

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

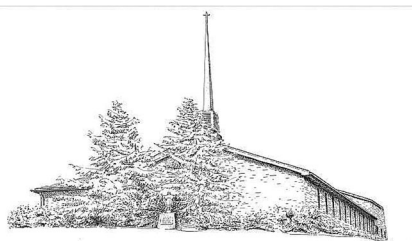
1024 Maple Way
Braddock PA 15104-1612

March 19, 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

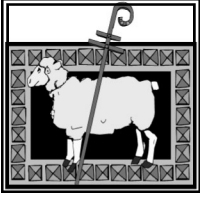
Parish Telephone Numbers

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.



March 19, 2017
From the Pastor's Desk
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

LENT 2017:

As we come upon the Third Sunday of Lent our Gospels begin to get longer. This week we hear the story about the Samaritan woman who came to draw water from the well. She had a face to face encounter with Jesus. This story should remind us that Jesus knows everything about us. We cannot hide anything from Him. So let us live our lives in such a way that we have nothing to hide. Let us make sure we love and worship our Lord which is His due.

ST. PATRICK:

The feast of St. Patrick was last Friday. It must be a grand event at our bulletin printer company because Carol has to submit the bulletin early again. So here is an item I've been saving for an "early deadline."

Catholic Man of the Month
 (April, 2013 Columbia Magazine)
Blessed Vilmos Apor
 (1892-1945)

The Seventh of eight children, Vilmos Apor was born February 29, 1892, to a baron and countess in the Transylvania region (in present day Sighisoara, Romania). A cheerful and hardworking boy, Apor received a strong religious upbringing at home.

Educated by Jesuits, Apor excelled as a student and discerned a vocation to the priesthood in his teens. After theological studies in Innsbruck, Austria, he was ordained in 1915 and assigned to a parish in Gyula, Hungary, where he served for the next 25 years.

During World War I and the Great Depression, Father Apor built relationships with both religious and civil leaders and aided relief and recovery efforts on behalf of refugees, the unemployed and needy families. Amid his arduous daily work schedule, Father Apor could frequently be found kneeling before the tabernacle in prayer.

Despite his aristocratic background, Father Apor came to be known as the "parish priest of the poor." On one occasion, a visitor embarrassed him when the priest was discovered in his office shoeless, having just given away his last pair of shoes to a destitute father of seven.

In 1941, Father Apor was appointed Bishop of Gyor. In the face of Nazi persecution during the war, he sheltered Jews and publicly denounced their deportation to death camps.

When the Soviet Army reach Győr on Good Friday 1945, Bishop Apor gathered hundreds of refugees in his vast cellar. Drunken soldiers approached the Bishop's

residence seeking women "to peel potatoes" in their barracks. Tall and imposing, Bishop Apor refused to let them in. "Out! Get out of here!" he said. He was answered by gunfire. The women were saved, but on Easter Monday, April 2, Bishop Apor died from his wounds. He was beatified November 9, 1997.

ARE YOU REGISTERED? All Catholics need a place of worship to call "home." If you regularly worship with us but are not registered now is the time to make it official. Please complete a confidential census form which is in the Gathering Space and return it to the office. Please call the office at 412-271-1515 if you have any questions.

MINISTER SCHEDULE

MARCH 25-26:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Colao, J. Carleton, A. Kostyak, K. Carroll, T. McAdams, J. Kaczmarek, F. Szekely

Lector: Theodore Schleifer

Server: Andy Connelly

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Leicht, J. Strednak, J. McLaughlin, L. Petri, B. McDonell, M. Giulianelli, C. DiNinno

Lector: Mark Petri

Server: Josh DiNinno

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: N. Moucheron, H. Sullivan, M. Garritano, C. Mireni, E. Foster, P. Fazio

Lector: Carolyn Bakin

Server: Brian Kelly

APRIL 1-2:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, A.M. Dougherty, M. Leicht, D. Hrabley, P. Humberson, J & M Besseck

Lector: Theodore Schleifer

Servers: Steven & Daniel Yezovich

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, C. Suppes, P. Koncerak, M & L Petri, B. McDonell, J. Strednak

Lector: Nick Russo

Server: Selah Corbett

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, J. Barbusio, S. Szatkowski, J. Kondas, K. Carroll, C. Bakin

Lector: Dorothy Danko

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,
 Father Semler*

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

This marks the 31st year of the Boy Scouts doing "Scouting for Food." We appreciate all the support that you, the members of Good Shepherd have provided over the years to help out our community. This year we are asking again for your assistance in providing help to our local food banks. Our troop tries to keep the donations we collect in our community.

The Scouts will pass out bags on the weekend of March 25-26 at all the Masses. They will collect the food on the weekend of April 1-2.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and may God bless all of you.

2017 PARISH SHARE PROGRAM

Please use your pledge cards that have been mailed out to you if you are making a one time gift or a pledge. **Your first pledge payment reminder card will not be issued until April 24. Please wait until you receive the first reminder card to pay on the pledge you made.** As always, your participation in the program is greatly appreciated.

MONTHLY COMMEMORATIVE CELEBRATION

The MCC for March will be celebrated **Wednesday, March 29th** at 9:00 AM at Sacred Heart. Please send in your intentions by Monday, March 27th.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work." **Through your almsgiving you are doing the will of the Father and finishing the work of Jesus. Know that your nickel, dime or quarter is multiplied by the donations given by others to the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Society.**

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

BRINGING OTHERS TO JESUS is what Bishop Zubik has been saying that ***On Mission for The Church Alive!*** is all about. In today's Gospel, the woman at the well was able to bring her entire town to Jesus. She had a mission, and so do we. How can we show the love of Jesus to others and bring Jesus to them so that they might go and do likewise? Be inspired in your call to bring others to Jesus at **OnMissionChurchAlive.org**.

BINGO

Good Shepherd Social Club will sponsor their next Bingo on Sunday, **April 23rd** 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.



Mark your calendar, Come and enjoy an afternoon of fun and bring all of your friends!

WELCOME HOME FOR EASTER:

Don't forget to welcome a family member, a friend, or a co-worker to join you at Church for Easter. We will have our Saturday evening Mass at 7:30 PM at Good Shepherd Church because it's extra special and starts at a later time. Easter Sunday Masses will be as usual, 9:00 AM at Good Shepherd Church and 11:00 AM at Sacred Heart Church.

There are **Welcome Home cards** in the vestibule that you can send to a family member or friend with a personal note to join you at Mass. **This would be a great way to do your part to help keep the Church Alive.**

LENTEN FISH FRIES

Madonna del Costello: Datillo Hall, 2021 S. Brad-dock Avenue, Swissvale. Fridays of Lent (except Good Friday) from Noon till 7:00 PM. Baked or fried cod dinners, eggplant, shrimp basket, sandwiches, haluski, macaroni & cheese, pasta e fagiole, applesauce, baked goods and beverages. There is a children's menu and takeout orders; deliveries made within a reasonable distance until 2:00 PM. For orders/information please call 412-271-3959.

St. Colman: School Cafeteria, 100 TriBoro Avenue, Ash Wednesday, Fridays of Lent (including Good Friday) from 3:00 to 7:00 PM. Hand-dipped Fried or Baked Cod, Sides: Fish Sandwich \$7.00, Mix or match 2 Sides-\$4.00. Sides include: haluski, pierogis, macaroni and cheese, french fries, cole slaw, Boston clam chowder, crab cake and bake sale. There is an ATM on the premises.

St. Maurice: Centurion Hall, 2001 Ardmore Boulevard, Forest Hills. Ash Wednesday and Fridays of Lent, including Good Friday, 2:30 to 7:00 PM.. Dinner: your choice of fried fish, baked fish or shrimp basket (includes 2 sides and dinner roll \$8.50; Pie-rogies (sold by dozen for take out only) choice of potato & cheese or sauerkraut \$7.00; Pasta dinner w/ marinara \$5.00; fish sandwiches-baked or fried \$6.00, some of the sides are coleslaw, haluski, french fries, pizza. Take-out available, call 412-723-1200.

Please pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life.

Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure

Sunday, March 12th:	\$ 4,305.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 233
Loose Offertory:	\$392.00
School Offering: \$ 405.00	env used: 47
Loose School Offering	\$100.00
Votive:	\$181.00

Thank you for your generosity!

BISHOP CANEVIN HIGH SCHOOL

The High School will present performances of **Wizard of Oz** on the following dates: Thursday, April 20, Friday, April 21 and Saturday, April 22. Showtime is 7:30 PM. For tickets call 412-922-7400 ext 0. The donation is \$10.00/\$7.00).

CRAFT EXTRAVAGANZA

Calling all crafters! You are cordially invited to participate in the Sisters of Divine Providence Craft Extravaganza on Saturday, Oct. 7, 10 AM-3 PM, at Providence Heights in Allison Park. 80 booths available!

Reserve your booth now at cdpsisters.org. Questions? You may contact Pat at [412.635.5401](tel:412.635.5401) or email her at pserafini@cdpsisters.org

LENTEN TAIZE PRAYER will be held Monday evening, April 3rd at 7:00 PM at St. John Fisher Church, Churchill. The prayer service includes the reading of the Passion and singing. This event is organized by the National Pastoral Musicians local chapter in the Diocese of Pittsburgh. If you never experienced a Taize Prayer Service you may find this experience one that will speak directly to your heart. All are welcome. Please call the church office at 412-241-4722 for more information.

University of Pittsburgh Men's Glee Club under the direction of Richard E. Teaster, will come to St. John Fisher Church on Good Friday evening, April 14th at 7:30 PM with a repertoire of inspiring music. This is a beautiful way to mark Good Friday.

IS SOMEONE YOU LOVE IN A TROUBLED

MARRIAGE? You might suggest that they consider Retrouvaille. Retrouvaille has helped 10's of thousands. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on March 31, 2017, contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434.

SINGLES ONLY

Join hundreds of single Catholics of all ages at the National Catholic Singles Conference, May 19th-21st, 2017 held at the DoubleTree Pittsburgh-Green Tree in Pittsburgh, PA. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, prayer, food, fellowship and more! Space is limited so register now!

For more information and to register visit www.NationalCatholicSingles.com. Use promo code NCSCPA to receive a special discount. (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 888.267.8885 x4.)

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.**

Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

MASSSES for the WEEK

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Third Sunday of Lent	(Jn 4:5-42)
GS: 4:00 PM Mary Alice Laird	
	by Friends at the Beauty Shop
GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish	
SH: 11:00 AM Dolores Barbusio	by Husband, Guigno
Monday-St. Joseph, Spouse of Blessed Mother	
	(Mt 1:16,18-21,24a)
SH: 9:00 AM Mitnik & Korotko Family	
	by Joe & Pauline Korotko
Tuesday-Lenten Weekday	(Mt 18:21-35)
SH: 9:00 AM Conroy, DiVella & Mroziak Families	
	by M/M James Conroy
Wednesday-Lenten Wednesday	(Mt 5:17-19)
SH: 9:00 AM Bernie Joscak	by Cromling Family
SH: 7:00 PM Edward Jendeski	by Family & Friends
Thursday-Lenten Weekday	(Lk 11:14-23)
SH: 9:00 AM Toni Balombiny	by Husband
Friday-Lenten Weekday	(Mk 12:28-34)
No Morning Mass	
SH: 6:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
SH: 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross	
Saturday-Annunciation of the Lord	(Lk 1:26-38)
No Morning Mass	
Fourth Sunday of Lent	(Jn 9:1-41)
GS: 4:00 PM Kerry Miller Brady	by Mother
GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish	
SH: 11:00 AM Paul Getsy	by Margaret & Marlene

REST IN PEACE

*In your charity, we remember all those
who have died, especially: Anthony 'Tony' Longo.
May the angels lead you into paradise.*

MEMORIAL OFFERING THIS WEEK:

*Altar Bread, Altar Wine, Altar Candles
And Sanctuary Lamp:*

In Memory of Frances Walther

by Daughter, Fran Emrock.

Birthday



Wishes

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Happy Birthday To
Bernie Macara
who is celebrating
his 95th Birthday today,
March 19th.
God bless you Bernie!

SPRING

The first day of spring is one thing, and the first
spring day is another. The difference between them is
sometimes as great as a month. —Henry Van Dyke

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