

## 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*  
 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 OF EASTER****MASS INTENTIONS****Saturday, May 14 to Sunday, May 22**

<b>Saturday Vigil, May 14:</b> In Honor of the Blessed Mother (Rosemarie Litterini)	<b>4:30 PM Church</b>
<b>Sunday, May 15:</b> Mary Mell (Family)	<b>7:30 AM Church</b>
<b>Sunday, May 15:</b> Rose Mychalishyn (Family)	<b>9:30 AM Chapel</b>
<b>Sunday, May 15:</b> First Communion	<b>11:30 AM Church</b>

**WEEKDAYS — 9:30 AM CHURCH**

<b>Monday, May 16:</b> Parish Family of Saint John of God
<b>Tuesday, May 17:</b> Melina DiPietro (Andriano & Clara Casciato)
<b>Tuesday, May 17: 6:30 PM, Chapel:</b> Novena Prayers to St. Anthony (week 10)
<b>Wednesday, May 18:</b> Virginia Rakowsky (Marie Cadwell, Thelma Taylor & Ann Bayer)
<b>Thursday, May 19:</b> Phyllis Vayo (M/M Melvin Weinstein)
<b>Friday, May 20:</b> Anniv - Thomas & Fay Nicoletta (Daughter, Rose Rita)

<b>Saturday Vigil, May 21:</b> For All 2011 Graduates of Saint John of God Parish	<b>4:30 PM Church</b>
<b>Sunday, May 22:</b> Josephine & Louis Demmel (Son, Don)	<b>7:30 AM Church</b>
<b>Sunday, May 22:</b> Anniv - Ralph V. Ciccone w/mother Vera remembered (Angela)	<b>9:30 AM Chapel</b>
<b>Sunday, May 22:</b> Rosemarie Butter (Family)	<b>11:30 AM Church</b>

**Readings for the Week of May 15, 2011**

<b>Sunday:</b>	Acts 2:14a-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10
<b>Monday:</b>	Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:11-18
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Acts 12:24---13:5a/Jn 12:44-50
<b>Thursday:</b>	Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20
<b>Friday:</b>	Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6
<b>Saturday:</b>	Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

**SANCTUARY CANDLE - WEEK OF MAY 15**

**ST. MARY'S** - IN MEMORY OF MAX KLOCEK BY WIFE, MILDRED AND DAUGHTERS **MOTHER OF SORROWS** - IN MEMORY OF JOHN AND CECILIA ELLEK BY SON, JOHN

**Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday Noon**

It is with great joy in our hearts that we welcome our children to the Table of the Lord as they receive our Lord Jesus in the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time this Sunday, May 15, at the 11:30 AM Mass. May they always be as close to our Lord as they are on this very special day.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO  
SAINT JOHN OF GOD PARISH  
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS 2011**

Amanda Adams	Cameron Mlynarski
Sage Bender	Joseph Palahunik
Jayden Berry	Chad Quatman, Jr.
Robert Brazell, Jr.	Victoria Reynolds
Edward Burchell, III	Halie Robison
Patrick Dhanse	Ava Scrabis
Ava DiMichele	Justin Sheets
Sydnee Gyory	Rachel Somma
Bella Magliocco	Sara Strobel
Nicholas Magliocco	Kathryn Warner

**BAPTISMAL PROGRAM FOR NEW  
AND EXPECTING PARENTS**

The program will be held next Sunday, May 22, from 1 - 4 PM in the Chapel at Mother of Sorrows. For more information or to register, please call John Fatula at 412-331-8501.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

We wish to welcome into God's Family the newly baptized: *Gianna Mary Schubert and Elizabeth Ann Wilker*. May you continue to grow in God's love.

**PASTA DINNER**

**To Benefit the F.O.R. Center  
In Their Hour of Need**

**THIS SUNDAY, MAY 15**

12:30 PM TO 5:00 PM

AT CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH  
900 CHARTIERS AVE.

\$5.00 Adults ~ \$3.00 children under 12

Tickets at the door ~ Take-outs available

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

**GRADUATE APPRECIATION MASS**

Are you graduating from high school, college, law school, etc. this spring? If so, you and your family are invited to attend the Graduate Appreciation Mass taking place next Saturday, May 21, at the 4:30 PM Mass in the Church at St. Mary's. Following Mass a reception will be held in the Gathering Place. Any and all "grads" are welcome, but we ask that you **please RSVP by Monday, May 16**, to Steve Swank at the Youth Office (412-331-8525 or [sgyouthmin@yahoo.com](mailto:sgyouthmin@yahoo.com)).

**PARISH WEEKEND ATTENDANCE  
May 7 / May 8**

Saturday .....	295
Sunday.....	723
Total Weekend Attendance .....	1,018

**PARISH FINANCIAL TOTALS  
For the Weekend of May 7 / May 8**

Regular Offertory Collection .....\$ 5,654.50

(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 2011 (adjusted) .....	\$82,901.00
Contributions to date .....	\$51,493.00
Remaining on goal.....	\$31,408.00

(This is the tax paid to the Diocese. We must remit this entire amount to the Diocese by Dec. 31. Any surplus then remains in the parish, tax free.)

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

Tornado Relief Southern USA .....\$1,326.00

(These collections are mandated by the Diocese for specific purposes. These moneys are remitted in total to the Diocese and are not taxed.)

**TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY  
OF ORDINATION**

Fr. John Hissrich, who served as Parochial Vicar at St. Francis de Sales Parish from 1986 to 1989, will commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood at a Mass at Nativity Parish, 5802 Curry Road in South Park, PA on Saturday evening, May 28, at 4:00 PM. There will be a light reception afterwards, and all are welcome to attend. For further information or directions, call Nativity Parish at 412-655-3000 or visit [www.nativitysouthpark.com](http://www.nativitysouthpark.com).

**FLEA MARKET NEWS**

Have you found a lot of unwanted items while cleaning out basements, attics, closets, drawers, etc.? Remember, don't throw anything away! That "elegant junk" may very well be someone else's treasures. Donate the items to our upcoming Flea Market, to be held Saturday, July 16 and Sunday, July 17. Items may be dropped off at the Pizza Kitchen (lower level of Mother of Sorrows Social Hall) this **Friday, May 20, from 8 AM to 2 PM and Saturday, May 21, from 9 AM to Noon.**

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CLOTHES BIN**

While you're finding those items for our Flea Market, remember, no clothes or shoes are accepted. BUT, there is a St. Vincent de Paul bin located on the parking lot at St. Mary's for your used clothing and shoes. The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be most grateful for these donations.

**STEEPLE CHASE  
GAS & GO RAFFLE**



*Have you checked the price of gas lately? Are you suffering from gas pump shock? We're here to help. Take a chance on Steeple Chase Gas & Go Raffle on July 20, 2011. Spend \$5 and possibly win \$500 in gasoline gift cards.* Winning number will be drawn at 7 PM on the Pennsylvania Lottery that date. All numbers are played straight as drawn. Tickets are available at each of the Masses, Pizza Kitchen, Bingo and parish office. Tickets are courtesy of Anthony M. Musmanno Funeral Home. Thank you.

**As always, we need your help** in selling these tickets **beyond the parish boundaries** ~~ in the workplace, neighbors, friends, breakfast club, bowling, bocce leagues, card clubs, at your business. The seller of the winning ticket will receive a \$50 gasoline gift card, too. Please call Charlotte, 412-331-2453 or Terry, 412-331-3443 if you are interested.

**ST. ANTHONY NOVENA**

The 13-week novena to St. Anthony continues this Tuesday, May 17 (week 10). The novena prayers will be recited after the 9:30 AM Mass in St. Mary's Church and at 6:30 PM in Mother of Sorrows Chapel.

**MEETING**

The **Ladies of Charity** will meet this Thursday, May 19, at 7 PM in the Gathering Place. This will be the last meeting for the summer. Meetings will resume in the fall.

**DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR WOMEN**

The Sisters of St. Joseph will sponsor a Discernment Retreat for women who are exploring their particular calling in life. The retreat will be held on Saturday, June 4, from 10 AM to 4 PM. This retreat provides a welcoming environment and prayerful atmosphere for women seeking to listen for God's voice and to pay attention to their inner longings, desires, and aspirations. The fee of \$15 includes lunch. For further information, contact Sister Dorothy Pashuta at 412-661-2528.

**JEWELS OF POLAND TOUR**

Fr. Bob Staszewski, St. Ann Church, Bulger, PA, in conjunction with Ponzio International Travel, is offering a wonderful opportunity to visit the country of our beloved Pope John Paul II from September 23 to October 1, 2011. This tour will cover a great deal of Poland. The 8-day pilgrimage will cost \$1,329 (airfare NOT included at this time). For further information, please contact Victoria Sammartino, Ponzio International Travel (412-886-0777/412-563-2600 or email [vickisammartino1228@hotmail.com](mailto:vickisammartino1228@hotmail.com) or Fr. Bob Staszewski (724-796-3791).

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**May 16 (Mon.)** - Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers recited in St. Mary's Church - Rosary begins 6:30 PM.

**May 17 (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 10).

**May 18 - WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO** in MOS Social Hall - Doors open at 5 PM Early Birds, 7 PM and Regular Games begin 7:15 PM.

**May 20 (Fri.)** - Mother of Sorrows Novena Prayers recited following 9:30 AM Mass, St. Mary's Church.

**May 20 (Friday) - PIZZA KITCHEN!** To order please call 412-331-8530 on Fridays, 8 AM – 1 PM. Orders must be picked up by 3:30 PM.

**Note:**

This Friday, May 20, is the final day for the Pizza Kitchen before the summer break. Our dedicated workers will be on a well-deserved hiatus. Remember, most of our menu items freeze very well, so sock up this Friday for your summer get togethers and parties.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

We would like to wish a happy birthday to Mildred Farbotnik who is celebrating her 90th birthday this Sunday, May 15. *Happy Birthday and may the Lord continue to bless you.*

**WISDOM, AGE & GRACE CONFERENCE**

Catholic Charities presents the 17th Annual Wisdom, Age & Grace Conference, Monday, June 6, at the Four Points Sheraton Pittsburgh North, Warrendale. Christian actress Anita Gutschick of "Women in the Bible" will perform *Too Old, Too Busy, Too Sinful*, the stories of Sarah, Martha and the Sinful Woman. Workshop speakers will focus on the theme, *"The Roadless Travel: A Journey to Grace"* and include: Jan Carr, Little Sisters of the Poor, *"Growing Older, Aging Spiritually;"* Nan Keenan, Educational Consultant, *"Bloom on your Garden Path: A Spiritual Journey;"* Marilyn Chapla, Good Grief Center, *"A Compassionate Gift of Presence;"* and Mary Ann Haslett, certified PraiseMoves instructor, *"PraiseMoves: The Christian Alternative to Yoga."* Registration deadline is Friday, May 27. For more information and details please visit online at [www.ccpgh.org](http://www.ccpgh.org) or call Helen at 412-456-6979.

**OLDIES DANCE**

An Oldies Dance, featuring the musical sounds of DooWop Dan and His Oldies, will be held on Saturday, May 28, from 7 PM to 11 PM at the American Legion, Sto-Rox Post 618, 526 Broadway Ave. Doors open at 6:30 PM. Cost is \$10 per person/\$15 per couple ~ Admission includes snacks with a cash bar available. For more information or directions, please call 412-670-1702.

**"EXPERIENCE JESUS"****A HOLY HOUR WITH MUSIC AND PRAYER**

Led by Michael John Poirier with the theme: *Pray this Mass with Love*, this event is essentially a reflection and meditation as to how we approach prayer and most especially the great treasure of the Eucharist in the Holy Mass. *Experience Jesus* will be held at St. Paul Cathedral next Monday, May 23, from 7 PM to 8:30 PM. Fellowship and refreshments will follow the event. For more information, call 412-456-3156 or email at [evangelization@diopitt.org](mailto:evangelization@diopitt.org).

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

For this year's Vacation Bible School, we will once again be joining St. Malachy Parish the week of June 20 through June 24. Stay tuned.

*Saint John of God, pray for us.*

**HOSPITAL**

Please remember in your prayers all parishioners who are in the hospital, especially Candy Trombetta. Also

*for those ill at home, in nursing homes, and shut-ins; that they may receive the Lord's Blessings.*

**SYMPATHY**

We wish to extend our sympathy to the Family of Glenn R. Preininger and Albert Lachowicz 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."*

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT POLICY**

All church personnel (including volunteers in various ministry roles) who have contact with minors are reminded that they are required by the Diocese to complete the following five items: Application in the Diocesan Database, State Criminal Record Check, Child Abuse History Clearance, Code of Pastoral Conduct and Protecting God's Children Workshop. Links to these items can be found on our website: [www.sjogparish.com](http://www.sjogparish.com) (click on "Safe Environment Page" in the left side menu). If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Steve Swank, SJG Safe Environment Coordinator, at 412-331-8525 or [sjgyouthmin@yahoo.com](mailto:sjgyouthmin@yahoo.com). THANK YOU for your tireless dedication to our parish and for helping to ensure that it is a safe environment for our children!

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

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Focus on Renewal is looking for volunteers interested in helping with its new eBay store - duties include sorting new and gently used clothing, taking photos of the items and writing descriptions about the listings, which will be posted and sold on eBay. Volunteers will gain experience on how to start and operate a successful business on eBay! Youth volunteers can also earn community service hours. For info, please contact Chris Crytzer at 412-771-6460, ext. 305. Every item purchased benefits programs and services offered by Focus on Renewal. F.O.R. is being assisted in its eBay fundraising by Margie Rose of Windgap, who owns and operates Inspired By Angels Imports.

**LOST AND FOUND**

If you left something in the Church or Chapel after Mass, i.e., gloves, glasses, umbrella, etc, there is a lost and found box in the back of the Church and Chapel for you to look for your lost item.

**GUIDE TO SENIOR SERVICES**

A few complimentary copies of the *Pittsburgh Guide to Senior Services*, courtesy of the *Pittsburgh Catholic newspaper* are at all entrances to the Church and Chapel. This is a new publication providing valuable information for seniors. Money saving opportunities are provided from the advertisers and one lucky person will win four free tickets to a Pittsburgh Pirates Baseball Game; see page 32! Pick up a copy after Mass today.

**DAY OF PRAYER  
FOR FATHERS AND GRANDFATHERS**

St. Joseph Spirituality Center in Baden, PA will sponsor *The Call to Fatherhood: A Call to Love* on Saturday, June 11, from 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM (Those who wish may attend Liturgy at 4:00). In this day of reflection for fathers and grandfathers, Deacon Joseph Compomizzi, the father of a teenage son, offers Scriptural insights about God's call to love and on how this call is manifested and exemplified through the experience of fatherhood. The fee is \$15. To register or for more information, please call 724-869-6587.

**OPEN ARTS DAY**

Join the Father Ryan Arts Center for FREE hand-on activities and demonstrations Saturday, June 4, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Participate in dance, music, theater and visual arts classes. Bring your children, parents, grandparents and friends for a fun, free day of art at the Father Ryan Arts Center, 420 Chartiers Avenue in McKees Rocks. Summer Open Arts Day is sponsored by a grant from the Sewickley Child's Health Association. For more information, please call 412-771-3052.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES' ROSELIA CENTER**

It's Pizza Night for Catholic Charities' Roselia Center at CiCi's Pizza, Cranberry Mall, Thursday, May 26, at 5:30 PM. Enjoy dinner and help pregnant and parenting women and infants who are helped at Roselia Center with transitional housing and supportive services. For more information, visit [www.ccpgh.org](http://www.ccpgh.org).

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

"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven".

(Ecclesiastes, or the Byrds, depending if you are a bible reader or a rock and roller.)

I received this letter recently:

Dear Fr. Lou,

It is with mixed emotion that, after prayer and discernment, I am writing to announce my retirement as Pastoral/Social Minister at St. John of God Parish in McKees Rocks effective May 15, 2011. For health reasons, I am also leaving my residence in Sto-Rox Plaza and moving to our Motherhouse in Baden.

For 19 years I have tried to faithfully serve the parishioners of St. John of God Parish. The blessings that came to me during this ministry are countless. The many people I came to know and love will always have a special place in my heart and prayers. In turn, I ask you to keep me in your prayers.

May God's peace always abide in your heart.

Sincerely, Sr. Theresa Kunzler, csj

For quite some time, Sr. Theresa Kunzler, CSJ, has fulfilled her vows as a religious, and her commitment to the evangelical counsels and the service of God's people here at St. John of God Parish. She has faithfully fulfilled the Works of Mercy in many ways: comforting the afflicted, burying the dead, clothing the naked and feeding the hungry. She has been a friend, a sister, a minister, a blessing to so many as she labored as Social Service Minister and Pastoral Associate.

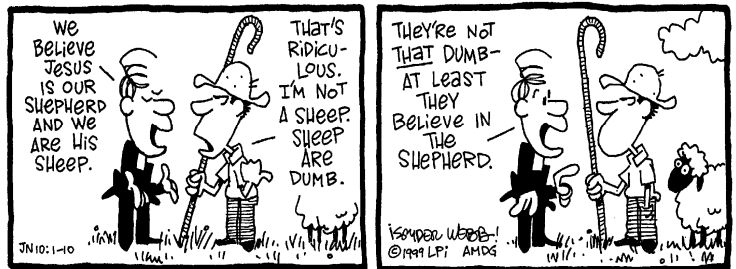
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But now she enters a "new" season: she and her community have determined it is time for her to take up a new way of life at the Motherhouse. We are grateful for what she has done here in person, are sure that she will continue to serve our community in spirit with prayer, and will continue to make good use of her purpose under heaven.

At a later time, we will host a tribute to Sister at an 11:30 Sunday Mass, with a light reception to follow. Please continue to read the bulletin for details.

"Well done, good and faithful servant."

4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER



**BIBLE STUDY**

All are invited to a Bible Study, led by John Fatula, this Tuesday, May 17, immediately following the 6:30 PM St. Anthony Novena Prayers in Mother of Sorrows Chapel. For more information, please call John at 412-331-8501.



Remember to vote  
 this Tuesday, May 17!

*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.*