

Saint Juan Diego Parish

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

MAY 31, 2009

PENTECOST SUNDAY

ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday

4:00 pm Madonna of Jerusalem Church
6:00 pm Madonna of Jerusalem 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. Baptisms will take place during any 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. 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

MATTHEW 7:7 PRAYER GROUP

Monday: 7:15 p.m. in Madonna Church

KOREAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY (KCC)

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

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



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Stewardship
Offertory May 23/24, 2009

\$4,480.00
(Ascension \$1,835.00)

Attendance

689
(Ascension 420)

PILGRIMAGE Saint Juan Diego Parish is planning a pilgrimage to St. Paul Cathedral and St. Stanislaus Church in the Strip District on Tuesday, June 16. This pilgrimage also includes lunch at the Pittsburgh Athletic Association. This trip is a repeat of the one offered in September. It is in recognition of the Jubilee Year of St. Paul proclaimed by Pope Benedict XVI. The bus will leave from St. Mary Church at 10:00 a.m. and return at 3:00 p.m. The cost for this trip is \$48 and if you would like to attend, please call the Parish Office. Our last pilgrimage sold out quickly, so please call the office as soon as possible to reserve your seat.

YOUTH MINISTRY The Youth Ministry of Saint Juan Diego Parish will be changing its format. The third Friday of the month will be Personal Care Home night. We will visit the local personal care homes on these nights. Beginning on the third Friday of June, we will visit M and M Personal Care Home on 15th and North Canal Street and on the third Friday of July, we will visit St. Mary's Courtyard. This change will give us the opportunity to live the Gospel, but it will not affect meeting as a group for social nights and activities. Keep looking in the bulletin for upcoming events.



St. Anthony

ST. ANTHONY NOVENA Our annual St. Anthony Novena continues this Tuesday, June 2 at 7:00 p.m. in Madonna of Jerusalem Church. The Novena will conclude next Tuesday, June 9. All are welcome.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION Our final Eucharistic adoration in honor of the Jubilee Year of St. Paul will be held this Tuesday, June 2, from 12 Noon until 4:00 p.m. at St. Mary Church. All parishioners are encouraged to participate in this special time of devotion.

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS If someone in your family is graduating from school this year or has received a special award, please contact the Parish Office with the information in so that we can publish it in the bulletin.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School will be held beginning on Monday, July 6 through Friday, July 10 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 26 to register your child for this wonderful time!

Born to New Life



Please pray for

George Burkarth
Harold Shields, Sr.
(Father of Betty Kee)

May they rest in peace.

NEW VESTMENT Next week (on Trinity Sunday) and the week after (on Corpus Christi), Father Almada will wear the new vestment donated anonymously by a parishioner at all Masses. This magnificent chasuble has images of Our Lady of Guadalupe and Saint Juan Diego, as well as representations of the four apparitions of the Virgin to Juan Diego. It will also be worn on the most important feasts (Christmas and Easter) and the celebration of Saint Juan Diego (December 9) and Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12).

PREVIEW OF OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY

PILGRIMAGE Travel director Dick Ponzio will offer a special preview of the Pilgrimage to the Oberammergau Passion Play (hosted by Father Almada), scheduled for the summer of 2010. The preview will be held on Wednesday, June 17, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the John Paul I Pastoral Center. Mr. Ponzio will review in detail the tour program and answer your questions. Of course, there is no obligation to sign up for the tour. If you are even the least bit interested, come and enjoy the company of people who like to travel.

AWAY Father Almada will be out of the parish June 4 and 5. He will be part of the diocesan contingent attending the installation of Bishop Paul Bradley as 4th Bishop of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

DIOCESAN CLASSES St. Mary of the Assumption, Middle Road, will hold these courses: Catechetical Methods with a Master Catechists team beginning on June 8 through June 12 from 9:00 a.m. until 12 Noon; Mary, Teaching and Ministry, with Dr. Ed Scheid, will be held starting on June 15 through 19 from 9:00 a.m. until 12 Noon. For more information or to preregister, please call Marge at 412-486-5521.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY Young Adult Sunday in the Diocese of Pittsburgh will be celebrated on August 2. At Saint Juan Diego Parish, we celebrate Young Adult Sunday on the last Sunday of each month. In honor of the upcoming Diocesan event, we will celebrate Young Adult Sunday on July 25 at the 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary Church followed by a social. Young Adult week will be celebrated during the week of July 25 with special events. On Sunday, August 2 there will be a Young Adult family picnic.

In addition, a committee is being formed for a four week presentation entitled "Theology on Tap." This presentation is an informal talk held at a local pub or restaurant on various topics. Saint Mary's Assumption, Glenshaw, has open gym the third Wednesday of each month and all young adults are invited to attend. If you are interested in any additional information, please call Tom Troyan at 412-782-4860.

NEW NOTE CARDS Lovely Saint Juan Diego note cards are available for purchase at the Parish Office during the week or after each Mass on the weekend in the sacristy. The cards are 6 for \$5 and they are a wonderful way to show others who our new patron saint is.



SECOND COLLECTION Our second collection next weekend is for the Parish Share Program. We appreciate your continued generosity as we work toward our annual goal.

TOWN HALL MEETINGS As stated in the insert included in this bulletin, two town hall meetings are scheduled to discuss the future of St. Mary Church. The first meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 11, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the John Paul I Pastoral center. The second meeting will be on Thursday, June 12 from 12 Noon until 1:30 p.m. All parishioners are welcome to come and participate in these meetings.

COUNCIL MEETINGS The next Pastoral Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the John Paul I Pastoral Center. The next Finance Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the John Paul I Pastoral Center.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS AND ROSARY SOCIETY The meeting for the Christian Mothers and Rosary Society for the month of June will be held on Thursday, June 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the John Paul I Pastoral Center.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES BENEFIT CONCERT The Pittsburgh Symphony will host a Community Partners Concert featuring singer Chaka Khan on June 25 at 8:00 p.m. at Heinz Hall in support of the mission of Catholic Charities in Pittsburgh. To order tickets, please call 1-800-743-8560 and mention Catholic Charities' 5-digit organization code when ordering: 11760.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN For those who were unable to attend the workshop held at St. John Cantius Church in April, following is a list of upcoming workshops that will be held nearby. You can check the diocesan website, www.diopitt.org for additional locations or call the Parish Office.

Tuesday, June 2 at 7:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Joy, Penn Hills 412-795-4389

Saturday, June 6 at 10:00 a.m.
St. Bernadette, Monroeville 412-373-1797

Sunday, August 16 at 12:30 p.m.
Most Holy Name of Jesus, Troy Hill 412-231-2969
Internet sign-up only

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI CELEBRATION All parishioners are invited to make a sawdust carpet in the parking lot of Holy Martyrs Church in Tarentum to celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi. You can begin as early as 7:30 a.m. and Mass starts at 11:00 a.m. There will be exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass until the closing at 4:00 p.m. If you would like more information, please call 724-224-0770.

HOSPITAL VISITS Father Almada wants to visit parishioners who are in a hospital or nursing home. However, only if a family member calls the Parish Office to inform Father of a parishioner or loved one in the hospital can he visit. For many years, it has been a nationwide policy that hospitals or other healthcare facilities are not permitted to notify churches about parishioners who are patients. So if a parishioner, former parishioner or loved one is in a hospital or nursing facility and you want Father Almada to make a visit, please call the Parish Office with the pertinent information.

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.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Financial pressures, the stress of parenting, differences between men and women, boredom, disillusionment—they can all scorch a relationship. If you did not have an opportunity to see it at the movies, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is hosting a free viewing of "Fireproof" on Saturday, June 27 at 7:00 p.m. at Gilmory Retreat Center, 601 Flaugherly Run Road, Coraopolis. Spend a relaxing "movie night" with us and hear how the gift of a marriage encounter weekend can fireproof your marriage. Snacks and beverages will be provided, along with a few surprises. Seating is limited so please register by June 20. For more information call 724-265-9017.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY Today as we celebrate Pentecost, the Holy Spirit wants to make us advocates of God's presence to bring new life to others, especially those who do not know the love of God in their lives. Thank you for helping us to show those in need how much God truly loves them.

DENTISTS NEEDED Catholic Charities is in need of dentists who are willing to volunteer their time and skills at the Catholic Charities Free Health Care Center. Due to overwhelming demand for dental care among the working uninsured, there is an increased need for dentists who can volunteer in our downtown Pittsburgh location. You set your schedule, Catholic Charities will provide the parking. For more information, please call Roberta at 412-456-6697.

POPE ANNOUNCES YEAR FOR PRIESTS On the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the death of the Holy Cure d'Ars, John Mary Vianney, the Holy Father announced on March 16 that a special Year for Priests will be celebrated from June 19, 2009 through June 19, 2010 on the theme: "Faithfulness of Christ, faithfulness of priests." The Holy Father will inaugurate the year presiding at the celebration of Vespers on June 19, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart and a day of priestly sanctification in the presence of the Relic of the Cure d'Ars brought to Rome by the Bishop of Belley-Ars. The Holy Father will close the Year on June 19, 2010 presiding at a world meeting of priests in St. Peter's Square. This jubilee year, Pope Benedict XVI will proclaim John Mary Vianney patron of all the priests in the world.

Schedule of Masses for the Week

SAT., MAY 30

4:00 PM MOJ MARY SUE RANALLI by Vince Ranalli
6:00 PM MOJ JOHN, DOMENIC AND MICHELINA CORRADO
by Family

SUN., MAY 31

8:30 AM SJC FOR THE PEOPLE OF SAINT JUAN DIEGO
PARISH
10:30 AM STM HELEN GEMPE by Family

MON., JUNE 1

7:30 AM MOJ BOB "BUTCH" BABINECZ by Mom and Dad

TUE., JUNE 2

7:30 AM MOJ LOU WOODS by Wife, Rose

WED., JUNE 3

7:30 AM MOJ FOR THE PEOPLE OF SAINT JUAN DIEGO PARISH

THU., JUNE 4

7:30 AM MOJ COMMUNION SERVICE

FRI., JUNE 5

7:30 AM MOJ COMMUNION SERVICE

SAT., JUNE 6

2:00 PM STM WEDDING OF JOSHUA LANE AND
RACHEL LAUGHLIN
4:00 PM MOJ GIUSEPPE & IDA FERRARO AND THE PANZA
FAMILY by Rocco and Evelina Panza
6:00 PM MOJ FOR THE PEOPLE OF SAINT JUAN DIEGO
PARISH

SUN., JUNE 7

8:30 AM SJC ROCCO AND MARIE MAGNELLI by Daughter,
Roxane Magnelli
10:30 AM STM JOHN AND HELEN BURSICK by Francis and
Janice Peitz

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

CAREGIVER NEEDED A part-time caregiver is needed for a local personal care home. The applicant must be 21 years of age and can pass a criminal background check. To apply, please call 412-781-5031.

ABUSE PROTECTION The Diocese of Pittsburgh is 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.

"IN THE BEGINNING" St. Mary of the Assumption, Glenshaw, has planned a weekend trip on July 18 and 19. On July 18 will be a stage performance of "In The Beginning", the story of Creation, followed by dinner and the show "Singing in the Rain" at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theater. Sunday morning will be Mass in Philadelphia at the National Shrine of St. John Neumann, followed by a visit to the gift shop and other historic signs in Philadelphia. The cost is \$283.00 per person, including transportation, hotel, the theaters, breakfast and all taxes and gratuities. For more information, please call 412-486-0165.

ALTAR FLOWERS AND CANDLES There are several openings still available throughout this year for altar flowers and candles. The offering for flowers is \$50 and the offering for candles is \$25. If you are interested in honoring loved ones with these special tributes, please call the Parish Office.

FAITHFUL CHRONICLES

by Father Frank D. Almada

"One of the practical ways that the work of Jesus continues in each of our lives is through the Vocation that God shares with us—God's call of what He designs us to be and how He wants us to live. Longstanding in our tradition as Catholics, we have come to appreciate the four distinct calls of Christ in our lives: the Vocation to the married life; the Vocation of the single life; the Vocation of the consecrated life; and the Vocation to the ordained life."

These words of Bishop Zubik, from his first pastoral letter, "The Church Alive," express the baptismal call for each of us to be disciples of Christ. From time to time it is good to reflect on the many different vocations of Christians.

In that spirit beginning next week Saint Juan Diego Parish will host a six week series on Sundays on vocations. Here is the lineup:

Sunday, June 7, The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity: **Everyone has a Vocation**, by Father Frank D. Almada

Sunday, June 14, The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ: **The Vocation of Priesthood**, by Father Frank D. Almada.

Sunday, June 21, 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time: **The Vocation of the Deacon**, by Deacon Steve Pikula (4:00 and 6:00 p.m. Masses) and Deacon Francis Dadowski (8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Masses)

Sunday, June 28, 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time: **The Vocation of the Vowed Religious Woman**, by Sister Mary Thaddeus Markelewicz, C.S.S.F., Executive Director, McGuire Memorial Home in New Brighton

Sunday, July 5, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time: **The Vocation of Marriage**, by various parishioners

Sunday, July 12, 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time: **The Vocation of Work in the World**, By Dr. William Batz, General Secretary, Diocese of Pittsburgh

Please don't read anything into the order of these presentations. This is merely the schedule that worked for the various presenters. Every vocation is important. One vocation is not more important than another. The vital challenge is for each of us to listen to God for the vocation we are called to carry out—**and then to do it with all our energy and spirit!** As the Feast of Pentecost teaches us today, the Holy Spirit is poured out upon the whole Church and to every member in the Church, in a great variety of ways. All receive gifts from the Spirit. All of us have the responsibility of using these gifts for the good of the Church and the building up of a better world. Let us pray that we may joyfully embrace the vocation God has given us, for the praise and glory of the One God—Father, Son and Spirit.

Please be sure to read Moving Forward Report #14.