

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

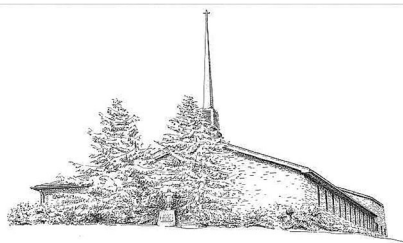
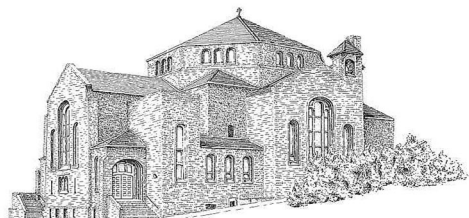
1024 Maple Way
Braddock PA 15104-1612

May 8, 2016

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

- **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
- **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.



May 8, 2016

From the Pastor's Desk
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

AMORIS LAETITIA: THE JOY OF LOVE

This is the third of 8 question and answer installments on *The Joy of Love* written by Pope Francis. I hope you are finding them helpful.

Much of the controversy around the Synod was about Catholics who are divorced and remarried civilly receiving Holy Communion. But Amoris Laetitia does not pronounce definitively on the issue. Why not?

The Synod discovered that arguments with winners and losers were not productive. What was productive was a deep, respectful and compassionate examination of family life, marriage, and the People of God as they strive to live out their vocation in troubled and complex times.

Chapter Eight, "Accompanying, Discerning and Integrating Weakness," offers a very profound look at how general rules do not apply straightforwardly to every particular situation. And so there is need to take the complexity of each situation into account.

The Pope acknowledges that everyone should feel challenged by Chapter Eight. It certainly calls pastors and those working in family apostolates to listen sensitively to anyone who feels wounded, and to help them experience God's unconditional love.

ORDINATION:

Bishop Zubik has issued a "Call to Orders" for priesthood to **Deacon Jack Demnyan, Deacon Adam Potter and Deacon Anthony Sciarappa** to ordination to the Order of Presbyter. He also issued the Call to Orders for **Benjamin Barr, David Green and Daniel Waruszewski** for ordination to the Order of Deacon.

The ordinations for both will be on Saturday, June 25 at 10:00 AM at Saint Paul Cathedral. I ask that you keep these young men and all men and women who are discerning if they should serve the Lord via a religious vocation. Let us also pray that some of our young people may consider a religious vocation. And also keep our Deacon candidate **Jeff McLaughlin** in your prayers.

MAY CROWNING:

We will have May Crowning **Saturday, May 14th at the 4:00 PM Mass** at Good Shepherd. The Women's Guild has invited all children who want to be involved to come to the vestibule by 3:45 PM. Please call Toni Lucas at 412-977-3089 if your child would like to participate.

On Sunday, May 15th we will crown Mary outside Sacred Heart before the 11:00 AM Mass. **Thank you Jesus for sharing your Mom with us.**

SUMMER FEST 2016:

We had a good first meeting for this year's Summer Fest last Monday. The dates for the Summer Fest are **June 22, 23, 24, & 25**. Last year we were a little short on **VOLUNTEERS**. So, I'm asking that you plan now to offer to fill in at least one shift. On Wednesday and Thursday, the 22nd and 23rd, shifts will be 5:30 to 8:00 and 8:00 to 10:30. The first shift will be one half hour before our 6:00 PM opening to get thing "**set up.**" The second shift from 8:00 to 10:30 is one half hour after closing so you can "**close up.**" You can sign up in the vestibule after Mass beginning May 14th or by returning the **SIGN UP FORMS** you will receive with your raffle tickets or in the bulletin. This is our **major fund raiser** for the year and we can use your ability in some way so please **SIGN UP** for at least one shift.

MINISTER SCHEDULE

MAY 14-15:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: F. Szekely, D. Hrabley, P. Humberson, C. Mireni, M. Leicht, Deacon Joe, J. Kaczmarek

Lector: Theodore Schleifer

Server: Andrew Connelly

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: T & D Whyel, L & M Petri, J. Strednak, Deacon Joe, N. Russo

Lector: Jeff McLaughlin

Server: Drew & Chris Yezovich

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, N. Moucheron, S. Szatkowski, J. Kondas, J. Barbusio, E. Foster

Lector: Ken Bitkowski

Server: Brianna Skladany

MAY 21-22:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: A. Kostyak, T. Schleifer, J. Hojnacki, M. Colao, F. Szekely, J & M Besseck

Lector: Mary Ann McClain

Server: Stephen Yezovich

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: C. DiNinno, M. Leicht, P. Koncerak, J. McLaughlin, L. Petri, B. McDonell, R. Russo

Lector: Mark Petri

Server: Josh DiNinno

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: H. Sullivan, M. Garritano, C. Mireni, K. Carroll, P. Fazio, E. Foster

Lector: Carolyn Bakin

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*

WOMEN'S GUILD

The Women's Guild meeting will take place **Tuesday, May 10th** at 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall. *All ladies of the parish are invited and encouraged to join.*

SENIOR CITIZENS MEETING

Our Seniors will meet this Wednesday, May 11th at Sacred Heart Hall with a Spring Luncheon. Donation is \$8.00. Doors will open at 11:00 AM; Lunch will be served at Noon. Two prizes will be given out to celebrate Mother's Day. 2016 Dues are now payable.

We will celebrate Father's Day at the June meeting. We are working on the picnic at the July 13th meeting. Tickets will be on sale in June. More information will be given at the meeting.

New members are always welcome. Come and join us and enjoy a nice day.

LADIES OF CHARITY

Our Ladies of Charity have joined together with Word of God Ladies of Charity. We are taking on a project to help Woodland Hills School children. They are in need of specific items in case there is a problem while in school. The items are:

Boys: Black sweat pants—Sizes S, M, L and XL

Girls: Leggings Sizes S, M, L and XL

Socks: Any Size

There will be a box in the back of church to hold your donations. The ladies of Good Shepherd and Word of God thank you in advance for your donations. If you have questions, call Hope at 412-664-6260. You will be remembered in our prayers.

OFFICE HOURS CHANGE:

Effective **Monday, May 16th** the hours for our Church Office to be open will be from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Monday through Friday as a general rule. Holidays and the like may find us closed; you will be alerted to the Office closing in your weekly bulletin.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Today we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples....and now through us. **When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts and into the hearts of those of who are poor.**

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

Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure

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| Sunday, May 1st: | \$5,678.00 |
| Parishioners receiving env: 652 | env used: 286 |
| Loose Offertory: | \$259 .00 |
| Monthly Offering: \$1,123.00 | env used: 76 |
| Loose Monthly Offering: | \$ 72.00 |
| Votive: | \$175.00 |

May God Bless your generosity!

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

The second collection next weekend, May 14-15 will be taken for Catholic Relief Services: Church in Latin America, Church in Central and Eastern Europe and Church in Africa.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE DAY

Date: **May 14th** and **May 15th**

Time: **1-3 pm (Sat.)** and **10 am -1pm (Sun.)**

Location: Sacred Heart Church—1600 Brinton Rd

Bundle-up your clean, usable items into boxes and bag & bring them to be loaded directly into the truck. What to donate:

- ◆ **Clothing**—clean clothing and accessories for all sizes and ages, especially coats
- ◆ **Household items**—linens, blankets, kitchenware, etc.
- ◆ **Small, working appliances**—microwaves, mixers, etc.

Your household discards assist needy families directly with merchandise or with programs funded by the sale of the merchandise.

HELLO TO OUR LITTLE FLYING NUN!

We're giving a "shout-out" to Sister Marita. We miss you so much!

If you would like to send Sr. Marita a note, here is the address:

Sr. Marita Charley
Mohun Health Center #303
2340 Airport Drive
Columbus, OH 43219

KENNYWOOD TICKET SALE

Information for East Catholic School: The East Catholic School Kennywood Picnic date is Tuesday, June 7, 2016. School ticket sale date at East Catholic School is **Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 11:15 AM.** Tickets are \$26.00/each (Cash only, no personal checks accepted).

ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE!

There is a natural human tendency to talk a lot but not to do a lot after talking. This will not be the case with our diocesan-wide program "On Mission for The Church Alive!" We will be doing and accomplishing great things together that will touch every parish, every institution and every lay person, priest and religious in the Church of Pittsburgh. To find out what's involved with "On Mission for The Church Alive!" *get* involved. Talk to your pastor and parish leaders about what you can do to further Jesus' mission in your community. To read more, check out "On Mission for The Church Alive!" on page 5 of this week's Pittsburgh Catholic or go to www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org. Follow On Mission for The Church Alive on Twitter at @PghChurchAlive. Have something to share about how your parish is "On Mission"? Use the hashtags #ChurchAlive and #OnMissionPgh.

EAST CATHOLIC SCHOOL Spring Musicals 2016
“OZ”

Mark your calendar for the East Catholic Fine Arts Club and the 5th grade presentation of the musical, “Oz” on **Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 7:00 PM** in our East Catholic School Keane Hall (cafeteria). Tickets can be purchased at the door. The cost is \$3.00/Adult and \$2.00 for Students and Seniors. For more information call 412-351-5403. The fun evening promises to be filled with lots of singing, dancing and imagination.

“GO FISH”

First there was the movie “Finding Nemo” and in June “Finding Dory”, but here at East Catholic School the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th graders will be performing the show, “Go Fish.” So join them on **Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at 7:00 PM** in Keane Hall. For more information call 412-351-5403. **All are welcome to both performances!**

ANNUAL FLEA MARKET: The East Pittsburgh Police Department Abused & Neglected Animal Fund will hold their annual flea market Saturday, May 14th from 9:00 AM till 1:00 PM at the East Pittsburgh Community Center, 506 Bessemer Avenue.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR ROCK-A-THON- Sister Judith, Mother Superior of the Little Sisters of the Poor, invites you to join her for a fun filled afternoon on Saturday June 4th from 1:00pm to 4:00pm as they host their *Rock-A-Thon* during this *Holy Year of Mercy* at their Home on 1028 Benton Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15212. Like a walk-a-thon, *Rockers* are encouraged to raise funds for the elderly poor of the Home for specified increments of rocking chair rocking. Nostalgia Band and Pittsburgh’s premier Elvis Impersonator Don Obusek will be providing the entertainment. There will be a bake sale, gift basket auction, food and much more! All proceeds will help the Sisters replace a boiler in their nursing home for the elderly.

YOUNG ADULTS BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

Weekend is scheduled for June 10-12, 2016 at Gilmary Retreat Center in Moon Twp., PA. Payment arrangements and possible financial assistance are available. The loss of a parent through death, or a changed parental relationship through divorce or separation can be a traumatic experience for individuals of all ages. The **Young Adults Beginning Experience** program offers individuals, ages 18-30, the opportunity to sort out and address their losses with a certified team of peers who have each experienced a similar loss. For more information, check us out on Facebook at YABEPittsburgh or on Twitter @YABEPittsburgh or contact Carol Martin Dundes at carol.martin339@gmail.com or 412-295-7026 or Karen Walker at walkerk@bishopcanevin.org

Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

MASSSES for the WEEK

Good Shepherd Parish
May 8-15, 2016

Seventh Sunday of Easter (Mother's Day) (Jn 17:20-26)

GS: 4:00 PM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

Monday-Easter Weekday (Jn 16:29-33)

SH: 9:00 AM Don 'Obe' Oberdick by Family

Tuesday-Easter Weekday (Jn 17:1-11a)

SH: 9:00 AM James Sakal by Wife, Dolores

Wednesday-Easter Weekday (Jn 17:11b-19)

SH: 9:00 AM Francine Franzetta by Jay Cramer

Thursday-Easter Weekday (Jn 17:20-26)

GS: 9:00 AM John T. Danko

by Daughter, Dorothy Danko

Friday-Our Lady of Fatima (Jn 21:15-19)

No Morning Mass

Saturday-St. Matthias (Jn 15:9-17)

No Morning Mass

Pentecost Sunday (Jn 20:19-23)

GS: 4:00 PM Ralph & Peggy Troper

by Jim and Mary Ann Malley

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM Dolores Barbusio

by M/M Walt Kopazynski

MEMORIAL OFFERING:

Sanctuary Lamp:

In Memory of George Bandik

by Family

Birthday We wish **Hilda Carulli** a happy 90th Birthday. She will celebrate this happy event on May 10th. God bless you Hilda!



Wishes

CONGRATULATIONS

Best wishes to **Cecilia and Edward Fischer** who celebrated their 65th Wedding Anniversary on April 21st.

What's Happening this Week

May 8-15, 2016

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| Monday: | 7:00 PM | Scouts | GS School |
| Tuesday: | 7:00 PM | Women's Guild | SH Hall |
| Wednesday: | 12:00 PM | Senior Citizens | SH Hall |
| Thursday: | 7:00 PM | Prayer Group | SH Chapel |
| Saturday: | 1 -3 PM | Bundle Day | SH Lot |
| | 4:00 PM | May Crowning | GS Church |
| Sunday: | 10am-1pm | Bundle Day | SH Lot |
| | 11:00 AM | May Crowning | SH Church |
| | 12:00 PM | Calendar Party | GS School Hall |

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AND OUTSIDE TABS
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WEEK!!!