

## Mass Intentions

23rd WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

**Monday, September 8: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
8:00 am (GS) In Honor of Saint Francis and Theodoro DiMarzo  
by Wife, Jean DiMarzio

**Tuesday, September 9: Saint Peter Claver**  
8:00 am (GS) Jeannie Hamilton by Children, Grandchildren and  
Great Grandchildren

7:00 pm (GS) Living & Deceased Members of Ladies of Charity  
**Wednesday, September 10: Weekday**

8:00 am (SJ) Steve Chehovits by Mary, Helen & Joe Wesolowski  
6:30 pm (GS) Ann & Lawrence Mutschler by Grandsons,  
Jack & Bob

**Thursday, September 11: Weekday**

8:00 am (GS) Peter & Teresa Gatta and Dorothy Bull by Rita Furis

**Friday, September 12: Weekday [The Most Holy Name of Mary]**

8:00 am (SJ) Nancy Hudak by Vince & Myra Florcik

8:00 pm (GS) Marian Prayer Group Mass

**Saturday, September 13: St. John Chrysostom**

4:00 pm (SJ) Vigil- For the Living & Deceased of our Parishes

5:30 pm (GS) Vigil- Anne Knighton by Lynn & Marge Berckmiller

**Sunday, September 14:**

### THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

8:00 am (GS) Catella Palladini by Friends & Family

9:30 am (SJ) Arthur McElearney by Diane

11:00 am (GS) Juliana & Harry Kaye, Sr. by Family

### Readings for the Week of September 7, 2014

**Monday:** Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:18-23

**Tuesday:** 1 Cor 6:1-11/Lk 6:12-19

**Wednesday:** 1 Cor 7:25-31/Lk 6:20-26

**Thursday:** 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38

**Friday:** 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42

**Saturday:** 1 Cor 10:14-22/Lk 6:43-49

**Sunday:** Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

### THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER

#### Blessed Mother Shrine Candle

Guilio & Pierina Vettorazzi (GS)

by Children & Grandchildren

#### Holy Family Shrine Candle

Arthur J. Conti (GS) by Wife & Children

#### Sanctuary Candle

Grandparents (GS) by Bernie & Mary Ann Janicki

Ray Cowles (SJ) by Mary Ann Cowles

### CCD REGISTRATION FORMS 2014-2015

**Good Samaritan and Saint John the Baptist**  
**Classes begin: Sun., Sept. 21, for grades 6-8;**  
**Mon., Sept. 22, for grades 1-5. Registration forms**  
**are available at the entrances of the Churches, or**  
**call Rose Curcio 724-255-6565 ext.12 to register**  
**if you will be new to CCD this school year.**

**GOOD SAMARITAN**  
**SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST**

**724-266-6565**  
**724-869-2280**



## From Father Joe

### WHEN ALL IS SAID AND DONE

Looking out at the Good Samaritan parking lot, it's hard to believe the parish festival has come and gone. The Big-Top tent is down. The booths are put away. The tables have been stored. The only signs that the festival occurred are a few orange barricades on the street, and the lingering feeling that something special happened in this place.

Words just can't begin to express my thankfulness and awe for all of those who made the festival such a success. I am thankful to those who came from as far away as *San Diego* to enjoy the food, the music, and the people who make our parishes so special. I thank God especially for the volunteers who worked so hard to prepare for the festival, to those

who worked long, hard hours over the weekend, and to those tired souls who came on Labor Day to clean up. I'm truly thankful to those folks who work behind the scenes going far



beyond the call of duty. You know who you are.

Every year, there is a defining moment that captures what the Good Samaritan Festival is all about. Between Masses on Labor Day, I stopped for coffee at McDonalds. A visitor stopped and told me that he brought his nephew to the festival for a spaghetti dinner. As they passed through the line, they asked for an empty plate. Looking down at the little toddler who was with them, the server placed a little scoop of "sketty" on the empty plate. When they tried to pay for the extra portion, she just smiled and waved them off as she turned to the next person in line. It was a little thing, but it was the kind of loving gesture that sets our festival apart. It made a lasting impression. When all is said and done, that's why we are here — to share the love of Christ in the little things we say and do.

In the words of Christ in Sunday's Gospel, "*Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them.*" Christ was definitely in our midst this weekend. I saw Him in the smiling eyes of a little girl proudly displaying the light-saber she won at one of the booths. I saw Him in the people slaving over dirty dishes and laboring over the hot burners in the kitchen. I saw Him in the young father dancing to the distant music as he cooked French fries. I saw Christ in the young teenager who waited tables in the cafeteria; He was hard to see at first, until one of the older people told the young man what a great job he was doing; it was in his smile that I saw the image of Christ shine through. May God bless you all.

*Father Joe*

*Pope Francis' Favorite Marian Devotion*  
***"Our Lady Undoer of Knots"***

**Nine Month Novena begins September 8<sup>th</sup>  
 7:00 PM in Good Samaritan Church**

**Women of all ages** are invited to join us as we begin this  
**Second Monday of the Month Novena  
 from September 8<sup>th</sup> through May 13<sup>th</sup>.**

This beautiful novena allows us to place our prayer requests  
 into the hands of our Blessed Mother  
 as we ask her to disentangle and untie every "knot" in our lives.  
 Novena booklets will be available for \$5 each.

The evening will include: **First Month Novena Prayers,  
 DVD Biblical Presentation of the "Sinful Woman"**

by Anita Gutzchick, Christian actress and storyteller, and  
**time for small group sharing with sweet and savory snacks.**

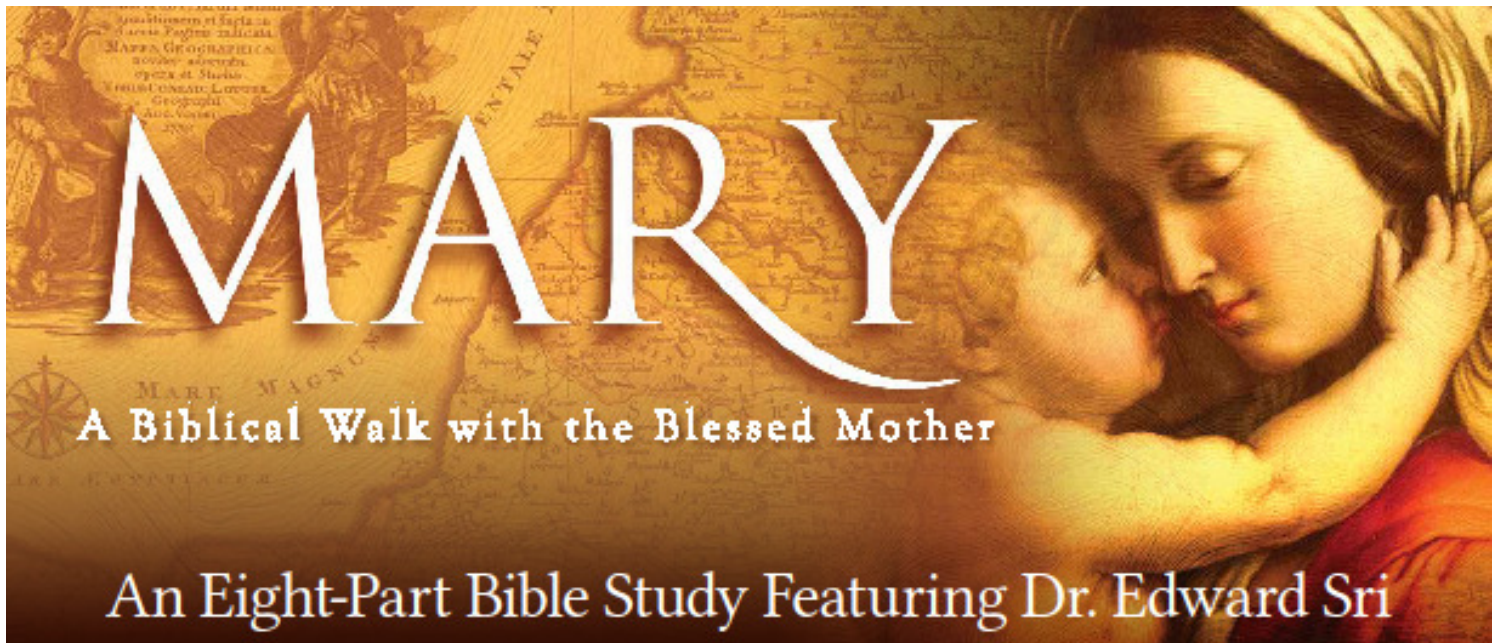
*Plan to take time to renew yourself with this once a month "Mary Monday".*

For more information, please contact Susan at 724-266-6565 Extension #17 or 724-266-3921.

**Do you know or are you an adult, teenager, or child...  
 who has not been baptized?  
 from another faith tradition who would like to become  
 Catholic or learn more about Catholicism?  
 who was baptized Catholic but did not receive  
 Confirmation and/or First Eucharist?**

If you answered "yes" to one of these questions,  
 then the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults process is for you.  
 Our weekly sessions provide an opportunity for you to learn about Catholicism,  
 prepare for the sacraments of initiation, and enter into a prayerful relationship with  
 Christ and His mystical Body, the Church.

For more information and to begin the RCIA process, please contact Susan DiPietro,  
 Coordinator of Adult Faith Formation at 724-266-6565 Extension #17 or 724-266-3921 ASAP.



### Dates, Times, Location

Wednesday Evenings beginning October 1 at 7:15PM  
in Good Samaritan Church (Ambridge)  
Thursday Evenings beginning October 2 at 7:00PM  
in St. John the Baptist Church Hall (Baden)  
Friday Mornings beginning October 3 at 11:00AM  
in St. Joseph House Convent at Good Samaritan.

### Cost/Registration

\$25 includes Study Set with Binder, Questions, and Responses along with DVD Notes for each session. Make checks payable to: Good Samaritan Church

All Study materials will be available for purchase at the first sessions listed above.

### For More Information

Please contact Susan DiPietro,  
Coordinator of Adult Faith Formation  
Parish Office: 724-266-6565 Extension #17  
Home: 724-266-3921

**F**ilmed on location in the Holy Land, this study will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys ... and her sorrows.

You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her Divine Son. **Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever.**

#### In Mary you will:

- Visit the grotto of Mary's home, the cave where Christ was born, and other rarely seen places in the Holy Land.
- See the significance of Mary as you explore the Biblical roots of our beliefs about her.
- Deepen your devotion to Mary as you discover our Blessed Mother in a uniquely personal way.



*"Dr. Sri's amazing teaching and unique insights gave me a deeper understanding and appreciation of Our Blessed Mother."*

—John W.



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## SAINT JOHN'S CORNER ✠

### CHOIR PRACTICE BEGINS WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 10



at 6:30 PM. New members are always welcome. In particular, sopranos and altos are needed. We would love to have you join us!

### PARISH PICNIC! SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14



at the Barn in Economy Park from noon until 5 PM. St. John's Holy Name Society is providing a spectacular menu of hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, BBQ spareribs, coleslaw, halushki, potato salad and corn on the cob. In addition, Brewster's Ice Cream will be served from 2-4 PM. **There is no need for donated desserts this year, so take a break from your kitchen!** Come and enjoy. Outdoor games will begin at 1 PM; 25-cent per card Bingo begins at 3 PM. Sign up to attend in the book near the main church entrance. **All are welcome!**

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2ND SUNDAY

**MONTHLY DEVOTION, DIVINE CHILD JESUS, Saint Padre Pio Prayer Group** will meet here at St. John. Holy Mass begins at 2 PM followed by 3 PM Holy Hour and 4 PM meeting. A social follows in the hall. All are welcome. Fr. Ladis Cizik will be the celebrant.

### CCM RECIPROCITY MEETING, MON., SEPT. 29,

join us for dinner which will begin at 6 PM followed by a brief and informative program on Advocacy for Children with Disabilities. **Don't forget to bring your place setting and dish to share.** A volunteer will call to ask what side dish you would like to bring.

### Saint Cecilia Fish Fry, Friday, September 12

Serving 11:00 am to 7:00 pm: Fish Dinners and Sandwiches, Shrimp Dinners, Fish Salads, & sides available. St. Cecilia Social Hall, 632 Virginia Ave., Rochester. Take Outs available call 724-775-3775 or 3776.

**Please join our new Pro-Life group, the St. Glanna Molla Association, Tues., Sept. 16 at 6:30 pm at St. James, Sewickley, Gathering Space as we strive to provide corporal and spiritual works of mercy for unborn babies and mothers in crisis pregnancies. For info call Cindy Rinaldi 412-779-8429.**

### GOOD SAMARITAN CHOIR MEETING

The choir will meet Thursday, September 18 at 7:00 PM. Watch next week's bulletin for details.

### FESTIVAL WRAP-UP MEETING

There will be a general meeting in Jericho Hall for all Festival Volunteers and Festival Chairpersons to solicit feedback. Come with your suggestions and ideas for next year's 20th Anniversary Festival! We need your ideas and suggestions before they are forgotten. **PLEASE JOIN US TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 AT 7:00 PM IN JERICO HALL.** If you can't make it, send your suggestion in writing with someone else.

### Saint Vincent de Paul Society

#### 4th Annual The Friends of the Poor® Walk/Run

#### SVdP at the doors of Good Samaritan this weekend.

A National Program in Sept. provides local SVdP with funds to help support their special works projects that help local people living in poverty. Members are seeking walkers and sponsors to commit to walking **10,000 steps, approx 5 miles, and recruit sponsors for a \$5 donation. Walkers receive a pedometer & a T-shirt for participating.** All sponsors will be entered in a drawing for prizes. 100% of the money raised stays in our parish to help provide needs such as food, clothing, furniture and utility assistance. **Contact: David Carr 724-869-2872 or dacarr@Pitt.edu** Your support is appreciated.

### HELP WANTED: McGuire Memorial.

#### Full Time, Direct Care Staff

Immediate full time 3-11:30 pm shifts, on the job training, paid orientation, medical, prescription, dental, vision, life, short term disability, pension, vacation & holidays, quarterly cash attendance bonus, \$11.04 per hour after 90 day probation. Minimum requirements: High School diploma or GED, Valid driver's license, pass a drug screening, physical, criminal & child abuse clearances. Open interviews will be held on Sept. 8, 9, 10, 11 & 12 at 10 am and again at 2 pm. *We are looking for people who have a strong work ethic and truly enjoy caring for others.*

### +UPCOMING EVENTS+

#### Monday, September 8

6:00 pm (SJ) Holy Name Society Meeting (Social Hall)

7:00 pm (GS) "Mary & Martha Monday"

Women's Bible Study - (Church & SJH)

#### Tuesday, September 9

5:00 pm (GS) LOC Dinner & Meeting (JH)

7:00 pm (GS) Mass, LOC Evening of Reflection (Church)

#### Wednesday, September 10

6:30 pm (SJ) Choir Practice

7:00 pm (GS) SVdP Deanery Dinner Meeting (JH)

#### Friday, September 12

3:00 pm (GS) Eucharistic Adoration

7:00/8:00 pm (GS) Rosary/Mass - Marian Prayer Group

Sun., Sept. 14: 2nd Collection, Bishop's Education Fund

### ✠IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the repose of the soul of: *Stephen Andrascik, Gus Panutosos (father of Tom & Marie Panutosos), Joan Porter and Timmy Ross (nephew of Bro. Ambrose)* May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

| Good Samaritan                   |            |
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| Weekly Offering, August 31, 2014 | \$6,085.35 |
| On Line Giving, July 2014        | \$2,778.00 |
| On Line Giving, August 2014      | \$3,002.00 |
| St. John the Baptist             |            |
| Weekly Offering, August 31, 2014 | \$1,701.00 |