

## 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	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*





## TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
*Saturday, Aug. 13 to Sunday, Aug. 21*

**Saturday Vigil, Aug. 13:** 4:30 PM Church  
Anniv - Dominick Bennett (Mary DeAngelis)

**Sunday, Aug. 14:** 7:30 AM Church  
Mary & John Keintz & Family (Agnes Gerger)

**Sunday, Aug. 14:** 9:30 AM Chapel  
David O'Shea (Mom, Dad & Family)

**Sunday, Aug. 14:** 11:30 AM Church  
Anniv - Bridget McDermott (Mother & Family)

### WEEKDAYS — 9:30 AM CHURCH

**Monday, Aug. 15:** *Parish Family of Saint John of God*

**Tuesday, Aug. 16:** Robert L. Burgunder (Virginia Dorrenbacher)

**Wednesday, Aug. 17:** Josephine Frankl (Bonny Giedl & Children)

**Thursday, Aug. 18:** Elvira Angelilli (Robert & Bea Pitassi)

**Friday, Aug. 19:** Frank & Janet Bernard (George & Marge Wolf)

**Saturday, Aug. 20, 12:30 PM, Wedding, Church:**  
*Ethan Worthington and Cheryl Thomas*

**Saturday, Aug. 20, 2:30 PM, Wedding, Church:**  
*Joseph Vojtecky and Ashley Dickinson*

**Saturday Vigil, Aug. 20:** 4:30 PM Church  
Mary Litterini (Family)

**Sunday, Aug. 21:** 7:30 AM Church  
Mary Mell (Butch Kane)

**Sunday, Aug. 21:** 9:30 AM Chapel  
Anniv - William Stropkaj (Wife & Family)

**Sunday, Aug. 21:** 11:30 AM Church  
Anniv - Christine Calabrese (Husband, Joe and Daughters, Angelica & Ariana)

### Readings for the Week of August 14, 2011

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Rom 11:13-32/Mt 15:21-28  
Monday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56  
Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30  
Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16  
Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Mt 22:1-14  
Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Mt 22:34-40  
Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Mt 23:1-12  
Next Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

**Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday Noon**



## FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

This Monday, Aug. 15, is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This year it is not a holy day of obligation, but if you are able, you are encouraged to come to Mass at 9:30 AM in St. Mary's Church to praise God and honor Mary, our Blessed Mother.

### ANOTHER WAY TO HELP STEEPLE CHASE

Are you looking for another way to help the Steeple Chase Fundraising efforts? Be one of those groups, businesses and individuals who is a proud sponsor of a Steeple Chase Steelers football game payout in our upcoming football pool. Maybe you know of a business or corporation that would be willing to be a sponsor. Would you contact them? This is not limited to St. John of God parishioners. We've had pool participants from Maryland, Ohio, West Virginia, North Carolina as a sampling. It could be half-time (\$100), final (\$150) or full game (\$250). Your name or the business name would be printed on the football pool as a sponsor. You can pick the game you would like to sponsor ~ first come, first served. It's easy. Just call Terry (412-331-3443) or Charlotte (412-331-2453) before August 30 with the game you prefer and the amount of your tax deductible donation.

### KIDS NEEDED TO HELP

The Bingo Kitchen is in need of kids, ages 9 to 13, on Wednesdays from 6 to 8 PM. to help take orders from the kitchen to the Bingo players. This is a good way to fulfill service hours needed or just to help our parish with this important fundraiser. All you need to do is just show up at the Social Hall on Wednesdays.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday School will begin on September 11, 2011. Parents please note that if your child is not registered in a Catholic School this fall, he/she will need to be registered in our Sunday School Program (CCD). For more information and to register, please call John Fatula at 412-331-8501.

### DRIVERS NEEDED

Our local Sto-Ken-Rox Meals on Wheels is in need of drivers on Thursdays and Fridays. If you can help please call Connie, mornings, at 412-771-4304.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**  
**9:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. (MONDAY THRU FRIDAY)**

YOUTH NEWS

All teens entering grades 8-12 are invited to join the Youth Group! Beginning September 7 we will meet on Wednesdays alternating between afternoons and evenings. Fall schedules are available in back of the Church and Chapel. For more info, contact Steve at 412-331-8525 or [sigyouthmin@yahoo.com](mailto:sigyouthmin@yahoo.com).

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

If you are an adult volunteer who has not yet attended a Protecting God's Children workshop, below is a list of upcoming workshops in our area.

- Saint Margaret Mary Parish in Moon Township on Tuesday, Aug. 23, at 6:30 PM. Contact Cathy Morihaltko at 412-264-9368 to register.
- Holy Child Parish in Bridgeville on Thursday, Sept. 8, at 6:00 PM. Contact Marilyn Spitzig at 412-221-6514 to register.

A link to the list to all upcoming workshops is available on our website. If you have any questions regarding the Safe Environment guidelines, please contact Steve Swank at 412-331-8525.

PARISH WEEKEND ATTENDANCE  
August 6 / 7

Saturday .....	265
Sunday.....	445
Total Weekend Attendance .....	710

PARISH FINANCIAL TOTALS  
For the Weekend of August 6 / 7

Regular Offertory Collection .....\$ 5,466.00

(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

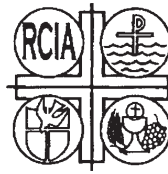
PSP Assessment for 2011 (adjusted) .....	\$82,901.00
Contributions to date .....	\$69,429.50
Remaining on goal.....	\$13,471.50

(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.)

SANCTUARY CANDLE - WEEK OF AUGUST 14

ST. MARY'S - IN MEMORY OF FRANK PAVLAKOVICH BY STEVE AND ANTOINETTE NOVALK

MOTHER OF SORROWS - IN MEMORY OF JOSEPHINE DINARDO BY FAMILY



HOW DOES A PERSON BECOME A CATHOLIC?

The R.C.I.A. Program (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) sees to the needs of adults who wish to become Catholic.

If you or someone you know are interested, please contact John Fatula at 412-331-8501 for more information.

LADIES OF CHARITY NEWS

Please save the date, Thursday, September 15, 2011. The Ladies of Charity will have an important organizational meeting that day in the Gathering Place at 7 PM. Stay tuned for more information.

DIVORCECARE

DivorceCare is a special weekly seminar and support group from people who are separated or divorced. If you know of someone going through a divorce, make sure he/she knows about Divorce-Care. It might just be the best thing you could do to help.

DivorceCare seminar meets from 7-9 PM every Monday beginning September 12 for 13 weeks at St. Philip's Parish, 50 West Crafton Avenue in Crafton. For more information, please contact Mary Jo at 412-279-0299/

HOSPITAL

Please remember in your prayers all those who are in the hospital, especially: **Kindred** - Marge Hohl *Also for those ill at home, in nursing homes, and shut-ins; that they may continue to receive the Lord's Blessings.*

SYMPATHY

Please remember all our dearly departed and their families in your prayers. *"May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace."*

EVENING OF REFLECTION

The Christian Mothers of St. Malachy Parish is sponsoring an Evening of Reflection this Tuesday, August 16. Sister Catherine Higgins, a Sister of St. Joseph, will present the topic "Power of Forgiveness". This presentation will be held in Weirauch Hall following Prayers and Benediction at 6:30 PM. For more information, please call the parish office at 412-771-5483.

**STEEPLE CHASE STEELER FOOTBALL POOL**



**YES, THERE WILL BE FOOTBALL**, so don't be left out!!! The pool includes **16** regular season games beginning Sunday, September 11. There are 100 blocks per game. The payout per game: **\$100** half-time, **\$150** final. Cost for all 16 games is \$80 or \$5 per game. One payment of \$80 is due by **August 30**. Or two payments, \$40 by **August 30** and final \$40 due by October 5. You will retain the same block for each game. The numbers for each game will be drawn in advance, therefore, your numbers will be different each week. You will receive the completed pool for all 16 games prior to Sept. 11. Purchase a single square or partner with family or friends to buy one. They make great gifts, too! Name your block with your given name or be creative with a name. Winners will receive a check in the mail.

Forms are due back to the parish office with payment on or before August 30. Completed forms and payments may be mailed to: St. John of God Parish, 1011 Church Ave., McKees Rocks, PA 15136 by U.S. Mail or placed in the SJOG collection basket or office mail drop off. Any questions???? Call Charlotte @412-331-2453 or Terry@ 412-331-3443 for more information.

**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA  
CELEBRATES END OF CENTENNIAL YEAR**

Our sister parish of St. Catherine of Siena in Crescent Township will celebrate the end of their Centennial Year with a Traditional Latin High Mass this Wed., August 17, at 6:30 P.M. Fr. Kenneth Myers, the chaplain of the Latin Mass Community, will be the celebrant. There will be a choir, organ and altar servers from the community for this High Mass. There will also be refreshments immediately following in Siena Hall. All are welcome for this very special event.



**PLEASE PRINT, FILL OUT COMPLETELY, MAIL TO: SJOG Parish, "Football Pool", 1011 Church Avenue, McKees Rocks, PA 15136, or place in SJOG collection basket or office mail drop off by August 30, 2011. Questions - Call 412-331-2453 or 412-331-3443.**

I would like to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ square(s) on the SJG Steeple Chase Steeler Football Pool @\$80 per square

Enclosed is \_\_\_\_\_ (Full Payment) or \_\_\_\_\_ (\$40 partial - remainder due Oct. 5, 2011)

I would like to name my square(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**PIZZA KITCHEN NEWS**

We extend our deepest appreciation to Linda Honath, who was chair of the Pizza Kitchen and continued on with heading up the Falagone Section every first Friday. Due to family commitments, she will no longer be able to help. Thank you, Linda, for your dedication, you will be missed.

It's only four Fridays away!!! We're starting to get ourselves prepared for another Pizza Kitchen Season and we are in need of a volunteer to be in charge of the Falagone Section of the Pizza Kitchen. Linda will pass on the time honored recipes and all information that is needed. Falagone preparation starts the Thursday evening before the 1st Friday and the making of the Falagones is early morning of the 1st Friday. Please contact Rose Dombrowski at 41-771-7438 if you are interested in taking on this endeavor. If we cannot find a volunteer to head up this section of the Pizza Kitchen, we unfortunately will not be able to have falagones for sale.

Also, any person who has volunteered in the past, please contact Rose Dombrowski (412-771-7438) within the next few weeks so she can update the volunteer list. Volunteers are needed Thursdays (7:30 AM until 11:30 AM) for prep work and Fridays starting at 6:30 AM until 3:30 PM. No experience is needed! We are also hoping to offer Gnocchi for Advent and Lent and will place notices in the bulletin when we will be making them.

Remember to keep our Priests, Seminarians,  
Deacons and all Religious in your prayers.

**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.*

**ST. MARY UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH  
FESTIVAL ~ August 24-27  
Helen & Ella Sts. McKees Rocks Bottoms**

Wed., Aug. 24; Thurs, Aug. 25; Fri., Aug. 26: Food service begins at 4:00 P.M.

- Church open daily for your prayers and meditation
- Ukrainian Foods and Baked Goods
- Religious Items
- Fun Games for all Ages
- Chinese Auction
- Live Entertainment Every Night
- Great Time for Everyone
- Bring your Family and Friends

For more information, please call 412-331-2362 or e-mail: FrTim1@aol.com.

**SPIRITUAL BOOK FESTIVAL**

The Sisters of St. Joseph are hosting a Spiritual Book Festival at the Motherhouse on Saturday, Aug. 20. Enjoy tea and cookies with the Sisters from 1-3 PM and listen to Sisters and Fr. Phil Fink talk about popular books on Church, Faith, Scripture, Spirituality and Theology. Participants are welcome to join in the discussion. There is no charge, but please RSVP by **August 15**. Call Sister Kathleen Garde at 724-869-2151, ext 6244 or email Christina Thornburg at [cthornburg@stjospeh-baden.org](mailto:cthornburg@stjospeh-baden.org).

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

The inaugural Diocesan "Catholic Women's Conference: A Caring Quilt" will take place on Saturday, Oct. 22, at the Marriott City Center, Pittsburgh. Keynote speaker is Immaculée Ilibagiza, survivor of the Rwandan genocide and renowned speaker on faith and forgiveness. The day includes five workshops from which to choose and concludes with Mass with Bishop Zubik. Registration by mail only by visiting the Diocesan website at [www.diopitt.org](http://www.diopitt.org). Registration brochures are also available by calling 412-456-3129.

*Please remember Saint John of God Parish in your will.*

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Aug. 15 (Mon.)** - Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers recited in St. Mary's Church - Rosary begins 6:30 PM.

**Aug. 16 (Tues.)** - St. Anthony Novena Prayers recited following the 9:30 AM Mass in St. Mary's Church.

**Aug. 17 - WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO** in MOS Air-Conditioned Social Hall - Doors open at 5 PM Early Birds, 7 PM and Regular Games begin 7:15 PM.

**Aug. 19 (Fri.)** - Mother of Sorrows Novena Prayers recited following 9:30 AM Mass, St. Mary's Church.



**DIOCESAN CHOIR AUDITIONS**

Auditions for the 2011-2012 Diocesan Choir season will soon be held. The Choir, under the direction of Fr. Jim Chepponis, Music Director for the Diocese of Pittsburgh, sings for the major Diocesan events at St. Paul's Cathedral throughout the year. Currently there are openings in the soprano, alto, tenor and bass sections. In addition to being good singers, potential members must be capable sight-readers due to a limited rehearsal schedule, and at least 18 years of age. Rehearsals are held at St. John Capistran Church in Upper St. Clair. Audition times may be scheduled by calling Doris Anne in the Diocesan Music Office (412-456-3042) before August 24.

**FLEA MARKET**

St. Catherine of Siena's annual Flea Market will be held on Friday, Aug. 26; Saturday, Aug. 27 and Sunday, Aug. 28 starting at 9 AM on Friday and Saturday and at 10 AM on Sunday. Household items, books, toys, small electronics, jewelry, pictures and holiday merchandise are just some of the things for sale. The Flea Market will be held in the small parking lot and the CCD trailers. For more information, please call St. Catherine's, Crescent Twp., at 724-457-7026.

**SISTERS OF CHARITY COMMUNITY CHOIR**

The Sisters of Charity Community Choir with the Oakland High School Choir will sing the National Anthem at PNC Park for the Pirates baseball game scheduled for Wed., August 24, 2011. The Pirates will take on the Milwaukee Brewers at 12:35 that day. Tickets are available through Aug. 18 at \$20 for lower level seats and \$12 for upper level seats. A portion of each ticket sale will benefit the Sisters of Charity. To purchase tickets, contact Sister Patrice Hughes at 412-343-1382 or [phughes@scsh.org](mailto:phughes@scsh.org).

**SISTERS AUXILIARY HOSTS TEA WITH FRIENDS**

Put on your best Sunday hat and relax at "Tea with Friends" on Sunday, August 28, at 1 PM at the Sisters of St. Francis of the Providence of God Convent in Whitehall. The tea is \$20 per person which includes assorted teas, sandwiches and sweets, as well as entertainment from Grammy nominated accordionist Kevin Solecki. Guests will also have the opportunity to win prizes from the basket raffle. For more information, please call Mary Scabillon at 412-881-8754.

*Saint John of God, Pray for us.*

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

Since the feast of the Assumption is on a Monday this year, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation, and we will therefore forego the usual Town Hall Meetings. For St. Catherine, it is the end of our centennial celebrations since it is the date of the dedication of the Church. It will be marked with a Mass in the Extraordinary Form (the old Latin Mass) on Wednesday. For St. John of God, it was the traditional time for our summer festival, but we are not having one this year for a variety of reasons, not the least of which is the fact that the roads are still torn up at Mother of Sorrows. For me, I have been in Philadelphia for the latter part of last week and will be in Los Angeles for the rest of this week doing my Good Leaders, Good Shepherds gig. (In California, we are at a retreat house in the mountains: no cell phone service, no Internet connections. I may be in withdrawal. I hope they have flush toilets, at least.)

And so, to lighten things up a bit, I present this reflection which a former parishioner sent to me:

Ten things to consider to help our outlook on Prayer:

1. Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out when you are in trouble. It is the "steering wheel" that directs us in the right path through life.
2. Do you know why a car's windshield is so large, and the rear view mirror so small? Because our past is not as important as our future. We are meant to look ahead and move on.
4. All things in life are temporary. If things are going well, enjoy it: they will not last forever. If things are going poorly, don't worry: they can't last long either.

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5. Old friends are like gold; new ones like diamonds. If you get a diamond, don't neglect the gold. To hold a diamond, you need a base of gold.

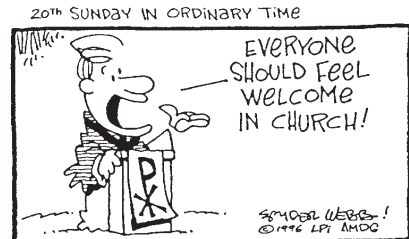
6. When we lose hope, we may think it is the end. God smiles from above and tells us: "Relax, my beloved: it's just a bend, not an end." Never put a period where God wants a comma!

7. When God solves your problems, you have faith in HIS abilities. When it seems God isn't solving your problems, maybe it is because He has faith in YOUR abilities.

8. A blind person once asked St. Anthony: "Can there be anything worse than losing one's sight?" To which he replied "Yes, to lose one's vision."

9. When you pray for others, you believe that God listens to you and blesses them. So remember, when you are safe and happy, maybe it is because some one has been praying for YOU.

10 Worrying does not take away tomorrow's troubles - it takes away today's peace.



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.*