

# Good Shepherd Catholic Parish

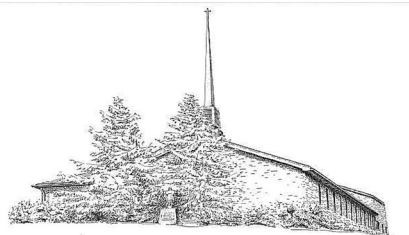
1024 Maple Way  
Braddock PA 15104-1612

**August 19, 2018**

Parish Office: 412-271-1515  
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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—Friday— 7:00 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*)  
Ms. Carol Funk, Parish Office Manager  
Mr. Frank Koncerak, Director of Maintenance  
Sr. Judith Stojhovic

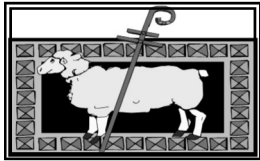
### Parish Telephone Numbers

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

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

- **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)

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



**August 19, 2018**  
**From the Pastor's Desk**

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY  
 IN ORDINARY TIME**

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

Every parish in the Diocese has volunteered to have a certain time span on a certain day to pray for the On Mission for the Church Alive! This is to insure a daily time of prayer in our Diocese until we begin On Mission for the Church Alive! You may have noticed the schedule in the vestibule of our two churches. Our day will be Thursday, August 30 from 6:00—8:00 PM at Sacred Heart Church. Actually we have Adoration every Thursday from 7:00—8:00 PM. You are invited to attend.

**GREETING MINISTRY:**

**John and Mary Besseck, and Larry Trasky** attended the Diocesan meeting concerning our Greeting Ministry to help the transition Mass schedule for the On Mission for the Church Alive programs. We need to meet with anyone who is willing to help. The more we have the easier and smoother the transition will come about. So please join us this **Tuesday, August 21 at 7:00 PM** at Sacred Heart Hall. John, Mary, and Larry will share with us the details.

**INDULGENCES:**

Do they still exist? Or what are they? These are questions we sometimes receive. It's because the Church is always moving, but we don't talk about them as often as we once did. So I will share the following with you this week and next. I have permission to share it. It's from the Universal Catechism of the Catholic Church (1471-1479) and has an imprimatur from Bishop John Favalora.

**What is an Indulgence? An indulgence is the remission of the temporal punishment due to sins already forgiven (generally in the Sacrament of Confession) granted by the Church.**

To understand an indulgence we must understand the consequences of sin. Grave sin (mortal sin) involves our turning away from God, and separates us from His grace, depriving us of eternal life with Him. This is called "eternal punishment" or hell. Even a lesser sin (venial sin) involves a lessening of our love for God, and deprives us of life with Him for a certain period of time. This is called "temporal or temporary punishment" or purgatory.

When grave or mortal sins are forgiven, communion with God is restored and there is the remission of the *eternal* punishment of sin. Temporal or temporary punishment, however, remains. This entails a purification of soul,

either here on earth or after death in the state called Purgatory.

As we strive for purification the Church aids us by urging us to do works of devotion, penance, and charity, and by dispensing and applying with authority its spiritual treasury. This treasury contains the infinite merits of Christ our Redeemer, as well as the prayers and good works of the Blessed Virgin Mary and those of all the faithful who make up the communion of saints. Thus the Church grants us *indulgences* from this treasury. They are applied to the remission of temporal punishment. Since the faithful departed in purgatory are members of the communion of saints, we can help them achieve eternal life by offering our indulgences for them.

**To be continued next week!**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE**

**August 25-26:**

**4:00 PM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** A. Kostyak, F. Szekely, D. Hrabley, P. Humberson, J. Hojnacki, T. Troyan, T. McAdams

**Lector:** Theodore Schleifer

**Server:** Andy Connelly

**9:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Leicht, L. Petri, B. McDonell, J. Corbett, P. Koncerak, C. DiNinno, J. McLaughlin

**Lector:** Mark Petri

**Server:** Selah Corbett

**11:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** H. Sullivan, M. Garritano, C. Suppes, K. Carroll, E. Foster, N. Moucheron

**Lector:** Dorothy Danko

**Server:** Brianna Skladany

**September 1-2:**

**4:00 PM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon Joe, A.M. Dougherty, M. Colao, D. Trasoline, T. Schleifer, M. Leicht, P. Koncerak

**Lector:** Eric Helminiak

**Server:** Stephen & Daniel Yezovich

**9:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** C. Suppes, C. DiNinno, M & L Petri, M. Giulianelli, J. Strednak, R. Russo

**Lector:** Jeff McLaughlin

**Server:** Josh DiNinno

**11:00 AM**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** J & M Besseck, R. Stamerra, B. Howell, J. Barbusio, P. Fazio

**Lector:** Carolyn Bakin

**Server:** Olivia Joscak

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

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*Peace and Love,  
 Fr. Semler*

### MISSIONARY COOPERATION PLAN

A representative of the **Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament** will speak to you about the work of their mission and ask for your support at all Masses this weekend. Your generosity in the second collection will truly support their important work with the missions and will be greatly appreciated.

### BINGO TODAY!

Good Shepherd Social Club will sponsor Bingo today **Sunday, August 19**, starting at 1:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall. Admission is \$20.00 paid at the door (no ticket pre sale). There will be 16 regular games and 4 specials. Refreshments will be available for purchase.

B	I	N	G	O
2	17	31	48	63
6	20	38	51	68
7	22	FREE	54	69
12	23	39	57	72
15	27	44	60	75

***Plan for an afternoon of fun and prizes and tell all of your friends!***

### THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that "*Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him.*" As we know, our loving God cannot be seen by our eyes, but only experienced through loving people. **With love for your neighbors who have nothing, look around your house to see what furniture, household items, and clothing you no longer use... and give it to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.**

**Phone: 412-437-8370**

### PRE CANA SEMINAR

Our fall Pre Cana Seminar for those planning to be married will be held **Sunday, September 30, 2018** from 1:00 to 5:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hall. The donation is \$40.00 per couple. Please email [joedocauto@aol.com](mailto:joedocauto@aol.com) if interested in attending.

### ST. COLMAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The St. Colman CCD Religion Program will begin on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 promptly at 6:00 PM in the **Church**. The registration fee is (\$30/one child, \$50 for 2 or more children). Call the Rectory Office at 412-823-2564 for more information. All are welcome!



**You are invited to pray the rosary with Deacon Joe Wednesdays through October 10, 2018, 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart.**

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

<b>Sunday, August 12:</b>	<b>\$ 4,664.00</b>
Parishioners receiving env: 652	env used: 219
Loose Offertory:	<b>\$236.00</b>
School Offering: \$472.00	env used: 51
Loose School Offering:	<b>\$101.00</b>
Votive:	<b>\$146.00</b>

***Thank You for your generosity!***

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### CAN YOU HELP?

**Interested in sharing your God given talents in a friendly, spiritual and service oriented organization? Please consider joining the Good Shepherd St.Vincent de Paul Society.**

**Please contact any one of the following members for more information:**

**Dave Joscak at 412-398-2488**  
**Teri Joscak at 412-398-4317**  
**Matt Walker at 412-607-7877**  
**Larry Trasky at 412-823-2795**

### EAST CATHOLIC SCHOOL REGISTRATION

#### **Walking Tours for the 2018-2019 School Year**

Our tours are conducted by our enthusiastic Principal Sr. Judith, who loves showing visitors around our school and is very happy to answer your questions. The Principal will discuss details of our many programs with you. Come and experience our vibrant community for yourself. Join us and be a part of "East Catholic School. To sign up for a tour: Contact the School Office between 8:30 am and 2:00 pm at 412-351-5403.

### ST. MAURICE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

will begin registrations for the 2018-2019 school year in August 2018. Current families will receive an email from Mrs. Kirkland at that time. If you are new to our program, parish or are interested in having your child attend Religious Education on Sunday mornings (starting on **September 23 at 8:30 AM**). You may contact her at [ckirkland@saintmauriceparish.org](mailto:ckirkland@saintmauriceparish.org) for more information. We're looking forward to another great year of bringing our Parish's children into a closer relationship with God!

### **MEN, ARE YOU READY TO ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE?**

Our communities need strong Catholic men to answer the call to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend our values.

For over 100 years, the Knights of Columbus have done exactly that, standing up for the church, serving the lease among us, and strengthening our parishes and families. Eligible Catholic men can now join the Knights of Columbus online in a simple, streamlined process.

As a member, you join a worldwide community of nearly 2 million men, including thousands here in Pennsylvania, who stand together. Men have a duty to lead, protect, serve and defend. The world needs more committed, unified Catholic men to answer the call. Will you answer? Visit <https://www.kofc.org/apps/newjoin/en/registration/index.html> to learn more about the Knights of Columbus.

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

**1-888-808-1235**

**Safe Environment Administrator: Rose Morgan**

**THE ROSARY: Our Path to Jesus through Mary.** National and international presenter, Deacon Cody Miller, will inspire us with his insights into the prayers, mysteries and use of the Rosary in spiritual combat and personal as well as family devotion **Thursday, August 23rd, 7:00-8:00 p.m.**, at Madonna del Castello Church, 2021 S. Braddock Ave., Swissvale, PA 15218. A former professional recording artist and composer, Deacon Cody is now a missionary troubadour for Mary. He will have his books and CDs for sale at the reception following the talk. For more information call the Word of God parish office, 412-241-1372.

### **CONCERT ON THE LAWN**

The final Summer Concert on the Lawn at St. John Fisher grounds will be held Friday evening, August 24 at 7:00 PM, Enjoy the music featuring Mary Ann Mangini with special guest Johnny Angel from Johnny Angel and the Halos. They will be playing your favorite songs from the 50's, 60's and 70's. Bring a chair to enjoy the great music or put on your dance shoes and dance the night away! Wine, beer, soda and water are available for a donation. A free-will offering will be taken up to help defray expenses. Please call the church office at 412-241-4722.

### **ST. JUDE BINGO**

St. Jude the Apostle Church is holding a Super Bingo Sunday, August 26th in McGarey Hall, 405 Westinghouse Avenue, Wilmerding, PA, 15148.

18 Cards for \$25.00 and includes three specials. Doors open at 12:30 PM. Early birds at 1:15 PM. Regular bingo at 1:30 PM. Handicapped accessible. Good food available. You are invited to attend and bring a friend or two.

### **WORD OF GOD OKTOBERFEST**

**Saturday, September 29, 2018**

**7:00—10:30 PM (after Mass)**

**Word of God Parish Grounds**

**Over 21 Only**

**\$25** includes food (chicken, Italian sausage, brats, sauerkraut and more), non-alcoholic beverages and entertainment. **\$35** includes all of the above plus beer and wine.

**Music:** DJ Donny DooWop (aka "Dink" McCann).

Call the Rectory at 412-241-1372 or Jen Pekor at 412-417-5731 for tickets or information.

### **RETRouvaille:**

#### **A Lifeline for Married Couples**

Retrouvaille offers help to couples experiencing trouble in their marriage. The weekend and post sessions focus on rebuilding marriage through better communication, listening, and understanding. Call today to begin the healing process beginning with a weekend on September 7, 2018. Contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434.

# MASSSES for the WEEK

Good Shepherd Parish  
August 19-26, 2018

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Jn 6:51-58)

GS: 4:00 PM Rick Blazina by Wife & Family

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM George & Eleanore Bandik by Family

Monday-St. Bernard (Mt 19:16-22)

SH: 7:00 AM Edward Adams by Family

Tuesday-St. Pius X (Mt 19:23-30)

SH: 7:00 AM Helen Yurko by Mark & Lori Baird

Wednesday-The Queenship of Mary (Mt 20:1-16)

SH: 7:00 AM Edward Stammera, Sr.  
by Dan & Doris Waite

Thursday-Weekday (Mt 22:1-14)

SH: 7:00 AM Lois Jean Haugh  
by Martin McLaughlin Family

Friday-St. Bartholomew (Jn 1:45-51)

SH: 7:00 AM Frank Gamrat by Wife

Saturday-Weekday (Mt 23:1-12)

No morning Mass

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Jn 6:60-69)

GS: 4:00 PM Marcello Family by Tresa G. Marcello

GS: 9:00 AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish

SH: 11:00 AM Joseph Scrima by Wife, Joan

**Birthday Wishes** Happy Birthday wishes go out to  
*Irene Koncerak*  
who celebrated her 91st  
birthday on August 16th.  
*God bless you Irene!*



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OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA

The annual Mass honoring Our Lady of Czestochowa will be celebrated on Monday, August 27, 2018 at 7:00 PM at St. Paul's Cathedral in Oakland. The Knights of Columbus, a choir singing Polish Marian hymns, & the Polish clergy will assist Bishop David Zubik. The event is sponsored by the Polish Falcons of America.



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**WEEK!!!**