

MASS INTENTIONS

HOLY WEEK

Monday, April 10: Monday of Holy Week

8:00am (GS) John Brooks Watkins by Diane & Gary Machuda

Tuesday, April 11: Tuesday of Holy Week

8:00am (GS) For the Health of Linda Carr by Annette Hramika

Wednesday, April 12: Wednesday of Holy Week

8:00am (SJ) Tony Samangy by Joanne & Al and Scott Bish

6:30pm (GS) Mary Kephart by Sister, Heather Dumek

Thursday, April 13: Thursday of Holy Week

(GS) NO Morning Mass (Chrism Mass 10am at the Cathedral)

HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

7:00pm (GS) Arthur J. Conti by Wife, Children & Grandchildren

(GS) Eucharistic Adoration until 10:45pm, then Night Prayer

7:00pm (SJ) Donna Chinchilla by Family

(SJ) Eucharistic Adoration until 9:45pm, then Night Prayer

Friday, April 14: GOOD FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

9:00am (GS) Morning Prayer Service

2:00pm (GS) Passion of the Lord

2:00pm (SJ) Passion of the Lord

(GS) NO Marian Prayer Group

Saturday, April 15: HOLY SATURDAY

9:00am (GS) Morning Prayer

12:00pm Noon (GS) Blessing of Easter Baskets

EASTER VIGIL MASS ON HOLY SATURDAY

8:30pm (GS) Easter Vigil - Kristel Valderrama and Claudee Gonzalez

Sunday, April 16: EASTER SUNDAY OF THE

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

8:00am (GS) Michael Trella by Molchen Family

9:30am (SJ) For the Living and Deceased of Our Parishes

11:00am (GS) Harry Molchen by Wife, Carol & Family



Readings for Holy Week

Monday Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday Is 52:13-53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/ Ex 14:15-15:1/Is 54:5-14/Is 55:1-11/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/ Rom 6:3-11/Mt 28:1-10

Sunday Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 (42) or Mt 28:1-10

THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER

Bread and Wine

(GS) Gene Harrison by Wife, Judy & Family

Blessed Mother Shrine Candle

(GS) Vladimir Kejas by Wife, Caroline & Family

Holy Family Shrine Candle

(GS) Gene Harrison by Wife Judy & Family

Holy Trinity Shrine Candle

(GS) William P. Strugalski by Daughter, Teresa Surgeon

Sanctuary Candle

(GS) Hovanec Family by Family

(SJ) Valentine Peck by Valene Connolly



From Father Joe

CREATING PRICELESS MEMORIES

This weekend we celebrate Palm Sunday, known also as Passion Sunday. The liturgy not only recalls the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, but the Passion of Christ as well. The Mass begins in celebration, as people raise their palm branches and wave them in the air as the procession enters the church. It recalls the crowds who shouted "Hosanna" as Jesus entered the city of Jerusalem in the type of ancient procession reserved for a king.

The tone of the liturgy changes dramatically, as the solemn reading of Christ's Passion takes place. It is one of the most beautiful services in the liturgical year. It encompasses the full range of emotions, from triumphant joy to profound sadness.

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, a week filled with beautiful liturgies and traditions. It includes the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral, where priests and lay people from around the Diocese gather as the Bishop blesses the sacred oils that will be used in celebrating the sacraments throughout the year. Later that day, the Mass of the Lord's Supper is celebrated at parishes with the washing of feet and celebration of the institution of the Eucharist. This is followed on Good Friday by the Passion of Christ and the veneration of the Cross. Holy Saturday includes the blessing of Easter baskets, followed by the Easter Vigil, where 2 young people, Kristel Valderrama and Claudee Gonzalez, will receive their sacraments and enter into full communion with us in the Church.

The Easter Vigil Mass is difficult to describe. For lack of a better description, it is a liturgical extravaganza. It begins with a darkened church waiting in silence. Outside, the Easter fire is burning. The fire is blessed and the Paschal Candle is lit. A procession slowly enters the church. Altar servers take the flame from the Paschal Candle and light hundreds of tiny votive candles held by the people in the pews. In a matter of moments, the church that was nearly pitch dark is awash with the soft glow of candlelight.

The liturgy begins as the priest sings the *exultet*, a hymn of praise that is sung before the Paschal/Easter Candle. The hymn proclaims the glory of God -- the Light of the World -- recounting salvation history from the safe passage of Israel through the Red Sea to the passion, death, and resurrection of the Savior. This is followed by scripture passages and the triumphant singing of the Gloria as the lights of the church are thrown on and the church bells ring to proclaim that Christ has risen from the tomb! Finally, Kristel and Claudee will receive the sacraments of the Church and join us at the Eucharistic Feast.

I pray that you will take the time to join in these celebrations, and that you bring your children and grandchildren to experience the Church in all its splendor. In the process, you will be creating memories to last a lifetime. May you have a blessed Holy Week, *Fr. Joe*



FINAL LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

April 10, Monday 7pm Holy Family, New Brighton
(Confessions before 6:30pm Mass at Good Samaritan on
Wed., April 12, 6-6:20pm, **No confessions on Holy Saturday**)

FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

6:00 pm St. John the Baptist, Baden
7:00 pm Good Samaritan, Ambridge



“Living Stations” Saint Titus

The St. Titus School Alumni and Friends are bringing the
“Living Stations” back to St. Titus. **This beautiful
depiction of the Stations of the Cross will be presented on
Good Friday at 7:00 pm in the Church.**

Palm Sunday HOSANNA, TO THE SON OF DAVID

On Palm Sunday the crowds welcomed Jesus as a king as
he entered into Jerusalem. They expressed their joy by
waving palm and olive branches and hailing Him as the
Son of David. Yet, a few days later some among them were
jeering at Jesus, yelling out “crucify him!” while others hid
in fear as He was led to His death. As followers of Jesus we
are called to live with an undivided heart, a heart that is
alive in love for God and neighbor. As we celebrate God’s
great love for us in the mysteries of the passion, death and
resurrection of Jesus this Holy Week may we be inspired to
be united in faith, hope and love as we journey *On Mission
for The Church Alive!* Visit onmissionchurchalive.org

Easter Blessing of Families

On Easter Sunday, April 16, 2917, Bishop David Zubik will
welcome families of the Diocese of Pittsburgh to the
**Annual Blessing of Families at Saint Paul Cathedral in
Oakland at 2:00pm. All are welcome.**

“Monday with Mary”

All women are invited to begin Holy Week by praying the “Rosary
of the Seven Sorrows of Mary” this Monday at 7:00 PM in Good
Samaritan Church as we ask Our Lady to undo the “knots of grief
and loss” in our lives. Afterwards, we will all gather in Jericho Hall
Classroom to share “Our Lady of Sorrows Soup” as we watch a
30 minute DVD Presentation by Dr. Ted Sri, who takes us on a
tour of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre and explains how Our
Blessed Mother Mary understands our pain because of her walk
with Jesus to the Cross. Call Susan for more info at 724-266-
6565 Ext #17.

Young Adults to Go on Seven-Church Tour

St. Alphonsus’ Young Adults Ministry invites you to join them on
Holy Thursday as they follow the ancient tradition of visiting seven
churches to pray.

They will start with the 7 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper at St.
Alphonsus (201 Church Road, Wexford) and then carpool south
to Pittsburgh to pray at six other churches. Tentative plans are to
visit St. Mary of the Mount Church at 403 Grandview Ave. on
Mount Washington; Chapel of the Holy Spirit at Duquesne
University; St. Mary of Mercy Church at 202 Stanwix St.; St.
Stanislaus Church in the Strip District; Church of the Epiphany
beside PPG Paints Arena; and St. Anthony Chapel at 1704
Harpster St. in Troy Hill.

If you would like to participate, please contact Alex Davis
at YA@SaintAlphonsusChurch.org so we can get a head count to
plan for transportation.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APRIL 23

Good Samaritan Parish

Eucharistic Adoration at 12Noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation 1:30-2:30 pm

Followed by Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3pm

2017 Parish Triduum & Easter Mass Schedule

GOOD SAMARITAN AND SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISHES

Holy Thursday, April 13

7:00 pm	Mass of the Lord’s Supper	<i>Good Samaritan with Fr. Sam Esposito</i>
	<i>Followed by Eucharistic Adoration until Night Prayer & Benediction at 10:45pm</i>	
7:00 pm	Mass of the Lord’s Supper	<i>Saint John the Baptist with Fr. Joe Carr</i>
	<i>Followed by Eucharistic Adoration until Night Prayer & Benediction at 9:45pm</i>	

Good Friday, April 14

9:00 am	Morning Prayer	<i>Good Samaritan</i>
2:00 pm	Passion of the Lord & Adoration of the Cross	<i>Good Samaritan with Fr. Frank Mitolo</i>
2:00 pm	Passion of the Lord & Adoration of the Cross	<i>St. John the Baptist with Fr. Joe Carr</i>
6:00 am	Stations of the Cross	<i>Saint John the Baptist</i>
7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross	<i>Good Samaritan</i>

Holy Saturday, April 15

9:00 am	Morning Prayer	<i>Good Samaritan</i>
12 Noon	Blessing of Easter Baskets	<i>Good Samaritan</i>
8:30 pm	Easter Vigil Mass	<i>Good Samaritan</i>

Easter Sunday, April 16

8:00 am	Easter Mass	<i>Good Samaritan</i>
9:30 am	Easter Mass	<i>St. John the Baptist with Fr. Sam Esposito</i>
11:00 am	Easter Mass	<i>Good Samaritan</i>

A Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat for post-abortion healing on May 5-7, 2017 at Tabor House in Millvale.
Call Toni Jester 412-352-5348 email toniafj1@comcast.net

McGuire Memorial Hiring Summer Employees for 2017
"Direct Care Staff Positions" assisting individuals who have physical & intellectual disabilities with their daily life at \$12.50 an hour. Open interviews at 2119 Mercer Road, New Brighton at 10 AM on April 14, 15, 22, 29. Email d.oravitz@mcguirememorial.org. Call 724-843-3400 x1152

Attention graduate of Quigley Catholic High School
Please join us as we celebrate 50 years of Quigley Catholic. Celebration festivities will take place September 15-16, 2017. For more information please visit www.qchs50.com

National Catholic Singles Conference
May 19th-21st DoubleTree Pittsburgh-Green Tree
Dynamic speakers, music, social events, prayer, food, fellowship and more! Space is limited. Info & to register visit www.NationalCatholicSingles.com. 800-267-8885x4. Use promo code NCSCPA to receive a special discount.

Joe Diamond, Pittsburgh's country musician will perform at the St. James 55 Plus Club April luncheon which will be held on Thursday, April 20th beginning at 12 pm. More details can be found at <http://www.saintjames-sewickley.org/weekly-bulletins.html> under April 9.

Camp Erin Pittsburgh, Three-day, overnight camp for children and teen that have experienced the death of a significant person in their life.
WHO: For children and teens ages 6-17 years old.
WHERE: YMCA Camp Kon-O-Kwee Spencer, 30 miles north of Pittsburgh.
WHEN: June 9-11, 2017
COST: Through generous community donations and grants, camp is FREE to everyone.
Camper application and volunteer applications can be downloaded at: www.camperinpittsburgh.org. Deadline for camper applications is May 15, 2017. Spaces for campers are limited and it is encouraged for parent/guardian to register early. Call 800-720-2557, email hbleachler@good-samaritanhospice.org

OLSH HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

OLSH Summer Camp Registration Opens!

Students entering grades 6-9 are invited to spend their summer programming robotics, performing on stage, dissecting a brain, exploring their faith, playing alongside other athletes, and more! Explore all 12 camp options and **register now** at www.olsh.org/summercamp, or by calling 412-262-3300.

Charger for a Day Experience

Put yourself in the shoes of a current Charger and spend a day with us for the traditional "shadow day" experience. This opportunity is available to students currently in grades 7-10 through the end of April. Visit www.olsh.org/admissions to register for your visit or call 412-262-3300.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT DRUGS AND ADDICTION

The Health Ministry of St. Mary Aleppo, 444 Glenfield Road, Sewickley, PA 15143 (located just off I-79) will host a panel of individuals discussing drug addiction: how it begins (signs and symptoms); types of drugs; effect on the individual and family; consequences; and testimonials from a former addict and parents of drug overdose victims. This will be presented in the **Meenan Center of St. Mary Parish, April 25 from 7-9:30 pm.** No reservations are necessary.

POWER OF PARENTS PROGRAM

Mayor Gagliardi of Baden is sponsoring a free 30-minute Power of Parents program presented by Mothers Against Drunk Driving on April 20, 2017, at American Legion Post 641, 271 State St. in Baden from 7-8pm. Power of Parents is a program which prepares parents to talk with teens about alcohol. *Research shows parents should talk early and talk often with children about underage drinking. *Parents, not peers, remain the biggest influence on children when it comes to alcohol. *Positive parenting strategies can help empower kids to avoid underage drinking. ***Parents – you have the power: USE IT!** MADD presenters: Natalie Parkinson's daughter, Renee Parkinson was killed on interstate 79 in 2007 by a first-time DUI offender. Pam Ondash's son David Cook, a resident of Baden, was killed on route 989 in 2011 by a first-time DUI offender. Natalie and Pam work together through MADD to educate communities; impaired driving is 100% preventable.

A Night at the Races, St. Anthony Congregation

On Saturday, April 22, at 7:30pm at the Center Twp. VFW #1 Fire Hall, 1075 Brodhead Rd., Center Twp. Pasta dinner at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$10. To purchase call 724-375-7675 or 724-775-8291. Everyone is welcome to come.

Ambridge Regional Chamber of Commerce

"Meet the Candidates" Night Tuesday, April 18, 7 PM

Ambridge American Legion, 400 Duss Ave., Free Event

Ambridge Community Spring Home & Garden Show

Saturday, April 29 from 10 am-3 pm

Do It Best Parking Lot, 500 Ohio River Blvd, Ambridge

Ambridge Fireworks 3rd Bingo Extravaganza

Saturday, May 13, 2017 Bingo Packets \$11

Ambridge Eagles, 4th & Maplewood Ave., Limited Space. Tickets at Municipal Building or from Committee Member.

Mt. Olivet Catholic Cemetery Annual Spring Cleaning

Anyone wishing to place Easter decorations may do so the week prior to Easter & remove them by **Monday, April 24.** For info call Cemetery Office 424-378-1411.

100TH Anniversary Pilgrimage Our Lady of Fatima

Ten Day Pilgrimage to Portugal. All land inclusive cost of \$2,149. We visit Lisbon, Fatima, Santarem in Portugal, Lourdes, France & Barcelona, Spain. Call James Adair at 1-855-564-1008 email: jlmaidair@thecatholicstour.com

SAINT JOHN'S CORNER

SUNDAY, APRIL 9, DIVINE CHILD JESUS/SAINT PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP, SECOND SUNDAY MONTHLY DEVOTION, will meet here at St. John's. Holy Mass begins at 2:00 PM then 3:00 Holy Hour and 4:00 meeting.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY SPRING WINE TASTING
Saturday, April 29, from 5-7:30pm in the social hall, join us for tasting of 2 white wines, a mead and 3 red wines, also cheese, fruit, crackers, bubbly and chocolate fountains. Dreadnought Wines' experts will introduce the wines. Silent auction items will be available. (Tickets purchased at the event.) Cost of admission is \$20. Holy Name members will sell tickets before and after weekend Masses. *Proceeds in excess of cost will benefit the charitable works of the Holy Name Society.* We hope to see you.

51st ANNUAL BEAVER COUNTY HOLY NAME SOCIETY ST. JOHN OF VERCELLI AWARDS BANQUET Join us as we honor our parish awardee: **Richard O'Neill** on **Sunday, April 23, 2017**, at St. Frances Cabrini Church. Open bar 4:30pm; Dinner 5:30pm. \$28 tickets are available from any Holy Name Society member and before and after weekend Masses.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS BABY SHOWER FOR LIFELINE Our annual baby shower for Lifeline of SW PA, a pregnancy resource center located in Beaver, will be held at our **Sun., April 23**, meeting. Diapers, wipes and onsies & clothing of all sizes are always needed. Please be as generous as possible.

LADIES OF CHARITY, GOOD SAMARITAN

Ladies of Charity will meet in Classroom 1 in Jericho Hall on Tuesday, April 11, at 6:00 pm. We will be discussing nursing home visits and visiting the shut ins of our parish.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Holy Thursday Collection for the Poor

At Holy Thursday Mass, dry goods will be collected for the poor. Baskets will be placed at the church entrances. For those who wish to make a monetary donation, a collection will be taken up at Mass. God bless you for your continued generosity.



GOOD SAMARITAN FESTIVAL LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE



IMPORTANT MEETING!
Monday, April 10
6 pm at Parish Center

All members please try to attend. *Thank you, Sal*

GOOD SAMARITAN YOUTH CHOIR

11am Mass, Easter Sunday, April 16, be in choir room @10:15am
 5:30pm Mass, Saturday, April 22, be in choir room @5:00pm
 5:30pm Mass, Saturday, April 29, be in choir room @5:00pm



Rehearsal in Choir Room
Sunday 9:30-10:15am
April 9

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, April 9

9am-2pm (GS) Easter Bake Sale (JH) 724-266-6010

NO (GS) CIC /Teen RCIA

9:30-11:00am (GS) CCD Grades 6-8

9:30am (GS) Youth Choir (Choir Room)

11:00am (SJ) CCM Board Meeting

12 Noon-3pm (GS) Sacrament of Initiation Retreat CIC

Elect Teen RCIA Candidates (Susan's home)

2:00pm (SJ) Mass, Divine Child Jesus (Padre Pio Prayer

Group), 3pm Holy Hour, 4pm Meeting & Social

Monday, April 10

5:15-6:45am (GS) CCD Grades 1-5

7:00pm (GS) Week #5 "Living Novena" to *Our Lady*

Undoer of Knots (Church & JH Classroom)

7:00pm Lenten Penance, *Holy Family New Brighton*

6:00pm(GS) Festival Leadership Meeting (Parish Center)

Tuesday, April 11

6:00pm (GS) Ladies of Charity Meeting (JH Classroom)

Wednesday, April 12

(SJ) No Coffee & donuts this week

(GS) No Bible Study

6:30pm (SJ) Saint John the Baptist Choir Practice

7pm (GS) Good Samaritan Choir Practice

Friday, April 14: GOOD FRIDAY

HOLY LAND COLLECTION

11am-3pm (GS) Good Friday Pierogi Sale 724-266-6010

(GS) No Bible Study

2:00pm (GS) Passion of the Lord

2:00pm (SJ) Passion of the Lord

6:00pm (SJ) STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00pm (GS) STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saturday, April 15: HOLY SATURDAY

12 Noon (GS) Blessing of Baskets

1:00pm (GS) CIC/Teen RCIA Preparation Rites in Church

Sunday, April 16 EASTER SUNDAY

NO (GS) CIC /Teen RCIA and NO (GS) CCD

✠IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all our dearly departed who died recently, especially **Derio Bologna** (brother of Eva Moore) and **Albert Guido**. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

PLEASE NOTE: THERE ARE NO CONFESSIONS ON HOLY SATURDAY.

GOOD SAMARITAN	Our Gift to God
Weekly Offering, March 26, 2017	\$8,089.85
Parish Share	\$461.00
Easter Flowers	\$494.00
SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST	
Weekly Offering, March 2017	\$2,630.05
Good Samaritan	724-266-6565
Saint John the Baptist	724-869-2280