

## 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

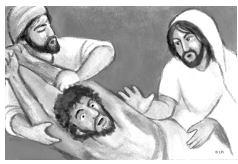
## Staff

- 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*





## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Jan. 28 to Sun., Feb. 5

**Saturday Vigil, Jan. 28:** 4:30 PM Church  
Anniv - Helen Lubinski (Son, Harry)

**Sunday, Jan. 29:** 7:30 AM Church  
Joseph & Mildred Amity (Amity Family)

**Sunday, Jan. 29:** 9:30 AM Chapel  
Joseph Ferraro, Sr. (Wife, Marge & Family)

**Sunday, Jan. 29:** 11:30 AM Church  
Carl T. Wincalow (Daughter, Carla & Family)

### WEEKDAYS — 9:30 AM CHURCH

**Monday, Jan. 30:** Parish Family of Saint John of God

**Tuesday, Jan. 31:** William Eberle (Estate)

**Wednesday, Feb. 1:** Margaret Belitskus (Ray Milavic)

**Thursday, Feb. 2:** Parish Family of Saint John of God

**Friday, Feb. 3:** Ann Gahr (Bill, Evelyn & Family)

**Saturday Vigil, Feb. 4:** 4:30 PM Church  
William Hoffman, Sr. (Son, William)

**Sunday, Feb. 5:** 7:30 AM Church  
Louis & Josephine Demmel (Son, Don)

**Sunday, Feb. 5:** 9:30 AM Chapel  
Leo & Mildred Wozniak (Daughter, Theresa & Family)

**Sunday, Feb. 5:** 11:30 AM Church  
Anniv - Margaret Belmont (Sons & Daughters)

### Readings for the Week of January 29, 2012

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28  
Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20  
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-25a, 30-19:3/Mk 5:21-43  
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6  
Thursday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40  
Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29  
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34  
Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

### SANCTUARY CANDLE - WEEK OF JANUARY 29

**ST. MARY'S** - IN MEMORY OF ANNA GAHR BY BILL, EVELYN AND FAMILY

**Mother of Sorrows** - PARISH FAMILY OF SAINT JOHN OF GOD

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

9:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. (MONDAY THRU FRIDAY)

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday Noon

## FEAST OF ST. BLASÉ

This Friday, Feb. 3, is the Feast of St. Blasé. On this day we will bless throats at the 9:30 AM Mass in St. Mary's Church.

Following is a little information about St. Blasé and how this blessing came to be.

The special blessing of throats associated with St. Blasé is due to a miracle attributed to him. While in prison, he miraculously saved a boy choking on a fish bone. Early in the sixth century, evidence exists in the Eastern Church that Blasé was prayed to for ailments of the throat. To this day, his feast is a holy day in the Eastern Church. In the ninth century, veneration of St. Blasé came to the Western church and became very popular. Blessing of the throats with crossed candles began in the 1500s, the height of devotion to St. Blasé and that blessing is still part of the devotion of the Catholic Church.

No matter what the facts are, St. Blasé is a constant reminder to us of God's care and concern for us in our weakness, sickness, and limited human existence. God's healing touch is with us always. St. Blasé's celebration is one of the ways in which we highlight and thank God for that care and concern.

### ATTENTION ALL STEEPLE CHASE SUPER BOWL PARTICIPANTS

The completed football pools will be distributed after each of the Masses this weekend. Those pools that are not picked up at Mass will be mailed on Monday, January 30, 2012 and you should receive them by midweek. Thank you for participating in this "funraiser". Questions, please call Terry at 412-331-3443 or Charlotte at 412-331-2453.

### BAPTISMAL PROGRAM FOR NEW AND EXPECTING PARENTS

The next class will be held on Sunday, February 12, 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.

### BIBLE STUDY

All are invited to a Bible Study led by John Fatula this Tuesday, January 31, from 6:30 to 8 PM in the Chapel at Mother of Sorrows. For more information, please call John Fatula at 412-331-8501.

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

**YOUTH NEWS**

Teens in grades 8-12 are invited to play laser tag on Monday, February 20 (President's Day - no school). Cost is \$6 for one game, \$11 for two, \$15 for three, and \$19 for four. Sign up deadline in Wednesday, February 15. To sign up, contact Steve at 412-331-8525 or [sjgyouthmin@yahoo.com](mailto:sjgyouthmin@yahoo.com).

**SOUPER BOWL**



Teens from the Youth Group will be holding a soup pot in the back of the Church and Chapel next weekend after the Masses. They will participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring, an annual nationwide collection meant to help those who are less fortunate. If you are able, please consider dropping a dollar in the soup pot. All money collected will be donated to the Focus on Renewal. **THANK YOU!**

**PARISH WEEKEND ATTENDANCE  
January 21 / 22**

Saturday .....	305
Sunday.....	632
Total Weekend Attendance.....	937

**PARISH FINANCIAL TOTALS  
For the Weekend of January 21 / 22**

Regular Offertory Collection .....\$ 5,510.50

(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.)

**PARISH SHARE PROGRAM**

PSP Assessment for 2012 .....	\$ ????????
PSP Collected as of 12/1/11 .....	\$ 22,794.00
Remaining on 2012 Goal .....	\$ ????????

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.

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY**

There will be a diocesan celebration of World Marriage Day on Saturday, Feb. 11, at St. Kilian Parish, Cranberry Township. It will begin with Mass at 5:30 PM. Following Mass there will be a wine and cheese reception in the parish hall. Donation is \$10/couple. To register or for more information, please call the Office for Adult and Family Faith Formation at 412-456-3160.

**WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE  
FEBRUARY 5, 2012**



The annual 2012 World Day for Consecrated Life will be marked in Dioceses nationwide next Sunday, February 5, 2012. The theme is **"For the Sake of the Gospel!"** On

this day we celebrate the lives of all the consecrated religious who have gone before us and those who continue in the day-to-day faithfulness of their lives.

Bishop David A. Zubik invites religious communities to the Noon Mass and reception at St. Paul Cathedral on Sunday, February 5 in celebration of World Day for Consecrated Life. All parishioners, friends and relatives are invited to participate in this Mass in honoring our religious women and men. Your presence is most welcome.

This year Saint John of God Parish will not have a Mass for Consecrated Life on Sunday, February 5. We encourage all to join Bishop Zubik at the Noon Mass on Sunday, February 5, at St. Paul Cathedral in Oakland. For more information, please call the Department for Consecrated Life at 412-456-3067.

Please continue to pray for all those who have made commitments to the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

**STEEPLE CHASE CASH RAFFLE**

Steeple Chase Drive is sponsoring a Cash Raffle on April 18, 2012 and there will be **TWO** winners. The **first** winner will receive **\$100** based on the official 1st Number Drawing **3-digit PA lottery number drawn at mid-day**. The **second** winner will receive **\$500 cash (donated by Jim Crivelli Chevrolet, Inc.)** based on the official 1st Number Drawing **3-digit PA lottery number drawn at 7 P.M. that date**. All numbers are played straight as drawn.

Tickets, courtesy of **Jim Crivelli Chevrolet, Inc.** will be on sale soon at a cost of \$5 per ticket. However, if you want any special 3-digit number in advance or are interested in selling these tickets, please call Charlotte, 412-331-2453 or Terry, 412-331-3443. The seller of the winning tickets will receive a **\$25** gift card for Red Lobster for mid-day and a **\$50** gift card for Juliano's Restaurant & Catering for 7 P.M.

**PLACEMENT TEST**

North Catholic High School invites interested 8th grade students to take their Placement Test on Saturday, Feb. 4. Pre-registration is necessary! Please call the Admissions Office at 412-331-4823, ext. 127 to reserve a space today.

February 2012

<b>Feb. 4 - 5</b>	<b>Sat 4:30 PM</b>	<b>Sun 7:30 AM</b>	<b>Sun 9:30 AM</b>	<b>Sun 11:30 AM</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Patricia Golembiewski Tom Burgunder	Donna Klocek Spohn John Friel	Children's Mass Children's Mass	Mary Ann Scrabis Joanne Malenock
<b>Altar Server</b>	Michael Roussey Alex Adams Tom Adams	Tim McGuillan Dallas Woods	Emily Halbedl Wesley Cropper Jacob Scott	Elizabeth Diehl Victoria Diehl Grace Diehl
<b>Euch. Min.</b>	Mike Tomsko Donna Placon Terry Fedio Rosemarie Litterini Steffie Orlich Charlotte Schriener	Claudia Hemphill Nina Ivosevic Ron Amity Michael Ivosevic	Dominic Puppo Frank Troff Alexis Adamchik Theresa Davis Kelly Hall Mark Honath	Edward McNabb Gloria McNabb Anne Lutz Zacharias Patsy Mance
<b>Feb. 11 - 12</b>	<b>Sat 4:30 PM</b>	<b>Sun 7:30 AM</b>	<b>Sun 9:30 AM</b>	<b>Sun 11:30 AM</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Ann Tkacik Tom Burgunder	Tami Ivosevic John Friel	Children's Mass Children's Mass	Julienne Giuliani Joanne Malenock
<b>Altar Server</b>	Anna Marie Kilonsky Michael Roussey Alex Adams	Tim McGuillan Dallas Woods	Ray Corcoran Eric Hall Jared Hall	Michael Dorrenbacher Alexis Nagel Emilie Nagel
<b>Euch. Min.</b>	Mike Tomsko Carole Yunker Christina Phillips Tom Phillips Steffie Orlich Charlotte Schriener	Ron Amity Claudia Hemphill Mark Honath Michael Ivosevic	Dominic Puppo Steve Tomsko Alexis Adamchik Theresa Davis Kelly Hall Eric Hall	Wanda Mruczek Patrick O'Connor Eleanor Vith Mary Ann Scrabis
<b>Feb. 18 - 19</b>	<b>Sat 4:30 PM</b>	<b>Sun 7:30 AM</b>	<b>Sun 9:30 AM</b>	<b>Sun 11:30 AM</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Terry Fedio Patricia Golembiewski	Donna Klocek Spohn Tom Burgunder	Children's Mass Children's Mass	John Friel Mary Ann Scrabis
<b>Altar Server</b>	Alex Adams Tom Adams Anna Marie Kilonsky	Tim McGuillan Dallas Woods	Daniel Moose Wesley Cropper Ray Corcoran	Elizabeth Diehl Victoria Diehl Grace Diehl
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<b>Feb. 25 - 26</b>	<b>Sat 4:30 PM</b>	<b>Sun 7:30 AM</b>	<b>Sun 9:30 AM</b>	<b>Sun 11:30 AM</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Ann Tkacik Julienne Giuliani	Michael Ivosevic Tami Ivosevic	Children's Mass Children's Mass	Joanne Malenock Tom Burgunder
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*"Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you." Psalm 106:47*

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 Kenneth J. Skepanski, Sr., Henry S. Bobro, and Andrew John Tomsko whom God has called home. Please remember them and all our dearly departed and their families in your prayers. "May the Choirs of Angels receive them, and may they with the once poor Lazarus, have rest everlasting."

FALAGONE ORDERS FOR SUPER BOWL SUNDAY

Super Bowl Sunday is Feb. 5th which coincides with Falagone Friday (Feb. 3rd). To make sure we can have your order filled, please fill out the order form below and return it to the Parish Office through the collection basket at Mass in an envelope marked Super Bowl Falagone Order by Jan. 29th or bring it to the Pizza Kitchen any Friday during the month of January. We will still be taking phone orders on Feb. 3rd if you forget to turn in your order form. Orders can be placed by phone on Feb. 3rd by calling the Pizza Kitchen at 412-331-8530.

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SUPER BOWL FALAGONE ORDER FORM
FOR PICK UP ON FEB. 3 AT THE PIZZA KITCHEN
(Falagones are \$7.00 ea.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Pick-up Time:
(Between 11 AM & 3:30 PM) \_\_\_\_\_

# OF FALAGONES

Spinach \_\_\_\_\_

Spinach w/Raisins \_\_\_\_\_

Spinach w/Crushed Red Pepper Flakes \_\_\_\_\_

Potato (Regular) \_\_\_\_\_

Potato w/Chopped Jalapeño \_\_\_\_\_

Potato w/Ricci's Hot Sausage \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL # FALAGONES \_\_\_\_\_

THE WEEK AHEAD

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

Jan. 31 (Tues.) - St. Anthony Novena Prayers recited following the 9:30 AM Mass in St. Mary's Church.

Jan. 31 (Tues.) - Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7-9 PM in St. Mary's Church - More info call Elna 412-812-4549.

Feb. 1 (Wed.) - Boy Scout Meeting, 6-7 PM, Gathering Place - For info, call Don Garrett, 412-452-5657.

Feb. 1 - WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO in MOS Social Hall - Doors open at 5 PM Early Birds, 7 PM and Regular Games begin at 7:15 PM.

Feb. 3 (Fri.) - Mother of Sorrows Novena Prayers recited following 9:30 AM Mass, St. Mary's Church.

Feb. 3 (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.

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.

Saint John of God, Pray for us.

DIOCESAN ADULT FAITH LECTURE SERIES
February 15, 2012 - 7:30 P.M. to 9:30 P.M.
Saint Paul Seminary, O'Connor Hall

"THINGS THAT MAKE US CATHOLIC"
Bob Rice, Guest Speaker

You walk into a Church and instinctively reach for Holy Water. Someone puts ashes on your forehead and you leave them there all day. These are things that Catholics do, but is there more in what Catholics are? Come join us for an insightful evening as we take a deeper look into the things that make us Catholic. The lecture is free - all are welcome to attend. Bring a friend. Continuing education credit is available for priests, deacons and catechists.

Speaker and author, Bob Rice, ministers to over twenty thousand people each year through his numerous conferences, presentations, workshops, and music. His creative use of humor, personal stories, and extensive knowledge of the Faith have made him an internationally sought after speaker for people of all ages. Bob Rice is an Assistant Professor of Catechetics at the Franciscan University of Steubenville.

**PASTOR'S CORNER**

*Fr. LowVallone*

(The 39th March for Life was held this past Monday, January 23, 2012. "Civil discourse" is difficult to maintain when so many have become so polarized over so many issues. To try to fulfill the wish of Jesus "that all may be one" I am reprising this corner from many years ago.)

During the War Between the States (also known as the Civil War to Northerners), a woman gushingly said to Abraham Lincoln: "Oh, Mr. President, I feel so sure that God is on our side! Don't you?" "Madam," replied Lincoln, "I am more concerned that we should be on God's side."

Very often the media focus in on controversial issues that seem to affect Catholics: the pro-life vs. the freedom of abortion debate; the right-to-die movement; schools of choice proposals; parish and diocesan closings and reorganization; Church finances; personnel problems with clergy and religious shortages; scandals involving moral failings by clerics; debate over celibacy and the ordination of women; divorce and remarriage; and a myriad of other discussions. All of these issues have sides drawn up that pit people against each other.

There is an old saying that there are three sides to every issue: your side; my side; and the right side. Everyone wants to claim that God is on his/her side, from the trivial to the profound. But Lincoln's observation is the most insightful. The question is not "Does God agree with me?" but rather "Do I agree with God?" We need to think carefully about that, because those two questions do not say the same thing.

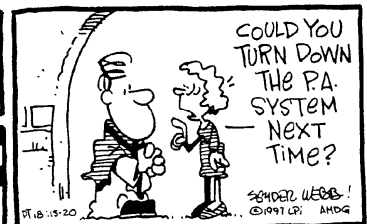
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It is impossible for anyone to grow up without biases, opinions, feelings. Human beings are different from each other. That heritage is our glory, for we are each individually created by God: distinct, unique. But it is also our shame, for we are separated and divided. Each of us is egocentric enough to believe and act as though my particular viewpoint is the only reasonable one. And so we like to appeal to God as being in our corner.

Our energies would be far better spent if, rather than contending against each other, we were humble enough to try to be in God's corner: to discover through prayer and study and dialogue what God's will is, for us and for our world. In short, we ought to devote ourselves to making sure we agree with Him, rather than trying to convince everyone else that He agrees with us. Common sense tells us that if we are always talking, there is little time for listening; if we are always leading, there is little time for following. If we are immovable, there is no progress.

Another year has been given to us: 2012. Perhaps a worthy personal, and communal for that matter, resolution might be this: when faced with such controversial issues, to approach them with calm, serenity, peace, prayer and discernment, thereby helping all of us to be on the same side: God's side.

4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**Diocesan Victim Assistance Hotline  
1-800-808-1235**

*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.*