

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

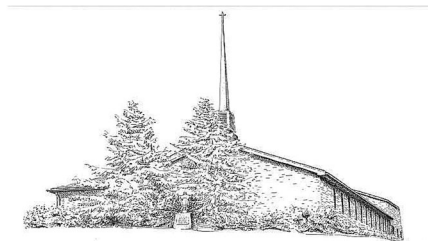
1024 Maple Way
Braddock PA 15104-1612

April 30, 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

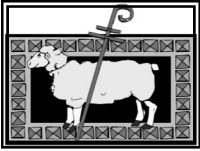
Parish Telephone Numbers

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.



April 30, 2017
From the Pastor's Desk
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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There was a question from last Sunday's presentation on "On Mission for the Church Alive!" **What happens to us who are Eucharistic Ministers?** However you serve the church now in various ways or via organizations or through some other way, the new pastor will be meeting with you to discuss his plans and your involvement. The **On Mission** plan is depending on all of you to take a bigger part in serving all of its people. By 2025 it is estimated that the Diocese of Pittsburgh will have about 125 priests. Thank goodness we will also have about 90 Deacons to help **BUT** your involvement will be needed. The "On Mission" plan is to have very vital and growing parishes. So look forward to what I will call a new beginning with a joyful heart and positive spirit.

TECHNOLOGY FUND:

I wrote a few weeks ago about the need for a Technology Fund for East Catholic School. Sister Judith, our principal, stated this need a while back and started to direct "kindness" funds into it. Our Pastoral Council and Finance Council agreed that we should apply to the Church Alive funds that we have accumulated and have not used via our campaign case statement. I am glad and happy to announce that we have received permission to direct \$10,000.00 from this account to our East Catholic Technology Fund. This is great news as we want to do everything possible to help our children.



Seven of our young people were confirmed last Monday evening by Bishop William Waltersheid at St. Maurice Church. The parishes involved in East Catholic School joined together for the ceremony. We also had Confirmandi from St. Susanna Parish, Penn Hills join us for a total of 66.

The seven from our parish who I ask you to keep in prayer are:

Brooklyn Fitzgerald, Simon Morris, Hannah Simak, Brianna Skladany, Elizabeth Weaver, Brandon Whyel, and Christopher Yezovich

Congratulations from me and your parish family. May the Holy Spirit continue to guide you.

EFFECTS

The effect of our sharing in the body and blood of Christ is to change us into what we receive.
 —Pope Saint Leo the Great

ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE!
HE WAS MADE KNOWN TO THEM IN THE
BREAKING OF THE BREAD

As the two disciples encountered the risen Jesus on the road to Emmaus their hearts were burning within them. He celebrated the Eucharist and opened the scriptures to them. Do our hearts burn within us as we encounter Jesus at Mass? *On Mission for the Church Alive!* seeks to enliven the worship of every parish so that our hearts can burn with love as they are transformed by the Eucharist. Consider singing in the choir, reading at Mass, or participating more attentively at Mass so that God's work can be done through you even more.

Visit onmissionchurchalive.org to stay involved.

MINISTER SCHEDULE

MAY 6-7:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, J. Hojnacki, A. Kostyak, J. Carleton, J. Kaczmariski, M. Leicht, T. Schleifer

Lector: Eric Helminiak

Server: Andy Connelly

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, C. Suppes, J. Strednak, M. Giulianelli, B. McDonell, P. Koncerak, C. DiNinno

Lector: Jeff McLaughlin

Server: Chris & Drew Yezovich

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, J & M Besseck, H. Sullivan, N. Moucheron, R. Stamerra

Lector: Carolyn Bakin

Server: Brian Kelly

May 13-14:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, A.M. Dougherty, J. Hojnacki, D. Hrabley, P. Humberson, M. Colao, J. Carleton

Lector: Angelina Hornick

Servers: Steven and Daniel Yezovich

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Corbett, M. Garritano, T & D Whyel, L & M Petri, J. Strednak

Lector: Gina Piccolino

Server: Selah Corbett

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: C. Suppes, J. Barbusio, E. Foster, S. Szatkowski, J. Kondas, C. Bakin

Lector: Dorothy Danko

Server: Brianna and 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,
 Father Semler*



MAY CROWNING

Our Ladies of Charity will lead a May Crowning procession at Sacred Heart Church on Sunday, May 7th at 10:45 AM. Children are welcome and encouraged to join in the procession. Father Al is making plans for a May Crowning at Good Shepherd Church.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Our Senior Citizens will hold their Farewell Dinner on Wednesday, May 10th. The doors will open at 11:00 AM and the meeting will begin at 12:00 Noon. Dinner will be served at 2:00 PM. There will be four free games of bingo and we will give envelopes to those who paid their dues for 2017.

We are sorry to close but there just aren't enough people to keep the group going. Thanks to all who helped over the years.

MONTHLY COMMEMORATIVE CELEBRATION

The MCC for May will be celebrated Wednesday, May 31st at 9:00 AM at Sacred Heart. Donations are to be turned in by Monday, May 29th.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!"

During Mass we turn to each other and say "Peace be with you!" As you put your gift into the St. Vincent de Paul box you say "Peace be with you!" to those who are poor and hungry.

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

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTION for the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be taken at the second collection at all masses this weekend, April 29-30. Please be generous.

Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure

Holy Land Collection, April 14th:	\$1,313.00
Loose Holy Land Collection:	\$ 90.00
Easter Sunday, April 16th:	\$7,663.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 298
Loose Easter Offertory:	\$547.00
Votive:	\$142.00
Sunday, April 23rd:	\$4,153.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 221
Loose Offertory:	\$402.00
Votive:	\$144.00

Thank you for your generosity!

THANK YOU FROM OUR SCOUTS

On behalf of Pack & Troop 61, we would like to say thank you to Good Shepherd Parish. Your kindness helped bring in over 900 items & 50 boxes of food. Thank you & God bless.

Pack & Troop 61 Leaders.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE DAY

Saturday, May 6th and Sunday, May 7th

Time to clean out your closets, basements and attics. We will have the St. Vincent DePaul truck open from 12:00 Noon to 4:00 PM on Saturday and from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Sunday. The truck will be parked in the Sacred Heart parking lot and conference members will be eager to accept your donations. We will accept clothing, household items and small working appliances. Thank your for your support and we look forward to seeing you then.

CALENDAR PARTY

Our annual Calendar Party sponsored by the Social Committee will take place on **Sunday, May 21, 2017** at 12:00 Noon at Good Shepherd School Hall. Tickets are \$15.00. Call Peggy 412-824-2588 for tickets and also if you are interested in hosting a table.

GRAND OPENING OF EAST CATHOLIC FULL-DAY/HALF DAY PRESCHOOL

BEGINNING IN THE 2017/2018 SCHOOL YEAR

3 YEAR OLD PRESCHOOL (1/2 DAY)

4 YEAR OLD PRESCHOOL (Full Day or 1/2 Day)

Your child can be a part of God's world: by having fun learning, meeting new friends, singing, dancing, exploring computers, having weekly visits to our school library and much more.

+ Faith Development: Students develop their faith through weekly Bible activities that teach about God and what he expects of us.

+Pre-Reading and Readiness Skills: Weekly themed lessons with the Letter People, counting, numbers, shapes, and weekly library trips. Letter recognition and sounds are learned in a warm caring environment that enhances self-esteem, independence, trust, sharing, co-operation and a positive attitude toward learning.

+Fine and Gross Motor Skills: Opportunities about to develop and explore new skills including writing, cutting, coloring and playing.

+Language Skills: Students learn in a variety of ways with books, speakers, field trips, technology, show and tell and imaginative play.

+Music, Art & Technology: Children explore and build their emerging skills in all areas.

Your child can be a part of becoming aware of God's creation, have fun learning, meet new friends, sing, dance, explore computers and much more at East Catholic School Pre-School. Registration for school year 2017-2018 is now open. For more information call 412-351-5403. "Become a part of the school of tomorrow where knowledge meets faith and where timeless values and learning evolves."

THREE DAY MISSION

Christ the Light of the World and St. Joseph Parishes will host a 3 Day Mission Sunday, April 30 through Tuesday, May 2nd at 7:00 PM in Holy Name Church, 32 South 1st Street, Duquesne. The sessions will be led by Steve Angrisano, veteran musician and composer. Admission is free and there is plenty of well-lit off street parking. For more info, call Debbie Walters at 412-853-7354. The mission is open to anyone interested in fostering a personal relationship with Christ.

MAGNIFICAT PRAYER BREAKFAST

Ladies, you are invited to the Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, May 13, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon at the Crowne Plaza, Green Tree. Irene Carubia will tell her story of a faith lost after the changes of Vatican II, then found in a way that transformed her. Cost of Breakfast is \$23. To register, call Pam at 412-461-8906 or go online to register at www.magnificatpittsburgh.org by May 5th.

SPRING OPEN HOUSE Bishop Canevin High School -- All 6th through 11th grade students are invited to visit on Wednesday, April 26th from 6:00 to 8:00 in the evening. Tour the school, talk with faculty, and hear first-hand from current students why they believe Bishop Canevin is not only the right choice--but the best--choice for them. No reservations are necessary, but for more information contact Marianne Reinhart at 412-922-7400, ext. 228.

LA ROCHE COLLEGE

The college will host a **STEM Savvy Conference** for current 7-12th Grade Students, 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM, Saturday, May 13, Cost \$5 per attendee, and includes a light breakfast, lunch and t-shirt for student. Students that attend are not required to bring a parent/adult. STEM Savvy is a one day Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) career conference designed to develop the interest of students in STEM fields and provide information to their parents and educational professionals on STEM educational opportunities. More details and registration at

www.laroche.edu/STEMSavvy.

For information contact Peggy Schmiedecke, 412-536-1274 or peggy.schmiedecke@laroche.edu.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC SINGLES CONFERENCE– MAY 19-21

The conference will be held at the DoubleTree Pittsburgh, Greentree. The weekend includes speakers, music, social events, prayer, food, and fellowship. Space is limited so be sure to register now at www.NationalCatholicSingles.com. For more info, call 1-888-27-8885, ext 4.

Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

MASSSES for the WEEK



Good Shepherd Parish
April 30-May 7, 2017

Third Sunday of Easter (Lk 24:13-35)
GS: 4:00 PM William Rolinski by Wife, Barbara
GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish
SH: 11:00 AM Beth Bitkowski
by Nick & Jacki Mroziak

Monday-Easter Weekday (Mt 13:54-58)
SH: 9:00 AM John (Chiz) Barclay
by Wife and Daughters

Tuesday-St. Athanasius (Jn 6:30-35)
SH: 9:00 AM Deceased Members of Poprocky
Family by Flo Poprocky

Wednesday-SS Philip and James (Jn 14:6-14)
SH: 9:00 AM Michael Connelly by Family

Thursday -Easter Weekday (Jn 6:44-51)
SH: 9:00 AM Edward Jendeski by Family & Friends

Friday-Easter Weekday (Jn 6:52-59)
No Morning Mass

Saturday-Easter Weekday (Jn 6:60-69)
No Morning Mass

Fourth Sunday of Easter (Jn 10:1-10)
GS: 4:00 PM James Sakal by Dolores Sakal
GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish
SH: 11:00 AM Margaret Macara by Family

REST IN PEACE

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

Clarence Babyak and Carol Sklenar.
May the angels lead you into paradise.

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 min-
istries. 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. Teach 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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WEEK!!!