

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

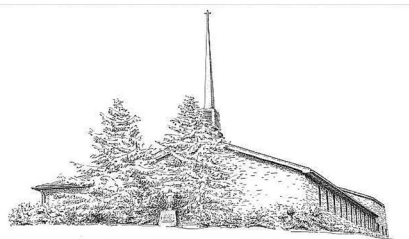
1024 Maple Way
Braddock PA 15104-1612

November 12, 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

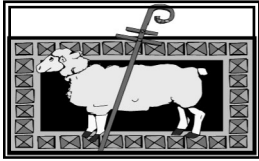
- **Sacrament of Baptism:** Please call the Parish Office at 412-271-1515. Previous arrangements are necessary.
- **Instruction in the Faith:** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) program is offered for those interested in the Catholic Faith. Contact the Parish Office at 412-271-1515.
- **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.

November 12, 2017

From the Pastor's Desk

**THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**



CLOSING:

The really good news is that we closed on St. Helen's Church and Rectory recently. The expected date was November 2nd which was too late for the November 5th bulletin. And since schedules have to synchronize, I wasn't positive if that would happen. So the good news is not that it has happened, but that the Church building will still be a wonderful structure for East Pittsburgh. The cooperation of the government of East Pittsburgh is very much appreciated. When all is said and done, we will receive about \$40,000.00 which will help us to recoup the expenses we still had to pay. The unseen work by Frank and Carol is very much appreciated also.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR FOOD DRIVE:

You can bring your non—perishable food and paper products next weekend or on Thanksgiving Day for the Little Sisters of the Poor. Just put them by the baptismal fonts in each church. If you choose to give money or gift cards, deposit them in the collection basket in an envelope marked **Little Sisters of the Poor**.

MINISTERS:

We are at the point where we need to have more Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors. My servers are so faithful that I don't need more but will be happy to have some new ones. New servers should be in the 4th grade or older. My Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors have been very faithful also as they serve every other week or 2 out of 3 weeks. To be a minister you have to be a practicing Catholic able to receive the Eucharist. And you need to be able to obtain the Protecting God's Children clearances. So, if you are interested and willing, give me a call at the office 412-271-1515 and I'll let you know what the Protecting God's Children asks of you. Carol can probably tell you if I'm not in.

AMEN TO ACTION: On Friday, November 24th you are welcome to join others at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center as they come together in the spirit of Jesus to worship and pack one million **Meals of Hope** for the hungry. The event will take place from 9:00 AM till 12:30 PM. You may register at AmentoAction.org.

TURKEY TROT RAFFLE:

Our Turkey Trot Raffle is an important 'bigger' need for our fund raising since we no longer have the Summer Festival. Your support will be appreciated.

DECEMBER RAFFLE: We support East Catholic School via the December raffle tickets you have received in the mail. I'll have more at Church if you didn't get them. Your support will help us keep our subsidy from rising.

CHRISTMAS PARTY:

Reservations are now closed and the order for food has been placed. We are looking for a good time on December 3rd. Our menu is: tossed salad, pasta salad, fresh vegetable medley, haluski, baked potato bar w/ toppings, roast beef & mushrooms in wine sauce, Herb baked chicken and English style cod, cake, coffee, tea, soda and water. And yes, you can bring your own wine if you wish — glasses too. Music will be provided by Mickey D.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 18-19:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Joe, A.M. Dougherty, P. Koncerak, T. Schleifer, A. Kostyak, P. Humberson, D. Hrabley

Lector: Mary Ann McClain

Server: Andy Connelly

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Leicht, T & D Whyel, C. DiNinno, J. Strednak, M. Giulianelli, B. McDonell

Lector: Jeff McLaughlin

Server: Josh DiNinno

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: K. Carroll, S. Szatkowski, J. Kondas, E. Foster, R. Stamerra, J. Barbusio

Lector: Paulette Fazio

Server: Morgan Skladany

NOVEMBER 25-26:

4:00 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Hojnacki, J. Carleton, D. Trasoline, T. McAdams, M. Colao, J & Mary Besseck

Lector: Theodore Schleifer

Server: Stephen & Daniel Yezovich

9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Corbett, M. Leicht, P. Koncerak, B. McDonell, M & L. Petri, J. McLaughlin

Lector: Gina Piccolino

Server: Selah Corbett

11:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: H. Sullivan, M. Garritano, C. Mirenzi, N. Moucheron, C. Bakin, K. Carroll

Lector: Dorothy Danko

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*

MONTHLY COMMEMORATIVE CELEBRATION

The MCC for November will be celebrated Wednesday, November 29th at 9:00 AM at Sacred Heart. Donations are to be turned in by Monday, November 27th.

Please Note: The last MCC Mass will take place on December 27, 2017.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel Jesus challenges us to "stay awake" by taking time to seriously look at ourselves, the priorities of our lives, and how we are growing spiritually.

Ask yourself "What would Jesus Christ do?" and then give your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who are suffering will be able to celebrate Thanksgiving.

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

EAST CATHOLIC SCHOOL NIGHT AT THE RACES- Friday, November 17th

at the Hall at the **Word of God Parish Center**, 7436 McClure Ave., Swissvale, PA 15218. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Dinner catered by Veltre's will begin at 7:00 p.m., and races will start at 7:45 PM. Tickets are \$20 and includes dinner and a horse. Also included with ticket is beer, pop, and water. Additional horses are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Even if you are not able to make the event you can still buy horses for a chance to win cash prizes. Also other chances to win prizes (age 21 and older only). If you or your business would like to sponsor a race please let us know. For tickets please call Joelle Matthews, 412-860-8548, Mary Pat Valentino, 412-247-5513, or Anne Flaherty, 412-266-4527. **PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FROM**

SATURDAY, NOV. 18 TO FRIDAY, NOV. 17.

DECEMBER BINGO

Good Shepherd Social Club will sponsor Bingo **Sunday, December 10**, 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.



SAVE THE DATE!

Plan for an afternoon of fun and prizes and tell all of your friends!

Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure

Sunday, November 5th:	\$5,948.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 260
Loose Offertory:	\$300.00
Monthly Offering: \$1,135.00	env used: 72
Loose Monthly Offering:	\$ 82.00
Votive:	\$214.00

Thank you for your generosity!

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

The collection will be held in parishes next weekend, November 18-19. Coordinated by the National Religious Retirement Office (NRRO) in Washington, D.C., the annual appeal benefits 32,000 elderly Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests whose religious congregations lack adequate retirement funding.

Despite past generosity, many religious communities still struggle to provide for aging members. Only 41 of the 539 communities submitting data to the National Religious Retirement Office in 2016 were adequately funded for retirement. Traditionally, Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests—known collectively as religious—served for small stipends that did not include retirement benefits.

Today, hundreds of religious communities lack sufficient retirement savings. Compounding the funding shortage are the rising cost of care and the decrease in income that has resulted from the declining number of religious able to serve in compensated ministry. In addition to providing assistance for day-to-day needs, collection proceeds underwrite initiatives to help religious communities address the factors underlying their retirement shortfalls. These efforts have facilitated solutions such as collaborative care facilities, strategic partnerships with health-care providers and numerous cost-saving measures. Visit retiredreligious.org to learn more.

WALKING TOURS AT EAST CATHOLIC

Is your child ready to start Preschool or Kindergarten? Please join us at East Catholic School for a tour and see firsthand what we have to offer from pre-K through 8th grade. **Registration is required for the walking tours.** Call the school office at 412/351-5403 to register for a tour today!

Current scheduled tours:

Tuesday, November 14, 2017 @ 9:30am
Thursday, December 7, 2017 @ 9:30am
Wednesday, January 10, 2018 @ 9:30am

Catholic Schools Week Open House
Sunday, January 28, 2018 from 1—3pm
No registration required for open house.

LUNCH WITH SANTA

Santa is coming to St. John Fisher Church (Beaufort Hall) Saturday, December 2, 2017 at 12:00 Noon to have lunch with the children. Cost per person is \$5.00. Tickets may be purchased by calling the church office at 412-241-4722 no later than Monday, November 27th. Please make checks payable to St. John Fisher Church and note "Lunch with Santa."

Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

"JUBILATE DEO" Concert at St. Maurice Church

On November 19 at 7:00 PM, more than 50 singers from the choirs of St. Maurice and Sacred Heart Catholic Parishes and Temple David Synagogue will join voices to present Dan Forrest's stunning choral work, "**Jubilate Deo**" with full orchestral accompaniment. The event will be held at St. Maurice Parish, 2001 Ardmore Blvd. Pittsburgh, 15221. (Forest Hills).

Jubilate Deo brings to life the global aspect of the traditional Psalm 100 text, "O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands," by setting it in seven different languages and drawing from a wide spectrum of musical influences. Movements include liturgical Latin, intertwined Hebrew and Arabic, Mandarin Chinese, Zulu, Spanish, Song of the Earth (untexted), and a closing movement combining several of these languages with English. The result is a stunning global celebration of joy, as all the earth sings as one, "omnis terra, jubilate!"

Tickets for this 60 minute concert are available for a suggested donation of \$10, (\$5 for students) and are available at all three houses of worship or by contacting Norm Chapman at SaintMauriceMusic@gmail.com. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door on the night of the performance.

GIVING TO YOUR PARISH

It's easy to make a bequest in your will:

Instruct your attorney to make a provision in your will or living trust using this language: "I give, devise and bequeath \$ ____ [specify dollar amount] [or % ____ percentage of my estate] [or ____% percentage of the remainder of my estate or property] to ____ Parish at [include legal address of your parish or school]."

CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL.

The PLACEMENT/ENTRANCE TEST for eighth grade boys who wish to attend Central Catholic beginning in the fall of 2018 will be administered on Saturday, December 9th. There is no fee to take this test. Registration for the test can be completed online at www.centralcatholics.com/apply. Contact the Admissions Office at 412-621-7505 with any questions.

PURSE BASH The North Braddock VFD and East Pittsburgh VFW will sponsor a Purse Bash on **Saturday, November 18th from 6 to 10 PM** at the East Pittsburgh VFW, 401 Draper Street, East Pittsburgh, PA 15112. Donation \$25.00 per person; includes lite fare, beer and mixers. B.Y.O.B. permitted. No admission without a ticket. Must be 21 to attend. For tickets, call 412-829-1377. Winner need not be present.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2018 GRADUATES

The Wilkins Elks is offering 500 Scholarships to 2017 - 2018 Seniors that have excellent SAT Scores, High Involvement in their School, Community and show strong leadership. SAT must be taken and scored prior to Oct 2017. **Application deadline November 27, 2017.** Please contact Debbie Raible at 412-823-1357 for an application and details. No Affiliation with the Elks is required.

MASSSES for the WEEK

Good Shepherd Parish
November 12-19, 2017

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mt 25:1-13)

GS: 4:00 PM John & Mary Harcarik

by Daughter, Betty

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM Kerry Miller Brady by Alice Russell

Monday-Weekday (Lk 17:1-6)

SH: 9:00 AM Paul W. Bulik by Family

Tuesday-Weekday (Lk 17:7-10)

SH: 9:00 AM Anna Mitnik by Larry Trasky

Wednesday-Weekday (Lk 17:11-19)

SH: 9:00 AM Nicola & Maria Rosa Filia

by Daughter, Fortunata & Family

Thursday-Weekday (Lk 17:20-25)

SH: 9:00 AM Adam Mains by Loretta Yanowich

Friday-St. Elizabeth of Hungary (Lk 17:26-37)

No Morning Mass

Saturday-Weekday (Mt 14:22-33)

No Morning Mass

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mt 25:1-13)

GS: 4:00 PM George Urda by Family

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM Margie Duffala

by Good Shepherd Singers

REST IN PEACE

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

Antoinette 'Babe' Trybis.

May the angels lead you into paradise

MEMORIAL OFFERING THIS WEEK:

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

In Memory of Stanley & Blanche Miara

by Children

TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Make Sundays complete for someone who can't get to church because of age, illness or weather conditions. Sunday TV Mass will be shown at 6:30 AM on:

WINP (ION) channel 46

Comcast Cable, channel 4

Verizon Fios, channel 16

Dish Network, channel 16 or 216

DirecTV, Channel 305

EWTN-12:00 Noon everyday

To watch the Mass online anytime on Sundays, visit
www.heartofthenation.org

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