

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

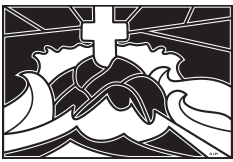
Staff

Mr. John Fatula, *Director of Religious Ed.*
 Ms. Elna Johnson, *Director of Music*
 Mrs. Mary Ann Jones, *Director of Finances*
 Sister Theresa Kunzler, C.S.J., *Social Ministry*
 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*





**NINTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
MASS INTENTIONS**

Sat, March 5 to Sun, March 13, 2011

Saturday Vigil, March 5: Mildred Hoffman (Son, William)	4:30 PM Church
Sunday, March 6: Mary Mell (SJG Ushers)	7:30 AM Church
Sunday, March 6: Deceased of Tedesco Family (Family)	9:30 AM Chapel
Sunday, March 6: Vivian Herbst Mochnick w/Michael E. Herbst remembered (Elaine Herbst Family)	11:30 AM Church

WEEKDAYS — 9:30 AM CHURCH

Monday, March 7: *Parish Family of Saint John of God*

Tuesday, March 8: *In Honor of Saint John of God*



March 9, 2011

9:30 AM, Church: *Mass with Ashes*
12:15 PM, Church: *Service with Ashes*
6:30 PM, Church: *Mass with Ashes*

*All Masses celebrated on Ash Wednesday will be for the
Intention of the Parish Family of St. John of God*

Thursday, March 10: Helen & John Suchanek (Family)

Friday, March 11: Veronica Markovich (Daughter, Nancy)

Friday, March 11, Stations of the Cross, 6:30 PM Church

Saturday, March 12, 1:00 PM:

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

Saturday Vigil, March 12: **4:30 PM Church**
Anthony DeAngelis (Wife, Mary)

Sunday, March 13: **7:30 AM Church**
Gizella & Frank Gerger (Lil, Gizelle & Peg)

Sunday, March 13: **9:30 AM Chapel**
Parish Family of Saint John of God

Sunday, March 13: **11:30 AM Church**
Anniv - Virginia Rakowsky (Lee Cehelsky)

Parish Office Hours:
9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. (Monday thru Friday)

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday Noon

ASH WEDNESDAY

This Wednesday, March 9, is Ash Wednesday. Following is the schedule for this day in our parish of St. John of God:

9:30 AM, Church: Mass with Ashes
12:15 PM, Church: Service with Ashes
6:30 PM, Church: Mass with Ashes



Homebound relatives can receive ashes from family members who have participated in one of the Masses or Service during the day.

TOWN HALL MEETING

Following the 6:30 PM Mass on Ash Wednesday in the Church at St. Mary's, there will be a Town Hall Meeting in the Church. All parishioners are encouraged to come and participate in the governance of St. John of God Parish.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence in the United States.
2. The obligation of abstinence (refrain from eating meat) begins at the age of 14. The law of fasting (limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals) obliges all between the ages of 18-59. No one should consider the obligation lightly.
3. Those individuals who have a medical condition in which fasting may be considered harmful are not obliged to fast, but should perform some other act of penance or charity.
4. Priests and parents are to see to it that minors, though not bound by the law of fast and abstinence, are educated in the authentic sense of penance and encouraged to do acts of penance suitable to their age.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be celebrated in St. John of God Parish every Friday during Lent beginning March 11 at 6:30 PM in St. Mary's Church.

**BAPTISMAL PROGRAM FOR
NEW AND EXPECTING PARENTS**

The Baptismal Program will be held this Sunday, **March 6**, from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM in Mother of Sorrows Chapel. To register or for more information, please call John Fatula at 412-331-8501

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Young people are invited to two upcoming retreats. High school teens (grades 9-12) are invited to attend on March 25-27 and middle school youth (grades 7-8) are invited on April 2-3. Both retreats will be held at Gilmary Center. Cost per person is \$95.00 for high school and \$80.00 for middle school and includes overnight accommodations and all meals. For more information, please contact Steve at 412-331-8525 or sjgyouthmin@yahoo.com.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

There will be a Protecting God's Children workshop here at Saint John of God Parish on Sunday, March 27 from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM in the MOS Social Hall. This is one of the five items required for all volunteers under the Diocesan Safe Environment Policy. To register, contact Steve Swank at 412-331-8525 or sjgyouthmin@yahoo.com.

**PARISH WEEKEND ATTENDANCE
Feb. 26 / 27**

Saturday	325
Sunday.....	770
Total Weekend Attendance	1,095

**PARISH FINANCIAL TOTALS
For the Weekend of Feb. 26 / 27**

Regular Offertory Collection\$ 5,529.00

(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.)

PARISH SHARE PROGRAM

PSP Assessment for 2011	\$????????
PSP Collected as of 12/1/10	\$ 24,224.50
Remaining of 2010 Goal	\$????????

We have not yet received our assessment for 2011, but all contributions to Parish Share as of Dec. 1 will be allocated to our assessment for 2011. 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

SANCTUARY CANDLE - WEEK OF MARCH 6

ST. MARY'S - IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM HOFFMAN SR BY SON, WILLIAM

MOTHER OF SORROWS - IN MEMORY OF MARY LEBEC BY FAMILY



FEAST OF SAINT JOHN OF GOD

This Tuesday, March 8, is the Feast of Saint John of God, our Patron Saint. Let us continue to pray to Saint John of God and ask for his continued guidance and intercession in our parish and in all of our lives.

Saint John of God, pray for us.

ST. ANTHONY NOVENA

We will begin the 13-week novena to St. Anthony next Tuesday, March 15, 2011. The novena prayers will be recited after the 9:30 AM Mass in St. Mary's Church and at 6:30 PM (novena prayers only) in Mother of Sorrows Chapel. All are welcome.

LENTEEN EVENING OF REFLECTION

The Ladies of Charity of St. John of God Parish invite everyone to a **Lenten Evening of Reflection** on Thursday, March 17, at 7 PM conducted by Fr. Joe Markalonis in the "Gathering Place". In order to have the proper amount of materials needed, please R.S.V.P. if you are coming to Sr. Theresa at the parish office, 412-771-5646 or Joann Lex at 412-331-5043.

RITE OF SENDING

Next Sunday, March 13, at the 9:30 AM Liturgy, our catechumen and candidates preparing for full initiation into the Catholic Church will celebrate the Rite of Sending. In this rite, their sponsors and formation team speak on their behalf regarding their preparation, and the community sends them forth with blessings to the Rite of Election with Bishop David Zubik at St. Paul Cathedral at 3 PM. Please keep James Martin, Tonette Pucci and Jessica Mayowski in your prayers as they celebrate these rites and enter the Period of Purification and Enlightenment.



LENTEEN DAY OF PRAYER

St. Joseph Spirituality Center in Baden will sponsor a *Lenten Day of Prayer* on Tuesday, March 15 from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM. This time of reflection, presented by Sister Donna Marie Tahaney, is an opportunity for brief presentations, quiet reflection and prayer together. A fee of \$20 includes lunch. To register, call 724-869-6587.

PIZZA KITCHEN NEWS**Volunteers Needed
No Experience Necessary**

We need help with assembling pepperoni and sausage rolls on Friday mornings, dressing the pizzas or any other area as needed. We also could use some help in folding boxes on Thursday mornings. For more information, please call Rose Dombrowski at 412-771-7438. Thanks in advance.

LENTEN SPECIALS

Beginning Friday, March 11, the Pizza Kitchen will be selling ready-to-eat Haluski. We will also be selling fresh made Ricotta Gnocchi (quick frozen). Orders can be placed by phone (412-331-8530) starting March 11 through April 15 for that particular Friday. We are placing a limit of two 2 lb. bags per week due to the high demand of this delicious dish. Amount available for sale will be based on the amount made for that particular Friday.

**HELP MAKE GNOCCHI
(No Experience Necessary)**

Gnocchi will be made on the following **MONDAY EVENINGS**: March 7, 14 and 21 starting at 6:00 PM. Gnocchi will also be made on the following **THURSDAY MORNING/AFTERNOON**: March 17, 31 and April 7 starting at 11:00 AM.

If you would like to help us with this endeavor or have any questions, please call Rose Dombrowski at 412-771-7438. Thank you and God bless you for your help in continuing this great tradition of fund raising for our parish.

HOSPITAL

Please pray for all parishioners who are in the hospital, especially: **Presbyterian** - Irene Panizzi *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 Charles "Jim" Gorney, Robert Arch and Joseph Csigi whom God has called. Please remember them and all our dearly departed and their families in your prayers. *"May the Angels lead them into paradise, may the martyrs receive them at their coming, and take them to Jerusalem, the holy city."*

PITTSBURGH CATHOLIC NEWS

The March 4 issue of the *Pittsburgh Catholic* has been mailed to every registered household in the Diocese. No bulk copies of the *Pittsburgh Catholic* are available in the Church or Chapel this weekend, March 5/6.

NIGHT AT THE RACES

A meeting to help plan a Night at the Races in St. John of God Parish will be held on Tuesday, March 22, at 6:30 PM in the Gathering Place. Everyone who is interested in helping with this event is most welcome. For more information, please call Kelly Hall at 412-331-4702.

THE WEEK AHEAD

March 7 (Mon.)- Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers recited in St. Mary's Church - Rosary begins 6:30 PM.

March 8 (Tues.) - St. Anthony Novena Prayers recited following the 9:30 AM Mass in St. Mary's.

March 9 (Ash Wed.) - **NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO** ~ Bingo will resume next Wed, March 16.

March 9 (Wed.) - Cub Scout Mtg, 6-7:30 PM, *Gathering Place* - Call Jeff Kotek, 412-855-1933, for information.

March 11 (Fri.) - Mother of Sorrows Novena Prayers recited following 9:30 AM Mass, St. Mary's Church.

March 11 (Fri.) - **PIZZA KITCHEN!** *To order please call 412-331-8530 on Fridays, 8 AM – 1 PM. Orders must be picked up by 3:30 PM.*

INVITATION TO SENIORS 55 AND OLDER

The AARP Chapter #2203 would like to invite seniors 55 and over to come and join their group. They meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month at the Kennedy Fire House next to the Pink building in Kennedy township. The meeting starts at 12:00 PM. You can come in at 11:30 AM. The agenda includes a short meeting, refreshments, sometimes entertainment and then if you wish you can stay for bingo. For more information, please call John Friel at 412-771-5183. Come and enjoy a pleasant afternoon.

**TURN YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD**

Daylight Savings Time begins next Sunday, March 13 at 2:00 AM. Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead one hour next Saturday before going to bed.



MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION

Our parish will collect non-perishable food as well as paper products and soap for the needy among us. You may bring your donation with you to any Mass next weekend, March 12/13. Thanks in advance for helping us to help others.

THE POWER OF FORGIVENESS

The Peace and Justice Ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph will show *The Power of Forgiveness*—a film that explores the important work of forgiveness and the struggle that people of all faiths have in honoring it—on Friday, March 11. Sister Jeanette Bussen will guide discussion and reflection on the film at both an afternoon (12:30-2 PM) and an evening (7-8 PM) showing. To register, call 724-869-6587.

DIOCESAN ADULT FAITH FORMATION SERIES

March 15, 2011—7:30 to 9:00 PM

Seton LaSalle High School Auditorium

FAMILY ROSARY WRESTLING

Greg and Jennifer Willits have been married for 16 years, are parents of four young boys and a daughter and are the funders of RosaryArmy.com. They are the hosts of a daily 3-hour talk show called "The Catholics Next Door" on Sirius XM's The Catholic Channel.

Bringing a unique mix of real life and the Catholic faith, Greg and Jennifer's look at the world covers the gamut of family living, from kids to comic books and from fast food to noisy neighbors, with regular attempts at living out their faith on a daily basis thrown in for good measure.

Continuing education credit is available for priests, deacons and catechists. The lecture is free - all are welcome to attend. Bring a friend. For more information please call Diocesan Office for Adult and Family Faith Formation at 412-456-3114.

SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

It is not too late to register for the Spiritual Exercises silent retreat for men being held March 11-13 or the women's one night Lenten Retreat to be held March 18-19. Contact the Gilmory Catholic Retreat Center for complete details by calling 412-264-8400, emailing info@gilmorycenter.org or visiting the web at www.gilmorycenter.org. Register today!

TRIP TO AUSTRIA

In the early part of the 20th century, Austrians and Germans populated St. Mary's Parish, now a part of St. John of God. For those of you who are Austrian by descent or Austrian of heart, the Austrian American Cultural Society is planning a trip to Austria for September 18 to 28, 2011. The trip will include stays in Vienna and Salzburg, as well as the province of Burgenland, the origin of many Austrians who emigrated to the USA. It will include the Cathedral of St. Stephan in Vienna, the Silent Night chapel, the shrine of Mariazell, among other places and an opportunity for family tree research for those who wish. Cost: about \$3500.00, including transportation (from Pittsburgh), hotels, all breakfasts, 4 dinners and most tours. Contact: Sister Mary Traupmen (mtraupman@verizon.net or 412-391-7445) or Pat Super Moskun (724-556-9826) or Charlotte Schuch Ardinger (412-264-7726).

GATHERING OF CATHOLIC MEN

Don't miss the 6th Annual Diocesan wide Gathering of Catholic Men on Saturday, April 9, 2011 at the AJ Palumbo Center at Duquesne University. It is a day of prayer, fellowship, worship and inspiration. The theme of the 2011 Gathering, "Fight the Good Fight," is intended to inspire men to build virtue and conquer temptation. For more information, please contact John Taormina at 412-475-0306 or visit the web at www.cmfpitt.org.



STEEPLE CHASE

KICK-OFF RAFFLE SPONSORS

Saint John of God Steeple Chase Drive would like to extend a special **THANKS** to our Kick-Off Raffle Sponsors:

*Thank
You.*

Anthony M. Musmanno Funeral Home
Donald S. Dazen DMD

EyeGotcha - Dr. Claudia J. Wendel
Joyce's Homemade Cookies
Kennedy School of Driving
Margie's Place

Schneider's Auto Repair & Radiator Service
Theresa's Italian Bakery

Saint John of God Parishioners who donated
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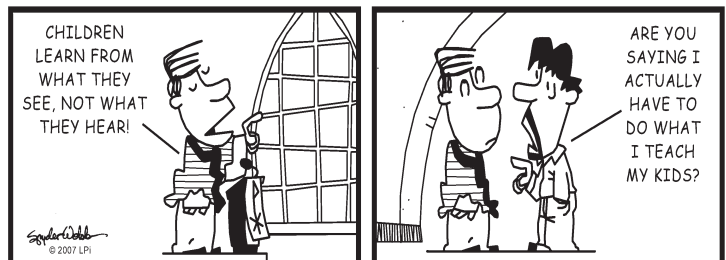
The Pastor's Cornered
 14th Edition

The Time before Lent

'Twas 7 weeks before Easter, when all through
 the church,
 Catholics prepared for Lent, not to be left in a
 lurch;
 The paczki were eaten, the sweets put away,
 All in preparation for Ash Wednesday;
 Adults were observing, abstinence and fast,
 Children were told 40 days this would last;
 No chocolates, no smoking, all drinking aside,
 This is not something to be taken in stride;
 Praying the rosary, attending Stations of the
 Cross,
 Doing extra good deeds, being kind to the boss;
 These are all samples of things you could do,
 Your journey through lent is all up to you;
 Our Priests will just guide us, prepare us they
 may,
 But it is your own decision to make it to Easter
 Sunday;
 What will you do, how will you act,
 It's all pretty simple as a matter of fact;
 With some determination and dedication you'll
 see,
 What wonderful people we all could be;
 If only lent lasted, just a little while more,
 Our Christ like attitudes would really soar;
 So dust off your Bibles, read a passage tonight,
 continued next column . . .

Visit a shut-in, look for peace in a fight;
 Shelter the homeless, comfort those who mourn,
 Invite someone to Mass whose heart has been
 torn;
 You will soon realize, 40 days goes by real fast,
 Before you can blink, Lent will have passed;
 Palms will be hanging in all of our homes,
 Our feet will have been washed, Nails driven
 between Christ's bones;
 The darkness will leave, replaced with bright sun,
 Christ will have Risen, God's chosen one;
 So think through this clearly, put your plan in
 gear,
 and when the time comes, you'll have nothing to
 fear;
 Your heart will be cleansed, and with joy we will
 say,
 Blessed Easter to you, Christ is Risen today!
 (an original peace of work authored out of the
 necessity to fill this space while our Pastor is out
 of town, again!)

9TH 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.