

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 21 Within the Octave of Easter

8:00 am (GS) Helen Pelic - daughter, Mary Miskulin

Tuesday, April 22 Within the Octave of Easter

8:00 am (GS) Louise Szymoniak - brother, Victor & Vicki Razo

7:00 pm (GS) (1) Stanley & Leona Labik and son, Stan, Jr.-

Sister. Mary Evelyn Labik

(2) Ted DiMarzio - wife & children

Wednesday, April 23 Within the Octave of Easter

8:00 am (SJ) Paul Vallecorsa - Mom & Dad

6:30 pm (GS) Galant Family - Family

Thursday, April 24 Within the Octave of Easter

8:00 am (GS) Mary & Frank Pingitore - Pingitore Family

Friday, April 25 Within the Octave of Easter

8:00 am (SJ) In Honor 96th Birthday, Thanksgiving, Ann Goshardt

8:00 am (GS) Marian Prayer Group

Saturday, April 26 Within the Octave of Easter

4:00 pm (SJ) For the Living and Deceased of our Parishes

5:30 pm (GS) In Thanksgiving for 50 years of marriage between

Nancy and Lou Ferrand

Sunday, April 27 Second Sunday of Easter

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

8:30 am (GS) William J. Raymer - wife, Betty & children

9:45 am (SJ) Frederick J. Ringel, Sr. - Helen Ringel

11:00 am (GS) Ted Lotowski - Children

Readings for the Week of April 20, 2014

Within the Octave of Easter (1)

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

THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER

Bread and Wine

DeNucci & Prodonavich Families (SJ) by Family

Michael Pavkovich (GS) by Wife & Family

Barbara Kinder (GS) by Lois Himes

Blessed Mother Shrine Candle

In Thanksgiving (GS) by JoAnn & Chuck Smith

Holy Family Shrine Candle

William J. Raymer (GS)

by Carl, Jean, Ashton, and Camden Pietroboni

Holy Trinity Shrine Candle

Georgiann Rozman (GS) by Joe & Yvonne Rozman

Sanctuary Candle

Elizabeth Holz (SJ) by Shultz Family

Anthony & Sophie Valentine (GS) by daughter, Annette

Blessed Mother Shrine Flowers

Louise Szymoniak (GS) by sister, Marcella Razo

#2 St. Anthony Novena, St. Anthony Shrine Flowers

In Honor of Saint Anthony (GS) by Costanza Aloe, Anna Marie

Testa, Josephine Mazzotta, Nina DeLuca & Theresa Sacco



From Father Joe

Keep on Keeping On...

Whenever I think of Lent, I recall a story that my father told me about my mom. When they began dating, she was a smoker. Every Lent she would give up cigarettes. Finally my dad said to her, "*Why do you start smoking again at the end of Lent? If you can give cigarettes up for 6 weeks, you can give them up for good.*" My mom shrugged and said "*I guess you're right*" and she never smoked again.

During Lent I usually give up most sweets and junk food. I tend to lose a few pounds in the process. Every year, I tell myself I'm going to cut back and *keep* the pounds off, but inevitably, I find the pounds I lost a week later.

Each Lent I am inspired when I see so many folks at daily Mass, so many people attending Stations of the Cross, and so many faithful attending the Holy Thursday Mass and the Good Friday devotions. During Lent, some people have profound spiritual experiences that help them to see changes that need to be made in their lives.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could keep on doing what we are doing during Lent? Maybe we could at least stick to *some* of the things that we promised God we would do for Lent. Even if we don't go to daily Mass any longer, maybe we could commit to Mass twice a week. Maybe every Friday, even after Lent is over, we could do some sort of fasting or extra prayer, or give up desert at one meal as a sign that we appreciate all the Christ did on that Friday so long ago. Or maybe we could make a plan to do something on Sundays to re-claim it as "The Lord's Day". Wouldn't it be wonderful, if we extended the extra praying we did during Lent into the Easter Season, at least until Pentecost?

Easter is a time of incredible joy. It's a time set aside to reflect on the gift of our Salvation and the incredible price Christ was willing to pay for it. They say it takes 30 days to form a good habit. Wouldn't it be a wonderful way of saying thanks to God to continue some of the good habits we started during Lent?

May God bless you throughout the Easter Season.

Father Joe

Many, Many Thanks: On behalf of myself and Father Jeff, Brother Ambrose, Sister Marise, and our whole staff at Good Samaritan and Saint John the Baptist, thank you to all those who made our Lent and Easter Season so wonderful. Words cannot begin to tell how much we appreciate all those who sacrificed to make the churches so beautiful, to make the liturgies so touching, to prepare those who fully entered our church family at the Easter Vigil, to all who baked and boiled, pinched and fried all the goodies that have made our parishes legendary. May God richly bless and reward you all, especially the unsung heroes who work so lovingly and quietly to build God's Kingdom.

Holy Trinity Parish

invites you to attend

“Understanding Substance Abuse And It’s Effects”A very important program on
the complexities of drug and alcohol abuse**Wednesday, April 30****7:00 – 8:30pm****Holy Trinity Parish School Cafeteria****5718 Steubenville Pike, Robinson Township**

Guest Speakers:

Josie Morgano-Craig, M. Ed. and James K. Hanna

Josie will discuss various types of drug and alcohol abuse, trends in adolescent drug use, and the disease of addiction. James will provide an overview of the parish-based Substance Addiction Ministry (SAM).

This talk is free and open to the public.**RSVP is appreciated to 412-787-2140****or info@holytrinityrobinson.org****Substance Addiction Ministry Training****Saturday, May 17, 8:30 am to 2:30 pm****St. Joseph Catholic Church****1304 Fourth Avenue, Coraopolis**There is **No charge** for this training RSVP required:**Lwagner@diopitt.org or 412-456-3157 Deadline: May 9**

For more information visit:

<http://nccatoday.org/substance-addiction-ministry-sam/>

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a tune-up for your marriage! Making good marriages GREAT for over 35 years! The next weekend is in June! Get the info and apply now 412-635-7775 or visit YourMarriagesWorthIt.org.

Fraternal Order of Eagles-Ambridge Auxiliary No. 1365

401 Maplewood Avenue, Ambridge, Annual Card Party,

Thursday, May 8th, 7:00 pm**Cost: \$5.00 Come and Have a Fun Night!****Spaghetti Dinner - Saturday, May 10th, 3:00-6:00 pm**1st United Methodist Church, 7th & Maplewood, Ambridge
Cost: \$7 Adults, \$5 Children under 12. Take-Outs available
Spaghetti Dinner, salad, bread, desserts, beverages**Ambridge Spring Clean Up - April 26**

9:30 am Sign up; 10:00 am Clean up. Meet at the Falcons Lodge, 529 8th Street. Bring a dust pan, broom or rake and FRIENDS! Gloves and bags provided. Meet back at the Falcons Lodge for well-deserved lunch with neighbors. Sponsored by Committee to Clean and Beautify Ambridge.

Seventy Fifth International Eucharistic Rosary March

Sunday May 18, at Epiphany Church, 164 Washington Place, Pittsburgh. Mass is followed by Procession with the Blessed Sacrament & Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Rosary will be prayed en route from Epiphany Church to St. Mary of Mercy, 202 Stanwix St., where there will be Benediction with the Most Blessed Sacrament & Crowning of Our Lady.

Theology on Tap Beaver County**Thursday, May 1, Ba Runi Bar & Grill, Baden****7:00-9:00 pm " Religious Freedom, Why Care?"**

Is there a right to practice your faith after Mass ends? Do Catholic medical professionals have to choose between their vocation and their faith? Uniting these issues is the freedom for Catholics to practice our faith in full and to live out the Church's teachings in a hostile culture. Come to Beaver County Theology on Tap as Mark Barrett, an attorney who has practiced in the area of religious liberty and conscience rights, discusses what the Church teaches and what the law says about truth, conscience, and religious liberty. theologyontapbc@gmail.com or call 724-846-7540.

Sunday, April 27 at 3:00 pm, MUSIC PLUS

Concert series at St. James Church, *Shall We Dance?*, a program of dance music by Three Rivers Ringers, Pittsburgh's community handbell ensemble, directed by Nancy Lutz. 2:30 pm pre-concert with students from Sewickley's Center for Young Musicians, directed by Leah Givelber. St. James Church, 200 Walnut Street, Sewickley. 412-741-6650 Free-will offering. Dessert reception.

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR

In Concert: April 25-27 and May 2-4 at Lincoln Park Performing Arts Center, Midland, Fri. & Sat. 7:30 PM; Matinee Sat. & Sun. 2:00 PM For more information call:724-576-4644 ext. 2 or visit lppacenter.org

“A Night at the Races” on Friday, April 25**St. Monica Parish School, Divine Mercy Academy**

Sangl Hall, 116 Thorndale Road, Beaver Falls. Doors Open 5:30 pm/Races Start 7:00 pm. General Admission \$15/With Horse \$25/Corporate Races \$50. Includes: Buffet, Beer & Mixers (BYOB). Tickets call 724-846-5955.

St. James Sewickley/Knights of Columbus

CASH BINGO, Friday, April 25th, St. James Cafeteria. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Regular Bingo begins at 7:00 pm. \$10.00 Admission Includes: 6 Regular game cards and 1 coverall special card. Additional regular game cards available at \$1.00 each, 20 Regular games with a \$15.00 total payout each game. 1 coverall paying 100% of coverall specials sold! (Additional coverall specials available at \$1.00 each), 10 Special games - \$1.00 per three card strip, Each Special Game paying 50% of specials sold.”

BEAVER COUNTY HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The Beaver County Holy Name Society's Blessed John of Vercelli award banquet will be held on Sunday, April 27, at St. Titus social hall in Aliquippa. Food will be prepared by the ladies of St. Titus. Free cocktails starting at 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm. Dinner will begin at 5:30 pm. The cost of the ticket is \$28.00. Tickets may be purchased via mail sent to Mr. Richard Fetkovich, 1067 Timberwood Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010. Reservations are requested by April 13th. Call Bill Cahalan at 724-869-5209 to ask about discounts.

*This Easter Season,
come to know the "heart of God" through
"His love letter to you" by participating in our*

7-Week Easter Season Great Adventure Bible Study

"GALATIANS: SET FREE TO LIVE"

**Learn the truth about St. Paul's
timeless letter as you:**

- Reignite your love for God this Easter Season
- Discover the merciful love of our heavenly Father
- Unite yourself to the redeeming sacrifice of Christ
- Set yourself free to live your faith in the Spirit

Wednesdays at 7:15 pm (Church)

Good Samaritan, Ambridge

Galatian Bible Study Session 1 on April 23

Thursdays at 7:00 pm (SJB Hall)

St. John the Baptist, Baden

Galatian Bible Study Session 1 on April 24

Fridays at 11:00 am (St. Joseph House)

Good Samaritan, Ambridge

Galatian Bible Study Session 1 on April 25

Two Ways to Participate in this Easter Season Study:

- (1) Come and watch
the 45-Minute DVD Presentation by Jeff Cavins.
- (2) Stay after DVD Presentation
for 30-Minute Small Group Scripture Sharing.

*An accompanying Galatians Study Set Binder with
Questions, Responses, and DVD Notes
will be available for \$25 if you choose this option.*

For more information, call Susan at 724-266-6565 at Ext. #17.

Come and join us on DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



April 27, 2014

**Good Samaritan Parish
725 Glenwood Avenue
Ambridge, PA**



**Sacrament of Reconciliation
from 1:45 to 2:15 pm**

**Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament
2:15 pm**

**Divine Mercy Chaplet
Followed by Benediction
3:00 pm**

SAINT JOHN'S CORNER ✠

PARISH SHARE REPORT: Our Goal \$36,696.00
Initial Payment \$8,960.00, Balance \$27,736.00

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS MEETING APRIL 27th



Please join us for 9:45 am Mass and our April meeting which follows in the social hall. This month is our **Baby Shower for Lifeline**. Items needed are: Diapers; sizes "Newborn" and 3, 4 and 5, as well as, wipes, baby bath and maternity clothes. Anything you give will be appreciated and monetary donations are accepted. Also, at this meeting we will hold election of officers, hear a short program about advocacy for the poor and take final reservations for our **Mother-Daughter Breakfast** which will be held on **Sunday, May 4**. Hope to see you there!

48th HOLY NAME SOCIETY AWARDS BANQUET

St. John's Holy Name Society has several tickets available at half-price (\$14) for the Beaver County Awards Banquet, which will be held on **Sun., April 27** at St. Titus Social Hall, 952 Franklin Ave., Aliquippa. Call Bill Cahalan at 724-869-5209.

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST May 11th

The St. John's Holy Name Society is sponsoring their Mother's Day Breakfast following 9:45 am Mass on May 11. **Breakfast is FREE**, but you must pre-register in the book at the main church entrance.



St. John the Baptist Spring Flea Market Fund Raiser will be held June 14-21. **Save your good stuff!** More details will follow.

2014 SUMMER VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Good Samaritan & St. John the Baptist

Calling all adults and teens interested in volunteering for 2014 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL! This year, the theme is **WEIRD ANIMALS**. VBS will be held on the evenings of June 22-25. It will be tons of learning and fun! Call Traci to get involved: 724-266-3974.

Christian Mothers/Ladies Guild

Good Samaritan CM/LG sincerely thanks the women who helped to pack and deliver Easter fruit trays to the shut ins. Special thanks to Anne Kowalski for baking cookies and Angie Catanzariti and Elsie Romano for baking bread rolls. May God Bless each and every one of you for sharing your time and talents. *JoAnn Smith*

Holy Land Olive Wood Carved Religious Items For Sale

Little Bethlehem Christians will sell & display their olive wood carving at Good Samaritan & St. Johns next **weekend April 26/27**. The profit goes to support Christianity in the land of Christ. Visit website: www.little-bethlehem.org.

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

SAINT ANTHONY NOVENA

(#2) Tuesday, April 22 - 7:00 pm Mass, Celebrant **Fr. Michael Lenz, OFM**
Holy Family Friary, Pittsburgh



St. Anthony Floral Basket
\$35 Flower Tribute for Novena Masses
Flowers are placed at St. Anthony's Statue.
Call parish office to schedule 724-266-6565.

Christian Mothers/Ladies Guild of Good Samaritan will hold their annual May Crowning and installation of new officers and new members on Wednesday, May 7, during 6:30 pm Mass.

EASTER BLESSING OF THE FAMILIES

Easter Sunday afternoon, Bishops David Zubik, William Waltersheid and William Winter will welcome families of the Diocese of Pittsburgh to the annual Blessing of Families at St. Paul Cathedral in Oakland, beginning at 2 pm. As they greet and bless your family personally, they affirm you as a household of love and witnesses to The Faith. Come and experience the Bishops' expression of appreciation for the gift that you are, and the gifts that you bring to our *Church Alive!* Each family will receive a special memento to take home. Children will receive a sweet treat. May the Risen Christ bless you always!

+UPCOMING EVENTS+

Monday, April 21

(GS & SJ) Offices Closed Easter Monday
No CCD - Grades 3-5

6:30 pm (GS) *Pasquetta* Dinner (JH)

Wednesday, April 23

6:30 pm (SJ) Choir Practice

7:15 pm (GS) Galatians Bible Study Session #1 (Ch/SJH)

Thursday, April 24

7:00 pm (SJ) Galatians Bible Study Session #1 (SJB Hall)

Friday, April 25

11:00 am (GS) Galatians Bible Study Session #1 (SJH)

3:00 pm (GS) Eucharistic Adoration

7 pm (GS) Rosary/Confessions/Mass-Marian Prayer Group

Sunday, April 27

NO - CCD Grades 6-8 (GS)

9:00 am (GS) CIC/Teen RCIA (SJH)

11:00 am (SJ) CCM Monthly Meeting

2:15 pm (GS) Eucharistic Adoration Divine Mercy Sunday

✠**IN SYMPATHY:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Mary Ann Kulik-Hendrickson and Robert J. Pollock** (father of Harold Pollock) May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Good Samaritan	
Weekly Offering, April 13, 2014	\$8,089.25
Palm Sunday Offering	\$2,805.00
St. John the Baptist	
Weekly Offering, April 13, 2014	\$2,660.76