

St. Patrick

Roman Catholic Parish

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

317 West Pike Street Canonsburg, PA 15317

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Rev. Richard S. Jones, Parochial Vicar
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Parish Office Hours

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April 20, 2008



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 (ext. 11) 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

DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH ABUSE HOTLINE

1-888-808-1235

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.



**Knights of Columbus Council #3291
Annual Youth Trout Fishing Derby**

Our Knights of Columbus are holding their first Annual Youth Trout Fishing Derby on Saturday, May 17th from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm for children and youth ages 4 – 18 at the Lodge at Ruff Creek, Ruff Creek, PA. Cost of \$10.00 per person covers fishing in a stocked trout pond and games for the kids, as well as food and refreshments for everybody! Fr. Jack will also offer Mass at the site at 6:00 pm for all of the participants and workers. Event will take place rain or shine, and pre-registration by 5/09/08 is required. Pre-registration forms can be found in the front and rear main vestibules of the church. Directions will follow on the parish website the week of the event. We hope to see you there!

2008 PARISH FESTIVAL- JUNE 12, 13 and 14

Grand Raffle Tickets: If you haven't received your FESTIVAL GRAND RAFFLE TICKETS please call the rectory so we may correct our mistake. Send in your completed ticket stubs along with \$30 as soon as possible so that you will be eligible for the 3 Early Bird Drawings. Early Birds will be drawn on the following dates: Monday, April 28; Monday, May 12; and Monday, May 26. Three lucky sellers will win \$150 each! The Festival Committee would like to welcome **Kerri Lane** and **June Freno** as Volunteer Coordinators. Kerri will handle all gaming booths and June will coordinate all the food/beverage booths plus all the cafeteria volunteers. Please watch for the Volunteer Workers Sheet in the upcoming weeks. The ladies are anxious to speak with you. **Bella Livolsi** is doing a fabulous job behind the scenes with Sponsorship details. If interested in being a sponsor please contact Bella at 724.745.6560. Any questions, please call Kathy Fontana at 724.746.3403.

DEAR PARISHIONERS OF ST. PATRICK: The collection of baby products for Catholic Charities' Pregnancy and Parenting Program was extremely successful...Through the drive there were 2650 diapers collected, 4623 baby wipes, 256 jars baby food, boxed cereal, juice, formula and snacks, 128 toiletries, 55 blankets, bottles, towels, etc., and 54 clothing items. The total monetary value of your donation is well over three thousand dollars. Catholic Charities continues to serve the poor and disadvantaged in our community. With the help of tangible assistance items like those mentioned here, we can continue to meet the needs of young men and women who are about to become parents. With the guidance of Catholic Charities staff and your donations, we will provide the best opportunity for these young people to become good parents. The staff and I are so very grateful to all of you for your generous support and faithfulness and the Knights of Columbus who organized the drive. *Christine Wissner, Director of Washington County Catholic Charities*

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

*Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 13, 2008*

Envelopes.....	\$13,588.80
Children's Envelopes	\$56.32
Loose Cash and Coin	\$1,116.20
St. Patrick School.....	\$339.00
Parish Total	\$15,100.32
Weekly Budgeted Expenses	\$13,980.67

YOUR SACRIFICE IS APPRECIATED!

APRIL IS SCOUTING FOR FOOD MONTH: 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.



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.



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.

Duquesne University's largest open house event, **DUQUESNEFEST**, will be held this summer on Sunday, June 8 from 8 am to 1 pm. This exciting day is a fun way for Fall 2008 high school seniors to learn more about the University. Register with Duquesne's Office of Admissions at 412.396.6222 or online at www.admissions.duq.edu.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- April 20 - CATHOLIC MEN'S CLUB: 7:30 pm - Center
- April 21 - NO BIBLE STUDY
- April 23 - PRAY THE ROSARY: 6:30 pm - Church
- April 23 - LADIES OF CHARITY MTG.: 7:00 pm - Center
- April 23 - WORSHIP COMMITTEE MTG.: 7:00 pm - Center
- April 24 - CHRISTIAN MOTHERS DAY OF RECOLLECTION: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm - St. Gen.
- April 24 - ST. VINCENT de PAUL MTG.: 7:00 pm - Cafeteria
- April 24 - MOMS SCRIPTURE TIME: 7:30 - 9:00 pm - Center

MASS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY, APRIL 20
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

- 5:00 (SP) (PM— VIGIL)
Dorothy & Stanley Kurnik by Mr. & Mrs.
Conrad Klemans
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

MONDAY, April 21 - St. Anselm

- 7:00 (SP) Andrew Hornyak by Mr. & Mrs. David A. Hornyak
8:00 (SG) Anthony, Enrico, & Maria Alesii by Wife,
Daughter, Husband, & Grandchildren

TUESDAY, APRIL 22

- 7:00 (SP) Algis Daugirdas by the 7:00 am Mass Group
8:00 (SG) Jean Scheeser by Richard & Claudia Findle
10:00 (Kingdom Manor) Jack Kyle by Ted Sottong

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23 - Ss. George & Adalbert

- 7:00 (SP) Edith Palumbo by Cousins
9:00 (SP) John Yesenchak, Sr. by Family
2:00 (Townview) Alfred Kebart by Richard & Sophie Kern

THURSDAY, APRIL 24 - St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

- 7:00 (SP) Samuel & Lucille Caputo by Constance M.
Caputo
8:00 (SG) Joseph & Gilda Fickulak by Teresa Davis
Month's Mind: Theresa Guadagni

FRIDAY, APRIL 25 - St. Mark

- 7:00 (SP) Steven Capane by Family
8:00 (SG) Albert & Rose Mancini by Joseph & Elaine
Embert Family

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

- 7:30 (AM) (SP) Infant Son - Benjamin Noah Chase by Mr. &
Mrs. John B. Chase
11:30 - 12:30 (SP) **RECONCILIATION**
5:00 (PM - VIGIL) Bart DeJohn, Jr. by Parents

**SUNDAY, APRIL 27
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

- 7:30 (SP) Jack Glass by Wife
10:00 (SP) Lois & Raymond D'Emilio 50th Wedding
Anniversary
12:00 (SP) FOR THE PEOPLE
5:00 (SP) (PM) Ann Koziel by Dolly & Sam Mazza

Month's Mind: Pauline Arvay

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

This 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

Next Week's Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, April 26

5:00 pm - J. & K. Angotti, M. Broglia

Sunday, April 27

- 7:30 am - A. & A. Fairfull, A. Boni
10:00 am - L. Thompson, M. & R. Rozak
12:00 pm - C. & M. Capelli, A. Lochran
5:00 pm - L. Hornak, A. & M. Corey

THE PITTSBURGH DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

PRIEST'S PRAYER LIST FOR MARCH:

- April 20** Rev. Francis J. Drabiska
Rev. David C. Dixon
April 21 Rev. David A. Driesch
Rev. Hillary Andebo
April 22 Rev. Robert G. Duch
Rev. Samuel Aniekwe
April 23 Rev. Walter W. Dworak
Rev. John Asomugha, C.S.Sp.
April 24 Rev. David F. Dzermejko
Rev. David S. Abernethy
April 25 Rev. James B. Farnan
Rev. Robert M. Bardley
April 26 Rev. J. Matthew Elanjileth
Rev. Edward Laurent, O.F.M. Cap.

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

**CONGRATULATIONS ARE EXTENDED TO: Greg &
Diane Sulc** on the occasion of their 40th Wedding
Anniversary; **Raymond & Lois D'Emilio** on the occasion
of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11
Friday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21
Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66; 1 Pt 3:15-18 or
1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 14:15-21 or Jn 17:1-11a

FR. RICH REFLECTIONS

“The soul that walks in love neither rests nor grows tired.”
~St. John of the Cross

On Saturday, April 12, 2008, I joined 1,800 men of our Diocese for the 3rd Annual Catholic Men’s Conference at the A. J. Palumbo Center at Duquesne University. The theme was ‘Put Out into The Deep.’ I was able to personally meet Mike Clark, news anchor for WTAE-TV Pittsburgh, who was the master of ceremonies for the event. There was a Holy Hour to begin the day with Fr. James Wehner delivering the homily. Pope Benedict XVI said—*“Eucharistic love motivates and founds the vocational activity of the whole church.”* The Knights of Columbus and the seminarians of the Diocese walked in procession as Bishop Zubik held the Blessed Sacrament. It was a most moving and uplifting experience - the holy reverence, the joyous songs, and the peaceful prayer.

Father Larry Richards from the Diocese of Erie then challenged everyone by giving ten reasons to go to the Sacrament of Confession based on the Ten Commandments. Fr. Richards said - *“Confession is not for wimps; it is for people who have courage to come ‘face-to-face’ before God humbly to ask His help and forgiveness. Confession helps us to love as God loves.”* Along with other priests of our Diocese, I listened to confessions throughout this day. Bishop David Zubik joined us in listening to confessions across the way from where I was stationed. It was wonderful to see and experience the deep desire to be holy that each one sought so that we would be whole and clean from the inside out! There was no end in sight to the line of penitents in this place. To come and receive and share God’s merciful love made it such a rewarding day.

It was good to be together to see both familiar and new faces. The day continued with lunch togetherness, bookstore browsing, uplifting music, inspiring speakers, break fellowship, and Holy Mass at the end of the day with Bishop Zubik. Should any men of our parish want more information about the Catholic Men’s Fellowship of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Inc., check out www.cmfppitt.org or contact Brian Podobnik (724.746.4631) of our parish.

I traveled that same day to Beaver County to celebrate Mass at St. Blaise in Midland, Pennsylvania, while a priest friend was on vacation. I was happy to see in the Beaver County Times that there were two

full-page displays of all the church services in the area. The title on the paper said: **“Your Neighborhood Church Invites You to Worship with Them. The Lack of Faith is The Worst Handicap of All.”** We have to keep casting the net into the deep ‘day-in’ and ‘day-out’ as disciples of the Lord. It was good to finally get home in bed in Canonsburg.

On this 5th Sunday of Easter, Jesus zeroes in on the importance of home. Beyond our earthly dwelling is our eternal inheritance with God. Jesus expresses this in John 14:6 saying, **“I am the way, the truth and the life.”** This is a very familiar gospel for funeral liturgies. When death brings down the curtain on our days of life, there is an eternal home waiting for us. That is why faith is the most important thing in life. Without it, we would be deprived of the hope of an everlasting home. Jesus saw His death as ‘going to the Father.’ While we are here on earth, we are in exile – that means away from the Father’s house. So, to die is to go home to the Father’s house. St. John Vianney said: *“Our home is—heaven. On earth we’re like travelers staying in a hotel. When you’re away, you’re always thinking of going home.”*

Bishop David Zubik has called all priests and deacons together on Monday, April 21, 2008, to gather for our Spring Convocation at St. Paul’s Seminary. Bishop Gregory M. Aymond from Austin, Texas, will speak on “The Spirituality of the Diocesan Priest.” It will be followed with dinner and social sharing. Thus, Bible Study is cancelled for this day – it resumes Monday, April 28th.

There is still time to sign up for the Women’s Spring Retreat this Thursday, April 24th at St. Genevieve. It will be held from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. There are 107 people registered thus far. It is the opportune time and season for *spiritual spring cleaning* with the *mighty power* of the Holy Spirit. Don’t let dust settle in your soul; set your spirit free! Hope you can join us this day.

And what can one say of all the other blessings of heaven? There will be health, and no sickness; liberty, and no servitude; beauty, and no unsightliness; immortality, and no decay; abundance, and no want; repose, and no cares; security, and no dread; knowledge, and no error; satiety, and no feelings of revulsion; joy, and no sorrow; honor, and no contention.

~St. Peter of Alcántara
(04.20.08)



ST. PATRICK RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

April Class Sessions: 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, and 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.



ST. PATRICK SCHOOL

Mr. Mozina has announced the honor roll for the third nine week grading period. The following students have been named to the honor roll:

High Honors: Kathryn Bench, Ty Lesko, Ethan Marra, Colleen Bench, Maria Costantino, and Julia Severyn

Honor Roll: Abby Lochran, Molly Thompson, Nicholas Burton, Andrew Fairfull, Sierra Strnisa, Michael Cushma, Mark Dugan, and Michael Sadlek

Honorable Mention: Stephanie Hammell, Jessica Burton, April Currey, Lisa Hornak, Michael Capelli, Garrett Craig, Elizabeth Chase, and Alyssa Miller.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 21: Kindergarten Readiness Test begins
- April 21: A.C.R.E Testing for Grades 5 & 8
- April 22: Kindergarten Readiness Test
- April 22: A.C.R.E. Testing for Grades 5 & 8
- April 23: Student Liturgy prepared by Grade 5: 9:00 am
- April 23: Washington County Secretary's Luncheon at Union Grill
- April 24: IUI Non-Public Administrative Meeting 9 am
- April 25: Casual Dress Day
- April 26: Athletic Association Sport's Banquet 6 pm

NEW REGISTRATIONS ARE WELCOME for the **CHRISTIAN MOTHERS DAY OF RECOLLECTION** re-scheduled for Thursday, April 24th at St. Genevieve from 9:00 am till 2:00 pm. Please call Pat Vernau 724.745.5362, or Denise Adams 724.746.2137 by April 21 to register.

HOAGIES AND MORE HOAGIES... Sorry we ran out last time; Fr. Jack asked us to **DOUBLE OUR ORDER** for next time!!! Our next sale will be May 3 and 4. Only \$6 for the best 15 inch hoagie you've ever eaten, lovingly made by our **WYD** pilgrims! Available in Italian, Roast Beef, or Turkey. **ARE YOU HAVING A FIRST COMMUNION PARTY OR ANOTHER EVENT ??? Pre-order your hoagies** by April 23 by calling the rectory. Thanks for your support, and see you in May!!!



MEMORIALS WERE RECEIVED FOR THE FOLLOWING: **My**

Father's House: In loving memory of: **Jesse Huet** by Bernadine Gregory; **Allan Wargo** by Mr. & Mrs. James Zullo, Jr.; **Martin "Bill" Caffrey** by Carol Jean Paulick, John & Velma Pleskovich; to celebrate the life of **Jessie Huet** by Gordon and Barbara Bucknam; **Joseph P. Tomsic** by Friends; **Theresa Guadagni** by Ronald & Barbara Cianelli; **Husband, John Urbancic** by Wife, Mary Urbancic. **St. Patrick School:** In loving memory of: **Joseph P. Tomsic** by Friends. **St. Patrick Parking**

Lot: In loving memory of: **Martin "Bill" Caffrey** by Stan & Thelma Niedzevichie, Richard & Joanna Ziack; **Joseph P. Tomsic** by Friends. **MASSES** WERE RECEIVED

IN LOVING MEMORY OF: **My Lifelong Friend Billy** by Tom & Cynthia Lenco; **Martin "Bill" Caffrey** by Pat Karner, Mary D'Amico, Kasha & Augie Engelhardt, & Margaret Natoli; **Theresa Guadagni** by James & Mary Ann Zullo; **Julius Casper** by Philip & Irene Gilpin, Fran Scarci, Joe & Vickie Scarci; **Leonard Semplice** by the Ackerman Family; **James Shaffer, Sr.** by Mr. & Mrs. Louis Zivnoska, Mrs. Margaret Koynovk, Mr. & Mrs. John Kohnock, Mr. & Mrs. John Knoele, Ms. Teresa Mastroianni, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Widecan, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Widecan, Jr., Mr. & Mrs. John Widecan, Mr. & Mrs. Scott Webster, Mr. George Hans, Mr. & Mrs. William Feketg, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Tordella, Maria & Patrick Tordella; **Cecelia Pagano Bechard** by Clara Kalan, Beverly Marchewka, Betty Lohr & Family, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Kalan.

63rd INTERNATIONAL ROSARY MARCH Please come to honor Jesus and Mary as we march in solidarity and love through Pittsburgh from Epiphany Church (Centre Ave.) to St. Mary of Mercy Church (Stanwix St.) on Sunday, May 4, 2008. The scheduled events are: Noon Mass at Epiphany Church before the march; 1:15 Rosary March; 2:00—3:00 Holy Hour with Fr. Angelus Shaughnessy and a Crowning of Our Lady and Enrollment in the Brown Scapular; Refreshments in Lawless Hall. For those who cannot march, there will be Rosary prayers at St. Mary's after the noon Mass. All are welcome, especially Youth. Questions, please call Linda Nevins at 412.884.3213, Mary Ellen Collavo at 412.884.8427, or Bernadette Zahumensky at 724.468.4306.