

# Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

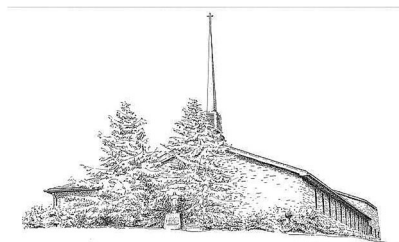
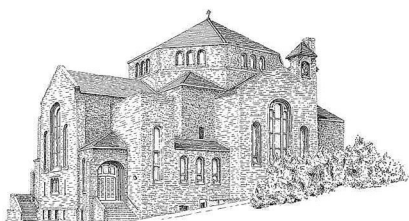
1024 Maple Way  
Braddock PA 15104-1612

**November 15, 2015**

Parish Office: 412-271-1515  
Fax: 412-271-1222

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

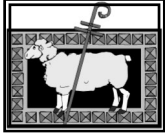
Reverend Albert J. Semler, Pastor  
Deacon Joseph M. Dougherty  
Mrs. Michele Catone, Parish Secretary ([micky52@comcast.net](mailto:micky52@comcast.net))  
Ms. Carol Funk, Parish Office Manager  
Mr. Frank Koncerak, Director of Maintenance  
Sr. Judith Stojhovic

## Parish Telephone Numbers

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Phone: ..... 412-351-3710  
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e-mail..... [gshepoffice@comcast.net](mailto: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](mailto:tjsjrfhi3@verizon.net)
- **New Parishioners are always welcome.** Call the Parish Office to register or to notify of a change of address.

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



November 15, 2015

*From the Pastor's Desk*

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:**

This is probably my least favorite Sunday of the year because it warns about “the end of time” for this earth. But the saving message is that if you believe in God and live like a true child of God “not to worry.” Because you will see the “Son of Man coming in the clouds and He will gather you unto himself.”

**DID YOU MISS ME?:**

I'm away on a retreat—vacation break in sunny (I hope) Florida. I'll return by the weekend as we will celebrate the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

**PICTORAL DIRECTORY:**

We have the arrangements for our new, up to date Photo Album. If you sign up for a sitting by December 12 you can have your photos for Christmas. You may sign up after Mass this weekend, next weekend and each weekend hereafter. We have informational materials today and for the next two weeks. Don't forget to sign up.

**SCHEDULE**

Wed., Dec. 9: 2:00-4:00 PM/Seniors; 4:00—9:00 PM  
Thurs. Dec. 10: 12:00 Noon to 5:00 PM  
Friday, Dec. 11: 2:00—9:00 PM  
Sat. Dec. 12: 10:00 AM—5:00 PM  
  
Wed., Dec. 16: 2:00—9:00 PM  
Thurs., Dec. 17: 12:00 Noon to 5:00 PM  
Friday, Dec. 18: 2:00—9:00 PM  
Sat., Dec. 19: 10:00 AM—5:00 PM

**COOKIE STROLL:**

The Women's Guild meets this Tuesday at 7:00 PM in Sacred Heart to finalize their preparations for their Cookie Stroll on Sunday, December 6. You are the best bakers who really respond well. They will appreciate your goodies. More details on next page.

**LITTLE SISTERS THANKSGIVING DRIVE:**

We began collecting dry and canned goods for the Little Sisters of the Poor. Donations can be put by the Baptismal Fonts in each church. We will collect up until Thanksgiving Day and the “GOODS” will be delivered on the Saturday after Thanksgiving. The Sisters really appreciated our generosity last year.



**ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE!**

Let's talk. Those are good words. They call on us to put our heads together to solve problems, to build things up, to create good things. Let's stress that word “together.” It's called collaboration—good people working together. Central to “**On Mission for The Church Alive!**” is collaboration. We are working collaboratively on the difficulties and opportunities we have as the Church of Pittsburgh to look for good answers. There's work to be done. Look around to find somebody to talk about those difficulties and opportunities. Today is a good time to start.

To read more, check out “**On Mission for The Church Alive!**” on page 5 of this week's Pittsburgh Catholic and visit [www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org](http://www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org).

**MINISTER SCHEDULE**

**November 21-22:**

**4:00 PM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** R. Hornick, A. Kostyak, J. Carleton, F. Szekely, T. Schleifer, J. Hojnacki, J. Kaczmarek

**Lector:** A. Hornick

**Server:** J. Cassidy

**9:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** P. Koncerak, C. DiNinno, M. Giulianelli, N & R Russo, M & L Petro

**Lector:** Jen Miller

**Server:** J. DiNinno

**11:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** C. Bakin, K. Bitkowski, E. Foster, P. Fazio, M. Garritano, N. Moucheron

**Lector:** R. Stamerra

**Server:** R. Walker

**November 28-29:**

**4:00 PM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** F. Szekely, J. Carleton, M. Colao, D. Hrabley, T. McAdams, J. Kaczmarek, J. Hojnacki

**Lector:** Dorothy Danko

**Server:** Andy Connelly

**9:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** J. Corbett, M & L Petri, J. Strednak, R. McDonnell, T. Schleifer, M. Giulianelli

**Lector:** Gina Piccolino

**Servers:** Julia Piccolino, Selah Corbett

**11:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** J. Howell, M. Leicht, C. Mirenzi, H. Sullivan, M. Garritano, K. Carroll

**Lector:** Alexander Howell

**Server:** Brendan Howell

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

*Peace and Love,  
Fr. Semler*

## GOOD SHEPHERD WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS

Good Shepherd's Women's Guild meeting for November will be held this **Tuesday, November 17th** at 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall. At this meeting we will be forming committee groups. All are encouraged to attend this meeting. As always new members are welcome!"

### **COOKIE STROLL!!**

To make this Cookie Stroll a success the Women's Guild needs your help. We are asking for cookie donations for our event on Sunday December 6, 2015 which will be held in Sacred Heart Hall from 12 – 3:00 PM. We are asking for your cooperation in making this a wonderful Holiday event. **If you would like to participate or help in any way possible, please be sure to contact Toni Lucas at 412-977-3089 to let her know what you will bake and/or for more information.**

## SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

The second collection next weekend is the annual collection for the **Retirement Fund for Religious**. Your generosity will benefit all those who have dedicated their lives to serving us. Your donations will be very much appreciated.

## LADIES OF CHARITY

Our ladies will meet next Sunday, November 22nd at 12:15 PM at Sacred Heart Hall.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The Gospel predicts end times; our challenge though is to live faithfully now. When we live in conformity to the Word, hearing Jesus' words and living them out, the future holds no fear for us.

**As you give a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are hearing the words of Jesus and living them out.**

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

## RAFFLES

Don't forget to turn in your **Turkey Trot** tickets. Profit from these tickets benefit our parish. We changed the ticket this year...you have more chances to win...two numbers on each ticket. Donation is \$20.00 for 11 tickets. If you need more tickets, they are available at the Parish Office.

The **East Catholic School Sweepstakes** tickets are based on the four digit number also, and are eligible for prizes during the whole month of December. Donation per ticket is \$20.00.

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

<b>Sunday, November 8th:</b>	<b>\$6,125.00</b>
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 304
<b>Loose Offertory:</b>	<b>\$247.00</b>
<b>School Collection: \$413.00</b>	env used: 59
<b>Loose School Collection:</b>	<b>\$103.00</b>
<b>Votive:</b>	<b>\$208.00</b>

**May God bless your generosity!**

## FREE STORY TIME SESSION

### **East Catholic School Library**

Wednesday November 18, 2015 is the next "Perfect for Preschoolers Story-time" East Catholic School. This is a free story, rhyme, song and craft program designed to entertain and engage young children. The program is for children 2 1/2 to 5 years old and is designed to give them a positive introduction to books and the habit of reading. Each program features appealing books, favorite stories, and lively activities. The theme of this Story-time is "Thanksgiving". There will be one session from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. We invite all children along with their parent or guardian to come and visit Story time at East Catholic School Library. Registration is required by calling East Catholic School Office (412-351-5403) during school hours (8:30 am until 2:00 pm) Final date for registration is Monday, November 16, 2015. Join us for some "Thanksgiving" fun!

**FYI: *The Lights Will Be On for You* for Confession** on Wednesday, December 9th, 6:00 to 9:00 PM at Sacred Heart Church. Bring a friend.

## EAST CATHOLIC NEWS:

We are again planning to have our **East Catholic Gala** this school year. Please save the date of Saturday, February 27, 2016 for an evening of fun, great prizes, and good food and dancing. It will be held at Stratigos Banquet Facility. Any questions, please contact: Amie & Kenny Cooley at 412-260-2989, or you may email them at [amie4dance@msn.com](mailto:amie4dance@msn.com), or Laurie & Lou Del Rosso, 412-841-8767 or email [ldelrosso3@gmail.com](mailto:ldelrosso3@gmail.com)

## ST FRANCIS ACADEMY Alumnae Fall Vendor

**Show --** Enjoy a relaxing afternoon with friends at the Saint Francis Academy Alumnae Association's Fall Vendor Show on Sunday, November 8 from noon – 6 PM at Church of the Advent's Lower Hall (3010 Pioneer Ave; Brookline, PA 15226). Shop for holiday gifts from friendly and knowledgeable vendors of Pampered Chef, Party Lite, Uppercase Living, doTERRA Essential Oils, Scentsy, Thirty-One, Jamberry, Gems by Jill, Tastefully Simple and more. There will also be a bake sale, 50/50 and prize raffles. Proceeds benefit the Saint Francis Academy Alumnae Association and their charitable endeavors. For more information, please contact [sfaalumnaeandsisters@yahoo.com](mailto:sfaalumnaeandsisters@yahoo.com).

## DECEMBER TRIPS

Our schedule for the trips to the Rivers in December has changed due to the Holy Day on December 8th and Christmas Day. They are scheduled for Tuesday, December 1 and Friday, December 18th. For more information or to make reservations, call the Parish Office at 412-271-1515.

## **HOPE**

If you do not hope, you will not find what is beyond your hopes.

—St. Clement

### **ST. MICHAEL YOUTH GROUP, ELIZABETH**

In high school? Looking for something fun to do on a Saturday night? Join St. Michael Parish Youth Group on Saturday, December 5th from 7 - 10 PM for a Phantom of the Opera-themed Masquerade Ball. (masquerades not required, but hey - why not) We'll have a DJ, food, and a candy bar. This event is semi-formal - something nice you would wear to Mass on Christmas, in keeping with Christian modesty. Presale tickets are \$10; at the door, \$12. Please contact Mrs. Formica at [sformicaym@comcast.net](mailto:sformicaym@comcast.net) or 412-926-8412 to register. Deadline for registration is November 30.

### **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](http://www.elks.org), select "our programs" and then "scholarship" to learn more about the program.

### **AFTERNOON OF LESSONS AND CAROLS**

Holy Trinity Church, 529 Grant Avenue Ext., West Mifflin, will present an Afternoon of Lessons and Carols on Sunday, November 29th at 4:00 PM. All are invited to share this afternoon of prayer in anticipation of the coming of Jesus as a babe in Bethlehem. A reception will follow in the church social hall.

### **8th GRADE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT and Scholarship Test, Sunday, November 22 at Bishop Canevin High School, 1:00 – 4:00 Doors Open at 12:30.**

Scores from the High School Placement Test are used to determine course placement and eligibility for our academic scholarships. It is strongly recommended that incoming students take the HSPT at Bishop Canevin High School. Parents are invited to our library while the students take the exam. Administrators will be available to answer questions related to admissions, tuition, financial aid, athletics and successful transition to high school. Applications are now being accepted for 2016-17 school year admissions. [www.bishopcanevin.org](http://www.bishopcanevin.org) Call Mrs. Vera Dagnall, guidance office secretary, at 412.922.7400 x224 to register for the HSPT. The \$10.00 exam fee is payable at the door.

### **THE FUTURE**

The future starts today, not tomorrow.

—Pope John Paul II

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

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

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

# MASSSES for the WEEK

Good Shepherd Parish  
November 15-22, 2015

**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time** (Mk 13:24-32)

GS: 4:00 PM John & Mary Harcarik  
by Daughter, Betty  
GS: 9:00 AM Betty Jane Payne by Lori & Andy  
SH: 11:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

**Monday-Weekday** (Lk 18-35-43)

SH: 9:00 AM Communion Service

**Tuesday-St. Elizabeth of Hungary** (Lk 19:1-10)

SH: 9:00 AM Communion Service  
by Anna Yurinko

**Wednesday-Weekday** (Mt 14:22-33)

SH: 9:00 AM Communion Service

**Thursday-Weekday** (Lk 19:41-44)

SH: 9:00 AM Communion Service  
by Genevieve Bulik

**Friday-Weekday** (Lk 19:45-48)

No Morning Mass

**Saturday-Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
(Lk 20:27-40)

No Morning Mass

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**  
(Jn 18:33b-37)

GS: 4:00 PM Nora Petrovay  
by Sam & Karen Nespoli  
GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish  
SH: 11:00 AM Dolores Barbusio  
by M/M Michael Yezovich

## ***Rest In Peace***

*In your charity, we remember all those who have died, especially: Allen 'Dale' Grondziowski and Martha Sivy.*

*May the angels lead you into paradise.*

### **MEMORIAL OFFERING: Good Shepherd Parish**

*Altar Bread, Altar Wine, Altar Candles and  
Sanctuary Lamp: In Memory of Bill Rolinski  
By Wife & Son*

### **Memorial Offering Last Week**

The Memorial Offering and Flowers for last week, November 7th and 8th were given for the **Living and Deceased Members of the First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association, Branch #13.**

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

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Monday: 7:00 PM Scouts GS School  
Tuesday: 7:00 PM Women's Guild SH Hall  
Thursday: 7:00 PM Prayer Group SH Chapel  
Sunday: 12:15 PM Ladies of Charity SH Hall

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**WEEK!!!**