

Mass Intentions

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Monday, April 18

8:00am (GS) Christine Thomas by Beth McGoff & Bob Rusnak

Tuesday, April 19

8:00am (GS) Mary Kephart by Heather Dumeck

7:00pm (GS) SAINT ANTHONY NOVENA #1

Fr. Frank Mitolo, Presider

Joseph & Mary Hapich by Steve & Loretta Krol

Wednesday, April 20

8:00am (SJ) Miriam Gadomski by the Silkoski Kids

6:30pm (GS) Sophie & Walter Zywith

by daughter, Mary Kedzierski & Family

Thursday, April 21 *Saint Anseim, Bishop and Doctor*

8:00am (GS) William P. Strugalski by daughter Teresa Surgeon

Friday, April 22

8:00am (SJ) Robert Rinaldi, Jr. by Tom Gulish

8:00pm (GS) Marian Prayer Group

Saturday, April 23

4:00pm Vigil (SJ) Tommy Plasko, Jr. by Sichak & Rogish Families

5:30pm Vigil (GS) Thomas & Brigid McGuire Durkin

by Kathleen Rudis, Sheila Rabovsky & Patricia Jones

Sunday, April 24 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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

9:30am (SJ) Shirley Smolnery by Mike, Shelly & Cheryl

11:00am (GS) First Holy Communicants

Readings for the Week of April 17, 2016

Monday Acts 11:1-18 Pss 42:2-3; 43:3-4 Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday Acts 11:19-26 Ps 87:1b-7 Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday Acts 12:24-13:5a Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8

Thursday Acts 13:13-25 Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27
Jn 13:16-20

Friday Acts 13:26-33 Ps 2:6-11b Jn 14:1-6

Saturday Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 14:7-14

Sunday Acts 14:21-27 Ps 145:8-13 Rv 21:1-5a
Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER...

BLESSED MOTHER SHRINE CANDLE

(GS) Barb Kinder by Lois Himes

BREAD & WINE

(SJ) In memory of Elizabeth Holz by Bob & Gerry Shultz

(GS) Mary C. Volpe by daughter

ST. ANTHONY NOVENA SHRINE FLOWERS

In memory of Anthony Sangermano by wife and family



**FESTIVAL LEADERSHIP MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 25, AT 6:30PM
IN THE PARISH PASTORAL CENTER**

GOOD SAMARITAN

724-266-6565

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

724-869-2280



From Father Joe


Jesus said: *“My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me.”* John 10:27

Sunday’s Gospel reading speaks of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, and His relationship to His flock. When I was in seminary, we had the chance to visit a working sheep farm in Greene County owned by a woman who was a Parish Social Minister. When we arrived, she told us to observe the sheep and their interaction with one another and with the shepherd. She promised it would give us a greater insight into the analogy Jesus uses in describing His relationship to us and to His Church.

I noticed that whenever one of us spoke, or when we got too close to the sheep, they would take off running. They were terrified. In contrast, all the shepherd had to do was open her mouth and the sheep instinctively gathered around her. She didn’t have to call out. As soon as they heard that voice, they were drawn to her. They associated that voice with someone who cared for them and protected them and fed them.

As we went out into the field, there was one sheep that seemed lost. When she heard the shepherd, the sheep was torn between following the shepherd’s voice or remaining in the field. She started toward the shepherd, then turned back to the field; she paused and walked a few more steps and turned back again to the field. Something was holding her back. Something was keeping her from following the shepherd. Realizing something was wrong, the shepherd approach the sheep. The animal led the shepherd into the tall grass where she discovered a little newborn lamb. The mother had been torn between staying with her baby and following the shepherd. In the end, the sheep didn’t need to choose between the two. The shepherd lovingly picked up the little sheep and they all headed back to the barn where there was food, and shelter, and safety.

Last week, Pope Francis issued a statement on Family and Marriage entitled *“The Joy of Love”*. It was developed in response to the Synod on the Family. Over the next few months there will be talk shows, and magazine articles, and countless internet commentaries. In the short term, people will read into it what they want to hear. Those who like the Pope will praise it. Those who dislike him will be critical. Having read portions of the 256-page document, I can tell you that it will take *months* to digest and interpret what has been written. As we minister to families in irregular situations, the Pope tells us we must approach each situation with *“humility, discretion and love for the Church and her teaching, in a sincere search for God’s will and a desire to make a more perfect response to it”*. We must also approach each person and unique situation in love, not judging, but listening.

Sheep respond to the voice of the shepherd because they know it is the voice of love – a voice that leads them to safety – a voice that will ultimately lead them home. 

Quigley Catholic
presents



Quigley Catholic High School's **SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL**

Thursday, April 21; Friday, April 22 and Saturday, April 23 at 7:30pm

Adults \$10.00; Student/Senior Citizens \$6.00; Premium/Reserved \$15.00

Email musical@gchs.org or call 724-869-2188 to reserve

SISTERS OF SAINT JOSEPH ANNUAL RAFFLE

*The Sisters of St. Joseph will sell raffle tickets **the weekend of April 16 and 17** at the parishes as part of the Sisters of St. Joseph Auxiliary's 54th Annual Spring Luncheon event, which benefits the Sisters and their ministries. Raffle tickets are \$10.00 each, but they contain two Pick 4 Numbers on each ticket. Winners are based on the PA Pick Four 7:00 pm Number. A total of \$5,000 will be raffled the week of May 14-18. The Sisters are very grateful for your support of this significant fundraiser.*

HELP WANTED!!

**Villa St. Joseph Seeking Certified Nurse Aides
2:30pm-11:00pm and 10:30pm-7:00am shifts**

- Regular Full Time Positions,
- Full-Time Weekend Positions
(work four 8hr days/wk)
- Part-time Positions Also Available

Valid PA Certification, post-offer drug/alcohol testing and criminal clearances required. Must have excellent work history!

Newly revised pay rates based on experience!

Apply at http://www.villastjoseph.org/job_postings
Or e-mail us at: employment@villastjoseph.org

MOTHER'S DAY MEMORIAL CANDLES

GOOD SAMARITAN PARISH

On May 10th we celebrate Mother's Day. As a way of paying tribute to our mothers, both living and deceased, we will offer candles that will burn in front of the Blessed Virgin Mary statue in our church. The names you wish to memorialize or honor will be attached to the candle just as we do for All Souls' Day. Should you wish to burn a candle in tribute to your mother, Godmother, grandmother, guardian, or as a memorial, please fill in the form below and return it to the parish office or place it in the collection basket.

Donation is \$4.00 per candle.

One Name per Memorial Candle
(please print)

Deadline: Tuesday, May 3



MOTHER'S DAY MEMORIAL CANDLES

Name _____

living deceased

Name _____

living deceased

Name _____

living deceased

Name _____

living deceased

NAME _____ PHONE _____ TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Please drop in the collection basket in an envelope

**Sisters of St. Joseph Auxiliary
Spring Luncheon Benefit – May 14**

The Sisters of St. Joseph Auxiliary will hold its 54TH Annual Spring Luncheon Benefit on Saturday, May 14, 2016, at the Double Tree by Hilton in Mars, PA, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The luncheon offers a fun day of friendship, memories, raffles and a delicious lunch. Cost is \$32 per person. Proceeds benefit the Sisters and their ministries. Tickets are available online at www.bit.ly/SpringLuncheon2016. Reservation deadline is April 30. If you're unable to join us, please consider supporting this event as a program book patron or by donating a raffle basket item. For more information, contact Christina Thornburg at 724-869-6574 or e-mail us at: cthornburg@stjoseph-baden.org.

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE:

Treat Mom to Brunch —The St. Francis Auxiliary is hosting a Mother's Day Brunch on **Sunday, May 8 from 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM** at Nativity Parish in South Park. Brunch is \$15.00 per person and \$7.50 for children age 10 and under. Proceeds from the brunch go toward the Auxiliary's efforts to support the Sisters of St. Francis of the Providence of God. Reservations must be made no later than April 29 by calling (412) 477-4321.

HISTORY OF ISLAM --with guest speaker Father Scott Seethaler, **Wednesday, April 27, 2016 @ 7:00 PM**, St. Ferdinand Church – Oldenski Hall , 2535 Rochester Road, Cranberry Township, PA. Reservations are not necessary and admission is free. For information, contact the St. Ferdinand Rectory at 724.776.2888 or parish@stferd.org – or see www.FatherScott.com

The Sacrament of the Sick will be administered during a special Mass on **Saturday, April 23rd at 1:00 pm at St. Anthony's Chapel**, in Pittsburgh's North Side. For more information, please call 412-231-2994 during business hours, or see the Chapel's website at www.saintanthonyschapel.org

Franciscans in Action Service Retreat --Single women between the ages of 18 and 45 are invited to join the Sisters of St. Francis of the Neumann Communities as we travel to David, Kentucky July 15 – 23 to repair homes for people in need. To register, please contact Sister Karen Krebs, OSF, at 412.965.1247 or kkrebs@sosf.org. More information: www.sosf.org.

**HIGH SCHOOLERS & YOUTH LEADERS
COME JOIN US!**

CALLED by NAME with Fr. Joe Freedy

Sunday, April 24, 2016 4:00PM –8:30PM

AN EVENING EXPLORING OUR UNIVERSAL
CALL TO HOLINESS

**FREE OF CHARGE
VISIT PGHPRIEST.COM TO REGISTER**



Our Lady of Peace
CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

**ANNUAL
RUMMAGE SALE**

Thursday, April 21 - 9:00AM to 7:00PM
Friday, April 22 - 9:00AM to 3:00PM (bag day)
Saturday, April 23 - 9:00AM to 12 Noon (super bag day)

Stephen's Hall: 1000 Third Ave.
Conway PA

Fraternal Order of Eagles Ambridge Auxiliary No. 1365

ANNUAL CARD PARTY

Thursday, May 5, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.
Eagles Club - 401 Maplewood Ave.

Cost: \$5.00

Bake Sale, Silent Auction, and more!

For futher info, call Karen Ivancik at 724-462-4176



**PEACE
LOVE
RUN
13.1 & 5K**

Catholic Hospice Annual Fundraiser Peace. Love. Run 13.1/5K

Catholic Hospice and Palliative Services is excited to announce the date of our 5th Annual **Peace. Love. Run. 13.1** Half Marathon and **5K** Run/Walk to be held on **Sunday, June 19, 2016** at the North Park Boat House in Allison Park, PA.

Please consider sharing your time as a volunteer for our event. Volunteers are needed to assist between the hours of 6 AM and 11AM with registration, set up/tear down, food tables, water stations etc.

Contact Robyn Aguzzi to volunteer at raguzzi@catholichospicepgh.org or by calling 1.866.933.6221.

Interested runners can register at: <https://register.chronotrack.com/r/19640>

SAINT JOHN'S CORNER

THIS SUNDAY— APRIL 17

**SAINT JOHN'S HOLY NAME SOCIETY
ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST**



The Holy Name Society will be serving up their "ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT" pancake, French toast, waffle & sausage breakfast beginning at 8:00AM 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 enjoy a delicious breakfast.

BAKE SALE! St. John's Choir will be selling baked goods during the pancake breakfast. We hope to see you there!

PIEROGI PROJECT Thank you to all of our dedicated volunteers for your unselfish donation of time and talent to the Pierogi Project. May God bless you abundantly and may you enjoy the relaxation of the upcoming months.

SUN., APRIL 24, CHRISTIAN MOTHERS MASS & MEETING ELECTION OF OFFICERS will take place at this meeting and we will hold our Baby Shower for Lifeline. Some needed items for babies are: diapers (NB, 3 & 4), formula, wipes, infant clothing and bath soaps. **All parishioners are welcome to donate baby items. Drop off in the social hall before or after April 23-24 Masses.**

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS MAY BREAKFAST—SUN., MAY 1 Join us for a catered breakfast following 9:30AM Mass on May 1. Members: \$5, Guests: \$9. Payment is due by April 24 and confirms your reservation. Call Regina LaRue to register or if you have any questions. 724-869-1904.

ETHNIC COOKING CLASS; MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Call Bob Mikush for details, to register, or to teach your specialty: 724-266-3140 Mon.-Fri. 9am to 5pm. **GNOCCHI** by Muffy Cappabianco on Wednesday April 20, 6pm here at St. John's.

COMMUNION CALLS & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the parish office at 724-266-6565 if you are scheduled for surgery and would like to make an appointment to be anointed before your procedure, or when you are admitted to a hospital nursing facility and want to be anointed or receive Holy Communion. Sr. Mary Lou

The **Christian Mothers/Ladies Guild** of Good Samaritan Parish will hold their monthly meeting on **Wednesday, April 20th** in Jericho Hall after the 6:30 PM Mass. All members are invited and encouraged to attend. Anyone interested in joining is welcome.

SAINT ANTHONY NOVENA

GOOD SAMARITAN PARISH

**Tuesday, April 19
at 7:00 PM**



**OPENING NOVENA & MASS
with Fr. Frank Mitolo**

+UPCOMING EVENTS+

Sunday, April 17

All Masses (GS) Sisters of St. Joseph Selling Raffle Tickets
8:00-11:30AM (SJ) **Saint John the Baptist Holy Name Society
ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST**

9:00am (GS) CIC/Teen RCIA (JH Classroom)
9:30-11:00am (GS) CCD Grades 6-8, followed by 11:00 Mass

Monday, April 18

5:15-6:45 pm (SJ) CCD Grades 1-5
7:00pm (GS) Consoling the Heart of Jesus # 8 (JH Classroom)

Tuesday, April 19

6:30pm RCIA Mystagogy (Susan's Home)

Wednesday, April 20

6:30pm (GS) Christian Mothers/Ladies Guild Meeting
6:30pm (SJ) Choir Practice
6:00PM (SJ) Ethnic Cooking-Gnocchi with Muffy Cappabianco
7:15pm (GS) Consoling the Heart of Jesus #8 (JH Classroom)

Thursday, April 21

6:00pm (GS) Confirmation Dinner & Reconciliation
7:00pm (GS) Choir Practice

Friday, April 22

11:00am (GS) Consoling the Heart of Jesus # 8 (JH Classroom)
3:00-8:00 pm (GS) Eucharistic Adoration
7:00/8:00pm (GS) Rosary/Mass-Marian Prayer Group

Saturday, April 23

5:30pm Mass (GS) Baptism during Mass

Sunday, April 24

9:00am (GS) Making dough for pierogi
9:00am (GS) CIC/Teen RCIA (JH Classroom)
9:30am Mass (SJ) Liturgy of the Word with Children
Christian Mothers meeting following Mass
9:30-11:00am (GS) CCD Grades 6-8, followed by 11:00 Mass

✠IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all our dearly departed, especially for **Mike Farah** and **Bruno Pelia** who died recently. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

GOOD SAMARITAN	<i>Our Gift to God</i>
Weekly Offering-April 10, 2016,	\$5,422.37
Children's Offering	\$57.00
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST	
Weekly Offering April 10, 2016,	\$3,145.00