


Mass Intentions

- Saturday, February 14– Cyril & Methodius**
 5:00 P.M. - Mercedes Wingertsahn
 (Bill & Mary Wingertsahn)
- Sunday, February 15– Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 7:30 A.M. - Patty Cani (Monica Pagano)
 9:00 A.M. - Norma Chasky (Dale Chasky)
 10:30 A.M. - Betty Mae Polanowski
 (Tom & Carol Nath)
 - People of the Parish
 12:00 Noon - Ruth Balkovec (Mike & Diane Fritz)
- Monday, February 16– Weekday**
 8:00 A.M. - Terri Sonick (Family)
- Tuesday, February 17– Seven Founders of the Order of Servites**
 8:00 A.M. - Frank “Chuck” Peternel
 (Ernest Glad)
- Wednesday, February 18– Weekday**
 8:00 A.M. - Joseph Cunko (Gilda Tatar Family)
- Thursday, February 19– Weekday**
 8:00 A.M. - Joseph Cunko (Gilda Tatar Family)
- Friday, February 20– Weekday**
 8:00 A.M. - James Ed Harchelroad
 (John & Helen Harchelroad)
- Saturday, February 21– Peter Damian, bishop**
 5:00 P.M. - Larry Ihnat (Kay & William Reddy)
- Sunday, February 22– Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 7:30 A.M. - Marie Engelhart
 (UPMC South Side Laboratory)
 9:00 A.M. - Betty Weiss
 (Regis & Marlys Schoedel)
 10:30 A.M. - Teresa Dobos (Joan Lampe)
 People of the Parish
 12:00 Noon - Joseph Cunko (Donna & Joe Richard)

 **Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:** Rosemarie Jabo, Tony & Jeannie Obidzinski, Marnie Rennie, Louise Hillman, Emily Herring, Bill Jurgeovich, Michael Pro, Paul Pro, Tim Zalewsky, Rich & Marie Fix, Cathy Villella, Kathleen Gearhart, Hank Marzina, Marion Clerici, Dale Kerr, Ralph Lauterbach . Help, save, pity and defend your servants O God by your grace!

Rest in Peace: Mark Nadorlik Sr., father of Mark Nadorlik, Carol Levis Terella, daughter of Elizabeth Levis Sweeney.

| Financial Statement | |
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| Last Week’s Income was: | |
| Regular Collection..... | \$9922.00 |
| Repairs & Replacements..... | \$1614.00 |
| Thank you for your generosity. | |

From the Pastor’s Desk

Time waits for no one....re-registration is underway for our school, the Island Party is set for this coming week-end , the Parish Share Campaign will soon get underway, and the Holy Season of Lent is scheduled to begin February 25....This Sunday marks the World Day of Prayer for the sick and we are grateful for those who minister to the sick, who pray for the sick and the Prayer Shawl Ministry....

Father Phillip Pribonic

Ash Wednesday-February 25, 2009, a day of fast and abstinence from meat. Liturgy schedule at our Church: Mass 8:00, 9:00; Services at 12 Noon, 4:30 and 7:00P.M.. Stations of the cross on Fridays during Lent at 7:30PM.

Save The Date: SJA WOMENS RETREAT May 29-31, 2009. For more information call Karen 412-831-1517.

Have you checked out our New web site? Being updated weekly. Lost your bulletin, forgot times of events, try our New Website www.mystjoan.org

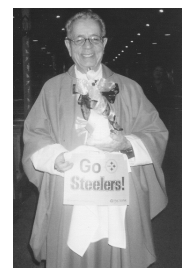
Class for Parents of First Child Baptism: Monday, February 23 at 7:00PM in the Rectory, please call to register.

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| <p>Attention All Fish Fry Volunteers – LAST WEEK TO REGISTER: Mark your calendars! - Tuesday, February 24th from 7:00pm to 8:15pm in the Gathering Place for an evening of reflection with Sr. Kathy. This will offer you an opportunity to pause and reflect on the great service you provide to your parish all year round. To be a volunteer is a blessing – and a gift to the Parish. Please call the rectory if you are able to attend. God Bless.</p> |
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Sanctuary Lamp will burn for one week for the Blessed Mother in Memory of Doris Baranowski, requested by Family. **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn for one week for John the Baptist in Memory of Ed Harchelroad, requested by Wife, Peg.

Mother/Daughter Day of Reflection: Saturday, April 4, 2009 held at the Gilmary Retreat Center from 9:00 till 4:00 P.M. Cost is \$25.00 and \$5.00 for each additional daughter. For girls age 10 and up. Registration in advance is required. For reservations call 412-264-8400.

Tickets are still available for the Tom Watt Island Party for Friday, February 20. Tickets are \$30 per person which include a fabulous island buffet dinner, live music and dancing. For tickets and further information, call Pat Price at 412-854-1089.



Scripture Reflection

There is a lot of wisdom from the past...it is part of our Catholic heritage...many men and women have welcomed the Lord and prayed over His words found in Scripture and have written things which are meaningful even today. Take for example the fourth century holy man John Cassian. As he was getting older, he wrote: "I'm feeling bad as I grow older; I'm tired, I have sleepless nights, fantasies, mood swings, self deception, pretense, and I know that God knows more than I do...so it's worse...I got all out of shape when I lost my pen knife. What is there to do?" And his answer, take from a contemporary holy woman Mother Syncretica: "Confident in God's unconditional love, and patient with oneself and one another, refusing to judge or compare ourselves to others, or to be anxious about our programs, we sail on confident that our way is never hidden from a God who is infinite in His understanding and faithful in His love toward His creatures!"

Spiritual Development Workshop St. Gerard's (Penn Hills) will be hosting its next workshop designed for spiritual development, as part of its on-going TGIF (Together Growing in Faith) campaign. The speaker for the program will be Rev. Donald Ware, C.P. from St. Paul's Monastery. Father Ware returns to St. Gerard's for this program titled "Reconciliation, The Road to Forgiveness" to be held in our social hall on Saturday, February 21st from 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 p.m. The program will be followed by a light lunch, and there is no charge to attend. If you are able to attend, please call SGM church office at 412-793-3333 and leave your name and phone number.

| Altar Server Schedule | |
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| Saturday, February 21, 2009 | |
| 5:00 P.M. | - M. Welsh, T. Wockley |
| Sunday, February 22, 2009 | |
| 7:30 A.M. | - S. Swiess, B. Swiess, Z. Palen |
| 9:00 A.M. | - T. Brdar, A. Krajina, D. Morget |
| 10:30 A.M. | - A. Stein, A. & K. Swindell |
| 12:00 Noon | - K. Messner, T. Ashton, J. Gastmeyer |

Marriage Moments: On anniversaries, the wise spouse always forgets the past, but never the present. (ACME Ad-age) What day of the month is your anniversary? If your actual anniversary is a ways away, perhaps you could have a mini-celebration next month on that date.

Dear Joan,



I was at Mass a few weeks ago and a cell phone went off, I heard this ringtone go on and on, and I looked in the direction of the sound and thought here is another teen getting a call from her boyfriend, but No!....it was a grandma and I couldn't believe it! What is this world coming to? Or should I ask "What is our church coming to?" I think that Father or the lector should make an announcement at the beginning of Mass asking people to turn off their cell phones. Sometimes when I'm at Mass I feel like I'm out at the mall!

Signed: Bluetooth

Dear Bluetooth,

In today's world, even grandmas need cell phones. She might've been getting a call from her grandson who wanted to know when Mass was ending so that he could pick her up and catch breakfast.

The best thing Gram could do is to learn how to text. This way her grandson can text her and she can reply when Mass is over.

PS: All Grams...please check your cell phones to see if they are set for "OFF" or "SILENT" when attending Mass. It will be appreciated by all, and Good Luck with Texting!

Signed: Joan d'Arc

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a nun? The Sisters of St. Joseph are hosting an EXPLORE! Gathering for eighth grade and high school girls who would like to learn more about the life of a sister. EXPLORE will be held on Sunday, March 15 from 10:00 A.M. until 4:00P.M. at St Joseph Convent in Baden, Pa. The program will include Liturgy in the Motherhouse Chapel, brunch with the Sisters, a tour of the Motherhouse, sharing stories of the lives, ministries, prayer, and community life of the Sisters, practical questions about the formation of a Sister an time for questions and sharing. There is no fee this program. For more information or to register, contact Sister Marguerite Kropinak, CSJ, at 724-869-6585.

The Liturgy of the Hours is the official set of daily prayers prescribed by the Roman Catholic Church to be recited at various hours of the day, by clergy, religious orders, and laity. The Liturgy of the Hours consist primarily of psalms, hymns, and Scripture Readings. The Mass, and the Liturgy of the Hours constitute the official public prayer life of the church. During Lent, beginning March 4th, Sister Kathy will offer "Liturgy of the Hours" morning prayer every Wednesday morning after Daily Mass.

Youth Group

SEVEN SPRINGS - Chaperones and youth group members who signed up for the Feb 22 ski trip should plan on attending 9:00 AM mass at SJA (seats will be reserved in the front of church). Please put your gear in the SJA gym located across from the sacristy. We will board the Lenzner bus at 10:00 AM. Parent pick up at SJA lower parking lot at 9:00 PM.

RALLY FOR SPRING - A Lenten afternoon full of prayer, sharing and service for students in grades 9-12 on Saturday March 14 from 1 PM to 6 PM at the Kerr Fitness and Sports Center at LaRoche College. Keynote speaker is Frank Mercadante. Cost is \$15 per person. Refreshments will be available. An R.S.V.P. is expected by March 1 to 412-456-3140.

WORKSHOP FOR YOUNG ADULTS & CONCERT

AT OLG, SATURDAY, FEB. 28 This Lent, Our Lady of Grace in Scott Township will host speaker and musician Daniel "Rodan" Weikert in a two part event on Saturday, Feb. 28. Cataclysmic Christianity, a Workshop on Conversion for Catholics in their 20's and 30's, will begin at 4 p.m. and conclude in time for 6 p.m. Mass. Dinner will be provided. Babysitting is available for anyone who calls ahead. A Concert will follow at 7 p.m. As described in the City Paper, Weikert's performance includes, "powerful vocals, original and masterful guitar, drenched in Southern soulful longing." The concert is open to all ages. Both the workshop and concert are free. A great way to kick off Lent! For more information, call Marie, 412-279-7070, or visit www.olgscott.org/html/cataclysmic.html.

The semi-annual Evening of Reflection for those who are Separated or Divorced sponsored by the Office for Family Life and Catechesis of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, will be offered on Wednesday, March 25, 2009 from 7-9 P.M. at St. Paul Seminary, Crafton. The presenter will be Fr. Eugene Lauer, a priest of the Diocese of Pittsburgh. The topic for the evening will be "Unanswered Prayers: An Ongoing Christian Mystery." There is no charge for this evening, but free will offering will be accepted. For further information call 412-456-3160.

The Sisters of the Divine Redeemer at 999 Rock Run Road Elizabeth Township are sponsoring a Day of Reflection at the Motherhouse on Saturday, February 21 from 9:30 AM to 5 PM with Tom Rutkowski. The day will include 3 talks, Holy Hour, Stations, Rosary, lunch, confessions and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass being celebrated by Bishop David Zubik. Donation of \$30 per person may be paid at the door but please call Sister Rosemary at 412 751-8600 or e-mail at sisrosemarysdr@aol.com for a reservation and more information.

This week at Saint Joan of Arc School...

Monday, February 16... No School, Presidents Day
 Wednesday, February 18... 2nd Grade Sacramental Meeting,
 6PM, Church
 Friday, February 20... \$1.00 Dress Down Day
 Saturday, February 21... Market Day Pickup

Registration is now open for 3 and 4 year preschool, half and full day Kindergarten and new students in grades 1 –8 for the 2009-10 school year. Saint Joan of Arc School promotes academic growth through a well-defined curriculum that supports basic skills and lifelong learning, in a faith based environment. We are excited to show you our school and share the good news that is SJA! For your personal tour, or to register, please contact Mr. Jon Cuniak, school principal at 412/833-2433.

Congratulations to 8th grade student Rhiannon Lewis and 7th grade student Connor Leach for earning 1st place awards at the local Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science competition, held on Saturday, February 7. The title of Rhiannon's project, in the field of Chemistry, was "Hard Water vs. Soft Water." The title of Connor's project was "Are Child-resistant Medicine Bottles Really Child-proof?" Connor's project was in the field of Behavioral Sciences. Both students advance to the state competition at Penn State University May 17-19. The students have been working on these projects since the beginning of the school year under the guidance of Mrs. Lynn Martik and Mrs. Nancy Matter. Congratulations to the students and their teachers! Good luck at Penn State!

The annual Sarris Easter Candy sale is underway through February 27. Please consider purchasing your Easter treats through our Sarris Candy sale and support our school! For information, or to order, please call the school office or contact any school family.

Saint Joan of Arc School has scheduled the assembly "Fire and Ice" from the Carnegie Science Center through the Shop 'n Save SEED program. Please send your Shop N' Save receipts dated May, 2008 or later to the school office so that we can provide this assembly at no cost to the school. Thank you for your support!

Do you know someone who is divorced separated or widowed? A Beginning Experience weekend March 20-22, 2009 at the Gilmary Center in Moon Township, Pa offers an opportunity for healing one's loss in a caring atmosphere. the Beginning Experience is supported by the Office for Parish Life/Family Life. For information, make a confidential call to Susan Ackerman @ 724-334-0118