

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, July 4– Elizabeth of Portugal**

8:00 A.M. - Safety, Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of the Appalachia Work Camp Volunteers

**Sunday, July 5– Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 A.M. - Piera Mazza  
(Mark, Virginia Repine & Sons)  
9:00 A.M. - Leo Bebout (Bebout Family)  
10:30 A.M. - Sandy Schwenning (Grandchildren)  
- People of the Parish  
12:00 Noon - Ned Huber (Virginia Wendell)

**Monday, July 6– Maria Goretti, virgin & martyr**

8:00 A.M. - Rosemarie Doorley  
(Rich & Angela Heidenreich)

**Tuesday, July 7– Weekday**

8:00 A.M. - Shirley McKinley  
(Anna Marie Krummenacker)

**Wednesday, July 8– Weekday**

8:00 A.M. - Tom Mahr (Roz & Joe Blice)

**Thursday, July 9– Augustine Ahaio Rong**

8:00 A.M. - Joseph LaBella  
(Carol & Tom Pavlik)

**Friday, July 10– Weekday**

8:00 A.M. - Colleen Boyer Wood  
(Mom, Dad, & Family)

**Saturday, July 11– Weekday**

3:00 P.M. - Wedding: Jessica Cleaver to Charles Allard  
5:00 P.M. - Ruth Desimone (Depres Family)

**Sunday, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Times**

7:30 A.M. - Charles Holl (Mary Mullen)  
9:00 A.M. - Mark Minenna (Mary Jean Nix)  
10:30 A.M. - Marilyn Walsh  
(South Park Middle School 5th Grade)  
- People of the Parish  
12:00 Noon - Ivo Bozic (SJA Faculty & Staff)

**Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:**

Rosemarie Jabo, Jeannie Obidzinski, Marnie Rennie, Louise Hillman, Emily Herring, Bill Jurgevich, Michael Pro, Paul Pro, Tim Zalewsky, Rich & Marie Fix, Cathy Vilella, Kathleen Gearhart, Marion Clerici, Judy Zadkar, Dottie Kennedy, Bob Bittner, Penny James, Stephen Nicholas, Margaret Smith, Anna Pierce, Jericho Fedor, Aniceta Heidenreich and Ed Stetar . Help, save, pity and defend your servants O God by your grace!

**Sanctuary Lamp** will burn for one week for the Blessed Mother in memory of Carol Tirella , requested by Dick and Betty Sweeney.

**Financial Statement**

Last Week's Income was:  
Regular Collection.....\$8445.38  
Peter's Pence.....\$1768.00

**Thank you for your generosity.**

**From the Pastor's Desk**

Moving along as fast as ever through summer, Mrs. Hale is again working very hard to prepare for the upcoming Festival, this year August 5-8....many thanks to everyone for co-operating in the prep work, signing up for being a volunteer, and taking chances on the sweepstakes raffle and Ca\$h Ba\$h!....speaking of the festival, the festival house is in need of a good bit of attention: we had to cut the dead trees around it, clean the roof of moss, clean out gutters and drains, install new electrical grid, point the brick, and possibly replace the roof....we pray for the safety of the Appalachia workcamp this week....we are so proud of them!....

Father Phillip Pribonic

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**Second Collection** Next Week is For Repair and Replacements.

**Parents of first child baptism:** Monday, July 27, at 6:30PM in the Rectory, please call to register!

**The Diocese of Pittsburgh is again planning its annual Golden Wedding** celebration for the couples who have been married 50 years. This year's celebration will take place on Sunday, November 8, 2009 with a mass at 3:00PM at St. Paul Cathedral. Bishop Zubik will be the celebrant. A reception will follow in the lower hall of the Cathedral. Any Couple who has celebrated or will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary during 2009 is asked to submit their name, address and phone number to the parish as soon as possible, during business hours.

**Attention Eucharistic Ministers: Any Eucharistic Minister interested in acting as a Sacristan for the 7:30 AM and 9:00AM Mass please contact Mary Tracey at 412-831-0932. Sacristans are needed for both of these Masses.**

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**Dear Joan,**

I know this leaving after Communion is a never-ending discussion....but....

We as a family have always gone to 10:30 Mass, it's our "home" time in church.

Where I work we are now on our summer schedule. I have to be at work at 11:45. So yes, I leave right after I take communion, but I'm there every Sunday.

"Never judge anyone because you never know what their circumstances are."



**A Sunday Worker**

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**Rest in Peace:** Maragret Emery, Mother of Donna Steven's.

### Scripture Reflection

How can there be power in powerlessness? Well, let's think about it. Can't a tiny child melt our hearts? Didn't the weakened and stooped body of Pope John Paul II create an even more powerful presence during the later years of his papacy? Wasn't the non-violent passive resistance of Ghandi or Martin Luther King, Jr. more powerful than guns and force to create lasting change in India and America? And even in our own relationships, is the breach between two people reconciled by one of them shouting louder or heaping more logical arguments against the other, or does it finally resolve only when one of the parties finally lays down his or her power, unclenches the fist, and assumes a position of powerless?

To harness, and to trust, the power in weakness we must learn an entirely new set of rules than that employed by those who play the power game. We must cultivate great trust in God more than ourselves. We must learn that a single lifetime is too short to judge the effectiveness of a life, so we cannot get discouraged in the face of apparent failure. And we must learn that when power flexes its muscles, it creates an opposite and equal power of resistance in those who feel threatened. So the power game is doomed to escalate, to foster retaliation and resentment, and to lead to final destruction of all that is lovely and worthwhile in human experience.

Yes, there is great power in powerless. Is it risky, this vulnerability in the face of those whose only play is with the force? Certainly. But in the end, the world is not changed by brute force. The world is changed by the powerless, open palmed, warm-hearted, passion of great love.

And Where have we seen that kind of love most clearly displayed? On a cross. There the All-powerful One became powerless. The Eternal One made himself vulnerable to death; dying from our sins, but also dying for our sins. And the greatest defeat was turned inside out in the light of Easter to become the greatest triumph. It was the ultimate reversal, and the final solution, to the power game.

**Protecting All God's Children's classes** For Festival Volunteers and other volunteers July 19 at 10:00 AM; please call during business hours or email the Rectory to register. Last Chance in our Parish before AUDIT.

#### Altar Server Schedule

##### Saturday, July 11, 2009

5:00 P.M. - J. & C. Counihan

##### Sunday, July 12, 2009

7:30 A.M. - M. Donahue

9:00 A.M. - N. & M. Leng, C. Shakespeare

10:30 A.M. - B. & S. Swiss

12:00 Noon - T. Ashton, C. Bajkowski, A. Rigatti

**Needed for week of July 11 and 12th:** We are in need of Volunteers that are willing to sell Ca\$h Ba\$h Tickets after all Masses. The Week of July 11 & 12, and also July 20,21,27 and 28th. Please contact the Rectory if you are interested, during business hours.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** It takes many volunteers each evening to make the festival run efficiently. Please volunteer for the festival to be held August 5-8th. For questions or further information call Patty Kearney 724-348-4411 or Wendy Holmes 412-266-2093.

**Sweepstake Raffle Tickets:** Once again we are offering \$8000.00 in cash prizes which will be drawn during the Festival as follows: Wednesday \$1000; Thursday \$1000; Friday \$1000; and Saturday \$5000. Please remember : Should you decide to send in a **full \$50.00 for 25 tickets**, we will send you a **FREE CASH BASH TICKET (\$10 Value).. The Cash Bash** will be held on Wednesday, August 5 and will have a guaranteed **winner every 15 minutes from 7:30-10:00 P.M.**, with **prize awards** of \$100 to \$500.00. *Winners need not be present.* If you did not receive your tickets or need more, please call the rectory. Support from all parishioners and friends of the parish is needed for the success of this raffle. Thank you and Good Luck!!!!

**Chinese Auction:** Please consider donating or specialty craft at our Festival Chinese Auction. The great ideas and generosity of our parishioners always make this booth an enjoyable stop!

**Cooler of Cheer:** We need your help with donations for the cooler of cheer. We need bottles of liquor, wine coolers, beer, soda, snacks, etc. Please bring these items to the rectory.

**WE NEED NEW OR GENTLY USED ITEMS** for our festival **Our rules are simple:** No Clothing, Shoes, Televisions, Computer equipment over 3 years old, gasoline containers or paint cans. NO CRACKS OR CHIPS ... ALL PARTS and in WORKING ORDER.

#### **Future drop off dates:**

Saturdays (4:00 PM to 6:00 PM) ... July 11, 18 and 25,  
Sundays (8:30 AM to 1:00 PM) ... July 12, 19 and 26

**NEW LOCATION** ... School Entrance at side of Church ..

Dates and Times Above ONLY. **Please do not drop off any items at the Parish Office.** If you have any questions please contact Kathie Gasior at 412-833-7561 or [kgasior2@gmail.com](mailto:kgasior2@gmail.com)

**New Game** this year Grocery Bag Wheel. Please see the insert in bulletin and pick your bag up in the vestibule of the church. Please return filled bag week of July 18,19, 25 & 26, Please leave the bags outside the Domremy Pavilion. Thank you for your cooperation. Sister Kathy

**Appalachia Volunteer Return**-Volunteers are expected to return to the SJA lower parking lot today at approximately 6PM. Campers will be given the opportunity to phone home when we are one hour away.

**Fish Fry: NO FISH FRY THIS MONTH!**

### CCD NEWS

**Registration for next years religion classes has begun.**

**This registration is for any student who will be in Kindergarten through eighth grade next year.**

**Registration can be completed by completely filling in the registration form and returning it with a check.**

Forms were sent home with all current students are also available on line at [mystjoan.org](http://mystjoan.org), or in the vestibule of the church. You can return your form to the CCD or by placing it in an envelope marked CCD and dropping it in the collection basket. (Special request deadline is over! No more Special Request!) If you are an active member of St. Joan of Arc parish, the materials fee is \$45.00 for the one child or \$70.00 for two or more children. If you are an inactive member or outside the parish, the fee is \$60.0 for one child or \$85.00 for two or more children. (You are considering an active member if you come to Mass regularly and contribute to the church via the envelope system.) Kindergarten is optional. Class size is limited, so sign up early....first come first served. We do need volunteers to help with the Religious Education program teachers are needed for 1st and 5th grades. I know this seems like a big job and everyone is very busy, but this truly could be quality time spent with your child. Training is available! Please seriously consider helping. We need your support to keep this program working and growing! Stop in at the Religious Education office and see yourself...You can make a difference. If you have any questions, call the Religious Education Office, at 412-835-3724.



Since 1981, in a small village named Medjugorje in Bosnia-Herzegovina, The Blessed Virgin Mary has been appearing and giving messages to the world. She tells us that God has sent her to our world and, these years she is spending with us are a time of Grace granted by God. In her own words she tells us, "I have come to tell the world that God exists. He is the fullness of life, and to enjoy this fullness and peace, you must return to God". Father Pribonic and Father Ray in Medjugorje, praying for the special intentions of our Parish.

**Reminder :** St. Joan of Arc School will be closed in the month of July. The school will reopen August 3, 2009.

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

**"If you could see through God's eyes, you would see God seeing you through."** If you need a prayer shawl for yourself or another, all you need do is ask. Please feel free to call Carol Lacher at (724) 348-4692

**South Hills Interfaith Ministries:** Once again we have begun planning for our Back-to-School Program, which is held every August. This program provides new school supplies for children who are supported by our new Bethel Park office, as well as our Prospect Park Family Center. We encourage donations of new school supplies, backpacks, and/or monetary donations to help make this event a success. We ask that your donations be received by SHIM no later than Friday, July 31, 2009, if possible. Checks can be made out to SHIM. The Back-To-School Program will be held during our food pantry and clothing distribution on Thursday, August 20, 2009 and Friday, August 21, 2009.

**Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Polish Hill** will hold its Parish Festival on Saturday, July 18, 2009 from 1:00 PM to 11:00 PM. Bake sale, ethnic food, raffles, bingo, sale of Polish items and games are featured. Polka Mass with Ray Jay and The Carousels at 4:00 PM. Further information – 412-621-5170

**Married Singles Lifestyle** –The Married Singles Lifestyle describes couples that may have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage partners and are living more like roommates. To register for the September program beginning with a weekend on July 10 - 12, 2009 call 412-277-3434 or e-mail [3041@retrouvaille.org](mailto:3041@retrouvaille.org).

**YOUNG ADULT TRANSITIONS** - A retreat for recent high school graduates is your chance to gather with others to celebrate your recent high school graduation and to prepare for the future! Gilmory Retreat Center August 7-9 Cost \$50. Call 412.456.3140.

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**The Air National Guard Band of the Mid-Atlantic** will be in Concert at the Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Dept July 8th 7 to 9 Pm– 370 Commercial Street Bridgeville.