

# Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

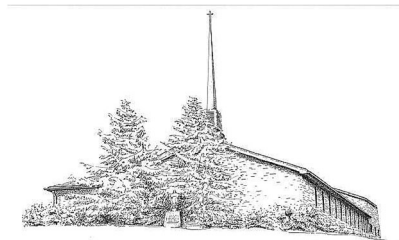
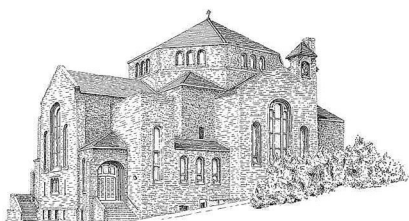
1024 Maple Way  
Braddock PA 15104-1612

*October 4, 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

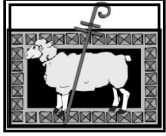
Reverend Albert J. Semler, Pastor  
Deacon Joseph M. Dougherty  
Mrs. Michele Catone, Parish Secretary ([micky52@comcast.net](mailto:micky52@comcast.net))  
Ms. Carol Funk, Parish Office Manager  
Mr. Frank Koncerak, Director of Maintenance  
Sr. Judith Stojhovic

## Parish Telephone Numbers

Parish Office: ..... 412-271-1515  
Phone: ..... 412-351-3710  
Fax..... 412-271-1222  
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.

With God All Things Are Possible!



September 27, 2015

*From the Pastor's Desk*

**WE CAN BE PROUD:**

Pope Francis made it possible. He showed us he IS God's "REP" for all people. He brought many of us to tears many times by truly being God's presence upon this earth and touching so many in so many ways. He wasn't afraid to challenge and cuddle alike. He told us we should cherish and appreciate the rewards of our labors but be attentive to the needs of those around us who need our help. He constantly used the words "Pray for me," because he knows the devil never quits pursuing those who love the lord. His example of time and attention to the weary and the downtrodden, and to the heroes and heroines who served without worry about the costs touched our hearts.

He went to Philadelphia, a city that lived up to its name as a City of Brotherly Love. At the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul he emphasized in his homily the great contribution of women in the church, both those in Consecrated life and the laity. To me this emphasized that Bishop Zubik's "On Mission Alive for the church" is right on target. Hopefully this will encourage us to join in "On Mission Alive."

My thought on this is that women have always been the driving force in our church communities. While it seems we accentuate those visible in church services and religious education programs, the true pillars have been the secretaries in our parish offices and in the Diocesan offices when I worked "downtown." They keep/kept everything on course and have an absolute essential ministry in keeping "Father" on schedule and on "track."

Philadelphia was the scene of the World Meeting of Families. Sponsored by the Pontifical Council for the Family their ministry is to strengthen the sacred bonds of families across the globe and highlights its intrinsic value to the good of society. He had time and a quality response for everything. His attention to detail and his stamina were incredible. Oh yes—we can be proud. May we follow his lead and live lives of **LOVE and RESPECT, FORGIVENESS and MERCY, and HUMILITY AND COURAGE** as we grow in our faith as children of God.

**FAMILY TIME:**

I heard a report that families who share a meal daily or so have less difficulties than others. The fact that the whole family has a chance to communicate together gives children a chance to talk about problems and difficulties they are having. Bullying has always been a part of school. I know I was bullied and I also bullied. That was a part of growing up both with siblings and school mates.

Talking this over with parents and siblings can be a big help. There are other situations that can be talked

about also. In this day and age we must be careful to "TURN OFF" distraction for quality family time.

**FLEA MARKET:**

We are going to attempt to make our Flea Market a major FUND RAISER to replace some of the fund raisers we can no longer do. See the announcement on page 3. We are planning food as a major part of the event. If you can fill a roaster as you did for the Summer Festival or bake some goodies, it will be appreciated. We can also take lottery tickets for the Chinese Raffle. Please help to make this a grand event.

**MINISTER SCHEDULE**

**October 10-11:**

**4:00 PM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** P. Humberson, M. Leicht, F. Szekeley, M. Colao, J. Howell, J. Kaczmarek, Deacon Joe

**Lector:** Mary Ann McClain

**Server:** Jacob Cassidy

**9:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** S. Hatok, P. Koncerak, D. & T. Whyel, R. McDonnell, H. Sullivan, Deacon Joe

**Lector:** Jeff McLaughlin

**Servers:** Julia Piccolino, Selah Corbett

**11:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** J. Barbusio, P. Fazio, E. Foster, M. Garritano, N. Moucheron, Deacon Joe

**Lector:** Ken Bitkowski

**Server:** Ryan Walker

**October 17-18:**

**4:00 PM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Flo Szekeley, J. Carleton, M. Colao, P. Humberson, T. McAdams, J. Kaczmarek, J. Hojnacki

**Lector:** Theodore Schleifer

**Server:** Andy Connelly

**9:00 AM**

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

**Lector:** Jennifer Miller

**Server:** Josh DiNinno

**11:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** S. Szatkowski, J. Kondas, J. Besseck, M. Besseck, K. Bitkowski, J. Barbusio

**Lector:** Rick Stamerra

**Server:** Steve Yezovich

**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*

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Members will meet this Monday evening, **October 5th** at 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall. Please notify an officer or the Parish Office if you cannot attend.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2016

Our forms to schedule intentions for the new year are available in the gathering space this weekend. The forms will be accepted next 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.

### FLEA MARKET

Good Shepherd Flea Market will be held on Halloween weekend. Friday, October 30: Sneak Peek at 7:00—9:00 PM for a donation of \$2.00. You will get a free ticket for the raffle. Saturday, October 31 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM with Chinese Raffle and Sunday, November 1, from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall. The Chinese Raffle will be pulled on Sunday.

Food will be available for sale each day: Haluski, hot dogs, chicken strips, French fries, nachos & cheese and there will also be a bake sale. We will need baked goods ... **please help with some of your goodies.** They can be delivered to the hall on Friday afternoon.

**The next drop off will be Saturday, October 17th from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.**

**\*\*Please note: We will take gently used clothing.**

**Plan to join us...do some shopping, enjoy lunch, Have a good time!**

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Birthday wishes go out to parishioner, **Kay Benkovich**, who will celebrate her **102nd birthday** on October 6th. If you would like to send a card, her address is: Golden Heights, Room 120, 3522 Route 130, Irwin, PA 15642. Her daughter-in-law says she still gets around and is doing fine, but just requires a little more care.

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

**Sunday, September 20th: \$5,416.00**

Parishioners receiving env: 652 env used: 280

**Loose Offertory: \$260.00**

**Votive: \$216.00**

**Sunday, September 27th: \$5,307.00**

Parishioners receiving env: 652 env used: 291

**Loose Offertory: \$278.00**

**Votive: \$138.00**

**May God bless your generosity!**

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples, "Let the children come to me...for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

**Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to bring the love and mercy of Jesus to children who are hungry and cold.**

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

### SCOUT POPCORN SALE

Our Boy Scout Troop and Cub Pack are holding their annual Popcorn Sale. They have a number of products available including Popping Corn (\$10), Caramel Corn (\$10), Microwave Popcorn (\$20) in butter, Light and Kettle Corn and many other selections. A copy of the product list can be found in the gathering spaces of our churches. All orders are due by Monday, October 19th. The popcorn will be delivered the weekend of November 7th. If you would like to place an order, please contact Sue Hudak at 412-825-0988 or Rose Sobek at 412-271-8064. Thanks for your support!

### SAVE THE DATE!

The Christmas Party is on. It will be held at Good Shepherd School Hall after the 4:00 PM Mass on December 12, 2015. It will be catered by Banquets Unlimited and music will be furnished by the Mikey Dee trio. Watch the bulletin for updates on this event.

### STEP OUT WALK

What an inspirational day it was; we joined over 1200 walkers showing our support for all those with diabetes. Team Koncerak would like to thank family, friends, co-workers and parishioners for helping us to raise \$950.52 for the American Diabetes Association. God bless all of you.

### CAR CARAVAN TO SAINT CLARENCE

North Olmstead, Ohio

On October 24th, several parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish are going to St. Clarence Church for the 4:30 PM Mass to see our friend and former Music Director, Herb Dillahunt. After Mass we will be going to dinner with Herb, the place we are going and price of dinner will be announced later. Reservations are needed. If you are planning to attend, please call Theodore at 724-977-3833 by Sunday, October 19th.

### BISHOP CANEVIN HIGH SCHOOL

The High School will hold its Fall Open House Sunday, October 11 from 12:00 Noon to 3:00 PM for 6th through 11th grade students and their families. The administrators, teachers, students, parents, and staff will be on hand to greet you and acquaint you with their educational curriculum.

### CLASS OF 2020 - Students and Parents.

**Please join us at Serra Catholic High School OPEN HOUSE** on Thursday, October 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Meet our faculty, parents, and students. Refreshments, prizes and more! Hope to see you there!

### **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION**

The Catholic Cemeteries Association extends an invitation to you, your family and friends to attend the Groundbreaking Service for the St. Luke Garden Mausoleum in Good Shepherd Cemetery, Monroeville. The event will take place on Saturday, October 17, 2015 at 1:00 P.M. Very Reverend Frederick Cain, Reverend James Kunkel and Reverend Joseph Luisi will preside.

**OAKLAND CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL is hosting "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](http://www.oaklandcatholic.org) and register today.

### **OAKLAND CATHOLIC OPEN HOUSE**

Sunday, October 25th from 11am - 2 pm. Prospective students and their families are invited to tour the school and meet Administration, Faculty & Staff, Alumnae, and representatives from the Athletic Teams and Clubs. Please visit [oaklandcatholic.org](http://oaklandcatholic.org) for information on all our upcoming events. If you have questions in advance, please call the Admissions Office at 412.682.6633 x253 or x267.

### **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. Last year the Elks received 50 applicants and 32 of them received scholarships.

### **MAGNIFICAT PRAYER BREAKFAST**

Ladies, come to the Magnificat Pittsburgh Prayer breakfast on November 7, 2015 from 9:00 AM to Noon at the Crowne Plaza in Green Tree. Hear speaker Lorraine Sarver tell how God helped her overcome struggles of health, family and failures. She will tell of learning to lead a life led by the Holy Spirit and obedience to God. She has worked and prayed with a diversity people including prison ministry, Holocaust survivors, and countless others who need the touch of God. Cost of the breakfast is \$20. To register, call Pam at 412-261-8906 or go to [www.magnificatpittsburgh.org](http://www.magnificatpittsburgh.org). Registration deadline is October 30.

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

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

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

# **MASSSES for the WEEK**

*Good Shepherd Parish*  
October 4-11, 2015

## Twenty-Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

(Mk 10:2-16)

GS: 4:00 PM Cecilia Dudas by Family  
GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish  
SH: 11:00 AM Conroy, DiVella & Mroziak Families  
by James & Catherine Conroy

## Monday-Weekday (Lk 10:25-37)

SH: 9:00 AM Catherine Motkowski  
by Chester & Anna Chorazy

## Tuesday-Weekday (Lk 10:38-43)

SH: 9:00 AM John M. Volcheck  
by M/M Lou Zaletel

## Wednesday-Our Lady of the Rosary (Lk 11:1-4)

SH: 9:00 AM Dom Petrocelli  
by Paul & Abi Petrocelli

## Thursday-Weekday (Lk 11:5-13)

SH: 9:00 AM Stanley 'Stush' Wessel by Family

## Friday-Weekday (Lk 11:15-26)

No Morning Mass

## Saturday-Weekday (Lk 11:27-28)

No Morning Mass

## Twenty-Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

(Mk 10:17-30)

GS: 4:00 PM Linda Radovich by Aunt Alice Illig  
GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish  
SH: 11:00 AM William & Mildred Szatkowski  
by Gene & Sophie Szatkowski

## ***Rest In Peace***

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

***Evelyn Harcarik, Joseph Rydzak and  
Rose Marie Spadaforte.***

***May the angels lead you into paradise.***

***SPECIAL THANKS*** to Cecilia Bower, who recently passed away. Cecilia gave instructions to her family to give Good Shepherd Parish a donation of \$1,000.00. We are grateful.

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

**October 4-11, 2015**

**Sat & Sunday: All Masses Bell Choir Bake Sale**

**Sunday: 1:00-5:00 PM Pre Cana Program**

**Monday: 7:00 PM Scouts GS School**

**7:00 PM Pastoral Council SH Hall**

**Thursday: 7:00 PM Prayer Group SH Chapel**

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**WEEK!!!**