

MASS INTENTIONS**SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

Monday, January 15 Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00am (GS) Rita Manson by Dave, Joe & Rick Venglass

Tuesday, January 16 Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00am (GS) Rick Topolski by Nancy & Larry Staffen

Wednesday, January 17 Saint Anthony, Abbot
8:00am (SJ) Nick Costa by Frank Thomas
6:30pm (GS) Nancy Kristek by Sister, Dorothy Tully & Son, Dan

Thursday, January 18 Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00am (GS) Roger Besong by Frank & Judy Telesz

Friday, January 19 Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00am (SJ) Wayne Lindsey by Jennie, Mark & Michele
8:00am (GS) Marian Prayer Group

Saturday, January 20 *Saint Fabian; Saint Sebastian*
4:00pm (SJ) Vigil, Living & Deceased of the Armsey Family
5:30pm(GS) Vigil, Mutschler Family by Granddaughters

Sunday, January 21 **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:00am (GS) Bernadette Anthony by Paul Cetto, Sr.
9:30am (SJ) For the Living & Deceased of our Parishes
11:00am (GS) Vince Gardom by Marie & Tom Panutsos

Scripture Readings for Mass**Second Week in Ordinary Time, January 15, 2018**

Monday 1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday 1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday, 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12

Friday, 1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday, 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Mk 3:20-21

Sunday, Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER**(GS) Sanctuary Candle**

(GS) In Honor of Betty Raymer by Carl, Jean, & Ashton
Pietroboni and Camden Mawhiney

(SJ) In Thanksgiving for the Ministry of
Father Matthew Ruechan, OFM

Holy Family Shrine Candle

(GS) Lucia, Charles & Al Derochis
by Rose Dziack & John Derochis

We welcome Father Joseph Westfall, from Cross Catholic Outreach, speaking this weekend on Jan. 13th & 14th at all Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. A link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. *Delivering Food, Shelter and Hope to the Poorest of the Poor.*

PACZKI TIME AGAIN! It's hard to believe but Lent is coming quickly and it's time to organize our annual Paczki Project. The big day is **Monday Feb. 12th**. We need volunteers to roll, fry, proof, sugar, box, label, dance and have fun. All ages are welcome. To volunteer, please call Chrystal 724 266-6565 ext. 21.

FINDING GOD

As the Christmas season draws to a close and we enter *Ordinary Time*, the Old Testament readings begin to unfold the saga leading up to the crowning of King David. The Bible is really like an elaborate mystery novel written over hundreds of years. It's the unfolding of the Divine Mystery of God's hand at work in salvation history.

The first reading this weekend begins to tell the story of a little boy named Samuel. He will grow up to be the great prophet who will anoint Saul as King of Israel, and eventually, King David, the great ancestor of Jesus.

As a child, Samuel is taken to live in the temple with the priest Eli. One night as he is sleeping Samuel hears his name called. Samuel rises, thinking that Eli has called him, and so he goes to Eli the priest and says "*Here I am. You called me.*" Eli responds, saying "*I did not call you. Go back to sleep.*"

Twice more, Samuel hears his name being called and goes to Eli. Finally Eli realizes that it is God who is calling, so he tells Samuel, "*Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply, Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.*" Samuel does as instructed, and scripture tells us that "*Samuel grew up, and the LORD was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect.*"

I got to thinking about Eli's experience. Between phone calls and cell phone calls, e-mails and text messages -- let alone all the chaos leading up to Christmas -- I can't remember the last time I sat quietly and listened for the voice of God. As I was locking up the church last night, I stopped and noticed all the beautiful Christmas decorations and realized I'd never even paused for a moment to appreciate them, let alone to take time and listen for the voice of God.

I turned the lights down low, went around and plugged in the twinkle lights around the church and just sat and drank it all in. I realized just how beautiful the church is in all its Christmas splendor.

I stopped and looked at the manger scene and realized just how blessed we are to have such a beautiful nativity set. I looked in awe at the decorations placed atop the beautiful marble pillars that were once part of Holy Trinity's Communion rail. I thought back to the moment at Christmas time when I was celebrating Mass and I caught the reflection in the chalice of the two Christmas trees and the tabernacle behind me. It was breathtaking. I was reminded of my days in seminary when we would stop for an hour for adoration every Friday afternoon and just listen for the voice of God.

Every Friday we have adoration at Good Samaritan from 3:00 to 8:00 pm. As Lent looms around the corner, I hope folks will stop and take a moment to sit and quietly listen for the quiet whisper of God.

SAINT JOHN'S CORNER

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, HOLY NAME SOCIETY
8:00 AM MEETING. Members will meet in the social hall.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 9:30 AM MASS,
LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN. All children are invited to join us as we break open the Word of God in simplified terms during Mass.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, Divine Child Jesus/Saint Padre Pio Prayer Group, Second Sunday Monthly Devotion, here at St. John's. Holy Mass begins at 2:00 PM followed by 3:00 Holy Hour and 4:00 meeting. A social follows in the hall. All are welcome. Fr. Ladis Cizik will be the celebrant.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, ORAMS CINNAMON ROLLS AT BADEN-ECONOMY LIONS CLUB Help the Lions Club & enjoy a special treat 8-1-AM, 1124 Harmony Road, Baden, Connamon rolls \$2 each/\$22 per dozen to pre-order. Call 724-622-4499.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, HOLY NAME SOCIETY PANCAKE BREAKFAST "ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT" pancake,



French toast, waffle & sausage breakfast beginning at 8:30AM to 11:30AM in the church social hall. The cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$2.00 for kids 5-10 yrs. of age. Younger than 5 are free. Come down and treat yourself to a delicious breakfast.

"It is better to be a child of God than king of the whole world!" ~St. Aloysius Gonzaga

Father Joseph Dascenzo, retired pastor of Saint John the Baptist, Baden is now residing at Sister of Saint Joseph Villa, Baden and would appreciate and welcome visitors.

Magnificat Pittsburgh Prayer Breakfast
Feb. 10, 9:00 am-Noon, DoubleTree Hilton, Cranberry Twp. Dr. Elizabeth Kim, licensed psychologist, tells of her miraculous healing tin Korea in 1978. She integrates the Catholic faith in treating children, adolescents and adults. Cost is \$23. Call Kay at 724-772-6749 or Pam at 412-461-8906 or www.magnificatpittsburgh.org. Deadline is Feb. 2.

RETRouvaille Hope & help for troubled marriages. For confidential information or to register for the program on January 19 weekend, call 412-277-3434 Info available at www.retrouvailleofpittsburghinc.org.

Saint James' Parish, Sewickley, Friday, January 19th
MARCH FOR LIFE, Washington, DC,

The bus trip is open to all, non-parishioners & non-Catholics at NO Charge!! (free-will offer taken) PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO BRING CHILDREN OF ALL AGES. The bus leaves St. James' parking lot at 6AM and returns after 10PM. A brief stop along the Turnpike to buy a light breakfast, and an evening complimentary boxed dinners will be provided by the St. James' Women's Guild. All participants are encouraged to dress in layers .To reserve space call Elsie Rothfus at 412-944-8922.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, January 14

Second Collection: Cross Catholic Outreach

8:00am (SJ) HNS Meeting
 9:00am (GS) CIC Session (JH Classroom)
 9:30am (SJ) Liturgy of the Word with Children during 9:30am Mass
 9:30-11:00am (GS) CCD Grades 6-8
 2:00/3:00/4:00pm(SJ)Mass/Holy Hour/Meeting-Padre Pio Prayer
 5:30pm (GS) Teen RCIA (JH Classroom)

Monday, January 15

NO (SJ) CCD Grades 1-5 - *Martin Luther King Jr. Day*

Wednesday, January 17

9:00am (GS) RCIA (JH Classroom)
 6:30pm (SJ) Choir Practice

Thursday, January 18

6:30pm (GS) Adult Choir

Friday, January 19

11:00am (GS) RCIA (JH Classroom)
 3:00-7:00pm (GS) Eucharistic Adoration
 7:00/8:00pm (GS) Confessions-Rosary/Mass-Marian Prayer

Sunday, January 21: Second Collection: St. Anthony School

Programs, DePaul School for Hearing & Speech
 9:00am (GS) CIC Session (JH Classroom)
 9:30-11:00am (GS) CCD Grades 6-8
 5:30pm (GS) Teen RCIA (JH Classroom)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from

3:00-7:00 pm on Friday, January 18th

AT GOOD SAMARITAN PARISH

7:00 pm Confessions. MASS will follow at 8:00 pm
 Marian Prayer Group. ALL ARE WELCOME



✠ IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the repose of the souls of our dearly departed, who died recently, especially, **Ada Hlozek, Violet Wilczynski and Amelia Vukovcan.** May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

| GOOD SAMARITAN | <i>Our Gift to God</i> |
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| Weekly Offering, Jan. 7, 2018 | \$4,753 |
| Parish Share | \$458 |
| Addition-Solemnity of Mary, Jan. 1 | \$465 |
| Addition-Christmas | \$398 |
| Addition-Weekly Offering, Dec. 31 | \$1,602 |
| December 2017 On Line Giving | \$3,819 |
| SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST | |
| Weekly Offering, December 24, 2017II | \$2,392 |

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