

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

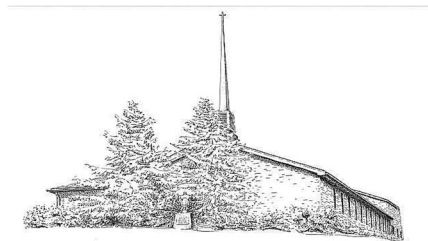
1024 Maple Way
Braddock PA 15104-1612

May 7, 2017

Parish Office: 412-271-1515
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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

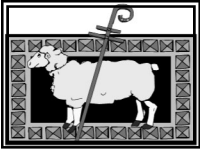
Parish Telephone Numbers

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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.



May 7, 2017

From the Pastor's Desk
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

POPE FRANCIS:

I know Pope Francis was talking to the Church Universal but it sounds like he could also have been talking to the Diocese of Pittsburgh in particular. This snippet comes from last week's Pittsburgh Catholic written by Carol Glatz.

VATICAN CITY—Christians always have hope, no matter how bleak, bad or uncertain the journey, because they know God is always by their side, Pope Francis said.

In fact, "even crossing parts of the world (that are) wounded, where things are not going well, we are among those who, even there, continue to hope," he said at his weekly general audience in St. Peter's Square April 26th.

Just a few days before his visit to Cairo April 28-29, the Pope continues his series of talks on the nature of Christian hope, saying it is rooted in knowing God will always be present, even to the end of time.

The Gospel of St. Matthew, he said, begins with the birth of Jesus as Emmanuel — "God with us" — and ends with the risen Christ telling his doubtful disciples to go forth and teach all nations, assuring them that "I am with you always, until the end of age."

The apostle shows how "ours is not an absent God, sequestered in a faraway heaven. Instead he is a God 'impassioned' with mankind," so tenderly in love that He is unable to stay away, the pope said.

I hope his words inspire you as they inspire me to keep a joyful hope that our On Mission for the Church Alive! will be successful and very fruitful for all of us. Also let's remember Jesus' admonition to his apostles remains with me and for us today "to go forth and teach all nations, assuring them that "I am with you always until the end of time."

ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE!

As I mentioned last Sunday we will meet on **Tuesday and Wednesday, May 9 and 10 at 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall** and our On Mission Team and I will share with you what we learned at the May 3rd meeting. We'll be making a report to the On Mission Staff as to what is shared at these two meetings. Try to make one of them.



Congratulations to Winter Eckels who made her First Communion last Saturday, April 29. She is the daughter of Chad and Catherine.

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 ministries. 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. Help 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

MINISTER SCHEDULE

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

MAY 20-21:

4:00 PM

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

Lector: Theodore Schleifer

Server: Andy Connelly

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: C. DiNinno, T & D Whyel, R. Russo, M. Giulianelli, B. McDonell, P. Koncerak

Lector: Mark Petri

Server: Josh DiNinno

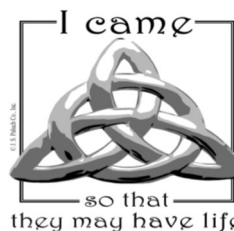
11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: K. Carroll, P. Fazio, C. Bakin, N. Moucheron, J. Barbusio, S. Szatkowski

Lector: Rick Stamerra

Server: Olivia Joscak

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 today, Sunday, May 7th at 10:45 AM. The May Crowning at Good Shepherd is taking place at the 4:00 PM Mass Saturday, May 6th.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Our Senior Citizens will hold their Farewell Dinner this 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.



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CAN YOU BELIEVE that this young man (FATHER AL) will celebrate his 50th Anniversary of Priesthood next weekend??? Father has worked all around the Diocese in his 50 years and we are so very blessed to have him as Pastor of Good Shepherd Parish.

You are welcome to greet Father Al after the 4:00 PM and 9:00 AM Masses next weekend at Good Shepherd—we will have dessert in the vestibule.

After the 11:00 AM Mass we will go to the Sacred Heart Hall for cookies and a drink. The Bell Choir appreciates the kind response of the 11:00 AM Mass people and feels badly that we cannot squeeze them in the church to play for mass. So they will be in the Hall to provide some “background” music for us.

Father Al will share this beautiful day with his Mother and our Mothers of the parish, living and Deceased.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Today, we celebrate “Good Shepherd Sunday” where we reflect on Jesus’ care and love of us and hear his words, “I came so that they may have life and have it more abundantly.” **By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you will reveal the love of the “Good Shepherd” to your suffering brothers and sisters.**

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

Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure

Sunday, April 30th:	\$4,830.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 237
Loose Offertory:	\$244 .00
St. Vincent de Paul: \$1,398.00	env used: 140
Loose St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 199.00
Votive:	\$ 159 .00

Thank you for your generosity!

AN INVITATION FROM DEACON JOE

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, and in response to her request for prayer for the conversion of sinners, the Rosary will be prayed in Sacred Heart Chapel at 7:00 PM every Wednesday starting May 17th and continuing through October 11th, 2017 (except for May 24th, as the anticipated Mass for the Ascension will be celebrated). Everyone attending can submit an entry each week and on October 11th, two sets of faux pearl Rosary Beads containing all 20 decades of the Rosary: Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful, and Glorious will be raffled off. The Rosary Beads will be blessed. You are cordially invited to pray with me.

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.

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. You can obtain tickets from Peggy before and after all the Masses this weekend and next.

WILLY WONKA AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY Musical

East Catholic’s “Fine Arts Club” will perform Roald Dahl’s timeless story of the world-famous candy man and his quest to find an heir. Plan to attend Wednesday, May 10, 2017. Curtain time is 7:00 PM in Keane Hall (East Catholic School Cafeteria), 2001 Ardmore Blvd. in Forest Hills, Pennsylvania. Tickets can be purchased at the door. The cost is \$3.00/Adult and \$2.00 for Students and Seniors. For more information call the School Office Monday-Friday 8:30-2:00 pm, 412-351-5403.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

The Sisters will be with us after all Masses on **May 27 and 28, 2017** collecting to enable them to continue the work of their foundress, St. Jeanne Jugan, in caring for the elderly poor at their home on Benton Avenue in Pittsburgh. They are counting on your continued support.



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**Our Primary is Tuesday, May 16.
Please take some time to review the
Candidates and what they stand for
And plan to cast your vote.**

PADRE PIO'S RELICS at Saint Paul Cathedral - On Tuesday, May 9, a number of relics of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) will be at Saint Paul Cathedral in Oakland for veneration by the faithful. The relics will be on display beginning with the 12:05pm Mass celebrated by Bishop Zubik. The time of veneration will end after the 8:30 pm Evening Prayer celebrated by Fr. Thomas Betz, OFM Cap, the provincial superior of the Capuchins in Pittsburgh. The relics on display will include, among others, one of the gloves that Padre Pio used to cover the stigmata wounds on his hands. Please consider visiting the cathedral for this wonderful spiritual opportunity.

**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.

PENTECOST SACRED ARTS FESTIVAL-- In celebration of the 70th anniversary of the founding of Our Lady of Grace Parish in Scott Township, we are holding a Pentecost Sacred Arts Festival from Wednesday, May 31 – June 4, 2017, Pentecost Sunday. The five-day festival is free and open to the public and will be held in Keefer Hall. The PSAF features a juried art exhibition with monetary prizes selected by Fr. Vincent de Paul Crosby, OSB. Fr. Crosby, a monk of St. Vincent Archabbey is an award winning artist, consultant and expert in the interplay of the arts and faith. The forty-six artworks that will be exhibited represent the work of thirty-one artists from the tri-state area and offer a rich encounter of paintings, icons and sculptures in the Judeo- Christian tradition. The five-day festival includes live literary and musical performances by such noted Pittsburgh talents as Sam Hazo, Poet Laureate of Pennsylvania, and Joe Negri, jazz guitarist and television personality. Please join Our Lady of Grace Parish at 310 Kane Blvd. for this unique celebration of cultural evangelization from May 31-June 4. For more information, contact, Josette Baker, OFS, Social Minister, at 412-279-7070.

SAM – Substance Addiction Ministry

The next Substance Addiction Ministry Rosary for Recovery will be Wednesday, May 17 at St. Januarius Church 1450 Renton Rd. Plum, PA 15239. We will meet at 7:00 PM for the Rosary followed by an informal gathering for all who are afflicted or affected by addiction. It will be a safe, confidential place for people to seek education, referral and support. For more information please contact Noreen at 412-296-1709.

Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

MASSSES for the WEEK



Good Shepherd Parish
May 7-14, 2017

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

Monday-Easter Weekday (Jn 10:11-18)
SH: 9:00 AM James E. Reichert
by Minnie Stamerra

Tuesday-Easter Weekday (Jn 10:22-30)
SH: 9:00 AM Margaret Banish
by Richard & Catherine Litz

Wednesday-Easter Weekday (Jn 12:44-50)
SH: 9:00 AM Bridget Welsh by Family

Thursday -Easter Weekday (Jn 13:16-20)
SH: 9:00 AM Lois Jean Haugh
by Martin McLaughlin

Friday-Easter Weekday (Jn 14:1-6)
No Morning Mass

Saturday-Easter Weekday (Jn 14:7-14)
No Morning Mass

Fifth Sunday of Easter (Mother's Day) (Jn 14:1-12)
GS: 4:00 PM Mass of Thanksgiving/Father Al and
Living & Deceased Mothers of our Parish
GS: 9:00 AM Mass of Thanksgiving/ Father Al and
Living & Deceased Mothers of our Parish
SH: 11:00 AM Mass of Thanksgiving/Father Al and
Living & Deceased Mothers of our Parish

REST IN PEACE

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

Cleopha (Dolly) Brannagan and Raymond Yuhas.
May the angels lead you into paradise.

COMPLETE OFFERING THIS WEEK:

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

*In Honor of the First Holy Communion of
Logan Kaczmariski*



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