

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*





THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Nov. 12 to Sun., Nov. 20, 2011

Saturday Vigil, Nov. 12: 4:30 PM Church
Robert L. Priddy (Patsy & Patty Colantoni)

Sunday, Nov. 13: 7:30 AM Church
Sally Douglas (Ron Amity)

Sunday, Nov. 13: 9:30 AM Chapel
Anniv - Ralph & James Ciccone w/Vera & Ralph V. rembr'd
(Karen & Angela)

Sunday, Nov. 13: 11:30 AM Church
Anniv - Andrew R. Martonik (Wife, Rose & Family)

WEEKDAYS — 9:30 AM CHURCH

Monday, Nov. 14: Stanley Stempkowski (Bud Joseck & Family)

Tuesday, Nov. 15: Anniv - Tom Walsh (Betty Jo & Family)

Wednesday, Nov. 16: Josephine Bridickas (Family)

Thursday, Nov. 17: 50th Wedding Anniv - Bob & Mary Ann
(Berbach) Crespy (Family)

Friday, Nov 18: Edward P. & Janet S. Wolf (George & Marge Wolf)

Saturday Vigil, Nov. 19: 4:30 PM Church
Parish Family of Saint John of God

Sunday, Nov. 20: 7:30 AM Church
Parish Family of Saint John of God

Sunday, Nov. 20: 9:30 AM Chapel
Parish Family of Saint John of God

Sunday, Nov. 20: 11:30 AM Church
Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation

Readings for the Week of November 13, 2011

Sunday: Prv 31:10-31/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30
Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-63/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Lk 19:41-44
Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-17/1 Cor 15:20-28/Mt 25:31-46

SANCTUARY CANDLE - WEEK OF NOVEMBER 13

ST. MARY'S - IN MEMORY OF TERRY SPOHN BY WIFE, DONNA
MOTHER OF SORROWS - IN MEMORY OF ALFRED PETERS BY WIFE, MARIA

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

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

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday Noon

PREPARING FOR THE NEW TRANSLATION OF THE MASS

New Words in the Communion and Concluding 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 conclude our survey of some of the changes in the words and phrases that we will pray.

The priest invites us to come forward to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord by calling us to the "supper of the Lamb" and we will respond: "Lord, I am not worthy / that you should enter under my roof, / but only say the word / and my soul shall be healed." This calls to mind the Gospel story of Jesus healing the centurion's servant (Matthew 8:8).

When we are blessed and dismissed from the Mass to continue living our Christian mission, we recall the presence of the Spirit one more time in the dialogue "The Lord be with you." "And with your spirit." The priest or deacon will have two new options for the dismissal: "Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord" or "Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life." Our response—at Mass and each day—is "Thanks be to God!"

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

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

The Confirmation Retreat will be held this Monday, Nov. 14, from 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM at Gilmary Center. Candidates should meet at St. Mary's parking lot by 8:20 AM for transportation to the retreat. We will return to St. Mary's approximately at 3 PM. Lunch will be provided. For more information, please call John Fatula at 412-331-8501.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Bishop William J. Waltersheid will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. John of God Parish next Sunday, Nov. 20, during the 11:30 AM Mass in St. Mary's Church. Candidates and their Sponsors should be seated in the Church by 11:00 AM.



LECTOR WORKBOOKS

Workbooks for all present Lectors are available in the Sacristy at both the Church and Chapel. Please pick up your copy after any Mass.

YOUTH NEWS

All teens in grades 8-12 are invited to Steel City Airsoft on Monday, November 28 (no school - Thanksgiving vacation). What is "airsoft?" It is a game like paintball, but without the messy paint! Cost is \$5 for admission and \$33 for equipment rental. Sign-up deadline is November 21. To sign-up or to get more information, contact Steve at 412-331-8525 or sjgyouthmin@yahoo.min.

**PARISH WEEKEND ATTENDANCE
November 5 / 6**

Saturday	317
Sunday	711
Total Weekend Attendance.....	1,028

**PARISH FINANCIAL TOTALS
For the Weekend of November 5 / 6**

Regular Offertory Collection\$ 6,100.00

(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	\$97,238.25
Excess Parish Share.....	\$14,337.25

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.

HOSPITAL

Please remember in your prayers all those who are in the hospital. *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 John A. Cimoch, Sr. and Richard Adomaitis 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."*

Remember Saint John of God Parish in your will.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

There will be no classes next Sunday, Nov. 20, due to the celebration of Confirmation and also on Sunday, Nov. 27, due to the Thanksgiving Day holiday. Classes will resume on Sunday, Dec. 4, for all students.

REMEMBER TO PICK UP CANDLE

The candles that were lit on All Souls Day in remembrance of those who have died this past year are to be picked up in the Sacristy this weekend, Nov. 12/13. You may also come to the parish office this week, Monday through Friday, to pick up the candle in memory of your loved one from 9 AM to 5 PM. After this week the candles will be discarded.

THANKSGIVING BREAD

This year as a service project for our Confirmation Candidates, the class will be making the Thanksgiving bread that we normally ask volunteers from the parish to do. The bread will be brought to Mass on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24, to be blessed and given to each family attending Mass.

MASS ON THANKSGIVING DAY

As we gather for the celebration of the Eucharist on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24, 9:30 AM in the Church at St. Mary's, we ask you to bring a gift of non-perishable food (large cans are preferred) or paper products to be brought up as your offering at Mass. These items will be given to the Little Sisters of the Poor to help them in their ministry to the elderly. Each family attending Mass will be given a loaf of bread baked by our Confirmation Class.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS



Your
Chance
to Say
Thanks

Next weekend, Nov. 19/20, the annual collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be taken at all Masses celebrated in St. John of God Parish.

Elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests need your help. For years, these selfless women and men ministered for little, if any, compensation—educating the young, nursing the sick, promoting justice and peace. Their sacrifices now leave a substantial gap in retirement savings. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious provides vital funding for prescription medications, nursing care, and more. Please Share in the Care in the second collection next weekend and give to those who have given a lifetime. We thank you in advance.

STEEPLE CHASE SUPER BOWL POOL

Regular season football is still underway, and we don't know who will play in this year's Super Bowl yet. But, we do know the game is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 5, 2012 between the AFC and the NFC. We hope the AFC team is the Steelers, but even if it isn't, we are offering two versions of a Super Bowl pool. There are 100 blocks in each pool. One pool will cost \$35 and will have four payouts for a total of **\$1,700: \$100** 1st qtr., **\$500** half time, **\$100** 3rd qtr. and **\$1,000** final.

The other pool will cost \$100, and will have four payouts for a total of **\$5,000: \$500** 1st qtr., **\$1,000** half time, **\$500** 3rd qtr., and **\$3,000** final. (Payment plan is available for the \$100 pool only, final payment due January 25, 2012.) For this pool only you will get 4 sets of numbers. One set for each quarter. The first set will be for 1st quarter score, the second set for half-time score, the third set for the 3rd quarter score and the last set for the final score.

The names and numbers for each pool will be randomly drawn in advance. You will receive a copy of your completed pool prior to the Super bowl. **Don't be left out - we already have squares sold.**

Purchase a square for yourself or partner with a friend. Consider buying some as Christmas or birthday gifts (**we will even gift wrap for you**). Name your block and fill out the form below. Go Steelers! Questions?? Call Terry 412-331-3443 or Charlotte 412-331-2453.

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SUPER BOWL POOL

PLEASE PRINT, FILL OUT COMPLETELY, DROP IN COLLECTION BASKET OR PARISH OFFICE MAIL SLOT, OR MAIL TO: SJOG PARISH, "SUPER BOWL POOL," 1011 CHURCH AVE., MCKEES ROCKS, PA 15136. QUESTIONS??? CALL TERRY 412-331-3443 OR CHARLOTTE 412-331-2453/

(PAYMENT PLAN AVAILABLE FOR \$100 POOL ONLY)

_____ Square(s)@**\$35/square (\$1,700 payout)** =\$ _____
(AMOUNT ENCLOSED)

_____ Square(s)@**\$100/square (\$5,000 payout)** =\$ _____
(AMOUNT ENCLOSED)

I would like to name my square(s) _____

Name _____

Full Address w/ZIP _____

Phone _____

STEELERS FOOTBALL POOL WINNERS

November 6, 2011
Steelers vs. Ravens



Half Time Score: Steelers 6 Ravens 9
Lucky Shaymas owned by Rita Dugan \$100
Slumin' Angel owned by Theresa & Mike Gallagher \$100

Final Score: Steelers 20 Ravens 23
RAMM owned by Ron Amity, Sr. \$150
B.E.T. owned by Roberta Clapperton \$150

CONGRATULATIONS and LET'S GO STEELERS!

RUMMAGE SALE

The Little Sisters of the Poor are having a rummage sale of clothing, furniture, household items, jewelry, books and assorted items. Little Sisters Home is located in Brighton Heights at 1028 Benton Avenue, Pittsburgh, 15212. The sale is Thursday, Nov. 17, Friday, Nov. 18 and Saturday, Nov. 19 from 10 AM to 5 PM daily. Saturday will be the bag sale. Everything must be sold. Hot dogs and snacks will also be available for purchase. For more information or directions, please call the Home at 412-307-1100.

TURKEY BINGO

Sunday, November 20, 2011
Holy Trinity School Cafeteria — Robinson township
Door open at 12 PM — Games begin at 1 PM
Information: 412-787-2140

HELP MAKE GNOCCHI

The Pizza Kitchen is looking for volunteers to **help make Gnocchis** for sale during Advent (Dec. 2, Dec. 9 & Dec. 16). We will make Gnocchi in the Pizza Kitchen from 5:30 to 8:00 PM on **Monday evening, Nov. 14**. We will start at 5:30 PM and be finished by 8:00 PM. If interested in helping, please contact Rose Dombrowski at 412-771-7438 or just show up. This is a great fundraiser for our parish.

RUNNERS DESPERATELY NEEDED



Our local Meals on Wheels is in desperate need of people to take the meals from the car to the client's door (runners). Please call Connie, mornings at 412-771-4304, if you are interested or if you need more information.

Saint John of God, Pray for us.

**ST. MALACHY PARISH
SPIRITUAL RENEWAL ~~ PARISH MISSION**

Saturday, November 26 - Thursday, December 1

St. Malachy Parish welcomes Fr. Ben Cameron, a Father of Mercy, to lead a spiritual renewal beginning at the Sunday Masses on Nov. 26 to the evening of Thursday, Dec. 1. At this time of grace and blessings, there will be spiritual talks, opportunity for confession, Holy Hour, and time for individual spiritual direction by Father Cameron.

Following is the week's schedule:

Sunday evening, Nov. 27: Confessions at 6 PM
Mission Holy Hour with Conference at 7 PM
Confessions follow the Mission Service

Monday, Nov. 28 - Thurs., Dec. 1: Morning Mass 9 AM
Confessions following Mass

Monday, Nov. 28 - Wednesday Evening, Nov. 30:
Confessions at 6 PM

Mission Holy Hour with Conference at 7 PM
Confessions follow the Mission Service

Thursday Evening, Dec. 1: Solemn Close of the Mission: Confessions at 6 PM; Mass at 7 PM

Since we at Saint John of God Parish do not have a Parish Mission scheduled for this Fall, you are encouraged to participate with the parishioners of St. Malachy Parish in this worthwhile opportunity of grace. What a wonderful way to enter the season of the Church year - Advent!

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, Pierogies Plus \$60 Gift Certificate, and \$25 Edible Arrangements Robinson. **Tickets** courtesy of Anthony M. Musmanno Funeral Home **are available** at each of the Masses, Pizza Kitchen, Bingo and parish office. And they make nice gifts too!!!

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 gift card, too. Please call Charlotte, 412-331-2453 or Terry, 412-331-3443 if you are interested.

**WALKING HOUSE TOUR
IN MCKEES ROCKS**

On **Saturday, Dec. 3, 2011, from Noon to 4:00 PM**, the McKees Rocks Historical Society will be hosting a self-guided walking tour of certain houses in McKees Rocks. Registration and self-guided tour will begin at St. John of God Parish, the Church at St. Mary's, 1011 Church Ave. (parking available in Church parking lot). Tour will finish at The Christ Community Church, with light refreshments and goody bags for attendees. For more information or to make a reservation, please call 412-444-5136. Early bird registration: \$12.00 ~~ Day of Event: \$15.00



The above picture will be on a flag in front of each site on the house tour

FLEA MARKET NEWS

The last Friday to drop off items for the Flea Market will be Nov. 18 at the Pizza Kitchen from 8 AM until 3 PM. Please call Lucille at 412-298-6106 for any further information.

PITTSBURGH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER

The November 18 issue of the *Pittsburgh Catholic* newspaper will be mailed to every registered household in the Diocese. No bulk copies will be available in the Church or Chapel next weekend. Besides the regular news and features, the issue is set to include the popular Family Advent Calendar containing ideas for fun and meaningful activities and special Parish Advent listings.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Nov. 14 (Mon.) - Mass at Chartiers Manor Nursing Home, 814 Chartiers Ave., 1:45 PM ~ Mass Intention: Macosko and Antonelli Families by Family

Nov. 14 (Mon.) - Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers recited in St. Mary's Church - Rosary begins 6:30 PM.

Nov. 14 (Mon.) - St. Vincent de Paul Society Mtg, 7 PM in the Gathering Place

Nov. 15 (Tues.) - St. Anthony Novena Prayers recited following the 9:30 AM Mass in St. Mary's Church.

Nov. 16 WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO in MOS Social Hall - Doors open at 5 PM Early Birds, 7 PM and Regular Games begin at 7:15 PM.

Nov. 18 (Fri.) - Mother of Sorrows Novena Prayers recited following 9:30 AM Mass, St. Mary's Church.

Nov. 18 (Fri.) - PIZZA KITCHEN! To order please call 412-331-8530 on Fridays, 8 AM to 1 PM. Orders must be picked up by 3:30 PM.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Fr. Lou Vallone

This past Friday we celebrated an annual civic holiday, Veterans' Day. Christ is the Prince of Peace and constantly challenges us to avoid violence and war, to seek justice for all and ways and means for people of good will to live together in peace. But because the human condition is one of sin, we constantly fall short of His challenge. And when this happens, there are those who go off to war (or stand prepared for it) not because of the issues and politics involved, but because of a personal sense of values and virtues. Anyone who has served military time is to be respected for the best of what that represents. This is the true meaning of Veterans' Day. It is not about jingoism or misplaced patriotism or partisan politics or any other of the consequences of our sin. Rather, it is about Jesus' recognizing that there is no greater love than to give one's life for another. It is that generosity that we honor. Here is a poem by Joanna Fuchs that memorializes that sentiment:

They Did Their Share

On Veteran's Day we honor
Soldiers who protect our nation.
For their service as our warriors,
They deserve our admiration.

Some of them were drafted;
Some were volunteers;
For some it was just yesterday;
For some it's been many years;

In the jungle or the desert,
On land or on the sea,
They did whatever was assigned
To produce a victory.

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Some came back; some didn't.
They defended us everywhere.
Some saw combat; some rode a desk;
All of them did their share.

No matter what the duty,
For low pay and little glory,
These soldiers gave up normal lives,
For duties mundane and gory.

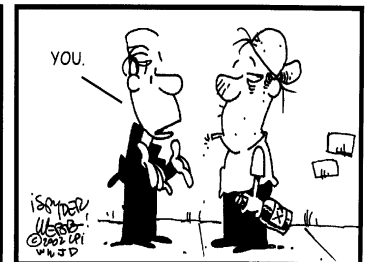
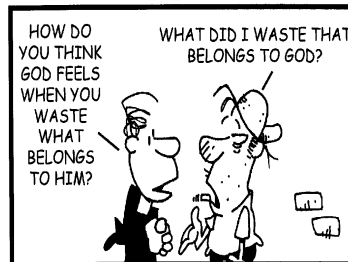
Let every veteran be honored;
Don't let politics get in the way.
Without them, freedom would have died;
What they did, we can't repay.

We owe so much to them,
Who kept us safe from terror,
So when we see a uniform,
Let's say "thank you" to every wearer.



Let us keep all the men and women of the military in our hearts and prayers, even as we long for the day when their service and sacrifice will no longer be necessary.

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"I tell you solemnly, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours, says the Lord." Mark 11:23,24

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.