

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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April 13, 2008

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.



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) 8:00 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!



The next **LADIES OF CHARITY MEETING** is scheduled for Wednesday, April 23rd at 7:00 pm in the Center. Hope to see all of you at the meeting.

Also, please remember to attend the **ROSARY** on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month. The Rosary will be prayed on April 23rd at 6:30 pm in the church.



Again we are **RAFFLING** off **2 TICKETS FOR THE STEELER'S 2008 SEASON!** Chances are only \$5.00 each and all proceeds go to the World Youth Day Trip. Pilgrims will be at the church doors selling tickets each Sunday in April.

NEW REGISTRATIONS ARE MOST WELCOME for the **CHRISTIAN MOTHERS DAY OF RECOLLECTION**, which has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 24th at St. Genevieve from 9:00 am till 2:00 pm. Please call Pat Vernau 724.745.5362, Denise Adams 724.746.2137, or drop the slip in the collection baskets for any one of the following reasons (by April 21):

1. If you already registered and will still be attending.
2. If you would like to register, and have not done so previously - please choose a turkey or roast beef box lunch.
3. If you previously registered, but cannot attend the new date - that we might return your registration fee.

~ Day of Recollection ~
with - Fr. Richard Jones
April 24th - 9:00 am until 2:00 pm
~ St. Genevieve Church ~

Previously Registered:
Will _____ / Will not : _____ Attend

New Registration: -----
Name: _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____

Boxed Lunch Choice
1. Turkey Croissant _____
2. Roast Beef Sandwich _____

STEWARDSHIP REPORT	
<i>Third Sunday of Easter</i>	
<i>April 6, 2008</i>	
Envelopes.....	\$16,113.00
Children's Envelopes	\$65.31
Loose Cash and Coin	\$1,058.23
St. Patrick School.....	\$649.00
Parish Total	\$17,885.54
 <i>Weekly Budgeted Expenses</i>	 <i>\$13,980.67</i>
YOUR SACRIFICE IS APPRECIATED!	



ST. PATRICK RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

April Class Sessions: 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th
from 8:30 - 9:45 am

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

St. Patrick Religious Education Program (CCD) Registration for 2008-2009 - Preschool thru 8th grade is scheduled for:

Sunday, April 20, 2008 from 8:30 am to 10:00 am in the school hallway.

Catholic children who are entering the CCD program for the FIRST TIME at St. Patrick Parish must register.

Preschool children must be 4 years of age by October, 2008.

Kindergarten children must be 5 years of age by October, 2008.

A BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE is required at the time of registration, if the child was NOT baptized at St. Patrick Parish.

In order to make First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, a child is required to attend 2 years of Religious Education (*Diocesan Regulation*).

For additional information, please call Carol Serbak at the Religious Education Office 724.745.3787.

FESTIVAL WISH LIST

- # **INSTANT LOTTERY TICKETS** for our lottery theme basket. Feel free to put your donation in an envelope marked 'FESTIVAL' and drop it in the offertory basket on Sunday.
- # **THEME BASKETS** are always needed. We have a great reputation for offering outstanding baskets at our Basket Booth. If you have items you would like to donate, please bring them to the rectory office.
- # **BOOK SALE** (also books on tape, videos, etc.) will be held again. Books can be brought to the rectory beginning May 1st.

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, APRIL 13 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
World Day of Prayer for Vocations

- 5:00 (SP) (**PM— VIGIL**)
John & Elsie Ladzinski by Daughter, Jo Ann & Family
7:30 (SP) Mr. & Mrs. Anthony F. Bevec by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony C. Bevec, Sr.
10:00 (SP) Joseph A. Rydle, Jr. by Mrs. Beatrice S. Rydle
12:00 (SP) Deceased Members of Bernacki & Hervol Families by Helen Hervol
5:00 (SP) (PM) FOR THE PEOPLE

Month's Mind: Antoinette Tomsic

MONDAY, April 14

- 7:00 (SP) Elizabeth Churray by Mary Bier
8:00 (SG) Steve Kulakowski by Wife, Loretta
2:00 (Tandem Skilled) Ray and Tillie Kochanski by their Sons

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

- 7:00 (SP) Jim Orsini by Barbara Sandy
8:00 (SG) Mary Hornyak by Mr. & Mrs. David A. Hornyak
10:00 (Charles House) Mario DeJohn by Michael & Mary DeFilippo

Month's Mind: Carl M. Askew

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

- 7:00 (SP) Joe, Stella, and Ed Piechnik by Fran
9:00 (SP) Iva De Franco by Norina Summaria
2:00 (Golden Living) Genevieve Svitek by Dolores & Jim Capra and Family

Month's Mind: Julius Casper

THURSDAY, APRIL 17

- 7:00 (SP) Steve & Rose Churray by John, Carolyn & Family
8:00 (SG) Mary Prince by Joan Prince & Family

FRIDAY, APRIL 18

- 7:00 (SP) Motto & Travaglini Families by Mr. & Mrs. Frederick Motto
8:00 (SG) Rose Rubis by Agnes DeJohn
10:00 (Ahepa Apts) Spiritual and temporal welfare of Betty Markovitch on her 80th Birthday by Joyce, Edward, Bill, & Jerry Franko

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

- 7:30 (AM) (SP) Edward Kubacki by Dorothy & Family
11:30 - 12:30 (SP) **RECONCILIATION**
5:00 (**PM - VIGIL**) Dorothy & Stanley Kurnik by Mr. & Mrs. Conrad Klemans

SUNDAY, APRIL 20 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 7:30 (SP) Tony Walleck by Wife, Angie & Sons
10:00 (SP) DiMuzio, DelBene, & DiTullio Families by Mary Lou DiTullio
12:00 (SP) Louis Bernard by Wife, Edith Bernard & Family
5:00 (SP) (PM) FOR THE PEOPLE

HOME WITH CHRIST: Remember and welcome into your Kingdom Lord those who have died and gone before us marked with a sign of faith, **Donald Deems**, and all the faithful departed. May they rest in your peace.

This Week's Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, April 12

5:00 pm - P. Gent, C. & J. Helinski

Sunday, April 13

- 7:30 am - J. Hofrichter, A. Broglia, J. Reis
10:00 am - P. Tordella, M. Ruane, J. Illig
12:00 pm - M. & T. Costantino, A. Currey
5:00 pm - A. & L. Starcevic, M. Sadlek

Next Week's Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, April 19

5:00 pm - J. Cavallo, E. Hammell, E. Regoli

Sunday, April 20

- 7:30 am - C. & M. Dombrowski, G. Burke
10:00 am - B. & M. Illig, S. Luba
12:00 pm - Z. Simpson, L. Sollon, C. Pavcic
5:00 pm - C. Tarnik, A. Sciulli, D. Broglia

THE PITTSBURGH DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

PRIEST'S PRAYER LIST FOR MARCH:

- April 13** Rev. David D. DeWitt
Rev. Joseph J. Dascenzo
April 14 Rev. Lawrence A. DiNardo
Deacon William F. Strathmann, Jr.
April 15 Rev. John E. Dinello
Rev. Raymond Hober, S.V.D.
April 16 Rev. Kevin J. Dominik
Rev. Jude Anyaeche
April 17 Rev. John L. O'Shea
Deacon Leon F. Miles
April 18 Rev. Garrett D. Dorsey
Rev. Timothy Hickey, C.S.Sp.
April 19 Rev. James A. Downs
Mr. Brian W. Noel

May God's abiding presence nourish and sustain them each day as they boldly proclaim His Kingdom of mercy and justice.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:11-18
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Jn 12:44-50
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14
Sunday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

FR. RICH REFLECTIONS

“As the Lord’s sheep, let us set out for those pastures where we shall keep joyful festival with so many of our fellow citizens...Let us stir up our hearts, rekindle our faith, and long eagerly for what heaven has in store for us.”
- St. Gregory the Great

After a large and elegant dinner in one of England’s stately mansions, a famous actor entertained guests with stunning Shakespearean readings of poems and sonnets.

As an encore, he offered to accept a single request from anyone in the audience. A timid, frail, elderly priest raised his hand and asked the famous actor if he knew Psalm 23. The actor said, “Yes, I am well acquainted with it and I would be happy to recite it but only on one condition: that when I am finished you will come up on stage and recite the very same psalm.” The priest was much embarrassed, but consented. The actor did a beautiful rendition of this very familiar psalm: *“The Lord is my Shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. In verdant pastures He gives me repose; beside restful waters He leads me; He refreshes my soul...”* and so forth.

When the famous actor recited Psalm 23, the guests spontaneously broke out in a thunderous ovation and there were many tears shed. Now it was the priest’s turn to come on stage and he repeated the same words of Psalm 23. There was a hushed silence over the audience and, noticeably, no applause offered from the onlookers.

The famous actor savored the silence for a few moments and then stood up. He said—*“Ladies and gentlemen, I hope you realize what happened here tonight. I knew the words of Psalm 23 by heart through memory; but this man, he knows the Shepherd.”* (as he pointed to the elderly priest).

Recently I had a funeral and a son read Psalm 23 at the funeral home in loving remembrance and gratitude for his ‘shepherding’ mother.

The **4th Sunday of Easter** is traditionally called ‘**Good Shepherd Sunday**’ because every year the gospel on this Sunday speaks of Jesus as the ‘**Good Shepherd.**’ Today is also the **51st Annual World Day of Prayer for Vocations.** Let us remember to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. It is often said that there is no shortage of God’s **calling**, but only of our **response**. One must first attune his or her life to the heart of the ‘Good Shepherd’ and listen to His call.

As our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI comes to North America for the first time this week—we are grateful for the Vicar of Christ on earth as ‘Supreme Shepherd.’ Just three years ago this month, the Holy Spirit called him to be the 265th successor of St. Peter. Happy 81st Birthday!

Remember for fifteen months how our Diocese of Pittsburgh waited, anticipated, hoped, and prayed for the 12th Bishop of Pittsburgh to be named. Then, on July 18, 2007, a ‘hometown’ product, Bishop David Allen Zubik said “Yes” to serve as chief shepherd. The bishop is ‘charged’ and ‘entrusted’ with a portion of God’s flock under his care and devotion. The bishop’s staff (or crosier) is the symbol of a shepherd retrieving, guiding, leading, teaching, and restoring the flock—constantly bringing the sheep back home to the fold.

The Latin word for shepherd is ‘*pastor,*’ which designates one as a leader of a community of believers in the church. A pastor is an overseer and organizer, guardian and protector, listener and witness, prayer leader and example to others. A pastor is a ‘*shepherd of souls.*’ I’m grateful to Father Jack, our pastor and leader, to serve God’s people here at St. Patrick’s in Canonsburg. Father Jack, youth leaders, and I gathered in the rectory last Sunday to watch the Pens/Flyers game on the large screen TV. It was good to be together to share food, faith, and fellowship. I thought those kids text messaged the whole game! Go Pens in the playoffs!

Psalm for Busy People

“The Lord is my pacesetter, I shall not rush.
He makes me stop in rest for quiet intervals.
He provides me with images of stillness,
Which restores my serenity.
He leads me in ways of efficiency,
Through calmness of mind,
And His guidance is peace.
Even though I have a great many things
To accomplish this day,
He keeps me in balance.
He prepares refreshment and renewal
In the midst of my activity
By anointing my mind with the oils of tranquility.
My cup of joyous energy overflows.
Surely harmony and effectiveness shall be the
fruits of my hours,
For I shall walk in the pace of my Lord,
And dwell in His house forever.”

~Toki Miyashina

(04.10.08)



ST. PATRICK SCHOOL

Mr. Stanley Mozina attended the 105th annual convention and exposition of the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) in Indianapolis, Ind., March 25-28.

Most Rev. Blasé Cupic, bishop of Rapid City, S.D. addressed the opening general session on Tuesday, and Daniel H. Pink, author of "Free Agent Nation" and "A Whole New Mind: Why Right-Brainers Will Rule the Future" addressed the gathering on Thursday.

Convention liturgies were celebrated by Most Rev. Donald W. Wuerl, archbishop of Washington, D.C. and chairman of the NCEA board of directors. More than 8,000 elementary and secondary administrators attended the convention in Indianapolis. NCEA is the largest private professional education association in the world. St. Patrick School is a member of NCEA.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 16: Faculty Meeting Early Dismissal 12:30 pm
- April 16: Student liturgy prepared by Grades 7/8 at 9am
- April 16: Second Grade Reconciliation at 6:00 pm
- April 17: Principal Deanery Meeting
- April 18: Seventh & Eight Grade Washington, D.C. trip

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, YOU made our Hoagie Sale successful again! SORRY, SORRY, SORRY, We didn't order enough hoagies and ran out! The next time hoagies will be available again is on the weekend of **May 3rd & 4th**. We will plan for a bigger order...see you then!



APRIL IS SCOUTING FOR FOOD MONTH and starting April 13th the St. Patrick's Boy Scout Troop #1385 will have collection boxes in the vestibules of the church. All the collection goes to the Canonsburg Food Bank to help all those less fortunate. This year the Food Bank reports to be low on food items so your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you on behalf of Troop #1385 and the families who are served by our local community Food Bank.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- April 13 - **MOMS DINNER SOCIAL:** 6:30 pm - Center
- April 14 - **RCIA:** 7:00 - 8:30 pm - Center
- **BIBLE STUDY:** 7 pm - Church (No Bible Study 4.21)
- April 16 - **FIRST RECONCILIATION:** 6 pm - Church & Caf 
- April 16 - **CHRISTIAN MOTHERS EXE. BOARD. MTG.:**
7:00 pm - Center
- April 16 - **MOMS SCRIPTURE TIME:** 7:30 - 9 pm - Center
- April 18 - **KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS 4th DEGREE MTG.:**
I.C., Washington
- April 20 - **CATHOLIC MEN'S CLUB:** 7:30 pm - Center
- April 24 - **ST. VINCENT de PAUL MTG.:** 7:00 pm - Cafeteria

COMMUNITY CORNER

On Sunday, April 27th, **THE SCHOOL SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS**, Mount Assisi Convent, 934 Forest Avenue, Bellevue, invite you to their **ANNUAL SPRING FESTIVAL** from 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm. Chicken and h-lupky (stuffed cabbage) dinners will be served from noon until 6:00 pm (dinners \$8.00). **Bingo, Bake Sale, Refreshments, Plant Sale, Crafts and Games** of all types will be part of the activities for the day. Raffle tickets will also be sold the day of the festival. Plan to spend Sunday with them! Come and enjoy the good food and the fun.

200th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION for ST. PATRICK CHURCH, in the Strip District in Pittsburgh, was the First Parish in the City of Pittsburgh - founded in 1808 to serve the Irish community. In honor of this great event, on Sunday, April 27th at St. Stanislaus Church, Bishop Zubik will preside at the 11:00 am Mass with great Irish music at the Mass and a reception with refreshments in the courtyard of St. Stanislaus Church. Due to the small size of St. Patrick, the Mass and Reception will be held at St. Stanislaus, 57 21st Street, in the heart of the Strip District. All are welcome.

Nicole Marcischak, a cantor here at St. Patrick Church, is starring in **CELEBRATE AMERICA** (a blend of patriotic, country and Americana in a tuneful tribute), at the new Perry Como Theatre in Canonsburg. The show will be presented two days only, Saturday, April 12 at 7:30 pm and Sunday, April 13 at 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$18.00, with seniors and students getting a \$2.00 discount.

The Diocese of Pittsburgh is planning a workshop for people interested in becoming **NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING PROMOTERS**. The workshop will provide the necessary training and materials to enable him or her to speak confidently on the Church's teaching on sexuality. No commitment to this ministry is necessary. Come and learn, then decide! The workshop is planned for Saturday, April 19, 2008 beginning at 9:00 am and ending at 3:30 pm, at the Gilmory Diocesan Center. RSVP is needed by April 16th. For more information call, 412.456.3160 or email, familylife@diopitt.org.

The Canonsburg-Houston Rotary Club is having its annual **all you can eat Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, April 13** from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon at the **Veterans of Foreign Wars Club** on West Pike Street, Canonsburg, PA. Proceeds from this breakfast will help support our scholarship program for Canon-McMillan and Chartiers Houston Schools.

All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast will be held at **Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church**, Pike Street, Meadowlands, PA, on **Saturday, April 19** from 8:00 am to 11:00 am in the church basement. Adults are \$5.00, children under 10, \$3.00. All are welcome.

