

MASS INTENTIONS

THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Monday, April 17: Monday within the Octave of Easter

8:00am (GS) Kyle Hochevar by Family

Tuesday, April 18: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

8:00am (GS) Tisak Family by Family

Tuesday, April 18: SAINT ANTHONY NOVENA MASS #1

7:00pm (GS) Albert & Frances Krol by Steve & Loretta

(GS) Bette Ankowski by Sandra Foody

Wednesday, April 19: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

8:00am (SJ) Frank Morini by St. John's St. Vincent DePaul Society

6:30pm (GS) Sophie & Walter Syvith by Donna Kopfer

Thursday, April 20: Thursday within the Octave of Easter

8:00am (GS) Bernie Grzegorek by Wife & Daughters

Friday, April 21: Friday within the Octave of Easter

8:00am (SJ) Donald Chismire by Regina & Bill LaRue

8:00pm (GS) Marian Prayer Group

Saturday, April 22: Saturday within the Octave of Easter

4:00pm (SJ) For Blessings Received by Ed & Gerri

5:30pm (GS) Alex DeRochis by Wife, Nancy

Sunday, April 23: SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER OR

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

8:00am (GS) For the Living and Deceased of Our Parishes

9:30am (SJ) Elizabeth Holz by Bob & Gerry Shultz

11:00am (GS) First Holy Communion Class

Readings for within the Octave of Easter April 17, 2017

Monday Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48

Friday Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15

Sunday Acts 2:42-47/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER

Bread and Wine

(GS) Isabelle Nutz by Marlene & Richard

(SJ) DeNucci & Prodonavich Families by

Gerald DeNucci & Family

Blessed Mother Shrine Candle

(GS) Josephine Brogno and Kay Banks by Marlene

Holy Family Shrine Candle

(GS) Tina Tanski by John & Pat Tanski

Holy Trinity Shrine Candle

(GS) +Charles and Joann Smith Family

Sanctuary Candle

(GS) Sophie Valentine by Daughter, Annette Hramika

Altar Flowers

(SJ) For the Intentions of Our Flower Donors

A FEW WORDS OF THANKS...

Thank you to all who worked to make our Lenten and Easter seasons so beautiful — from those who baked, and fried, and cleaned, to those who decorated, served, ushered, sang, or participated in any way, may God bless you. And to all the faithful, a Blessed Easter. *Father Joe*



*Exult, let them exult,
The hosts of heaven!*

The words above are taken from the first verse of the *Exsultet*, an ancient hymn sung at the beginning of the Easter Vigil Liturgy. The Mass begins after sunset with the whole church in darkness. Outside, the Easter fire is prepared. The Paschal Candle is blessed and lit from the fire and the procession begins to the church. As the priest enters, individual candles are lit in the pews until the whole church is awash with a soft glow.

The priest or deacon places the Paschal Candle in the holder, and after incensing it, he begins to sing the *Exsultet*.

The focus of the hymn is to recall the *awe and wonder* of this glorious night in which the faithful gather around the world to mark the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, *the Light of the World*. The hymn continues...

*O truly blessed night,
when things of heaven are wed to those of earth,
and divine to the human.*

*Therefore, O Lord, we pray you that this candle,
hallowed to the honor of your name,
may persevere undimmed,
to overcome the darkness of this night...*

*May this flame be found still burning
by the Morning Star:
the one Morning Star who never sets,
Christ your Son,
who, coming back from death's domain,
has shed his peaceful light on humanity,
and lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen*

The words of the *Exsultet* are a reminder of the joy of that first Easter when the gates of heaven were thrown open. It also serves as a challenge to let the Light of Christ burn within each of us — a light that can melt the hardest heart and warm the coldest night. It is a light that can heal the broken heart, and a light that beckons those who are lost in this world's darkness to enter in.

May those who enter our church *always* sense the warm glow of Christ's love emanating from you, His faithful.

Blessed Easter, Father Joe

SAINT ANTHONY NOVENA

GOOD SAMARITAN PARISH

Tuesday, April 18
at 7:00 PM

Opening Mass with Fr. Frank Mitolo

Tuesday, April 25
at 7:00 PM

With Fr. Lou Vallone, Pastor,
St. Catherine of Siena, Crescent &
Saint John of God, McKees Rocks



Come and join us on

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



April 23, 2017

Good Samaritan Parish
725 Glenwood Avenue
Ambridge, PA



Eucharistic Adoration

12:30 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

1:30-2:30 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet

3:00 PM

Easter Blessing of Families

Easter Blessing of Families -- This afternoon, Bishop David Zubik together with his brothers Auxiliary Bishop William Waltersheid and Retired Auxiliary Bishop William Winter will welcome families of the Diocese of Pittsburgh to the Annual Blessing of Families at Saint Paul Cathedral in Oakland at 2:00 pm. All are welcome to the Cathedral to receive this special Blessing imparted by our bishops as they also take the opportunity to thank families for the beautiful witness of love and faith that they share with us.

April 16, 2017 – Easter Sunday

THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HAS MADE, LET US REJOICE AND BE GLAD!

Christ is risen! When all hope seemed to be lost through the suffering and death of Jesus, He rose from the dead and transformed the sorrow and grief of loss to the glory and joy of new life. *On Mission for The Church Alive!* will bring us new life as we discover how to serve God and others in new and more effective ways. Let's not wait to reach out and grow the Church in Pittsburgh. Who can we share the joy and peace of the risen Lord with today as we are renewed in hope? Visit onmissionchurchalive.org to stay involved.

Homemade Spaghetti / Gnocchi Dinner Fundraiser

St. Titus Parish will hold a Spaghetti/Gnocchi Dinner on **Wednesday, April 19th** from 12 Noon to 6:30 p.m. to benefit the Appalachia Work Camp that the St. Titus and Our Lady of Fatima Youth Group will attend this July. Our Youth Group will travel to Kentucky to help the residents in one of the poorest regions of our nation to repair and rebuild homes for those in need. St. Titus has been involved in the Appalachia Work Camp for over 30 years. Dinners are \$10.00 and include your choice of Spaghetti/Gnocchi, 2 meatballs, salad and roll. Takeouts are available by calling 724-378-2734.

Quigley Catholic High School

Presents *Children of Eden*

Thursday, April 27th at 7:30 PM

Friday, April 28th at 7:30 PM

Saturday, April 29th 2:00 PM and 7:30 PM

Please call [724-869-2188](tel:724-869-2188) for more information or

visit the web at www.qchs.org

**All 7th and 8th graders who show
school I.D. get in for FREE!**

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

QUOTES "For a Christian to speak or act publicly in a pro-choice manner is a scandal to the Gospel and Name of Jesus Christ." *Fr. Frank Pavone, Director, Priests for Life*

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

La Roche College Hosts STEM Savvy Conference

For current 7-12th Grade Students, 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM, Saturday, May 13, Cost \$5 per attendee, includes light breakfast, lunch and t-shirt for student. Students that attend are not required to bring a parent/adult. STEM Savvy is a one day Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) career conference designed to develop the interest of students in STEM fields and provide information to their parents and educational professionals on STEM educational opportunities. More details and registration at www.laroche.edu/STEMsavvy. Contact Peggy Schmiedecke, 412-536-1274 or peggy.schmiedecke@laroche.edu.

Joe Diamond (Pittsburgh's country musician)

St. James 55 Plus Club April luncheon

Thursday, April 20th beginning at 12 pm.

More details at <http://www.saintjames-sewickley.org/weekly-bulletins.html> under April 9.

OLSH Legacy Gala, Friday, April 28

Come celebrate the story of OLSH at the 2017 Legacy Gala: *Sharing in the Story* on Friday, April 28 at 7 pm at Sewickley Heights Golf Club. Join us for fabulous auction prizes (including two amazing trips!), heavy hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, and dancing. For more information or to register, email legacygala@olsh.org or visit the Advancement page of our website at www.olsh.org.

OLSH Summer Camp Registration Opens for students entering grades 6-9. Register at www.olsh.org/summercamp, or by calling 412-262-3300.

OLSH Charger for a Day Experience for grades 7-10 in April. Visit www.olsh.org/admissions to register or call 412-262-3300

Christ the Light of the World & St. Joseph Parishes Hosting a 3-Day Parish Mission: Go Make A Difference with Steve Angrisano, singer, songwriter, storyteller.

Sunday, April 30 - Tuesday, May 2 at 7pm

Sunday, April 30: Evangelization

Monday, May 1: Living the Faith

Tuesday, May 2: Missionary Discipleship

Holy Name Church, 1st & Kennedy Ave., Duquesne
Steve will also speak at all weekend Masses, April 29-30.

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.

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.

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

“Spring Home & Garden Show” Sat., April 29 10 3 pm

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

“Annual Chili” & “First Pierogi Cook-off”

Sunday, April 23, from 12-5PM. Ambridge Fire Station. Tickets are \$5, \$250 for first place winners. Proceeds will help restore the Veterans Honor Roll building in PJ Caul Park and other community beautification projects.

11th Annual Community Wide Clean-up & Tree Planting Day, Saturday, April 29 from 10AM-12Noon, Email Beautify_Ambridge@yahoo.com for questions or call John Ivancik at 724-462-7677 or Roberta Sciulli at 412-855-0511.

Festival of the Churches HISTORIC CHURCH BUS TOUR
Friday, April 21, 6:00 to 9:30 PM, \$10 Donation

Tickets available www.eventbrite.com. Call 724-266-3040
Churches: St. John's Lutheran, St. Mary's Coptic Orthodox, St. Vladimir Ukrainian Orthodox, Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian

SAINT JOHN'S CORNER

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.

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.

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 **Sunday, April 23**, meeting. Diapers, wipes and onsies & clothing of all sizes are always needed. Please be as generous as possible.

DANCE, DANCE, DANCE The Baden United Methodist Church would like to invite members of St. John's to join us for line dancing in our Fellowship Hall on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30PM. This is low level exercise, a form of Christian outreach, and a thank-you for support of the Food Pantry. This is a "no judgment zone" and no prior experience is required. We are learning contemporary dances such as the *Electric Slide* and the *Cha-Cha Slide* as well as country dances. Get ready for the Spring wedding season while having fun and making new friends. Call Nancy or Bill with any questions: 724-869-9461.

"Monday with Mary"

All women are invited to join us on Easter Monday at 7PM in Good Samaritan Church as we continue to pray the "Living Novena" to Our Lady for her help in untangling the "knots of discord" in our lives. Afterwards we will gather in Jericho Hall Classroom for Easter appetizers as we watch 25 minute DVD Presentation by Dr. Ted Sri, that visits the Jerusalem Temple Mount to explain the discord Mary may have felt in the mysteries of the Presentation and Finding of Jesus. For more info contact Susan at 724-266-6565 Ext. #17.



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

2017 SAINT ANTHONY NOVENA
GOOD SAMARITAN PARISH
 9 Consecutive Tuesdays, Starting April 18
 Mass begins at 7 PM, followed by novena
 *Closing Mass & procession begin at 6:30 PM



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, April 16
 NO CIC /Teen RCIA
 NO CCD

Monday, April 17
 NO CCD Grades 1-5
 7:00pm (GS) Week #6 "Living Novena" to Our Lady Undoer of Knots (Church & JH Classroom)

Wednesday, April 19
 7:15pm (GS) "John" Bible Study Week 5 (JH Classroom)
 6:30pm (SJ) Saint John the Baptist Choir Practice
 6:30pm (GS) After Mass, CM/LG monthly meeting (JH)
 7pm (GS) Good Samaritan Choir Practice

Friday, April 21
 9:00am-3:00pm (GS) 2nd Grade Retreat Practice (Church)
 11:00am (GS) "John:Bible Study Week 5 (JH Classroom)
 3:00-8:00pm (GS) Eucharistic Adoration
 7:00/8:00pm (GS) Confessions/Rosary/Mass-(Marian Group)

Saturday, April 22
 4:00pm (SJ) First Holy Communion

Sunday, April 23
 9:00am (GS) (GS) CIC /Teen RCIA
 NO CCD
 9:30am (SJ) *Liturgy of the Word with Children* during Mass
 10.30am (SJ) Christian Mothers (Baby Shower for Lifeline)
 11:00am (GS) First Holy Communion
 12:30pm (GS) **Adoration, followed by Divine Mercy at 3:00 pm**

Good Samaritan Christian Mothers Ladies Guild April monthly meeting will be held **Wednesday, April 19**, after the 6:30pm Mass. The program will be Game Night.

Quigley Catholic High School Honor Roll
Anthony Berardelli & Jeremy Kazmierczyk, Good Samaritan

✠IN SYMPATHY
 Please pray for the repose of the souls of all our dearly departed who died recently, especially **Karen Thompson and Virginia Zehnder**. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
GOOD SAMARITAN PARISH
3:00 - 8:00 PM Every Friday

GOOD SAMARITAN	<i>Our Gift to God</i>
Weekly Offering, April 2, 2017	\$7,181.14
Palm Sunday	\$2,907.00
Parish Share	\$623.00
Easter Flowers	\$232.00
March, 2017 ON-LINE Giving	\$3,548.00
SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST	
Weekly Offering, April 2, 2017	\$3,096.00

Good Samaritan 724-266-6565
Saint John the Baptist 724-869-2280