

## 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      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*





## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS  
Sat., Sept. 24 to Sun., Oct. 2

**Saturday Vigil, Sept. 24:** 4:30 PM Church  
Anniv - Ann Gahr (Bill & Evelyn & Family)

**Sunday, Sept. 25:** 7:30 AM Church  
Elizabeth Parey (Vinci Family)

**Sunday, Sept. 25:** 9:30 AM Chapel  
Anna Coppola (Charlotte Schriener)

**Sunday, Sept. 25:** 11:30 AM Church  
Antonetta Presutti (Family)

**Sunday, Sept. 25:** 7:45 PM Church  
Parish Family of Saint John of God

### WEEKDAYS — 9:30 AM CHURCH

**Monday, Sept. 26:** William Eberle (Estate)

**Tuesday, Sept. 27:** Freida Streiner (Sis, Pete & Rollo Streiner)

**Wednesday, Sept. 28:** John & Cecilia Ellek (Son, John)

**Thursday, Sept. 29:** Anthony "Cri" Crivelli (Children)

**Friday, Sept. 30:** In Thanksgiving to SS. Lucia and Therese (anonymous)

**Saturday, Oct. 1, 12:30 PM, Wedding, Church:**  
Brendan Patrick Klink and Ashley Daniele Skocz

**Saturday Vigil, Oct. 1:** 4:30 PM Church  
In Honor of St. Theresa (Charlotte)

**Sunday, Oct. 2:** 7:30 AM Church  
Josephine Frankl (Les & Mary J. Frank)

**Sunday, Oct. 2:** 9:30 AM Chapel  
Dominic, Virginia & Chris DiNardo (Son)

**Sunday, Oct. 2:** 11:30 AM Church  
Peter & Helen Mochnach (Family)

**Sunday, Oct. 2:** 7:45 PM Church  
Parish Family of Saint John of God

### Readings for the Week of September 25, 2011

*Sunday:* Ez 18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11/Mt 21:28-32

*Monday:* Zec 8:1-8/Lk 9:46-50

*Tuesday:* Zec 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56

*Wednesday:* Neh 2:1-8/Lk 9:57-62

*Thursday:* Dn 7:9-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Jn 1:47-51

*Friday:* Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16

*Saturday:* Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24

*Next Sunday:* Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

## PREPARING FOR THE NEW TRANSLATION OF THE MASS

### The Introductory Rites



On the First Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2011, Catholic parishes in the United States will begin praying the texts of the Mass using a new English translation of *The Roman Missal*. This week, we explore the Introductory Rites of the Mass.

Every time we gather for Eucharist, each of us comes with our own preoccupations and concerns. The Introductory Rites of the Mass are intended to draw us out of our own little worlds and form us into an assembly of God's people, the Body of Christ, ready to render our praise and thanksgiving to God. Each element is designed to play its own role in uniting us as a worshipping people and calling us into God's presence. We hear each other's voices in the opening song and the Glory to God; we remember who we are as God's people through the Sign of the Cross, the Greeting, and the Penitential Act; and we prepare ourselves for today's particular celebration in the opening prayer or Collect. If we allow the Introductory Rites to do their work, we will be ready to celebrate the Eucharist as one people in God.

**Note:** This is part four in a twelve-part series. Hopefully this information will make adjusting to the upcoming changes a bit easier for all of us.

### STEELERS FOOTBALL POOL WINNERS

September 18, 2011  
Steelers vs. Seahawks



**Half Time Score: Steelers 17 Seahawks 0**

T D owned by Dolly Bafile \$100  
Irish Brigade owned by Mullen Family \$100

**Final Score: Steelers 24 Seahawks 0**

JW/TW owned by Janet Walsh \$150  
LALA owned by Joe Lachowicz \$150

**CONGRATULATIONS and LET'S GO STEELERS!**

### REMINDER TO THOSE WHO USED THE PARTIAL PAYMENT OPTION FOR THE FOOTBALL POOL

The remainder is due October 5. Thank you.

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

**Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday Noon**

**YOUTH NEWS**



All teens in grades 8-12 are invited to Kennywood for "Phantom Fright Night" on Sunday, Oct. 9, from 7 to 11 PM. Tickets are only \$23.99 each if you turn your money and permission form into the Youth Office by Monday, Oct. 3. After that, tickets will be \$26.99 each. For more information, contact Steve at 412-331-8525 or [sigyouthmin@yahoo.com](mailto:sigyouthmin@yahoo.com).

**PARISH WEEKEND ATTENDANCE  
September 10 / 11**

Saturday .....	270
Sunday .....	595
Total Weekend Attendance .....	865

**PARISH FINANCIAL TOTALS  
For the Weekend of September 10 / 11**

Regular Offertory Collection .....\$ 5,289.00

(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 .....	\$82,530.25
Remaining on goal.....	\$ 370.75

(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.)

**HOSPITAL**

Please remember in your prayers all those who are in the hospital, especially: **West Hill Rehab.** - Rosemary Homer **Caring Heights** - Deetza Lutz *Also for 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 C. Vassel and Sally Douglas whom God has called. Please remember them and all our dearly departed and their families in your prayers. *"May the Choirs of Angels receive them, and may they with the once poor Lazarus have rest everlasting."*

**SANCTUARY CANDLE - WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 25**

**ST. MARY'S** - IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH AND MILDRED AMITY BY FAMILY  
**MOTHER OF SORROWS** - IN MEMORY OF JOSEPHINE DINARDO BY FAMILY

**SVDP FUNDRAISER**

As you may have seen in last week's Pittsburgh Catholic, the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is sponsoring "The Good Samaritan 10,000 Step Walk" during the month of October. The walk is coming here to Saint John of God Parish. Details will be provided in coming weeks. When asked, please be generous and sponsor one of our walkers. For more information about the "walk", visit [www.diopitt.org/pittsburgh-catholic/charity-one-step-time](http://www.diopitt.org/pittsburgh-catholic/charity-one-step-time).

**BAPTISMAL PROGRAM FOR  
NEW AND EXPECTING PARENTS**

The next Baptismal program will be held on Sunday, October 9, from 1-4 PM in the Chapel at Mother of Sorrows. To register or for more info, call John Fatula at 412-331-8501.



**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

We wish to welcome into God's Family the newly baptized: *Luca Frank Sicilia.*

May you continue to grow in God's love.

**LADIES OF CHARITY / ANGEL TREE**

In preparation for the Angel Tree in November, we are asking that if you would like to add someone's name to the Angel Tree, to please call Joann at 412-331-5043 or drop a note in the collection basket with your name and telephone number so that we may contact you for particulars (size, age, sex, etc.) There is no age limit. Thank you for your help in this project. Christmas is only three months away!

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Sept. 26 (Mon.)** - Mass at Chartiers Manor Nursing Home, 1:30 PM - Mass Intention: John Schiralli by Jennie Macosko

**Sept. 26 (Mon.)** - Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers recited in St. Mary's Church - Rosary begins 6:30 PM.

**Sept. 27 (Tues.)** - St. Anthony Novena Prayers recited following the 9:30 AM Mass in St. Mary's Church.

**Sept. 27 (Tues.)** - Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7-9 PM in St. Mary's Church - Call Elna at 412-812-4549 for any info.

**Sept. 28 - WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO** in MOS Social Hall - Doors open at 5 PM Early Birds, 7 PM and Regular Games begin at 7:15 PM.

**Sept. 29 (Fri.)** - Mother of Sorrows Novena Prayers recited following 9:30 AM Mass, St. Mary's Church.

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

October, 2011

October 1 - 2	Sat 4:30 PM	Sun 7:30 AM	Sun 9:30 AM	Sun 11:30 AM
<b>Lector</b>	Ann Tkacik Terry Fedio	John Friel Michael Ivosevic	Children's Mass Children's Mass	Mary Ann Scrabis Joanne Malenock
<b>Altar Server</b>	Michael Roussey Alex Adams Tom Adams	Tim McGuillan Dallas Woods	Ray Corcoran Daniel Moose Jacob Scott	Alexis Nagel Emilie Nagel
<b>Euch. Min.</b>	Christina Phillips Tom Phillips Donna Placon Rosemarie Litterini Steffie Orlich Charlotte Schriener	Ron Amity Claudia Hemphill Nina Ivosevic Mark Honath	Dominic Puppo Alexis Adamchik Theresa Davis Lucille Coppola Frank Troff Steve Tomsco	Patsy Mance Patrick O'Connor Anne Lutz Zacharias Wanda Mruczek
October 8 - 9	Sat 4:30 PM	Sun 7:30 AM	Sun 9:30 AM	Sun 11:30 AM
<b>Lector</b>	Tom Burgunder Ann Tkacik	Tami Ivosevic John Friel	Children's Mass Children's Mass	Joanne Malenock Wanda Mruczek
<b>Altar Server</b>	Michael Dorrenbacher Alex Adams Tom Adams	Tim McGuillan Dallas Woods	Eric Hall Jared Hall Ray Corcoran	Elizabeth Diehl Victoria Diehl Grace Diehl
<b>Euch. Min.</b>	Mike Tomsco Carole Yunker Steffie Orlich Mary Ann Scrabis Charlotte Schriener Alexis Adamchik	Ron Amity Claudia Hemphill Mark Honath Nina Ivosevic	Steve Tomsco Kelly Hall Eric Hall Lucille Coppola Theresa Davis Dominic Puppo	Edward McNabb Gloria McNabb Eleanor Vith Anne Lutz Zacharias
October 15 - 16	Sat 4:30 PM	Sun 7:30 AM	Sun 9:30 AM	Sun 11:30 AM
<b>Lector</b>	Terry Fedio Tom Burgunder	Donna Klocek Spohn Mary Ann Scrabis	Children's Mass Children's Mass	John Friel Joanne Malenock
<b>Altar Server</b>	Alex Adams Tom Adams Anna Marie Kilonsky	Tim McGuillan Dallas Woods	Emily Halbedl Wesley Cropper Daniel Moose	Alexis Nagel Emilie Nagel
<b>Euch. Min.</b>	Rosemarie Litterini Steffie Orlich Charlotte Schriener Mike Tomsco Christina Phillips Tom Phillips	Ron Amity Claudia Hemphill Mark Honath Michael Ivosevic	Steve Tomsco Lucille Coppola Dominic Puppo Theresa Davis Kelly Hall Eric Hall	Patsy Mance Patrick O'Connor Alexis Adamchik Anne Lutz Zacharias
October 22 - 23	Sat 4:30 PM	Sun 7:30 AM	Sun 9:30 AM	Sun 11:30 AM
<b>Lector</b>	Julienne Giuliani Pat Golembiewski	Tami Ivosevic Donna Klocek Spohn	Children's Mass Children's Mass	John Friel Joanne Malenock
<b>Altar Server</b>	Anna Marie Kilonsky Alex Adams Tom Adams	Tim McGuillan Dallas Woods	Ray Corcoran Jared Hall Eric Hall	Elizabeth Diehl Victoria Diehl Victoria Diehl
<b>Euch. Min.</b>	Steffie Orlich Charlotte Schriener Mike Tomsco Carole Yunker Alexis Adamchik Wanda Mruczek	Michael Ivosevic Nina Ivosevic Ron Amity Claudia Hemphill	Eric Hall Kelly Hall Liz Condeluci Steve Tomsco Lucille Coppola Theresa Davis	Edward McNabb Gloria McNabb Eleanor Vith Patrick O'Connor <i>continued next page . . .</i>

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

October 29 - 30	Sat 4:30 PM	Sun 7:30 AM	Sun 9:30 AM	Sun 11:30 AM
<b>Lector</b>	Terry Fedio Tom Burgunder	Michael Ivosevic Tami Ivosevic	Children's Mass Children's Mass	Donna Klocek Spohn Mary Ann Scrabis
<b>Altar Server</b>	Michael Roussey Alex Adams Tom Adams	Tim McGuillan Dallas Woods	Wesley Cropper Emily Halbedl Daniel Moose	Alexis Nagel Emilie Nagel
<b>Euch. Min.</b>	Rosemarie Litterini Alexis Adamchik Julienne Giuliani Steffie Orlich Charlotte Schriener Mike Tomsko	Ron Amity Claudia Hemphill Nina Ivosevic Mark Honath	Frank Troff Lucille Coppola Theresa Davis Dominic Puppo Steve Tomsko Kelly Hall	Anne Lutz Zacharias Patrick O'Connor Patsy Mance Eleanor Vith

**NIGHT AT THE RACES**

Saturday, October 22, 7 PM  
 Sponsored by St. Malachy Athletic Association  
 Doors Open 6:00 PM  
 Dinner at 6:30 PM  
 St. Malachy Church Hall

\$20.00 per person (must be over 21)

Horses may be purchased in advance.  
 The cost for the horses are \$5 (wins \$20)  
 or \$20 (wins \$30).

Tickets may also be purchased at the Door.  
 For tickets or more information, please call Frank Impavido at 412-589-0446 or St. Malachy School Office at 412-771-4545 by Oct. 12

**CONFIRMATION NEWS**

Our **Confirmation Program** will begin this Sunday, Sept. 25, from 6:30 PM to 8:45 PM at Mother of Sorrows Chapel. This time frame will include Mass at 7:45 PM. Parents and those to be confirmed are required to attend this first session on Sept. 25. The remaining six sessions and the Confirmation Retreat are for the confirmands. Call John Fatula at 412-331-8501 for any further information.

**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.*

**FLEA MARKET NEWS**

Flea Market items will be accepted every Friday beginning this Friday, Sept. 30 at the Pizza Kitchen from 8 AM until 3 PM through the month of October. For more information, please call Lucille at 412-298-6106.

**ANNUAL BLESSING OF ANIMALS**



In conjunction with the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on October 4, we will have our annual Blessing of the Animals next Saturday, Oct. 1, at 1:00 PM, St. Mary's Parking Lot.

Bring your pet, any variety, big and small, as we ask God's Blessings upon each of them.

**BOUNTIFUL HARVEST RAFFLE**

The **Steeple Chase Drive** is sponsoring a **Bountiful Harvest Raffle** on Wednesday, Nov. 30, 2011. It will be based on the winning number taken from the PA Lottery 1st Number Drawing at 7 PM that date. All numbers are played straight as drawn. One winner will receive a harvest full of gifts such as: Macy's \$200 Gift Money, Get Go \$100 Gift Card, The Cheesecake Factory \$50 Gift Card, Silver Star Meats Deli Shop \$25 Gift Certificate, Boni's Floral Shoppe \$50 Gift Certificate and more surprises.

Tickets courtesy of **Anthony M. Musmanno Funeral Home** will be on sale soon at a cost of \$5 per ticket. However, if you want **any special three-digit number in advance** or are interested in selling these tickets, please call Charlotte, 412-331-2453 or Terry, 412-331-3443. The seller of the winning ticket will receive a \$50 gift card.

**DO YOU NEED HELP WITH FOOD?**

The F.O.R. operates a food bank on Wednesdays and Fridays from 2 to 4 PM. You are eligible if your income is below 150% of poverty and you live in the Sto-Rox area. Call 412-771-6460 for any questions.

**DONUT SALE**

There will be donuts for sale after Masses today (if you're lucky to get some before they're sold out) in back of the Church and Chapel. Proceeds benefit St. Malachy School.

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

It is usually around this time of year I publish my classic "Ode to The Tomato." It has been one of my most popular Pastor's Corners, often an asked for repeat, and in fact has been stolen and published in other bulletins and local papers. This year I have a different tomato story to unfold.

My second summer at St. Catherine, in the little plot between the steps of the side door and the steps to the basement, there grew up spontaneously among the shrubbery a tomato plant. Someone pointed it out to me (it's all green to me). Lo and behold, it did in fact produce on its own a number of tomatoes that I consumed with relish (actually with salt and pepper) in the Fall. The next summer, parishioners deliberately planted another one in the same spot, and due to someone's nurturing (not mine!) I again had my own homegrown to eat.

Last year, one of the parishioners purchased a tomato plant and generously put it right on the corner of the entrance to the rectory in the front. She must have looked after it, because it grew tall and strong. Amazingly, it produced HUGE beefsteak tomatoes in plentiful numbers over a two month period - probably close to 100 lbs. worth over the season. And they were absolutely delicious - I gorged myself on them for a long time. I think this plant was in reality some kind of alien mutant from another planet, because everyone was amazed at the quantity, quality and vigor of the fruit.

So this summer, the parishioners put in not one, but two plants. They sprang up quick and high, and almost immediately a large number of green orbs began to grow. Then one day, as I went out to look, there was not a single green tomato on either plant. Some critters I guess that were displaced from the

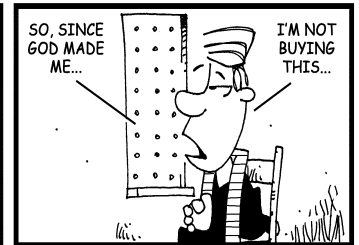
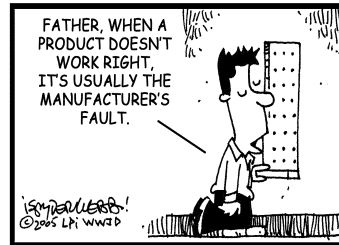
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demolition across the street found a new pasture. Eventually, some new tomatoes began to grow high up on the plants, and so I watched with anticipation for them to turn red. One in particular seemed to be an overachiever and I almost picked it on a Monday, but since I was returning on Thursday, I exercised unaccustomed patience and decided to wait. On Thursday, immediately after Mass I went to the plant, looking forward to my first homegrown tomato for lunch. What I found were about 'lebenty-seven (as Dennis the Menace would say) stink bugs on it. All the plumpness had been sucked out; it was red, but shriveled and totally inedible. So we cut both plants down to the ground.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells us that one plants, another waters, another harvests, and another enjoys the fruit. But not me. Not this year.



26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**THRIFT SHOP**

The Focus on Renewal (F.O.R.) is opening a Thrift Shop on the lower level of the Health Center at 710 Thompson Avenue. The **Grand Opening** will be on Friday, Oct. 7, from 10 AM to 6 PM. Please call 412-771-6460 for more information.

*Saint John of God, Pray for us.*

**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.*