

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

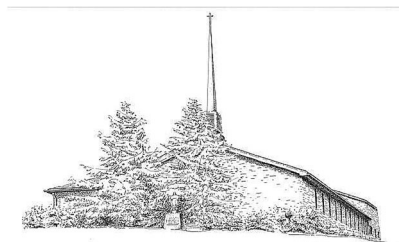
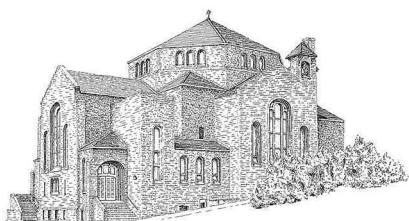
1024 Maple Way
Braddock PA 15104-1612

September 20, 2015

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

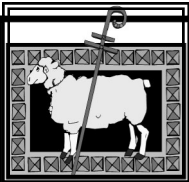
Reverend Albert J. Semler, Pastor
Deacon Joseph M. Dougherty
Mrs. Michele Catone, Parish Secretary (micky52@comcast.net)
Ms. Carol Funk, Parish Office Manager
Mr. Frank Koncerak, Director of Maintenance
Sr. Judith Stojhovic

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.

With God All Things Are Possible!



September 20, 2015
From the Pastor's Desk

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday
In Ordinary Time**

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

"The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." How about that for an announcement out of the blue. Can we blame the disciples for not asking any questions? They were dumbfounded most likely and didn't even know what to ask. How blessed we are today. We not only know what Jesus meant but we can celebrate that sacred event each day of our lives.
PRAISE THE LORD.

WOW! WHAT A 3 YEARS!

It was three years ago on September 17th that this 30 year old kid arrived at Good Shepherd in Braddock and now I'm 74. Wow! What a 3 years. I'll bet you didn't believe that 30 charade. But it really has been an action packed three years. We merged with Holy Cross, picking up a bunch of beautiful people as new parishioners; we celebrated 30 years of growing pains with many joys as our 30-10-1 marked what is now 9 former parishes into one Good Shepherd Parish. We lost two of God's very best. First it was Sister Marita Charley and then Herb Dillahunt. Fortunately, they are all alive and well sharing their tremendous skills with others. I will be forever grateful that these two God-filled people were here when I arrived and who loved and served Good Shepherd so well.

There are so many of you who work tirelessly for our parish family. I say thank you for a very fulfilling and spiritual three years. May God continue to bless us and help us grow in His love and in His way as we pursue On Mission for the Church Alive.

BELL CHOIR:

Kelly Thompson and Robert Swope met with our Bell Ringers and their parents. The good news is that we have enough interest to have two groups. They are practicing and you will hear them at Good Shepherd Church at various 4:00 PM and 9:00 AM Masses. They are currently accepting "bookings" to play elsewhere. You can call Rob at 412-901-1588 or call the Parish Office at 412-271-1515 and leave a message; they will "get back" to you.

DEACON JOE:

Deacon Joe will be using "Herb's old office" or the "old Music office" at the top of the stairs that exit by the parking lot. Actually that will be how you enter the office to see Joe. This will give Joe a space to call his own. I'll give you the phone number and let you know when this is ready and in working order.

A PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF MERCY
*Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father,
And have told us that whoever sees you sees God.
Show us your face and we will be saved.
You are the visible face of the invisible Father,
of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy:
Let the Church be your visible face in the world.
Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing,
So that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind. Amen.* —Pope Francis

MINISTER SCHEDULE:

You can look for the Mass Ministry schedule here every week. I'll give you two weeks notice. Today we'll have October 3-4. Next week will be October 3-4 and October 10-11. So, you will always have a two week notice. If you cannot make it, call a sub if you can, otherwise call me.

October 3-4:

4:00 PM

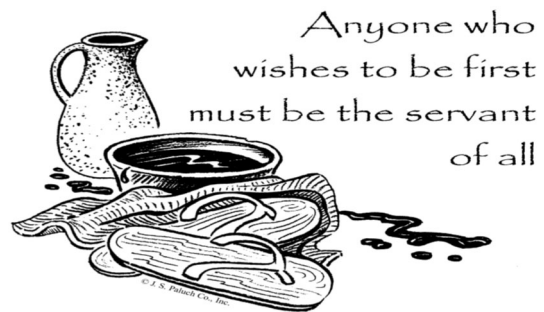
Eucharistic Ministers: C. Mirenzi, M. Colao, F. Szekely, T. Schleifer, J. Carleton, A. Kostyak, R. Hornick
Lector: Angelina Hornick
Servers: Andy Connelly

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Strednak, H. Sullivan, M. Giulianelli, L. Petri, N & R. Russo, R. McDonnell
Lector: Mark Petri
Servers: Josh DiNinno

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: J & M Besseck, J. Kondas, S. Szatkowski, N. Moucheron, K. Bitkowski
Lector: Carolyn Bakin
Server: Steven Yezovich



Peace and Love, Fr. Semler

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The men will meet this Tuesday evening, September 22nd at Sacred Heart Hall at 7:00 PM. All men of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend.

BELL CHOIR BAKE SALE

Good news...our Bell Choir is going to continue their delightful music ministry thanks to Kelly Thompson and Robert Swope.

Our Bell Choir members will hold a **Bake Sale** after all the Masses on the weekend of **October 3rd and 4th**. Save your appetite that weekend for some delicious goodies and support our children.

FLEA MARKET

Good Shepherd Flea Market will be held on Halloween weekend, Saturday, October 31 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM and Sunday, November 1, 2015 from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall. Food will be available for sale and there will also be a bake sale.

So, gather up all the treasures that you don't need anymore. There will be two drop off dates at Sacred Heart from 9:00 AM till 2:00 PM: **Saturday, October 3rd** and **Saturday, October 17th**. **We cannot accept clothing or shoes.**

Mark the date on your calendar and plan to join us for good food and do some exotic shopping.

PRE CANA

Our Pre Cana program will take place on Sunday, October 4, 2015 at Sacred Heart Hall from 1:00—5:00 PM. The donation per couple is \$35.00. You may register by calling Joe or Anna Marie at 412-351-3710.

PASTORAL COUNCIL will resume their meetings on Monday, October 5th at 7:00 PM in Sacred Heart Hall.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel Jesus called the Twelve, and said to them, *"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."* Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, *"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."*

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will help hungry children feel the arms of Jesus around them.

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

LADIES OF CHARITY

Our ladies will meet next Sunday, September 27th at Sacred Heart Hall at 12:15 PM.

ANNUAL PET BLESSING

You may bring all your furry and fuzzy friends to Sacred Heart parking lot on Saturday, October 3rd at 1:00 PM. Father Semler will bless your little (some not so little) friends.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2016

Our forms to schedule intentions for the new year will be available in the gathering space the weekend of October 3rd and 4th. The forms will be accepted the following week.

We ask that you limit your request to **one intention on a weekend** (either Saturday or Sunday). Many parishioners would like to schedule on a weekend so that their family members are able to attend. Please read all of the details listed on the form. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

STEP-OUT: WALK TO STOP DIABETES

The American Diabetes Association is celebrating their 75th Anniversary. This year the Koncerak Family will participate in the walk. Their 14 year old daughter, Kristina was diagnosed with diabetes Type 1 last year and the family would like to support this endeavor to stop diabetes. The Walk will be held on September 26th and donations to the American Diabetes Association would be greatly appreciated.

You may go online to stepoutadmin@diabetes.org and click **donations**; under donations, look for **Koncerak Family** and place your donation. The family will also be available before and after all Masses this weekend, September 19th and 20th. Checks should be made payable to: **The American Diabetes Association. Thank you.**

THANK YOU

We received a note of thanks for your donation in the amount of \$1,057.00 to the Missionary Cooperation Plan. Father Lengwin writes that "Missionary activity renews the Church. Faith is strengthened when it is shared with others." Father Walter Ostrowski also wrote to thank you for your hospitality during his visit for the mission appeal assignment at our parish.

OUR BEST

The more the world is at its worst, the more we need the Church at its best.

—Anonymous



Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure

Sunday, September 13th:	\$5,362.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 324
Loose Offertory:	\$255.00
Bishop's Education: \$977.00	env used: 75
Loose Bishop's Education:	\$ 72.00
Votive:	\$147.00

May God bless your generosity!

V.F.W. POST 5008, East Pittsburgh

The V.F. W. will hold a **Super Saturday Bingo** on September 26th. Doors open at 10:30 AM. Kitchen opens at 11:00 AM. Bingo starts at noon. \$25 admission per person. You may double your pack for \$15 more. Admission includes 12 cards for regular, 12 cards for specials. 12 cards \$1,200 must go jackpot. Plus Free Coffee. Come and support your club.

CRAFT/VENDOR SHOW

St. Michael, 101 McLay Drive, Elizabeth, PA will hold a Fall Craft/Vendor Show on Sunday, October 4th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM in Archangel Hall. The Show is being sponsored by their Christian Mothers and Women's Guild.

Please call Roseanne at 412-751-4263 or Kathy at 412-384-5759 Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM for more information.

BRADDOCK ELKS

This is real money for our youth to live out their dreams of going to college. If you have any questions or would like more information about the Elks scholarship, please call Debbie at 412-823-1357 or you can review the information on the national web site www.elks.org, select "our programs" and then "scholarship" to learn more about the program. Last year the Elks received 50 applicants and 32 of them received scholarships.

ST. COLMAN MONTHLY FISH DINNER

Friday, October 2, 3:00—7:00 PM

School Cafeteria

Fried or Baked Fish Sandwich-\$7; Variety of side dishes-2 for \$4. Other items: haluski, pierogies, mac 'n cheese, crab cakes, French fries, cole slaw, baked goods and soft serve ice cream. For more information, please call Gerry at 412-596-4472.

Next Fish Dinners: Nov. 6, Dec. 4 And Jan. 9.

OAKLAND CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

The School will host "**Eagle for a Day**" on Friday, October 9, 2015. All 8th grade young ladies are invited to attend and experience life at Oakland Catholic for the day. Please visit www.oaklandcatholic.org and register today!

OPEN HOUSE - Seton LaSalle Catholic High School

1000 Mc Neilly Road in Mt. Lebanon, will be hosting an informational OPEN HOUSE for all interested students and their families on October 4th from 11:30 – 3:00. Administrators, teachers, coaches, and activities moderators will be present to address any questions. Seton LaSalle is also hosting a Visitation Day for 8th grade students on Friday, October 9th. Questions call: Suzee Talerico 412-561-3583 ext. 1127. Visit us at www.slshs.org

Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

MASSSES for the WEEK

Good Shepherd Parish
September 20-27, 2015

Twenty-Fifth Sunday Ordinary Time (Mk 9:30-37)

GS: 4:00 PM Pat Emrock by Wife
GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish
SH: 11:00 AM Eugene Kearney by Family

Monday-St. Matthew, Apostle (Mt 9:9-13)

SH: 9:00 AM Kenneth Riling by M/M Ondorcik

Tuesday-Weekday (Lk 8: 19-21)

SH: 9:00 AM Dolores Barbusio
by Shirley & Bill Foster

Wednesday-St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Lk 9:1-6)

SH: 9:00 AM George Zilko by Family

Thursday-Weekday (Lk 9:7-9)

SH: 9:00 AM Rita Taylor by Jerry & Janet Taylor

Friday-Weekday (Lk 9:18-22)

No Morning Mass

Saturday-Weekday (Lk 9:43b-45)

No Morning Mass

Twenty-Sixth Sunday Ordinary Time

(Mk 9:38-43,45,47-48)

GS: 4:00 PM Robert Burkovich by Bob & Toni
GS: 9:00 AM Joseph & Helen Graycar
by Daughter, Janet Zack
SH: 11:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

Memorial Offering: Good Shepherd Parish

Altar Flowers:

*In Memory of Patrick Emrock
By Wife*

Rest In Peace

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

Norberta Hruska.

May the angels lead you into paradise.

What's Happening this Week

September 20-27, 2015

Monday: 7:00 PM Scouts GS School
Tuesday: 7:00 PM Holy Name Mtg SH Hall
Thursday: 7:00 PM Prayer Group SH Chapel
Sunday: 12:15 PM Ladies of Charity SH Hall

ANNUAL MASS IN HONOR OF PADRE PIO

Wednesday, September 23, 2015, 7:00 PM. Saint Augustine Church, 37th Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15201. Relics from Padre Pio will be on display and the public is welcome. Confessions will be heard 6:00—7:00 PM.

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