

# Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

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Braddock PA 15104-1612

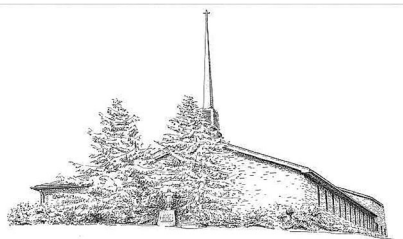
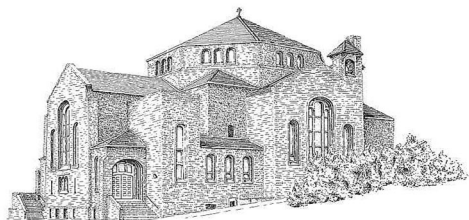
*September 11, 2016*

Parish Office: 412-271

Fax: 412-271-1222

Website: [www.goodshepherdbraddock.org](http://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

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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](mailto:tjsjrfhi3@verizon.net)

**We are an “On Mission for the Church Alive” Faith Community.**



September 11, 2016

From the Pastor's Desk

**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

**SISTER'S PLACE:**

Sister Mary Parks was a bit overwhelmed by your response last weekend. She thought you would take an envelope. She didn't expect to sell a bunch of tickets. People are always surprised by your kindness. Thanks, I feel great knowing so many good, kind-hearted people. I have some extra tickets if you need one.

**CONVOCATION OF DIOCESAN PRIESTS:**

On Monday, September 19 through Thursday, September 22, I will join Bishop David Zubik and fellow priests for a convocation dedicated to spiritual renewal, pastoral and professional development, and priestly fellowship in the service of the Lord. The theme of the convocation is *Prophets of a Future Not Our Own: Leading with Confidence in this Time of Transition.*

The following pastoral service arrangements have been made for the days that I will be participating in the convocation at Oglebay Resort and Conference Center in Wheeling, West Virginia. I will have Mass on Monday and Deacon Joe will hold Communion Services Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of that week at 9:00 AM at Sacred Heart Chapel. Should a priest be needed for an emergency, please call the Parish Office.

**ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE!**

**IT'S OFTEN SAID THAT CHANGE IS A PART OF LIFE**, but that doesn't make it any easier. Our society is changing, and so are our communities and parishes. **ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE!** will help lead us through changes ahead to help fulfill our baptismal call to follow and bring others to Jesus. You are invited to take part in one of two **parish consultation sessions** to learn about draft proposals of new models of ministry across the Diocese of Pittsburgh. Our parish meetings will be held on **Wednesday, November 9th** and **Monday, November 14th**. See this week's bulletin insert to learn more about the **challenge** and the **opportunity of change**.

Our **On Mission Team of Mary Besseck, Jose Collazo, Alison Flora** and **John Jakiela** will meet and **CONSULT** with our Vicariate II, District 1 planners on Tuesday, September 27th. That's too late for the October 2nd bulletin. So look forward to the October 9th bulletin when I can share the first draft with you. And remember to join us on November 9th or 14th to express your input. Learn more at [www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org](http://www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org).

**CAMPAIGN FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE**

Every so often I receive a report telling me how Good Shepherd is progressing on the Campaign for the Church Alive. We pledged \$294,865. So far, we've paid \$179,690 leaving us with a balance of \$115,175. So far our parish received \$71,876.00 after our expenses. We now have a new truck, an organ at Sacred Heart and Air Conditioning in Good Shepherd. Hopefully, we are all continuing to pay our pledge.

**PRO LIFE CORNER:**

"Let me tell you why I believe abortion is the crucial issue of our age. First, because abortion, too, is about living within the truth. The right to life is the foundation of every other human right. If that right is not inviolate, then no right can be guaranteed. Or to put it more bluntly: Homicide is homicide, no matter how small the victim."  
- Archbishop Charles Chaput

**MINISTER SCHEDULE**

**SEPTEMBER 17-18:**

**4:00 PM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** F. Szekely, D. Hrabley, P. Humberson, J. Kaczmarek, M. Colao, J. Carleton, T. Schleifer

**Lector:** Angelina Hornick

**Server:** Andrew Connelly

**9:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** D & T. Whyel, L & M Petri, J. Strednak, N. Russo, B. McDonell

**Lector:** Gina Piccolino

**Server:** Christopher & Drew Yezovich

**11:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** J. Barbusio, E. Foster, N. Moucheron, P. Fazio, H. Sullivan, K. Carroll

**Lector:** Dorothy Danko

**Server:** Brianna Skladany

**SEPTEMBER 24-25:**

**4:00 PM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** A. Kostyak, J & M Besseck, J. Carleton, J. Hojnacki, J. Kaczmarek, T. McAdams

**Lector:** Theodore Schleifer

**Server:** Steven Yezovich

**9:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Leicht, C. DiNinno, P. Koncerak, L & M Petri, M. Giulianelli, J. McLaughlin

**Lector:** Nick Russo

**Server:** Josh DiNinno

**11:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** H. Sullivan, M. Garritano, C. Mireni, S. Szatkowski, J. Kondas, C. Bakin

**Lector:** Ken Bitkowski

**Server:** Olivia Joscak

**Please call a sub if you cannot be there or call Father Al at 412-812-5275 for last minute changes.**



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*Peace and Love,  
Father Semler*

### **BISHOP'S EDUCATION FUND**

The second collection this weekend, will be taken for the Bishop's Education Fund. The regular School offering envelope is omitted in your packet for the month of September. In the past twenty years, almost \$12.3 million in assistance has been given to nearly 43,000 children from nearly every parish in the Diocese. Many students in our Diocese want a Catholic school education, but a number of those students can only do so with financial assistance. The Bishop's Education Fund makes such assistance available. Thank you in advance for your generosity for Catholic education.

### **WOMEN'S GUILD**

Our Good Shepherd Women's Guild will meet this **Tuesday, September 13** at 7:00 PM in Sacred Heart Hall. At this meeting we will discuss plans for our group moving forward. All are welcome to join.

### **SENIOR CITIZENS MEETING**

Our Seniors will hold their regular monthly meeting this Wednesday, September 14th at Sacred Heart Hall. Doors open at 11:00 AM. Root Beer Float is featured at this meeting and will be served at 12:00 Noon. The donation is \$4.00. Envelopes will also be given out for our Bakeless Bake Sale.

Tickets will be on sale for the Octoberfest at the October 13th meeting. The price includes a lunch of fruit cup, hot dogs, baked beans, chips, cupcake and beverage. Everyone will get a treat for Halloween. A ticket is needed to hold your reservation.

**New members are always welcome!**

### **LADIES OF CHARITY**

The date for the Ladies of Charity meeting has been changed back to the last Sunday of September. Our ladies will meet on **Sunday, September 25th** at 12:00 Noon at Sacred Heart Hall.

### **MONTHLY COMMEMORATIVE CELEBRATION**

The next MCC will take place on Wednesday, September 28th. Please have your intentions in to the Parish Office by Monday, September 26th.

### **PRE CANA CLASS**

Our Pre Cana class will be held on Sunday, October 2nd 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](mailto:joedocauto@aol.com) or call Joe or Anna Marie at 412-351-3710.

### **PET BLESSING**

Father Al will bless your fuzzy and furry friends on Saturday, **October 1st at 12:30 PM** at Sacred Heart Parking lot.

### **EAST CATHOLIC REGISTRATION**

#### **2016-2017 School Year**

**East Catholic School** welcomes prospective new families who are interested in learning about our programs from 3year old Preschool through the 8<sup>th</sup> grade to come join us and be a part of "East Catholic School" at 2001 Ardmore Blvd. in Forest Hills, Pennsylvania. Registration for the 2016-2017 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, 2016 to be eligible for Kindergarten.

**FLEA MARKET** We will have another drop-off day for your Flea Market items: **Saturday, September 24** from 10:00 AM-1:00 PM at Sacred Heart Garage. **NO CLOTHES OR SHOES.**

### **SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that the shepherd rejoices when he finds one lost sheep. The story tells us that nothing and no one is insignificant to God who is compassionate and loving to all.

**Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul...we want to help!**

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

### **FRATERNITY OF PRIESTS HEALING MASS**

The Healing Mass will take place this Wednesday, September 14th at 7:00 PM at North American Martyrs Church, 2526 Haymaker Road, Monroeville, PA 15146. For info, call 412-373-0330.

### **NIGHT AT THE RACES**

A Night at the Races will be held to benefit the Sokol Hall, #179, 1910 South Street, North Braddock (Upper Hall) on Saturday, September 24, 2016 at 6:00 PM. The donation of \$10.00 includes food and draft beer. For tickets, please contact Amy Skladany at 412-303-8637 or Michelle Wheatly at 412-855-1173.

#### ***Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure***

<b>Sunday, September 4th:</b>	<b>\$6,449.00</b>
Parishioners receiving env: 620	env used: 286
<b>Loose Offertory:</b>	<b>\$252.00</b>
<b>Monthly Offering: \$1,159.00</b>	env used: 79
<b>Loose Monthly Offering:</b>	<b>\$112.00</b>
<b>Votive:</b>	<b>\$124.00</b>

**May God Bless your generosity!**

### **MASS IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS**

A Slovak-English Mass in Honor of Our Lady of Sorrows, Patroness of Slovakia, will take place on Thursday, September 15, 2016 at Holy Trinity Church, 529 Grant Avenue Ext., West Mifflin. A Prelude of Slovak Hymns in honor of Mary will be sung at 7:00 PM preceding the Mass. A reception will follow in the church Social Hall. Further information may be obtained by calling Len Potemra at 412-672-6265.

### **DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY'S FALL**

***OPEN HOUSE, Sunday, September 18th***

***8:00 AM to 1:30 PM***

This is an opportunity for current high school seniors from all religious denominations and their families to speak with representatives from admission, financial aid, academic departments and administration. During the day there will be many opportunities to learn about college admissions procedures, classes, majors and career possibilities. Register with Duquesne's Office of Admissions online at [www.duq.edu/fallopenhouse](http://www.duq.edu/fallopenhouse).

### **ST. THOMAS HS CLASS OF 1966**

**50th REUNION**

The Reunion will be held Saturday, October 29th at Grand View Golf Club. You may Contact Ernie at [play.is.back@gmail.com](mailto:play.is.back@gmail.com)

### **MAGNIFICAT PRAYER BREAKFAST**

Ladies, come to the Magnificat Pittsburgh Prayer Breakfast on October 1st from 9:00 AM to Noon at the DoubleTree by Hilton, Cranberry Twp. Hear speaker Nikki Bruni tell her amazing story of finding God, her conversion to the Catholic faith, and finding her purpose in pro-life work. She is director of Pittsburgh's 40 Days for Life and an artist who uses her abilities to glorify God. Cost of the breakfast is \$23. To register, call Pam at 412-461-8906 or Kay at 724-772-6749 or go to [www.magnificatpittsburgh.org](http://www.magnificatpittsburgh.org). Registration deadline is September 23rd.

### **ROSARY MARCH**

The Rosary March will take place on Sunday, October 2nd from Epiphany Church, 184 Washington Place, Uptown, through the city of Pittsburgh. Epiphany—Festival of Praise with Mary (Deacon William Strathmann). Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament starting at 1:30 PM (Fr. David Rombold). Following Liturgy of the Word there will be a procession with the Most Blessed Sacrament, returning to Epiphany for Benediction, Crowning of Our Lady, and for those who choose to stay, a special blessing for healing. For info, call 412-884-3213, or 412-882-3027.

***Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:***

***1-888-808-1235***

***Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan***

# **MASSSES for the WEEK**

Good Shepherd Parish  
September 11-18, 2016

## Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Lk 15:1-32)

GS: 4:00 PM John Mazzone by Anita & Bill Bordas

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM Reverend Joseph Stankiewicz  
by Sophie & Gene Szatkowski

Monday-Weekday (Lk 7:1-10)

SH: 9:00 AM Linda Snyder by Pauline Korotko

Tuesday-St. John Chrysostom (Lk 7:11-17)

SH: 9:00 AM Catherine Motkowski  
by Sister, Stephanie Fichtner

Wednesday-Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Jn 3:13-17)

SH: 9:00 AM Andrew & Ann Gress  
by Daughter, Dolores

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

SH: 9:00 AM David L. Kubicko by Mother & Father

Friday-SS Cornelius & Cyprian (Lk 8:1-3)

No Morning Mass

Saturday-Weekday (Lk 8:4-15)

No Morning Mass

## Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Lk 16:1-13)

GS: 4:00 PM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

GS: 9:00 AM Pat Emrock by Wife, Fran

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

### **REST IN PEACE**

*In your charity, we remember all those  
who have died, especially: Mary Nosko,  
Carole Hamilton, Antonio Michael Williams  
and James O'Malley.*

*May the angels lead you into paradise.*

### **MEMORIAL OFFERING:**

*Sanctuary Lamp:*

*In Memory of George J. Bandik*

*by Family*

### **What's Happening this Week**

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Sunday: 12:00 PM Brown Bag Bingo SH Hall

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

### **HELPING YOUR NEIGHBOR**

If you truly want to help the soul of your neighbor,  
you should approach God first with all your heart. Ask  
God simply to fill you with charity . . . with it you can  
accomplish what you desire. —St. Vincent Ferrer

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**WEEK!!!**