



*“None goes his way alone. All that we send into the lives of others, comes back into our own.”—Edwin Markham*

A huge heartfelt thanks to all of you for your kindness and generosity to me on the occasion of my birthday. I am especially grateful to the parish staff for organizing a small reception following the Saturday evening Mass on **August 7th**. Our wonderful Hospitality Committee, and many of you, provided refreshments and delicious homemade baked goods for our celebration! Your many cards and humorous gifts, along with several touching notes of encouragement as I join the “half century club,” have truly touched me beyond words. My gratitude to all of you knows no limit! This is why I believe my greatest gift is your friendship, love and support! My prayer for all of you is that the Lord will bless each of you with the same abundant joy which you have been, and continue to be, in my life. I was and continue to be quite surprised and “blown away” by your thoughtful kindness. If you do not receive a “thank you card” in the mail, just realize that it may be due to my early dementia!!!



As the summer draws to a close, I’d like to thank **Justin Waltz** and **Anthony Sciarappa**, our summer interns.



Justin spent his time with us serving our youth in Religious Education and High School Youth Ministry. We are grateful for his contributions to Vacation Bible School, Summer Program, Confirmation Program, Leadership Conference, Catholic Heart Workcamp, and Theology of the Body. Justin has left an imprint on Sts. John and Paul with his passion for the faith and zealous commitment to serving Christ and His Church. We offer our encouragement and prayers to him as he journeys to Porterville, California where he will be working at St. Anne’s Parish and School.

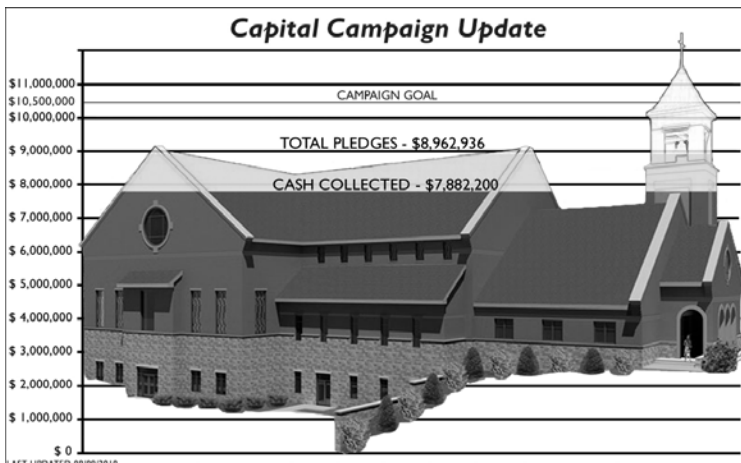
Our seminarian, Anthony Sciarappa, used his gifts and talents this summer in our Confirmation Program, Vacation Bible School, and Summer Program, as well as in the development of our new church tour and the recording of our parish history. Fortunately, Anthony won’t be too far away as he begins his third year at St. Paul’s Seminary and Duquesne University. We look forward to his continued involvement in our parish life.



Our two summer interns will be leaving us soon.

God love you,

Fr. Mac



WEEKLY COLLECTION	
<b>Sunday, August 8, 2010</b>	
Offertory.....	\$25,380.00
Parish Share.....	\$3,643.00
Thank you for your generous support of SSJP Parish.	

We are all called to bring the Good News of the Risen Christ to others, to proclaim the Good News of salvation, and to share the new life of Christ with others. Sharing faith acknowledges our gratitude to God for the gift of faith. Sharing faith forms the foundation of **tithing!**



# PARISH NEWS

## Weekly Schedule

**Sunday, August 15th**

No Activities

**Monday, August 16th**

10:00 AM Legion of Mary  
6:30 PM Men's Club

**Tuesday, August 17th**

2:00 PM Eucharistic Holy Hour

**Wednesday, August 18th**

9:00 AM CVOL 6 Retreat  
6:00 PM Babysitting Meeting  
7:15 PM Cantor Practice

**Thursday, August 19th**

No Activities

**Friday, August 20th**

9:00 AM CVOL 5 Retreat

**Saturday, August 21st**

7:00 AM CMF

### ROAD TO THE DIACONATE

**What is your wife's role in your formation?**

Current diaconate formation protocol expects the deacon's wife to be directly involved with this process. Her involvement in the annual retreats and special days of recollection throughout the year are the best opportunity for her to grow in general knowledge about the program, to determine the possible impacts on the family and to experience her own spiritual growth.

### OUTREACH COLLECTION

Next weekend, **August 21st and 22nd**, is the quarterly free-will collection to benefit the Poor and Homeless, Respect for Life support organizations, and the SSJP Outreach programs. Please make your donation knowing that every penny will go to sustain our region's needy.

### PARISH PICNIC



Please mark your calendars for the annual parish picnic which is scheduled for **Sunday, August 29th**. The picnic will begin immediately after the 11:00 AM Mass and will be held on the Church grounds. Scheduled events include lunch at 12:30 PM, followed by games for all ages, crafts, music, entertainment and dancing. If you are looking for an opportunity to get more involved with our wonderful parish, volunteers are still needed. Please contact Lynne Belko, lbelko@mac.com or 412-848-9088 if you have any questions.

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**Heaven doesn't come to earth cheap. It never has! It takes prayer. —Norvel Hayes**

### WAITING LIST FOR GOLFERS!

We are filled! A waiting list for golfers who may want to play, but have not sent in the forms and money, has been created. Obviously, we are thrilled to have so many people who want to play in the seventh annual golf outing.



However, we also know that there will be several disappointed golfers...so in case an opening does occur at the last minute, please contact us; and we will put your name on the waiting list. On the other hand, we are still WAITING...and hoping for a few more donations to offer the golfers and diners for the Silent and Chinese Auctions. We will be putting some of the items on the church website to give parishioners an opportunity to bid on vacation sites...a golf cart...and other interesting items. Please contact Bill or Rosemary Garrity at 724-933-0285 or rpg@consolidated.net.

### MEN'S CLUB MEETING



**MEN'S CLUB**

The Men's Club will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, **August 16th at 6:30 PM** in the Parish Hall. All men of the parish are welcome!

### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Anyone, 5th grade and up, interested in becoming an altar server, please call Phyllis, x-26, for an appointment to be trained.

## Outreach

**Senior Connection Workdays have opportunities for service, including the following dates:**

Saturdays, September 11th and October 23rd. Reserve your place by calling Sally Kraynik at 724-935-1991 or Lynn Cook at 724-935-7414.

**Food Bank Workdays:**

Saturdays, August 14th, October 9th and December 11th. To become a Food Bank volunteer, please call Bill Cotter at 724-934-2284.

**Food Bank "item of the month"** for August is canned fruit and applesauce, which is due at the end of the month.

- Blood Drive.....Peggy Slota-412-366-8398
- Community Food Bank..... Bill Cotter-724-934-2284
- Food Collection.....Sally Taccone-724-935-4456
- Jubilee Kitchen.....Jeannine Dean-724-933-7692
- Prison Ministry.....Owen Dwyer-724-935-6865
- Senior Connection.....Lynn Cook-724-935-7414  
Sally Kraynik-724-935-1991
- Sharing Tree.....Dara Schanker-412-741-4810
- Respect Life.....Joy Allen-412-741-1106
- Outreach Committee.....Owen Dwyer-724-935-6865

# FAITH FORMATION

## CATECHISTS & AIDES NEEDED



Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you as a Catechist/Co-Catechist. Call Kate ASAP at 724-935-2104, x-23, to volunteer.

AGE	DAY	TIME
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### **Weekly Catechists Needed:**

4th Grade	Monday	4:30—6:00 PM
4th Grade	Wednesday	6:30—8:00 PM

### **Weekly Co-Catechist Needed:**

3rd Grade	Monday	4:30—6:00 PM
5th Grade	Monday	4:30—6:00 PM

## CATECHIST BASIC CERTIFICATION COURSE

The *Basic Catechist Certification Course, Morality* will begin on **Saturday morning, August 28th** at Sts. John and Paul Parish. For additional information and/or to register, please contact Kate at x-23.

## FAITH SHARING BOOK CLUB



The next book we will be reading for the Faith Sharing Book Club is "*Captivating: Unveiling the Mystery of a Woman's Soul*" by John and Stasi Eldredge. We will be meeting on **Thursday, August 26th at 8:15 PM** at Bella Frutetta Restaurant. All are welcome.

## CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD REGISTRATION PLACEMENT

Please note that postcards will be sent to all those registered for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd the week of **August 15th**. Please watch your mail for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd placement notifications.

## PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

All church volunteers are required to participate in Protecting God's Children. To register, go on-line at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). The upcoming sessions are:

St. John Neumann, Sunday, August 22nd	1:30 PM
St. John Neumann, Monday, August 23rd	7:00 PM
St. Alexis, Thursday, September 9th	6:30 PM

## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Check out the activities posted on the Young Adult Ministry website: <http://www.diopitt.org/education/yamindex.html>.



Kate — [kbianco@stsjohnandpaul.org](mailto:kbianco@stsjohnandpaul.org)

Kathy — [kmasters@stsjohnandpaul.org](mailto:kmasters@stsjohnandpaul.org)

## CONFIRMATION 2010



Confirmation will be celebrated on **Wednesday, September 22nd at 7:00 PM** with Bishop David Zubik! All candidates will gather on **Sunday, September 12th** for the Evening of Reflection (Mass at 5:30 PM, dinner at 6:30 PM, and the program from 7:00 - 8:30 PM). A special reconciliation service for all candidates, their families, and their sponsors will be held on **Saturday, September 18th** at 9:30 AM. Practice for Confirmation will be held on **Sunday, September 19th** at 6:30 PM (right after the 5:30 PM Mass). Questions? Contact Kathy at x-36.

## CONFIRMATION PAPERWORK DUE AUGUST 15TH!

Please gather up your paperwork and turn it in to the Faith Formation Office! We need your Confirmation Information Form (printed on lime-green paper), a sponsor slip from your sponsor's home parish, your letter to Father Mac, any make-up work from missed prep classes or CVOL 8, and your home study packet (if you completed the Home Study model). All of these documents are important and are required by **Sunday, August 15th!** Any questions, please contact Kathy at x-36 or Kate at x-23.

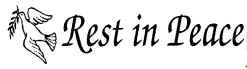


## CATHOLIC VISION OF LOVE GRADES 5 AND 6



Register now for the Catholic Vision of Love retreats in August! Sixth graders will gather on **Wednesday, August 18th, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM** in the Education Building. We'll learn about what it means to be a child of God and a true disciple as we enter middle school. There will be presentations, games, a pizza lunch, reconciliation, and Mass. We already have 60 students registered! Fifth graders will meet on **Friday, August 20th**. We'll begin with Mass at **9:00 AM**, and then move to the Education Building to talk about the importance of choosing good friends and staying close to Jesus at home and at school. Students will be dismissed at **Noon**. If you are out of town that week, you can cover the curriculum using the CVOL Home Study model which is available on the parish website. To register for a retreat, please contact Kathy at x-36. Parents, your help is needed! If you are Safe Environment compliant and can assist, please let me know.

# SACRAMENTS



*Rest in Peace* Please pray for the souls of Edward Bobak, brother of Virginia Eyerman; and Paul Kook, father of Juok (Kook) Yun. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.



III  
**Sara Bronizewski & Corey Bandurski**  
 II  
**Christine Kochan & Patrick Cersosimo**  
 I  
**Larissa Chambers & Joseph Lombardo**

Please pray for the sick of our parish, and for the families or friends of our parishioners, especially Jennifer A.; Denise Ackerman; Adrian Arluna; Adriane; Robby Agate; Danielle Agliori; Gloria Aiello; Amelia and Aubrey; Koulton & John Appleby; John Asterino; Jack Beeler; Bob; Greg Boros; Gina Brown; Dennis Bruce; Dana Buchanan; Carole Burkey; Sally Bush; Peter Cai Family; Roger Capretta; Carol; June Carr; Louis



*In your prayers...* Chaconas; Dan Christiana; Lloyd Conley; Conner; Janet Connolly; Michele Crane; Bob Czerniewski; Dave; Larrye Dean; Ellen Delfonso; Robert Dill; Gina and Raymond Donch; Robert Donovan; Diane & Vernon Drake; Rose Dwyer; Dorothy Ellison; Steven Eltringham; Lillian Fair; Fedko Family; Al Ference; Amber Fire; Carl Firetto; Joan Foran; Joseph Fryz, Sr.; Eleanore Gartner; Phyllis Gaston; Owen Gerdes; Margie Geyer; Sarah Geyer; Mary Ann Gilliland; Floyd Harris; Richard Hayes; Cindy Hartwig; Betty Healey; Jaiden Heffley; Clare Hopkins; Cliff and Joanna Hutson; Bob Irwin; Jennifer; Jim; Joe; Brian Johnson; Tiiu Johnson; Kenneth Kallis; Aaron Kassner; Kelly L.; Louise Kelly; Pat Kelly; Brian Kilpatrick; Rodger Kirsch; Joan Kozak; Lisa Kozak; Kim & Alan Leban; Jean Lehr; Bette Liotta; Richard Loedding; Claire Margus; Maria; Anna Mae Marshall; Bernard McDermott; Sara McGuigan; Brian McGuire; Natalie Menzel; Johnathan Miglio; Martha Miklasevich; Jason Miller; Denis Mockenhaupt; Carol Montagnese; Julie Mulvaney; Sophia Olson; Beth Ann Owen; Philip Pegher; Shawn Phillips; Graham Pierson; Susan Pierson; Pauline Polding; Lorraine Pollini; Mark Pollini; B. Elizabeth Poster; Francis X. Poster; Priscilla; Kara Provencale; Ann Rado; Ray & Tiffany; Justin Restauri; David Ridilla; Joe Rizzo; Ann Roberto; Sandra Roether; Amy Rose; Charlie Rumble; Elena Sanders; Sandra; Leora Sarver; Nancy Scanga; Jill Schultz; Jim Schwarz; Johnna Schwarz; Kaitlin Serwatka; Carol Sieber; Ralph Skundrich; Chris Snyder; John St. Clair; Emma St. Onge; Mary Beth Stapleton; Stearns Family; Beth Stevens; Julie Stierer; Charles Stipkovic; Michele Stokoski; Karen Storm; Margie Sullivan; Leslie Tarquino; Lynn Van Tassel; Helen Toth; Betty Troha; Ken Tyson; Carissa Ubersox; Tom Van Blaricom; Lynn VanTassel; Jason Venturella; Kathy Volland; Mindy Walch; Julie Walz; Ralph Wegener; Martha Wonder; Francis Wong; Christopher Watson; Bobbi Wright; Christina Wright; Richard Zalenski Family; and Joseph Zeller.

**Names highlighted are the most recent names added.** If prayers are needed after a four-week period, please contact: **Judy Fox at 724-935-3152 or at: vixenfox@consolidated.net, or call Victor Franc at 724-242-5120.**

**Monday, August 16th**

9:00 AM †Frances & Howard Finley (Finley Family)  
 Miraculous Medal Novena following Mass

**Tuesday, August 17th**

7:00 AM †Joseph Miniotas (Family)

**Wednesday, August 18th**

9:00 AM †Mary O'Day (Praskach Family)  
 Rosary prayed following Mass  
 1:15 PM †Jim Hales (Dietz Family)

**Thursday, August 19th**

7:00 AM †William Dimond (Groetsch Family)

**Friday, August 20th**

9:00 AM †Shay McCabe (Groetsch Family)

**Saturday, August 21st**

2:30 PM N.M. Sarah Bronizewski & Corey Bandurski  
 4:00 PM Confessions  
 5:00 PM †Thomas Bland (Susan Schwerer)

**Sunday, August 22nd**

7:30 AM People of Sts. John and Paul  
 9:00 AM †Chrisanta DeLacruz (Giglio Family)  
 11:00 AM †Deceased Members of Marabito & Fontana Families (Teresa Morabito)

† denotes Memorial Mass

‡ denotes Mass for Spiritual & Physical Well-Being

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

*"Blessed is the fruit of your womb"* can be said to all mothers, because every child is *"blessed"* and a child of God upon whom God *"looks with favor."* We cannot earn this blessing. God's love is a free gift to each of us. This is our deepest identity and destiny.

**PARENTING POINTERS**

Children can tire and frustrate us, but they can also teach us simplicity, awe, and loyal love. Remember Jesus' words, *"Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."* (Mt. 18.3) Just for today, look at your child with the eyes of Jesus. What can you learn from your child today?

**Readings for the Week of August 15th**

Sunday: Rv 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56  
 Monday: Ez 24:15-23/Mt 19:16-22  
 Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30  
 Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16  
 Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14  
 Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40  
 Saturday: Ez 43:1-7b/Mt 23:1-12  
 Next Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7,11-13/Lk 13:22-30

**Diocese of Pittsburgh**

**Victim Assistance Hotline: 1-888-808-1235**

## H . S . Y o u t h M i n i s t r y

Visit us at [stsjohnandpaul.org](http://stsjohnandpaul.org). Go to Faith Formation, then click on "High School." Contact Hayley at 724-935-2104, x-28, [hdeschamps@stsjohnandpaul.org](mailto:hdeschamps@stsjohnandpaul.org).

### ATTENTION PARENTS

As the beginning of the school year approaches, we're gearing up for another exciting, faith-filled year in youth ministry. In order to reach as many teens as possible, in a meaningful way, we need you to support and take part in our ministry. You will receive a survey/registration form for your family, which will give us an idea of how you'd like to be involved. Here are just a few ideas: • **Preparing meals for Sundays and special events** • **"Food fund" monetary donations** • **Chaperone for off-site service or events listed opposite this column** • **Coffee House Committee Member** • **Hoagie Fundraiser Coordinator** • **Office help (Fridays or as needed)**. Fulfilling the "Safe Environments" requirements to work with minors (under 18) is mandatory for all youth ministry volunteers. Now is the perfect time to start and become 100% compliant before our kick-off in September. Check out the "Safe Environments" page of the parish website to begin the process. If you have any questions or if you have expertise that would benefit youth ministry, please email Hayley.

# THANK YOU

Thank you to all who supported our youth in 2009-2010 with your gifts of time, money, and talents. You made last year such a blessing to all of us!

**Recycling Rewards**—We are always accepting empty ink/laser cartridges and old cell phones for recycling!



## COURTESY NOTES

**A RACHEL'S VINEYARD WEEKEND RETREAT** designed to heal the emotional and spiritual wounds of abortion, will be held on **September 10th - 12th** at the Spiritan Center in Bethel Park. Catholic Charities and the Diocese of Pittsburgh co-sponsor this retreat. To register or for more information, call Toni Jester at 412-352-5348 or visit [www.ccpgh.org](http://www.ccpgh.org). Registration deadline is September 3rd.

### FALL EVENTS YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS!

**SSJP Parish Picnic**—August 29th

**5:30 PM Mass** resumes on September 12th

**ALIVE AGAIN** at St. Louise de Marillac  
September 18th

**Youth Ministry Kick-off**—September 26th

**Theology of the Body Series** —October 4th, 18th, and  
25th; November 15th & 22nd; December 13th

**Coffee House Immaculate'**—October 30th

**Men's Excursion with Fr. Freedy**

November 1st

**Women's Excursion**

November 2nd

**Hoagie Fundraiser**—November 21st

**Fall Retreat at Camp Allegheny**—  
December 3rd—5th



### SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

**Senior Connection** — Saturdays September 11th and  
October 23rd

**Food Bank, Produce to People** — August 14th, October  
9th, and December 11th.

**Emmas Community** (home for developmentally delayed  
adults) — October 11th

If you are interested in volunteering for one or more of these  
programs, please contact Hayley, x-28.

### MUSIC MINISTRY TRYOUTS

If you have musical gifts, why not use  
them to serve your parish and peers?

We'll be holding tryouts for vocalists  
and musicians **August 30th -  
September 2nd, between 3:00 - 8:00**

**PM**. All you need to do is sign up for a half-hour  
timeslot, fill out the music ministry application, and  
prepare a piece to try out. Applications can be found on  
the parish website.



**DENTAL HGIENISTS INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?**

Your skills are needed and appreciated at the Catholic  
Charities Free Health Care Center in downtown Pitts-  
burgh. There is free parking. For more information,  
call 412-456-6697.

**THE MAGNIFICAT PRAYER BREAKFAST** is **September  
21st** at Sheraton Cranberry from 9:00 AM - Noon.  
Visit [www.magnificatpittsburgh.org](http://www.magnificatpittsburgh.org) for more informa-  
tion.