

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

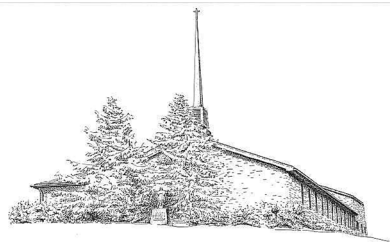
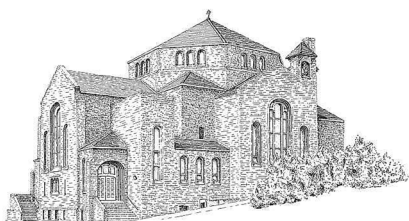
1024 Maple Way
Braddock PA 15104-1612

May 10, 2015

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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

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

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

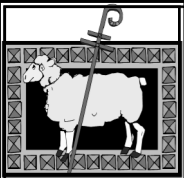
Reverend Albert J. Semler, Pastor
Deacon Joseph M. Dougherty
Mrs. Michele Catone, Parish Secretary (*micky52@comcast.net*)
Mr. Herbert A. Dillahunt, Director of Music (*nasard@aol.com*)
Ms. Carol Funk, Parish Office Manager
Miss Joan Hojnacki, Religious Education
Mr. Frank Koncerak, Director of Maintenance
Sr. Judith Stojhovic, RSM, Principal of East Catholic

Parish Telephone Numbers

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- **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!



May 10, 2015
From the Pastor's Desk
Sixth Sunday of Easter

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:

Jesus invites us to remain in His Love and He also tells us how we can do so. So there is no mystery and we have the knowledge and the know how to make it happen. It's up to us so don't even try to blame someone else, especially when you stand before the Lord on judgment day.

ASCENSION THURSDAY

Thursday of this week is Ascension Thursday, a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have a 9:00 AM Mass at Good Shepherd and a 7:00 PM Mass at Sacred Heart. Our neighbors will have Masses at these times if our schedule does not fit your needs.

St. Maurice: Thursday 7:00 AM

Word Of God: Wednesday 7:00 PM, Thursday 9:30 AM

St. Colman: Wednesday 6:00 PM, Thursday 8:30 AM

MAY CROWNING

Our children are crowning Mary today in Good Shepherd at the 9:00 AM Mass and we are also crowning her outside statue at Sacred Heart before the 11:00 AM Mass next Sunday. Our choir is planning a Marion Hymn for the occasion. We crown Mary and thank her for being the Perfect Mom and the Perfect Christian. Many of our moms follow her example and ask her guidance as they carry out their "gift of parenting."

A MAGICAL SUNDAY:

We had a Magical Sunday last week. Herb orchestrated a masterful Concert at 3:00 PM and then we proceeded to the VFW in East Pittsburgh for a delicious dinner and dance. Fr. Bob Boyle returned and he looks really good. He's self sufficient with his trusty cane. What a joy to see him as it was to see Fr. Leroy DiPietro, Fr. Bob Zajdel, Fr. Tom Burke and Fr. Doug Boyd. And gratefully Sr. Marita was able to join us also. It's just great seeing the love that you poured upon these people. My thanks to all who made this happen. Once again many hands made light work. The "light" in that saying was our Magical Sunday.

Our parish is blessed with so much talent. Our many choirs and hands-on programs, our behind the screens "worker bees," Our Ladies of Charity, the men who serve the masses of Resurrection and the many who make so much good happen. I can't mention all of you by name, but it's a pleasure to minister in your midst. And **THANK YOU.**



**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
 TO ALL OUR MOMS!**

You are truly appreciated even though those around you don't always know how to say so.

My hope and prayer is that you have a great day today and that the Lord will bless you daily as you continue your way through life.

WHAT'S NEXT:

Well, next week is the Calendar Party. Thoughts are brewing for various functions. The Summer Fest is coming on June 24th to June 27th. And **SAVE THE DATE: we already have a Christmas Party scheduled for December 12th.** So stay tuned and pitch in when you can.

CATHEDRAL AMBASSADORS NEEDED

How would you like to become a Cathedral Ambassador. Here's the invite. The Department for Worship maintains a group of individuals who act as greeters and ministers of hospitality for major diocesan events at Saint Paul Cathedral. The Department is in need of additional individuals for this ministry. The requirements are simple. The individual must be able to do the following: come approximately 45 minutes prior to events, stand to distribute worship aids, and offer simple hospitality (a smile, a welcome, restroom directions). Individuals should already have their child protection clearances. Names and contact information (mailing address, phone, and email) of interested individuals can be directed to the Department at 2900 Noblestown Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15205 or 412-456-3041 or worship@diopitt.org.

TITHING:

I need to get back to the subject of tithing again. We were progressing nicely toward our goal of \$10,000.00 a week to meet expenses but unfortunately we've regressed. So, I'm asking you again to consider tithing for your weekly or monthly offering. We are going to need to have a very successful Summer Fest to make up for our lower collections. So kindly plan now how you can be involved on **June 24, 25, 26 and 27th.**



Peace & Love,

Fr. Semler

RED ROSE CAMPAIGN TODAY

The Ladies of Charity ask your support this weekend, for Birthright of Pittsburgh. Birthright is a pro life pregnancy support center helping pregnant girls and women since 1971. You will be given a red rose applique for your donation.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY

The second collection next weekend, May 16 & 17th will support Catholic Relief Services, Latin America, Central and Eastern Europe and the Church in Africa. Your donations will be very much appreciated.

WOMEN’S GUILD

The Guild is open to all ladies of the parish. Join the ladies for **TEA** at the meeting this Tuesday, May 12th at 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall.

SENIOR CITIZENS MEETING

The Seniors will hold their Spring Luncheon and meeting this Wednesday, May 13th at Sacred Heart Hall. Doors open at 11:00 AM. Lunch will be served at 12 Noon. The donation is \$8.00..if you need a ticket call Helen at 412-824-6874 or Betty at 412-824-8819. We will also celebrate Mother’s Day.

The club is looking for new members. The club was formed over 40 years ago for Seniors over the age of 50 so that they could have a place to enjoy each other’s company. Anyone who lives in and around the area is welcome to join. There are different activities every month.. picnic in summer, luncheons, Root beer floats, Octoberfest, Christmas party, bingo at the meetings. We also provide for flu shots and tests in the fall. Come and join us for a great day out of the house.

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). For tickets or for more information, call Peggy at 412-736-3507.

MONTHLY COMMEMORATIVE CELEBRATION

The next MCC will be celebrated Thursday, May 28th at the 9:00 AM Mass at Sacred Heart Church. Please turn in intentions by Monday, May 25th.

<i>Stewardship: Time - Talent - Treasure</i>	
Sunday, May 3rd:	\$ 6,120.00
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 314
Loose Offertory:	\$265.00
Monthly Offering: \$1,485.00	env used: 74
Loose Monthly:	\$118.00
Votive:	\$145.00
May God bless your generosity.	

THINK SUMMER FEST 2015

Time to get ready for our annual festival!

Basket Raffle: We are looking for donations of **COMPLETED** baskets containing only new items, no perishables, please. These will be used for Summer Fest 2015 Basket Raffle. Some examples of baskets are for: baby, house warming, kid’s items, gardening, car wash, etc. Larger donated items can be used as well. You may drop off these baskets and items this **Saturday, May 16th** from 10:00 AM till 12:00 Noon at the Sacred Heart Garage.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us, “This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you...You are my friends if you do what I command you.”

By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you fulfill the commandment to love one another as Jesus has loved you.

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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE DRIVE

The drive will take place May 30th and 31st at Sacred Heart Grounds, 1600 Brinton Road, Braddock Hills: Saturday: 1:00—3:00 PM, Sunday: 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. They will accept your donations of **clothes, household items and small working appliances.**

MUSIC! MUSIC! MUSIC!

When did you know what you wanted to be when you grew up????????? Well, it’s probably true that you had many choices over the years and the same is true for the 1st through 4th graders as they “grow up.” Come join these students on Tuesday, May 12th at 7:00 PM at East Catholic School for the musical presentation, **“When I Grow Up.”** Lots of jobs will be talked and sung about and there might even be a “silly” one???? Come join us and find out. All are welcome!!!

ALICE IN WONDERLAND THE MUSICAL

“Don’t be late for the very important date!” Mark your calendar for the East Catholic Fine Arts Club and the 5th grade presentation of the musical, **“Alice in Wonderland”** on Sunday, May 31, 2015 at 7:00 PM in our East Catholic School Keane Hall (cafeteria), 2001 Ardmore Blvd., Forest Hills, Pa. For more information call 412-351-5403. The fun evening promises to be filled with lots of singing, dancing and imagination.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES

VFW POST 5008 will be conducting Memorial Day Ceremony on May 25, 2015 at 9 AM. You are invited to attend to honor our Veterans. The club will be open from 1:00 till 9 PM.

NORTH BRADDOCK AMVETS will hold their Memorial Day Service at the entrance to All Saints Cemetery at 12:00 Noon on Monday, May 25th.

LADIES AUXILIARY, VFW POST 5008

The Ladies Auxiliary is collecting unused yarn that you may have laying around the house, not being used. The ladies use the yarn to make lap blankets for veterans and present them to the vets at Christmas. You may drop it off in the receptacles in the Gathering Spaces of both churches.

ST ANTHONY SCHOOL PROGRAMS Scholarships For the 2015-16 academic year, we are offering 20 full scholarships for new students entering our program for children between ages 5 and 21 with Down Syndrome, Autism or Intellectual Disabilities. For information, visit us online at www.stanthonykids.org and click on the Admissions tab or contact us at: info@stanthonykids.org or by calling 724-940-9020.

DISCERNING AND USING YOUR CHARISMS

THE CALLED & GIFTED™ is a three part discernment process intended to help lay Catholics discern their charisms. All three parts of the process are necessary to determine where you are gifted. Part one is the Called and Gifted workshop; this workshop lays the foundation for the *beginning* of discernment. Part two is the One Hour Gifts interview, this is an invaluable part of the process. Part three is the substance of the discernment process. These final steps will teach you how to develop charism experiments and how to evaluate your results. The last part of this process will teach you how to identify ways you learned to control life as a child that get in the way of using your charisms as an adult.

‘Called & Gifted’ will be presented at North American Martyrs Church on May 29th (7:00 pm to 9:00 pm) and on May 30th (9:00 am to 4:00 pm). The cost will be \$30.00. Two speakers are flying in from across the country to present this valuable workshop. Call 412-373-0330 X10 to register.

HIGH SCHOOL Juniors or Seniors and their families are invited to a Get Acquainted Day Open House at Saint Vincent College, Latrobe, on Saturdays, June 20, July 18 or August 15. Each Get Acquainted Day begins with a buffet breakfast and registration from 8:30 to 9:00am. The day will conclude at noon. Each day, the presentation will include an introduction to Saint Vincent College and a student panel. For information or reservations, phone 1-800-782-5549, e-mail admissions@stvincent.edu, or register online at www.stvincent.edu.

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Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan

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IN CYAN EVERY
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