

# Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

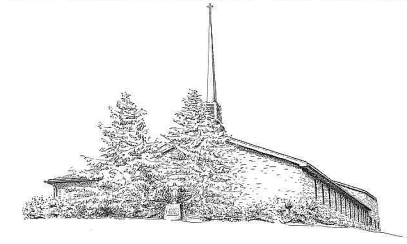
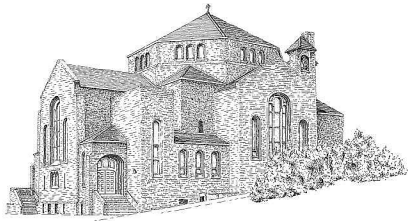
1024 Maple Way  
Braddock PA 15104-1612

April 12, 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

## Sacred Heart Church

1600 Brinton Road  
Braddock Hills PA 15221-4902

*A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust*

## Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM      Weekday Mass: Monday—Thursday—9:00 AM  
Sunday Mass: 9:00 AM      Sunday: 11:00 AM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday at 3:00 PM at Good Shepherd Church or by appointment

## Parish Staff

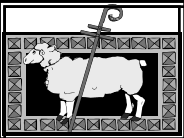
Reverend Albert J. Semler, Pastor  
Deacon Joseph M. Dougherty  
Mrs. Michele Catone, Parish Secretary ([micky52@comcast.net](mailto:micky52@comcast.net))  
Mr. Herbert A. Dillahunt, Director of Music ([nasard@aol.com](mailto:nasard@aol.com))  
Ms. Carol Funk, Parish Office Manager  
Miss Joan Hojnacki, 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  
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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](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!



April 12, 2015  
*From the Pastor's Desk*  
*Second Sunday of Easter*

## He is risen Alleluia

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### CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations go out to **Amy Lynn Skladany** and **Jonathan Bradich** who were baptized and received their First Holy Communion on Holy Saturday and **Autumn Rayne Hohn** who joined them for Confirmation. May we all continue to be a good example to them as they practice and live their faith in our community.

### LIVING STATIONS:

I was so proud of my students from East Catholic on Palm Sunday as they prayed the Living Stations with and for us. It was a great inspirational way to continue Holy Week. The dedication and time they put into this program was well worth their efforts. I extend to the cast a very grateful **Thank You**. And I extend this thanks to Teacher, Mary Beth Koontz, Director and her wonderful staff of helpers which includes the choir of St. Maurice. It is really good to see our Catholic communities working together to proclaim and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

### THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

Here's a bunch of **Thank You's** for the many "nice happenings" for our Good Shepherd Community. Thanks to everyone who helped make our Churches so beautiful. Thanks to our Music Ministers for adding the "joyful noise" to each Liturgy for Holy Week and Easter. Thanks to our maintenance staff for all they do to keep our grounds and Churches "looking good." And finally, thanks to all who sent cards, gifts and goodies to me for Easter. What a joy it is for me to be in your midst.

### OUR COMBINED CHOIRS:

Our Good Shepherd Festival Chorus made their first appearance at the 11:00 AM Mass on Easter Sunday. This appearance just happened to occur soon after Jesus' appearance on Easter Sunday morning. Even though the "chorus" did an admirable job, their appearance has to settle for second place. But still my thanks go out to Herb and all for a job well done. The good comments received tell me that their "appearance" is appreciated.

### THE TOMB:

I want to thank **Steve Koncerak** for the Tomb he made for Good Shepherd Church. There were many good comments regarding this. One of the smaller kids wondered if Steve could build him a fort.

### RICE BOWL

I am edified by the Rice Bowl response to aid "our orphanage" in Guatemala. Did you notice I changed the "my orphanage" to "our orphanage." Your wonderful response tells me that you want to take ownership with me. I am grateful. Once I count it up I'll give you a report.

### ALL OF THE ABOVE:

All of the above just came together to make Good Shepherd Parish Family a very special place to be. Thanks again to everyone "who made it happen."

### FESTIVAL:

It's time to now think about our Summer Festival. Please mark your schedule for our first meeting on **Tuesday, April 21st** at 7:00 PM in Sacred Heart Hall. You may want to begin watching for pop and water sales as your donations of these items were a big help to our bottom line. And once again I'll collect those unwanted gifts you may have received.

### THANK YOU SCOUTS:

The Boy Scouts of our Parish cleaned the property at Sacred Heart Church. What a tremendous feather in their cap. I was walking around on one of those nice days and saying to myself, "WOW, this really looks good" and then I remembered that the Scouts had planned to have a "clean up party." My thanks to the young men and their leaders. Your work is appreciated.

### SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

#### APPALACHIAN SERVICE TRIP

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Diocesan Council of Pittsburgh, in partnership with The Appalachian Institute at Wheeling Jesuit University, is sponsoring an Appalachian Service Trip to West Virginia for young adults, ages 18-25, Sunday, May 17th through Friday, May 22nd. For more information contact Deacon Keith Kondrich at 412-321-1071 (ext. 206) or 412-241-1372.

### ACTS OF THE APOSTLES:

Our first reading on these Sundays after Easter are from the Acts of the Apostles instead of from the Old Testament. They tell us the "WONDERS" of the New Church.



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*Peace &  
Love,  
Fr. Semler*

## 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF GOOD SHEPHERD

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*For the numbers of years our former parishes have been merged into Good Shepherd. A big anniversary bash!*

In honor of this milestone the Chamber Choir will present a concert on Sunday, May 3, at 3:00 PM in Good Shepherd Church. We will be printing a commemorative program for this event. Anyone can have their name or memorial listed in the program. Each commemoration will cost \$30.00 (30<sup>th</sup> 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 and your address on a piece of paper with a check made out to Good Shepherd Parish and place it in an envelope marked “30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert.” Place it in the collection or mail it to the parish office. Thank you for your continued support of Good Shepherd.

Immediately following the concert there will be a dinner/dance at the VFW in East Pittsburgh. Buffet (stuffed chicken breast, roast beef, rigatoni, salad, roasted red potatoes, broccoli & cauliflower, rolls & butter, cake) cash bar, and dancing with music provided by the Walt Merriman Trio. 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 will be available in the coming weeks.  
[www.goodshepherdbraddock.org](http://www.goodshepherdbraddock.org)

### WOMEN’S GUILD

The ladies will meet this Tuesday, April 14th at 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall. All women of the parish are welcome and encouraged to join.

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

**Sunday, March 29th: \$6,418.00**

Parishioners receiving env: 652 env used: 384

**Loose Offertory: \$400.00**

**St. Vincent de Paul: \$1,688.00** env used: 180

**Loose St. Vincent de Paul: \$256.00**

**Votive: \$178.00**

#### **Friday, April 3rd:**

**Holy Land: \$1,464.00** env used: 162

**Loose Holy Land Collection: \$ 88.00**

**Sunday, April 5th: \$11,287.00**

Parishioners receiving env: 652 env used: 395

**Loose Offertory: \$489.00**

**Monthly Offering: \$1,581.00** env used: 107

**Loose Monthly Offering: \$351.00**

**Votive: \$279.00**

**May God bless your generosity.**

## SCOUTING FOR FOOD

Our Scouts are handing out bags today for their annual **Scouting For Food** program. They will pick up the bags the following weekend, April 18 & 19. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

## 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.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: “Peace be with you!”

**During Mass we turn to each other and say “Peace be with you!” As you give a gift to the St. Vincent de Paul Society- you say “Peace be with you!” to those are poor and hungry.**

**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.

**ARE YOU LOOKING** for a faith-filled, value-centered, quality education for your child in a safe and caring environment? Come join us and be a part of **“East Catholic School”** on 2001 Ardmore Blvd. in Forest Hills, Pennsylvania. Registration for the 2015-2016 school year is now open. Please call the office at 412-351-5403 from 8:30 am –2:00 pm to schedule a tour of the school, to request information or to discuss registration requirements. We provide Pre –K (at St. John Fisher) full day kindergarten through grade 8 programs (at East Catholic). Students must be 5 years old by September 1, 2015 to be eligible for Kindergarten.

## TAMING OF THE SHREW

The 31<sup>st</sup> annual Shakespeare Play at East Catholic School will be “The Taming of the Shrew”. The play will be presented by the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. This Shakespeare play is under the direction of 8<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, Mrs. Sue Zitelli.

Plan to attend Friday April 24 or Saturday April 25, 2015. Curtain time is 7:30 pm in Keane Hall (East Catholic School Cafeteria), 2001 Ardmore Blvd. in Forest Hills, Pennsylvania. Tickets can be purchased at the door. The cost is \$4.00/Adult and \$2.00 for Students and Seniors. If you have never seen this Shakespeare classic, mark your calendar so you can come and enjoy our interpretation. Shakespeare wrote for everybody, and 423 years later, people still enjoy his art.

**Winners in Our Monthly Raffle Ticket**

**March 26th: #778 Marlene Garritano**  
**March 27th: #690 Not Sold**  
**March 28th: #441 Dorothy Bartolomeo**  
**March 29th: #526 Rob Mullen**  
**March 30th: #452 Kathy O’Roark**  
**March 31st: #333 Philomena Stamerra**

*Thanks to all who supported this fund raiser.*

**ADDITIONAL EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS**

Cecilia Bower	Raymond G. Kerston
M/M Robert Csukas	M/M Steve Koncerak
Fran Emrock	Mary Ann McClain
Janet Foster	Carol Ann Ritzel
M/M James Kaclik	

**Casino Trips**

Two trips are scheduled each month: the second Tuesday and the last Friday of the month. We stay at the casino from 9:00 AM—2:00 PM. The bus leaves Sacred Heart Parking lot at 8:30 AM and returns approximately 2:15 at Sacred Heart Parking lot. Donation is \$20.00 and in turn you will receive \$15 in slot play and \$5.00 food coupon from the casino. For more info or to sign up, call Carol at 412-271-1515. Bus seats 24 people, first come-first served basis (if we have 30 or more people we can also take the van).

**33rd Annual Bishop's Dinner for Catholic Charities**

Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Archbishop of the Diocese of New York City, will join Bishop David Zubik at the 33rd Annual Bishop's Dinner for Catholic Charities, May 15. One of the area's premier fundraising events, the gala will be held at the Westin Convention Center Hotel, beginning at 6 pm. At the dinner, Bishop Zubik will present Caritas awards to Cardinal Dolan, MSA - The Safety Company, and three Butler Catholic parishes, St. Michael the Archangel, St. Peter and St. Paul. A special video tribute to John and Rhodora Donahue will also be featured. For information and reservations, please call Kelli Mainous at 412-456-6950 or visit [www.ccpgh.org](http://www.ccpgh.org).

**SUPER BINGO-ST JUDE THE APOSTLE CHURCH**

**405 Westinghouse Avenue, Wilmerding**

**April 19, 2015 - Early Birds 1:30 PM**

Handicapped accessible...Food available

18 Cards for \$25.00, Extra Cards \$5.00

23 Games, 3 Specials Included

***Come One, Come All!***

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

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

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

# **MASSSES for the WEEK**

*Good Shepherd Parish*  
*April 12-19, 2015*

**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

**Monday-Easter Weekday** (Jn 3:1-8)  
SH: 9:00 AM Conroy, DeVella & Mroziak Families  
by Jim & Catherine Conroy

**Tuesday-Easter Weekday** (Jn 3:7b-15)  
SH: 9:00 AM John A. Mazur by Family

**Wednesday-Easter Weekday** (Jn 3:16-21)  
SH: 9:00 AM Patrick Emrock by Wife, Fran

**Thursday-Easter Weekday** (Jn 3:31-36)  
SH: 9:00 AM Wendy Petrocelli & Phyllis Rosen  
by Paul & Abi Petrocelli

**Friday-Easter Weekday** (Jn 6:1-15)  
No Morning Mass

**Saturday-Easter Weekday** (Jn 6:16-21)  
No Morning Mass

**Third Sunday of Easter** (Lk 24:35-48)  
GS: 4:00 PM Ralph & Peggy Troper  
by Jim & Mary Ann Malley  
(Handbell Quintet)  
GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish  
SH: 11:00 AM James Moucheron by Wife, Nancy  
(Good Shepherd Singers)

## ***Rest In Peace***

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

***Ann (Good Morning) Eagleson and Frank Amato.***  
***May the angels lead you into paradise!***

***Memorial Offering: Good Shepherd Parish***  
***(Sacred Heart Church)***  
***Sanctuary Lamp:***  
***In Memory of George J. Bandik***  
***by Family***

## ***What's Happening this Week*** ***April 12-19, 201***

**Weekend of April 11 & 12: Scouts pass out Scouting  
for Food bags**

**Sunday: 12:15 PM Pancake Lunch SH Hall**  
**Monday: 7:00 PM Scouts GS School**  
**Tuesday: 7:00 PM Women's Guild SH Hall**  
**Thursday: 7:00 PM Prayer Group SH Chapel**

**Weekend of April 18 & 19: Scouts collect Food Bags**

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**AND OUTSIDE TABS**  
**IN CYAN EVERY**  
**WEEK!!!**