

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

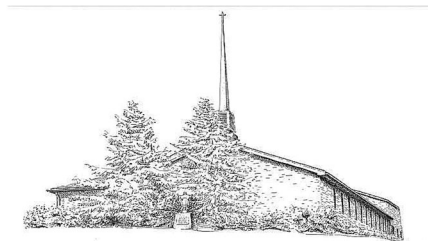
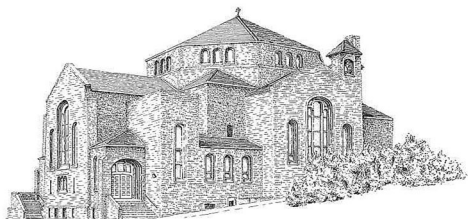
1024 Maple Way
Braddock PA 15104-1612

January 29, 2017

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

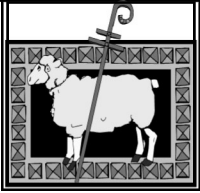
Parish Telephone Numbers

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 29, 2017
From the Pastor's Desk
FOURTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE:

Each parish is to have a parish meeting for all to come and voice their thoughts on "On Mission for the Church Alive." We will meet this coming Wednesday at 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall. If you cannot make it but have input you would like to share with our committee, please "write it up" and send to the office by Wednesday, February 8th.

The sessions I'm having this weekend after each mass is just for questions.

On Wednesday, February 1st we can voice our thoughts and enter into discussion. And of course you can keep yourself well-informed via the Pittsburgh Catholic every week. We are in the final year of collecting materials and information. A key word in this process is "CONSULTATION." So consult now and prepare for the future. I'm excited about it and hope you are too. See you Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall.

ASH WEDNESDAY:

Ash Wednesday this year will be on March 1st. We will have mass at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Church. We will do the same on each Wednesday of Lent. Stations of the Cross will be on Friday evening at 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart. I give you this information now so that you may begin to make your preparation for a good spiritual renewal in your life this Lent. On Wednesday, March 15th we will also have Confessions from 6:00 to 6:30 PM and after Mass until 9:00 PM. Our regular Confessions are on Saturday afternoons at Good Shepherd Church from 3:00 to 3:30 PM. And you can always call me for an appointment if these times are not convenient for you.

EAST CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS:

We will be celebrating our School of **East Catholic** this week. You are invited to be a part of it. The entire schedule is on the next page of this bulletin.

Our **Athletic Association** will sponsor a "Night at the Races" for Adults (21+) in the school Cafeteria on **Friday, February 3rd**. Tickets are \$20 per person for admission that night and the ticket includes: Dinner Buffet, Soft drinks and Beer —BYOB. Doors open at 6:00 PM, Dinner begins at 6:15 PM, Races begin at 7:00 PM. Other games featured will be: Super Bowl Pool, TV raffle, 50/50 Raffle, Lottery Tree Raffle, and Pick a card Raffle.

You may purchase a horse for \$10; or 3 horses for \$25. The **deadline** for purchase is **Wednesday, February 1st**. Please call John at 412-352-7476 or Ken at 412-292-1707.

BLESSING OF THROATS:

Friday, February 3rd is the feast of Saint Blaise on which day we usually bless throats. But we have no mass here on Fridays. And since Sunday is the first Sunday of the month and I anoint, I will take a moment after mass to bless throats for all at once and then anoint. Too bad I'm not twins.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE will be celebrated in the Church on Thursday, February 2nd and in parishes on the weekend of February 4-5. 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.

MINISTER SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 4-5:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, A.M. Dougherty, T. Schleifer, P. Humberson, D. Hrabley, J. Kaczmariski, F. Szekely

Lector: Eric Helminiak

Servers: Stephen & Daniel Yezovich

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, C. DiNinno, P. Koncerak, L & M Petri, B. McDonell, R. Russo

Lector: Jeff McLaughlin

Server: Christopher & Drew Yezovich

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, J. Kondas, H. Sullivan, J. Barbusio, C. Bakin, K. Bitkowski

Lector: Chester Chorazy

Server: Olivia Joscak

FEBRUARY 11-12:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: A. Kostyak, J. Carleton, J. Hojnacki, M. Colao, J & M Besseck, K. Carroll

Lector: Mary Ann McClain

Server: Andrew Connelly

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Garritano, D & T Whyel, J. Strednak, J. McLaughlin, C. DiNinno, P. Koncerak

Lector: Nick Russo

Server: Josh DiNinno

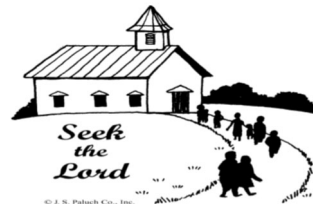
11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Stamerra, C. Suppes, P. Fazio, S. Szatkowski, E. Foster, J. Kondas

Lector: Carolyn Bakin

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,
 Father Semler*

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTION for our **St. Vincent de Paul Society** will be taken in the second collection at all masses this weekend. Thank you for your generosity for those in need in our area.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In the Gospel today Jesus gives us the Beatitudes, which embody a radically alternative vision of life and we find that God indeed calls us to blessedness.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to proclaim the good news of the kingdom to the poor, by assisting families, providing food, and assistance with utility and rent bills.

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

BINGO

We will have a Bingo Sunday, **February 19th** 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. ***Come and enjoy an afternoon of fun and bring all of your friends.***

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2	17	31	48	63
6	20	38	51	68
7	22	FREE	54	69
12	23	39	57	72
15	27	44	60	75

MONTHLY COMMEMORATIVE CELEBRATION

The MCC for February will take place Wednesday, February 22nd at 9:00 AM at Sacred Heart. Please send in your intentions by Monday, February 20th.

2016 ANNUAL PARISH REPORT

Here are some facts from our 2016 Financial Report:

- Total Parish Registration: 1217**
- Total Number of Households: 701**
- Total Number of 1 Person Households: 404**
- Total Number 2 or more Persons Households: 297**
- October Count for 2016: 32%**
- Pastoral Council President: John Besseck**
- Finance Council President: Robert Burkovich**
- Employees: 2 Full time, 3 Part Time**
- Baptisms 15: 12 Infants, 1 Child, 2 Adults**
- First Communion: 1 Adult**
- Confirmation: 5 Children, 1 Adult**
- Marriages: 6**
- Deaths: 81**



Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure

Sunday, January 22nd: \$ 5,115.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652 env used: 269
Loose Offertory: \$226.00
Votive: \$135.00

Thank you for your generosity!

EAST CATHOLIC TO CELEBRATE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Each year the Catholic Schools in the United States celebrate their schools and students. Typically, Catholic Schools Week includes Masses, open houses and activities for students, families, parishioners and the community at large. This year, Catholic Schools Week will be held from January 29th until February 3rd, 2017.

The theme is **Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service**. The theme encompasses several concepts that are at the heart of a Catholic education. Faith, knowledge, and service are three measures by which any Catholic school can and should be judged. The logo features a swirl of colors interacting around a cross, which is at the center of all Catholic education. The vibrancy of the colors and the movement and shadows in the logo portray the inner-connectivity and community life that are present in our Catholic School.

2017 Catholic Schools Week Schedule

- January 29, 2017** – Noon Mass at St. Maurice Parish followed by an Open House in the school until 3:30.
- January 30, 2017** – East Catholic Spirit Day – students will wear school sport shirts and red and white.
- January 31, 2017** – Students will dress to Unimpress (Wacky/Tacky Day)
- February 1, 2017** – Vocation Day – Various speakers will be invited to speak to the students about the priesthood and religious life.

EAST CATHOLIC WALKING TOURS

Is your child ready to start Preschool or Kindergarten? Please join us at East Catholic School for a tour and see firsthand what we have to offer from pre-K through 8th grade.

Registration is required for the walking tours. Call the school office at 412/351-5403 to register for a tour today!

- Tours are at 9:30am (*unless otherwise indicated).
- February: Thursday, February 2, 2017 and Thursday, February 16, 2017
- March: Wednesday, March 8, 2017 and *Sunday, March 19, 2017 at 2 PM.

EAST CATHOLIC FINE ARTS CLUB TO PRESENT “WILLY WONKA AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY”

East Catholic’s “Fine Arts Club” will perform Roald Dahl’s timeless story of the world-famous candy man and his quest to find an heir. This a golden ticket adventure will be on February 12th at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm in the School Cafeteria (Keane Hall). The delicious adventures experienced by Charlie Bucket on his visit to Willy Wonka’s mysterious chocolate factory light up the stage in this captivation adaptation of Roald Dahl’s fantastical tale. Featuring enchanted songs, Roald Dahl’s Willy Wonka KIDS is a scrumdiddlyumptious musical guaranteed to delight everyone’s sweet tooth. For more information call the School Office Monday-Friday 8:30-2:00 pm 412-351-5403.

THE ANNUAL WHITE MASS – Join Bishop David Zubik in honoring all Health Care Professionals at the annual White Mass, 12:00 Noon on Sunday, February 19, 2017 at Saint Paul Cathedral. A reception will be held afterward featuring local Catholic author Mike Aquilina speaking about the healing imperative: the rise of Christianity and the invention of medicine. All are welcome to attend.

More information at www.cathmedpittsburgh.org.

ST. JUDE SUPER BINGO

You are invited to a Super Bingo on February 12th in McGarey Hall, 401 Westinghouse Avenue, Wilmerding. Doors open at 12:30 PM with early birds at 1:15 PM and regular bingo at 1:30 PM. Donation of \$25 includes 18 cards with 3 specials in the pack. Handicap accessible. Great food available. Mark your calendar for this special event.

Catholic Hospice Seeking Per Diem RN/Fulltime LPN and Fulltime CNAs

Looking for a job that you actually want to go to every morning? Want to make the difference in the life of a community neighbor? Wouldn't it be incredible to have a career where you find true purpose? Catholic Hospice is **actively seeking RNs/LPNs & CNAs to join our team!!**

Eligible candidates will have:

- *One year demonstrated relevant experience
- *Current PA license as required for position applied
- *Reliable transportation for local travel in the community

Catholic Hospice & Palliative Services, serving those of all faiths, is the area's only hospice program which fully embraces and upholds hospice's founding Christian principles, as well as the Church's position on care of the dying as stated in the Vatican's Declaration on Euthanasia for **all** faiths to follow. Please submit resumes via email to bstroud@catholichospicepgh.org or via fax to 724.933.6225.

MAGNIFICAT PITTSBURGH

Magnificat Pittsburgh will hold a Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, February 11, 2017 from 9:00 AM to Noon at the Double Tree by Hilton, Cranberry Twp. Hear speaker Susan Brinkmann tell her conversion story from hard core feminist to committed Catholic. Susan is Staff Journalist for and a frequent guest on EWTN's **Women of Grace**. She is a book author and winner of many national journalism awards and is a third-order Carmelite. Cost of the Breakfast is \$23.00. To register, call Kay at 724-772-6749 or Pam at 412-461-8906. Registration deadline is February 3rd.

Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

MASSSES for the WEEK

Good Shepherd Parish
January 29-February 5, 2017

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mt 5:1-12a)

GS: 4:00 PM Anthony DiVito, Jr. by Rita Burke

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM Bernice Bitkowski

by Drs. Chester & Anna Chorazy

Monday-Weekday (Mt 5:1-20)

SH: 9:00 AM Carl Hartman by Fred & Regina Matta

Tuesday-St. John Bosco (Mk 3:21-43)

SH: 9:00 AM Adams Mains by Loretta Yanowich

Wednesday-Weekday (Mk 6:1-6)

SH: 9:00 AM Rita Taylor by George Coleman

Thursday-The Presentation of the Lord (Lk 2:22-40)

SH: 9:00 AM Patrick McCaffrey by Jim Murray

Friday-Weekday (Mk 6:14-29)

No Morning Mass

Saturday-Weekday (Mk 6:30-34)

No Morning Mass

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mt 5:13-16)

GS: 4:00 PM Jan, John & Lillian Reznik

by Rosemarie Reznik

GS: 9:00 AM Guiseppe & Antonia DeCaria

by Son, Antonio & Family

SH: 11:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Turtle Creek Center's Meals on Wheels Program. They are in need of volunteers to deliver meals to home-bound seniors who are not able to cook or shop for themselves. Please consider helping these seniors!

Call Jan: 412-824-6880
Eastern Area Adult Services

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*

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