

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

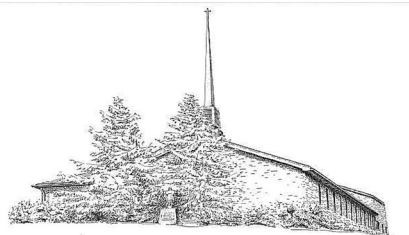
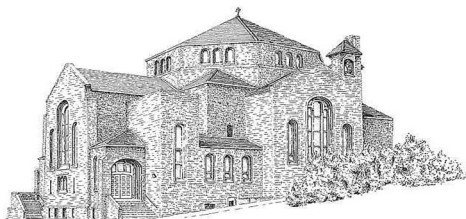
1024 Maple Way
Braddock PA 15104-1612

July 23, 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

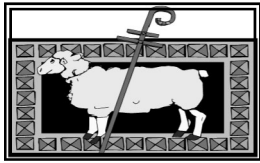
Parish Telephone Numbers

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.



July 23, 2017

From the Pastor's Desk

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Thanks for the good comments many of you made about my fund raising and collection Report in last week's bulletin. I reiterate "let us keep looking to the positive goals and results that the On Mission for the Church Alive Program intends to bring to each and every one of us."

FLEA MARKET:

Our final Flea Market will be this weekend. "Come on down" and find a bargain. We will open Friday evening from 7:00 to 9:00 PM for a small entrance fee for our now well known **Pre-Sale**. We will be open on Saturday at 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM and on Sunday from 12 Noon till 2:00 PM. Of course we will also have some goodies to keep you from starving to death.

I've already seen some really good items come in, so I repeat "**Come on down.**"

SCHOOL NOTE:

I keep repeating because it's really important for parents and kids alike. Kindly give a close and good look at our East Catholic Grade School. If you have a child entering school for the first time in August, NOW is the time to plan.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS:
(R.C.I.A)

Well we also will have "Just one more" class beginning in September, 2017 and going to March 31, 2018 for RCIA candidates. If you have a family member or a friend who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, give Deacon Joe or me a call and we'll tell them about our program. Even better you can plan to join them for the first class or two. It's better to attend a new "adventure" with a friend. The program is for the unbaptized, those baptized in another religion, and for baptized Catholics who are not confirmed.

AARP:

When you reach the age of 50 you can join AARP. Somehow they find a way to find you. I suggest you join. I did and there are many advantages. You get their magazine and there are many ideas in it how to save money. I use mine at a certain restaurant all the time and it pays for "signing up." Here's a snippet from the June/July 2017 magazine.

- **Honey for Cuts:** Its antioxidant and antibacterial properties may help to cleanse and heal.
- **Toothpaste for bee stings:** The alkaline toothpaste neutralizes the acid in the bee's venom.
- **Greek Yogurt for Sunburn:** The lactic acid works to remove dead skin. Leave on for 15-20 minutes.

ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE!

Building the Kingdom of God – In today's Gospel Jesus compares the kingdom of God to a number of different things: a man who sowed good seed, a mustard seed, and yeast. Similarly, there is no one way to build up the kingdom of God in the Church. As the *On Mission for The Church Alive!* initiative progresses, our parishes will be restructured to better serve the needs of our communities, but the results will not be cookie-cutter. In fact, each grouping of parishes will be asked to discover the best ways to build up the kingdom of God in light of the unique situations of their families and neighborhoods. In the end, it is hoped that the Church, the Body of Christ, will grow and flourish as we focus on how God is alive in us. What gifts has God planted in your heart that can allow his love and goodness to be shared with others? Visit onmissionchurchalive.org to learn more and to stay informed.

MINISTER SCHEDULE

JULY 29-30:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, A.M. Dougherty, A, Kostyak, M. Leicht, J. Hojnacki, K. Carroll, M. Colao
Lector: Dorothy Danko
Server: Andy Connelly

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Carleton, L & M Petri, C. DiNinno, P. Koncerak, B. McDonell, M. Giulianelli
Lector: Jeff McLaughlin
Server: Christopher & Drew Yezovich

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Barbusio, J. Kondas, K. Bitkowski, S. Szatkowski, R. Stamerra, E. Foster
Lector: Brendan Howell
Server: Brianna Skladany

AUGUST 5-6:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, A.M. Dougherty, J & M Besseck, M. Leicht, T. McAdams, T. Schleifer
Lector: Dorothy Danko
Servers: Steve & Daniel Yezovich

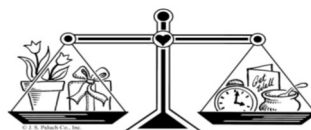
9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, C. Suppes, June Corbett, R. Russo, J. McLaughlin, B. McDonell, J. Strednak
Lector: Gina Piccolino
Server: Selah Corbett

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, K. Carroll, C. Bakin, N. Moucheron, R. Stamerra, H. Sullivan,
Lector: Paulette Fazio
Server: Brian Kelly

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*

FLEA MARKET
Sacred Heart Hall

FRIDAY, JULY 28: Sneak Peek 7:00-9:00 PM

Admission for the Sneak Peek is \$5.00.

SATURDAY, JULY 29: 9:00 AM—2:00 PM

SUNDAY, JULY 30: 12:00—2:00 PM

****BAKERS NEEDED****



We would greatly appreciate your help with the bake sale. Everyone always looks forward to the delicious baked goods we have available at this event. You may drop them off any morning of the Flea Market.

Be sure to attend and bring your friends and find your special treasures at our Flea Market.

MONTHLY COMMEMORATIVE CELEBRATION

The MCC for July will be celebrated this Wednesday, July 26th at 9:00 AM at Sacred Heart. Donations are to be turned in by Monday, July 24th.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTION
for St. Vincent de Paul will be taken
Next Sunday, July 30th.

Hearing this Gospel, we can trust that God knows our love and good deeds, and that he will mercifully gather us into his kingdom.

This week, please say a special prayer each day for the poor and forgotten in our parish.

****Saint Vincent De Paul Collection Bin****

There is now a blue St Vincent de Paul donation bin at Sacred Heart grounds. This bin is **ONLY for clothing and shoes**. Thank you for your support of our thrift stores!

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

FORGIVENESS

And is God not more ready to pardon than we to sin?
—St. Catherine of Siena

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Monday:	7:00 PM	Scouts	GS School
Wednesday:	7:00 PM	Rosary	SH Chapel
Thursday:	7:00 PM	Prayer Group	SH Chapel
Friday:	7:00 PM	Sneak Peek Flea Market	SH Hall
Saturday:	9 AM-2 PM	Flea Market	SH Hall
Sunday:	Noon-2 PM	Flea Market	SH Hall

Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure

Sunday, July 16: **\$4,008.00**
Parishioners receiving env: 652 env used: 214
Loose Offertory: **\$290.00**

Thank you for your generosity!

ADVENTURES IN CUB SCOUTING



OPEN HOUSE:

**Saturday, August 12, 2017,
Noon to 3:00 PM**

Boys ages 6 to 11 years old and must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Come in and check us out at Good Shepherd School Hall, Braddock Avenue.

BINGO

Good Shepherd Social Club will sponsor their next Bingo on Sunday, **August 6**, 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. For more information, call Peggy at 412-824-2588.



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

EAST CATHOLIC SCHOOL REGISTRATION
2017-2018 School Year

East Catholic School welcomes prospective new families who are interested in learning about our programs from 3 year old Preschool through the 8th grad. Registration for the 2017-2018 school year is now open. Please call the office at 412-351-5403 from 8:30 am –2:00 pm to schedule a tour of the school, to request information or to discuss registration requirements. We provide Pre –K, and full day kindergarten through grade 8 programs.

Tour our beautiful campus and discover the wonderful educational opportunities available to your child. Meet parents, students, teachers and administration and see firsthand how “East Catholic School” offers a rich curriculum that fosters a faith-filled, value-centered, quality education for your child in a safe and caring environment that sets us apart. Come join us and be a part of “East Catholic School” at 2001 Ardmore Blvd., Forest Hills, PA 15221. Students must be 5 years old by September 1, 2017 to be eligible for Kindergarten. **First day of School of 2017-18 school year is Monday, August 28, 2017** (full day for grades 1-8).

ST. JOHN FISHER NEWS:

Showers on the Lawn: Wednesday, August 16, 1:00 PM. This is a fun afternoon spent running through water and enjoying other children’s company. Lunch will be served, along with a candy hunt, bible story, etc. No charge, however, please call the church office at 412-241-4722 to register your child/children. The afternoon ends at 4:00 PM.

**St. John Fisher Parish is located at
33 Lewin Lane, Pittsburgh, PA 15235.**

NORTH BRADDOCK VFD STREET FAIR

The North Braddock VFD Annual Street Fair will take place from Wednesday through Saturday, July 26-29 from 7:00—10:00 PM in front of the Fire Department at 1318 Wolfe Avenue, North Braddock. Plenty of food, games and fun for folks of all ages. A parade will take place Saturday evening at 6:00 PM followed by the Fireman's Water Battle. Please join us in celebrating one of North Braddock's finest traditions. For information, feel free to contact the North Braddock Fire Department at 412-824-7791.

POLISH DAY AT KENNYWOOD

Come out to the park **Tuesday, August 1, 2017** to enjoy ethnic food, music, paczki, and Father Miro's famous potato pancakes. Mass will be celebrated at 3:00 PM followed by dancing to Ray Joy and the Carousels. Ticket prices: \$24.00—ages 3 to 54, they can also be used any other day of the park season; \$14.00—ages 55 to 69; \$10.00—ages 70 and over.

For tickets call Betty Kolano at 412-371-1827.

SAVE THE DATE

**SAINT THOMAS ALL CLASS REUNION
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2017
GRAND VIEW GOLF CLUB**

EAST PITTSBURGH POLICE DEPT. Abused & Neglected Animal Fund will hold their Flea Market on Saturday, August 5th from 9 AM—1 PM at the Community Center, 506 Bessemer Avenue, East Pittsburgh.

Please support this event for a good cause...all proceeds will go to help rescued animals in the local area.

31st ANNUAL BENEFIT LUNCHEON

SEMINARIANS OF THE PITTSBURGH DIOCESE – Saturday, August 19, 2017 at St Paul's Seminary – O'Connor Hall, 2900 Noblestown Road, Pittsburgh 15205. Luncheon, Chinese Auction, Raffles and Bake Sale. Doors open at 10:00 am for early-bird players (cards or board games). Lunch will be served at 12:00 pm. Choice of entree: Chicken Romano, Crab Cakes or Pasta Primavera. Donation is \$30. "Comic Relief" provided by Father Mark Thomas. Sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Pittsburgh Diocesan Committee. Reservations must be made by August 10 2017. For reservations or additional information, please contact: Laraine McGinnis at 724-263-2161 or lam1719@verizon.net

Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

MASSSES for the WEEK

Good Shepherd Parish
July 23-30, 2017

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mt 13:24-43)

GS: 4:00 PM Richard Tkach, Sr.
by Wife, Mildred & Family

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM Beth Bitkowski by Ken Riling

Monday-Weekday (Mt 12,38-42)

SH: 9:00 AM James E. Reichert
by Dolly & Annette Fusca

Tuesday-St. James, Apostle (Mt 20:20-28)

SH: 9:00 AM George A. Tomasic
by Nancy & Friends Salon

Wednesday-SS. Joachim & Anne (Mt 13:1-9)

SH: 9:00 AM Monthly Commemorative Celebration

Thursday -Weekday (Mt 13:10-17)

SH: 9:00 AM Adam Mains by Loretta Yanowich

Friday-Weekday (Mt 13:18-23)

No Morning Mass

Saturday-St. Martha (Mt 13:24-30)

No Morning Mass

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mt 13:24-43)

GS: 4:00 PM Conroy, DiVella & Mroziak Families
by M/M James Conroy

GS: 9:00 AM Margaret Napolitano by John Kogut

SH: 11:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS NEEDED

Extra Ordinary Ministers are greatly needed at Forbes Hospital, Monroeville. If you would like to help, please contact Karen Smith at 724-327-2217.

CATHOLIC SINGLES, 21 & OVER

The Catholic Alumni Club offers a variety of social opportunities including league athletics, parties, picnics, dances, dinners, hiking, valleyball, scripture study, trips, etc. For information, check out www.capittsburgh.org.

YOUNG ADULTS & SINGLES OF ALL AGES:

Check out Catholicthrive.com.

LOVING SOMEONE

To love someone deeply gives you strength. Being loved by someone deeply gives you courage. —Lao Tzu



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