



**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
MASS INTENTIONS
Sat, July 26 to Sun, Aug. 3, 2008**

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| Saturday Vigil, July 26: | 4:30 PM Church |
| James Vlasach (Grandchildren; Evan, Zachary & Paige Brown) | |
| Sunday, July 27: | 7:30 AM Church |
| Parish Family of St. John of God | |
| Sunday, July 27: | 9:30 AM Chapel |
| Michael Crisci (Wife & Family) | |
| Sunday, July 27: | 11:30 AM Church |
| Anna Murcko (Ann Bergherm) | |

WEEKDAYS — 9:30 AM CHURCH

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| Monday, July 28: | Hermina T. Giedl (M/M Joseph J. Giedl) |
| Tuesday, July 29: | William J. Wolf (Dr. & Mrs. Robert Paulis) |
| Wednesday, July 30: | Deceased Members of the Gres Family (Dorothy Henry & Family) |
| Thursday, July 31: | Venanzio & Carmella Giacomino (Son, Thomas) |
| Friday, Aug. 1: | Vince Hall (Family) |
| Wedding, Saturday, Aug. 2, 2:30 PM Church: | Lee M. Urich and Ashley N. Beyer |

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| Saturday Vigil, Aug. 2: | 4:30 PM Church |
| Andrew Litterini (Family) | |
| Sunday, Aug. 3: | 7:30 AM Church |
| Parish Family of St. John of God | |
| Sunday, Aug. 3: | 9:30 AM Chapel |
| Alfred Peters (Mel Weinstein) | |
| Sunday, Aug. 3: | 11:30 AM Church |
| James N. Caputo (Carol & Bill Bayer) | |

Readings for the Week of July 27, 2008

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| Sunday: | 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 |
| Monday: | Jer 13:1-11/Mt 13:31-35 |
| Tuesday: | Jer 14:17-22/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42 |
| Wednesday: | Jer 15:10, 16-21/Mt 13:44-46 |
| Thursday: | Jer 18:1-6/Mt 13:47-53 |
| Friday: | Jer 26:1-9/Mt 13:54-58 |
| Saturday: | Jer 26:11-16, 24/Mt 14:1-12 |
| Next Sunday: | Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21 |

SANCTUARY CANDLE - WEEK OF JULY 27

MOTHER OF SORROWS - In Memory of Domenic and Emelia Aluise by Anna Marie & Bill

ST. MARY'S - In Memory of Jacob Lebec by Wife, Ann and Sons

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday Noon



Our Parish Family of St. John of God wishes to extend special thanks and appreciation to Lucille Coppola who once again

chaired our Flea Market. Lucille and her workers worked very hard and many long hours to make the Flea Market the success it was. Great job!!! THANK YOU!

We are also very grateful to those who donated their "treasures" and a huge thank you to those who bought them!

GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION

The Diocese of Pittsburgh is again planning its annual Golden Wedding Celebration for the couples who have been married for 50 years on Sunday, October 12, 2008, beginning with a Mass at 3:00 PM at St. Paul Cathedral. A reception will follow in the lower hall at the Cathedral.



If you are a parishioner celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary any time during 2008 and would be interested in attending this joyous celebration along with the other jubilarian couples, please call the parish office or drop a note in the collection basket no later than July 27, 2008. Invitations will be sent out after responses have been received.

GIFTS AND GIFT BASKETS

Donation of gifts and gift baskets are starting to come in for our Chinese Auction Booth and people are being very generous as always. We still need YOUR help, though! If you and/or your family would like to put together a gift basket for the auction or make a donation of a new gift, we would really appreciate it. Our business manager usually solicits outside of the parish for some of the bigger ticket items, but this year she is expecting twins and is limited in what she can do and, especially, carry. With that being said, she is relying heavily on parishioner donations this year. In the past people have been very creative and have come up with some really wonderful themes for their baskets. If you are looking for some suggestions, here they are: Ethnic Baskets, Movies, Car Care, Restaurant Gift Cards, Department Store Gift Cards, Gas Gift Cards, Picnic theme, Romance packages, Stationery, Fishing theme, Outdoors, Seasons, Teenagers, Children, Gardening, Lottery etc. – really anything that sparks your creativity will be welcome! If you would like to make a donation for this booth, please call Mary Ann at the parish office. We thank you in advance!

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

All teens (entering grades 9-12 in the fall) are invited to play **sand volleyball** on the evening of Thursday, July 31. We'll meet at the Youth Center at 6:30 PM - you'll need a permission form and money (in case we go for ice cream afterwards). To sign-up for either activity, contact Steve at 412-331-8573 x 11 or sigyouthmin@yahoo.com.

Also, mark your calendar for a day at Sandcastle Water Park on Thursday, August 14!

DISCOUNTED SANDCASTLE TICKETS

If you are going to Sandcastle Water Park this summer, you can get discounted tickets AND benefit the Youth Group at the same time. Just order your tickets online at www.sandcastlewaterpark.com and when you come to the "Coupon Code" box, enter STJOHNOGWWP for Whitewater passes or STJOHNOGSP for season passes. Whitewater passes will cost only \$17.50 each (regular price \$25.95) and \$3 will be donated to the Youth Group! Season passes are \$64.95 each and earn us a \$5 donation! If you have any questions call the Youth Office: 412-331-8573 x11.

DAY OF REFLECTION FOR TEENS

The Southwest Deanery Youth Council is sponsoring a Day of Reflection for young people entering grades 9-12 in the fall. Join us on Tuesday, August 5 at Noon for lunch at the SJG Gathering Place. After lunch we'll travel to St. Anthony Chapel in Troy Hill to view the largest collection of saint relics in the United States! To sign-up, contact Steve in the Youth Office.

**ATTENDANCE AT ST. JOHN OF GOD PARISH
FOR THE WEEKEND OF JULY 26 / JULY 27**

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| Saturday | 240 |
| Sunday | 595 |
| Total Weekend Attendance | 835 |
| Total Weekend Offertory | \$ 5,397.94 |
| Parish Share Assessment 2008 | \$87,038.00 |
| Parish Share Collected to Date (Thank You!)..... | \$63,366.53 |
| Balance on Parish Share | \$23,671.47 |

Fr. Ryan Arts Center of Focus on Renewal SUMMER 2008 Performing Arts Showcase:

"Summer on the Radio" featuring a visual arts exhibit, youth and adult drumming demonstrations and dance performances by preschool, elementary and middle school dancers - **Sunday, July 27 beginning at 3 PM in the Sto-Rox High School Auditorium**

RETREAT

Sr. Theresa Kunzler asks for prayers as she will be on retreat this coming week, July 27 to Aug. 3 at the Kearns Spirituality Center.

OUR FESTIVAL
IS ONLY 1 1/2 WEEKS AWAY!!

Sign Up

I Can Help:

NAME _____

PHONE _____

Set Up, Sat., Aug. 2, 9 AM _____

(Kitchen Help) 9 AM

Wed., Aug. 6 _____

Thurs., Aug. 7 _____

Fri., Aug. 8 _____

Tear Down, Sun., Aug. 10, 2 PM _____

HELP AT AN OUTSIDE BOOTH

6-8 PM

8-10 PM

Thurs., Aug. 7 _____

Fri., Aug. 8 _____

Sat., Aug. 9 _____

Or you can call Helen Jarvis at 412-771-6346 and she will sign you up for a certain booth. Please return this form via the collection basket or mail by July 28. Thanks and, by the way, the pay won't be much but the benefits are "out of this world!"



AUGUST, 2008

| Aug. 2 - 3 | Sat 4:30 PM | Sun 7:30 AM | Sun 9:30 AM | Sun 11:30 AM |
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| Lector | Ann Tkacik Tom Burgunder | Donna Klocek Spohn John Friel | Al Condeluci Steve Tomsko | Tracy Olanyk Julienne Giuliani |
| Altar Server | Michael Roussey Elizabeth Diehl Victoria Diehl | Tim McGuillan | Christopher Cercone Eric Hall Jared Hall | Michael Dorrenbacher Wesley Dorrenbacher Matthew DiSanto |
| Euch. Min. | Christina Phillips Tom Phillips Donna Placon Carole Yunker Gerrie Bayer Rosemarie Litterini | Claudia Hemphill Mark Honath George Wolf Ron Amity Sr. | Theresa Davis Liz Condeluci Lucille Coppola Neve Mell Dominic Puppo Alexis Adamchik | Edward McNabb Gloria McNabb Wanda Mruzcek Eleanor Vith |
| Aug. 9- 10 | Sat 4:30 PM | Sun 7:30 AM | Sun 9:30 AM | Sun 11:30 AM |
| Lector | Terry Fedio Patricia Golembiewski | Michael Ivosevic Tami Ivosevic | Lou LaCivita Joanne Malenock | Tom Burgunder John Friel |
| Altar Server | Dallas Woods Michael Roussey | Tim McGuillan | Jared Hall Eric Hall | Alex Adams Tom Adams Matthew DiSanto |
| Euch. Min. | Steffie Orlich Terry Fedio Mike Tomsko Gerrie Bayer Rosemarie Litterini Donna Placon | Nina Ivosevic Mary Ann Scrabis Ron Amity Sr. Claudia Hemphill | Angela Ciccone Margaret Ferraro Kelly Hall Eric Hall Bill Stropkaj Sr. Steve Tomsko | Gizella Fedorka Anne Lutz Zacharias Patsy Mance George Wolf |
| Aug. 16 -17 | Sat 4:30 PM | Sun 7:30 AM | Sun 9:30 AM | Sun 11:30 AM |
| Lector | Ann Tkacik Patricia Golembiewski | Donna Klocek Spohn Tami Ivosevic | Neve Mell Mary Ann Scrabis | Wanda Mruzcek Joanne Malenock |
| Altar Server | Michael Roussey Alex Adams Tom Adams | Tim McGuillan | Eric Hall Jared Hall | Elizabeth Diehl Victoria Diehl Dallas Woods |
| Euch. Min. | Carole Yunker Alexis Adamchik Eleanor Vith Gerrie Bayer Terry Fedio Rosemarie Litterini | Mark Honath Ron Amity Sr. Claudia Hemphill Anne Lutz Zacharias | Frank Troff Angela Ciccone Al Condeluci Liz Condeluci Lucille Coppola Dominic Puppo | Julienne Giuliani Edward McNabb Gloria McNabb Tracy Olanyk |
| Aug. 23 - 24 | Sat 4:30 PM | Sun 7:30 AM | Sun 9:30 AM | Sun 11:30 AM |
| Lector | Charlotte Schriener Tom Burgunder | John Friel Tami Ivosevic | Lou LaCivita Steve Tomsko | Donna Klocek Spohn Julienne Giuliani |
| Altar Server | Alex Adams Tom Adams Matthew DiSanto | Tim McGuillan | Jared Hall Eric Hall | Elizabeth Diehl Victoria Diehl |
| Euch. Min. | Steffie Orlich Donna Placon Mike Tomsko George Wolf Alexis Adamchik Rosemarie Litterini | Michael Ivosevic Nina Ivosevic Ron Amity Claudia Hemphill | Dominic Puppo Theresa Davis Margaret Ferraro Kelly Hall Eric Hall Bill Stropkaj Sr. | Gizella Fedorka Patsy Mance Eleanor Vith Anne Lutz Zacharias |

MINISTRY SCHEDULE continued
AUGUST, 2008

| Aug. 30 - 31 | Sat 4:30 PM | Sun 7:30 AM | Sun 9:30 AM | Sun 11:30 AM |
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| Lector | Terry Fedio Patricia Golembiewski | Joanne Malenock Tom Burgunder | Al Condeluci Steve Tomsko | Tracy Olanyk John Friel |
| Altar Server | Michael Roussey Dallas Woods Matthew DiSanto | Tim McGuillan | Eric Hall Jared Hall | Alex Adams Tom Adams |
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There is no P.V. Report this week. Fr. Al is on vacation and will not be back before this bulletin has to go to the printers. When he returns, he will give us an update on ticket sales and where we stand volunteer wise. In the meantime, we repeat the following excerpts from the past couple of weeks or so.

**DID YOU GET YOUR
TICKET(S)? TICKET(S)? TICKET(S)?**

Here are the Prizes:

Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2008
IPOD or \$250 Cash Option
Seller of winning ticket receives \$25

Thursday, Aug. 7, 2008
Laptop Computer or \$400 Cash Option
Seller of winning ticket receives \$40

Friday, Aug. 8, 2008
TV or \$500 Cash Option
Seller of winning ticket receives \$50

Saturday, Aug. 9, 2008
2008 Harley-Davidson Sportster Motorcycle
Or \$5,000 Cash Option
Seller of winning ticket receives \$500

Although we will only hold our Festival for three nights, Thursday thru Saturday, August 7, 8 & 9, we will still have four prizes. The ticket will again have four numbers for \$10.00. So, if you haven't stepped up to buy and/or sell, now's the time to do so. Stop in the rectory between 9 & 5 on Monday to Friday or call me, Fr. Al, for a special appointment.

We only have less than 2 weeks to sell the remaining raffle tickets. Help us be successful in this task!!!

**DID YOU FILL OUT THE VOLUNTEER FORM
IN TODAY'S BULLETIN?**

As the saying goes, "Many hands make light work." I'm counting on YOU to lend a hand. So I repeat — We Need You! We will begin putting the booths together and setting up the "dining room" on Saturday, August 2, at 9 AM. We'll need kitchen help on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9 AM till Noon. And, we'll need people to work the booths during our open hours on Thursday, Friday, & Saturday any time from 6 PM to 10 PM.



See ya then!

Our next **Festival Meeting** will be **Tuesday, July 29** at 6:30 PM in the Gathering Place at St. Mary's. We'll go over our plans on how to "make it happen."

HOSPITAL

Please pray for all parishioners who are in the hospital, especially: **V.A./Oakland** - Lou Ciangiarulo Also for those ill at home (especially Marie Kresak), 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 Stanley J. Bradis whom God has called. Please remember him and all our dearly departed 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."

PASTOR'S CORNER*Fr. Lou Vallone*

Fr. Al is on vacation (not only AGAIN but STILL) in Florida. I, on the other hand, have been spending my free time in various Emergency Rooms of hospitals with kidney stone attacks. In fact, that is where I am now (Wednesday) so with no time make the deadline for the bulletin, I present you with the following "borrowed" item for your consideration and meditation.

THE FIVE FINGER PRAYER

1. Your thumb is nearest to you. So begin your prayers by praying for those closest to you. They are the easiest to remember. To pray for our loved ones is, as C. S. Lewis once said, a "sweet duty".

2. The next finger is the pointing finger. Pray for those who teach, instruct and heal. This includes teachers, doctors, and ministers. They need support and wisdom in pointing others in the right direction. Keep them in your prayers.

3. The next finger is the tallest finger. It reminds us of our leaders. Pray for the president, leaders in business and industry, and administrators. These people shape our nation and guide public opinion. They need God's guidance.

4. The fourth finger is our ring finger. Surprising to many is the fact that this is our weakest finger; as any piano teacher will testify. It should remind us to pray for those who are weak, in trouble or in pain. They need your prayers day and night. You cannot pray too much for them.

5. And lastly comes our little finger- the smallest finger of all. Which is where we should place ourselves in relation to God and others. As the Bible says, "the least shall be the greatest among you." Your pinky should remind you to pray for yourself.

By the time you have prayed for the other four groups, your own needs will be put into proper perspective and you will be able to pray for yourself more effectively.

ST. JOHN OF GOD SCHOOL NEWS**Responsibility of School Parents/Guardians**

The following three points are a reminder to all parents/guardians who have children registered for the upcoming school year.

1. If you want to receive consideration for financial aid, you must complete the PSAS application by July 31. Please call the school office, 412-331-8501, if you need a form or if you need assistance in filling out the form.

2. Individual and confidential tuition contracts must be signed by every family before the beginning of school. In order to make this possible, Sr. Anna Marie Gaglia will be available on the following days in the school office: Monday, July 28 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM; Tuesday, July 29 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM; and on Wednesday, July 30 from 8:00 AM to Noon. You do not have to make an appointment, just show up during the above times. If this is not a good week for you, please call the school and make another appointment, 412-331-8501.

3. The actual cost per pupil for 2008-09 is \$5700. Since each family's portion of tuition will take into consideration your needs and ability to pay we will meet with you privately to sign a contract. Each family is expected to pay a minimum of \$500 or no more than \$3400.

THE WEEK AHEAD

July 28 (Mon.) - Mass at Mary Pat's Nursing Home, 1085 Dohrman St., 1:30 PM - Mass Intention: Mary Konecky by Jennie Macosko

July 28 (Mon.) - Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers recited in St. Mary's Church - Rosary begins 6:30 PM.

July 29 (Tues.) - St. Anthony Novena Prayers recited following the 9:30 AM Mass in St. Mary's Church.

July 29 (Tues.) - FESTIVAL MEETING, 6:30 PM IN THE GATHERING PLACE

July 30 (Wed.) - **WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO** - MOS Social Hall - Doors open at 5 PM, Early Birds 7 PM, Reg. Games begin at 7:15 PM.

CRACKED, CHIPPED OR BROKEN GLASS OR CERAMIC NEEDED

Focus on Renewal is looking for cracked, chipped or broken glassware and ceramics to create a series of mosaics planned for the Father Ryan Arts Center this summer. The community program aims to integrate social justice, creativity and community service while empowering young people to take a leadership role in improving and transforming their neighborhoods. Donations are being accepted through the end of July, please call Pat Moran @412-771-3052.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We wish to welcome into God's Family the newly baptized: Jakob Robert Slusser. May you continue to grow in God's love.

BAPTISMAL CLASS FOR NEW AND EXPECTING PARENTS: The next class will be held on Sunday, August 10. You may register by calling John Fatula at 412-331-8573 on or after August 1.