

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

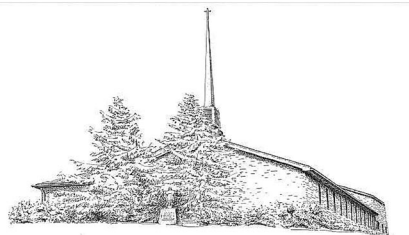
1024 Maple Way
Braddock PA 15104-1612

January 21, 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—Friday— 7:00 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

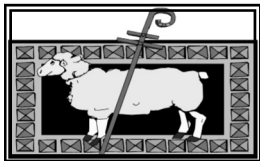
Parish Telephone Numbers

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 21, 2018
From the Pastor's Desk

**THIRD SUNDAY IN
 ORDINARY TIME**

ORDINARY TIME:

On this Third Sunday of Ordinary Time we look at Mark 1:14-20. He quickly tells us that Jesus has succeeded John the Baptist who has been arrested. Jesus quickly repeats John's directive to repent and believe in the Gospel. And then, quickly, he tells us about the fact that Jesus is choosing His apostles. That's the way Mark is, he is usually short and to the point. Maybe we should re-baptize our Deacon Joe and call him Mark. Now I hope you know that we CANNOT re-baptize and that is written with "tongue in cheek."

REGIONALIZATION OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

We met with Diocesan and parish representatives from all parishes now a part of our consortium, East Catholic School last Tuesday evening. I'll let you know in next week's bulletin just where we are with these discussions. But I wanted you to be aware now that the planning stages are moving forward.

LENT 2018:

Ash Wednesday is in 3 1/2 weeks, February 14. Please take some time between now and then to plan your Lent. I will again have "mite boxes" available to support "my" orphanage in Patzun, Guatamala. I will have mass at 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM with ashes.

The Lights Are On For You Confessions will be on Wednesday, March 21st. I'll be at Sacred Heart from 3:00-4:00 PM and from 6:00-9:00 PM. I break away for the 7:00 PM Mass at about 6:45 PM. Our usual Saturday Confessions are from 3:00-3:30 every Saturday at Good Shepherd Church and you can always call for an appointment.

BLESSING OF THROATS

Saturday, February 3 is the Feast of St. Blaise and the day we bless throats. It is also the first weekend of the month when I anoint, so after all weekend Masses I will bless throats for everyone at once and then I'll do the individual anointings.

Deacon Joe will be available to bless the throats of any individual who wants him to. He will put the candles on your throat and silently make the sign of the cross over you.

FINANCIAL RECORDS

The financial records of your donations to Good Shepherd Church during 2017 are being prepared and you should receive yours in a week or so.

GALA 2018

DON'T MISS THE FUN AND EXCITEMENT:

TICKETS-\$75. Saturday, March 3, 2018 – Doors Open 5:30 PM - Doubletree Hotel. Sit Down Dinner with Family and Friends. Entertainment – DJ. Ten \$100 Door Prizes - One \$1000 Grand Door Prize. Live, Silent and Chinese Auctions. Treasure Chest Raffle, Cake Raffle, 50/50 Raffle, Reverse Raffle. Special Appearance By Artist Cody Sabol, Painting Live. Watch for Details in Future Bulletins. For Information: Contact Terry Ward (412-841-2717) or Teresa Thompson (412-952-7903).

Benefit of East Catholic School:
www.eastcatholicschool.org/gala.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

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. Mirezni, H. Sullivan, M. Garritano, C. Suppes, C. Bakin, P. Fazio

Lector: Rick Stamerra

Server: Morgan Skladany

FEBRUARY 3-4:

4:00 PM

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

Lector: Eric Helminiak

Server: Andy Connelly

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, C. Suppes, C. DiNinno, J. McLaughlin, M & L Petri, J. Strednak

Lector: Gina Piccolino

Server: Josh DiNinno

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, J. Barbusio, S. Szatkowski, J. Kondas, E. Foster, N. Moucheron

Lector: Dorothy Danko

Server: Brian Kelly

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 THIS 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 this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus says: "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." As disciples, we are called to continue God's work on earth. Taking care of God's poor is indeed living gospel values.

Have you considered answering the call to serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

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

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. Children can attend, however must be 18 years of age to play. For more info, call Peggy at 412-824-2588.



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

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 this weekend and on the weekend of 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!

BOY SCOUT SHOE DRIVE ENDED

The Scout Shoe Drive ended two weeks ago. Now that the drive has ended, you may donate shoes to the St. Vincent de Paul Society and deposit them in the bin located in the back of Sacred Heart parking lot.

Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure

Sunday, January 14th:	\$3,624.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 160
Loose Offertory:	\$173.00
School Offering: \$315.00	env used: 30
Loose School Offering:	\$ 57.00
Votive:	\$151.00

Thank you for your generosity

EAST CATHOLIC TO CELEBRATE

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Sponsored by National Catholic Education Association (NCEA), Catholic Schools Week is an annual celebration of Catholic Education in the United States. The school will focus on the value that Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to the Church, local communities and the nation. The theme for this year is **'Catholic Schools: Learn, Serve, Lead, Succeed.'**

2018 Catholic Schools Week Schedule

January 20, 21, 2018 – Students will speak at the Consortium Parishes of Good Shepherd, Madonna del Castillo, St. Colman, St. John Fisher, St. Maurice and Word of God. They will talk about the importance of Catholic Schools, thank the Parishioners for their support, and invite them to attend the Open House at East Catholic on January 28th.

Sunday, January 28, 2018 – Noon Mass at St. Maurice Parish followed by an Open House in the school until 3:00.

Monday, January 29, 2018 – East Catholic Spirit Day – students will wear school sport shirts or red and white clothing.

Tuesday, January 30, 2018 – Tourist Tuesday- Student will dress as tourists visiting their favorite vacation destination (real or imaginary). Guest speakers will visit each class to talk about vocations. (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

Wednesday, January 31, 2018 – Wacky Wednesday – Students will wear a Wacky Outfit. They will work together on a homeroom activity to design a flag that expresses their uniqueness and unity with other students of East Catholic. This will be an extension of East Catholic's "Wipe Out Bullying" Program. (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

Thursday, February 1, 2018 – Olympic Spirit- Red, White, and Blue Day – Students will wear red, white, and blue to support the USA in the Winter Olympic. One aspect of the Olympics will be featured in each room.

Friday, February 2, 2018 – Comfy P.J. Friday-Groundhog Day- The students will wear their favorite pajamas and slippers. Students will bring a favorite book to read. The PTG will provide an ice cream treat for the students. Bus Driver Appreciation will allow Bus drivers to receive a treat bag from the PTG and cards from the students.

Service Project They will collect peanut butter and jelly to be used by the Sisters of Mercy Sandwich Project to feed the homeless in conjunction with Operation Safety Net.

GIFT

What I am is God's gift to me. What I become is my gift back to God. —Anonymous

AUTHENTIC HAPPINESS: A High School Silent Retreat Father Mike Ackerman will lead this retreat for high school men, **February 3-4** at Martina Spiritual Renewal Center. It will include Mass, adoration, dynamic talks, and solid brotherhood. No cost. To register, visit **PGHPriest.com** by **January 22**.

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.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE AND HEALING

Join Bishop David Zubik as he celebrates Mass to remember and pray for those who have died from drug addiction and to seek healing for those who have survived the death of a loved one due to drug addiction. The mass will be celebrated on **Sunday, February 11, 2018 at 2:30 PM** at Saint Paul Cathedral, 108 N. Dithridge Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15213.

Prayer for On Mission for The Church Alive!

Father of Mercy,
As we journey **On Mission for The Church Alive!**,
Endow us with your gifts of
collaboration, courage and compassion.
Help us to fulfill the mission of Jesus and His
Church through vibrant parishes and effective ministries. Raise up selfless, energetic leaders
to serve the Church in fidelity and with care.
May we, the Church of Pittsburgh in Allegheny,
Beaver, Butler, Greene, Lawrence and Washington
Counties, be sustained and strengthened by your
grace. Help us to learn Jesus, to love Jesus and to
live Jesus. Hear this prayer and grant it through
Jesus Christ our Lord, with the help of our dear
Blessed Mother, under the mantle of her love,
Amen

Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

MASSSES for the WEEK

Good Shepherd Parish
January 21-28, 2018

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

Monday-Day of Prayer for Protection of Unborn Children (Mass for Peace & Justice)

SH: 7:00 AM Edward Jendeski by Family & Friends

Tuesday-Weekday (Mk 3:31-35)

SH: 7:00 AM John Brown by Theodore Schleifer

Wednesday – St. Francis de Sales (Mk 4:1-20)

SH: 7:00 AM Beth Bitkowski
by Reed & Patricia Vandersen

Thursday-Conversion of St. Paul (Mk 16:15-18)

SH: 7:00 AM Raymond Yuhos by Mary Carney

Friday-St. Timothy & St. Titus (Mk 4:26-34)

SH: 7:00 AM Darbi Meklos by Mother

Saturday-Weekday (Mk 4:35-41)

No Morning Mass

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mk 1:21-28)

GS: 4:00 PM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

GS: 9:00 AM Helen Greca by Terry & Pat Germanoski

SH: 11:00 AM Dave Millerschoen
by Sue & John Millerschoen

REST IN PEACE

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

*Sister Francine Ashoff, O.P., Margaret Sklenar,
Ann Butela, and Gregory Martincevic.
May the angels lead you into paradise.*

Birthday



Wishes

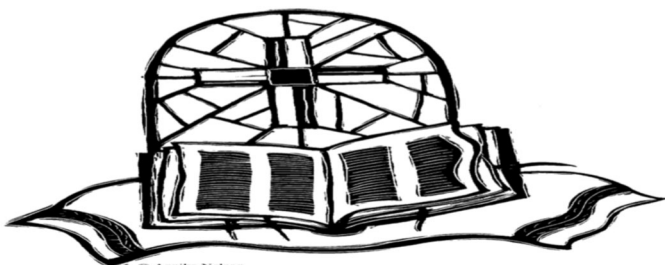
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Birthday wishes go out to
Nancy Stio, who is celebrating her
92nd birthday today.

Birthday wishes also go out to

Sophie Szatkowski
who will celebrate her 80th
birthday on January 28th.

God bless you Nancy and Sophie!



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