

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

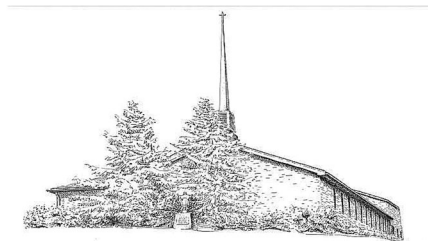
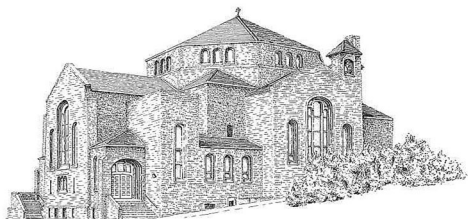
1024 Maple Way
Braddock PA 15104-1612

May 28, 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

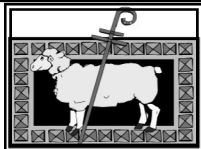
Parish Telephone Numbers

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.



May 28, 2017
From the Pastor's Desk
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

HAPPINESS IS: Celebrating 50 years as a priest.

If it looks like I'm on cloud NINE, that's good because that's where I am. The only way I can thank you is to pledge that I will do my best to serve you until the "On Mission" program reaches its fulfillment. I repeat I am excited and hopeful that "On Mission" is what our diocese needs and that it will be good for all of us. I say that's the only way I can thank you because I could never write each of you personally to say thanks. I still need to sleep. So, please allow this heartfelt **THANK YOU** to suffice.

What a week it has been and still continues on. May 13 and 14 were so special and the beat goes on as former parishioners send cards and good wishes. I read all of your cards at least twice. I smiled a little, cried a little and am filled with JOY. So thanks again and don't waste your time going to the mail box. It ain't coming.

PENTECOST:

Next Sunday is Pentecost. So get out your best red wardrobe and come join the Holy Spirit and my red vestments. Last Thursday as we celebrated the Ascension of Jesus into heaven He promised He would send us the Paraclete who would give us all we need. But a gift is useless if not accepted and used. So as grateful people let us put His gifts to work in our lives.

GRADUATION:

Our students at East Catholic will graduate this Wednesday evening, May 31. Our mass for them will be at Saint Maurice Church at 6:30 PM. You are invited to attend.

I congratulate these students and all of our graduates of the 2017 graduation season.

MASSES FOR THE LIVING:

Pope Benedict XV wrote this little meditation concerning masses for the living. I want to share it with you.

Masses For the Living

On this subject, we point out that the profit drawn from the Mass is much more useful to the living than to the dead. This profit is applied with greater certitude to the living, especially if they are well disposed and have the right intention. Since this is so, we can obtain, while living, along with the gift of perseverance, the facility of appeasing Divine Justice and of removed entirely or in part, the penalty which would remain to be expiated in Purgatory.

Many people, through forgetfulness or ingratitude, neglect to have Mass celebrated to purify the souls of those whom they love. Indeed, there is even a greater number who, to the detriment of spiritual gain, do not

know that the Sacrifice of the Mass will serve them better if they have it offered for themselves while living, instead of hoping their heirs, relatives and friends will do this after death.



Memorial Day

Monday is Memorial Day. Please join us for the 9:00 AM Mass at Sacred Heart Church as we remember and thank all those who served us and our country, especially those who paid the ultimate price. The parish office will be closed on Monday.

MINISTER SCHEDULE

JUNE 3-4:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, A.M. Dougherty, A. Kostyak, J. Carleton, J. Kaczmariski, F. Szekely, M. Leicht
Lector: Eric Helminiak
Server: Andy Connelly

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, C. Suppes, J. Corbett, M. Giulianelli, R. Russo, M & L Petri
Lector: Jeff McLaughlin
Server: Selah Corbett

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, J. Barbusio, E. Foster, K. Carroll, N. Moucheron, S. Szatkowski
Lector: Brendan Howell
Server: Briana & Morgan Skladany

JUNE 10-11:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Colao, T. McAdams, T. Schleifer, J & M Besseck, D. Hrabley, P. Humberson
Lector: Angelina Hornick
Servers: Steven and Daniel Yezovich

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Garritano, T & D Whyel, J. Strednak, C. DiNinno, P. Koncerak, J. McLaughlin
Lector: Gina Piccolino
Server: Josh DiNinno

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: B. Howell, S. Szatkowski, J. Kondas, P. Fazio, C. Bakin, R. Stamerra
Lector: Dr Chester Chorazy
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*

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

The Sisters will be with us after all Masses this weekend collecting your donations. Your generosity enables 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.

MONTHLY COMMEMORATIVE CELEBRATION

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

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 continuing through October 11th, You are cordially invited to pray with Deacon Joe.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Today we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples...and now through us. **This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is able to bring the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting families with food and utilities. Thank You!**

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

GRAND OPENING OF EAST CATHOLIC 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, cooperation 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."**

SUMMER RAFFLE

The Summer Raffle tickets should arrive this week. Each family will receive 11 tickets for a donation of \$20.00. The raffle is based on the PA Evening Lottery Pick 4 number and prizes will be awarded June 26, 27, 28 and grand prize drawing on June 29. If you would like to sell/buy more tickets, please call the parish office at 412-271-1515. Just a reminder: there will be no festival this year, therefore we would appreciate your support of this fund raiser.

END OF YEAR BELL CONCERT

The Bell Choir will hold it's end of the year concert on **Sunday, June 4th at 3:00 PM** at Good Shepherd Church. We will be showcasing some of our favorite songs from our Spring season. Join us for an hour of music with a light cookie social afterwards.

NIGHT AT THE RACES

The Good Shepherd Handbell Choir will be hosting a night at the races on **Saturday, June 24th** along with a mini food festival, basket raffles, and bake sale. Food booths will open at 5:00 PM and all items can be purchased ala carte. Races will begin at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Admission includes a horse as well as all you can eat indoor food items such as pizza, french fries, fried cheese sticks, etc. Tickets on sale after all masses beginning this weekend and are also available at the parish office.

We are looking for sponsors to help fund this event. If you are willing to become a sponsor, please contact Rob at (412) 901-1588. We are also looking for donations of pop and items for our basket raffle. If you are willing to donate these items, please contact Rob or drop items off at the parish office.

ST. JOHN FISHER

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The parish welcomes children ages 4 through those having completed 4th grade. **When:** Monday, June 19 through Friday, June 23, 2017. **Time:** 9:00 AM—Noon. **Where:** St. John Fisher Church, 33 Lewin Lane, Churchill. Please call the church office at 412-241-4722. Registration is due by June 11, 2017.

FLEA MARKET

The annual St. Maurice Flea Market will be held Saturday, July 8 (9:00 AM-2:00 PM) and Sunday, July 9 (1:00-4:00 PM) in the lower level of the Church building (gym parking lot), 2001 Ardmore Blvd., Forest Hills. Coffee, baked goods, hot dogs, and more will be served.

Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure

Sunday, May 21st:	\$4,267.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 226
Loose Offertory:	\$249.00
Catholic Relief: \$590.00	env used: 71
Loose Catholic Relief:	\$ 92.00
Votive:	\$ 171.00

Thank you for your generosity!

THE FRATERNITY OF PRIESTS will celebrate a Mass for healing on Wednesday, May 31 at 7:00 PM at St. Bonaventure Church in Glenshaw. You are invited to come and celebrate the Eucharist with them, expecting the healing presence of the Lord Jesus, as at every Mass, to touch you in all of your needs.

SAM – Substance Addiction Ministry

The next **Substance Addiction Ministry Rosary for Recovery** will be Wednesday, June 21 at North American Martyrs Church, 2526 Haymaker Rd., Monroeville, PA 15146.

They 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.

QUO VADIS DAYS:

What does it mean to be a Catholic Man? High school men, don't miss Quo Vadis Days, three days dedicated to learning more about the priesthood, deepening your faith, and better discerning God's call in your life. Quo Vadis Days will take place at Cardinal Wuerl North Catholic High School, July 16-18. It will include brotherhood, Mass, sports, adoration, and dynamic talks. All men entering 10th, 11th, 12th grades and freshman year of college are welcome. The retreat costs \$40; scholarships are available. Register by July 7 at PGHPriest.com.

A POPE AND A PRESIDENT- Please join St. Catherine of Sweden Parish (Allison Park) on Monday June 5th at 7:00 pm as Dr. Paul Kengor will discuss the unique relationship between St. John Paul II and Ronald Reagan and how, together, they confronted one of the greatest evils of our time thus changing the world forever. Dr. Kengor will also explore Reagan's fascination with Our Lady of Fatima and some of his other Catholic connections, even though he was a Protestant.

CORPUS CHRISTI, The Body and Blood of Christ will be observed with festivities on Sunday, June 18, at Saint Louise de Marillac Parish, 320 McMurray Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15241 with Mass at 4:30 PM. Following the Mass there will be an outdoor procession with the Blessed Sacrament. This is a tradition going back to the middle ages as a way of honoring Our Lord's Presence in the Eucharist. Following the procession there will be Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the church. For more information contact [412.833.1010](tel:412.833.1010).

Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

MASSSES for the WEEK



Good Shepherd Parish
May 28-June 4, 2017

Seventh Sunday of Easter (Jn 17:1-11a)
GS: 4:00 PM Mitchell Rockovich by Family
GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish
SH: 11:00 AM John, Roselyn, John & Raymond
Waskiewicz by Gene & Marilyn

Monday-Easter Weekday (Jn 16:29-33)
SH: 9:00 AM John Fatula
by St. Thomas Class of 1960

Tuesday-Easter Weekday (Jn 17:1-11a)
SH: 9:00 AM Adam Mains by Loretta Yanowich

Wednesday-The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Lk 1:39-56)
SH: 9:00 AM Monthly Commerative Celebration

Thursday -St. Justin (Jn 17:20-26)
SH: 9:00 AM Mary Filko by Sister, Flo Poprocky

Friday-Easter Weekday (Jn 21:15-19)
No Morning Mass

Saturday-St. Charles Lwanga & Companions
No Morning Mass (Jn 21:20-25)

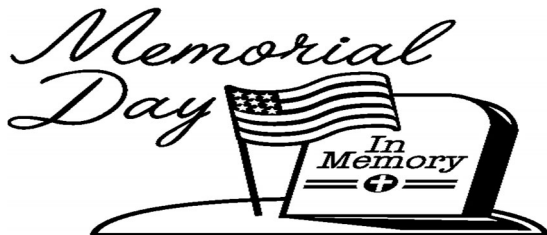
Pentecost Sunday of Easter (Jn 20:19-23)
GS: 4:00 PM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish
GS: 9:00 AM Albert Monardo
by Wife Theresa & Family
SH: 11:00 AM Jakiela & Kubik Family
by Tom Jakiela

REST IN PEACE

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

Justin Petro.

May the angels lead you into paradise.



They fell, but o'er their glorious grave
Floats free the banner of the cause they died to save.
—Francis Marion Crawford

*Have a happy and safe
Memorial Day Weekend!*

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WEEK!!!