

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 30– Weekday

5:00 P.M. - Donald & Bernadine Connor (Children)

Sunday, January 31– Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 A.M. - Rosemarie Opferman
(Jim & Jan Lundy)

9:00 A.M. - Janet Schuster & Viola Sicher
(Mother & Daughter, Clara)

10:30 A.M. - Anna Mobrey
(Jean Ruzzi)

- People of the Parish

12:00 Noon - Stanley & Kathryn Solak
(M/M Stanley Solak)

Monday, February 1– Weekday

8:00 A.M. - Eugene Antonich
(David & Mary Pat Holl)

Tuesday, February 2– The Presentation of the Lord

8:00 A.M.- Louis Scalo (Anita & Mike Roberto)

Wednesday, February 3– Saint Blaise/ Saint Ansgar

8:00 A.M. - Gerald Fosbaugh (Wife, Karen)

Thursday, February 4– Weekday

8:00 A.M. - Berhair Jurgeevich (Betty Jurgeevich)

Friday, February 5– Saint Agatha

8:00 A.M. - Lou Scalo
(Lorraine Kennelly)

Saturday, February 6– Saint Paul Miki

5:00 P.M. - Temporal & Spiritual Welfare of
Carolyn & Harry Smith on their 50th
Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, February 7– Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 A.M. - Petar Gualazzi (M/M Gutrie Taboni)

9:00 A.M. - Elizabeth Mooney (Joyce Chasky)

10:30 A.M. - Mary Kubis (Paul Kubis & Family)
- People of the Parish

12:00 Noon - Carl Wirtz (Alice & Carol Wirtz)



Please remember in your prayers those who are sick: Bob Bittner, Tim Zalewski, Anna Pierce, Jericho Fedor, Pat Rae, Al Furno, Ed Stetar, Ian Roberts, Carl Humphreys, Camryn Surman, Rosemarie Jabo, Patricia Rice and Ethan Loney,

John Wozniak, Jeannie Obidzinski, Thomas Kiley, Paul Pro, Rich & Marie Fix, Cathy Villo, Pat Cummings, Fran Teaman, Oscar Spaziani, Anthony Lucking, William Prendergast, Louise Hillman, Ann Morrison & Tom Morrison, and Cliff Kokowski. Help, save, pity and defend your servants O God by your grace!

Financial Statement

Last Week's Income was:

Regular Collection.....\$9279.00

Haiti collection.....\$6250.00

Thank you for your generosity.

From the Pastor's Desk

Today we begin our annual Catholic School's week, and we are all justifiably proud of our school, now in its fifty-fifth year!...we thank all for helping to support our school...it takes a lot of good will and volunteer effort in addition of course to our dedicated school staff and support staff through-out the parish...you may help by attending the spaghetti dinner this Sunday, and by purchasing the merchant certificates as well as the monthly market day and various other fund raisers....and if you have a child of school age, please drop by and take a good look at our school....

Father Pribonic

St. Blaise Day Observance: Prayers for good health and Blessing of St. Blaise: after 8:00 AM Mass at 1:30PM Prayer Service with children on Wednesday February 3.

Class for Parents of the First Child Baptism: Monday, February 22, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Rectory. Please call to register.

Financial Statements for 2009: If you wish to have a statement, please indicate by writing the word "statement" on your Sunday envelope.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: If you are in need of a Prayer Shawl, please call Carol Lacher at 412-833-2400 ext 40.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance at South Hills Bible Chapel 300 Gallery Drive McMurray. Free tax service starting February 1 through April 15 Monday through Friday 8:30AM to 2PM. No Saturdays. No appointments necessary. Please bring W2 forms, real estate tax receipts, sales receipts for large purchases interest and dividend statements. And also bring Federal and State returns from 2008.

Any person who volunteers in any capacity must be compliant to continue their Ministry. Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectures, Choir Members, Fish Fry Volunteers, Festival Volunteers, CCD Teachers, School Parent Volunteers, Coaches, and any other Volunteers that has access to children. Please note that letters are going out to individuals who are not compliant, stating that their Ministry has been suspended. Please don't be one of these individuals, SJA needs our wonderful Volunteers to continue our Ministries.

Rest in Peace: Norman Schohn, husband of Sally, John Prokop, and Ethel Legato wife of Frank.

Scripture Reflection

Nested in these elegant lines from the Apostle Paul is an observation about life in general we all would be wise to heed. In the language of a much older translation, Paul writes: "Now we see through a glass darkly, then face to face; now we know in part, then we shall know fully even as we are fully known. And now abide faith, hope and love, these three. But the greatest of these is love." Now, in this mortal life of days and weeks, months and years, deep sorrow and unfettered joy we see dimly darkly, dare I say incompletely. And that's what I want us most to hear today.

This seeing dimly aspect of the human experience is universal. How tempted we are to make hasty judgments with incomplete information. We create stories about others that suit our prejudices and massage our fears. We imagine the worst in others when, if we knew the whole story, we might see qualities of the best. Seeing dimly is no malady of the few; it is the constant and often malicious failing of us all.

That day in Nazareth long ago found an entire congregation of faithful folk seeing dimly. They welcomed our Lord into their synagogue, listened as he read the Scriptures and preached the sermon and then, when his sermon got too personal, they turned on him, rushed at him, and almost killed him. Why? Because they heard clearly Jesus' words while seeing dimly his mission. We too, more than we would ever admit, see dimly. And so, capturing Paul's lovely chapter in a sentence, we are wise to weave into our lives this agape-love, knowing how dimly we see and deadly such seeing can be.

So how do we deal with this dimly seeing aspect of our lives? First, any attempt to express agape-love will be difficult and, in some cases near impossible. "Love is patient, love is kind, love does not envy, it is not boastful." Though we may speak with eloquence of love's virtues, it is difficult to weave these brilliant threads of love into the daily fabric of our living.

And then, we would be wise to face the fact we may not be so loveable ourselves. Times are, we are the person who pours toxin into a long-standing friendship. We who claim Christ as our Lord and the Church as our home may act as if we had never known the Lord or been around God's people.

Lastly, but surely not finally, we have hope for a more living way of life because our example is Jesus Christ. Too often, we spend huge chunks of time comparing ourselves to others, judging ourselves for our failures, imagining ourselves to be better, more beautiful than we really are. At the end of the day or even our lives, the One whose shadow casts its power across our lives Jesus Christ.

One day when days are no more, one day love expressed in these lines will take on ultimate reality in the presence of the One who lived and died loving us as no one else ever loved.

Dear Joan:

I was wondering about the spaghetti dinner for Sunday and wanted to know: is it really spaghetti or is it that other kind of pasta that's hard to chew?

Signed: Spaghetti Lover

Dear Spaghetti Lover:

Yes, Spaghetti Lover, the dinner this Sunday will be REAL spaghetti and meatballs for all to enjoy. We'll be expecting you!

Signed: Joan d'Arc

Catholic Charities extends its deepest gratitude to the volunteers, translators, businesses and churches who welcomed the children from Haiti and provided for their safety and comfort. Thank you for making what seemed like the impossible, possible for these precious children. In this our 100th anniversary year, Catholic Charities was honored to be a part of this remarkable mission and our participation would not have been possible without the ongoing generous support that allows us to serve our neighbors when they are in need. And so we also extend a heartfelt thank you to our faithful donors who make possible our mission to be the hands and face of Christ. For more information about Catholic Charities and for ways you can support our outreach to others in their time of greatest need, visit our website at www.ccpgh.org.

Life Enrichment Club— meets Wednesday, February 3rd at 11:00AM in the Gathering Place...guest speaker Father Timothy Fitzgerald will speak to us on the **Journey To Lent**...All are invited to bring SUPER BOWL FOOD to share at the meeting (Please, remember to bring a copy of the recipe)...all are welcome and please bring a friend...I guarantee you will leave the meeting enriched through Father Tim's Talk. February 3rd is the Feast of St. Blaise so Father Tim will be able to bless throats to all in attendance. For more information call Sister Kathy at 412-833-2400 ext 33.

Father Ray's Quote: I went a couple of times, but I didn't recognize the place without the lilies and poinsettias.

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, February 6, 2010

5:00 P.M. - M. Welsh, J. Nadorlik

Sunday, February 7, 2010

7:30 A.M. - M. Donahue

9:00 A.M. - A. Krajina, J. & N. Solomon

10:30 A.M. - G. Kyle, A. Stein, A. Davis

12:00 Noon - J. & C. Counihan, E. Aronhalt

Fish Fry
February 5 11am to 7pm
Eat-in or Take out available
412-854-3173



Dessert's needed for the Fish Fry on February 5. Thank you for your support.

Fish Fry Volunteer's suggested color for Friday February 5 is Red. For Lent starting on February 17, Ash Wednesday, Purple.

SJA School- Catholic School's Week

February 1- Kindergarten Preview 9:00AM-9:45AM
Beach Day-wear beach attire.

February 2- Preschool Preview 9:00AM-9:45AM
Clash Day- Dress in mixed variety, look crazy

February 3- Volunteer Appreciation Prayer Service
 10:30AM followed by adult reception.
Crazy Hat Day

February 4- 10:00AM and 7:00PM Talent Show
 SJA Spirit Day! Pep rally @ 1:15PM

February 5- *Disney Cartoon Day* (Dress Down in character attire)

*****Daily Registration at SJA*****

St. Joan of Arc School Registration Begins

St. Joan of Arc School Registration will begin for the 2010-2011 school year. Starting February 3 registration is open to all. Registration times are from 8:30am - 2:30 pm in the preschool playroom at St. Joan of Arc. The following items are needed when you register your child:

Original birth certificate, Baptismal certificate, Social security card, Up-to-date immunization information
Register now to save your child's spot in our school. We would love to have you join our family. There's always something happening at St. Joan of Arc School. Check us out at 412-833-2433 or at mysjaschool.org.

TROPICAL GET A WAY -SJA-Saturday,
 February 13, 2010, **ONE NIGHT**

ONLY! Doors open 6PM. Serving a "Key West" Dinner menu of cheeseburgers, shrimp and chicken. Free beer and soft drinks. BYOB

and set ups. Come and enjoy a fabulous evening of live entertainment by Tom Watt, dinner and dancing. Tickets \$35/ person or \$65/couple. For reservations and additional information call (412)854-1089. Benefits Appalachia Workcamp 2010.

Community News

The Catholic Charities Free Health Care Center is recruiting experienced mental health professionals to provide limited counseling services for our patients who do not have health insurance. Licensed social workers or psychologists who can volunteer their time on a consistent basis should contact our volunteer coordinator at 412-456-6977. For more information about the Free Health Care Center visit www.ccpgh.org.

Beginning Experience: A Retreat for Grieving Singles

The next weekend will be held **March 19-21, 2010** at the Gilmary Center in Moon Twp, PA. Payment arrangements and possible financial assistance are available. For more information, contact the Office for Family Life at 412-456-3160, or familylife@diopitt.org or make a confidential call to **Susan Ackerman at 724-980-4757 or 724-334-0118.**

St. Valentine (Bethel Park) Eucharistic Adoration -

Every Thursday following 9 AM Mass concluding with 6 PM Benediction First Thursdays following 9 AM Mass 24 hour Adoration concluding 8 AM Fridays.

The Sisters of the Divine Redeemer at 999 Rock Run Road Elizabeth Township are sponsoring a Day of Reflection at the Motherhouse on Saturday, February 13 from 9:30 AM to 5 PM with Tom Rurkoski, founder of Gospal Missions. The day will include 3 talks, Holy Hour, Stations, Rosary, lunch, confessions and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass celebrated by Bishop Zubak. Donation of \$20 per person may be paid at the door but please call Sister Rosemary at 412 751-8600 or e-mail at sisrosemarysdr@aol.com for a reservation and more information. This will be a great way to get ready for Lent.

Murder Mystery Dinner and Theatre - Under the Big

Top: February 12, 2010 seating at 6:30 pm
 St. Francis of Assisi Parish - Finley Hall
 Dinner catered by Good To Go of Finleyville
 Tickets \$30.00 per person Advance purchase only at the Rectory or by calling Sarah at 724-514-7027
 Sponsored by the John Paul the Great Columbiettes

Spring Fling: April 10, 2010 at St Benedict the Abbot Church will hold its Arts, Crafts and Antiques Fair. Time: 9AM to 4PM. Vendors you may reserve a table for \$35.00 that is non refundable. For more information call Gerry Petro 724-941-0286.

St. Clair Hospital Diabetes Center located at 2000 Oxford Drive Room 435: is sponsoring a talk on: How to manage stress. Prior registration is required at 412-942-2151. This meeting is open to the public.