

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

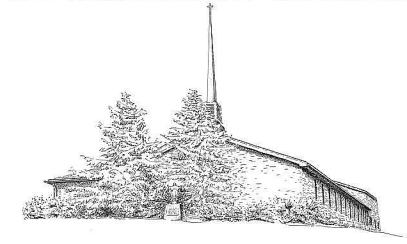
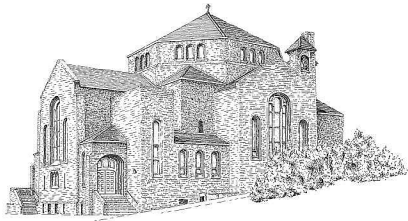
1024 Maple Way
Braddock PA 15104-1612

April 5, 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

Sacred Heart Church

1600 Brinton Road
Braddock Hills PA 15221-4902

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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)
Mr. Herbert A. Dillahunt, Director of Music (nasard@aol.com)
Ms. Carol Funk, Parish Office Manager
Miss Joan Hojnacki, Religious Education
Mr. Frank Koncerak, Director of Maintenance
Sr. Judith Stojhovic, RSM, Principal of East Catholic

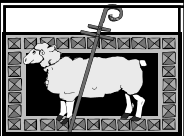
Parish Telephone Numbers

Parish Office:412-271-1515
Phone: 412-351-3710
Fax.....412-271-1222
Music Ministry..... 412-271-1326
e-mail.....gshepoffice@comcast.net
Religious Education..... 412-271-2630

East Catholic..... 412-351-5403
School Fax:.....412-273-9114

- **Sacrament of Baptism:** Parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptism Class. Please call Joan at 412-271-2630 to register. 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!



April 5, 2015
From the Pastor's Desk
**Easter Sunday of the
 Resurrection of the Lord**

HAPPY EASTER:



I'm glad to return to the Alleluias again. Besides the Lenten Season we also had the cold, "Freezen season." And together it seems like forever to me. Alleluia! Spring is trying to get here. Hopefully now that we are celebrating Easter it will be here in full force.

May you now reap the benefits of all the positive spiritual activities you practiced during Lent. May our Risen Lord continue to live in and through you. May the joy you know be with you always. May His Resurrection inspire you always. May the Easter Joy you are experiencing today remain with you always.

**Peace and Love,
 Fr. Semler**

YEAR OF CONSECRATED LIFE:

I mentioned that you could call the religious order you may be interested in "seeing." When I receive a flyer from one of them I'll let you know and post it on our bulletin boards. Look for **EXPLORE** from the Sisters of St. Joseph in Baden. The article can also be found further along in this bulletin.

April Tidbits:

*Since April, 1872 the **Little Sisters of the Poor** on Benton Avenue have brought to life in Pittsburgh the words of their foundress, Saint Jeanne Jugan, by "*making the elderly happy, that is what counts.*"

*The **Passionist Nuns**, founded in Italy, came to Pittsburgh in April, 1910. The nuns are dedicated to living the mystery of Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection in an intense way. **"In Today's world, where so many people feel overwhelmed by suffering, we witness that the message of the Cross proclaims: Love, Hope and Victory!"**

*April 22nd is Earth Day. The **Sisters of the Humility of Mary** are tireless advocates for eco-justice. Visit **www.humiltyofmary.org** to read about how the community honors the earth as God's creation.

*April 24, 1913 is the Foundation Day of the **Sisters of the Holy Spirit**. Remember them in prayer today and visit **www.sistersoftheholyspirit.com** to learn more about the community.

Confirmation

Congratulations to our students who were Confirmed by Bishop Zubik on Saturday, March 21st. May the Holy Spirit guide and enlighten you in all ways.

Andrew Connelly	Brianna McDonald
Logan Jack Fair	Harley Scherrbaum
Kristina Koncerak	Logan Sklenar
Haley Korotko	Tyler Sullivan
Stephen Yezovich	

THEOLOGY ON TAP:

This is a program for everyone between the ages of 21 to 39, married or single. It's been around for 10 years or so and has many good Catholic discussions to its credit, so I share this invite with you:

Monday, April 6th, 7:00-9:00 PM, Steel Cactus, 5505 Walnut Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15232. Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR will share about the spiritual journey in light of his experiences walking 500 miles along the El Camino de Santiago in Spain. He is a dynamic preacher who has spoken to audiences across the continent. Excellent selection of food and drinks are available, along with free appetizers.

PANCAKE LUNCH:

The newly formed Holy Name Society would like to invite you to a Pancake Lunch on **Sunday, April 12th after the 11:00 AM Mass at Sacred Heart Hall**. There is no set charge. A free will offering container will be available after lunch.

The men and women will then meet separately for about 15 minutes to explain their new organizations and invite you to join. The men will tell you about the Holy Name Society and the women will tell you about the Women's Guild. A core group has been meeting for each group and now is the time to "get it together." So please plan on coming to our "kickoff" Pancake Lunch. Both organizations are for high school ages and up. The Lunch is for the whole family. The first Women's Guild meeting will be on Tuesday, April 14th at 7:00 PM. The first Holy Name meeting will be on Tuesday, April 28th at 7:00 PM. Both meetings will be held at Sacred Heart Hall.

In order for the men to prepare well, please put this clip-out in the collection next week.

**I plan to attend the Pancake Lunch on
 Sunday, April 12th at 12:15 PM.**

Name _____

Adults _____ Children under 4 _____

Children 4-10 _____

30TH ANNIVERSARY OF GOOD SHEPHERD

This year Good Shepherd celebrates 30 years as a parish, Sacred Heart having joined with us in 2005 and Holy Cross in 2014. The event will be called **“30 – 10 – 1”** for the number of years our former parishes have been merged together.

In honor of this milestone the Chamber Choir will present an anniversary concert on Sunday, May 3, at 3:00 PM. As in the past, for the 20th, 22nd and 25th anniversaries, we will be printing a commemorative program for this event. Anyone can have their name listed in the program. Each commemoration will cost \$30.00 (30th anniversary).

For example: **“In loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. John & Mary Smith, by George and Helen Smith,”** or **“In honor of Fr. Semler,”** or **“In Memory of the Marotzka, Zinn & Dillahunt families by Herbert Dillahunt and his children Hectorio, Zosia, Giulietta, Alexandria, Conceptione and Fred.”** Please place your commemoration on a piece of paper with a check made out to Good Shepherd Parish and place it in an envelope marked “30th Anniversary Concert.” Place it in the collection or mail it to the parish office. Thank you for your continued support of Good Shepherd.

Several parishioners have jumped on the bandwagon and are organizing a dinner on the same day after the concert at the VFW in East Pittsburgh. Buffet (menu announced later) cash bar, chinese auction, and dancing. Per person cost: \$30.00. Doors open at 4:30 PM. Tickets can be ordered by calling the parish office, 412-271-1515, or on the parish website. More information about this in the coming weeks. www.goodshepherdbraddock.org

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Members will meet this Monday, April 6th at 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall. Please call the Parish Office if you cannot attend.

SENIOR CITIZENS

The Seniors will hold their regular monthly meeting Wednesday, April 8th at Sacred Heart Hall. The doors open at 11:30 AM and the meeting begins at 12:30 PM. The 2015 dues are payable at this meeting, they remain \$10.00. New members are always welcome.

EASTER PEOPLE

We are Easter people and Alleluia is our song!
—St. Augustine

Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure	
Sunday, March 22nd:	\$5,691.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 333
Loose Offertory:	\$253.00
Human Dev. Camp, etc. \$586.00	env used: 84
Loose Human Dev. Col.:	\$291.00
Votive:	\$207.00
May God bless your generosity.	

MONTHLY COMMEMORATIVE CELEBRATION

The next MCC will be celebrated Thursday, April 30th at the 9:00 AM Mass at Sacred Heart Church. Please turn in intentions by Monday, April 27th.

RICE BOWLS: If by chance you didn't bring your Rice Bowl in, you may bring it in next weekend or to the office between 9 AM and 4 PM Monday through Friday.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Today as we celebrate the feast of Easter we find the challenge of also seeing and believing the resurrection that come through our own lives of self-sacrifice which brings new life to others.

Your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will show the love of the Risen Christ by bringing your love to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread. St. Vincent de Paul phone: 412-437-8370

GOOD SHEPHERD CALENDAR PARTY

Our annual Calendar Party will be held Sunday, May 17th from 12 Noon to 3:00 PM at Good Shepherd Parish Center. Donation is \$12.50 and includes dinner (chicken marsala, rigatoni, parsley potatoes, green beans, salad, rolls). To sponsor a table, for tickets or for more information, call Peggy at 412-736-3507.

EASTER BLESSING OF FAMILIES:

This afternoon, Bishops David Zubik, William Walterseid and William Winter will welcome families of the Diocese of Pittsburgh to their annual Blessing of Families at St. Paul Cathedral, Oakland, beginning at 2:00 p.m. As they greet and bless your family personally, they affirm and support you as a household of love and witness to The Faith. Each family attending will receive a special memento to take home; and the children will receive a sweet treat. May the Risen Christ bless you always!

FREE STORY TIME SESSIONS

East Catholic School Library

Wednesday, April 15, 2015 is the next “Perfect for Preschoolers Story-time” at East Catholic School, 2001 Ardmore Blvd., Forest Hills, PA 15221. This is a free story, rhyme, song and craft program designed to entertain and engage young children. The program is designed to provide a positive introduction to books and the habit of reading for children 2 ½ to 5 years old. Each program features appealing books, favorite stories, and lively activities. The theme of this Story-time is “The Beach”. 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 Library. Registration is required by calling the East Catholic School Office (412-351-5403) during school hours (8:30 am until 2:00 pm). Final date for registration is Monday April 13, 2015. Join us for some “Spring” fun!

Winners in Our Monthly Raffle Ticket

March 20th:	#587	Not Sold
March 21st:	#825	Agnes Berta
March 22nd:	#161	Jim Besseck
March 23rd:	#535	Rose Sobek
March 24th:	#514	Helen Bielek
March 25th:	#173	Not Sold

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS FAMILY NIGHT

PNC PARK Pirates vs. Cardinals

Friday, May 8th at 7:05 PM

A portion of each ticket purchased will be donated to the Bishop's Education Fund, which provides tuition assistance to students. To reserve tickets or information, please call Mark Niskach at 412-325-4493 or email mark.niskach@pirates.com.

EXPLORE! The Life of a Sister

The Explore program is for girls from 7th to 12th Grades. The days offer an opportunity to attend liturgy with the Sisters, share brunch in their dining room, hear about the Sisters' ministries, prayer life, and community. You can learn how to explore the possibility of God calling you to be a Sister and find out what qualities and education is needed. There are 2 opportunities: **Sunday, April 19th from 10:00-3:00 PM** or **Thursday, April 23rd from 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM** at St. Joseph Convent, Baden, PA 15005. There is no fee. For more information or to register, contact Sr. Marguerite Kropinak at 724-869-6585. You may also visit the web site at www.stjoseph-baden.org.

DivorceCare for Kids (DC4K) – Helping your Children Heal from the Hurt of Divorce. Meetings begin on April 27. DivorceCare for Kids is a special group to help children heal from the hurt caused by the separation or divorce of their parents. At our weekly DC4K group, kids make friends with other kids who understand how they feel and the things they are going through. The DivorceCare for Kids group is co-sponsored by Sts. John & Paul, St. John Neumann, and St. Richard parishes, and will begin a 13 week cycle of meetings on Monday, April 27, 2015. Meetings are on Monday evenings from 7:00-9:00 PM and will be held at Sts. John & Paul Church in the lower Cardinal DiNardo Center, Franklin Park. Anyone who has questions or would like more information should contact Erik Palmer (412-491-5511 or email rerikpalmer@gmail.com)



Diocesan Toll-Free Number for Abuse Response:

1-888-808-1235

Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

MASSSES for the WEEK

Good Shepherd Parish
April 5-12, 2015

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

GS: 7:30 PM Easter Vigil
Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish
(Jn 20:1-9)
GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish
(Chamber Choir, Handbell A Team)
SH: 11:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish
(Good Shepherd Festival Chorus)

Monday within Octave of Easter (Mt 28:8-15)

SH: 9:00 AM John Hudak by Frank LoBosco
Tuesday within Octave of Easter (Jn 20:11-18)
SH: 9:00 AM Joseph Gilarski
by Aunt, Theresa Kobylanski

Wednesday within the Octave of Easter(Lk 24:13-35)

SH: 9:00 AM In Honor of San Francesco DaPaola
Thursday within the Octave of Easter (Lk 24:35-48)
SH: 9:00 AM Helen Skurcenski by M/M John Ulaky Jr

Friday within the Octave of Easter (Jn 18:1--19.42)

No Morning Mass
Saturday within the Octave of Easter (Mk 16:9-15)
No Morning Mass

Second Sunday of Easter (Lk 24:13-35)

GS: 4:00 PM William & Mary Kay Mehok by Family
(Good Shepherd Adult Choir)
GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish
SH: 11:00 AM Eleanor Michnowicz by Cousins

Rest In Peace

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

*Dolores Barbusio and Hilarian Budol.
May the angels lead you into paradise!*

Memorial Offering: Good Shepherd Parish

(Sacred Heart Church)

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

In Memory of John & Stephanie Jakiela

by John & Judy Jakiela

What's Happening this Week

April 5-12, 2015

Monday: 7:00 PM	Scouts	GS School
7:00 PM	Pastoral Council	SH Hall
Wednesday 12:30 PM	Senior Citizens	SH Hall
Thursday:7:00 PM	Prayer Group	SH Chapel



Happy Easter to All!



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AND OUTSIDE TABS
IN CYAN EVERY
WEEK!!!