

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

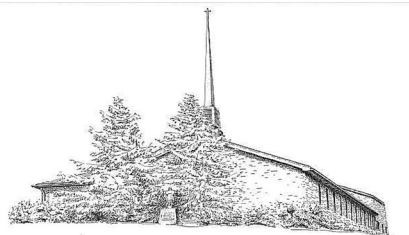
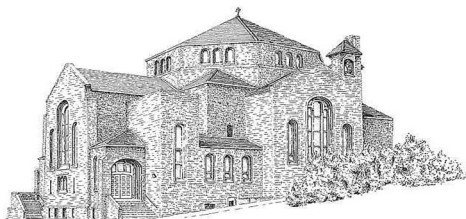
1024 Maple Way
Braddock PA 15104-1612

January 14, 2018

Parish Office: 412-271-1515
Fax: 412-271-1222

Website: www.goodshepherdbraddock.org

Serving the Communities of Braddock, Braddock Hills, East Pittsburgh,
North Braddock and Rankin.



Good Shepherd Church

Braddock Avenue at Frazier Street
Braddock PA 15104-1612

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

Sacred Heart Church

1600 Brinton Road
Braddock Hills PA 15221-4902

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM
Sunday Mass: 9:00 AM

Weekday Mass: Monday—Thursday—9:00 AM
Sunday: 11:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday at 3:00 PM at Good Shepherd Church or by appointment

Parish Staff

Reverend Albert J. Semler, Pastor
Deacon Joseph M. Dougherty
Mrs. Michele Catone, Parish Secretary (*micky52@comcast.net*)
Ms. Carol Funk, Parish Office Manager
Mr. Frank Koncerak, Director of Maintenance
Sr. Judith Stojhovic

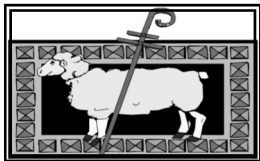
Parish Telephone Numbers

Parish Office:412-271-1515
Phone: 412-351-3710
Fax.....412-271-1222
e-mail.....gshepoffice@comcast.net
East Catholic..... 412-351-5403
School Fax:.....412-273-9114

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

- **Sacrament of Baptism:** Please call the Parish Office at 412-271-1515. Previous arrangements are necessary.
- **Instruction in the Faith:** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) program is offered for those interested in the Catholic Faith. Contact the Parish Office at 412-271-1515.
- **Sacrament of Marriage:** The prospective bride & groom are to make arrangements with the priest at least six months prior to the Wedding. All couples are required to attend a marriage preparation class.
- **Parish Prayer Line:** Intentions may be placed on the Prayer Line by contacting Joanne at 412-271-8690 or email tjsjrfhi3@verizon.net

We are an “On Mission for the Church Alive” Faith Community.



January 14, 2018
From the Pastor's Desk

**SECOND SUNDAY IN
 ORDINARY TIME**

BULLETIN DEADLINES:

I'm not a fan of early bulletin deadlines but they are a part of "holidays." It is now only December 27 and I've had a chance to open my Christmas cards, eat all those cookies and nut rolls (only kidding-I'd be sick if I ate them all-but my freezer is overflowing) and relax a bit. But I want to thank you again for your cards, prayers and gifts. They remind me that Good Shepherd is someplace special. Thanks!

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

Wow! We return to green vestments already this Sunday. But not for long. Ash Wednesday is coming up quickly. Ash Wednesday will be on February 14, Valentine's Day. So plan to celebrate with that special person a little early as they may not be a fan of a meager meal of fish and chips. Masses here that day will be at 7:00 AM & 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart. Check our surrounding churches for a time that may be more convenient for you. I'll try to obtain their schedule and put them in the February 4th and February 11th bulletin. Hopefully you will try to attend at least one daily mass each week during Lent.

SECOND COLLECTION:

Next week we will have a second collection for the children of St. Anthony School Programs and DePaul School for Hearing and Speech.

St. Anthony School Programs offer an inclusive education to children with intellectual disabilities and Autism. DePaul School for Hearing and Speech teaches children who are deaf or hard of hearing to listen, speak, and learn. Both programs empower students to become active members of their respective communities. This collection provides vital funds to continue our missions and ministry.

With our support, I am confident that God will continue to work through these programs to help our students succeed and allow us to continue to reach out to families within the Diocese who are in need of these services. Thank you for giving as you are able.

GALA:

See the way you can support our school, East Catholic, on the next column. But if you cannot do one of them, hopefully you will consider a donation of \$10, \$15, \$20 or so. It is very important that we keep catholic schools alive and well in all of our areas. You can send your donation to me and I'll put it on your donation card and give the school "our donations." Thanks for your consideration.

THE GALA:

The Gala is the major fund raising event for our school, East Catholic. Here are the details:

- It will be held at the Doubletree by the Hilton in Monroeville.
- Complementary cheese & crackers hors d'oeuvres
- Sit down dinner at a reserved table
- Music and Dancing
- Live and silent auctions
- Cash giveaways
- Price per ticket is \$75.00

You can help by taking an ad, providing a "basket" valued at \$50.00 or more, buying a ticket—get a group together or get a table of 10. Carol or I can help.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

JANUARY 20-21:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, M. Leicht, T. Schleifer, D. Trasoline, M. Colao, T. McAdams, P. Koncerak

Lector: Angelina Hornick

Server: Andy Connelly

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Christine Suppes, J. Corbett, T & D Whyel, L. Petri, J. Strednak, B. McDonell

Lector: Mark Petri

Server: Selah Corbett

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: N. Moucheron, K. Carroll, J. Barbusio, S. Szatkowski, J. Kondas, E. Foster

Lector: Carolyn Bakin

Server: Olivia Joscak

JANUARY 27-28:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: A. Kostyak, P. Humberson, D. Hrabley, J. Hojnacki, J. Carleton, T. Schleifer

Lector: Mary Ann McClain

Server: Stephen & Daniel Yezovich

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Leicht, M. Giulianelli, R. Russo, C. DiNinno, M & L. Petri, B. McDonell

Lector: J. McLaughlin

Server: Christopher & Drew Yezovich

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: C. Mirenzi, H. Sullivan, M. Garritano, C. Suppes, C. Bakin, P. Fazio

Lector: Rick Stamerra

Server: Morgan Skladany

Please call a sub if you cannot be there or call Father Al at 412-812-5275 for last minute changes.



*Peace and
 Love,
 Fr. Semler*

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Next weekend, the second collection will be taken for **St. Anthony School Programs and DePaul School for Hearing and Speech.** Your support will be gratefully appreciated.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In the Gospel today, Jesus asks “What are you looking for?” Often we are looking for happiness in very selfish ways, but we find that when we look for ways to make others happy, it is then that we truly become happy.

As you give a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of God’s love to those who are suffering and you give them reason to believe and to trust.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Phone: 412-437-8370

Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure

Sunday, December 24th:	\$5,289.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 256
Loose Offertory:	\$375.00
Votive:	\$243.00

Monday, December 25th:	\$8,163.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 285
Loose Christmas Offertory:	\$675.00
Christmas Charities: \$1,433.00	env used: 129
Loose Christmas Charities:	\$336.00

Sunday, December 31st:	\$3,743.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 164
Loose Offertory:	\$232.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$840.00
Votive:	\$124.00

Sunday, January 7th:	\$4,602.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 219
Loose Offertory:	\$245.00
Monthly Offering: \$1,207.00	env used: 59
Loose Monthly Offering:	\$127.00
Votive:	\$156.00

Thank you for your generosity

CHAINS OF GRACE

The chains of grace are so powerful, and yet so sweet, that though they attract our heart, they do not shackle our freedoms. —St. Francis de Sales

ADDITIONAL

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

Jennie Caroccia Elizabeth Clark Mary Ann McClain Ed & Jeannie Trax

PIROGI FUNDRAISER

The Bell Choir will be holding a pirogi fundraiser. Pirogis are sold by the dozen for \$8 and are homemade. Several varieties are available. Members of the bell choir will be in the back of church the weekends of January 20-21 and January 27-28 to take orders. Orders can also be placed over the phone by calling Rob at 412-901-1588. All orders must be placed by February 1 and will be ready for pick up after masses the weekend of February 10-11 in time for Lent!

BINGO

Good Shepherd Social Club will sponsor a Bingo **Sunday, February 11th**, starting at 1:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall. Admission is \$20.00 paid at the door (no ticket pre sale). There will be 16 regular games and 4 specials. Refreshments will be available for purchase.



Come and enjoy an afternoon of fun and bring all of your friends.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Pre Cana will be held Sunday, March 11.

There will be **NO Prayer Group meetings in January or February.** We will notify you when the prayer group will meet again.

Ladies of Charity will not meet in January or February.

FREE STORY TIME SESSION

East Catholic School Library

Wednesday, January 17, 2018 is the next “Perfect for Preschoolers Story-time” at East Catholic School, 2001 Ardmore Blvd., Forest Hills, PA 15221. This is a free story, rhyme, song and craft program designed to entertain and engage young children. The program is designed to provide a positive introduction to books and the habit of reading for children 2 ½ to 5 years old. Each program features appealing books, favorite stories, and lively activities.

The theme of this Story-time is a “Snowman’s Day.”

There will be one session from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

We invite all children, along with their parent or guardian, to come and visit Story time at East Catholic Library. Registration is required by calling the East Catholic School Office (412-351-5403) during school hours (8:30 am until 2:00 pm). **Final date for registration is Tuesday, January 16, 2018.**

Join us for a “ Snowman’s Day” fun! East Catholic follows Woodland Hills School District Weather cancellation.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in the worldwide Church on Thursday, February 1, 2018 and in parishes on the weekend of February 3-4, 2018. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

THE ANNUAL WHITE MASS honoring all Health Care Professionals will be celebrated by Bishop David Zubik on Sunday, February 11, 2018 at 12:00 Noon at Saint Paul Cathedral, Oakland. A reception afterwards will celebrate all those who work in health care. All are invited to attend. For more information visit www.cathmedpittsburgh.org.

ST JOSEPH HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Saint Joseph High School is accepting admissions applications for incoming freshmen for the 2018-2019 school year. Shadow days for 8th grade students considering SJHS are available on Tuesdays, and private tours can be scheduled for any time. Contact Admissions Director Mrs. Shane Palumbo '92: admissions@saintjosephhs.com or 724-226-4932.

SUMMER PROGRAM FOR CATHOLIC YOUTH

-- Saint Vincent College, Latrobe, will host the 8th annual Faith and Reason summer program from Sunday, June 10 to Friday, June 15, 2018. Students age 15 and older are invited to apply for admission to the program which introduces young minds to the rich intellectual tradition of the Roman Catholic faith and is designed to prepare students for college-level education. Housing in a college residence hall and three daily meals in the college dining hall are included in the cost (\$495). Limited scholarship funding is available. Further information is available by contacting Dr. Michael Krom at 724-805-2844 or michael.krom@stvincent.edu. Students may register online at www.stvincent.edu/faithandreason.

SAM PRESENTATION– January 17, 2018 at 7PM

Our Lady of Joy, Plum Boro

Please join the **Substance Addiction Ministry for a presentation by Brother Mark Lowery, FSC and Dan L. as they share their respective journeys of addiction to recovery. They are both active in Pittsburgh Central Catholic High School's Drug Awareness Program and have worked with young adults desiring recovery from addiction. For more information or questions please contact Noreen at 412-296-1709.**

Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

MASSSES for the WEEK

Good Shepherd Parish
January 14-21, 2018

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Jn 1:35-42)

GS: 4:00 PM Mike Lovas by Cel Lovis

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM William Sullivan

by M/M Andrew Skladany

Monday-Weekday (Mk 2:18-22)

SH: 7:00 AM Genevieve Bulik

by Joseph & Connie Germanoski

Tuesday-Weekday (Mk 21:23-28)

SH: 7:00 AM Guiseppe & Antonia DeCaria

by Son, Antonio and Family

Wednesday – St. Anthony, Abbot (Mk 3:1-6)

SH: 7:00 AM Deceased Members of McDonough &
Roney Families by Family

Thursday-Weekday (Mk 3:7-12)

SH: 7:00 AM Sophie Serbak by Family & Friends

Friday-Weekday (Mk 3:13-19)

SH: 7:00 AM Antoinette 'Babe' Trybus

by Bob & Cel Balogh

Saturday-Weekday (Mk 3:20-21)

No Morning Mass

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mk 1:14-20)

GS: 4:00 PM Deceased Members of Mitnik &

Korotko Families by Joe & Pauline Korotko

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM James Renda by Wife

REST IN PEACE

*In your charity, we remember all those
who have died, especially:*

Michael Yazvac.

May the angels lead you into paradise.

Birthday

Birthday wishes go out to

Harry Lucas

who celebrated his 95th
birthday on January 9th.

God bless you Harry!



Wishes

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**We have found
the Messiah**



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