

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

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Braddock PA 15104-1612

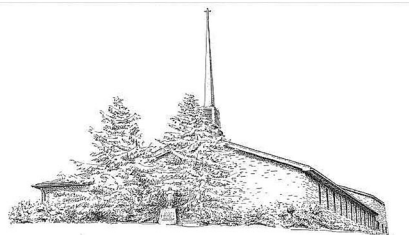
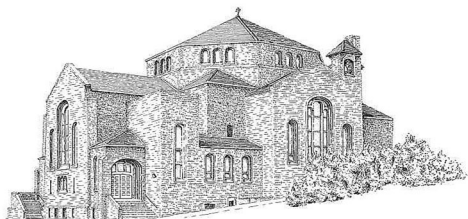
September 10, 2017

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Website: www.goodshepherdbraddock.org

Serving the Communities of Braddock, Braddock Hills, East Pittsburgh,



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

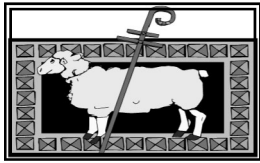
Parish Telephone Numbers

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.



September 10, 2017

From the Pastor's Desk

**TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

R.C.I.A.:

Deacon Joe and I will be holding an R.C.I.A. program on Wednesday evenings from 6:00—7:00 PM beginning Wednesday, September 20. R.C.I.A. stands for Rite of Christian Initiation for Adult. There basically are 3 stages. We begin with the question and introduction stage. Here you bring your questions and we also discuss some important elements of our Catholic faith. You then decide if you would like to hear more and we begin detailed instructions of how our Catholic faith is a treasure which Joe and I try to live and want to share. After you know what our treasure consists of, you then decide you probably would like to embrace and live the Catholic faith.

If you decide that you want to, then on Holy Saturday evening (March 31, 2018) at the Vigil Service of Easter you will be welcomed into our faith. Some have gone through the whole program and did not become Catholic but it gave them a deeper understanding of why their spouse and children are Catholic. Some who take the R.C.I.A. class are not baptized, some are baptized in another faith. Some are Catholic but need Confirmed and some just want to know more about the Catholic faith. Deacon Joe and I invite any and all to join us as we promise an exciting journey to share our love and knowledge of the Lord.

BISHOP'S EDUCATION FUND

The second collection today is for the Bishop's Education Fund (BEF). This fund provides tuition assistance for Catholic families. Catholic Schools are one of the best ways through which the church brings young people into a relationship with Jesus and prepares them for life. Your support is greatly needed to help our families who wish to educate their children in our Catholic schools.

HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF

A special emergency collection to assist the victims of Hurricane Harvey for humanitarian and church needs will be taken at all masses next weekend, **September 16-17**. Hurricane Harvey has created an unprecedented and catastrophic weather event of immense proportions. There is still anticipation that the rivers will continue to rise with more rain predicted and historic floods will continue for some time. The faithful in every diocese of our country are asked to be as generous as possible to our suffering brothers and sisters.

*Mass for St. Thomas Class of 67
Saturday September 16, 10 AM
Good Shepherd Church*

CHRISTMAS PARTY:

We have one more Christmas for us to celebrate together so let's have a party. Sacred Heart Hall would comfortably seat 160 people. We'll begin right after the 11:00 AM Mass on Sunday, December 3rd. A dinner with salad, starch, vegetable, main course and dessert will be served. Tickets will be \$10.00 a person and will be available the weekend of September 30/October 1. Put your table together with family or friends of 8 or 10. There will be a family price of \$25.00 for parents and children living at home who are not adults. Single parent family plan will be \$15.00.

I want this to be a kid-friendly party with some Christmas background music. Tickets will be available until we reach 160 or until the weekend of October 7-8, whichever comes first. No admission at the door without a ticket.

MINISTER SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 16-17:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, J. Hojnacki, T. Schleifer, M. Leicht, J. Carleton, T. McAdams, D. Trasoline

Lector: Angelina Hornick

Servers: Steve & Daniel Yezovich

9:00 AM

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

Lector: Nick Russo

Server: Selah Corbett

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: K. Carroll, J & M Besseck, N. Moucheron, J. Kondas, H. Sullivan

Lector: Dorothy Danko

Server: Olivia Joscak

SEPTEMBER 23-24:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: A. Kostyak, D. Hrabley, P. Humberson, M. Colao, T. Schleifer, J. Hojnacki, D. Trasoline

Lector: Mary Ann McClain

Server: Andy Connelly

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: C. DiNinno, M. Leicht, P. Koncerak, M. Giulianelli, R. Russo, M & L Petri

Lector: Jeff McLaughlin

Server: Josh DiNinno

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: H. Sullivan, C. Mirezni, M. Garritano, C. Suppes, P. Fazio, E. Foster

Lector: Dr. Chester Chorazy

Server: 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*

BROWN BAG BINGO NEXT SUNDAY

September 17, 2017...1:00-4:00 PM

Sacred Heart Hall...Doors open 12:30 PM

Admission of \$10.00 includes brown bag lunch, and 6 Faces for 15 regular games. Additional boards available; 6 Faces for \$3.00.

Extras: Special, Chinese Auction, Share the Wealth, and Rip Tickets.

For more information or tickets, call Peggy at 412-824-2588.

MONTHLY COMMEMORATIVE CELEBRATION

The MCC for September will be celebrated Wednesday, September 27th at 9:00 AM at Sacred Heart. Donations are to be turned in by Monday, September 25th.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

ST. MAURICE

We are now accepting registrations for the **2017-2018 Religious Education Program at St. Maurice for children in Pre K (4 years old) through 8th grade from Good Shepherd Parish.** Religious Education is for children currently attending public, private, home school and charter schools. Our Program fulfills the Diocese of Pittsburgh's requirements for children not attending Catholic Schools to learn about God, our Church and morality in a loving, nurturing environment and to receive their sacraments at the appropriate time. Our Program meets on Sunday mornings starting on September 24, 2017. **We look forward to having the children from Good Shepherd join us on our journey to learn more about God and His beautiful world!** Current Religious Ed. families will receive their registration packets through email. **If you are new to our program, if your child did attend a Catholic School but currently does not or did not receive an email, please contact Mrs. Kirkland at 412-351-6710 for more information and to register.**

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
Sunday: 1:00 PM Brown Bag Bingo SH Hall

Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure

Sunday, September 3rd: \$4,752.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652 env used: 240
Loose Offertory: \$387.00
Monthly Offering \$1,407.00 env used: 76
Loose Monthly Offering \$ 87.00
Votive: \$199.00

Thank you for your generosity!

ROSARY CAMPAIGN

What gift can we offer to Our Immaculate Mother Mary to honor her birthday in September? Why not offer to her what she has repeatedly requested, meditation on the mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary? There are six Wednesdays remaining in Our Rosary Campaign, the final day being Oct.11th at 7pm in the Sacred Heart Chapel. May Our Lady of Fatima rain down blessings on all who pray with us. Heartfelt gratitude to all who have attended, and all who will attend.

Deacon Joe

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "...where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." **Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we help them to know that indeed "God is in the midst of them."**

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

CHRIST HANDS PROJECT

Our Ladies of Charity are sponsoring the Christ Hands Project. They are accepting **winter hats, scarfs and gloves**, new or gently used. You may deposit these items in the boxes which are in the back of both churches. **These items will be accepted through September 30th.**

PRE CANA CLASS

Our Pre Cana class will be held on Sunday, October 29th at Sacred Heart Hall from 1:00—5:00 PM. The donation per couple is \$40.00. You may register by email at joedocauto@aol.com or call Joe or Anna Marie at 412-351-3710.

Memorial Offering Anyone who would like to have any or all of the gifts at our church celebrated in memory of a loved one, is now welcome to do so. Please fill out the form below and return to the parish office. Dates requested will be scheduled on a first come/first served basis.

Memorial Offering Request

- Altar Breads (\$20.00)
- Altar Candles (\$10.00)
- Altar Wine (\$10.00)
- Sanctuary Lamp (\$10.00)
- Complete Offering (\$45.00)
- Altar Flowers (\$50.00)

In Memory of _____

From _____

Date _____ Phone _____

WORD OF GOD OKTOBERFEST 2017

Saturday, September 16th, 7:00-10:30 p.m., at Word of God Parish on the church grounds, 7446 McClure Ave., Swissvale, PA 15218. Come join us for good food (catered by Veltre's), music by DJ Deacon Len, plus several small games of chance. Ticket cost of \$25 includes food, entertainment, and soft drinks; \$35 includes the previous plus beer and wine. Over 21 years old ONLY; no tickets sold at the door. For more information and tickets contact the parish office, 412-241-1372.

MASS IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

A Slovak-English Mass in Honor of Our Lady of Sorrows, Patroness of Slovakia, will be celebrated on **Friday, September 15, 2017** at Holy Trinity Church, 529 Grant Ave. Ext., West Mifflin, PA. A Prelude of Slovak Hymns will be sung at 7:00 PM in honor of Mary. Mass will follow. A reception will take place in the Church social Hall. Further information may be obtained by calling Len Potemra at 412-672-6265.

HEALING MASS

Fr. Bill Kiel will celebrate Mass at **St. Robert Bellarmine Church in East McKeesport** on Tuesday, September 19 at 7 PM with healing service to follow. For more information, contact the parish office at 412-824-2644. Please consider bringing someone with you who has not been able to attend Mass due to illness.

CATHOLIC SINGLES, 21 & OVER

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

YOUNG ADULTS & SINGLES OF ALL AGES:

Check out Catholicthrive.com.

SAVE THE DATE

Saint Thomas All-Class Reunion

Saturday, November 4, 2017

Grand View Golf Club



REMEMBER 9/11

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Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

MASSSES for the WEEK

Good Shepherd Parish
September 10-17, 2017

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mk 18:15-20)

GS: 4:00 PM Raymond Yuhas

by Alice & Doc Lanowitz

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM Bernie Joscak by Joscak Family

Monday-Weekday (Lk 6:6-11)

SH: 9:00 AM Thomas Baligrocky by Carol Savolskis

Tuesday-Weekday (Lk 6:12-19)

SH: 9:00 AM Edward Jendeski by Family & Friends

Wednesday-St. John Chrysostom (Lk 6:20-26)

SH: 9:00 AM James Holub

by Monday Afternoon Ladies of Charity

Thursday -Exultation of the Holy Cross (Jn 3:13-17)

SH: 9:00 AM Patricia Flora by Shirley & Bill Foster

Friday-Our Lady of Sorrows (Jn 19:25-27)

No Morning Mass

Saturday-SS Cornelius & Cyprian (Lk 6:43-49)

GS: 10:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of
St. Thomas High School Class of 1967

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mk 18:21-35)

GS: 4:00 PM Anthony DiVito, Jr.

by Bo & Anna Belinsky

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM Frank & Mary Barbusio by Son, Guigno



BAPTISM

Baptized on Sunday, August 27th was **Kayden Bryan Alberter**. Kayden is the son of Jessica Amber Fisher. We welcome **Kayden** into our Parish Family.

REST IN PEACE

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

Michael G. "Mickey" Cushion.

May the angels lead you into paradise

Birthday



Wishes

Happy Birthday wishes go out to **Theresa Kobylanski**, who is celebrating her 90th birthday today, September 10th. God bless you Theresa!

MEMORIAL OFFERING THIS WEEK:

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

In Memory of Tekla Kogut and John Brown

by Kogut and Brown Families

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