

# St. Patrick

## Roman Catholic Parish

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

317 West Pike Street Canonsburg, PA 15317

Rev. John J. Batykefer, Pastor  
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### Parish Office Hours

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## May 18, 2008



### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (SP) 7:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday (SP) 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.  
12:00 Noon and 5:00 p.m.  
Mon. - Fri. (SP) 7:00 a.m.  
Wed. (SP) 9:00 a.m.  
Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri. (SG) 8:00 a.m.

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and anytime by request

### BAPTISM

First time parents should contact the Parish Office (ext. 11) well in advance of an expected Baptism, before birth when possible, to prepare for and to schedule the Baptism. Baptisms during Mass are held the 1st Sunday of the month and Baptisms after Mass at 1:15 p.m. are held the 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month.

### BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Instructions to prepare adults for reception into the Catholic Faith or for any of the Sacraments are offered by our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Program. Please call 724-745-3787 for more information.

### BIBLE STUDY

Meet every Monday in Church, 7:00-8:15 p.m.  
Bring a Bible, invite a friend. All are welcome!

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 724-745-3787

Carol Serbak, Catechetical Administrator  
Sunday - 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.  
Pre-school - 8th Grade

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Contact a Priest 6 months before intended date of marriage. Pre-marriage preparation is required. Call the Rectory - 724-745-6560.

### ST. PATRICK SCHOOL 724-745-7977

Mr. Stanley Mozina, Principal  
Pre-school - 8th Grade

### COMMUNION CALLS

Any homebound member or shut-in may receive Holy Communion in their home. A Eucharistic Minister, Deacon or Priest will visit.

### COUNSELING SERVICES

CATHOLIC CHARITIES 724-228-7722  
CRISIS PREGNANCY 1-888-543-3243  
POST ABORTION 1-800-593-2273

### DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH ABUSE HOTLINE

1-888-808-1235

### CHAPLAIN

#### Fr. Gabriel Badurina, TOR

Serving Canonsburg General Hospital and area Nursing Facilities. Fr. Badurina can be reached by calling 724-745-6560, Ext. 21.



**ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES**

Fr. Jack will celebrate the anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on Monday, May 19 and Fr. Rich will celebrate his anniversary on Wednesday, May 21. To show our appreciation for their dedication and service to the parish, we ask all parishioners to remember them in prayer.

*What lies before us and what lies behind us are small matters compared to what lies within us. And when we bring what is within us out into the world miracles happen. ~ Henry David Thoreau ~*

**PLEASE TAKE SOME TIME** to stop at the **MINISTRY FAIR AFTER EACH MASS THIS WEEKEND.** Learn more about the organizations of our parish. Twenty-four of our parish ministries will be represented. See what you can do for our church and what our church can do for you. (A free ticket for the Chinese Auction will be given to you as you enter the cafeteria door.)

**POP SUNDAY!**

**COULD YOU ADD ANOTHER CASE OF POP TO YOUR SHOPPING CART?** We need your help in deferring the costs for our annual Summer Festival! We will be collecting pop and water, starting 1/2 hour before all Masses on the weekends of May 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. **LOOK FOR A TAG** on the **FESTIVAL DONATION BOARDS** at the church exits. We are presently looking for the following products:

1. Cases (12 Packs/Cubes - 12 oz. cans) of Coke, Diet Coke, Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Mountain Dew, Sprite, and/or Root Beer.
2. Cases (16.9 oz. bottles) of Water

**PLEASE HELP US FILL UP THE POD!**

**PODS** (Portable On Demand Storage) **Ray Kennedy** (813.433.3227) will again be donating a weatherproof storage container, which will be in the church parking lot. *If you are ever in need of renting a POD, please mention St. Patrick Parish and you will receive a discount!*



- # **THEME BASKETS** and **LARGE EMPTY BASKETS**
- # **BOOKS, TAPES, CDs, ETC.**
- # **LOTTERY TICKETS**

All can be delivered to the rectory office (9 am - 6:30 pm) Monday through Thursday.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

*Pentecost Sunday*

*May 11, 2008*

Envelopes.....	\$14,042.81
Children's Envelopes .....	\$33.56
Loose Cash and Coin .....	\$1,045.36
St. Patrick School.....	\$295.00
Parish Total .....	\$15,121.73
<b>Weekly Budgeted Expenses .....</b>	<b>\$13,980.67</b>

**YOUR SACRIFICE IS APPRECIATED!**

**THE SECOND COLLECTION** 30% for Catholic Relief Services and at Bishop Zubik's request, 70% to the over 1 million people now homeless and starving in Myanmar (formerly Burma), who were victims of the devastating typhoon and tidal wave. Please be as generous as your means can provide.

**SUPPORT THE MENTALLY CHALLENGED:** Our **Knights of Columbus ARC Measure Up Campaign** for the mentally challenged will be held after all masses next weekend. The Knights will be stationed at all exits for any donation our parishioners can give to this worthy cause. The funds collected will benefit persons with mental retardation and other cognitive, intellectual and developmental disabilities. The funds collected for children and adults in need of our support will be directed to our local Association for Retarded Citizens chapter in Washington County. We thank everyone for their continued support.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY PILGRIMS** are selling **FLOWERS** after all the masses this weekend.

**PIEROGI VOLUNTEERS - WE NEED YOU!** We are making pierogi for the Parish Festival on Sunday, May 18 and Monday, May 19. Sunday workers, report at 7 am (Please bring a potato peeler). Monday workers report at 8 am (Please bring a dozen eggs). If you have not helped before but would like to, please join us for a morning of fellowship, fun, and a little labor at St. Genevieve Hall. Thank you! Questions? Call Marsha at 724.745.3194.

**CABBAGE ROLL VOLUNTEERS - WE NEED YOU!** Please join us Saturday morning, June 7, in St. Patrick School Cafeteria and help make cabbage rolls for the Festival. We'll be there from 8 am until around noon. Whatever time you can give is appreciated. Please bring your own paring knife as well as a larger knife to chop heads of cabbage for cabbage and noodles. Thank you! Questions? Call Marsha at 724.745.3194.

**THE LADIES OF CHARITY** annual dues (\$6.00) are due. Please drop your dues in the collection basket by the end of May or contact Carolyn Craig at 724.941.4931.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Jas 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29  
**Tuesday:** Jas 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37  
**Wednesday:** Jas 4:13-17; Mk 9:38-40  
**Thursday:** Jas 5:1-16; Mk 9:41-50  
**Friday:** Jas 5:9-12; Mk 10:1-12  
**Saturday:** Jas 5:13-20; Mk 10:13-16  
**Sunday:** Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147;  
1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

God did not send the Son to condemn  
the world, but to give it abundant life.  
John 3:16-18

**This Week's Altar Server Schedule**

**Saturday, May 17**  
5:00 pm - J. & K. Angotti, G. Burke  
**Sunday, May 18**  
7:30 am - C. & M. Dombrowski, A. Boni  
10:00 am - S. Luba, Z. Simpson, A. Lochran  
12:00 pm - C. Pavcic, D. & M. Broglia

**Next Week's Altar Server Schedule**

**Saturday, May 24**  
5:00 pm - C. & M. Cappelli, P. Corwin  
**Sunday, May 25**  
7:30 am - A. & A. Fairfull, M. Cushma  
10:00 am - M. & R. Rozak, T. Grebeck  
12:00 pm - L. Sollon, P. Gent, J. Zukowski  
5:00 pm - A. Broglia, N. Castelli, J. Reis

THE PITTSBURGH DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN  
**PRIEST'S PRAYER LIST FOR MAY:**

**May 18** Rev. Thomas J. Galvin  
Rev. Bernard M. Harcarik  
**May 19** Rev. James W. Garvey  
Deacon James R. Grab  
**May 20** Rev. Anthony Gargotta  
Deacon Victor P. Satter  
**May 21** Rev. John A. Geinzer  
Deacon Michael R. Ruffalo  
**May 22** Rev. Robert J. George  
Rev. Robert N. Craig, OFM Cap.  
**May 23** Rev. Mark W. Glasgow  
Deacon Lawrence R. Sutton  
**May 24** Rev. Francis C. Graff  
Rev. Otmar Gallagher, OFM Cap.

May God's abiding presence nourish and sustain them each day  
as they boldly proclaim His Kingdom of mercy and justice.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SUNDAY, MAY 18 - MOST HOLY TRINITY**

5:00 (SP) **(PM— VIGIL)**  
Lucy Krist, Helen Krist France, and Ann &  
George Zemaitis by Georgia & Leon Popiolkowski  
7:30 (SP) D'Amico & Law Families by Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Law  
10:00 (SP) FOR THE PEOPLE  
12:00 (SP) Living & Deceased Members of the Popeck &  
Rudzinski Families by Mr. & Mrs. Edwin L. Popeck  
5:00 (SP) (PM) Jim Krupa by Larry & Barb Sandy

**MONDAY, MAY 19**

7:00 (SP) Frank Czadankiewicz by Wife & Family  
8:00 (SG) Fr. Jack on the occasion of the 18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
his Ordination by Margie

**TUESDAY, MAY 20 - St. Bernardine of Siena**

7:00 (SP) Joseph Verno by Children & Grandchildren  
8:00 (SG) Karen & Dr. Sam Tirimacco by Mrs. Eleanor  
Tirimacco & Family

10:00 (Charles House) Dolores Sifinski by Alice Kebart

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 21 - St. Christopher Magallanes and  
his companions**

7:00 (SP) Fr. Rich on the occasion of the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
his Ordination by Margie  
9:00 (SP) Kozlowski, Jiblets, Growhall, Valouskis & Veres  
Families by Family  
2:00 (Golden Living) Helen Hundzinski by Ida Glass & Family

**THURSDAY, MAY 22 - St. Rita of Cascia**

7:00 (SP) Michael Lenco by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Lenco  
8:00 (SG) Jacob & Frances Wozniak by Mrs. Florence  
Golonka

**FRIDAY, MAY 23**

7:00 (SP) William Gennocro by Juanita Whollery  
8:00 (SG) Fr. Jack on his Birthday by Mom & Dad

**SATURDAY, MAY 24 - Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:30 (SP) Ernest & Helen Robert by Mr. & Mrs. Darby Teahan  
11:30 - 12:30 (SP) **RECONCILIATION**  
**3:00 Wedding:** Scott Heinen & Toni Affinito  
5:00 (SP) **(PM - VIGIL)**

Mary Keegan by Donna Locilento

**Month's Mind: Joseph D'Orazio**

**SUNDAY, MAY 25**

**MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST**

7:30 (SP) Edward Patrick, Sr. by Wally & Barbara Grego, Jr.  
10:00 (SP) Living & Deceased Members of the Dombrowski  
& Cwiklinski Families by Emily  
12:00 (SP) Deceased Foculia, Brushneck & Proccni family  
Members by Frances Brushneck  
5:00 (SP) (PM) FOR THE PEOPLE

**HOME WITH CHRIST:** Remember and welcome into  
your Kingdom Lord those who have died and gone  
before us marked with a sign of faith, and all the faithful  
departed. May they rest in your peace.

**FR. RICH REFLECTIONS**

*“What you think of yourself is much more important than what others think of you.”*  
 - Seneca

What a special joy it was on Mother’s Day weekend to baptize Giada Vittoria Panella, born February 29, 2008 (a leap year baby), daughter of Kathleen and Robert Panella. To witness and see together three generations of mothers share the gift of faith with their family was most beautiful! Giada had a full head of hair and was silent as an angel. She looked like a perfect ‘doll baby.’

This couple’s four-year-old son, Damien, traced the sign of the cross on his new little sister’s forehead at the baptism. After which, the parents and godparents did the same. I learned that Giada is a famous personality on Italian television and is also a saint recently mentioned on EWTN.

Each liturgy, sacrament, meal grace, and prayer in our Catholic faith invokes the Trinity. Belief in the Trinity is a central mystery of our Christian faith. We are baptized *‘In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit’* (Matthew 28:19).

Today is the **Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**, and we are invited to develop a relationship with each person of the Blessed Trinity. St. Julian of Norwich wrote: *“The high might of the Trinity is our father, and the deep wisdom is our mother, and the great love of the Trinity is our Lord.”* One of the greatest keys to life is our relationships – *with God, others, and oneself*. These relationships must be nurtured and cared for to grow fully in Christian maturity through prayer, faith, and love.

Back to our four-year-old Damien, who had a question for me following the baptism of his sister, Giada. He asked, *“Why are you a priest?”* I answered him, “So I could baptize your little sister today and welcome her into God’s family, the church.” In twenty years of being a priest this week, I have baptized over 1,000 people. However, Damien’s question intrigued me (coming from a youngster). Perhaps his question appears to be easy to answer; but, in fact, it is difficult to completely answer. Like the Trinity, it is truly a mystery of love. Priesthood is a gift from God through the Holy Spirit, calling us to a *‘single hearted’* love for Christ and His church. St. John Vianney, the patron of parish priests, wrote: *“Priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus. When you see a priest, think of the Lord Jesus Christ.”* I must decide to be a priest each new day. Priesthood is neither static nor

confined to one place or time. It is active and ongoing.

Damien, I thank you for asking me that question as I try to answer it anew after twenty years in the ministry. I was delighted to read that eighty men and boys, along with some 600 people came to St. Paul Seminary on May 8, 2008 for a Holy Hour to pray along with Bishop Zubik for vocations to the priesthood.

I was also happy to see that, in 2009, the Pittsburgh marathon may return to our city. I ran it at age 33, the age when the Lord died. Hopefully, I will be able to run it again.

Bishop David A. Zubik will ordain three men to the priesthood for the Diocese of Pittsburgh at 10:00 am on Saturday, June 21 at St. Paul Cathedral in Oakland. We congratulate and pray especially for these three new priests and their families—**Nicholas J. Argentieri** (St. Wendelin Parish, Carrick), **Joseph M. Freedy** (St. Thomas More Parish, Bethel Park) and **Michael R. Ruffalo** (St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Virgin Parish, Whitehall).

I took the acronym **FATHER** on this Trinity Sunday and wrote three things for which I’m grateful with each letter.

- F
  - 3 · Faith
  - 3 · Family
  - 3 · Friendship
  
- A
  - 3 · Appreciation
  - 3 · Angels
  - 3 · Assignments
  
- T
  - 3 · Teacher of Word of God
  - 3 · Teller of Stories
  - 3 · Trainer of Souls
  
- H
  - 3 · Hockey
  - 3 · Homilies
  - 3 · Healing
  
- E
  - 3 · Eucharist
  - 3 · E-mail
  - 3 · Enthusiasm
  
- R
  - 3 · Reading
  - 3 · Reflections
  - 3 · Rituals



### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June: 23<sup>rd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> 9 am - 12:00 noon

**POWER LAB** is coming to St. Patrick Parish for Grades K - 5 (Grade your child is entering in the Fall 2008). If you have not registered your child/children, please pick up a registration form at the entrances of the church. Return the registration form, permission slip, and the \$10.00 fee to the Religious Education Office as soon as possible. For more information, please call the Religious Education Office at 724.745.3787.

## Graduation

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING CLASS OF 2008**, You are invited to attend a special BACCALAUREATE MASS and BREAKFAST (for graduates & parents) to be celebrated in your honor, Sunday, June 1, 2008 at the 10:00 am Liturgy in St. Patrick Church. Please RSVP by May 23, 2008 to the Religious Education Office at 724.745.3787.

**50th REUNION - ATTENTION: GRADUATES OF MOST HOLY NAME (Class of 1958)** It is now 50 years since our graduation. Join us for an informal reunion at M.H.N. on June 28, 2008. Contact Rick Dzubinski at 412.321.7845 or Carole Brueckner (Zibrat) at 412.322.4639 for more information.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

May 17 - **YOUTH TROUT FISHING DERBY**: 9 am - 5 pm at the Ruff Creek Lodge - **MASS**: 6 pm (*Directions on the parish website*)

May 17 & 18 - **ST. PATRICK MINISTRY FAIR**:

CAFETERIA - AFTER ALL THE MASSES

May 17 & 18 - **WORLD YOUTH DAY FLOWER SALE**

May 18 - **CATHOLIC MEN'S CLUB**: 7:30 pm - Center

May 18 & 19 - **PIEROGI MAKING**: *see article on page two*

May 19 - **BIBLE STUDY**: 7:00 pm - Church

May 20 - **APOSTOLATE COMMITTEE MTG**: 6:30 pm - Center

May 20 - **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 4<sup>th</sup> DEGREE MTG**:

8:00 pm at Holy Rosary Council

May 21 - **PARISH COUNCIL MTG**: 7:00 pm - Center

May 21 - **CHRISTIAN MOTHER'S EXE. BD. MTG**: 7 pm - Center

## Wedding Banns

FIRST TIME: Robert Brabender  
Kristin McCombs

SECOND TIME: Eric Sonson  
Heather Wood

THIRD TIME: Scott Alan Heinen  
Toni Lynn Affinito



### ST. PATRICK SCHOOL

The annual May Crowning Liturgy was held on Wednesday, May 14, 2008. This year's May Queen was Jessica O'Shell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford O'Shell. She was escorted to the May Altar by Abby Lochran. The May Crowning Court consisted of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls and the second grade First Communion class. Rev. John Batykefer was the celebrant of the liturgy. The liturgical music was conducted by Anthony Millbower and the St. Patrick Children's Choir.

Katie Bench, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bench, will be representing St. Patrick School at the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science's state competition on May 18 - 20, 2008. Jessica Burton will also be attending the competition.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 18: P.J.A.S. begins at Penn State  
May 19: 4-year-old Preschool field trip to the Spring House  
May 21: Student Liturgy prepared by Grade 2A  
May 21: Picnic in the Park 6:00 P.M.  
May 22: Drama Club Play at 7:00 P.M.  
May 23: Relay for Life Movie Day

### GRAND RAFFLE TICKETS

2008 PARISH FESTIVAL - JUNE 12, 13 and 14

There are extra FESTIVAL GRAND RAFFLE TICKETS. Please stop in the rectory if you would like to sell more. The last Early Bird will be drawn on the following date: Tuesday, May 27 - so return your tickets stubs and the \$30 before this date to enter! One more lucky seller will win \$150!



**MASSES** WERE RECEIVED IN LOVING MEMORY OF: **Alice Misitano** by Margaret Misitano (Her Niece); **William Gennocro** by the Volunteers of the Sunday Morning Bread Program; **Julia Marie Sam** by the 7 AM Mass Group; **Joseph B. D'Orazio** by the Mark Hall Family, Mary D'Amico, Anthony & LaVerne Colaizzo, Rose Salamon, Mag Luisi, Ange Wingard, Fred Puchany, Angela Cheverine, Mary Jane Neish, Gary Yanniello, Connie Testa, Zolton & Jean Popp, Mickey Livolsi Stanley, Mag & John Mazza, Mrs. Altabella Severine, Tony & Paula Pacliai, Lucy Smith; **Joseph B. Dorazio & Julia (D'Orazio) Sam** by Lucille Smith, Anthony & Mary Luisi; **Louis Engott** by Bill Richards, Carmie Hulpa, Shirley Sobansky, Donna, Joe, Dolly, Daryl, Dennis & Families; **Steve Kulakowski** by Wife, Loretta; **Mary Novak** by Marie & Joe Talpas; **Helen T. Smith** by Joseph & Mary Ann Smith, Leanne M. Kostic & Family.