

**ALL SOULS DAY****MASS INTENTIONS**

Sat, Nov. 1 to Sun, Nov. 9, 2008

Saturday Vigil, Nov. 1 :	4:30 PM Church
For all the Deceased of St. John of God Parish Family	
Sunday, Nov. 2:	7:30 AM Church
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Sunday, Nov. 2:	7:45 PM Chapel
For all the Deceased of St. John of God Parish Family	

WEEKDAYS — 9:30 AM CHURCH

Monday, Nov. 3:	Dolly Arch (Husband, Bob & Family)
Tuesday, Nov. 4:	Anniv - Charles Bridge (Family)
Wednesday, Nov. 5	8:30 AM, Chapel: <i>For Students and Staff of Saint John of God School</i>
Wednesday, Nov. 5:	Anniv - Vincent Kiesnowski (Dghtr)
Thursday, Nov. 6:	Mafalda DiVecchio (Rita Cerrone & Family)
Friday, Nov. 7:	James Battista (George Desiderio)

Saturday Vigil, Nov. 8:	4:30 PM Church
Harry Gasiorowski (Wife, Mildred & Family)	
Sunday, Nov. 9:	7:30 AM Church
Anna & Eugene Ritter (Ritter Family)	
Sunday, Nov. 9:	9:30 AM Chapel
Anniv - Rose Funwela (Family)	
Sunday, Nov. 9:	11:30 AM Church
Anniv - Andrew R. Martonik (Wife, Rose & Family)	
Sunday, Nov. 9:	7:45 PM Chapel
<i>Parish Family of St. John of God</i>	

Readings for the Week of November 2, 2008

Sunday:	Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40
Monday:	Phil 2:1-4/Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday:	Phil 2:5-11/Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday:	Phil 2:12-18/Lk 14:25-33
Thursday:	Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10
Friday:	Phil 3:17-4:1/Lk 16:1-8
Saturday:	Phil 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15
Next Sunday:	Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12/1 Cor 3:9c-17/Jn 2:13-22

BULLETIN DEADLINE: TUESDAY NOON

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

9:00 AM TO 5:00 PM (MONDAY THRU FRIDAY)

**BREAKING NEWS**

We have just received a letter from the Clergy Personnel Department of the Diocese. The Rev. Robert Zajdel, M.A., currently parochial vicar at St. Vitus Parish New Castle, has of Nov. 25 been assigned as parochial vicar for St. John of God and St. Catherine of Siena Parishes. Originally from McKeesport where his parents still live, Fr. Zajdel was ordained in 1980 from St. Mary School of Theology, Baltimore. He was a classmate of Fr. Lou at the Bishop's Latin School, St. Paul Seminary and Duquesne University, and they have known each other since 1961. He taught classics at Duquesne University for a time. He once had a private pilot's license, owned a motorcycle, is an early adept at computers and microfiling and obviously is not a Luddite like Fr. Al. More to come as we learn it, but we welcome him to our communities with great joy and look forward to his priestly presence and service. Welcome, Fr. Bob Zajdel!

LIGUORIAN CATHOLIC MAGAZINE

Next weekend, Nov. 8/9, you will have a special opportunity to bring *Liguorian* magazine into your home.

Liguorian is a leading Catholic Magazine published by the Redemptorists and reaches about 200,000 each month. It gives solid and straightforward answers to the important questions and problems facing Catholics today.



A special presentation will be made about *Liguorian* magazine at each Mass next weekend, Nov. 8/9, and subscription envelopes will be distributed. Catholic reading is important for people of all ages. It provides guidance, answers, education and inspiration. We highly recommend *Liguorian* and hope that you will subscribe next weekend.

NOVEMBER: A TIME TO REMEMBER

The month of November is traditionally a time for us to remember in a special way those who have preceded us in death. A book in which you are invited to write in the names of your deceased loved ones is placed in the back vestibule of the Church and Chapel.

SANCTUARY CANDLE - WEEK OF NOVEMBER 2

MOTHER OF SORROWS - IN MEMORY OF DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ANNA AND MICHAEL TEMPALSKI FAMILY BY STEPHANIE MATULA

ST. MARY'S - IN MEMORY OF DOMINICK AND ENES LUPOI BY CHILDREN

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



“TACO TAG TUESDAY”

Teens in grades 9-12 are invited to **“Taco Tag Tuesday”** on Tuesday, November 11 (NO SCHOOL – Veterans Day). We’ll meet at the Youth Center at Noon, go get tacos for lunch, and then play laser tag at Laser Storm. To sign-up, contact Steve at 412-331-8573 x11 or sigyouthmin@yahoo.com. Join us!

NOTE OF THANKS

Thank You to all who took the time to donate baked goods and beverages for the social after the Parish Mission. Your **generosity** and **kindness** was not only **overwhelming** but **delicious**. Everyone who attended the social enjoyed all the goodies, again thanks to everyone. **KUDO’S** to Ed & Gloria McNabb and Ann Tkacik who did an outstanding job organizing the social.

BAPTISMAL PROGRAM FOR NEW AND EXPECTING PARENTS

The program will be held next Sunday, Nov. 9, from 1-4 PM in Mother of Sorrows Chapel. To register or for more information, please call John Fatula at 412-331-8573.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We wish to welcome into God’s Family the newly baptized: *Taylor Michele Chiavetta*. May you continue to grow in God’s love.

ATTENDANCE AT ST. JOHN OF GOD PARISH FOR THE WEEKEND OF OCT. 25 / 26

Saturday	325
Sunday	807
Total Weekend Attendance	1,132
Total Weekend Offertory	\$ 5,847.10
Parish Share Assessment	\$87,038.00
Parish Share Collected to Date (Thank You!) ...	\$90,967.78
Excess Parish Share	\$ 3,929.78

We have successfully raised and paid off the Diocese on our PSP assessment for this year! Thank you for your generosity. From this point on, we get to keep for ourselves all PSP contributions to the end of the year, and tax-free at that. 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.

ST. JOHN OF GOD SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

St. John of God School is forming a School Advisory Board. Father Vallone will appoint 12 members to the School Advisory Board from the following categories: parents of children enrolled in the school (4); members of the faculty (2); representation from the Parish Finance Committee (1) and Pastoral Council (1); the community at large (4). The categories are not exclusionary, and the term of service is two years, renewable twice at the discretion of the Pastor for a total of no more than six years. We are seeking interested parishioners and parents. If you are interested or would like to recommend another person (after talking with the person) please give the names to Father Vallone by November 10. The purpose of the Advisory Board is to provide a stable group of interested and committed individuals to assist the Pastor and Administration of St. John of God School in their duties of governance of the Parish ministry through Catholic School Education. The members volunteer their experience, knowledge, expertise, and efforts in an advisory capacity.

CONFERENCES

Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Monday, November 10, from 12:30 to 3 PM and 5:30 to 8 PM.

Parents must schedule an appointment by returning the form sent home with your child(ren).

DON’T FORGET

SPAGHETTI DINNER THIS SUNDAY, NOV. 2

St. John of God School is sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner THIS Sunday, November 2, serving 11 AM to 6 PM at the Social Hall. Adults \$7.00 - Children \$5.00 - Tickets are available at the door.



CONFIRMATION PREPARATION PROGRAM

Our Confirmation Preparation Program continues this Sunday Evening, Nov. 2, from 6:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. in Mother of Sorrows Chapel. This time frame includes Mass at 7:45 P.M. For more information, Call John Fatula at 412-331-8573.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS



With the preparation of Thanksgiving in our own families, we are reminded of families in our parish who are less fortunate than we. Our parish

will collect non-perishable food as well as paper products and soap for families on two weekends: Nov. 1 & 2 and Nov. 8 & 9. Monetary donations will be gratefully accepted. Please mark the envelope "Thanksgiving Dinner" and place it in the collection basket at Mass. Thank you in advance.

The non-perishable food we collect on Thanksgiving Day will be given to the Little Sisters of the Poor.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Nov. 3 (Mon.) - Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers recited in St. Mary's Church - Rosary begins 6:30 PM.

Nov. 4 (Tues.) - St. Anthony Novena Prayers recited following the 9:30 AM Mass in St. Mary's Church.

Nov. 4 (Tues.) - Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7-9 PM in Mother of Sorrows Chapel.

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

Nov. 5 (Wed.) - Cub Scout Meeting, 6-7:30 PM in the Gathering Place

Nov. 7 (Fri.) - **PIZZA KITCHEN AND IT'S FALAGONE FRIDAY!** To order call 412-331-8530 on Fridays, 8 AM-1 PM. Orders must be picked up by 3:45 PM.

HOSPITAL

Please pray for all parishioners who are in the hospital, especially: **Ohio Valley** - Marie Kresak **Marian Manor** - Bob Lang **Manor Care/North Hills** - Rosemarie Marasco, Rose Rosenwald



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 Agnes Fedio and Jean Populo 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."*

RETREAT AFTERNOON ON ST. PAUL

Next Sunday, November 9, the Felician Sisters will host an afternoon of retreat on St. Paul at their Convent Chapel, 1500 Woodcrest Ave, Coraopolis. It will include Rosary at 11:30 AM, two talks on St. Paul by Dr. William Batz, Diocesan Secretary for Social Concerns, one at Noon and the other at 3 PM. There will be time for adoration, walking on the grounds, praying the outdoor Stations of the Cross, etc. Mass is not included in the afternoon. All are welcome. For more information, call 412-264-2890.

FALL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

St. Malachy Parish is sponsoring a Pancake Breakfast next Sunday, November 9, serving 8 AM to 1 PM in the Church Hall. Adults: \$5 Children (age 2-12): \$3 Call 412-771-3015 for more information.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

Join other couples from throughout the Diocese at a Day of Reflection for married couples on Saturday, November 15, from 9 AM to 6 PM at the Holiday Inn, Green Tree. The \$60 per couple fee includes all materials, continental breakfast, lunch, and a romantic dinner. Make it an optional Friday and/or Saturday getaway at the Holiday Inn by booking from our block of reserved rooms. Sponsored by the Diocesan Office for Family Life and Catechesis, 412-456-3160, and the Department for Black Catholic, Ethnic & Cultural Committee, 412-456-3170.

POLISHFEST'08 - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

The Pittsburgh Polishfest is a family oriented "Free to the Public" Celebration of Polish Music, Song, Dance, Religion, Ethnic Foods, Folk Arts & Crafts. The FREE Festival will be presented at the University of Pittsburgh Cathedral of Learning, Commons Room, 5th Avenue & Bigelow Blvd., Oakland. For more information call 412-231-1493.

HELP DELIVER CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

We invite you to help take Christmas flowers to our sick and shut-in of the parish as part of your Advent practice. Flowers can be pickup at the Pizza Kitchen on Wednesday, Dec. 17 and Thursday, Dec. 18. You can deliver the flowers whenever it suits your schedule. Please call Sr. Theresa at the parish office if you can help us deliver the Christmas flowers.



LADIES OF CHARITY 50TH ANNIVERSARY

In September of 2009, the Ladies of Charity of the Diocese of Pittsburgh will host a National Assembly to celebrate the 50th anniversary of their founding.

To help defray costs of this gathering, the Ladies of Charity is having a **Cookbook Fundraiser**. The cookbook is comprised of a collection of recipes by the Ladies of Charity, Diocese of Pittsburgh. Besides the wide variety of wonderful, delectable recipes, the cookbook also contains an informative history of the Ladies of Charity. The hard-covered, spiral-bound, cookbooks sells for \$15.00 each and are available at the parish office from 9 AM to 5 PM. Checks should be made payable to the Ladies of Charity. If you need more information, please call Sr. Theresa at 412-771-5646.

EXPLORE THE FATHER RYAN ARTS CENTER

Every Wednesday beginning in November through mid December, the Father Ryan Arts Center, located at 420 Chartiers Avenue in McKees rocks, will host guided tours of the facility from 1 PM to 2:30 PM for individuals, community groups or organizations interested in exploring and learning more about what the center has to offer. To register your group, please call Pilar Brown at 412-771-3052, ext 324 or e-mail pbrown@forstorox.org.

CONCERT OF HEAVENLY MUSIC

Friday, November 7 from 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM
Father Ryan Arts Center

Join award winning harpist/composer Peter Sterling for a special concert of celestial harp music inspired by beautiful visions of heavenly angels. Peter's unique blend of ethereal harp sounds and earthy exotic rhythms creates a true fusion of heaven and earth. Through the celestial sounds of the harp, you can expect to be moved and inspired. Tickets are \$15.00 in advance or \$20.00 at the door. For more information or advanced reservations, contact Kathy at 412-913-7571 or kgirlsh@aol.com.

SUPER TURKEY BINGO

Risen Lord Parish
3250 California Avenue
Sunday, November 9, 2008
Early Birds 12:15 PM - Reg. Games 12:30 PM
Doors Open At 11:00 AM

Call Risen Lord Parish at 412-761-1507 for tickets. If you purchase your ticket in advance you will be eligible for a *special raffle*.

EX-PV REPORT

Fr. Al Semler

Well, I made a good effort to complete the projects I was working on. But I'm sure there are some "loose ends" that may need attending to. If one of those "loose ends" affects you, here is my address and phone:

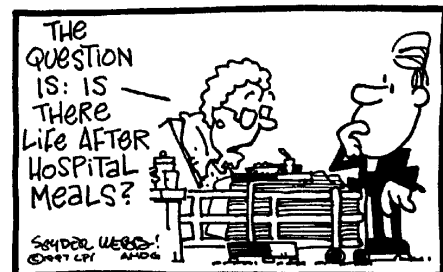
Holy Sepulcher Parish
1304 E. Cruikshank Road
Butler, PA 16002

724-586-7610

My final words to you are "Thanks for your goodness and kindness to me." We've had a good ride. I will take your spirit of generosity to the poor with me. It is really heart warming to see how you continually give to neighbors and those you do not know in response to the Good News. I pledge my prayers for you and ask that you pray for me."

A very grateful,
Fr. Al

ALL SOULS



CHRISTMAS CRAFT SHOW

Holy Trinity Cafeteria and Fr. Hermann Hall
Sat., Nov. 8, 2008 from 10 AM to 3 PM
5718 Steubenville Pike, Robinson Township

Over 100 Crafters - Lunch available

50-50 Raffle, Chinese Auction

and Bake Sale will be held

Lots of Parking - handicapped Accessible

PASTOR'S CORNER
Fr. Lou Vallone

About ten years ago, the following quiz made the rounds on the Internet. At first, I thought it was trivial, but then I happened to overhear a discussion on an ethics class among a group of college kids. It seemed that they were able to quote the theories that they were learning in class quite easily, but then when it came to the point as to whether they would actually carry out those theories, there was more than a bit of waffling. Since Tuesday of this week will see our national elections, I thought you might want to take the quiz before you entered the voting booth.

Question one: A formal election for a world leader has been declared. And your individual vote has wound up being the deciding vote. Here are the plain facts about the three leading candidates:

Candidate A: Associates regularly with crooked politicians and consults with astrologists. He's had two mistresses. He also is a chain smoker and drinks 8 to 10 martinis a day.

Candidate B: He was kicked out of office twice, sleeps until noon everyday, used opium in college and drinks a quart of whiskey every evening.

Candidate C: He is a decorated war hero, a vegetarian, doesn't smoke, drinks only an occasional beer, and hasn't had any extramarital affairs.

Which of these candidates would you vote for?

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Question two: If you knew a woman who was pregnant, having had 8 kids already, three who were deaf, two who were blind, one who was mentally retarded, and she had syphilis besides, would you recommend that she have an abortion?

Candidate A is Franklin D. Roosevelt.
 Candidate B is Winston Churchill.
 Candidate C is Adolph Hitler.

Answers:

And if you recommended abortion, you just killed Beethoven.

How did you score?

It is our responsibility as Catholic Christians to involve ourselves in the governance of our country, but according to the principles of our Faith. This year it is a particularly contentious process. It is not the job of a bishop, priest, or anyone else to tell you who to vote for or against in any election, merely to remind you to inform your conscience according to the will of God, become knowledgeable about the candidates and issues, and make the best choice you can for the best reasons. As the quiz shows, it is not an easy task, but one that should be done. VOTE!

ELECTION DAY

THIS TUESDAY
 NOVEMBER 4, 2008



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.