

The Catholic Community in Sharpsburg

Saint Mary Parish + Madonna of Jerusalem Parish + Saint John Cantius Parish

Very Reverend Frank D. Almade, V. F., Administrator

AUGUST 17, 2008

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday

4:00 pm Madonna of Jerusalem Church
6:00 pm Madonna of Jerusalem Church
7:30 pm St. John Cantius—KCC (in Korean)

Sunday

8:30 am St. John Cantius Church
10:30 am St. Mary Church
10:30 am St. John Cantius—KCC (in Korean)

BAPTISMS by appointment. Pre-Baptism session required. Baptisms will take place during any Sunday Mass.

MARRIAGES Six months' notice required. Please call Father to arrange an interview.

ANointing OF THE SICK Available at the conclusion of all weekend Masses or call Father Almade. Kindly inform us of hospitalized or shut-in parishioners.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wednesday : 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. MOJ

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. MOJ

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Monday: 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. John Paul I Center

KOREAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY (KCC)

Masses in Korean at St. John Cantius Church

Saturday: 7:30 p.m.

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Jang Won Choi, Chaplain

Website: www.tkccp.org

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

This Week in the Church

Sunday, August 17

St. John of the Cross

Monday, August 18

St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Tuesday, August 19

St. John Eudes

Wednesday, August 20

St. Bernard of Clairvaux

Thursday, August 21

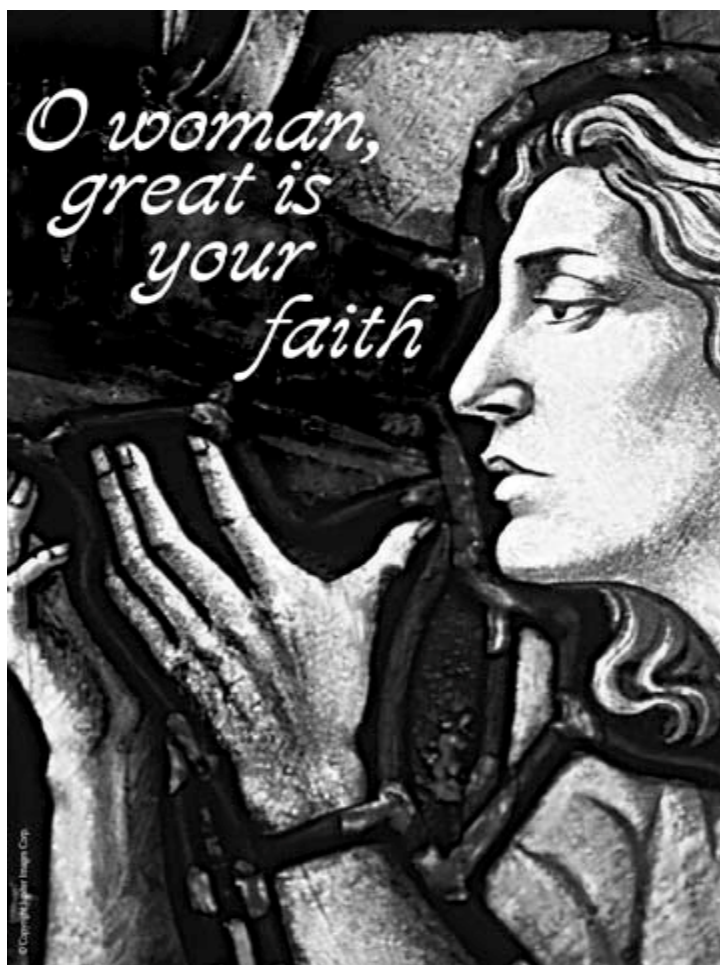
St. Pius X

Friday, August 22

The Queenship of Mary

Saturday, August 23

St. Rose of Lima



Stewardship
Offertory August 9/10, 2008

St. Mary	\$2,196.00
Madonna of Jerusalem	\$1,917.50
St. John Cantius	\$ 721.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP!

LABOR DAY The Catholic Community in Sharpsburg will have one Mass on Monday, September 1, at 10:00 a.m. in St. Mary Church. The Diocese of Pittsburgh sponsors a special Labor Day Mass at 8:00 a.m. in St. Benedict the Moor Church, Hill District, with Bishop Zubik prior to the start of the Pittsburgh Labor Day Parade. All are welcome at both Masses.

CCD REGISTRATION We are still accepting registrations for children in CCD classes for 2008-09. Classes will be held in the John Paul I Pastoral Center beginning Monday, September 22. In addition, we are in need of several catechists to help in the faith formation of our children. To register or to volunteer as a teacher, please call Rosemarie at the Parish Office.

WEEKDAY MASS CHANGE Beginning on Wednesday, September 3, there will no longer be Mass in the evening. All weekday Masses (Monday through Friday) will be at 7:30 a.m. The opportunity for confession will remain on Wednesday evenings from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. every week.

DIOCESAN ABUSE HOTLINE Please do not forget that the diocese has established a toll-free number for any victims of abuse. The number is 1-888-808-1235 and your call will be confidential.

SERIES ON "YEAR OF 3 POPES" 1978 was the year of three popes. Pope Paul VI died after 15 years of serving as pope on August 6. Pope John Paul I was elected on August 26 and died suddenly on September 28. Pope John Paul II was elected October 16. Father Almade will present three talks on each of these pontiffs: Thursday, August 21 on Pope Paul VI, Thursday, September 25, on Pope Paul John I and Thursday, October 23, on Pope John Paul II. All talks with opportunity for questions and discussion are from 7:30 until 9:00 p.m. in the John Paul I Pastoral Center and are free and open to all.

ADULT CONFIRMATION Were you baptized and made your first holy communion, but never confirmed in the Catholic Church. This is your opportunity for adults to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Father Almade is offering a three-week series for adults who wish to receive the sacrament on Thursdays, September 4, 10 and 18 from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. For more information, call Father Almade at (412) 784-8700.

FAMILY FEST Families of the diocese are invited to share in a special Family Fest for the Year of St. Paul. It will take place on Saturday, August 23 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at St. Paul Seminary. A Mass with Bishop Zubik presiding will highlight this event. There will be a catered picnic lunch, games, races, a tour of the seminary and lots more. The cost is \$5 per person or \$25 for the whole family. To register, make your check payable to the Diocese of Pittsburgh and send it to the Office for Family Life and Catechesis, Diocese of Pittsburgh, 111 Boulevard of the Allies, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. Please register by August 18. For additional information, call (412) 456-3160.

Please do not forget your parish in your will.



Flowers at the Altar

In memory of

The Marciano Family

by

Chuck and Marie Warren

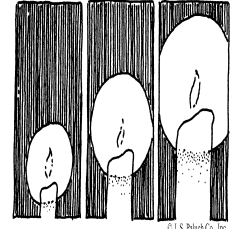
**Altar and Sanctuary
Candles are burning
this week**

In memory of

Bryan Akers

by

His Loving Family



CHRISTIAN MOTHERS AND ROSARY SOCIETY Due to Father Almade's first presentation on the Year of 3 Popes being scheduled for Thursday, August 21, the August meeting will be held on Thursday, August 28. Please mark your calendars with this change and when you come to the meeting, you will need to select your choice for the special dinner coming up in September.

YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY Tom Troyan would like to thank everyone who participated in the Mass that was celebrated last weekend. A special thank you to the Christian Mothers for serving a wonderful continental breakfast.

CONFIRMATION We are very pleased to announce Bishop Paul Bradley will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Mary Church on Wednesday, October 8, at 7:00 p.m. There are 12 young candidates for this sacrament, as well as several adult candidates. All are invited to attend this special Mass.

THANK YOU Sister Thaddeus Markelewicz would like to express her gratitude for the warm welcome extended to her from everyone upon her return "home" in celebration of her 45th anniversary as a religious woman in the Congregation of the Felician Sisters. She gives her sincere thanks to Father Almade for celebrating the Mass and for providing an inspiring homily. She also would like to thank all who made her day such a memorable one, including those who physically prepared the church, the altar servers, the ushers and the Extraordinary Ministers of Communion.

CONGRATULATIONS Sincere best wishes and God's blessings upon Sister Theresa Stegman who assumed her new assignment this past week as director of the novices for the Sisters of Divine Providence. The novitiate house is located in Saint Louis, Missouri and we pray for Sister Theresa, a daughter of St. Mary Parish, as she begins her new ministry.

AWAY Father Almade will be on vacation and out of the parish from Friday, August 22, through Sunday, August 31. He will be back in the office on Tuesday, September 2. Fathers Carlo Napoli (Saturdays) and Robert Duch (Sundays) will celebrate Masses in his absence.

PILGRIMAGE TO WASHINGTON, DC Bishop Zubik is sponsoring a pilgrimage to the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception on Saturday, September 27. A bus will leave at 6:00 a.m. from Blawnox and arrive back at 11:00 p.m. The cost is \$50 and please call Mary Johns at (412) 828-3078.

PILGRIMAGE TO ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL We're full! We are taking a few "stand-by" names. Father Almada cordially invites any interested parishioner or CCS friend to join him on a one-day trip to St. Paul's Cathedral on Tuesday, September 16. We will begin the day at St. Mary Church with prayer and depart at 10:00 a.m. After arrival at St. Paul Cathedral, a guided tour will be given by one of their parishioners. Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral by Father Almada, followed by lunch at Duranti's Restaurant. After lunch, a short journey will be made to St. Stanislaus Kostka Church in the Strip District and the bus will return to Sharpsburg by 3:00 p.m. The cost for this wonderful day, including lunch and tip, is \$45. Please call the Parish Office to register as soon as possible.

ELECTION DAY As you know, this upcoming election is a very important one as we elect a new president and vice president. Election Day is November 4; please fulfill your civic obligation by participating in this election. If you are not a registered voter, forms to register to vote will be soon in the vestibule of each church.

WALK TO DEFEAT ALS The 2008 Walk to Defeat ALS will be held on Saturday, September 13 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium. Beth Cancilla, our former Parish Secretary, and her family head up "Frank's Army", and you are invited to help them raise funds to fight this deadly disease. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

CONTEMPLATIVE OUTREACH 2008 ANNUAL CONFERENCE Pittsburgh will be the host city for the Contemplative Outreach Enrichment Weekend from September 26 through 28 at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott. Fr. Thomas Keating, OCSO and Fr. Laurence Freeman, OSB will be giving presentations on the conference theme, Unity: Oneness in Contemplation. For more information, please contact Ruth Hofmann at (412) 741-7625 or Sister Margaret Ann Calcutta at (724) 493-3684.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL The Gospel today announces that the kingdom and salvation are for all people. It is our persistent calling out to Jesus and our faith that count, for Jesus always responds. With love for your neighbors who have nothing, look around your house to see what furniture, household items and clothing you no longer use and give it to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

19TH ANNUAL SOCIAL MINISTRY INSTITUTE Bishop David Zubik will be the keynote speaker at the 19th annual Social Ministry Institute sponsored by Catholic Charities and the Diocese of Pittsburgh on Friday, September 19, from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Radisson Hotel in Green Tree. Recognizing that there is much work to be done in the Lord's vineyards, this year the Institute will focus on the invitation to each of the faithful of the Church to become a part of the "Church Alive." Mass, fellowship and workshops will also be offered. Registration is \$35 and call (412) 456-6975 for more information.

CHRIST THE DIVINE TEACHER CATHOLIC ACADEMY Christ the Divine Teacher Catholic Academy is now accepting registrations for Pre-K through 8th grades. They are excited to show you their school and financial assistance is available to qualified candidates. Please call to arrange a tour or for more information, call (412) 781-7927. They can also be found on the web at www.cdtcatholicacademy.org.

Our website is www.catholicsharpsburg.org

BINGO!

at MADONNA

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 P.M.
BINGO BEGINS AT 7 P.M.
in the John Paul I Center

Free Coffee!

No one under 14 permitted.

SMOKERS/NON-SMOKERS WELCOME!!!

LARGE PAPER GROCERY BAGS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED!

For more information, call Marie at 412-781-3388.

BLESSED JUNIPERO SERRA Blessed Junipero Serra was born in Spain and he entered the Franciscan Order, taking the name of St. Francis' childlike companion, Brother Juniper. Until he was 35, he spent most of his time in the classroom—first as a student of theology and then as a professor. He also became famous for his preaching. Suddenly he gave it all up and followed the yearning that had begun years ago when he heard about the missionary work being done in South America.

He arrived at Vera Cruz Mexico and walked 250 miles to Mexico City. On the way, Junipero's left leg became infected by an insect bite and would remain a cross—sometimes life-threatening—for the rest of his life. He worked in central Mexico for 18 years and then left for California where he founded Mission San Juan Capistrano. Many other missions followed during Junipero's lifetime and following his death.

His missionary life was a long battle with cold and hunger and danger of death from non-Christian native peoples. He brought Native Americans not only the gift of faith but also a decent standard of living. The Feast of Blessed Junipero Serra is July 1.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT St. Bonaventure Bereavement Ministry is offering a seven-week grief support group this fall. Anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one to join them for this free series. A morning Grief Support Group will be held from 11:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. beginning on Friday, September 5, and ending on Friday, October 17. For more information or to register, please call (412) 486-2606 extension 101.

THE EMMAUS COMMUNITY OF PITTSBURGH Are you an empty nester or looking for a job? Do you enjoy helping people? Have you graduated from high school and are not sure what you want to do? The Emmaus Community of Pittsburgh announces a free education program to teach you how to be a Direct Support Professional. You will help people with intellectual disabilities who live in group homes to lead productive and meaningful lives. Please call Lorraine at (412) 381-0277 to find out how you can participate in this exciting free eight-week training course beginning in October.

FAITHFUL CHRONICLES
by Father Frank D. Almada

In 1882 the International Association of Machinists in Paterson, New Jersey, took a day of rest without pay on the first Tuesday in September. A year later this holiday for working men was repeated in New York, now on the first Monday of September. As unions were being formed all over the United States, and as mills and factories were being built in rapid fashion, so too did Labor Day celebrations spread quickly. By 1894 Congress made Labor Day a paid federal holiday for all working men and women.

Samuel Gompers, founder and longtime president of the American Federation of Labor, said, "Labor Day differs in every essential way from the other holidays of the year in any country. All other holidays are in a more or less degree connected with conflicts and battles of man's prowess over man, of strife and discord for greed and power, of glories achieved by one nation over another. Labor Day...is devoted to no man, living or dead, to no sect, race, or nation."

Our feelings about work are usually formed in childhood, and mine are no exception. Mom and Dad didn't talk much about their work. But their actions taught louder than any words. When my parents married in 1948, Dad was already working at the Jones & Laughlin steel mill in Hazelwood. He was a clerk in the shipping and receiving department. He would stay there until the mill closed in 1982. Mom was an overseas operator for AT&T. She gave up this well-paying job to have us boys. Later Mom went back to work as a cleaning lady (she called herself a "janitress") to enable her four sons to receive the blessings of 12 years of Catholic education.

Mom and Dad were children of the Great Depression and World War II. Their work ethic was (1) show up on time, (2) work hard, (3) don't complain, (4) be grateful to God you have a job, and (5) save money. When Mom dropped out of high school, she got a job in a mill in Lawrenceville. Yes, Mom was one of the "Rosie riveters," the women who did difficult labor in factories, while the men were drafted to military service during World War II. When the steelworkers would go on strike, Dad got work hauling furniture for a moving company whose owner lived across the street from us. Dad hated the "back-breaking" work of lifting couches up three flights of stairs. But he had a family to feed, and couldn't go weeks without a paycheck. One year when I was in college seminary, Dad got me a summer job working at the J&L steel mill in South Side. My appreciation for his sacrifices for us went up 1,000 % as I experienced how hot, dirty and dangerous a mill is.

This Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 1, pray for workers, that their labors are fruitful for family, neighbor and country. Pray for all looking for living wage jobs. Enjoy the day off. And come to Mass at 10:00 am in St. Mary Church to celebrate the salvation brought to us by the carpenter's son, Jesus of Nazareth.

Schedule of Masses for the Week

SAT., AUG. 16

4:00 PM MOJ SALVATORE, MARIA AND DOMENIC
IEROVANTE by daughters and sisters
6:00 PM MOJ FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN SHARPSBURG

SUN., AUG. 17

8:30 AM SJC CONCETTA, MICHAELA DN JOANNE
CARRICATO by Angeline Carricato and Family
10:30 AM STM MICHELINA P. CORRADO by children and
grandchildren

MON., AUG. 18

7:30 AM MOJ GANSTER AND ELBICKI FAMILIES by Janet
and Marilyn

TUE., AUG. 19

7:30 AM MOJ JOSEPH AND MARTHA ROLEWICZ by family

WED., AUG. 20

7:00 PM MOJ ALDO SETTINO by wife, Giovanna and children

THU., AUG. 21

7:30 AM MOJ ALBERT LIPP by the Albert Lipp Family
7:30 PM JP1 Talk on Year of 3 Popes by Father Almada

FRI., AUG. 22

7:30 AM MOJ COMMUNION SERVICE

SAT., AUG. 23

4:00 PM MOJ SAMUEL BENNARDO by wife, Jennie, son and
family
6:00 PM MOJ THE PEOPLE OF THE
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN SHARPSBURG

SUN., AUG. 24

8:30 AM SJC MOLLIE REED & FAMILY by Marianne & Al Reed
10:30 AM STM ROBERT VITA by wife, Marie and family

**If you have a Mass scheduled and wish to bring the gifts to
Father, please tell the ushers prior to Mass starting.**

GIANT ONE DAY 25 CENT SALE St. Aloysius Church on Mount Troy Road will hold a 25-cent sale on men's, women's and children's clothing on Saturday, August 23 from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. in the parking lot of the church. For more information, please call (412) 821-3610.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE The mother in today's gospel persisted, even when she was ignored and insulted. She would do whatever was necessary to bring relief for her child. Parenting is more than bringing life into the world; it is also about laying down your life.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS Studies indicate that the average couple spends only twenty minutes a day of quality time together. How much time will you spend with your spouse today? Do you need to increase "face time" to talk about the important issues of life?

A RETREAT FOR GRIEVING SINGLES Do you know someone who is divorced, separated or widowed? A Beginning Experience weekend on September 12 through 14 at St. Joseph's Spirituality Center in Baden offers an opportunity for healing one's loss in a caring atmosphere. For information, please call Bernadette Warner at (412) 257-0134.

THANK YOU Heartfelt gratitude to all the volunteers who helped with our flea market this past weekend. Our sale was a rousing success and we thank all who helped with the flea market. Look in future bulletins for a second sale.

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