

Office Telephones

- Parish Office/Residence 412-771-5646
- Parish Fax 412-331-0678
- Religious Education (Sunday School)..... 412-331-8501
- Youth Ministry 412-331-8525
- Religious Ed/Youth Ministry Fax..... 412-331-8500
- Bingo (Social Hall/Mother of Sorrows)..... 412-331-8530
- Cemeteries (St. Mark's/St. Mary's)..... 412-331-1309
- Pizza Kitchen (Fridays) 412-331-8530

Mass Schedule

- Saturday Vigil** 4:30 PM Church - (St. Mary)
- Sunday** 7:30 AM Church
- 9:30 AM Chapel - (Mother of Sorrows)
- 11:30 AM Church

Weekday Schedule

- Monday–Friday 9:30 AM Church
- Confessions: Saturday 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM and 5:30 PM

Celebration of the Sacraments

Infant Baptism: Call office to schedule.

Adult Baptism: The R.C.I.A. program sees to the needs of adults who wish to become Catholic.

Reconciliation (Confession): 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM (Church) and following the 4:30 PM Mass (Church) and by appointment.

Holy Eucharist: Available for those who are sick and confined to home. Call the Parish Office and we will bring the Eucharist to you.

Anointing of the Sick: Available for those who are seriously ill or anticipating surgery after the 7:30 a.m. Mass every Sunday at the Church at St. Mary's, and by request.

Marriage: Anyone who wishes to marry should contact the Office at least six months prior to the desired date.

Inactive Catholics: Are lovingly welcome back to the faith. **New Parishioners** are joyfully invited to join our community. Please call the Parish Office.

Parish Clergy

- Rev. Louis F. Vallone Rev. Regis J. Ryan
- Rev. Robert J. Zajdel Deacon Robert J. Stein

Staff

- Mr. John Fatula, *Director of Religious Ed.*
- Ms. Elna Johnson, *Director of Music*
- Mrs. Mary Ann Jones, *Director of Finances*
- Mrs. Janice Lipa, *Parish Secretary*
- Mr. Andrew Burkholder, *Cemetery Manager*
- Mr. Wayne Summers, *Maintenance Supervisor*
- Mr. Steven Swank, *Youth Minister*

Safe Environment Coordinators

- Mr. John Fatula, *Sunday School*
- Mr. Steven Swank, *Parish*



**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD****MASS INTENTIONS****Saturday, Jan. 7 to Sunday, Jan. 15**

- Saturday Vigil, Jan. 7:** 4:30 PM Church
Andrew Litterini (Family)
- Sunday, Jan. 8:** 7:30 AM Church
Parish Family of Saint John of God
- Sunday, Jan. 8:** 9:30 AM Chapel
Elizabeth Spadaccia & Lucille Renschler (Family)
- Sunday, Jan. 8:** 11:30 AM Church
Anniv - Albert Gerger (Wife, Agnes)

WEEKDAYS — 9:30 AM CHURCH

- Monday, Jan. 9:** Edward Jedinak (Norma & Jerry Williams)
- Tuesday, Jan. 10:** Raymond Cziczin (Michael Harsh)
- Wednesday, Jan. 11:** Deceased Members of the John and Antonina Wilczynski Family (Family)
- Thursday, Jan. 12:** Anniv - William Pekular (Wife, Barbara)
- Friday, Jan. 13:** Nellie Sabol (Damian & Mickey Fedorko)

Saturday, Jan. 14, 1:00 PM:

Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery Chapel celebrated for our beloved dead and those buried at our cemeteries.

- Saturday Vigil, Jan. 14:** 4:30 PM Church
Ron Reddy (Dan, Karen, Anthony, Neco & Olivia)
- Sunday, Jan. 15:** 7:30 AM Church
Anniv - Mary Mell (Family)
- Sunday, Jan. 15** 9:30 AM Chapel
Frank Leone & Frank, Jr. (Wife & Mother; Dghtr & Sister)
- Sunday, Jan. 15:** 11:30 AM Church
Christine Calabrese (Husband, Joe & Dghtrs, Angelica & Ariana)

Readings for the Week of January 8, 2012

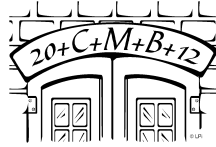
- Sunday:** Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
- Monday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
- Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1:9-20/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28
- Wednesday:** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39
- Thursday:** 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45
- Friday:** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12
- Saturday:** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1/Mk 2:13-17
- Next Sunday:** 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

SANCTUARY CANDLE - WEEK OF JANUARY 8

ST. MARY'S - IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM PEKULAR BY WIFE, BARBARA
Mother of Sorrows - IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH FERRARO, SR. BY WIFE, MARGE AND FAMILY

BLESSING OF HOMES FOR EPIPHANY

The Sunday after New Year's Day is the Feast of the Epiphany. In imitation of the magi, who, according to Matthew's Gospel, came to the home of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, we ask Christ to visit our home and to bless all who dwell there. Following is the blessing prayer to say as you inscribe with a piece of chalk above the door, 20 C+M+B 12:

**EPIPHANY PRAYER**

20 C+M+B 12

Lord God of heaven and earth, You revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill them with the light of Christ, that their concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Chalk available in the Sacristy)

RECENT CHANGES TO THE ROMAN MISSAL

"The Story Behind the New Roman Missal": Benedictine Father Anthony Ruff will speak about the recent changes to the Roman Missal and the process by which those changes were adopted on Thursday, January 12, 2012 from 7 to 9 PM at the Father Ryan Arts Center, 420 Chartiers Avenue. Father Ruff is a prominent liturgical scholar and professor of liturgy at St. John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota and was an early participant in the official discussions leading to the changes. For more information, please contact Sr. Barbara Finch at 412-716-9750 or b.a.finch@att.net.

BIBLE STUDY

All are invited to a Bible Study led by John Fatula this Tuesday, January 10, from 6:30 to 8 PM in the Chapel at Mother of Sorrows. For more information, please call John Fatula at 412-331-8501.

BAPTISMAL PROGRAM FOR NEW AND EXPECTING PARENTS

The class will be held this Sunday, January 8, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM in Mother of Sorrows Chapel. To register or for more information, please call John Fatula at 412-331-8501.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**9:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. (MONDAY THRU FRIDAY)****Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday Noon**

YOUTH NEWS

All teens in grades 8-12 are invited to go snow tubing at Seven Springs Mountain Resort on Monday, Jan. 16 (no school - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day). Cost is \$25 and the **sign-up deadline is Wednesday, January 11**. To sign up or to get more information, please contact Steve Swank at 412-331-8525 or sjgyouthmin@yahoo.com.



STEELERS FOOTBALL POOL WINNERS

January 1, 2012
Steelers vs. Browns



Half Time Score: Steelers 3 Browns 6

Lucky Shaymas owned by Rita Dugan \$100
Lots of Love♥ owned by Margaret & Randy LeMasters \$100

Final Score: Steelers 13 Browns 9

ERIE-SISTABLES owned by Diane Cosgrove \$150
BONI'S FLORAL SHOPPE owned by Anthony Adamchik \$150

CONGRATULATIONS and LET'S GO STEELERS!

PARISH WEEKEND ATTENDANCE
December 31 / January 1

Saturday	352
Sunday	562
Total Weekend Attendance.....	914

SUPER BOWL POOL UPDATE

January 25, 2012 is fast approaching! If you want to join in on the Saint John of God Steeple Chase Super Bowl Pools, monies are due no later than January 25, 2012. We still have squares available on the \$100 pool and also on the second \$35 pool. Don't be left out! Questions??? Call Terry at 412-331-3443 or Charlotte at 412-331-2453.

PARISH FINANCIAL TOTALS
For the Weekend of December 31 / January 1

Regular Offertory Collection\$ 5,626.00

(This is ordinary income from contributions for the general running of the parish. It is subject to a 17.6% tax to the Diocese of Pittsburgh.)

ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL PROGRAMS

PARISH SHARE PROGRAM

PSP Assessment for 2012	\$??????????
PSP Collected as of 12/1/11	\$ 10,135.00
Remaining on 2012 Goal	\$??????????

Next weekend, January 14/15, is very special because the second collection will be used to carry on the much needed services to students with special needs provided by St. Anthony School Programs and DePaul School for Hearing and Speech.

This collection is a two-fold win. Not only does it help two very unique and nationally recognized education programs for special needs children, all proceeds collected will be credited towards our Parish Share Assessment for 2011. Since we have met our goal for 2011 this collection will be automatically be deposited in our savings at Catholic Institute and not be taxed.

We have not yet received our assessment for 2012, but all contributions to Parish Share as of Dec. 1 will be allocated to our assessment for 2012. Please continue to use your monthly envelopes at the same rate - it is a year round campaign for us. God bless you for your cooperation.

Please keep our Priests, Seminarians, Deacons and all Religious in your prayers.

WEEKEND RETREAT FOR POST-ABORTION HEALING

Rachel's Vineyard, a weekend retreat designed to heal the emotional and spiritual wounds of abortion, will be held January 27-29, 2012 at the Spiritan Center in Bethel Park. In a confidential and supportive atmosphere, Rachel's Vineyard demonstrates God's love, forgiveness, and compassion to women and men struggling with abortion's aftermath. Financial aid available. Sponsored by the Diocese of Pittsburgh and Catholic Charities. For more information, visit www.ccpgh.org or call 412-352-5438. The deadline to register is Friday, January 20.

HOSPITAL

Please pray for all parishioners who are in the hospital. Also for all those ill at home, in nursing homes, and shut-ins; that they may continue to receive the Lord's Blessings.

SYMPATHY

We wish to extend our sympathy to the Family of Frances LaMarca, Edward Burt, and Gary DeAngelis whom God has called. Please remember them and all our dearly departed and their families in your prayers. "Those whom we love and lose are no longer where they were before. They are now wherever we are."

Sunday School resumes this Sunday, January 8, 2012 for all students.

The following Christmas poem was sent to Fr. Lou, Fr. Bob and Fr. Ryan along with a bag of M & M's by the children of the Nagel Family. Since many of us like to indulge in these sweet, small confections, when we do, we can be reminded of the profound message each enjoyable morsel brings to us.

M and M

Christmas Poem

M M M M

M As you hold these candies

M In your hand and turn them,

M You will see

M The **M** becomes a **W**

M An **E** and then a **3**.

M They tell the Christmas story

M It's one I'm sure you know

M It took place in a stable,

M A long, long time ago.

M The **E** is for the East

M Where the star shone bright.

M The **M** is for the Manger,

M Where Baby Jesus slept that night.

M The **3** is for the Wise Men,

M Bearing gifts, they say they came.

M **W** is for Worship – Hallelujah, Praise His Name

M So as you eat these candies,

M Or share them with a friend,

M Remember the meaning of Christmas

M A love story that never ends.

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Love, The Nagel Family

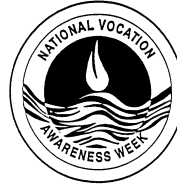
Remember Saint John of God Parish in your will.

YEAR-END STATEMENTS

We will be mailing to you a list of your contributions for 2011 by January 31, 2012. If you do not receive envelopes, you will not receive a report. If you receive envelopes, but didn't use them, you will receive a report marked \$0.00 contributions, and the computer may deactivate you. You may be removed from the envelope list. And your status is reduced to inactive parishioner, which means that you will not qualify for things like sponsorship certificates and a number of other things. Of course, you always have the right to come to Church, receive the sacraments if you are spiritually disposed and call upon the clergy for pastoral service. But you will lose some of the privileges of active participation.

Since we will not compute the report till the end of January, you have time to make contributions for the 2011 year, but you must make it clear to us that it is to be credited to the 2011 account. We have started the 2012 contribution records already.

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK



The Catholic Church in the United States will celebrate National Vocation Awareness Week, January 9-14. God calls us all to live our faith and seek out our vocation to become a deacon, priest, religious sister, married or single person. Perhaps God is calling you to the priest-

hood or consecrated life. Will you have the courage to follow your heart? We are all called to love and serve Him and one another. As we continue to walk in the Light of Christ and to serve our Lord with our whole heart, mind and soul, may we be filled with the love of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and seek to forgive all who have hurt us. National Vocation Awareness Week is a time for reflection. During this week, we encourage all Catholics to:

- Take time to pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life.
- Reflect on our own vocation and strengthen our personal relationship with Christ.
- Educate our young people about the importance of silent prayer and taking the time to truly
- Listen to God's voice in our hearts.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Gracious God, you call each of us by name and gift us with a mission and purpose to fulfill your will on Earth as it is in heaven. Show us the path to holiness in our daily lives. Lead all who are discerning your call to marriage, single, consecrated life, diaconate, or priesthood to hear your voice and to respond generously to your love. With gratitude we offer this prayer through Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Jan. 9 (Mon.) - Mass at Chartiers Manor, 1:45 PM Mass Intention: Edward Pastin by Judith & Richard Zalenski

Jan. 9 (Mon.) - Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers recited in St. Mary's Church - Rosary begins 6:30 PM.

Jan. 9 (Mon.) - St. Vincent de Paul Society Mtg., 7 PM, Gathering Place.

Jan. 10 (Tues.) - St. Anthony Novena Prayers recited following the 9:30 AM Mass in St. Mary's Church.

Jan. 10 (Tues.) - Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7-9 PM in St. Mary's Church - More info call Elna 412-812-4549

Jan. 11 (Wed.) - Boy Scout Meeting, 6-7 PM, Gathering Place - For info, call Don Garrett, 412-452-5657.

Jan. 11 - WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO in MOS Social Hall - Doors open at 5 PM Early Birds, 7 PM and Regular Games begin at 7:15 PM.

Jan. 13 (Fri.) - Mother of Sorrows Novena Prayers recited following 9:30 AM Mass, St. Mary's Church.

Jan. 13 (Fri.) - PIZZA KITCHEN! To order please call 412-331-8530 on Fridays, 8 AM to 1 PM. Orders must be picked up by 3:30 PM.

STEEPLE CHASE SUPER BOWL POOL

Regular season football is still underway, and we don't know who will play in this year's Super Bowl yet. But, we do know the game is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 5, 2012 between the AFC and the NFC. We hope the AFC team is the Steelers, but even if it isn't, we are offering two versions of a Super Bowl pool. There are 100 blocks in each pool. One pool will cost \$35 and will have four payouts for a total of \$1,700: \$100 1st qtr., \$500 half time, \$100 3rd qtr. and \$1,000 final.

The other pool will cost \$100, and will have four payouts for a total of \$5,000: \$500 1st qtr., \$1,000 half time, \$500 3rd qtr., and \$3,000 final. (Payment plan is available for the \$100 pool only, final payment due January 25, 2012.) For this pool only you will get 4 sets of numbers. One set for each quarter. The first set will be for 1st quarter score, the second set for half-time score, the third set for the 3rd quarter score and the last set for the final score.

The names and numbers for each pool will be randomly drawn in advance. You will receive a copy of your completed pool prior to the Super bowl. Don't be left out!

Purchase a square for yourself or partner with a friend. Consider buying some as Christmas or birthday gifts (we will even gift wrap for you). Name your block and fill out the form below. Go Steelers! Questions?? Call Terry 412-331-3443 or Charlotte 412-331-2453.

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SUPER BOWL POOL

PLEASE PRINT, FILL OUT COMPLETELY, DROP IN COLLECTION BASKET OR PARISH OFFICE MAIL SLOT, OR MAIL TO: SJOG PARISH, "SUPER BOWL POOL," 1011 CHURCH AVE., MCKEES ROCKS, PA 15136. QUESTIONS??? CALL TERRY 412-331-3443 OR CHARLOTTE 412-331-2453.

(PAYMENT PLAN AVAILABLE FOR \$100 POOL ONLY)

_____ Square(s)@\$35/square (\$1,700 payout) =\$ _____
(AMOUNT ENCLOSED)

_____ Square(s)@\$100/square (\$5,000 payout) =\$ _____
(AMOUNT ENCLOSED)

I would like to name my square(s) _____

Name _____

Full Address w/ZIP _____

Phone _____



50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Ron and Bernadette Dzadony who will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this Friday, Jan. 13, 2012. Ron and Bernadette were married at SS Cryll & Methodius Church on Jan. 13, 1961 by Fr. F.B. Filip. May the Lord continue to bless your years together.

PROTOCOL FOR REPORTING SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE

Follow these steps when there is reasonable cause to suspect that a minor has been abused while in a church entity:

- Notify the Pastor, Fr. Lou Vallone, of the occurrence: 412-771-5646. If not available, please notify the Parish Safe Environment Coordinator, Steven Swank: 412-331-8525 or John Fatula: 412-331-8501.
- The Pastor reports the occurrence to the proper civil authorities (911).
- The Pastor reports the occurrence to the 24-hour Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-932-0313.
- A written report must be made within 48 hours of the telephone report and sent to the Allegheny Department of Human Service, Office of Children, Youth and Families. A copy of the guidelines can be found at the Parish Office.
- The Pastor will then notify staff personnel of the occurrence and that a report has been made, and who the reporter is.

The Child Protective Services Law of Pennsylvania grant immunity from civil suits for those who make a "good faith" report of suspected child abuse.

NIGHT AT THE RACES

Saturday, January 28, 2012

Sponsored by Holy Trinity K of C Council 11279

Where: Holy Trinity Social Hall

5718 Steubenville Pike - Robinson Twp.

Time: Doors open at 7:00 PM - Post Time 7:30 PM

Cost: \$15 - includes hot dinner buffet, chips, pretzels, pop, coffee, beer, and set-ups. BYOB

FREE Child Care provided by Holy Trinity

F.I.R.E Youth Ministry!

Call 412-787-2116 for more information.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST



St. Malachy PTG will hold a Pancake Breakfast this Sunday, January 8, from 8 AM to 1 PM in Weirauch Hall. Blueberry pancakes will be served along with traditional pancakes. Price for adults is \$5 and children (ages 2-12) \$3. All breakfasts include your choice of pancake flavor, bacon or sausage, coffee, tea and juice.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Fr. LowVallone

Since the Feast of the Epiphany liturgically ends the Christmas Season today, and since there have been so many changes in the wording of our Mass, we want to authentically have hospitality for the Magi when they come. The following therefore is the new translation for the traditional holiday recipe: (The words in **bold** print are all taken from the new Mass.)

Christmas Cookies Recipe

Serves: **you and many.**

Firstly, cream these ingredients, that by their **comingling** you may begin to make the dough:

1 **chalice** butter

2/3 **chalice** sugar

In a similar way, when the butter is **consubstantial** with the sugar, beat in: 1 egg

Gather these dry ingredients **to yourself** and combine them, so that you may add them to the dough which you have already begun to make:

2 1/2 **chalices** sifted all-purpose flour

1/2 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon vanilla

Mix the **precious** dough with your **venerable hands**.

Into the refrigerator **graciously** place the dough so that it may be chilled, **for the duration** of 3 or 4 hours, before the rolling and cutting of the cookies.

When, in the fullness of time, you are ready to bake these **spotless** cookies, these delicious cookies, these Christmas cookies, preheat the oven to 350 degrees.

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Roll out the dough and, taking up a cookie cutter or stencil of your choosing, fashion the cookies **into pleasing forms**.

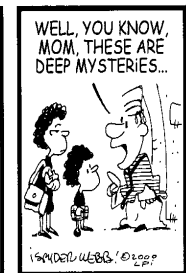
Sprinkle colorful **adornments** over cookies **like the dewfall**.

Bake for 8 to 10 minutes, or until the cookies have just **begun to manifest** the brownness that is **vouchsafed to them** by the oven's heat.

May these cookies **be found acceptable in your sight, and be borne to a place** of refreshment at your table, there to be served with milk or hot chocolate, **and with your spirits**.

Now you are as wise as the Magi! And one final time till next year: Merry Christmas!

EPIPHANY



PRAYER FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.

OHIO VALLEY HOSPITAL MINISTRY

There is a need for Extraordinary Ministers to distribute the Holy Eucharist to Catholic patients at Ohio Valley Hospital. If you are interested in this ministry, please call St. Malachy Parish Office at 412-771-5483. Please consider this worthwhile ministry.

Saint John of God, Pray for us.

St. John of God Parish Membership Form



Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

CHECK ONE:

- New Registration
- Change of Address
- Moving out of Parish
- Want Envelopes

Please drop Membership Form into the offertory basket or mail to Rectory.