

Saint Juan Diego Parish

Very Reverend Frank D. Almada, V. F., Pastor

AUGUST 30, 2009

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday

4:00 pm St. Mary Church
6:00 pm St. Mary Church

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 with Father. Baptisms will take place during any Sunday Mass or after Sunday Mass.

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

HOLY ORDERS Young men who wish to find out more about the priesthood should contact Father Almada.

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

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. STM
Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. STM

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

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

MATTHEW 7:7 PRAYER GROUP

Monday: 7:15 p.m. in John Paul I Center

KOREAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY (KCC)

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.
Rev. Jang Won Choi, Chaplain
Website: www.tkccp.org

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday: 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



The
one
who
does
justice
will
live
in the
presence
of the
Lord

Stewardship
Offertory August 22/23, 2009

\$4,599.50

Attendance

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CONFIRMATION Saint Juan Diego Parish and the Korean Catholic Community will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop William Winter on Tuesday, October 20 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary Church. All are welcome to attend this wonderful ceremony. If any adults have not received Confirmation (but are baptized and made their first Holy Communion) and would like to receive Confirmation, please contact Father Almado to schedule instructions.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS ON CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING The Diocese of Pittsburgh is sponsoring a four week course on "Journey From Faith to Justice: The Social Teaching of the Church" at Saint Juan Diego Parish in October. It will be held on Thursday evenings from 7:00 until 9:30 p.m. on October 1, 8, 15 and 22 in the John Paul I Pastoral Center. Father Almado will be the instructor. To register, call 412-456-3110 or the Parish Office at 412-784-8700.

INVITATION TO ADULTS Saint Juan Diego Parish is partnering with St. Mary Assumption Parish, Glenshaw, to welcome new Catholics. Any young adult or adult who is not presently Catholic and is interested in becoming Catholic should talk with Father Almado or Jim Finn of St. Mary Assumption Parish at 412-486-4100. Classes will begin in mid-September to learn what is necessary to receive sacraments and become a member of the Catholic Church.

NO CONFESSIONS ON WEDNESDAY Father Almado will not be available for confession this Wednesday, September 2. He will be attending Confirmation in a neighboring parish. Confessions will resume next Wednesday, September 9, at 5:30 p.m. in St. Mary Church.

CCD UPDATE Our CCD classes will begin on Monday, September 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the John Paul I Pastoral Center. There is still time to register your child for the program if you have not already done so. Please call the Parish Office at 412-784-8700 to register your child.

TRAINING A training session will be held on Wednesday, September 9 from 7:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. at St. Mary Church for anyone interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Communion. The following Wednesday, September 16, from 7:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. at St. Mary Church will be the session for those who would like to become lectors. Please call the Parish Office to sign up for these sessions. We welcome new volunteers.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY On September 9, we will celebrate the feast of Blessed Frederic Ozanam, the founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Frederic heard the call of Jesus—to love and serve those who are suffering. And in the poor, he found the face of Christ. In your heart, you will also find the "face of Christ" as you give your gift to the poor through the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.



Flowers at the Altar

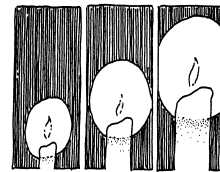
In memory of

**The Deceased Members
of the Staud Family**

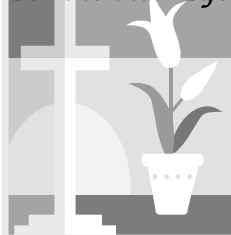
**Altar and Sanctuary
Candles are burning
this week**

In memory of

**The Deceased Members
of the Staud Family**



Born to New Life



Please pray for

**Teresa Santelli
Celia Kress (grandmother of
Kathy Troyan)
Father Frank Meehan, C.S.Sp.**

May they rest in peace.

WELCOME Please welcome Father Daniel Straughn and Father Carlo Napoli as they join us in celebrating Mass this weekend. May God bless them always.

PARKING Due to the ongoing construction at Madonna of Jerusalem Church, no parking will be permitted in either of the lots for the next week or so. We will inform you when it is permissible once again to park in our lots.

CHRIST THE DIVINE TEACHER CATHOLIC ACADEMY Christ the Divine Teacher Catholic Academy kicks off the new school year on August 27. They offer a PreK-8 environment with Catholic values integrated throughout the curriculum, high academic standards and a variety of extracurricular activities. In addition to their morning PreK program, they have added an afternoon PreK-4 year old class on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The school welcomes their new principal, Sister Dorothy Dolak. There are openings in most of the classes and you are asked not to allow tuition stand in the way of making a great educational choice for your child. Please call 412-781-7927 for more information.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP St. Bonaventure bereavement ministry is offering a seven-week grief support group this fall. They invite anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one to join them for this series. A morning grief support group will be held from 11:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. beginning on Friday, September 18 and lasting until Friday, October 30. For more information or to register, please call 412-486-2606 ext. 101. There is no cost for this series.

ABUSE PROTECTION The Diocese of Pittsburgh and Saint Juan Diego Parish are committed to the prevention of abuse of children and young people. Our diocesan church has a strong record of responding to accusations of sexual misconduct by clergy or church personnel. The toll free number to contact in case of sexual abuse is 1-888-808-1235.

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.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE, A RETREAT FOR GRIEVING SINGLES The loss of a spouse through death, separation or divorce is one of life's most traumatic experiences. This weekend program helps grieving single-again persons travel through the darkness of their grief toward the future with renewed hope. The next weekend will be held October 2 through 4 at the Gilmary Center in Moon Township. For more information, call 412-456-3160.

RETRouvaille 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, please contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434.

FLEA MARKET AND BAKE SALE Alverno Apartments (a senior living residence adjacent to Mount Alvernia High School on Hawthorne Road in Millvale) is having its annual flea market and bake sale on Saturday, September 12 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Refreshments and many treasures will be available for sale.

CALLING GOOD WOMEN AND MEN Are you a Christian woman or man, age eighteen or older, desiring spiritual enrichment in the Franciscan spirit, looking for more interaction and involvement with the Felician Sisters and wanting to share in our mission of spiritually renewing the world? Then you may wish to explore Felician Association. Spiritual sessions are held once a month. Care days are planned four times a year for the Sisters, like ice cream socials and horse races. You will also receive invitations for special prayer events, jubilees, etc. If you are interested, please call Sister M. Faith at 412-424-4697.

GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION This is a final reminder for couples who have been married for 50 years this year. The Diocese of Pittsburgh is planning its annual Golden Wedding Celebration for you beginning begin with Mass at St. Paul Cathedral on November 8 at 3:00 p.m. Bishop Zubik will be the celebrant. A reception will follow in the lower hall at the Cathedral. Please call the Parish Office or drop a note in the collection basket no later than September 6, 2009.

BULLETINS FROM NEAR AND FAR Thanks to all the parishioners who brought Father Almada bulletins. From near: St. Richard, Gibsonia; Holy Rosary, Muse; Holy Family, Latrobe; St. Vincent Basilica, Latrobe; St. Anthony, Tionesta, St. Michael the Archangel and St. Joseph, DuBois, St. Jude the Apostle, Erie. From far: St. Thomas More, Paducah, KY; St. Martin de Porres, Brooklyn, NY; St. Robert Bellarmine, Freehold, NJ; St. Edmond, Rehoboth Beach, DE; St. Jude, Tequesta, FL; Holy Family, Hilton Head Island, SC; Holy Redeemer by the Sea, Kitty Hawk, NC; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Tempe, AZ; St. Monica, Santa Monica, CA; St. Augustine-by-the-sea, Honolulu, HI. Our parishioners are travelers! Keep those bulletins coming!

IMMEDIATE ATTENTION FOR ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS If you are presently a volunteer or are becoming a volunteer following our upcoming classes and are in need of a session of Protecting God's Children, below is a list for you. This class is required for all Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Musicians and anyone who may have contact with the children of our parish. All current volunteers who have any existing requirements have been contacted. We again are asking for your cooperation in getting this necessary task completed.

If none of the following classes fit your schedule, please check www.diopitt.org for more opportunities. Let's work together to continue our efforts to keep God's children safe. You may register online or call the Parish Office to sign up for any of these sessions.

Saturday, September 12 at 9:30 a.m.
Holy Martyrs Church
353 West 9th Avenue, Tarentum, PA 15084
724-224-1234

Saturday, September 19 at 9:00 a.m.
St. Bede Parish
509 S. Dallas Avenue, Point Breeze
412-661-9424

Wednesday, September 30 at 6:30 p.m.
Immaculate Conception/St. Joseph
4712 Liberty Avenue, Bloomfield
412-682-2354

NEW DIOCESAN WEBSITE FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS The Department of Vocations, in conjunction with Glory Design Concepts, is proud to announce the launch of its new website, www.pghpriest.com. At pghpriest.com, you can find the vocation stories of some of our seminarians, priests and even our Bishop, along with information about discernment, the priesthood, and frequently asked questions about priestly life and the process of priestly formation.

FOX CHAPEL AREA WOMEN'S CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE STUDY You are invited to join this scripture study group on beginning on Tuesday, September 8 from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. at St. Scholastica Parish Hall in Aspinwall. The class will run through May and will feature an in-depth study of the Acts of the Apostles. The registration fee is \$50, which will cover all of the material needed for this 28 week class. For more information or to register by August 31, please call Mary Wilson at 412-963-1931.

FAITHFUL CHRONICLES
by Father Frank D. Almada

Pearls of wisdom stolen from a bulletin of Christ the King Parish, South Bend, Indiana.

- + Take a 10 to 30 minute walk every day. And while you walk, smile. It's the ultimate anti-depressant.
- + Sit in silence without interruption for at least 10 minutes a day. Buy a lock for the door if you have to and turn off your cell phone.
- + When you wake up in the morning, complete the following statement. "My purpose today is to _____."
- + Eat more foods that grow on plants and trees, and eat less food that is manufactured in plants.
- + Drink green tea and plenty of water. Eat blueberries, wild Alaskan salmon, broccoli, almonds and walnuts.
- + Try to make at least three people smile each day.
- + Don't waste precious energy on gossip, "energy vampires," issues of the past, negative thoughts or things you cannot control. Instead, invest your energy in the positive, present moment.
- + Eat breakfast like a king/queen, lunch like a prince/princess and dinner like a college kid with a maxed out credit card.
- + Life isn't fair, but it is still good.
- + Life is too short to waste time hating anyone.
- + Don't take yourself so seriously. No one else does.
- + You don't have to win every argument. Agree to disagree.
- + Make peace with your past so that it won't spoil the present.
- + Don't compare your life to others'. You have no idea what their journey is all about.
- + No one is in charge of your happiness except you.
- + Frame every so-called disaster with these words: "In five years, will this matter?"
- + Forgive everyone for everything. ALWAYS!
- + What other people think of you is none of your business.
- + Remember, knowledge without virtue is dangerous, and virtue without knowledge is ineffectual.
- + Before you close your eyes for sleep, thank God for the gift of another day of living.

Schedule of Masses for the Week

SAT., AUG. 29

4:00 PM STM SALVATORE, MARIA AND DOMENIC
IEROVANTE by Daughters and Sisters
6:00 PM STM ROBERT PIETRZAK by Family

SUN., AUG. 30

8:30 AM SJC FOR THE PEOPLE OF SAINT JUAN DIEGO
PARISH
10:30 AM STM THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE STAUD
FAMILY by John and Janet Staud

MON., AUG. 31

7:30 AM JPI ADELINE SCHUSTER by Evelyn Troyan and
Marilyn Ganster

TUE., SEPT. 1

7:30 AM JPI SYLVIA CANNON by Colleen Strahler

WED., SEPT. 2

7:30 AM JPI ANNE C. KAISER by Anna Patitucci

THU., SEPT. 3

7:30 AM JPI MILLIE GIARDINO by Ruth and Mary Margaret
Holden

FRI., SEPT. 4

7:30 AM JPI MR. & MRS. ANTHONY S. TROZZO AND
SHARON MOLNAR by Mr. and Mrs. Larry Trozzo

SAT., SEPT. 5

4:00 PM STM RALPH ACRI by Children
6:00 PM STM HARRY JOSEPH THENS by Wife and Children

SUN., SEPT. 6

8:30 AM SJC FOR THE PEOPLE OF SAINT JUAN DIEGO
PARISH
10:30 AM STM JOSEPHINE PFLUMM by Luann and Joe McLacken

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

CODE

STM-St. Mary Church SJC-St. John Cantius Church
JPI-John Paul I Center

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS AND ROSARY SOCIETY The Christian Mothers and Rosary Society will hold their next meeting on Thursday, September 17 beginning with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Reservations and dinner choices are needed by September 9. Dinner choices are fried shrimp and stuffed chicken breast. Please contact Evelyn at 412-781-9368 or Barbara at 412-781-5732.

WEDDINGS We welcome parishioners (and children of parishioners who don't currently live in Sharpsburg) who are planning to get married to schedule their wedding in one of our three churches. Remember, diocesan policy requires at least six months notice for marriage preparation before scheduling a Catholic wedding. It is always better to talk to the priest before attempting to find a hall for the reception. Speak with Father Almade for more information.

MARRIAGE VALIDATIONS Are you or someone you know "not married in the church"? Civil marriage by a judge or a justice of the peace is not the same as receiving the sacrament of Marriage. Confused about your standing in the Church? Call Father Almade and talk about your situation in a confidential manner. It may be easier for you to validate your marriage and receive the sacrament of Marriage than you think.

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