

Saint Joan of Arc Church

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August 13, 2017

Mass Times:

Saturday:

5:00 P.M.

Sunday:

7:30 A.M.

9:00A.M.

11:00 A.M.

Daily Mass:

Monday–

Wednesday:

8:00A.M.

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FAITH

**Immediately Jesus stretched
out his hand and caught
Peter, and said to him,
“O you of little faith, why
did you doubt?” - Mt 14:31**

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.

Phones:

CCD: 412-835-3724

Domremy Pavilion: 412-854-3173

Diocese Victim Hotline: 1-888-808-1235

Website: mystjoan.org

Directory

Most Reverend David A. Zubik, *Bishop*

Reverend Phillip Paul Pribonic, *Pastor*

Patty 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*

Petar Pranjic & Mary Tracey, *Maintenance*

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, August 12– Saint Jane Frances de Chantal

5:00 P.M. - Linda Mattola (Tom & Carol Nath)

Sunday, - August 13– Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 A.M. - Brian Grogan (Dick & Pat Grogan)

9:00 A.M. - Frank LaValle (Guy Mattola)

11:00 A.M. - Donald Jonocco (Pat Getty)

Monday, August 14- Saint Maximilian Kolbe

7:00 P.M. - Helen Modrak (Loraine Modrak)

Tuesday, August 15– The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 A.M. - Joe Hackett (Jim & Cheryl Hackett)

Wednesday, August 16– Saint Stephen of Hungary

8:00 A.M. - Gerald Fosbaugh (Wife, Karen)

Thursday, August 17– Weekday

8:00 A.M. - NO MASS

Friday, August 18– Weekday

8:00 A.M. - NO MASS

Saturday, August 19– Saint John Eudes

5:00 P.M. - Frank Mathews (Wife & Family)

Sunday, - August 20- Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 A.M. - Jim Ennis (Lois)

9:00 A.M. - Kay Reddy (Virginia Ihnat)

11:00 A.M. - Eugene Settembrino
(Gay & Bob Masztak)

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:

Rose Marie Bottles, Dale Kragnes, Jay Briggs, Thom Mills, Gerry Evans, Karen Recrosio, 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, Joan Charnesky, Jenny Fraas, Sue Wimer, Brenda Dunois, Donald Melinchak, Cheryl Hackett, Madeline Moze, Michael Sexton, Richard Humenansky, Josefina Trinidad Virginia Silinskas, John Roberts, John Smida, Tim O’Brien, William Vetter, Ryan Doughty, Father Michael Maranowski, Mary Lou Quinn, Jonathan Piccoli, and Audrey Jones. Help, save, pity and defend your servants O God by your grace.

From the Pastor’s Desk

We welcome Father Jon Brzek who will be having Masses this week, and is due to take up residence here as our parochial vicar beginning September 5.....also this week-end, we have two music ministers whom we haven’t heard for a while, Melissa Yanchank and Joe Bacher will be filling in for Ms. Patti this week-end.....please remember the holy day of obligation this week....we continue to pray for all elected officials at all levels of government, that they promote the health and well-being of our great country.....please beware of plastic, it is on the way to destroying us!.....

Father Pribonic

Second Collection today is for Repairs & Replacements.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASSES

MONDAY AT 7:00 PM AND Tuesday at 8:00 AM

SOUTH HILLS JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP

MEETING: Monday August 14 7:00 pm at St. Winifred Church, Benedict Hall

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

Sanctuary Lamp will burn one week for John the Baptist in memory of Ray Zofcin, requested by Pat Urbanowicz.

CCD NEWS: *Classes are held Monday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30 for seventh and eighth grades. Wednesday evening from 6:00 – 7:00 for kindergarten through third grades, and Wednesday evenings from 7:30 – 8:30 for fourth through sixth grades* Registration for religion classes has begun. **This registration is for any student who will be in Kindergarten through the eighth grade next year. Registration can be completed by completely filling in the registration form and returning it with a check.** (These forms may be dropped into the collection basket in an envelope marked CCD) (Forms are also available at www.mystjoan.org) **If you are an active member of St. Joan of Arc parish, the materials fee is \$45.00 for the one child or \$75.00 for two or more children. If you are an in-active member or outside the parish, the fee is \$60.00 for one child, or \$90.00 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.) **Register your child NOW for CCD, late fees will be added September 1st. Kindergarten is optional.** Class size is limited, so sign up early...first come first served. If you have any questions, call the Religious Education Office, 412-835-3724

Financial Statement

Regular Offertory..... \$ 8,330.00

THANK YOU For Your Generosity.

Scripture Reflection

Normally the Gospel for last week tells news of John the Baptist's death, which hit Jesus hard. He took a boat to a deserted place in order to grieve, quietly, by himself. The crowd had watched him go. But they tracked him down and got to that place on foot, before him! When he arrived, their many needs pressed him into service immediately. So, instead of the hushed time for grief that he needed, Jesus' heart was moved by the suffering people that faced him. He spent hour after hour, healing and curing—and feeding the five thousand. This story was omitted last week because the Church, for a number of reasons, mostly numerical, celebrated instead the feast of the Transfiguration. Fine, but this week's Gospel is much clearer if you know how it follows the previous one, so I have filled in the missing part of the story above! Which brings us to this Sunday. In the Gospel, Jesus at last sends the crowd away. And notice a strange thing, usually ignored. After feeding the five thousand, he "made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side." But why send them ahead? Why should he stay there alone? The probable answer is easy. Among other things, he needed to be by himself to process John's death, which had moved him so much. So he climbed up on a mountainside and took plenty of time to commune with his heavenly Father. By now it was evening, and he prayed well into the night. A gusty wind came up. He could not have been comfortable. Neither could the disciples, who were trying to hold their boat on course in the wind. We would love to know the character of Jesus' prayer. He had studied scriptures since his youth, so maybe the story of Elijah in our First Reading had come to mind. There, the prophet also was on a mountain-side, and there too, a heavy wind came up. We are told that the Lord was not in the wind, nor in the earthquake that followed, nor in the fire that came next. The Lord God was in the "still, small voice" that came last.* Fast forward. Jesus surely also heard such a voice. Even though his trust was bruised by John's death, maybe he was letting his Abba refresh it. He let his very personal loss be touched, even after caring for so many poor ones. What do we learn? All human beings have to rely on God, especially when it seems that tragedy has the upper hand. Maybe Jesus, even Jesus, was learning that divine love stays in the deepest realm of the soul, and needs a quiet time to emerge. Could this be an example of how he "learned obedience through what he suffered" (Hebrews 5:8)? Did he now possess again what the rest of us humans have to learn, that trust is not a sheer act of the will, not simply a blind decision, but a quiet emergence of God's faithful love. Now Jesus walked on water to the disciples, who were still at sea. How must it have felt to leave solid ground and walk on mere liquid? Perhaps this walking is symbolic of the kind of trust that had been with him throughout his life. It was such a symbol for Peter.

Rev. John Foley, S.J.
St. Louis University

The Lord Is With Us— The winds were blowing, the waves were crashing, the boat was being tossed about and the disciples were afraid. In today's Gospel Jesus comes to the aid of his followers and tells them not to be afraid. Even more, he reminds them that if they trust in him they cannot fail. Are you nervous or afraid about the big changes that will soon take place in the Diocese of Pittsburgh? **Join Bishop David Zubik** in prayer and worship at one of the *On Mission for The Church Alive!* Summer Sessions and continue to prepare your heart and grow in trust that God is with us and will not let us fail. The changes may challenge us, but we trust in the work of the Holy Spirit to provide the gifts and resources for the Church to grow and thrive. The Summer Sessions will be held from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. on the following days: Thursday, August 24 at Saint Mary of the Assumption, Glenshaw; Monday, August 28 at Saint Thomas More, Bethel Park; Tuesday, August 29 at Saint Margaret Mary, Moon Township; Wednesday, August 30 at Saint Kilian, Adams/Cranberry Townships. Visit onmissionchurchalive.org to learn more it and to stay informed.

Annual Luncheon & Fashion Show with Father Scott Seethaler to benefit the Anna Seethaler Hospital on Sunday, September 24 at the South Hills Country Club, Rt 51 & Brownsville Road. Doors open at 11AM lunch at 1PM. Tickets 35.00 per person. Make checks payable to T.A.S.H. and send to Cheryl Graziano, 4844 Old Boston Road, Pittsburgh, Pa 15227 for questions call Cheryl at 412-885-6353

**ST. Thomas More Parish
Senior Resource Panel—Lunch and Learn
8/24/17 at 12:30—Family Life Center**

The last Lunch and Learn for this season will be in the Family Life Center on August 24th. Our speakers will be Beth from OSPTA Home Health, Judy from Mt. Vernon Assisted Living, and Laurean from Patriarch Placement.

RSVP to Joy Paglia at 412-551-2067 or call the Parish Office at 412-833-0031. Thank you!

Altar Server Schedule

August 19

5:00 Owen Cernetic, Marissa Wycinsky

August 20

7:30 Matt Pensenstadler

9:00 Sammy Jess, Bella Fuller, Cameron Carroll

11:00 Evan Aronhalt

The Diocese of Pittsburgh is once again planning its annual Golden Wedding Celebration for couples who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2017. This year's event will begin with Mass at St. Paul Cathedral on Sunday, October 22nd, at 2:30 p.m. Bishop Zubik will be the main celebrant and a light reception will follow in the Cathedral hall. If you are a couple celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary any time this year and would like to receive an invitation to this event, please call the rectory or drop a note in the collection basket no later than Monday, August 21.

Faith Afloat - Who has God created and called you to be? How is He inviting you to serve Him? Delve into your deepest identity as a son or daughter of God and learn how to witness your Catholic faith to the culture through *Faith Afloat*, a cruise for high school students on the Gateway Clipper *Empress* on Sunday, October 15, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The cruise will include dinner, a talk by Father Tom Sparacino. The cruise costs \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. Register by October 2 by visiting PGHPriest.com or by talking to your youth minister.

25th Annual Bob O'Connor Cookie Cruise - All are welcome to mark 25 years of the Cookie Cruise! Thursday, August 17, 2017 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. with boat sailing at 7:30 p.m. Picnic style buffet, dancing, fireworks, beer and wine. Tickets are \$50.00. For more information or tickets visit www.boboconnorfoundation.com or call Bob's daughter, Heidi Garth, at 412-427-5235.

The Women of St. Benedict the Abbot Church, McMurray PA will be sponsoring their annual garage sale in August. Dates are August 24 & 25: 9am to 6pm and August 26: 9 till noon. Any questions please contact Rita Milavec at 724-941-9406.

Catholic Charities' 100,000 Diapers in 100 Days Drive collects diapers and wipes for low-income, struggling parents of infants under two who we serve through our Pregnancy and Parenting Program. You can help by collecting diapers (sizes 2-5) and wipes and contacting Kelli Mainous at (412) 456-6950 / kmaino@ccpgh.org to schedule drop-off. **Prefer to donate diapers electronically?** Log on to your regular Amazon account at smile.amazon.com and select "Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Pittsburgh" as the organization you would like to benefit from your purchase. Select your diapers wipes, and have them mailed to our downtown office at 212 9th Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. By logging in through Amazon Smile, you donate 0.5% of the cost of your purchase to Catholic Charities!

Dear Joan,

A Thank You from The Intersection:

Dear Dr. Boron

On behalf of our Director, Sister Peg O'Neill, and all of us at the intersection, I extend our thanks to you for the supply of fresh vegetables that we received today. It is very rare that we are able to distribute such nutritious food to our people.

Please extend our thanks to all those involved in this parish project. The variety and quality of the vegetables is a real treat for those who come to our pantry.

In the midst of all the named and nameless hungers which we cannot cope with, to be able to offer someone home grown vegetables is a relief. Your donation lays a base for at least calming, even in a small way, the other hungers that ravage those we meet.

This neighborhood of which we have become a part needs to be fed in so many ways. We begin with the most basic need and hope that the love you show through your planting will multiply the effects.

In Christ, Sister Claudia Stehle
July 20, 2017

The intersection as founded in 1972 by the Sister's of Mercy. It is located at 115 Seventh Ave in McKeesport, Pa. The Intersection serves individuals and families on McKeesport and the surrounding areas who are economically poor, disadvantaged, and in need. Many persons come who are unable to find help from any other source. Respect for the dignity of each person is of primary importance. The Intersection depends on the support of dedicated volunteers, religious or church groups of various denominations, civic organizations, local businesses and private individuals who donate to their cause. Each month Carol and Clem Lacher of St. Joan of Arc and a group of volunteers, help feed between 80-100 folks at the Intersection. This group has received donations of food from our St. Vincent de Paul's pantry, fresh produce from our SJA garden, to whom we are very grateful and monies from the sale of homemade crafts. We are in need of grocery store gift cards, in any amount, to help us continue our ministry. If you would like to make a gift card donation, please drop your gift card envelope in the collection basket and mark Intersection on it or you may drop your gift card envelope to the Parish Office during business hours. We would so much appreciate whatever you can do. God Bless You and thank you a bunch.