

# Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

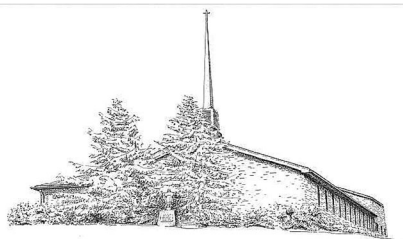
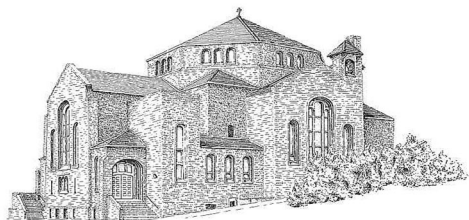
1024 Maple Way  
Braddock PA 15104-1612

*February 21, 2016*

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—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

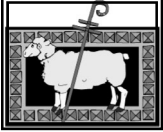
Reverend Albert J. Semler, Pastor  
Deacon Joseph M. Dougherty  
Mrs. Michele Catone, Parish Secretary (*micky52@comcast.net*)  
Ms. Carol Funk, Parish Office Manager  
Mr. Frank Koncerak, Director of Maintenance  
Sr. Judith Stojhovic

## Parish Telephone Numbers

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

- **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)
- **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.**



February 21, 2016  
From the Pastor's Desk

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**Criteria for Parish On Mission Team On  
Mission for The Church Alive!**

Each pastor is asked to recommend **6 parishioners** to serve as members of the Parish On Mission Team. Collaborating with the Pastor and councils of the parish, the Parish On Mission Team will serve as the primary ambassadors of the *On Mission for The Church Alive!* planning initiative to their fellow parishioners as well as the primary ambassadors of the parish to the On Mission Commission.

The **Parish On Mission Team** of every parish has five primary responsibilities:

- Publicize and support the On Mission for The Church Alive! planning initiative in their daily interactions so that as many people as possible can receive the invitation to participate in the process.
- Validate and/or refine the informational snapshot of their parish provided by the On Mission Commission so that the baseline for how future models are discerned is as accurate as possible.
- Participate in consultation sessions at the district and cluster levels in order to generate feedback on future models of parish life to the On Mission Commission.
- Lead consultation sessions at the parish in order to inform parishioners about the planning initiative and engage them in providing feedback on future models of parish life.
- Summarize the feedback from their fellow parishioners using the tools provided so that the On Mission Commission can benefit from the timely and thoughtful insights of parishioners from around the Diocese of Pittsburgh.

**When nominating the team members, pastors should consult the following criteria:**

1—Mindset	2 - Skillset	3 - Role
Prayerful Faithful—One who expresses a deep love for Christ and The Church Creative—One who is able to think outside the box (without agenda) and open to new possibilities Collaborative—can work in a team dynamic Respectful especially in dialogue and communication	Candidate has a sense of one or more: Pastoral Care/Ministry Community Outreach Information Technology Education Marketing Strategic Planning Real Estate Financial Planning Fundraising	Must be a registered parishioner of the Parish. Parish On Mission Team members may include but are not limited to existing Pastoral Council and Finance Council members Team members may or may not be a member of staff. Membership should be limited to one staff person. Key leaders of ministries Representative of key demographic groups in the parish

**Time Requirement:** Members of the Parish On Mission Team will be expected to: Participate in **one** full day training and orientation session from 9:00am – 3:00pm. The parish leader is to attend one session of the eight offered.

**DATES AND LOCATIONS- CHOOSE ONE SESSION**

- On April 9 at St. Bernadette – Monroeville      or      St. Vincent de Paul – New Castle
- On April 23 at St. Albert the Great – Baldwin      or      Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal - Meadowlands
- On April 30 at St. Paul Seminary – Crafton      or      Mary, Mother of the Church - Charleroi
- On May 7 at Sts. John and Paul – Franklin Park or      St. Paul Seminary - Crafton

Participate in 2 district-level consultations and 1 cluster-level consultation (2 hrs each) between September 2016 and April 2017. Lead 3 consultation sessions (2.5 hrs each) at their parish between October 2016 and January 2017. **(Pastor/Parish Determines Dates)**

Meet with the pastor and fellow Parish On Mission Team members at least once every 2-3 weeks between October 2016 and April 2017.

### THANK YOU

Special Thanks to all who attended the luncheon fund raiser sponsored by our Bell Choir this past Sunday. Your support is truly appreciated.

### LADIES OF CHARITY

Our Ladies of Charity will meet next Sunday, February 28th at 12:15 PM at Sacred Heart Hall.

### LENTEN CONFESSIONS:

In this year of Mercy Father Al wants to make Confession available to everyone. Confessions will be heard before both Masses on Wednesdays from 8:00 to 8:45 AM and from 6:00 to 6:45 PM. The Masses will be at Sacred Heart Church at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM. On Wednesday evenings after Mass I will return to the confessional until all are heard.

On March 9th when "The Lights are On For You" I will stay till 9:00 PM. Saturday Confessions are from 3:00 to 3:30 in Good Shepherd Church. And as usual you may always call for a time that fits your schedule.

### PRE CANA

Our Pre Cana Class will be held Sunday, March 6th from 1:00 to 5:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall. Donation per couple is \$40.00. Call Joe or Anna Marie at 412-351-3710 to register.

### WOMEN'S GUILD

The next Women's Guild meeting will be on Tuesday March 8, 2016 at 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall. At this time we will be collecting dues and discussing upcoming plans for the new year. All are welcomed to attend and see what the Women's Guild is all about.

### HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!

Our good wishes go out to **Harry and Kay Lucas** who will celebrate their **73rd** Wedding Anniversary on February 28th. God bless you Harry and Kay.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students at Serra Catholic High School: **Amanda Hamilton** (Ruby Honor Roll) **Julia Piccolino** (Gold Honor Roll) and **Leah Morris** (Silver Honor Roll). Keep up the good work girls!

### DIRECTION

The great thing in this world is not so much where we are, but in what direction we are going.  
—Oliver Wendell Holmes

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel, Jesus overcomes the temptations to wealth, power and esteem. As we begin Lent, may we open our hearts to the grace of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

**Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter.**

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

### EAST CATHOLIC SCHOOL WALKING TOURS for the 2016-2017 School Year

Choosing the right school for your child is a very intuitive decision. This will allow parents to observe the children in the classroom, learn about the programs, meet our teachers and find out more about the East Catholic School philosophy.

To sign up for a tour: Contact the School Office between 8:30 am and 2:00 PM at 412-351-5403.

**East Catholic School Walking Tour Dates are as follows: February 23 at 9:30 AM and March 2 at 9:30 AM. A special tour will be on Sunday March 13, 2016 ( at Story Time) scheduled for 2:00 PM.**

### MINISTER SCHEDULE

#### FEBRUARY 27-28:

**4:00 PM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** J & M Besseck, A.Kostyak, J. Kaczmarek, F. Szekely, M. Colao, J. Carleton

**Lector:** Angelina Hornick

**Server:** Steve Yezovich

**9:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Leicht, B. McDonell, M. Giulianelli, M & L Petri, N. Russo, J. Strednak

**Lector:** Jennifer Milko

**Servers:** Julia Piccolino, Selah Corbett

**11:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Hope Sullivan, C. Mirenyi, M. Garritano, C. Bakin, J. Kondas, K. Bitkowski

**Lector:** Dorothy Danko

**Server:** Brianna Skladany

#### MARCH 5-6:

**4:00 PM**

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

**Lector:** Theodore Schleifer

**Server:** Andy Connelly

**9:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** J. Carleton, L & M Petri, B. McDonell, J. Strednak, M. Giulianelli, C. DiNinno

**Lector:** Nick Russo

**Servers:** Josh DiNinno

**11:00 AM**

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

**Lector:** Paulette Fazio

**Server:** Brandon Howell

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

**Sunday, February 14th: \$4,672.00**

Parishioners receiving env: 652 env used:238

**Loose Offertory: \$160.00**

**School Offering: \$459.00** env used: 54

**Loose School Collection: \$ 78.00**

**Votive: \$173.00**

**May God bless your generosity!**

## AREA FISH FRIES

### **St. Maurice, 2001 Ardmore Boulevard, Forest Hills**

Every Friday during Lent including Good Friday from 2:30—7:00 PM in Keane Hall.

Menu includes: Fried and baked Fish, Shrimp, Cole-slaw, Mac & cheese, Haluski, French fries, Pizza, Sandwiches and Pasta. Eat-in or take-out. Potato and cheese and Sauerkraut pierogies are available for purchase by the dozen for take-out only.

### **St. Colman, 100 Tri Boro Avenue, Turtle Creek**

Every Friday during Lent including Good Friday in the School Cafeteria from 3:00—7:00 PM.

Hand-dipped fried or baked Cod Fish Dinner, Fish Sandwich, Haluski, Pierogies, Mac-n-cheese, French fries, cole slaw, Boston Clam Chowder, Crab Cakes, and Baked Goods.

### **Madonna del Castello, 2021 S. Braddock Avenue, Swissvale**

Fridays during Lent (except Good Friday) from Noon—7:00 PM in Dattilo Hall.

Baked or fried Cod Dinners, Eggplant, shrimp basket, sandwiches, Haluski, Macaroni & Cheese, applesauce-Pasta e Fagiole, bread and butter and beverages. Children's menu, baked goods and take-out orders will also be available.

*Your support will be greatly appreciated!*

### **APRIL FOOLS (Friends of our Library!) DINNER/ DANCE Friday, April 1, 2016 7:00 PM TILL ???**

East Pittsburgh VFW, 401 Draper St., East Pittsburgh PA 15112. \$30 ticket includes Buffet Dinner, Cash Bar, Auctions, 50/50 Raffles, & Live Entertainment by: The Street Lights; Jim "Elvis" Felix; Judy Figel; Tom Bielek & the Sharks; and DJ Nunzio "The Crooner."

### **PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE BRADDOCK CARNEGIE LIBRARY No tickets sold at door!**

Tickets can be purchased at the Braddock Carnegie Library with cash or check payable to the BCLA (Braddock Carnegie Library Association). Library hours are Mon & Fri 10 am-5 pm, Tue-Thu 11 am-7 pm, Sat 9 am-4 pm. You can also send your check with a self-addressed stamped envelope to Braddock Carnegie Library (412-351-5356), 419 Library St., Braddock, PA 15104 and your ticket(s) will be mailed to you.

### **ST. JOSEPH SPIRITUALITY CENTER, Baden, is**

offering Doorways into Our Deeper Hearts: A Retreat for Women on the weekend of March 11- 13 (Friday, 7:00 pm-Sunday, 12:00 noon). This retreat will explore what we hunger for in our relationship with God - in the secret places of our hearts. We explore how God invites each of us to swim in the ocean of God's great mercy! This weekend is led by Sister Diane McCalley, Cathy Ciccone, Chris Didio and Judy Lewis. A fee of \$120 includes meals, lodging, and program materials. To register, call 724-869-6587 by February 29.

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

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

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

# **MASSSES for the WEEK**

*Good Shepherd Parish  
February 21-17, 2016*

**Second Sunday of Lent** (Lk 5:1-11)  
GS: 4:00 PM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish  
GS: 9:00 AM Mike Connelly by Family  
SH: 11:00 AM George Cassidy by Colleen Miller

**Monday-The Chair of St. Peter, Apostle** (Mt 16:13-19)  
SH: 9:00 AM Boalo Family by Ed & Karen Carroll

**Tuesday-Lenten Weekday** (Mt 23:1-12)  
SH: 9:00 AM Michael Gambino by Family

**Wednesday-Lenten Weekday** (Mt 20:17-28)  
SH: 9:00 AM Monthly Commemorative Celebration  
SH: 7:00 PM Patrick McCaffrey by Ron Ronallo

**Thursday-Lenten Weekday** (Lk 16:19-31)  
SH: 9:00 AM Louis Pacella by Family

**Friday-Lenten Weekday** (Mt 21:33-43, 45-46)  
No Morning Mass  
SH: 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross/Benediction

**Saturday-Lenten Weekday** (Lk 15:1-3,11-32)  
No Morning Mass

**Third Sunday of Lent** (Jn 4:5-42)  
GS: 4:00 PM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish  
GS: 9:00 AM John Hudak by Wife & Family  
SH: 11:00 AM Antoinetta Viselli by Viselli Family

## ***REST IN PEACE***

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

***Irene Cotter and Gertrude Stash.***  
*May the angels lead you into paradise.*

## **GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH MEMORIAL OFFERING:**

*Sanctuary Lamp:  
In Memory of Louis Pacella  
By Family*

## **WITH HEARTFELT GRATITUDE**

On behalf of my entire family, I would like to thank the "Family" of Good Shepherd Parish for all the love, care and support during our time of need when my Mother, **Bernice Bitkowski** passed away unexpectedly on February 5th.

From the Ladies of Charity praying the Rosary to all who supported our family with many hugs, flowers, food, Mass cards, monetary gifts and phone calls, we are very grateful. You are all a special gift from God and it is something we will always remember.

With heartfelt thanks, may the Peace of the Lord be with all of you and your families.

***Ken and Beth Bitkowski***

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**WEEK!!!**