

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, August 29- Martyrdom of John the Baptist**

- 3:00 P.M. - Wedding Lauren Keyes to Nicholas D'Alessandro
- 5:00 P.M. - Jennie Martini (Daughter, Margaret)

**Sunday, August 30- Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 7:30 A.M. - Marion Clerici (Sandra & John Bayos)
- 9:00 A.M. - Leo Bebout (Bebout Family)
- 10:30 A.M. - Michael Baldauf ( Julia Porter)
- People of the Parish
- 12:00 Noon - Joseph Kimmel (Janice, Donna, Charmaine & Sam)

**Monday, August 31- Weekday**

- 8:00 A.M. - Andrew Taboni (M/M Gutrie Taboni)
- 3:00 P.M. - Mt Vernon: Irene Barna (Stanford Family)

**Tuesday, September 1- Weekday**

- 8:00 A.M. - Joseph & Rosalla Ackerman (Judy Grosko)

**Wednesday, September 2- Weekday**

- 8:00 A.M. - Michael Baldauf (Baldauf Family)

**Thursday, September 3- Gregory the Great, pope & doctor**

- 8:00 A.M. - Leona Opferman (M/M Syl Mitsch & Family)

**Friday, September 4- Weekday**

- 8:00 A.M. - Marge Lucas (Mel Lucas)

**Saturday, September 5- Teresa of Calcutta**

- 5:00 P.M. - Norma Klaja (Bill Kunkle)

**Sunday, September 6- Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 7:30 A.M. - Bernard Kowalski (Kowalski & Dailey Families)
- 9:00 A.M. - Michael Baldauf (Library Golden Agers)
- 10:30 A.M. - Mary Kubis (Husband Paul & Family)
- People of the Parish
- 12:00 Noon - Dolores Lis (Eugene & Eleanor Lis)

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

Rosemarie Jabo, Jeannie Obidzinski, Marnie Rennie, Louise Hillman, Emily Herring, Michael Pro, Paul Pro, Tim Zalewsky, Rich & Marie Fix, Cathy Villella, Kathleen Gearhart, Judy Zadkar, Dottie Kennedy, Bob Bittner, Penny James, Stephen Nicholas, Margaret Smith, Anna Pierce, Jericho Fedor, Pat Rae, Al Furno, Ed Stetar, Ian Roberts, Carl Humphreys, Frank Mathews, Frank Tapolci, Oscar Spaziani, William Pendergast, Jerry Ault, Camryn Surman, Janice Will, John Kirpsak and Anthony Capone. Help, save, pity and defend your servants O God by your grace!

**Financial Statement**

Last Week's Income was:  
 Regular Collection..... \$9975.00  
 Parish Share.....\$110,528.00  
**Thank you for your generosity.**

**From the Pastor's Desk**

We welcome 130 students to our school, under the direction of Ms. Louanne Davis, acting principal, and a very fine staff of teachers, as well as our secretary, Ms. Peggy Rodi, and thanks to Petar Pranjic and his staff for a wonderful job in preparing the building for opening....this weekend we welcome Sister Patricia Bennett of the Sisters of Notre Dame who will be making the annual missionary appeal, and I am confident that our people will be generous as usual....looks like Sister Kathy has lined up a great series of speakers for her Life Enrichment Club, beginning this Wednesday....our Fish Fry picks up again with Ms. Mona Musser in charge, and we hope not to miss a beat....  
 Father Pribonic

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**Second Collection This Sunday,** August 30 is the annual Missionary Co-Op Appeal.

**Parents of first child baptism:** Monday, September 28, at 7:00PM in the Rectory, please call to register!

**Position Available:** beginning part-time Youth Minister at St. Joan of Arc Church, please apply with Pastor.

**St Vincent DePaul Society** will have a truck parked in our parking lot on September 19, 9-12 Noon and 4-6PM, and on September 20, 8AM - 12 Noon. Contributions of clothing, household items, etc. will be accepted.

**Rest in Peace:** Peter Glumac, father of Cathleen Rager.

**Congratulations to:** Tony & Carol Balistieri, celebrating their Golden Anniversary at Mass last Sunday. A cent'anni Tony & Carol.

**Sanctuary Lamp** will burn for one week for the Blessed Mother in Memory of Joseph Kimmel, Requested by Janice, Charmaine, Donna & Sam.

**Altar Bread & Wine** for one week in Memory of Joseph Kimmel, Requested by Janice, Charmaine, Donna & Sam.

**Attention all Saint Joan of Arc Volunteers and Saint Joan of Arc School Parents and Parishioners**  
 If you still have your Child Abuse Clearance, please return it to the Rectory as soon as possible **The next Protect God's Children Class at St. Joan of Arc will be September 20,2009 at 10:00 AM in the Schuster Room.** Please check on [www.diopitt.org](http://www.diopitt.org) to see where the next Protect God's Children class will be held if you are unable to attend this class. Please contact the Rectory during business hours to register. NOTE: If you are not compliant, **you may not act in your volunteer capacity.** Thank you.

**Scripture Reflection**

*Above all, Tend Your Heart....*

Jesus made a number of revolutionary claims and certainly one of them is in today’s gospel from Mark.

Ritual and dietary laws were very important to the Jewish people. People would suffer and die lest they be forced to break them. With a word Jesus wiped out those laws. We can imagine how people felt.

He wanted to teach that the condition of the heart is what is most important. Things cannot be clean or unclean in any real religious sense of the term. Only persons can be defiled and that is by his own actions which are the product of his own heart. This was shatteringly new doctrine.

But it is the core of Jesus’ teaching, here and in the Sermon on the Mount (read Matthew cc.5-7). The heart has to be set on the right place- -God. When our hearts are set on God and His will, everything will come to us and our hearts will consistently produce goodness, all over. So, above all. Tend your heart, it affects everything you do!

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**Stress in Your Marriage?** – **Retrouvaille** helps couples through difficult times in their marriage. In today’s busy world, many couples experience anger, coldness, frustration, and loneliness. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on September 25 - 27, 2009, please contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434. More information is available at [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com)

**The Mission of Tabitha Women’s Ministry** is to be Christ’s ambassadors. We demonstrate the love of Christ to those who are hurting spiritually, emotionally and physically. With the power of the Holy Spirit, our main objective is to be an extension of God’s love through Christ Jesus to those who are in need. First meeting September 25, 2009 at Lowe Hall of Shiloh Baptist Church, South Park. Meetings begin at 6:30 PM with a delicious buffet to follow. For further information, please call Alma Gilliam at 412-835-7220.

<b>Altar Server Schedule</b>	
<b>Saturday, September 5, 2009</b>	
5:00 P.M.	- J. & C. Counihan
<b>Sunday, September 6, 2009</b>	
7:30 A.M.	- Mike Donahue
9:00 A.M.	- A. Krajina, D. Morgret, C. Shakespeare
10:30 A.M.	- A. Stein, A. Klye, C. Dembiczak
12:00 Noon	- C. Bajkowski, T.& W. Ashton

**Dear Joan,**

Please consider what can be done to fittingly celebrate the Feast of the Assumption in the future. Although this Solemnity was not a Holy day of obligation, it would seem only right that we celebrate this great feast of our Lord’s Mother in our Parish. The fact that there is not even a Mass only adds to the confusion for Catholics (its is a serious sin if you miss Mass on certain years, but this year we don’t have Mass?) I realize the lack of a proper celebration is an issue throughout the Church in the US, but maybe we could do something to celebrate this wonderful feast which reminds us that some day too, we could share in the Resurrection of our Lord.

**Hopeful Catholics**

**Dear Hopeful Catholics,**

You make a good point. Since we usually don’t have a morning Mass on Saturdays the Pastor made the decision not to insert one for the Solemnity. It was a judgment call.

Next year we will be able to fittingly celebrate this feast since it will fall on a Sunday.

A number if years ago the bishops of the US decided that when the feasts of August 15 and January 1 fall on a Saturday or Monday, the “obligation” to attend is removed. The intent, seemingly, back then (twenty or more years ago) was to give a break not so much to the people, but the priest (fewer then even) who had to say multiple Masses over the week-ends (including funerals and weddings).

You might find it interesting that in Canada, only Christmas is a Holy Day of obligation.

**Signed: Joan D’Arc**

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**Life Enrichment Club** begins this week-Wednesday, Sept 2nd– form 11:00 AM to 1:15PM in the Gathering Place. Sr. Kathy is making her famous Spaghetti!! After lunch our guest speaker will be Mrs. Pat Rampolla who will speak on “Find Happiness as We Grow in Wisdom, Age and Grace.” Come and discover what an exciting club this is going to be. Need more info....call Sister Kathy.

**R.C.I.A.** – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults – is a program developed for all those interested in becoming a Catholic. Here’s where I need your help! If, by any chance, you know of someone, or are related to someone who has shown an interest in becoming a Catholic, please contact me at the Rectory Mondays or Wednesdays at 412-833-2400 – thanks and God Bless....Sr. Kathy

**Coming in October**– A Journey through the Bible- mark your calendars for Tuesdays beginning October 20th through December 8th!!!! Look for more information each week in the bulletin or for information call Sister Kathy 412-833-2400.

CCD NEWS

Register your children for CCD before August 31<sup>st</sup>. 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 \$45.00 for one child or \$75.00 for 2 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.)

**Kindergarten is optional and the class size is limited**, so sign up early...first come first served. **CCD classes begin the week of September 14<sup>th</sup>.**

**The class lists have been completed. No more special requests.**

**The Religious Education Office will be closed the week of September 7<sup>th</sup>. All students MUST be registered before this date in order to begin class on September 14<sup>th</sup>.**

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**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** "If we ask, God will help us conquer our worries, one at a time." Are you or someone you know in need of a prayer shawl and the many prayers it represents? If so, your requests and or questions can be directed to Carol Lacher at 724/348-4692.

**We have a year round fund raiser for SJA School on AVON products.** Please consider taking a catalog home .. you will be surprised at the variety available. You may place your order by e-mail ([kgasior2@yahoo.com](mailto:kgasior2@yahoo.com)) by phone Kathie Gasior 412-833-7561. website to order, and your purchases would be mailed directly to your home. <http://www.youravon.com/kgasior>

**Annual "Giant Garage Sale" @ St. Benedict the Abbot Church, in McMurray, Friday September 18th from 9AM to 7PM and Saturday September 19 from 9AM to 3PM .**

**Cub Scout Pack 569 from South Park** is selling Fall Mums on Sunday, August 30th from 8-1, in the Library Fall Hall parking lot. They are \$6.00 for an 8 inch pot, which is a great deal! They are gorgeous and hardy! Mark your calendars and come help support the Cub Scouts and add some fall colors to your yards. There will be a variety of colors to choose from; yellow, red, salmon, bronze, white, orange, purple and pink.

**Father Ray's Quote:**

**Redemption Center —NO STAMPS NEEDED**

**FISH FRY**

**Friday, September 4**

**11 AM - 7 PM**

**in The Gathering Place**

**Eat-In or Take-Out 412-854-3173**

**DESSERTS** - are needed for the September 4 fish fry. Please deliver them to The Gathering Place.

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**YOUTH GROUP**

**YOUTH GROUP NEWSLETTER** - if you know a high school student who would like to receive a newsletter, please contact the youth ministry office at: 412-833-2400 ext 31

**SCHOOL NEWS**

**-School Starts: Monday, August 31, 2009**

**-The 3 year old Pre-School orientation is scheduled for September 3, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. in the preschool classroom.**

**-The 4 year old Pre-School orientation is scheduled for September 4, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. in the preschool classroom.**

**- Back to School Night: September 15, 2009, 7:00PM**

**The Sisters of Charity** will celebrate their bicentennial at PNC Park on Sept. 19 at 12:35 p.m. when the Pittsburgh Pirates play the San Diego Padres. Prior to the game, the Sisters will sing the national anthem. Tickets are \$12 or \$20 and can be ordered from Sister Patrice Hughes at 412-343-1382 or by emailing [sisterpatrice@yahoo.com](mailto:sisterpatrice@yahoo.com).

**Community Wide Flea Market Saturday**– September 19th from 9:30-1:30 at Christ Methodist Church in Bethel Park. Tables renting for \$20.00 each. This fundraiser benefits Prime Time Adult Care. For more information call 412-835-6661

**We wish to thank** Father Pribonic for the many times he came to the hospital and nursing home to pray for Bill and also to the people on the Parish for the cards and many prayers over his long illness. Thank you Betty Jurgevich and families