



Saint Joan of Arc Church

6414 Montour Street
South Park, Pa 15129

Father Pribonic: Pastor
Father Brzek: Parochial Vicar
September 10, 2017

23rd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there
am I in the midst of them." - Mt 18:20

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Mass Times:

Saturday 5:00 P.M.

Sunday: 7:30 A.M.

9:00 A.M.

11:00 A.M.

Daily Mass:

Monday– Thursday 8:00 A.M.

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Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism:

First and Second Sunday, NOON

Sacrament of Marriage:

Please call and arrange with Rectory.

Anointing of the Sick:

Please call the Rectory.

Rectory Office Hours

Monday - Friday

8:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Directory

Most Reverend David A. Zubik, *Bishop*

Reverend Phillip Paul Pribonic, *Pastor*

Reverend Jon Brzek, *Parochial Vicar*

Patti Reavel, *Music Minister*

Beverly Buddemeyer, *Religious Education*

Mona Musser, *Pavilion Supervisor*

Audrey Wurst, *Youth Group Coordinator*

Sharon Gomber, *Office Coordinator &*

Safe Environment Administrator

Nancy Matter, *Secretary*

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Karen Urbanowicz, *Prayer Shawl Ministry*

Nina Hughes, *Respect Life Committee*

Steve Wardzinski, *Finance Council President*

Michael Palus, *Pastoral Council President*

Ed Strauss, *Head Usher*

Melissa Coe, Ian Valenta: *Retreat Coordinators*

Chris Lauterbach: *Life Enrichment*

Mike Pensenstadler : *RCIA*

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 9– Saint Peter

5:00 P.M. - Linda Mattola (Loretta Zak)

Sunday, - September 10– Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 A.M. - LaVerne Ehrbar (Friends)
9:00 A.M. - Kay Reddy (Clare Koontz)
11:00 A.M. - Linda Mattola (M/M Jack Ashworth)

Monday, September 11– Weekday

8:00 A.M. - Ray Zofcin (Pat Urbanowicz & Family)

Tuesday, September 12– The Most Holy Name of Mary

8:00 A.M. - Paul Nigro (Mimi & Greg Finerty)

Wednesday, September 13– Saint John Chysostom

8:00 A.M. - William Lippert (Wife & Family)

Thursday, September 14– The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00 A.M. - Gayle Koontz (Husband, Dan)

Friday, September 15– Our Lady of Sorrows

8:00 A.M. - NO MASS

Saturday, September 16–Saints Cornelius and Cyprian

5:00 P.M. - Dorothy Mackey
(Bev & Steve Buddymeyer)

Sunday, - September 17– Twenty-Fourth Sunday on Ordinary Time

7:30 A.M. - James Gallagher (Wife & Family)
9:00 A.M. - Kay Furguille (Pat Getty)
11:00 A.M. - Linda Mattola (Red Hat Sisters)

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:

Rose Marie Bottles, Dale Kragnes, Jay Briggs,
Thom Mills, Gerry Evans, Karen Recrosio, Tom Recker,
William Reddy, Chuck Stanford, Emerson Cotter,
Dorothy Kudla, Michael Weston, Rod Shipe,
Father Joseph Grosko, John Oakes, Julie Schmaltz,
Marcy Smith, Eleanor Young, Meredith Bissette,
Dom Salvucci, Albert Lexie, Jenny Fraas, Sue Wimer, Brenda
Dunois, Paul Kubis, Donald Melinchak, Alyssa Strutt,
Cheryl Hackett, Madeline Moze, Michael Sexton,
Richard Humenansky, Tom Recker, Fran Drummond,
Virginia Silinskas, John Roberts, Mark Dubich, Tim O'Brien,
William Vetter, Ryan Doughty, Father Michael Maranowski,
Arthur Iocozzia, Mary Lou Quinn, Jonathan Piccoli,
Maggie Nordstrom, Margaret Pietrzyk and Audrey Jones.
Help, save, pity and defend your servants
O God by your grace.

*****Rest in Peace:** Richard Richards, Father of Wayne & Lynn Ruminski.

From the Pastor's Desk

We still remember the victims and survivors and families of the 9/11 atrocity....unfortunately, our country has never been the same, we still feel the effects of that terrorist attack, in resentment, hurt, and anger, which has spilt all over the place in many people, in many ways, we can only pray for our country in these trying times (some strange things are happening) and as I have said many times before, trying to be current about what our legislators are doing (or not doing) and hold them accountable....so much of what they "do" or "do not do" affects all of us, perhaps not even knowing about it.....unfortunately, it seems that we are in gridlock all over because of "negative partisanship".....we have a number of maintenance issues pending, damage from heavy rains, fallen trees and wires, leaking water at bridge, on the pavilion roof.....some of it is covered by insurance, some not.....the national Catholic collection for the flood victims in Texas and Louisiana will take place the week-end of September 17.....with two priests usually available for daily Mass from now until the end of December, we will be able to take an additional intention for daily Masses, so if anyone would like to arrange for an intention for any daily (Monday-Thursday) please call the parish office to schedule.....Life Enrichment picks up again this Wednesday and we are grateful to the team for working with this fabulous ministry.....our best wishes to Ms Bev and the CCD catechists who are beginning another session of CCD, many thanks to all who volunteer for the program, which, with the youth group, is our most important program.....

Father Pribonic

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY IS FOR REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS

SECOND COLLECTION SEPTEMBER 17 IS FOR HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF

SECOND COLLECTION SEPTEMBER 24 IS FOR THE BISHOPS EDUCATION FUND

CELEBRATING THE 17TH annual United Nations Day of Prayer for World Peace, Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 7:00 pm St. Mary of the Mount Church, Mt Washington.

Financial Statement
Regular Offertory..... \$ 8,765.00
THANK YOU For Your Generosity.

REMINDER:
CCD STARTS THIS WEEK.

Scripture Reflection

People in biblical times (as now) were prone to conflict and at the same time tried various strategies to diffuse the anger and so avoid blood-shed, or even death.

One strategy would be to fume and mouth-off without any intent to carry out any threat. Jesus for example fulminated against un-believing towns but left it to God to settle accounts. The cultural belief was that words are better than action.

Another strategy would be to turn the other cheek. This is obviously not popular today (especially with motorists) because popular wisdom says: "Don't get mad, get even!" Our propensity for violence suggests that many follow this strategy. Violence and meanness are all too common in our world.

Today's gospel presents other strategies.

If a person has been dishonored, or sinned against, he is advised to confront the sinner in private and so avoid any public spectacle that would embarrass people.

The next step in strategy would be to take along two or three negotiators and decide the case which would be legally binding. The hope is that the negotiators will succeed where individual efforts have failed.

The final strategy is to involve the assembly, the community, aka the church. By this time the matter has become public and so the community must decide and become the final arbiter. If the offender chooses to disregard the church's judgment, the sinner is thrown out, aka, excommunicated.

The force of excommunication is lost on us who prize individualism. In today's world we prefer to "go it alone" or "do it my way" "See if I care, I gotta be me"! So Jesus' teaching is very difficult for us. We base everything on what we think is right. Not so for Jesus and his followers. The community, that is the Church, is charged with making decisions that are backed up by God. No room for super-individualism here! Adapted from "The Cultural World of Jesus" John J Pilch, SJ, The Liturgical Press, 1995

Healing Mass with Fr. William Kiel at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Finleyville on Wednesday, September 20 at 7 pm. The Rosary will start at 6:30 pm. Music with Deacon Bill Strathman. All are welcome.

Sanctuary Lamp will burn one week for the Blessed Mother for Special Intentions .

Sanctuary Lamp will burn one week for John the Baptist in memory of Edith & Herman Brandl, requested by the Family

Where Two or Three Are Gathered – The goal of *On Mission for The Church Alive!* is to build up and strengthen the Body of Christ, the Church in Pittsburgh. While this process involves many aspects, including studying how our parishes are structured, fundamentally it is about fostering relationships rooted in faith and love. We are all beloved children of God and heirs to his Kingdom. We cannot forget this as throughout the coming months and years we get to know even more of our brothers and sisters in Christ. While we are anxious about what we might lose, we must be confident about what we will be able to gain as we grow together. "For where two or three are gathered in [Jesus'] name, there [he] is in the midst of them." Visit onmissionchurchalive.org to learn more it and to stay informed.

Divorced, Widowed, or Separated? -- The loss of a spouse through separation, divorce, or death is a traumatic experience. The next retreat weekend will be September 15-17, 2017 at the Martina Spiritual Renewal Center, 5244 Clarwin Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15229 Payment arrangements and possible financial assistance are available. For more information, visit our website www.BeginningExperience.org Steve at 412-720-8694.

ENJOY BOOKS The Youth Group will once again be selling Enjoy Books. There's exciting news! The 2018 books will contain a *National Section* with coupons redeemable at about 50,000 locations nationwide. Some of which are: Dick's Sporting Goods, Famous Footwear, Sears, Uber, Ruby Tuesday, Macy's, Family Dollar, Sam's Club, Harbor Freight, Advance Auto Parts, and many more! Price is still \$30, and they will be available in mid September. If you are interested in a book, please give me a call at 412-833-2400. Thank You for your support of our Youth. Audrey Wurst

Prayer Shaw Ministry – Our first meeting of the fall is **September 19** and hope to see you all there - many of you have been busy making our shawls over the summer and bringing them to the office – which is greatly appreciated. Sister Nancy has been busy sharing the blankets with those in need at Jefferson Hospital – we have gotten such lovely thank you notes from those folks along with some monetary donations.– which is greatly appreciated. Again, a huge thank you to those who continue to donate at church to our ministry, we can continue because of your generosity. A very special blessing to all those that make the shawls and pray for the over 4,000 names in the book, you are God's angels on earth. See you on the 19th – Karen Urbanowicz

Please register NOW for CCD! Registration can be completed by **completely** filling in the registration form and returning it with a check. Forms are in the vestibule of the church. You can return your form by placing it in an envelope marked CCD and dropping it in the collection basket. **If you are an active member of St. Joan of Arc parish, the materials fee is \$55.00 for one child or \$85.00 for 2 or more children. If you are an in-active member or outside the parish, the fee is \$70.00 for one child or \$100.00 for two or more children.** (You are considered an active member if you come to Mass regularly and contribute to the church via the envelope system.) **This price includes the late fee. The class lists have been completed. NO more special requests. CCD classes begin the week of September 11th. (Monday) Students of grades 7 & 8 must enter and leave through the school doors only!**

8th grades classes are Mondays at 7:00 and are dismissed at 8:30 through the school doors

7th grades classes are Mondays at 7:00 and are dismissed at 8:30 through the school doors.

1st thru 6th grades classes begin September 13th

(Wednesday) Students and Parents of grades 1-6 must enter and leave through the church doors only! 1st thru 3rd grade meets Wednesday evening at 6:00 students are dismissed into the church at 7:00 4th thru 6th grade meets Wednesday evening at 7:30 and are dismissed into the church at 8:30 ******Class lists will be on the table in the vestibule on September 10th.**

Kindergarten class still has space for students!

Kindergarten classes run twice a month beginning in October, from 6:00 until 7:00. Mrs. Mary Tracy has been working hard to welcome her class. Please consider signing you child up for this very unique opportunity, but register NOW because we limit this class to 12!

St. Thomas More - Endure Basketball Camp

September 23rd, 2017 - All donations go directly to the STM Endure Fund, which helps support school families faced with catastrophic illnesses and events. Donation Request: \$35.00 per camper.

Make Check Payable to: STM Endure Fund

Questions? Email Camp Director: John Fontana jvfon@aol.com or call: 412-953-0090.

St. Michael's Christian Mothers & Women's Guild is planning their 23rd Annual Fall Craft/Vendor Show to be held on Sunday, October 1, 2017 in Archangel Hall from 9am -2pm. (101 McLay Drive, Elizabeth, PA 15037 Questions call 412-751-0663.



HOAGIES AND BREAKFAST The

Youth Group is starting up again and we will be having our Breakfast Buffet next Sunday from 8:30-11:00 am. We will also be selling our delicious Hoagies after all Masses, next weekend, September 16 and 17. We will have the **Enjoy Books** for sale in the hallway after all Masses.

Summer may be ending, but fall fun is just beginning at our Life Enrichment Club. A new season of programs begins on Wednesday, September 13th at 11:00am with a program featuring ventriloquist, Cindy Speck. Cindy and her friends will educate, entertain and inspire us with a program of humorous dialogue, silly skits, touching songs and some audience participation. All are welcome-please bring a covered dish and a friend. For more information, please call the parish office or visit the parish website, www.mystjoan.org

The loss of a spouse through separation, divorce, or death is a traumatic experience.

The *Beginning Experience* weekend is intended to help widowed, divorced, or separated people who would like to pass through the grief and begin to move forward with their lives. Come to a safe place. The next retreat weekend will be **September 15-17, 2017** at the Martina Spiritual Renewal Center, 5244 Clarwin Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15229 which is located in West View/Ross Township. Payment arrangements and possible financial assistance are available. For more information, visit our website

www.BeginningExperience.org or make a confidential call to Mary at 412-523-2405 or Steve at 412-720-8694.

A Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat for post-abortion healing will be held on Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 2017 at Tabor House in Millvale. To register or for more information, call Toni Jester at 412-352-5348 or email: toniafj1@comcast.net

As you know, the Youth Group is joining with Rise Against Hunger (a partner with Catholic Relief

Services), to package 10,000 meals which will be sent overseas. We thank you to all who have donated to this event. If you still would like to donate, we can accept cash or if you write a check, you can make it payable to St. Joan of Arc. The Youth Group will be donating their September hoagie profits and other means to help reach our goal of \$3,000. ALSO, if you would like to come and help at our meal packaging, give me a call @ 412-833-2400 ext. 34. Thank you in advance for helping the Youth Group to help others. Audrey Wurst

Altar Server Schedule

September 23

5:00 Tommy Muha, Owen Cernetic

September 24

7:30 Clare & Cole Brdar

9:00 Julius & Alexis Riske, Kimberlin Ernst

11:00 Evan Aronhalt, Cameron Carroll, Bella Fuller