

St. Patrick

Roman Catholic Parish

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

317 West Pike Street Canonsburg, PA 15317

Rev. John J. Batykefer, Pastor
Rev. Richard S. Jones, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Mr. Joseph Cerenzia, Deacon

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

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August 26, 2007



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (SP) 7:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Sunday (SP) 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
12:00 Noon and 5:00 p.m.

Mon. - Fri. (SP) 7:00 a.m.

Wed. (SP) 9:00 a.m.

Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri. (SG) 8:15 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and anytime by request

BAPTISM

First time parents should contact the Parish Office well in advance of an expected Baptism, before birth when possible, to prepare for and to schedule the Baptism. Baptisms during Mass are held the 1st Sunday of the month and Baptisms after Mass at 1:15 p.m. are held the 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Instructions to prepare adults for reception into the Catholic Faith or for any of the Sacraments are offered by our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Program. Please call 724-745-3787 for more information.

BIBLE STUDY

Meet every Monday in Church, 7:00-8:15 p.m. Bring a Bible, invite a friend. All are welcome!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 724-745-3787

Carol Serbak, Catechetical Administrator
Sunday - 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.
Pre-school - 8th Grade

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Contact a Priest 6 months before intended date of marriage. Pre-marriage preparation is required. Call the Rectory - 724-745-6560.

ST. PATRICK SCHOOL 724-745-7977

Mr. Stanley Mozina, Principal
Pre-school - 8th Grade

COMMUNION CALLS

Any homebound member or shut-in may receive Holy Communion in their home. A Eucharistic Minister, Deacon or Priest will visit.

COUNSELING SERVICES

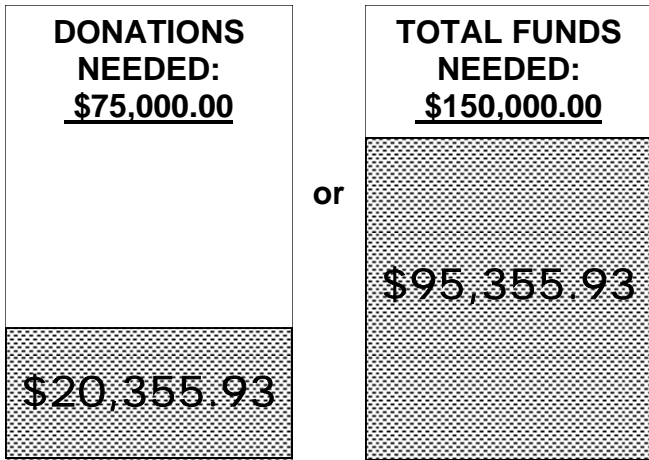
Catholic Charities 724-228-7722
CRISIS PREGNANCY 1-888-543-3243
POST ABORTION 1-800-593-2273

CHAPLAIN

Fr. Gabriel Badurina, TOR

Serving Canonsburg General Hospital and area Nursing Facilities. Fr. Badurina can be reached by calling 724-745-6560, Ext. 21.

PARKING LOT RESURFACING



CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

First Friday Novena after the 7:00 am mass begins on September 7 and continues thru May. Breakfast will follow at Shelly's Pike Inn. All parishioners are invited to attend.



All are invited to attend the 12:00 Noon Mass on Sunday, September 2, with a Social to follow in the school cafeteria, to celebrate the Retirement of our parish secretary. **Shirley will retire from her position after nearly 21 years of service.**

Fr. Rich's Bible Study resumes Monday, August 27, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Invite a friend, bring a Bible, and open your life to God's Word of truth and life. Open God's Word prayerfully, read God's Word Carefully, and obey God's Word Joyfully...Please read books: Proverbs, Sirach, and Ecclesiastes. See you on the 27th.



BAPTISM INSTRUCTION PROGRAM for parents preparing for the baptism of their child will be held on Thursday, September 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory office. (Next session will be held Thursday, November 1 at 7:00 p.m. Baptisms are normally held as follows: the 1st Sunday of the month during Mass; and at 1:15 p.m. the 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month. **Registration is required** by calling the rectory office (724.745.6560).

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time- August 19, 2007

Envelopes	12,525.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 32.90
Loose Cash and Coin	\$851.04
Parish Total	\$13408.94.00

Assumption — August 15, 2007

Envelopes (332)	\$2,755.00
Children's Envelopes (5).....	7.00
Loose Cash and Coin	1,261.00
Parish Total	\$3,584.00

<i>Weekly Budgeted Expenses</i>	\$ 13,241.00
<i>Weekly Loan Expense</i>	\$ 2,885.00

TOTAL NEEDED each week16,125.21

YOUR SACRIFICE IS APPRECIATED!

*There is a **SECOND COLLECTION** this week. The recent disastrous earthquake in Peru, the monsoons in South and Southeast Asia, and the local flooding in Millvale and other areas of our Diocese and Southwestern Pennsylvania have created tremendous needs for assistance. In response to this extraordinary need, our Diocesan Administrator, Auxiliary Bishop Paul Bradley, has requested, "that all parishes take up a second collection for Disaster Relief the weekend of August 25-26. ...and is asking the faithful to be as generous as possible in response to our suffering brothers and sisters." Therefore, the second collection today will be sent to the Diocese for this cause. Thank You for your generous response.*

DATES TO REMEMBER

- August 27** Bible Study Resumes: 7:00 pm
- August 29** Catechetical Cook Out & In Service: 6:30 pm
- August 30** Market Day Pick-Up: 5:30-6:30 pm—Cafe
- August 30** Scouts: 7:00 pm. - Center
- September 3** Labor Day Holiday
- September 4** Adoration: 12:00 noon – 7:00 pm
- September 5** Christian Mothers – 7:00 pm. –School Café
- September 6** Baptism Class: 7:00 pm - Rectory
- September 7** First Friday Novena: after the 7:00 am. Mass
- September 12** Pray the Rosary: 6:30 pm -Church
- September 12** Parish Pastoral Council: 7:00 -Center

THE RECTORY OFFICE will be closed on Monday, September 3 due to the Labor Day holiday.

MASS INTENTIONS

AUGUST 26 - TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 5:00 (SP) (P.M.—SATURDAY VIGIL)
Joseph W. Skotnicki by Dad and Mom
7:30 (SP) Jack Glass by Ida Glass Family
10:00 (SP) Mary & Giuseppe Catalano, Louis & Ann
Fabian by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fabian
12:00 (SP) John Churney, Dora and William DePaoli by
Loretta Churney Family
5:00 (SP) (P.M.) FOR THE PEOPLE

MONDAY, AUGUST 27— St. Monica

- 7:00 (SP) James DiNardo by Diana DiNardo Family
8:15 (SG) Rose DiPiazza by Vincent DiPiazza

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28 – St. Augustine, bishop, doctor

- 7:00 (SP) Mildred Martiscius by Sisters and Family
8:15 (SG) Louis Gayarski by Mary Ann and Children
10:00 (Kingdom Manor) Lorna Amorose by Joyce Franko

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29 – Martyrdom of John the Baptist

- 7:00 (SP) Deceased members of the Bell and Zampini
Families by Mary Rose
9:00 (SP) Patricia Kramer by Family

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30

- 7:00 (SP) Victoria and Stanley Kreminsky by Mary Kay
Englehard and Family
8:15 (SG) Carmen Naccarato by Ester Mancini

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31

- 7:00 (SP) Dorothy Cushman by Family
8:15 (SG) Joseph Warabow by Gary Karluk

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

- 7:30 (SP) END TO ABORTION
11:30 TO 12:30 Noon – RECONCILIATION

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2-

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 5:00 (SP) (P.M.—SATURDAY VIGIL)
Patty Pleskovich O'Hare by Amanda, Mom & Dad
7:30 (SP) Living and Deceased members of the Cwiklinski
and Dombrowski Families by Emily
10:00 (SP) Frank and Mary Bozic by Vince, Connie,
Kate & Elizabeth
12:00 (SP) Francis J. Buckley Jr. by Jessie Buckley & Family
5:00 (SP) (P.M.) FOR THE PEOPLE

**Mass Schedule Change: Effective September 3, all
daily morning masses at St. Genevieve will be held at
8:00 am, rather than 8:15 am.**

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, September 1

5:00 pm - L. Starcevic, C. Tarnik, E. Regoli

Sunday, September 2

7:30 am - K. Decker, M. Decker, J. Hofrichter
10:00 am - L. Hammell, S. Luba, E. Hammell
12:00 pm - M. Costantino, L. Sollon, T. Constantino
5:00 pm - L. Hornak, E. Sethner, A. Currey



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
will be held Tuesday, September 4 beginning at
Noon until 7:00 p.m. in St. Patrick Church. Make
the effort to spend some time with the Lord.

MEMORIALS

“My Father’s House Renovation Fund: In lov-
ing memory of **Isabelle Tree** by Katie Simpson.

St. Patrick Parking Lot Paving Memorial: a living
memorial for **Edith Hartley** by Laura L. Spadaro.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Mk 6:17-29
Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68;
Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14



*We welcome into our parish family the
following children who were baptized here in
July and August: Alexis Paige Fetsko, Sarah
Edith Kasperowski, Owen Michael Rossi, Reece
Ann Wilson, Alexander Blaisdell Luke, Grant
William Newell, Hailey Marie Marflak, Alexan-
der George Fosmire, Isabella Sophia Vida,
Amanda Marie Dillie, and Owen Wayne Simoni.
May God bless them and their families.*



**First Time: Andrew Dino and
Samantha Tarabella**

CONGRATULATIONS to Mario and Carmello
Compeggie on the occasion of their 64th Wedding
Anniversary.



FR RICH REFLECTIONS

“The mistakes we make are the best teachers in the world.” *Father Richard Rohr, O.F.M.*

The key to parenting is *discipline*. The key to studying is *discipline*. The key to a virtuous life is *discipline*. The key to praying is *discipline*. The key to the ‘narrow door’ is *discipline*. Without it, we become nothing, do nothing, and go no where in life. Discipline makes a world of difference!

Webster’s dictionary defines ‘discipline’ as “a training that develops self-control, character, or orderliness and efficiency. Obedience, acceptance or submission to authority, and a treatment that corrects or punishes.”

“Correction and discipline are good for children. If a child has his own way, he will make his mother/father ashamed of him. Discipline your child, and you can always be proud of him.” (Proverbs 29:15, 17) The words ‘discipline’ and ‘disciple’ come from the same Latin word meaning ‘to learn’. Thus, it is impossible to be a true disciple without discipline in one’s life. *“If you stay calm, you are wise, but if you have a hot temper, you only show how stupid you are.”* (Proverbs 14:29)

In the Hebrew language to discipline (*yasar*) means **“to purify, strengthen, instruct, and transform”**. In today’s second reading from the epistle to the Hebrews, the author encourages us *“not to disdain the discipline of the Lord or lose heart when reproved by Him; for whom the Lord loves, He disciplines”*. (Hebrews 12:5-6) God will supply the strength to help us endure any trial, and God can bring good out of any (real or apparent) evil. Sometimes God reproves or corrects us lest we go astray, down our own destructive path. God nudges us in the right direction, only because He loves us so very much. Lord, help us to accept all suffering as purification and cleansing.

If one is to grow and mature physically, socially, emotionally, psychologically, and spiritually in one’s life—discipline is absolutely elementary, essential, and even eternal. To resist discipline is to fail to grow in new areas and ways of *thinking*, *willing*, and *acting*. Jesus never edited or deleted ‘discipline’ from any of

His teachings. To choose the easy path or the way of least resistance will not get us far in the long run. There are no short cuts to salvation once off the ‘narrow path’ it is difficult to find the way back. To accept and embrace the cross is the only way. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton wrote-- *“The gate to heaven is very low and only the humble get in.”*

As we begin a new school year, may all of us close the ‘gaps’ in our lives to strengthen our minds, bodies, hearts, wills, and consciences to be formed in the ‘school of discipline’ our whole life long. *“The reward of self-control is interior freedom.”* St. Maximus the Confessor Everyday of our life has lessons to teach us. What better *discipline* than to do the will of God in our daily Christian vocation. In God’s will, is our happiness and peace.

Delighted to hear that some people missed the weekly discipline of reading God’s Word every Monday. I’m happy to resume sharing **the Bible this Monday, August 27 at 7:00pm in Church**. All are most welcome to attend. Bring your Bible, invite a friend, and come share His Living Word. We will look at the Books of Ecclesiastes, Proverbs, and Sirach.

(8.26.07)

“It is not enough to own a Bible; we must READ it. It is not enough to read it; we must let it SPEAK to us. It is not enough to let it speak to us; we must BELIEVE it. It is not enough to believe it; we must LIVE it.”

- William A. Ward

CELL PHONE vs. BIBLE

I wonder what would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our cell phones?
 What if we carried it around in our purses or pockets?
 What if we flipped through it several times a day?
 What if we turned back to get it if we forgot it?
 What if we used it to receive messages from the text?
 What if we treated it like we couldn’t live without it?
 What if we gave them to kids as gifts?
 What if we used them when we traveled?
 What if we used it in case of emergency?
 Unlike our cell phone, we don’t have to worry about our Bible being disconnected, because **Jesus already paid the bill. ..and no dropped calls!**
 (Email 4.4.07)



ST. PATRICK SCHOOL

MARK YOUR CALENDER—
CALLING ALL GOLFERS

The Jack Ingold Memorial Golf Outing benefiting St. Patrick Church and School will be held on Tuesday September 4, 2007 at The Club at Nevillewood. The cost is \$250 per golfer. Dinner only prices available. Call Jill at 724.544.4695 for details. Brochures with details will be available soon. Please mark the date, come out and golf to help our church and school !!!

ST. PATRICK RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

ENROLLMENT: All parish families whose children attend public schools are encouraged to enroll their children in St. Patrick Religious Education. For more information contact Carol Serbak at the Religious Education Office (724.745.3787).

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

will be administered on Thursday, October 25 at 7:00 p.m. with Bishop David A. Zubik. Confirmation candidates (9th grade students) have been notified by mail as to their final preparation classes and times.

All Confirmation papers are to be handed into the Religious Education office immediately. If you have any questions, please call Carol Serbak at the Religious Education Office (724.745.3787).

Confirmation



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MASS REQUESTS FOR 2008

It is that time again! We will try to schedule your Masses as you request but it is necessary to send in your requests as soon as possible. It only takes a few weeks to have all the weekend Masses scheduled. We will begin to accept Mass requests for 2008 beginning September 4. The Mass Request Envelope can be found in your offertory envelope packet for September and October. Please do not come to the rectory office to schedule your Mass. We are using the envelopes because it causes less confusion in the rectory office. Drop your envelopes in the offertory basket or mail to the rectory office. The envelopes will be dated and numbered and scheduled in the order received. The date and time will be written on your check or you may include a self-addressed envelope and we will send the information to you. **If you were lucky enough to get a**

holiday once, please do not ask again. Let other parishioners have a chance for a holiday.

ITALIAN MASS

Gracias, Gracias, Gracias to everyone that helped in any way to make the Italian Mass celebrated by Fr. Brian Welding on The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary so special. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!

PITTSBURGH DIOCESE SEMINARIANS

St. Paul Seminary

Dean C. Caivano	St. Margaret Parish, Greentree
Eric D. Campbell	St. Paul Parish, Butler
Patrick D. Caruso	St. Winifred Parish, Mt. Lebanon
Jon T. Chuba	St. Ferdinand Parish, Cranberry
Kevin C. Fazio	St. Alexis Parish, Wexford
Daniel C. Gallagher	Holy Innocents Parish, Sheraden
Frederick W. Gruber	St. Sylvester Parish, Brentwood
Preston J. Huck	St. Bernadette Parish, Monroeville
Kenneth M. Malley	Mary, Mother of the Church, Charleroi
Kenneth W. Marlovits	St. Rose of Lima Parish, Darlington
David G. Rombold	Holy Redeemer Parish, Ellwood City
Charles M. Scheerbaum	St. John Newman, Upper St. Clair
Michael S. Sedor	St. Louise de Marillac, Upper St. Clair
Michael L. Seeger	St. Basil Parish, Carrick
Brian E. Wolford	St. Gregory Parish, Zelenople

Theological College

Thomas L. Gillespie	Incarnation Parish, North Side
John F. Naugle	Holy Innocents Parish, Sheraden
Michael J. Roche	St. Basil Parish, Carrick

Saint Vincent Seminary

Robert W. Fleckenstein	Incarnation Parish, North Side
Daniel J. Langa	St. Paul Parish, Butler
Michael R. Peck	St. Bede Parish, Point Breeze
Michael A. Zavage	St. Hugh Parish, Carmichaels

North American College

Nicholas J. Argentieri	St. Wendelin Parish, Carrick
Christopher D. Donley	St. Bede Parish, Point Breeze
Joseph M. Freedy	St. Thomas More Parish, Bethel Park
Brian W. Noel	St. Paul Cathedral, Oakland
Nicholas S. Vaskov	St. Bernadette Parish, Monroeville
Adam M. Verona	St. Paul cathedral, Oakland

North American College

Michael R. Ruffalo	St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Virgin Parish, Whitehall
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Please keep us in your prayers.