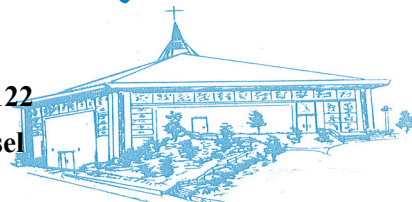


# Saint Agnes Church and Holy Trinity Church



**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 - APR. 24TH - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00a - Fr. Michael Polak (Sister Cynthia)  
 11:00a - Monica Branik 80th Birthday

#### MONDAY - APR. 25TH - ST. MARK, EVANGELIST

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### TUES - APR. 26TH - EASTER WEEKDAY

6:45a - James, Eleanor, & James Jr. McAuliffe (Family)

#### WED - APR. 27TH - EASTER WEEKDAY

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### THUR - APR. 28TH - EASTER WEEKDAY

6:45a - Julia, Patricia & Andrew Supira (Family)

#### FRIDAY - APR. 29TH - ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

8:15a - Sandy Zera (Rose Anne Needham)

#### SATURDAY- APR. 30TH - ST. PIUS V, POPE

(8:00a Mass at Holy Trinity)

#### SUN - MAY 1ST - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00a - Fr. Michael Polak (Rose Anne Thomas)  
 11:00a - First Holy Communicants

### Holy Trinity Mass Intentions

#### SUN - APR. 24TH - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

4:00(Sat) - Nick Roman (John & Tracy Roman)  
 9:30a - Howard Ondick (Family)

#### MONDAY - APR. 25TH - ST. MARK, EVANGELIST

8:00a - Dorothy Bracco (Mary Ann Polinski)

#### TUES - APR. 26TH - EASTER WEEKDAY

(6:45a Mass at St. Agnes)

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8:00a - Witowski, Loran & Bergman (Family)

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8:00a - Eugene Sabol (Helen Simak)

#### SUN - MAY 1ST - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

4:00p - Joelle "Kirch" Preksta (Jane & Frank Breznay)  
 9:30a - Ann Sotak (Debbie Gaydos)

### 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/Holy Trinity Website.....[www.stagneswm.com](http://www.stagneswm.com)  
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 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. Mon, May 2nd.  
 ST. AGNES CHURCH - EVERYONE WELCOME**

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

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**First Reading:** *Acts of the Apostles 14:21-27.* Paul and Barnabas proclaim the good news in many places.

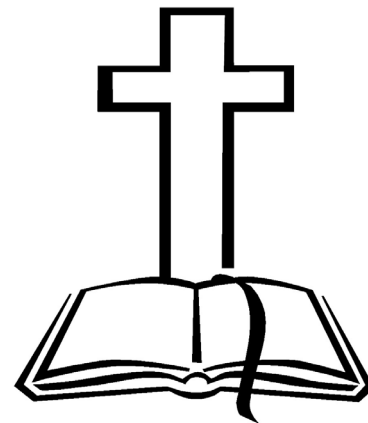
**Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalms 145:8-9,10-11,12-13.* A song of praise to God.

**Second Reading:** *Revelation 21:1-5a.* John describes his vision of a new heaven and a new earth.

**Gospel Reading:** *John 13:31-33a,34-35.* Jesus gives his disciples a new commandment: love one another.

Today's Gospel can be read as a continuing explanation of Jesus' act of washing his disciples' feet. It begins with the announcement that this is the moment when the Son of Man will be glorified. This theme continues throughout John's Passion. Jesus will be glorified in his death on the cross and in his Resurrection, and the disciples will glorify Jesus in the love they show.

John's Gospel does not present a sentimental view of love. This is a type of love that is shown in service and sacrifice. It is difficult to choose to love when faced with hatred and anger. Jesus tells the disciples that all will know that they are his disciples because of the love they show for one another. This description of the early Christian community will be repeated in the Acts of the Apostles: "See how they love one another." Christian love is the hallmark of Christianity. We see it lived in the witness of the martyrs. We see it in the example of the lives of the saints. We see it in the holy women and men who live and love daily, making small and large sacrifices for others.



*“Love  
One  
Another”*

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

TUES, APR 26.....**ST. AGNES 150TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE MTG.** (7PM. CALL JOYCE AT 412-464-0991 FOR INFO.)

SAT, APR 30.....**H.T. MENS' & LADIES' CLUB STUFFED CABBAGE SALE** (12 NOON, H.T. SOCIAL HALL)

SAT, APR 30.....**K OF C #4210 "KNIGHT AT THE RACES"** (H.T. SOCIAL HALL. CALL 412-672-6222 FOR MORE INFO)

SAT, APR 30.....**HOLY TRINITY MAY CROWNING** (PRIOR TO 4PM MASS AT HOLY TRINITY)

SUN, MAY 1.....**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** (11AM MASS, ST. AGNES CHURCH)

FRI, MAY 6.....**ST. AGNES MAY CROWNING** (PRIOR TO 8:15AM SCHOOL MASS)

SAT/SUN, MAY 7-8...**HOLY TRINITY/ST. AGNES DIAPER DRIVE MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND**

SUN, MAY 8.....**ST. AGNES DONUT SUNDAY** (ST. AGNES SOCIAL HALL, AFTER THE 8 AND 11 MASSES)

THUR, MAY 12.....**ST. AGNES SENIORS MTG.**(1PM, ST. AGNES SOCIAL HALL. CALL ED FERCHAK AT 412-462-0904)

JUNE 2-7.....**DROP-OFF FOR WHITE ELEPHANT SALE** (9AM-9PM, ST. AGNES SOCIAL HALL)

## NO BOTTOMS LEFT BEHIND DIAPER DRIVE

In support of Pope Francis' call to perform corporal works of mercy in this Jubilee Year of Mercy, St Agnes and Holy Trinity will be holding a diaper drive to benefit the Western PA Diaper Bank.

One in three American moms struggles to provide clean diapers for her children. Food stamps and WIC don't cover diapers. The families often are forced to make tough decisions because they can't afford diapers. Children can't go to daycare without a clean supply of diapers, preventing adults from going to work or school.

On Mother's Day weekend, May 7 and 8, we are asking parishioners to donate a bag of diapers (sizes 4, 5 and 6 are most needed) or the funds to buy them, (Checks can be made out to Western PA Diaper Bank). Place your donation in the boxes and envelopes provided at the back of Holy Trinity Church and St. Agnes Cafeteria.

Locally, diapers are distributed by the Western Pennsylvania Diaper Bank through the Duquesne Family Support Center, the McKeesport Salvation Army, and the Allegheny Intermediate Unit in Homestead to families in need registered with these agencies. More info. can be found on the website [www.westernpennsylvaniadiaperbank.org](http://www.westernpennsylvaniadiaperbank.org). Let's all get behind this urgent need! This is a crisis we can solve together.

## MAY — A MONTH TO HONOR OUR BLESSED MOTHER

The month of May is beautiful for many reasons, but especially because it is set aside by the Church to honor Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and our Mother. While we honor and venerate Mary, we can at the same time ask for her help, since she has a powerful influence with God on our spiritual behalf.

The Church has composed a beautiful prayer to Mary, the *Hail Mary*. In the first half of this prayer we have two direct quotations from Scripture, words that were addressed to Mary by God's Angel, Gabriel, and also by her cousin, Elizabeth. The second half was composed by the Church. If we combine this prayer with the one that Jesus taught us, the *Our Father*, and add to these the *Glory Be* and the *Apostles Creed*, and think about the events in the life of Jesus and Mary while reciting them, we have the beautiful devotion that the Church encourages us to pray, the *Rosary*. *If you are not already in the habit of praying the Rosary daily, try to get into that habit during this month of May, and continue it throughout the year.*

At Holy Trinity a half-hour before the Masses on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday, all are invited in the recitation of the Rosary and seeking the intercession of Blessed Mary in all our needs. At St. Agnes, the recitation of the Rosary is before the weekend Masses of 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Your participation as a community or individually in praying the Holy Rosary brings greater honor to our Blessed Lady.

### ASSOC. OF LADIES OF CHARITY

"To Serve Rather than to be Served." The women of District 6 which includes St. Agnes, Holy Trinity, Holy Angels, St. Joseph, Christ the Light of the World, St. Max, Resurrection and St. Rita's are invited to an "Evening of Fellowship" at St. Therese Parish in Munhall on Thursday, May 26 at 7pm. Check the bulletin insert for more information.

**ST. AGNES 150TH ANNIVERSARY  
MTG., 7PM, TUESDAY, APRIL 26.  
WE NEED YOUR HELP! IF YOU CAN  
HELP IN THE PLANNING PLEASE CALL  
JOYCE COLLIER AT 412-464-0991.**

### ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE

There was a so-so movie 10 years ago called "Failure to Launch." The gimmick of the plot was parents trying to get their adult son to move out of the house and on his own. That's a step we need to take on our own pilgrimage. We need to move from being a disciple of Christ to being a "launched disciple" — a disciple willing to take the faith with us everywhere and to actively evangelize in making new friends for Jesus today. What steps do we need to take to become a "launched" disciple?

To read more, check out "On Mission for The Church Alive!" on page 5 of this week's Pittsburgh Catholic and visit [www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org](http://www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org).

### HOLY TRINITY

#### AVENUE OF FLAGS

This year will be the 16th year for the flags. They are displayed honoring our beloved veterans. The flags will be raised on May 17th or 18th, weather permitting. We are in need of volunteers.

If your name appeared on the list of those needing a replacement flag, enclosed in last week's bulletin, the price is \$30. The money and completed form MUST BE RETURNED BY MAY 1ST.

Any questions, please call Betty Clark at 412-466-9457.

### FROM FR. GRSKO...

I continue to bear my illness and am ever grateful for the many who are keeping me in their prayers, sending cards and visiting.

Since I have time on my hands, I do express heartfelt prayers for all of you. Your continued and faithful prayers will surely keep me alive and happy. Please continue to pray for me as I do for you dear parishioners.

### K of C "Knight at the Races" Saturday, April 30 Holy Trinity Social Hall

Doors open at 6:30pm. Watch the races on a huge 12 foot screen. Buy a horse for \$10 and name it. Prizes, buffet, beer, dessert, soda and set-ups for BYOB. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. Contact David Palcsey at 412-672-6222 or Tim Richards at 412-414-4919. Checks payable to Knight of Columbus #4210 & mail to: K of C, P.O. Box 105, West Mifflin, PA 15122

The Holy Eucharist  
Is the mystery of our faith.  
One person coming before Jesus  
In the Blessed Sacrament  
Represents all of humankind.

Every man, woman, and child  
On the face of the earth  
Receives some new wonderful effect  
Of God's goodness, of God's love,  
When you put your faith into action  
And come to visit Jesus  
In the Blessed Sacrament.

When you come before Jesus  
In the Blessed Sacrament  
He appreciates this so deeply  
That you release the power  
Of His love and graces  
To all His children throughout the world.

Spend an hour with Him  
And change the world.

St. Pope John Paul II

## **ST. AGNES WHITE ELEPHANT SALE**

Time to start saving for the White Elephant Sale to be held in the Social Hall on Friday and Saturday, June 10th and 11th. You can bring your "golden treasures." beginning at 9:00 a.m. on June 2nd through the 7th, *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. *Please no large items, televisions, computers/printers and large exercise equipment.*"

Time to get to work on Spring cleaning while helping St. Agnes School. Your "golden treasures" are needed and welcomed.

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY & YOU NEED A PRIEST,  
FR. DAN CAN BE REACHED AT 412-461-1054**

**Please Pray for Our Beloved Sick**

**Holy Trinity**

Catherine Bialobok, Monica Branik, Patricia Brevko,  
Margaret Breznai, Veronica Bujdos, Ann Capristo,  
Anna Cmar, Esther Gonos, Helen Gambal, Fr. Joseph  
Grosko, Betty Hock, Mary Lisa Holzwarth,  
Zander Holzwarth, Flo Husfelt,  
Betty Jozefov, Joseph Kirch, Agnes Kovac,  
Louis Kruszewski, Cecelia Minella, Helen Ondick,  
Fran Onofrey, Mary Sabo, Agnes Seech,  
Margaret Serdy, Harold Sievern,  
Joseph Skalican, Dom Toretto, John Wagner

**St. Agnes**

Margaret Becze, Libby Butko, Francis J. Capaleo,  
Nancy Colella, Nettie Conley, Patricia DeLuca,  
Irene Fontanese, Jack Funa, Steve Grochalski,  
Mary Kosko, Dorothy Kostovny, Lois Mohrbach,  
Marguerite Oeler, Laura Pasternak, Bob Pavuchak,  
Loretta Sabol, Jim Schragl, Cindy Silvio,  
Diana Soltis, Michael Sorokacs,  
Paul Thomas, Denise Ventura

*Please keep our beloved sick in your daily prayers. Call the  
Parish Office with any changes or  
additions.*

**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**

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

**ST. AGNES**

April 17

\$ 3,220.....Offerings\*

\$ 296.....Parish Share

PSP Assessment-2016.....\$ 18,889

Amount Collected PSP.....\$ 6,679

Monthly School Subsidy.....\$ 6,167

**HOLY TRINITY**

April 17

\$ 1,909.....Offerings\*

\$ 100.....Parish Share

PSP Assessment-2016.....\$ 22,232

Amount Collected PSP.....\$ 5,336

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