

# The Catholic Community in Sharpsburg

Saint Mary Parish + Madonna of Jerusalem Parish + Saint John Cantius Parish  
Very Reverend Frank D. Almada, V. F., Administrator

JUNE 22, 2008

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER

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Christ the Divine Teacher  
Catholic Academy.....412-781-7927  
E-mail.....CCinSharpsburg@yahoo.com

**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 Almada. 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](http://www.tkccp.org)

## OFFICE HOURS

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

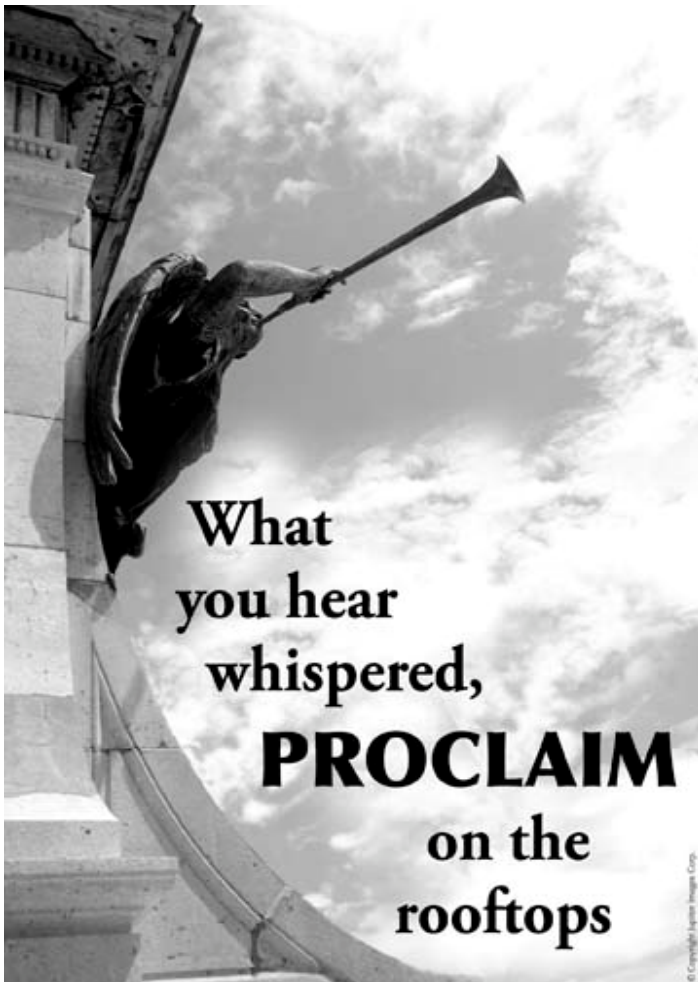
## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

### 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)



## Readings for the Week of June 22, 2008-June 28, 2008

### Sunday, June 22, 2008

Jeremiah 20:10-13; Psalm 69, Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33

### Monday, June 23, 2008

2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15, 18; Psalm 60; Matthew 7:1-5

### Tuesday, June 24, 2008

Isaiah 49:1-6; Psalm 139; Acts 1:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80

### Wednesday, June 25, 2008

2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Psalm 119, Matthew 7:15-20

### Thursday, June 26, 2008

2 Kings 24:8-17; Psalm 79, Matthew 7:21-29

### Friday, June 27, 2008

2 Kings 25:1-12, Psalm 137; Matthew 8:1-4

### Saturday, June 28, 2008

Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19, Psalm 74; Matthew 8:5-17

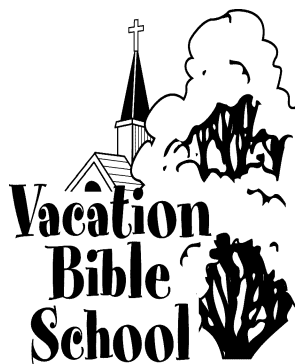
**Stewardship**  
**Offertory June 15/16, 2008**

St. Mary	\$2,282.00
Madonna of Jerusalem	\$2,783.00
St. John Cantius	\$ 973.00

**PETER'S PENCE** On the weekend of June 28 and 29, the annual Peter's Pence collection will be taken. This collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to those throughout the world who suffer from war, oppression, disease and natural disasters. The theme for this year's collection is "Christ Our Hope"; an invitation for people to encounter Jesus Christ personally. Please be as generous as you possibly can.

**BLESSED ARE THEY** The Blessed Are They group are invited to attend Mass on Saturday, July 12 at 4:00 p.m. at Madonna of Jerusalem Church and following Mass will be a social at the John Paul I Center. Following is information about this wonderful group

BLESSED ARE THEY is a group of mentally challenged adults who are often timid and scared, but very happy. They have a special devotion to the Blessed Mother and they like to hear stories about Jesus as a boy and a man. They also enjoy praying together and they love Pittsburgh sports. They are individuals like us and they respond to easy questions, if you are patient with them. They like a good story and they like to hear their name, so they wear name tags. During Mass, they help with the offertory collection and they also serve as lectors and Eucharistic ministers. They love being together and they think Father Almade is a "swell guy." Please open your hearts to this very special group of people as they gather together to praise our Lord.



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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Vacation Bible School will be held from Monday, July 7 through Friday, July 11 at the John Paul I Pastoral Center from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Children ages 4 through 10 are welcome to join us for bible stories, crafts and outdoor activities. Snacks will be provided and the cost of registration for a child is \$10. Please contact the Parish Office no later than June 27 to register your child for this wonderful time!

**PITTSBURGH CATHOLIC** The June 27 issue of the Pittsburgh Catholic will be mailed to all parishioners. Please look for Bishop Zubik's first pastoral letter to the church of Pittsburgh and carefully read the many interesting articles, including one about three priests who were ordained a year ago, the Year of Eucharistic Adoration for the Year of St. Paul and part four in the series on Pittsburgh's 250th anniversary. Also, please read the final installment of Father Almade's thirteen-part series in this edition.

**ALTAR FLOWERS AND SANCTUARY CANDLES** We have openings available throughout the summer months for altar flowers and sanctuary candles. Please call the Parish Office if you wish to request these.



**Please pray for**

**Marlyn Meshanko**  
**Cheryl Coffrini**  
and  
**James Metzger,**  
father of Jan Barbus

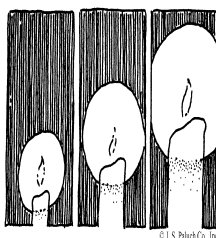
May they rest in peace.



**Flowers at the Altar**

In memory of

**John and Helen Yodanis**



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

In memory of

**John and Helen Yodanis**

**DO YOU HAVE A CHILD READY FOR  
KINDERGARTEN?**

We are currently accepting registration for Kindergarten 2008-2009. Please call for further information or to arrange a tour. Tuition assistance is available to qualified applicants. We nurture faith while inspiring excellence! Please contact Christ the Divine Teacher Catholic Academy at (412) 781-7927 or [www.cdtcatholicacademy.org](http://www.cdtcatholicacademy.org).

**CELL PHONES FOR SOLDIERS** We have received a request for used cell phones to be sent to our soldiers overseas in order for them to keep in contact with their families here. Phones can be in any condition and do not need to have batteries. The power must be turned off and if the phone has a battery, please keep it attached to the phone. Containers will be located in each of the churches for the collection of your old cell phones and please also remember these brave men and women in your prayers as they serve our country.

**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOPS** This workshop is mandatory for all those who minister in any capacity in our church. One will be held on Tuesday, June 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the school library of St. Mary of the Assumption, Glenshaw. Another will be offered on Saturday, June 28 at 9:00 a.m. in the social hall of St. Joseph Church in O'Hara. If anyone would like to register for either of these workshops, please call the parish office for more details.

**AWAY** Father Almade will be out of the office on Thursday, June 26 and on Friday, June 27. Father will return to celebrate weekend Masses on Saturday, June 28.

**DIAPERS** are still being accepted for mothers and fathers in need. Please bring your donations to any church and thank you for your kindness.

***Please remember your parish in your will.***

**IS YOUR MARRIAGE TEARING YOU APART?** Do you feel lost and alone? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Hope and help are available through Retrouvaille. For confidential information about an upcoming program beginning with a weekend July 11-13, 2008, please contact Retrouvaille at (412) 277-3434. Additional information is also available at [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com).

**DAY OF RENEWAL** A Day of Renewal for all Catholic women in the Pittsburgh Diocese will be held on Saturday, June 28, 2008 at St. Alphonsus Church in Wexford. The day will begin with Mass at 9:00 a.m. with Bishop Paul J. Bradley as the celebrant and concelebrated by Father Angelus Shaughnessy and Father Peter Murphy. After Mass, a continental breakfast will be served, followed by talks, discussions and lunch. The retreat director is Father Angelus Shaughnessy and to make a reservation, please send a check for \$15 payable to the Pittsburgh DCCW to Joanne Warren, 120 Star View Lane, Cranberry Township, PA 16066. Space is limited; please make your reservations no later than June 23.

**DIOCESAN CELEBRATION FOR FAMILIES** Our diocese, along with the Universal Church, is celebrating the Year of St. Paul beginning on June 29, 2008 and extending until June 29, 2009. In conjunction with this event, the Office for Family Life and Catechesis of the Diocese of Pittsburgh will sponsor a special day for families at St. Paul Seminary. On Saturday, August 23, Bishop Zubik invites all families to a special Mass which he will celebrate at 12:00 Noon. The day will include a catered picnic lunch, a tour of St. Paul Seminary, games and lots of fun for everyone! Be sure to mark this date on your calendar. Interested families can call (412) 456-3160 for more information.

**ANointing OF THE SICK** The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is intended to bring the healing love and life of Christ to those who are sick. It is also for those who are in severe pain or approaching surgery. Anointing of the sick is available after every weekend Mass. Just move to the front row of the church and wait for Father to finish greeting parishioners at the back of church. He will then offer the sacrament to you. Or call Father Almado to visit a homebound parishioner to administer the sacrament at home.

**PAPER RECYCLING** CCS has a paper recycle bin in the parking lot of Madonna Church, at the corner of 9<sup>th</sup> and Clay Streets. Donations of paper and paper goods (no telephone books, cardboard or plastic, please) show your sensitivity to environmental concerns. CCS also receives a quarterly contribution from Abitibi Company for the paper. Your donations save hundreds of tons of landfill and benefit our community. Please use the recycle bin often.

**TO OUR VISITORS** We are glad you attended Mass with us. How may we serve you? Please contact us, pastor Father Almado or parish secretary Rosemarie Haas, at 412-784-8700...

- If you would like to become a member of one of the CCS parishes;
- If you have a question or concern about the Catholic Church;
- If you would like to learn more about the Catholic faith;
- If you have a special prayer request;
- If you would like to volunteer in one of the CCS ministries;
- If you wish to have a visit to your home by Father Almado.

# BINGO!

**at MADONNA**

***Don't forget our spaghetti dinner tonight!***

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 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.

**ST. KATHARINE DREXEL** Katharine Drexel was born in Philadelphia in 1858 to very wealthy parents. However, three days each week her mother opened their home to the poor and her father spent half an hour each evening in prayer, providing Katharine with excellent role models on which to base her life.

Katharine had an excellent education and traveled widely. But when she nursed her stepmother through a three-year terminal illness, she saw that all the money her family had could not buy safety from pain or death and her life took a profound turn.

Katharine had always been interested in the plight of the Indians. While on tour in Europe, she met Pope Leo XIII and asked him to send more missionaries to Wyoming. He replied, "Why don't you become a missionary?" His answer shocked her into considering new possibilities. Upon her return home, she visited the Dakotas, met the Sioux leader Red Cloud and began her systematic aid to Indian missions.

She could have easily married. But after much discussion with her friend, Bishop James O'Connor, she said, "The feast of St. Joseph brought me the grace to give the remainder of my life to the Indians and the Colored."

After three and a half years of training, she and her first band of nuns opened a boarding school in Santa Fe. By 1942, she had a system of black Catholic schools in 13 states, plus 40 mission centers and 23 rural schools. In all, she established 50 missions for Indians in 16 states. Katharine also founded Xavier University in New Orleans, the first Catholic university in the United States for blacks.

At 77, she suffered a heart attack and was forced to retire. Apparently, her life was over. But now came almost 20 years of quiet, intense prayer from a small room overlooking the sanctuary. Small notebooks and slips of paper record her various prayers, ceaseless aspirations and meditation. She died at the age of 96 and was canonized in 2000.

The Feast of St. Katharine Drexel is March 3.

**FAITHFUL CHRONICLES**  
*by Father Frank D. Almada*

Last summer Pope Benedict XVI said in a sermon, "I am pleased to announce a special Jubilee Year to the Apostle Paul from 28 June 2008 to 29 June 2009, on the occasion of the bimillennium of his birth." Many of you are familiar with the Great Jubilee Year proclaimed and lead by Pope John Paul II in 2000, with its superb trilogy of apostolic exhortations and multitude of events, in Rome and around the world. You can be sure that even now someone in the Vatican is working on the Jubilee Year which will celebrate the 2,000<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ in 2030 (or 2033, depending on which historian you believe).

Bishop Zubik has already indicated that he wants this Pauline Jubilee Year to be a time of prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament and activity to promote vocations to priesthood, religious life, church ministry, married life and single life. Beginning on the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul, next Sunday, June 29, at least one parish in the diocese each day will hold Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Our churches are scheduled for days in October 2008 and May 2009. You can check the list of churches with Exposition each week in the *Pittsburgh Catholic*.

Let me suggest ways for us to appreciate more this great writer, evangelist, and martyr during the Pauline Jubilee Year.

**Grow in love for Jesus Christ.** In Galatians Paul wrote, "It is no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me." Jesus Christ lives within us. He wants each of us in our own unique ways to express his teachings, love for the poor, and communion with his Father. Paul teaches us to open ourselves to the presence and power of Christ within us.

**Read and study St. Paul's writings.** Half of the New Testament (13 of 26 books) is attributed to Paul. Pull out your bible and begin reading one of his letters. All it takes is one chapter, maybe even half a chapter, each day. The Catholic Church encourages its members to read, study and know the Sacred Scriptures. Paul through his writings teaches us the richness of the Word of God.

**Pray for vocations.** Following upon Bishop Zubik's request, daily pray for more vocations: in the sacrament of marriage; in single life and through work; as a member of a religious order; serving the Church in part-time, volunteer, or full-time ministry; and, certainly not least, as an ordained priest. Paul through his conversion experience teaches us how to heed Christ in his call.

**Spend time before the Blessed Sacrament.** Rekindle your love for the Lord by being silent in his presence in church. We are privileged to have Madonna of Jerusalem Church open every weekday from 7:00 a.m. to about 4:00 p.m. Paul nourished his relationship with Christ by frequent prayer.

**Visit St. Paul Cathedral in Oakland.** Make a pilgrimage to the "mother church" of the Diocese of Pittsburgh. See it's newly renovated beauty in its 101st year, and receive a plenary indulgence.

## *Schedule of Masses for the Week*

### **SAT., JUNE 21**

4:00 PM MOJ ALBERT J. LIPP by the Albert Lipp Family

6:00 PM MOJ JOHN F. COEN by the Coen Family

### **SUN., JUNE 22**

8:30 AM SJC FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE  
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN SHARPSBURG

10:30 AM STM WILLIAM ZACHARIAS, AGNES SEABERT &  
FAMILY by Tina and Kirk Taylor

### **MON., JUNE 23**

7:30 AM MOJ THE CONLEY FAMILY by Mr. & Mrs. Michael  
Conley

### **TUE., JUNE 24**

7:30 AM MOJ IN MEMORY OF THE 70TH WEDDING  
ANNIVERSARY OF JOHN AND HELEN YODANIS  
by children

### **WED., JUNE 25**

7:00 PM MOJ BENJAMIN AND CARMELLA URSO AND FAMILY by  
Theresa Urso and Family

### **THU., JUNE 26**

7:30 AM MOJ FRANK, SR. AND MARGARET POSTAVA &  
DECEASED FAMILY by family

### **FRI., JUNE 27**

7:30 AM MOJ ANTHONY TRALKA by Vince Aluise and Sons

### **SAT., JUNE 28**

4:00 PM MOJ PETER & STELLA SUBASIC by granddaughters  
and great-grandson

6:00 PM MOJ FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE  
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN SHARPSBURG

### **SUN., JUNE 29**

8:30 AM SJC PFC DAVID A. FERRARO by parents

10:30 AM STM GEORGE WILLIAMS by wife, Ann and family

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

### **\*\*\*NEWS OUTSIDE SHARPSBURG\*\*\***

**GIANT RUMMAGE SALE** St. Aloysius Parish on Mount Troy Road will have a giant rummage sale on Saturday, June 28 from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and on Sunday, June 29, from 12:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. Eighteen rooms of treasures, food and raffles and additional items arriving regularly. For additional information, please call (412) 821-3610.

**CAMP "R" IS IN** Camp "R" is a co-ed residential camp located in Laurel Hill State Park and accredited by the American Camping Association. Horseback riding, archery, boating, swimming and team sports are just a small part of their 68th year. Sessions are filling quickly for this great outdoor opportunity for children. Call (412) 621-3342 to talk to one of their staff members.

**RACHEL'S VINEYARD** Rachel's Vineyard, a weekend retreat designed to heal the emotional and spiritual wounds of abortion, will be held on August 8-10. Open to both men and women, the retreat will take place at the Spiritan Center in Bethel Park. Rachel's Vineyard provides a beautiful experience of God's love, forgiveness and compassion for those struggling with abortion's aftermath. For additional information or to register, please call Ann Depner or Karen LaFrance at (412) 456-6999 no later than August 1.

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