

## 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

<b>Saturday Vigil</b> .....	4:30 PM Church - (St. Mary)
<b>Sunday</b> .....	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.

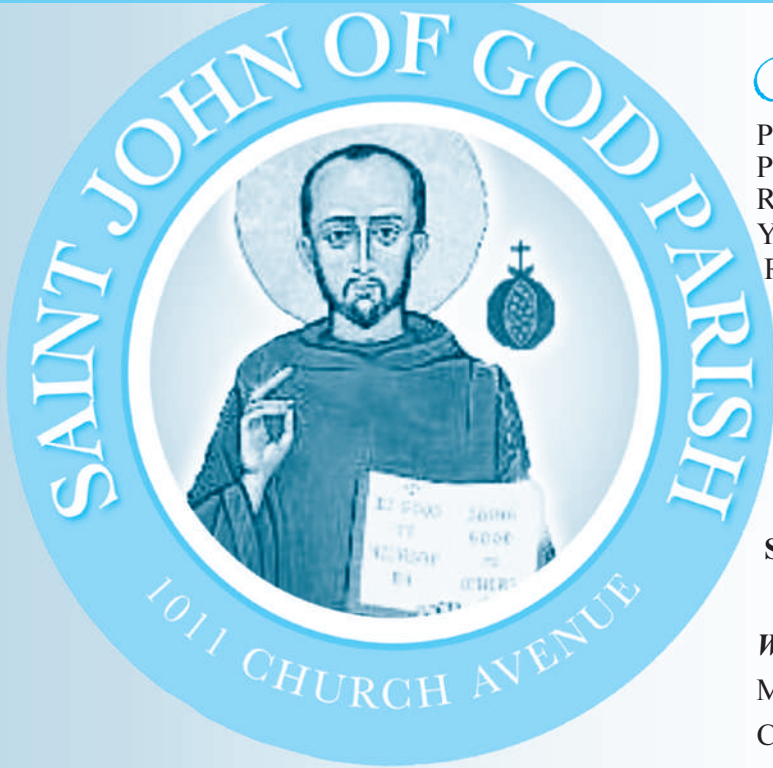
**Reconciliation (Confession):** 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM (Church) and following the 4:30 PM Mass (Church) and by appointment.

**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*



**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT****MASS INTENTIONS***Sat, March 19 to Sun, March 27, 2011*

<b>Saturday Vigil, March 19:</b> In Honor of Saint Joseph (Charlotte)	<b>4:30 PM Church</b>
<b>Sunday, March 20:</b> James A. Vlasach (Family)	<b>7:30 AM Church</b>
<b>Sunday, March 20:</b> Gus Faramelli (Ida & Family)	<b>9:30 AM Chapel</b>
<b>Sunday, March 20:</b> Anniv - Brad Pucci (Wife & Children)	<b>11:30 AM Church</b>

**WEEKDAYS — 9:30 AM CHURCH**

<b>Monday, March 21:</b> <i>Parish Family of Saint John of God</i>
<b>Tuesday, March 22:</b> Joseph Keintz (Anna & Eva Gaal)
<b>Tuesday, March 22, 6:30 PM, Chapel:</b> Novena Prayers to St. Anthony (week 2)
<b>Wednesday, March 23:</b> Andrew Martonic (Family)
<b>Thursday, March 24:</b> Melvin Mixter (Family)
<b>Friday, March 25:</b> Frances Adams (Kathy & Bob Priddy)
<b>Friday, March 25, Stations of the Cross, 6:30 PM Church</b>
<b>Saturday, March 26, 1:30 PM, Wedding, Church:</b> <i>Brendan Michael Follmar and Danielle Sharon Skocz</i>

<b>Saturday Vigil, March 26:</b> Anniv - John "Boo-Boo" King, Philip & Rose Crivelli Family & Nick Martin Family (Lydia King)	<b>4:30 PM Church</b>
<b>Sunday, March 27:</b> Emil & Anna Boronyak (Don Demmel)	<b>7:30 AM Church</b>
<b>Sunday, March 27:</b> Joseph, Frank & Beatrice Spadaccia (Angela & Marian)	<b>9:30 AM Chapel</b>
<b>Sunday, March 27:</b> Anniv - Frank DeMarco (Wife, Mary & Family)	<b>11:30 AM Church</b>

**Readings for the Week of March 20, 2011**

Sunday:	Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9
Monday:	Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday:	Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday:	Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday:	Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31
Friday:	Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Saturday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday:	Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42

**PLANNING MEETING FOR NIGHT AT THE RACES**

A meeting to help plan a Night at the Races in St. John of God Parish will be held this 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.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

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

**BAPTISMAL PROGRAM FOR NEW AND EXPECTING PARENTS**

The next Baptismal Program will be held on Sunday, April 10, 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

**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN**

There will be a Protecting God's Children workshop here at Saint John of God Parish next 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 [sigyouthmin@yahoo.com](mailto:sigyouthmin@yahoo.com).

**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](http://www.cmfpitt.org).

**Parish Office Hours:****9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. (Monday thru Friday)****Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday Noon**

**YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS**

The Diocesan celebration of Hosanna is scheduled for Palm Sunday, April 17, from 1:00 to 6:30 PM at Duquesne University's Palumbo Center. All teens in grades 8-12 are invited. Hosanna features nationally known speakers and musicians along with Mass celebrated by Bishop Zubik. Cost is \$15 per person before March 31, and \$20 thereafter. For more information, please contact Steve at 412-331-8525 or [sigyouthmin@yahoo.com](mailto:sigyouthmin@yahoo.com).

**CATHOLIC VISION OF LOVE  
PARENT MEETING**

A parent meeting for Catholic Vision of Love will be held this Sunday, March 20 after the 9:30 AM Mass to 11:15 AM in Mother of Sorrows Chapel. All parents of students in grades 5-8 are required to attend this meeting. For any questions, please call John Fatula at 412-331-8501.

**PARISH WEEKEND ATTENDANCE  
March 12 / 13**

Saturday .....	325
Sunday .....	598
Total Weekend Attendance .....	923

**PARISH FINANCIAL TOTALS  
For the Weekend of March 12 / 13**

Regular Offertory Collection .....\$ 6,241.00

(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 .....	\$ 26,121.50
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 20**

**ST. MARY'S - IN MEMORY OF DECEASED MEMBERS OF LACHOWICZ FAMILY BY JOE AND ANN LACHOWICZ**

**MOTHER OF SORROWS - IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH A. PORCO AND IN THANKSGIVING FOR JENNIE A. PORCO BY DAUGHTER, ANNA MARIE EDMUND**

**\*\* EASTER BREAD \*\***

The Ladies of the Women's Guild (and their helpers) will be baking the traditional, delicious Easter Bread on Monday, **APRIL 11** and Tuesday, **APRIL 12**. An order form will follow in next week's bulletin.

**DONATIONS**

To help defray the cost of this project, donations of ingredients (flour, sugar, eggs, margarine, oranges) or money to buy these ingredients would be gratefully accepted. You may bring your donation on Thursday or Friday morning to the Pizza Kitchen or Wednesday evening to the Bingo. Monetary donations can be put in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Easter Bread" or brought directly to the parish office. For more information, please call Anna Marie Stropkaj at 412-771-2392.

**VOLUNTEERS**

If you can help out anytime during the two days, please call Anna Marie Stropkaj at 412-771-2392 or the parish office. Don't forget, we make enough bread to share with the shut-ins of the parish to let them know they are always remembered in our daily prayers and are still an important part of St. John of God Parish. **If you are looking for a special Lenten service, helping with the Easter Bread would surely be something worthwhile.**

**SECOND COLLECTION  
NEXT WEEKEND, MARCH 26/27  
HELP FOR JAPAN**

Message Excerpt From Bishop Zubik:

In horror we have watched the news accounts of the 8.9 earthquake and subsequent tsunami that struck northeastern Japan last week. The magnitude of this disaster, first of all in human lives and secondly in material damage, is completely unfathomable no matter how many videos we watch. Thousands have perished, thousands more are without the basic necessities of life, aftershocks continue and the threat of a nuclear disaster looms large. As we have always done, we must respond. All parishes are asked to take up a collection next weekend to help. Let us continue to lift up in prayer all who have died as well as the bereaved, the suffering and all who are coming to their aid.

A special second collection will be taken in St. John of God Parish at all Masses celebrated next weekend, March 26/27, to help aid those who are suffering from this disaster. The proceeds of this collection will be sent to Catholic Relief Services, which is already networking with local Church organizations there in meeting the immediate humanitarian needs of the most vulnerable. Please be as generous as your means allow.

### THE POWER OF FORGIVENESS

"The Power of Forgiveness," an award-winning documentary, explores the important work of forgiveness and the struggle that people of all faiths have in honoring it. The film is being shown Tuesday, April 5, from 12:30 to 2 PM at the Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse, 1020 State Street, Baden, PA Admission is free. Please RSVP by calling 724-869-6587.

### MEALS ON WHEELS NEEDS YOUR HELP

Our local Meals on Wheels is in dire need of runners and drivers. Whether you have only a few hours one or two days or can volunteer every day, your assistance is greatly needed. For more information, please call Connie at Meals on Wheels mornings at 412-771-4304.

### WOMEN IN THE WORKPLACE RETREAT

St. Joseph Spirituality Center will sponsor **Women in the Workplace**, beginning Friday, April 1, at 8 PM and concluding Sunday, April 3, at 12 Noon. This retreat for all women involved in work outside the home offers time for input, sharing, and reflection on spirituality, Christian values, and prayer. It explores relationships with God, self and others. The retreat is led by Sisters Marguerite Kropinak, Diane McCalley, and Jeanne Scott. A fee of \$105 includes meals. To register, please call 724-869-6587.

### HOSPITAL

Please pray for all parishioners who are in the hospital, especially: **Health South of Sewickley** (303 Camp Meeting Rd, Sewickley, PA 15143) – Jennie Porco 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 Joseph "Bill" Stephenson whom God has called. Please remember him 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."*

### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

There will be no Sunday School on March 27. Classes will resume the following Sunday, April 3.

### FIRST COMMUNION NEWS

The Parent/Child Meeting for First Communion has been rescheduled for Sunday, April 3, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM in Mother of Sorrows Chapel. For more information, please call John Fatula at 412-331-8501.

### THE WEEK AHEAD

**March 21 (Mon.)**- Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers recited in St. Mary's Church - Rosary begins 6:30 PM.

**March 22 (Tues.)** - St. Anthony Novena Prayers recited following the 9:30 AM Mass in St. Mary's Church and at 6:30 PM in Mother of Sorrows Chapel (week 2).

**March 22 (Tues.)** - Planning Meeting for Night at the Races, 6:30 PM, Gathering Place. Call Kelly Hall for more information, 412-331-4702.

**March 23 - WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO** in MOS Social Hall - Doors open at 5 PM Early Birds, 7 PM and Regular Games begin at 7:15 PM.

**March 23 (Wed.)** - Cub Scout Mtg, 6-7:30 PM, *Gathering Place* - Call Jeff Kotek, 412-855-1933, for information.

**March 25 (Fri.)** - Mother of Sorrows Novena Prayers recited following 9:30 AM Mass, St. Mary's Church.

**March 25 (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.

**March 25 (Fri.)** - Stations of the Cross, 6:30 PM in St. Mary's Church

### INTERNATIONAL VATICAN EXHIBITION

**Eucharistic Miracles of the World**  
**Saturday, March 26 and Sunday, March 27**  
**At. St. Paul Cathedral in Oakland**  
**108 N. Dithridge Street**

The exhibit presents the story of 126 miracles associated with faith in and worship of the Most Blessed Sacrament. The devout study of the Eucharistic miracles inspires in us a deeper awareness and more ardent love of our Lord's Real Presence with us in the Holy Eucharist. Sponsored by the Pittsburgh Oratory. For more information, please contact Fr. David Abernethy at 412-681-3181 or [frdavid@pittsburghoratory.org](mailto:frdavid@pittsburghoratory.org). Exhibition Times are Saturday 6:00 to 9:00 PM and Sunday, 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM

**BISHOP CANEVIN SPAGHETTI DINNER**

The Bishop Canevin Baseball Team will host a Spaghetti Dinner **this Sunday, March 20**, from 4-7 PM in the school cafeteria. Dinner provided by Spaghetti Warehouse at \$8 per dinner will include pasta, choice of sauces, salad and dressing and homemade rolls. There will also be homemade baked goods, a 50/50 raffle, and Chinese Auction. All proceeds will benefit the bishop Canevin baseball program and the Ronald McDonald House.

**GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER**

**This Sunday, March 20, 2011**

3:00 PM to 7:00 PM

At 1000 Logue St., Pittsburgh 15220

Adults \$8.00 ~ Children (10 and under) \$3.00

Dinner includes: Spaghetti, meatballs, sauce, salad, roll/butter, Spumoni and beverage. Beverages include: Coffee, tea, fruit drink, soft drinks, etc. Take-Out Orders Available. Call 412-921-4077 for more information or reservations.

**PIZZA KITCHEN NEWS****LENTEN SPECIALS**

During Lent the Pizza Kitchen will be selling ready-to-eat Haluski as well as fresh made Ricotta Gnocchi (quick frozen). Orders can be placed by phone (412-331-8530) 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 EVENING**: March 21 starting at 6:00 PM. Gnocchi will also be made on the following **THURSDAY MORNING/AFTERNOON**: March 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.

**PRO LIFE RUMMAGE SALE**

The annual pro life rummage sale is being held on Saturday, March 26, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 10 W. Crafton Avenue, Crafton, from 10 AM to 2 PM. Don't miss this one. The prices are kept low to sell. Any donations of useable items may be brought to the hall on Friday, March 25, between the hours of 9 AM and 3:30 PM. Please, no books, records, clothing or tires. The sale is sponsored by People Concerned for the Unborn Child, 412-531-9272.

**PLEASE REMOVE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS**

This Tuesday, March 22, our cemetery workers will be removing Christmas decorations from the graves at St. Mark and St. Mary Cemeteries to get ready for Easter and the Spring season. Decorations not removed by this date will be taken off by the workers and then discarded shortly after.

**EXPLORE!**

*Have you ever wondered  
what it would be like to be a nun?*

The Sisters of St. Joseph are hosting an **EXPLORE!** gathering for eighth grade and high school girls who would like to learn more about the **life of a Sister**.

**EXPLORE!** will be held on Sunday, April 10, from 10 AM to 4 PM at St. Joseph Convent in Baden. The program will include Liturgy in the Motherhouse Chapel, brunch with the Sisters, a tour of the Motherhouse, sharing stories of the lives, ministries, prayer and community life of the Sisters, practical questions about the formation of a Sister, and time for questions and sharing. Parents and teachers are also welcome to visit the Convent on this day. There is no fee for this program. For more information or to register, contact Sister Marguerite Kropinak, CSJ, at 724-869-6585 or visit [www.stjoseph-baden.org](http://www.stjoseph-baden.org)

**PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND**

Bishop David Zubik invites you to join him as he retraces his Polish heritage on a remarkable 9-day pilgrimage to Poland. Walk in the footsteps of Pope John Paul II. Pray at the Shrine of our Lady of Czestochowa, the Divine Mercy chapel and other holy places. Attend a lecture by famed papal biographer George Weigel, and see many of Poland's rich cultural sites from July 2-10, 2011. Sponsored by the Franciscan University Pilgrimages. Contact the office at 1-800-437-8368 for more information.

**PASTOR'S CORNER**  
**Fr. Lou Vallone**

Now this is how God works. Sometimes.

My first Sunday back at St. Catherine's in a month was understandably busy. All Sundays are, but besides the multiple Masses and normal catch up with office work and appointments from having been away, I also had a Town Hall Meeting in the afternoon. By the time the evening came, my energy level was depleted and the pain of my broken ribs had outpaced the ability of the medication to contain it.

I therefore blew off going to the annual St. Patrick's Day concert at St. Paul Seminary, took a scalding hot shower for as long as I could stand it, slathered my back and side with Biofreeze pain gel (this really doesn't do anything to the real and root cause of pain. But the hot/cold tingly sensation on the surface is sufficiently distracting from the deep pain that it does provide a window of relief.) I then went to bed for what I hoped would be a long and restorative night's sleep.

From the depths of my slumber, I was dragged awake by a persistent and irritating buzzing. I looked blearily at the nightstand clock and saw that it was midnight straight up. I lay there for a while hoping that the bothersome noise would subside, but it did not. My brain functioned enough to conclude that when I reset all the clocks in the rectory the night before to accommodate daylight savings time, I had inadvertently turned on one of the alarms. (All clocks have midnight as a default if they have an alarm setting.) I therefore reluctantly put on my robe, and in my bare feet began to check every clock in the house: my bedroom, Fr. Bob's bedroom, the guest room, the bathroom, the living room, the kitchen, my office, the secretary's office. All clocks ran on in seemly silence.

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I therefore had to try the basement of the rectory, and I stumbled down the steps grumbling and still drowsy. That is until I took the last step and plunged my feet into six inches of ice cold water. The basement of the rectory had flooded. I called Randy Lee of Trinity Restoration, who had done such an outstanding job when the basement of the Church flooded. God bless him, he came over in the middle of the night and we discovered that the breaker had tripped on the sump pump and it was off, thereby backing up the runoff into the rectory. We got the sump running, and now we will do the clean up in the rectory just as we did in the Church.

Oh, the buzzing that alerted me? It was not an alarm clock inadvertently set. It was not an alarm on the inoperative pump. It was not an alarm for water rising. It was the timer on the clothes dryer that spontaneously, for absolutely no earthly reason, chose to turn itself on at that precise moment of need to warn me that something was amiss and to take care of it before too much damage was done.

Wouldn't it be nice if we had some such alarm to warn us away from behaviors that would cause harm to our spiritual lives, that would spontaneously buzz whenever we came too close to sin?

Actually, we do. It is called Lent. Wake up!

2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT



**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.*