

# Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

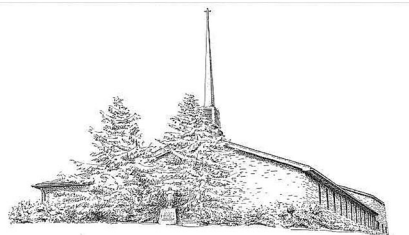
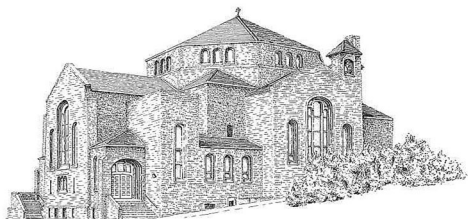
1024 Maple Way  
Braddock PA 15104-1612

**February 11, 2018**

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

Website: [www.goodshepherdbraddock.org](http://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

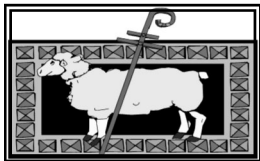
### Parish Telephone Numbers

Parish Office: .....412-271-1515  
Phone: ..... 412-351-3710  
Fax.....412-271-1222  
e-mail.....[gshepoffice@comcast.net](mailto: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](mailto:tjsjrfhi3@verizon.net)

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



**February 11, 2018**  
*From the Pastor's Desk*

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN  
 ORDINARY TIME**

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The Cure: I often wonder how Jesus expected anyone who just had a life-changing cure to remain silent. If you have something good happen, you just "havta" share it. As you and I keep moving forward we need to evangelize by sharing our great faith with others. Let's not keep it a secret. We Know Jesus, we Love Him and Live Him by sharing our Love and Knowledge. This could make a great Lenten resolve.

**LENT 2018:**

Lent begins this Wednesday, February 14. I will distribute ashes at the 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM Masses. I will also have Mass at 2:00 PM at Brinton Tower and I will distribute ashes there.

To help you plan for Lent, let me share that we will have Mass at 7:00 AM Monday through Friday. We will also have Mass on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM to give those a chance to attend Mass who cannot attend in the morning. Deacon Joe will pray the Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings at 7:00 PM.

I would like to suggest that you attend one daily mass every week.

**PATZUN, GUATEMALA:**

Little boxes to put on your table for "Lenten sacrifices" are available in the vestibule. They will support "my" orphanage school in Patzun, Guatemala.

Here's a little idea of what they do:

**San Bernadino School: Challenges & Victories**

Padre Justiniano formed the school in 1960 because the Cackchiquel (a Mayan ethnic group) were not receiving any formal education. It was the first school in the region to provide a high school education! The Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Conception operate the school, a local orphanage and a hospital.

Father John Gizler, a fellow Pittsburgh Priest and a friend of mine, has a strong connection to the Franciscan missions of Patzun. It was his Great Aunt Sara Merdes who built a clinic, Clinica Corpus Christi, and introduced American support to the region.

Our nickles, dimes and quarters made it possible to send them over \$1,500.00 last year. Any support you can give will be appreciated. I'll collect them during Holy Week and on Easter.

**Did you happen to see in Sunday's paper that they have discovered a buried city under a desert in Guatemala? What science can do now is truly amazing.**

**SEVEN CHURCH WALK:**

Our **On Mission for the Church Alive** parishes will be open for the Seven Church Walk on Holy Thursday evening. We can car pool it, take our bus or join a neighbor on their bus depending upon your interest. Call the Office by **February 23 at 3:00 PM** and we'll know how to proceed. I may have more information next week to share. This way you can see the seven churches proposed for our grouping.

**A BOOK TO READ**

There is a great difference between the eager person who wants to read a book and the tired person who wants a book to read.

—G. K. Chesterton

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE**

**FEBRUARY 17-18:**

**4:00 PM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon Joe, J & M Besseck, D. Trasoline, M. Colao, T. Schleifer, T. Troyan

**Lector:** Angelina Hornick

**Server:** Andy Connelly

**9:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** C. Suppes, R. Russo, T & D Whyel, L. Petri, J. Strednak, J. McLaughlin

**Lector:** Mark Petri

**Server:** Christopher & Drew Yezovich

**11:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** J. Barbusio, S. Szatkowski, J. Kondas, H. Sullivan, E. Foster, N. Moucheron

**Lector:** Carolyn Bakin

**Server:** Olivia Joscak

**FEBRUARY 24-25:**

**4:00 PM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** A. Kostyak, J. Hojnacki, T. Schleifer, D. Hrabley, J. Carleton, T. Troyan, K. Carroll

**Lector:** Mary Ann McClain

**Server:** Stephen & Daniel Yezovich

**9:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Leicht, C. DiNinno, P. Koncerak, J. Corbett, B. McDonell, M. Giulianelli, R. Russo

**Lector:** J. McLaughlin

**Server:** Josh DiNinno

**11:00 AM**

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

**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*

**LENTEN REGULATIONS**

**Lent begins this week  
Ash Wednesday  
February 14, 2018**



1. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence in the United States.
2. The obligation of abstinence (refraining from eating meat) begins at the age of 14. The law of fasting (limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals) obliges all between the ages of 18-59. No one should consider this obligation lightly.
3. Those individuals who have a medical condition in which fasting may be considered harmful are not obliged to fast, but should perform some other act of penance or charity.
4. Pastors and parents are to see to it that minors, though not bound by the law of fast and abstinence, are educated in the authentic sense of penance and encouraged to do acts of penance suitable to their age.
5. All members of the Christian Faithful are encouraged to do acts of penance and charity during the Lenten season beyond what is prescribed by the law.
6. As a general rule, a request for a dispensation from the obligation of abstinence on Fridays of Lent will not be considered unless some serious reason is present. The attendance at social events, banquets, wedding rehearsals or receptions, or funeral wakes are not considered sufficient reason to request a dispensation.

**BINGO TODAY!!!!**

Good Shepherd Social Club will sponsor a Bingo today **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.***



**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

In the Gospel today Jesus moved with pity touched the leper and healed him. Let us pray today for the grace to be generous with our gifts to help those who are suffering.

**By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you indeed put your faith into action as you bring healing to the poor, hungry and weeping.**

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



**CONGRATULATIONS!**

The following students did great work through this grading period at East Catholic and let us congratulate them on their achievements:

Highest Honor:

**Jack Kaczmarek—6th Grade**

High Honor:

**Ava Walker—6th Grade**

**Olivia Joscak—8th Grade**

**Ryan Walker-8th Grade**



Here's some info about our area churches holding Lenten **Fish Fries** during Lent:

**Madonna del Castello**

Ash Wednesday and Fridays during Lent (excluding Good Friday) in Dattilo Hall from 12:00 Noon to 7:00 PM. Menu: Baked or fried cod dinners/sandwiches, eggplant parmesan, shrimp baskets, haluski, macaroni and cheese, pasta e fagiolo, applesauce, cole slaw and of course baked goods. Beverages and children's menu available. Delivery available until 2:00 PM (limited area). For more info, call the Parish Office at 412-271-5666.

**St. Maurice**

Every Friday during Lent (including Good Friday) from 2:30—7:00 PM in Keane Hall. Menu: Fried or baked fish, shrimp, coleslaw, mac & cheese, haluski, French fries, pizza, sandwiches, pasta and baked goods. Potato and Cheese and sauerkraut pierogis will be available for purchase by the dozen for take-out only. For all take-out orders and info, please call Keane Hall at 412-723-1200 between 1:00 and 6:30 PM.

**St. Colman**

Ash Wednesday and every Friday of Lent (including Good Friday) in the Cafeteria from 3:00—7:00 PM. Menu: Fried or baked cod, fish sandwiches, pierogi, haluski, mac & cheese, fries, cole slaw, Boston clam chowder, crab cakes. They will also have a bake sale and soft serve ice cream. Take out orders must be ordered at the Cafeteria. For info only, you may call the Office at 412-823-2564.

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***Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure***

<b>Sunday, February 4th:</b>	<b>\$5,127.00</b>
<b>Parishioners receiving env: 563</b>	env used: 214
<b>Loose Offertory:</b>	<b>\$259.00</b>
<b>Monthly Offering \$935.00</b>	env used: 61
<b>Loose Monthly Offering</b>	<b>\$ 99.00</b>
<b>Votive:</b>	<b>\$185.00</b>

***Thank you for your generosity!***

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**TEDDY BEAR PICNIC” Free Story time Session**  
**at East Catholic School Library**

Wednesday, February 21, 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 “Teddy Bears Picnic.” Children should bring their “Teddy Bears” to the picnic. 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 Monday, February 19, 2018. Join us for “Teddy Bear Picnic” fun! East Catholic follows Woodland Hills School District Weather cancellation.

**EAST CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNUAL GALA**

Each year the East Catholic School community comes together for its annual gala to celebrate the students and to further enhance the school. Last year over \$50,000 was raised. This year our special East Catholic School Annual Gala will be held at the beautiful Doubletree Hotel in Monroeville, Pennsylvania on Saturday, March 3, 2018. The Gala will feature: Hors D’oeuvres, and dinner. The entertainment will include a DJ for dancing, raffles, silent and live auction plus much more! For information about the Gala, tickets, or to make a donation please contact the School Office during business hours Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM at 412-351-5403.

**SERRA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

**Serra Catholic’s Placement Test**

for incoming freshmen will be held

**Saturday, March 3rd, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon**

Please contact Mrs. Lyons at **412-751-2020** to register.

**CUSTODIAN/MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT**

A part-time position is open at the Rankin Christian Center. Hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Housekeeping experience needed and a valid Driver’s License is required. Physical work included in the position is lifting up to 90 lbs. Act 33/34 clearances are also required. Send resume to: **Rankinchristiancenter@gmail.com** or call the Center at 412-271-8313.

***Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:***

***1-888-808-1235***

***Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan***

# MASSSES for the WEEK

Good Shepherd Parish  
February 11-18, 2018

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mk 1:40-45)  
GS: 4:00 PM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish  
GS: 9:00 AM William Wagner by Sister, Bernadette  
SH: 11:00 AM George J. & Eleanore Bandik by Family

Monday-Weekday (Mk 8:11-13)  
SH: 7:00 AM Frank Gamrat by Wife

Tuesday-Weekday (Mk 8:14-21)  
SH: 7:00 AM Michael & Meri Sorokacs by Family

ASH WEDNESDAY (Mt 6:1-6, 16-18)  
SH: 7:00 AM Genevieve Bulik by Rich & Jan Gavalik  
SH: 7:00 PM Special Intention of Regina Shockling  
by George & Denice Scherrbaum

Thursday after Ash Wednesday (Lk 9: 22-25)  
SH: 7:00 AM Patricia Flora by John Vahosky Family

Friday after Ash Wednesday (Mk 9:14-15)  
SH: 7:00 AM Joanne Klimko by Theodore Schleifer

Saturday after Ash Wednesday (Lk 5:27-32)  
No Morning Mass

First Sunday of Lent (Mk 1:12-15)  
GS: 4:00 PM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish  
GS: 9:00 AM Franni Mehalic  
by Bob & Toni Burkovich  
SH: 11:00 AM Stephen 'Mike' Lovas by Anita Cioppa

## REST IN PEACE

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

***Ann Jurica.***

***May the angels lead you into paradise.***

## **Birthday**



**Wishes**

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Our Birthday Wishes go out to  
**Rena Venditti,**  
who celebrated her 90th Birthday  
this past week on February 7th.  
**God bless you Rena!**



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**WEEK!!!**