 11TH - 28TH SUN IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a - **Beverly List (Karen List)**  
 11:00a - **Laura Butko (Conley Family)**

### HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

#### SUN - OCT. 4TH - 27TH SUN IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p - (Sat) - **George Lauer (Goldie & Family)**  
 9:30a - **Howard Ondick (James & Susan Gyurina)**

#### MONDAY-OCT. 5TH - WEEKDAY

8:00a- **Albert Michaels (Sue Movris)**

#### TUES - OCT. 6TH - WEEKDAY

*(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)*

#### WED - OCT. 7TH - OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

8:00a - **Eugene Sabol (George & Jean Miteff)**  
 7:00p-Our Lady of the Rosary Prayer Service - Benediction

#### THUR - OCT. 8TH - WEEKDAY

*(6:45am Mass at St. Agnes)*

#### FRI - OCT. 9TH - WEEKDAY

*(8:15a Mass at St. Agnes)*

#### SAT - OCT. 10TH - WEEKDAY

8:00a- **Dorothy Bracco (Sister Marie, M.J. Fedor)**

#### SUN - OCT. 11TH - 28TH SUN IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00p - (Sat) - **Michael Potemra (Len Potemra)**  
 9:30a - **Eugene Sabol (Eugene Jr. & Rachael)**

### 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. Mon, Oct. 5.**

**ST. AGNES CHURCH - EVERYONE WELCOME**

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

## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Let the children  
come to me.*

**First Reading:** *Genesis 2:18-24.* God creates woman from Adam's rib.

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalms 128:1-2,3,4-5,6.* A prayer for God's blessing.

**Second Reading:** *Hebrews 2:9-11.* Christ was made perfect through suffering so that we might be consecrated.

**Gospel Reading:** *Mark 10:2-16.* Jesus teaches against divorce and welcomes the children.

### Reflecting on God's Word

Of all the events and circumstances that draw people together, it would seem that marriage is the most universal and obvious manifestation of that longing to be one. Though some may sacrifice marriage for what they deem to be a greater good or need, and others may never find their heart's way to that dream, all of us long to be touched by the magic of committed love. There is something woven into the warp and woof of our lives that passionately searches for it. More than anything, it is the ideal of marital love that reveals what we are meant to be—all of life and love so united to one another that there is nothing to divide, since there is no longer anything but pure oneness. Then we are no longer two simply because we are one, one flesh.

That is what makes divorce such a sadness, such a personal and even communal tragedy—that it shatters the vision of what we are meant to be. That is also why it causes such pain, such a wrenching; for if marriage fails, might not then also God's dream of who we shall be? That seems to be unbearable even to dare consider.

Into such fragile human becoming, then, comes the Lord Jesus, among the married and the divorced, among the sad and the joyful, among the lost and the hopeful, into what we are no matter what we are. He is the most profound and transforming revelation of that unity to which we are called simply because he unites and embodies both the human and the divine in such a way that it can never again be alienated.



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

Sat, Oct. 3rd.....H.T. Men's Club Ceregi Sale (2:00pm, H.T. Social Hall, \$8 doz., limit 2 doz. per sale)

Sun, Oct. 4th.....Blessing of Animals (12:30pm, St. Agnes Upper Parking Lot)

Wed., Oct. 7th.....Rosary & Benediction (7:00pm, Holy Trinity, Reception to follow in Social Hall)

Thur, Oct. 8th.....St. Agnes Senior Mtg. (1:00pm, S.A. Social Hall, Call Ed Ferchak 412-462-0904)

Sun, Oct. 11th.....Pastoral Council Mtg. (12:15pm, St. Agnes Social Hall)

Wed, Oct. 14th.....H.T. Men's Club Mtg. & Nomination of Officers (7:00pm H.T. Social Hall)

Sun, Oct. 18th.....H.T. Men's Club Stuffed Cabbage Dinner (Adults/\$9, Child/\$5 (12-5pm, H.T. Hall)

**See the insert for Fundraisers for St. Agnes School. Lots of goodies to enjoy!!**

### Missionary Sunday Collection

In your envelope packet there is an envelope for World Mission Sunday on October 18th. Since our collection was taken last weekend when Father Mwangi visited from Kenya, the envelope can be used any time up to and including the 10th if you desire to give another offering to the Missions. They surely need our help!



*HEARTFELT SYMPATHY...to the family and friends of Eugene Johnson, of St. Agnes,  
who died this past week.*

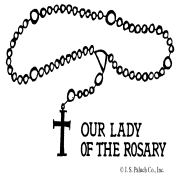
*May our Heavenly Father embrace all our beloved deceased  
and number them among the elect at the banquet of Heaven.*

### **THE 1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH IS DONUT and FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY.**

**Please join us this Sunday after the 8 and 11 am  
Masses at St. Agnes.**



**There will be a St. Agnes-Holy Trinity  
Pastoral Council Meeting  
Next Sunday, Oct. 11th,  
12:15pm at St. Agnes Social Hall**



## **October—Month of Mary's Rosary and Respect Life**

The entire month of October is designated by the Church as a month to honor Mary, the Mother of God, under her title “**Our Lady of the Rosary**,” which is celebrated on October 7th. The **Rosary** is a highly recommended devotion and one which our Blessed Mother herself has requested in her many appearances. We have all heard it said, “**The family that prays together, stays together.**”

Also, the entire of month of October is dedicated as **Respect Life Month**. *This is the annual reminder to become informed and to form convictions that all human life, from conception to natural death and in all physical conditions, is sacred.*

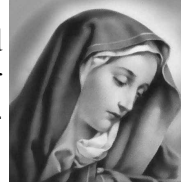
### **ROSARY PRAYER SERVICE**

**Wednesday, October 7, 2015**

**7:00pm**

In celebration of the feast of “Our Lady of the Rosary” there will be a service of Benediction, recitation of the Holy Rosary and singing of the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary at 7:00pm at Holy Trinity Church. A reception will follow in the Church Social Hall.

This prayer service and benediction gives us the opportunity of highlighting our devotion and seeking always the intercession of Our Blessed Lady. Your presence will give witness to our love for the Blessed Virgin Mary. We are called and strongly recommended to pray the Rosary daily; the four mysteries of the Rosary are the Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious, and Luminous.



**Attention! October Count is Here.....**Each October throughout the Diocese, a count is taken at each and every Mass celebrated for the Sunday Obligation. Many churches, as you well know, have been closed due to lack of participation. We surely don't want that to happen at St. Agnes or Holy Trinity. Please make a strong effort to **attend Mass at ST. AGNES and HOLY TRINITY** during the **month of October**. It is very important that we **show good attendance** at this time! **Inform your neighbors and family members of this very important count.**

### **K OF C HALLOWEEN DINNER DANCE**

**Saturday, October 24, 2015.**

**Holy Trinity Church Social Hall**

**7:00-11:00pm - \$20 p/p in Advance and \$25 p/p at the Door**



Duquesne/West Mifflin K of C cordially invites you to their Charity Halloween Dinner Dance. Menu: Tossed Salad, Linguini Salad, Stuffed Chicken, Potatoes, Vegetables, Bread Sticks, Dessert, Coffee & Tea. Costumes encouraged but not required. **BYOB! Free set-ups (cups & ice), free soda, Beer & Wine.**

Music provided by Rockn' Oldies Show by Disc Jockey Glenn Raymer. **RSVP by Monday, Oct. 19th to Tim Richards with checks payable to Knights of Columbus #4210. Mail to Tim Richards at 3311 Eisenhower Dr., White Oak, PA 15131 or call or email at 412-414-4919, [timmy1825@aol.com](mailto:timmy1825@aol.com).**

**PARISH SHARE PLEDGE:** It is always the second collection on the first Sunday of the month. Over the years we have not met our Parish Share collection at Holy Trinity, making it necessary to deplete our savings account these past few years. We do need your concern and commitment to the Parish Share collections and, if you have given and are able to increase by a few dollars, it would be deeply appreciated.

**Please Note:** When we receive the consecrated bread and wine at Holy Communion, we are receiving **both the Body and Precious Blood of Jesus**. Let us be ever grateful that each time we attend the Eucharistic Celebration, we can receive the Lord Jesus. Let us be faithful each Sunday so we do receive of the Lord Jesus.

## **THE SECOND PHASE OF THE SYNOD ON THE FAMILY IN ROME OCT. 4-24TH.**

**Perhaps the following is worth repeating as  
an excellent meditation on the family**

### **Families Make Faith a Priority**

“One of the best gifts parents can give their children is the habit of praying throughout the day. Yet the hectic pace of family life often means that prayer gets lost in the shuffle. Here are five ways that families might add more prayer to their day. Start by picking the one or two that call your attention and see how it goes. Remember, even *your desire* to pray more is a prayer.

- **Start the day with prayer** - I learned this trick many years ago from my second grade teacher, Sister Regina. Put your bedroom slippers or shoes far under your bed at the end of the day. Each morning while on your knees retrieving your footwear, say a quick prayer offering the whole day to God.

- **Give a minute to prayer in the car** - Many families spend a lot of time in the family auto. As you start the engine, say a quick prayer that you will be aware of God’s presence in your day. Our family often said the *Prayer of St. Francis* as we buckled in.

- **Keep special intentions in mind** - A family I know keeps a jar on the kitchen windowsill in which each family member can place a note listing a special intention that the others can pray for. It could be to do well on a test, handle a work situation well, or for the health of a relative or a friend. Everyone keeps those special intentions in mind throughout the day.

- **Pray at every meal** - Never let a meal begin without at least a moment of thanks to the one who provides all that we need.

- **Pray when people or events upset you** - If you want a sure-fire way to pray more each day, make a habit of saying a short prayer whenever someone irritates you. A quick “*Help me, God*” is sufficient. You’ll never run out of opportunities!

### ***Blessing of Animals and Your Favorite Pets***

On Sunday, October 4th, after the 11:00 am Mass, at 12:30 pm, at St. Agnes, weather permitting, we will bless your animals and pets in the **upper parking lot**. *We do encourage the children of the parishes, with their pets, to come for this special blessing.*



**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,  
Agnes Seech, Margaret Serdy, Lois Soltis, Dom Toretto

**St. Agnes**

Margaret Becze, Libby Butko, Francis J. Capaleo,  
Nettie Conley, Florence Dugan, Irene Fontanese, Jack Funa,  
Steve Grochalski, Jean (Koehler) Kopa,  
Mary Kosko, Dorothy Kostovny,  
Lois Mohrbach, Marguerite Oeler, Laura Pasternak,  
Loretta Sabol, Brian Saunders, Jim Schragl, Cindy Silvio,  
Diana Soltis, Michael Sorokacs,  
Paul Thomas, Denise Ventura

*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**

September 20, 2015

\$ 2,674 -- Offering  
\$ 111 -- Parish Share  
\$ 1,069 -- Missions

PSP Assessment-2015 .....\$ 22,228  
Amount Collected PSP.....\$ 13,894  
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**

September 27, 2015

\$ 1,726 -- Offering  
\$ 40 -- Parish Share  
\$ 441 -- Missions

PSP Assessment-2015.....\$ 21,505  
Amount Collected PSP.....\$ 11,639

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