



St. Patrick

Roman Catholic Parish

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

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July 6, 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

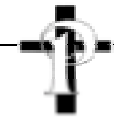
DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH ABUSE HOTLINE

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.



PASTOR'S DESK

On this Independence Day weekend, we pause to remember, to give thanks and to celebrate the birth of our great nation and the establishment of those inalienable rights and freedoms we so cherish and enjoy. We, however, must never forget that we are one nation, under God, and it is that one true God we trust. The liberty and justice for all, that we claim are ultimately reflections of the will of our Creator for all people everywhere.

These principles of freedom go far beyond national, economic or racial boundaries, to the heart of the human spirit which is made in the image and likeness of God. Thus our pursuit of happiness is founded upon our freedom as God's own children. Our greatest joy is to believe that, through Christ Jesus we have been freed from the shackles of sin and death and will, one day, become citizens of heaven.

With this great hope, twenty-two of us from St. Patrick's are preparing for our journey to Sydney, Australia to pause, to remember, to give thanks and to celebrate our freedom and salvation in Christ Jesus. Please continue to pray for us throughout these next few weeks, that our journey may be safe and fruitful. Please know that we will be praying for all of you back home.

HOW MANY PILGRIMS ARE GOING TO SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA ?



World Youth Day (WYD) is the largest youth event in the world and will be held in Sydney from July 15 to July 20, 2008. Organized by the Catholic Church, WYD brings together young people from around the globe to celebrate and learn about their faith. WYD08 will be the largest event Australia has ever hosted. It will attract over 125,000 international visitors- more than the 2000 Olympics. WYD08 will mark the first visit of His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI to Australia. Through the WYD08 experience, young people from throughout the world will make a pilgrimage in faith, meet, experience the love of God, and celebrate their faith around a particular theme. The theme for WYD 2008 is: "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you; and you will be my witnesses." (Acts 1:8)

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

*St. Peter & St. Paul
June 29, 2008*

Will be posted in next week's bulletin, as this publication went to press on Friday, June 27th in anticipation of the 4th of July holiday.

Weekly Budgeted Expenses \$13,980.67

YOUR SACRIFICE IS APPRECIATED!



TO MY PARISH FAMILY, I wanted to extend my heartfelt appreciation for the prayers and cards during my recent illness. I know that the grace of God has given me the strength to combat this sudden illness and I am on the road to recovery. Every day is a blessing and I know that all of you have accompanied me throughout this ordeal. I hope to see all of you soon; as I feel it must be in God's plans to continue to praise Him through the gift of music. I am praying for all of you, as well. Humbly In Christ, Lucy Hosni

DATES TO REMEMBER

- July 7 - **BIBLE STUDY:** 7 pm (Church)
- July 9 - **PRAY THE ROSARY:** 6:30 pm (Church)
- July 10 - **BAPTISM INSTRUCTION:** 7 pm (Rectorry)
- July 14 - **BIBLE STUDY:** 7 pm (Church)
- July 15 - 20 - **WORLD YOUTH DAY 2008:** Australia
St. Patrick's Pilgrims leave July 13 & will return on July 21

WEDDING BANNERS

- Second Time: **Robert Plovic & Kelly Smeyres**
- Third Time: **Richard Kraski, Jr. & Sarah Rae Raddis**
Douglas Kirchner & Andrea Sullivan
(To be married at Duquesne Chapel)



WE WELCOME into our parish family the following children who were **BAPTIZED** at St. Patrick in the month of May: **Meghan Elizabeth Restino, Ryan Christopher Restino, Ben Kenneth Keefer, Steele Ryan Dudley, Thomas Michael Jordan, Ashley Oelschager, Kamron Oelschager, Eric Wilson Frohnafel, Margaret Katherine Lieker, and Sienna Lynn Snyder.** May God bless them and their families.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33
Sunday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 65; Rom 8:18-23;
Mt 13:1-23 [1-9]

"Come to me, all you who labor and are
burdened, and I will give you rest."

— *Matthew 11:28*

A HUMBLE KING

Like a tonal center in music, the note to which we keep returning in today's readings is humility. We wait in joyful expectation for the coming of our Lord as King. But what we are told to expect and rejoice over is a meek and humble king, riding on an ass. Not horses or chariots of the great and mighty, but a humble beast carries the Ruler whose dominion stretches "from the River to the ends of the earth" (Zechariah 9:10). This King comes to banish the tools of the warrior and bring peace. No wonder that a weary world rejoices and gives thanks to God!

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This Week's Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, July 5

5:00 pm - J. & M. Illig, D. O'Neill

Sunday, July 6

7:30 am - P. Tordella, A. Boni, V. Rosenwald
10:00 am - L., S., & E. Hammell
12:00 pm - K. Crider, S. Drain, M. Cushma
5:00 pm - J. Cavallo, T. Grebeck, C. Tarnik

Next Week's Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, July 12

5:00 pm - J. & K. Angotti, A. Lochran

Sunday, July 13

7:30 am - G. Burke, C. & M. Dombrowski
10:00 am - S. & P. Corwin, S. Luba
12:00 pm - A., D., & M. Broglia
5:00 pm - A. & M. Corey, P. Gent

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JULY 6

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 (SP) **(PM - VIGIL)**

Stella Babka & Geo Babka by George Babka

7:30 (SP) FOR THE PEOPLE

10:00 (SP) Joe Scarci by Mary Ann and Family

12:00 (SP) Robert J. Verno and Betty & Jim Amato

5:00 (SP)(PM) Stella Babka & Geo Babka by George Babka

MONDAY, July 7

7:00 (SP) Mary Gregory by Viola Cerenzia

8:00 (SG) Charles B. Jacobs, Jr. by Wife, Mary Ann

TUESDAY, July 8

7:00 (SP) Hundzienski, Veres & Krashna Families by Family

8:00 (SG) Jean Scheeser by Richard & Claudia Findle

10:00 (AM) (Rest Haven #1) Joseph & Gilda Fickulak by Teresa Davis

MONTHS MIND: Anthony 'Tony' Durkacs

WEDNESDAY, July 9 - St. Augustine Zhao Rong and his companions

7:00 (SP) Robert Romanosky, Sr. by Wife, Irene & Family

9:00 (SP) Walter Mark by Nancy & Gary Liberatore

2:00 (PM) (Greenery) Madgyn Hahn by Betty Sipes

MONTHS MIND: Helen Zemaitis

THURSDAY, July 10

7:00 (SP) Agnes & Donald Drain by Family

8:00 (SG) Albert Garrone by Marian Garrone

MONTHS MIND: Eleanor Semain

FRIDAY, July 11 - St. Benedict

7:00 (SP) Marie Shaffer by Terri Mastroianni

8:00 (SG) Rose Eonta Swan by Dorothy & Paul Swan

10:00 (AM) (Consulate Retirement) Margaret M. Chuppetta by Harriet Rath

SATURDAY, JULY 12 - Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30 (SP) William & Mary Keegan, & Theresa Mathia by Josephine Keegan

11:30 - 12:30 (SP) **RECONCILIATION**

5:00 (SP) **(PM - VIGIL)** Mike, Ann & Lisanne Loboizzo by Mr. & Mrs. Wesley Campbell

SUNDAY, JULY 13

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 (SP) Nicholas White by Nick & Kathy White

10:00 (SP) Frank C. Roney by Barbara Roney & Family

12:00 (SP) Andrew Lessso by Mrs. Helen Lessso

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, **Stella Cerbach** and all the faithful departed. May they rest in your peace.

FR. RICH REFLECTIONS

“God hath promised strength for the day, rest for the labor, light for the way, grace for the trails, help from above, unfailing sympathy, undying love.” ~A. J. Flint

Recently, I was speaking to Dave DeLallo, a friend and the owner of DeLallo’s Restaurant on Fort Couch Road, about his sign reading, “Summer Vacation—Restaurant closed June 29, 2008 to July 15, 2008.” I asked him why he doesn’t just close for the entire summer!

In this day and age of 24/7, it is nice to see the European way of *siesta* still being honored and upheld. Dave told me that his family goes to Nags Head, NC for summer vacation, and he does not want to worry about how his business is doing back in Pittsburgh. Everyone is off; the restaurant is closed – no employees, no customers, and no problems! No amount of money is more valuable than time spent with those you love.

Everyone needs time for rest. However, rest in our country has been called an “*un-American activity*” because Americans pride themselves on being highly motivated doers, eager beavers, and “can do” people. Rest is in short supply in our busy lives. Rest is giving oneself permission to be still and quiet, free of life’s demands.

There is a sign at Canonsburg General Hospital that says: “*Silence...Healing in Progress.*” Rest is absolutely essential for one’s self-care and well-being. People look for quiet at a hospital, church, workplace, and home. Rest is redemptive, restorative, replenishing, refreshing, and renewing. Rest has been called “*sacred idleness*” for it is God’s provision in creation for our daily re-creation. As they say, a good night’s sleep is the best medicine.

We must daily seek to be good instruments of God’s love by avoiding being over-tired, burned out, stressed, aggressive, fragmented, and closed up. Instead, we should strive to be rested, centered, balanced, integrated, purposeful, peaceful, and holy. Rest affects us physically, psychologically, emotionally, relationally, and spiritually.

Sometimes people will say –“*Father, I don’t want to bother or burden you with more things to do. I know that your plate is full already.*” And then I tell them what the late Archbishop Harry Flynn of St. Paul/Minneapolis, Minnesota told us while we were on retreat at Mt. St. Mary’s Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland: “*Remember gentlemen, we are ordained to be burdened. To lift the burdens and crosses of others is the mark of a real disciple of Jesus Christ.*”

Jesus reminds each of us to come to Him to receive His comfort, His peace, and His rest. Jesus wants dearly to help us with our heavy labors, burdensome sins, and trying crosses in life. If Jesus wants to help us, why not let Him? Resting in God makes the load lighter! We read on many tombstones—RIP (Rest in Peace).

Prayer Reflection

All ye who seek for sure relief
In trouble and distress,
Whatever sorrows vex the mind,
Or guilt the soul oppress

Jesus, who gave himself for you
Upon the cross to die,
Opens to you his sacred heart;
O to that heart draw nigh.

Ye hear how kindly he invites;
Ye hear his words so blest;
“All ye that labor come to me,
And I will give you rest.”

REMEMBER

- Remember that your presence is a present to the world.
- Remember that you are a unique and unrepeatable creation.
- Remember that your life can be what you want it to be.
- Remember to count your blessings, not your troubles.
- Remember that you’ll make it through whatever comes along.
- Remember that most of the answers you need are within you.
- Remember those dreams waiting to be realized.
- Remember that decisions are too important to leave to chance.
- Remember to always reach for the best that is within you.
- Remember that nothing wastes more energy than worry.
- Remember that not getting what you want is sometimes a wonderful stroke of luck.
- Remember that the longer you carry a grudge, the heavier it gets.
- Remember not to take things too seriously.
- Remember to laugh.
- Remember that a little love goes a long way.
- Remember that a lot goes forever.
- Remember that happiness is more often found in giving than getting.
- Remember that life’s treasures are people, not things.
- Remember that miracles still happen!

(07.06.08)

The **CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH** is again planning its annual **GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION** for couples who have been married for 50 Years. This year's celebration will take place on Sunday, October 12, 2008, beginning with a Mass at 3:00 pm at St. Paul Cathedral. Bishop Zubik will be the celebrant. A reception will follow in the lower hall at the Cathedral.

If you are a parishioner celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary in 2008 and would be interested in attending the celebration along with the other jubilarian couples, please call the rectory or drop a note in the weekly collection basket no later than July 27, 2008. Invitations will be sent out after responses have been received.

MASSES were received for: the Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of **John Rozsas** by The Coffee & Bread Program Volunteers; **Mary DeVitis** by Mary DeVitis & Son, Dan & Family.

MEMORIALS were received for the following:

My Father's House: In loving memory of: **Henry Zupancic** by the Walter Mark Agency, Inc.

St. Patrick's School: In loving memory of: **Yvonne DeVitis** by her Sister, Viola Cerenzia, Mary DeVitis & Son, Dan and Family. **St. Patrick's Choir** In loving memory of: **Yvonne DeVitis** by Mary DeVitis & Son, Dan and Family.

SAINT HILARY PARISH will have their annual summer festival on Friday, Saturday, & Sunday, July 11-13 on the church grounds at 320 Henderson Avenue, Washington, PA from 4:00 pm until 10:30 pm each day. Lots of homemade ethnic food, bake sale, bingo, and games for all ages. Polka Mass at 4:00 pm on Saturday. Entertainment nightly. Old MacDonald's Farm puppet show, Mike the Balloon Guy, and face painting on Sunday. For more information call 724.222.4087.

SPEAK UP FOR A CHILD: CASA for Kids, Inc. (Court Appointed Special Advocates) are volunteers trained to advocate for abused and neglected children who are dependents of the Washington County juvenile court system. A CASA volunteer advocates for a child's best interest, becoming the child's voice in court. Our next volunteer training class will begin soon. For more information, call 724.228.0414 or email casa4kids@verizon.net or look for our website at www.casawashingtoncounty.org.



A BAPTISM INSTRUCTION PROGRAM will be offered for both **PARENTS** and **GODPARENTS** in preparation for the Baptism of their child on Thursday, July 10 at 7:00 pm in the parish rectory. Registrations may be made by calling 724.745.6560. The program will next be offered on Thursday, September 4th at 7 pm.

FRANCISCANS IN ACTION APPALACHIAN SUMMER-MISSION TRIP TO KENTUCKY: Make a difference in the life of God's poor and yourself!

Date: July 26 - August 2, 2008

Where: Martin, Kentucky

Activities: Repairing and painting homes, praying, sharing meals and enjoying fun times together.

Cost: \$145 for room and board for the week

For: Women ages 18-60, in good health

Sponsored by Franciscans from Pennsylvania & New York

For more information contact Sister Kathy Adamski, OSF at 412.215.7708 or email, guidance@nauticom.net; www.millvalefranciscans.org to print out a brochure.

"A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM", Saturday, July 19, 2008 from 5:30 – 8:30 pm, is a **PROM** for adults with cognitive and physical disabilities, which is sponsored by The Celebration of Life, a new charitable organization in the Pittsburgh area. The prom will be held at Sisters of the Divine Redeemer – Social Hall, 999 Rock Run Road, Elizabeth, PA 15037 (just off Rt. 51 and Rt. 48...south of Pittsburgh). Transportation *may* be available from your area...if there is enough interest, a small fee will provide round-trip bus transportation from major regions (*north, south, east & west*). To register & request transportation help, please call 724-327-9019 or email Angela at abdprn@comcast.net or www.TheCelebrationOfLife.net.

BISHOP CANEVIN HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADING YOUTH SUMMER CAMP– The annual Bishop Canevin High School Cheerleading youth summer camp will be held on July 7 - 9, 9 am to noon at the school. The camp is open to all grade school students. Beginner and advanced cheerleaders are welcome, as this camp will teach them accordingly. The camp instructor is Bishop Canevin Cheerleading Head Coach Lori Rayburg. The cost is \$50 per girl and includes a free t-shirt. To register, contact Coach Lori at 412.965.0432 or schmis315@yahoo.com.

STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE? - Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriages. For confidential information about or to register for the upcoming program beginning with the weekend of July 11, 2008, please contact Retrouvaille at 412.277.3434 or at www.helpyourmarriage.com.