

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

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Braddock PA 15104-1612

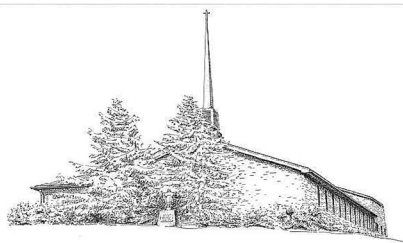
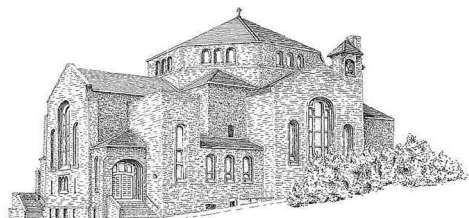
January 31, 2016

Parish Office: 412-271

Fax: 412-271-1222

Website: www.goodshepherdbraddock.org

Serving the Communities of Braddock, Braddock Hills, East Pittsburgh,



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

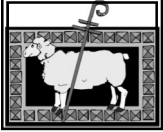
Reverend Albert J. Semler, Pastor
Deacon Joseph M. Dougherty
Mrs. Michele Catone, Parish Secretary (micky52@comcast.net)
Ms. Carol Funk, Parish Office Manager
Mr. Frank Koncerak, Director of Maintenance
Sr. Judith Stojhovic

Parish Telephone Numbers

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- **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
- **New Parishioners are always welcome.** Call the Parish Office to register or to notify of a change of address.

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



January 31, 2016
From the Pastor's Desk

***FOURTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME***

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I continue to wonder that if all were amazed at Jesus' words "what happened to them?" Were these religious people as fickle as sports fans who cheer one day for a winning event and then boo the same player the next day because of a "missed-play." Or might we be the same. We celebrate Christmas with "GUSTO" but then we slack off. May we pray and praise the Lord each day.

LENT 2016:

Lent begins on Wednesday, February 10th. I will distribute ashes at the 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM masses. We will have Mass at 9:00 and 7:00 each Wednesday of Lent and Stations of the Cross and Benediction on each Friday at 7:00 PM. These will be held at Sacred Heart Church. Our **The Lights Are On For You** will be held on Wednesday, March 9 from 6:00 to 9:00 PM. I'll stop at 6:45 for Mass and then continue after Mass till 9:00 PM.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY:

For the first time in the history of the Jubilee Year tradition, there is an opportunity for individual dioceses to open a Holy Door—the Door of Mercy—in their local Cathedral. Pope Francis is urging every Catholic to make a pilgrimage to their local Cathedral to experience the graces of crossing the threshold of the Holy Door of Mercy and to receive a plenary indulgence. All the faithful of the Diocese of Pittsburgh are encouraged to make a Pilgrimage to the Holy Door at Saint Paul Cathedral in Oakland some time during the Jubilee Year of Mercy. The Jubilee Year invites us to not only receive God's mercy but be agents of God's Mercy by performing the corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

Hope Sullivan is collecting names of those who would like to visit Saint Paul's on Wednesday, February 17, 2016. Mass is at 12:00 Noon. The van will leave at 11:15 AM from Sacred Heart parking lot. If you would like to go, please call Hope at 412-664-6260.

CONFIRMATION:

Please remember in your prayers, **Josephine James Cunningham, Johnna Marie Hill, Michael Patrick Nash, Jr., Zachary Steven Korotko, Claire Marie Yezovich, and Morgan Elizabeth Yezovich.** These students have applied to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. Our ceremony will take place at Word of God on Saturday, March 12th at 11:00 AM within Mass celebrated by Bishop William Waltersheid. Everyone is invited to attend.

YOUR BEST

Give to the world the best you have and the best will come back to you.
—Anonymous

PASTORAL COUNCIL:

I want to thank **Ken Bitkowski** and **Melissa Kaczmarek** for their dedication to our Pastoral Council. Ken was our President and Melissa was Secretary. It was time for them to "pass the baton." Our new leadership team is **John Besseck**, President and **Alison Flora**, Secretary. Come September we will open up membership to anyone who may be interested. So start praying about adding your talents to Pastoral Council.

ORGAN DONORS: None of us hope for an accidental death. But we know they happen. Some of us have good and useful organs when we die. The Church approves and I encourage you, as I have already done, to be an Organ Donor. There are many people who would be very grateful.

MINISTER SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 6-7:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Colao, F.Szekely, D. Hrabley, P. Humberson, C. Mirenzi, J. Hojnacki, M. Leicht

Lector: Mary Ann McClain

Server: Andrew Connelly

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Nash, T&D Whyel, J. Kaczmarek, B. McDonell, L & M Petri

Lector: Scouts

Servers: Michael Nash and Jack Kaczmarek

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Barbusio, C. Bakin, E. Foster, P. Fazio, N. Moucheron, K. Carroll

Lector: Ken Bitkowski

Server: Brandon Howell

FEBRUARY 13-14:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: A.Kostyak, Deacon Joe, J. Carleton, J. Kaczmarek, T. Schleifer, C. Mirenzi, M. Leicht

Lector: Eric Helminiak

Server: Steve Yezovich

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Garritano, Deacon Joe, T & D Whyel, R. Russo, C. DiNinno, P. Koncerak

Lector: Gina Piccolino

Servers: Julia Piccolino, Selah Corbett

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, K. Bitkowski, H. Sullivan, J. Kondas, S. Szatkowski, N. Moucheron,

Lector: Chester Chorazy

Server: Brianna 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*

FIFTH SUNDAY/ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Today is the fifth Sunday of January and the second collection will be taken for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Your generosity in this collection will help to provide assistance for those in need. Thank you!

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK at EAST CATHOLIC

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 31st until February 5th, 2016.

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. First, schools are communities--small families in their own right, but also members of the larger community of home, church, city, and nation. Faith, knowledge, and service are three measures by which any Catholic school can and should be judged.

East Catholic School has many activities planned for the week and they are inspired by Pope Francis' Encyclical Letter, **On Care For Our Common Home, Laudato Si'**.

SCOUT SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 7, 2016:

Our Scouts will celebrate the occasion at our 9:00 AM Mass at Good Shepherd next Sunday.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW

The bell choir will be hosting a "Foods to warm your heart" luncheon fundraiser on **Sunday, February 14th** from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Sacred Heart. We will have a variety of comfort foods to help you shake off the cold and snow such as chili, ham barbeque sandwiches, haluski, meatball subs, etc. We're still finalizing the menu, but we hope to see many of you there! This will be a eat in only event. No take outs will be available.

ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE!

Pope Paul VI named the New Evangelization. Pope John Paul II called for it. Pope Benedict then clearly defined it. And now Pope Francis shows us how to live it daily. The heart of the New Evangelization is sharing your faith with others – former believers and those with no belief at all. The goal is to introduce them to the friendship and mercy of Jesus. And when that is accomplished, you have done something else – welcomed new disciples of Christ who are capable of witnessing to others in word and deed.

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.

Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure

Sunday, January 24th:	\$3,664.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used:171
Loose Offertory:	\$113.00
Tornado/Flood Victims	\$505.00
Votive:	\$ 74.00

May God bless your generosity!

CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE

The final days for completing the directory will be Saturday and Sunday, April 2 & 3. To justify a day of photography, we need at least 16 sessions per day. Father Al's idea was to do a church directory to introduce new members to the parish and you to them.

Ginny, our parish photographer will be submitting pictures of parish life. So, our parish directory will be a snapshot of our parish in a moment in time.

By participating, you receive a free 8 x 10 picture and a free directory for your family. When you purchase products from Lifetouch, the purchase goes toward the cost of publishing the directory. You are under no obligation to purchase anything.

Please call Alison at 412-480-7965 (evenings) if you would like to schedule an appointment or have questions. We need your support to finish our parish project.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In the Gospel today, Jesus shows us that we are called to place gospel values before any other values and to be willing to put our lives on the line for them. Taking care of God's poor is indeed living gospel values.

Through your gifts in January, you are helping the Society of St. Vincent DePaul to assist families in need with food, utilities, rent and their monthly bills. Thank you.

St. Vincent de Paul phone: 412-437-8370

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE 14TH ANNUAL CRUSHED GRAPES

A wine tasting event

Featuring fine wines, live music, and gourmet food offerings. Once again we will showcase a vast silent auction that includes opportunities to bid on dining, entertainment, sports memorabilia, outings, getaways and more. Please come and raise your wine glass with us at the quintessential after work gala - and help to raise vital funding to support the mission of **Sisters Place!**

When: Thursday, March 3, 2016

Time: 5:30pm - 9:00pm

Venue: **Wintergarden at PPG Place**

For tickets please contact events@sistersplace.org or call 412-233-3903.

ST BERNADETTE PARISH, Monroeville -- You are invited to join them for an " Oldies Dance" Saturday, February 6, 2016 from 6:30 to 10:30. \$8.00 per person or \$15.00 per couple. Beer/Wine \$2.00 per glass or BYOB. Soft drinks and snacks included in the price of the ticket. 412-373-0050.



WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

The Diocesan celebration of **World Marriage Day** will take place on **Sat., February 6**, at **St. Mary of the Mount Parish**, 403 Grandview Ave., Pittsburgh 15211 (Mt. Washington), with **5:00 PM** Mass, interpreted for the deaf community and celebrated by Very Rev. Robert F. Guay, Regional Vicar for Pastoral Vicariate 1. Following Mass will be a social with light refreshments in Sullivan Hall cafeteria, 131 Bigham St. (3 blocks from the church). All are invited.

CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB

The Catholic Alumni Club is a non-profit organization providing a framework for single Catholics to meet and socialize with other single Catholics who are free to marry in the Catholic Church. In addition to social activities, the CAC also provides programs of spiritual development and community service for its members.

SOFTBALL & TENNIS PLAYERS WANTED, CO-ED: SINGLES, 21 AND OVER. Tennis is played at Moore Park in Brookline, Softball in Blawnox. Looking for a new way to meet people, make friends, and share good times with others? Check out the Catholic Alumni Club. The group offers parties, picnics, dances, hiking, volleyball, dinners, spirituality events, trips, and many other great events. For more information or an application, go to their website: www.cacpittsburgh.org, or contact Gary at Gary.Urbatis@verizon.net or 412-427-8772, or cac.softball@yahoo.com.

Women of the Bible -- Nativity Parish is pleased once again to host the Women of the Bible Dinner Theater with Professional Actress Anita Guschick on Saturday March 12, 2016. A buffet dinner from Salvatore's will be served at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria followed by Anita's performance in Church at 7:30 p.m. Come and meet the three women to include Lydia, The Woman Caught in Adultery and Jairus' wife. A dessert buffet will be served following the performance. Tickets are \$20 available by calling 412-215-7743. Tickets will also be available week-ends in the back of church from January 23 until March 5. Only 300 tickets will be sold.

Healing and Deliverance Prayers and Marian

Devotions --Looking for peace in the New Year? Want to grow spiritually? Join them each week (the day was not included in announcement) at St. Louise de Marillac Parish, 320 McMurray Rd, Upper Saint Clair, PA 15241 6:30-7:30 PM Confessions (3 priests) 7:30 PM Novena Devotions in honor of our Lady of the Miraculous Medal followed by healing prayers and prayers for deliverance and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. For more information call 412.833.1010 or consult their web site at www.stlouisedemarillac.org/

Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

MASSSES for the WEEK

Good Shepherd Parish
January 31-February 7, 2016

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Lk 4:21-30)

GS: 4:00 PM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

GS: 9:00 AM Casmer Ianuzzi by Grace Montagna

SH: 11:00 AM Patrick Emrock by Rita Weiss

Monday-Weekday (Mk 5:1-20)

SH: 9:00 AM Communion Service

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

SH: 9:00 AM Communion Service

Wednesday-Weekday (Mk 6:1-6)

SH: 9:00 AM Communion Service

Thursday-Weekday (Mk 6:7-13)

SH: 9:00 AM Communion Service

Friday-St. Agatha (Mk 6:14-29)

No Morning Mass

Saturday-St. Paul Miki & Companions (Mk 6:30-34)

No Morning Mass

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Lk 5:1-11)

GS: 4:00 PM William Rolinski

by Joe & Ruth Punturi

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM Gerry Novotny by Larry Trasky

Rest In Peace

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

Anita Rock and John Brown.

May the angels lead you into paradise

BIRTHDAY OFFERING:

Sanctuary Lamp:

Birthday Intention for Mary Carol Kennedy

By Choir



BIRTHDAY WISHES go out to
Nancy Stio who celebrated
Her 90th birthday January 21st.
God bless you Nancy!

DINNER & ADORATION-- College and post-college guys! Father Joe Freedy is hosting a free Dinner & Adoration night at St. Paul Seminary on Tuesday, Feb. 2 from 7-9 p.m. Fr. Nick Vaskov will be cooking dinner, followed by a brief tour of the seminary, and then Adoration with Evening Prayer and a reflection on "Following Christ" by Fr. Mike Roche. Must be 18 or older. Please RSVP on our Facebook event page or on pghpriest.com by today Jan. 31.

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