JUNE 7, 2015 • MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

PARISH CLERGY
Fr. Lou Vallone ............... scatpastor@verizon.net
Fr. Robert Zajdel

M ASS SCHEDULE
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday ... 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday ........................................ No Mass
Saturday Vigil Mass ...................... 4:00 p.m.
Sunday Morning .................. 9:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.
Holy Days ........................................ as Scheduled
See inside for Daily, Holiday and Special Events

CONFESSIONS
Saturday .................. 3:15–3:45 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.;
Also by appointment.

BAPTISMS
By appointment.

WEDDINGS
Call the parish office 6 months in advance of the prospective date. Marriage Classes required.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK
After every Mass (please ask the priest) and by request.

Low-gluten hosts available for Communion – See priest before Mass.

DIRECTORY
Parish Office ........................................ 724-457-7026
Fax .................................................... 724-457-3292
Jennifer Persuitte, Organist/Secretary ........... 724-457-7026
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday–Thursday ................ 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Friday ........................................ 9:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS
Sundays ........................................ In Recess for the Summer

AN OPEN INVITATION OF WELCOME
Non-Catholics and non-parishioners are always welcomed guests.
Inactive, unsure or irregular Catholics are lovingly encouraged to reconnect with the Faith.
New parishioners are joyfully received in our community.
Please call the parish office.
Though our space is small, our hearts are large and there is plenty good room for all.
Saturday  June 6th
4:00 PM  Paul & MaryAnn Grubic (Family)

Sunday  June 7th
9:00 AM  Jeanette Santilli (Son)
11:30 AM  Amand Falso (Jan Bova)

Monday  June 8th
8:30 AM  Special Intentions

Tuesday  June 9th
8:00 AM  Rosary
8:30 AM  Gregory M. Synowka, Sr. (Sons)

Thursday  June 11th
8:30 AM  Parish Family

Friday  June 12th
8:00 AM  Novena for Divine Mercy Week 8 of 9
8:30 AM  Prayers Answered

Saturday  June 13th
4:00 PM  Dolly Dutkovich (John & Andrea Toth)

Sunday  June 14th
9:00 AM  Donald “Skip” Persuette (The Hunter Family)
11:30 AM  Parish Family

NEIGHBORING CHURCHES
WEDNESDAY MORNING Masses

Our Lady of Fatima in Hopewell Twp.  9:00 AM  
St. James in Sewickley 6:45 AM & 9:00 AM  
St. Titus in Aliquippa 7:30 AM  
St. Margaret Mary 8:30 AM

PRAYER REQUESTS: In your kindness will you please pray for the following:

MANIFESTING THE KINGDOM AWARD
GIVEN TO OUR PARISHIONER
This Sunday at 2:00 PM, Bishop Zubik will present the “Manifesting the Kingdom Award” to one nominee (or couple) from every parish in the diocese. The award recognizes lay people for proclaiming Christ in their communities through their gifts of time, talent, treasure, devotion, commitment and love.

This year our award winner from St. Catherine of Siena is Bruce Hoffmaster. Working the nightshift at US Airways, Bruce single-handedly is our overall sacristan and decorator of the sacred space of our Church for daily, Sunday, and all-season celebrations. He serves on our Pastoral Council, as a lector and Eucharistic minister, frequently attends daily Mass, and is the maintainer of all our vestments. Married with grown children, he evidences that there is a dimension of virility and masculinity in sacred aesthetics and as a lay man can appreciate its role in prayer serving the whole community. He is generous with his time and talent and meets the needs of the parish whatever they may be. He is a true “domestic of the Lord”.

There are many, many such people in our parish. The diocese only recognizes one such each year with this award. Stick around long enough, work hard enough, and one day it will be YOUR turn to go to the Cathedral (even if it takes 100 years!).

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

“How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good he has done for me?”
FATHER’S DAY REMEMBRANCES
Father’s Day is a couple weeks away and we have available, once again, Spiritual Bouquets for your convenience. This beautiful Father’s Day card set contains a card with a matching envelope and an offering envelope for the parish. If you are interested in honoring a special Father in your life (deceased or living and yes, foster and father figures are dad’s too!) these Gift Sets are available in church and at the parish office. Take a gift set, keep the card and envelope for your use and return the offering envelope, filled out with the name of the honoree and your donation, to the parish office by either dropping it in the collection basket, mailing it or dropping it off at the office. The honoree can be anybody you want to honor for Father’s Day - Dad, husband, grandfather, father-in-law, Godfather, brother, uncle, son, friend etc. These envelopes will then be placed on the altar during all of our Father’s Day Masses. If you’re having trouble thinking of the perfect gift this is a great idea. Everyone always remembers Mom but Dad’s are special too!

ST. ANTHONY FEAST DAY
The feast day of St. Anthony of Padua will be celebrated on Sunday, June 7, 2015 at the 4:00PM Mass held at St. Titus Church, Franklin Avenue, Aliquippa, PA. The Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Michael D. Ruffalo, Pastor of St. John the Baptist Church, Monaca, PA.

The St. Anthony Congregation invites everyone to attend this special Mass and also extends an invitation for all to attend a reception at the St. Anthony Center in West Aliquippa, following the Mass. Gino Romano will provide the entertainment for the evening.

Readings for the Week of June 7, 2015
Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7/Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Mt 5:17-19
Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37
Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Mt 5:33-37
Next Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

“T he cup of salvation I will take up, and I will call upon the name of the Lord.”
Regular Offertory Collection

May 31, 2015 ................................................. $4,731.00

(This is ordinary income from contributions for the general running of the parish. It is subject to a 17.6% tax to the diocese of Pittsburgh.)

Parish Share Program

PSP Assessment for 2015 .................................. $44,000.00
PSP Collected .................................................. $37,134.00
Remaining on Goal .......................................... $6,866.00

(This is the tax paid to the diocese. We must remit this entire amount to the diocese by December 31, 2015. Any surplus then remains in the parish, tax free.)

Capital Improvements

Goal ............................................................... $10,250.00
Collected to date ........................................... $6,871.00
Remaining on Goal .......................................... $3,379.00

(Siena Hall and the Upper Room now have air conditioning for the comfort of everyone. This climate control project includes the air conditioning, dehumidifier and heat pump. The kitchen has also undergone renovations. Thank you for your continued generosity.)

Religious Education

Assessment 2015-2016 .................................$26,688.00
Contributions to date .................................... $6,445.00
Remaining on Goal .......................................... $20,243.00

(This is our new assessment for the 2014-2015 year for the Elementary School Grant Contributions to the diocese based on 10% of the gross parish income. Contributions to this fund are parish share exempt.)

Special Collection

(These collections are mandated by the Diocese for specific purposes. These moneys are remitted in total to the diocese and are not taxed.)

Weekend Attendance

May 31, 2015

4:00 PM Mass ................................................. 240
9:00 AM Mass .................................................. 225
11:30 AM Mass ................................................. 255
Total .............................................................. 720

SPEAKER FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

On Sunday, June 14th, we will have a speaker visit us at the 11:30AM Mass to talk about Catholic Schools. Although it hasn’t been finalized at time of print, it may be one of our very own parishioners!

ST. ANNE DE BEAUPRE PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP 2015-2016

It is The Christian Ladies Society’s great pleasure to pass on to you, this partial scholarship from a very caring parishioner who hopes to help continue the successful Catholic Education you have pursued.

Criteria:

- Must be a member of Saint Catherine of Siena
- Must be attending Catholic School
- Must participate in an extracurricular activity at school (any club, team sport or even trying out for a team sport, etc.)
- Must participate in a parish service like altar server, help with any club at our church, help with grounds keeper, CCD assistant etc.
- Must be awarded to one girl and one boy in 6th-8th grade as well as 9th-12th grade

Please call the office if you would like more information or would like to apply.

PROVIDENCE CONNECTIONS RAFFLE

Providence Connections 20th Anniversary Back Yard BBQ, to be held on June 19, 2015, raffle TICKETS ARE STILL AVAILABLE! First prize is 6 Steeler Home Games. Second prize is a Gift Card bonanza (value $350), and third prize is 4 tickets to a Pirates game at PNC Park. To purchase a book of 5 tickets for $20 or even one single ticket for $5, please contact Diane Shaeffer at 412-766-3860, or email to dshaeffer@providencenceptions.org.

We are grateful for your response!

“I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord.”
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT FATIMA**

Join us again for the annual St. Titus/Our Lady of Fatima/St. Catherine Vacation Bible School. This is a TOTALLY CATHOLIC VERSION of “Everest – conquering challenges with God’s mighty power!” Gather for Bible Expeditions; bundle up for Glacier Games; snack at Mountaintop Treats; sing and play at Base Camp. On our last day, gear up for the Summit Celebration.

**Where** – Our Lady of Fatima School.
**When** – June 22nd through June 26th, 9:15AM until 12:15PM.
**Who** – children entering pre-school 4 through 4th grade.

Registrations will be accepted up to our start date. It’s still only a $6 donation for the whole week! Register on-line at [www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/olof](http://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/olof) or call Marilyn at 724-378-8020.

**Teens** – please volunteer to help! You can also volunteer on-line or by calling. See you on the trail!

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA REGISTRATION**

Registrations for the 2015-2016 school year are now being accepted. You can visit our website at [http://www.ourladyoffatimahopewell.org/](http://www.ourladyoffatimahopewell.org/), call us at 724-375-7565, or email us at olf-school@comcast.net. Remember...

“Great Beginnings Last a Lifetime”

**Parenting Pointers...............by Susan Vogt**

Don’t think that you have to rush in with a solution to every problem your child has. Sometimes all that a child needs is your listening presence to figure out his or her own solution.

**SAME VBS THEME BUT ANOTHER TIME, DIFFERENT AGES AND LOCATION!!!!!!!**

Vacation Bible School is being held at St. Margaret Mary Parish in Moon on **June 22nd-26th** from 6:00PM to 8:30PM for children ages 5 to 5th grade. Come join us for an exciting week filled with games and activities to grow in God’s love! Further details contact Kathy Hunter 724.784.0419.

*Supervised by adults in compliance with Safe Environment for Children Policy of Diocese of Pittsburgh (St. Catherine Parishioners: We have registration forms printed out and available at the organ and in the office if your child is interested in attending.)

Return the form along with $20 fee to St. Margaret Mary Church at 1 Parish Place, Moon Twp, PA 15108. Please mail or drop off at church office by **JUNE 8, 2015**. Checks payable to St. Margaret Mary and please put VBS on memo line. Thank you.

**A Family Perspective……………..by Bud Ozar**

One gets the impression there was always a lot of sharing, discussion and learning during the many meals Jesus and the disciples ate together. How does this compare to the meals in your home? Today’s gospel challenges us to make our meals more than physical functions and more a time for sharing.

**Marriage Moments……………..by Susan Vogt**

“They worshiped, but they doubted.” (Mt. 28:17) No matter how much spouses love one another, there are bound to be times that we doubt. We are human and crave reassurance that we are loved. Offer that reassurance today.

**Parish Registration**

We welcome all those who would like to become members of St. Catherine of Siena Parish community. To register as a parishioner, please complete the following information and return it to the Parish Office or drop it in the collection basket at Mass. If you need to update your parish info, use this form also.

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“Whoever eats this bread will live forever.”
FRANCISCANS IN ACTIONS RETREAT
Attention: Women Ages 18 to 45 --You are invited to join the Sisters of St. Francis of the Neumann Communities as we travel to Davi d, Kentucky June 21st–28th to repair homes for people in need through our Franciscans in Actions service retreat. While giving of your time and talent, you'll also experience personal and spiritual growth in the Franciscan tradition. To register, please contact Sister Karen Krebs, OSF, at 412.965.1247 or kkrebs@sosf.org. More information at www.sosf.org.

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL FLEA MARKET AND BASKET RAFFLE
Saturday, June 20th from 8:00AM to 2:00PM and Sunday, June 21st from 9:00AM to 1:00PM Hunting for treasures or just a really good bargain? Head on out to Assumption School’s 6th Annual Flea Market in spacious McGovern Hall (located under the church) 45 North Sprague Ave., Bellevue. It will be a picker’s paradise with tables featuring collectables, jewelry, kitchen items, toys and so much more. Basket raffles and concessions will also be available. You have to come and see what might be waiting for you. All proceeds will benefit Assumption School.

RETROUVAILLE
Are you feeling helpless because you think your MARRIAGE is heading downhill? Don’t despair. Retrouvaille (French for Rediscovery and pronounced Re-tro-vi) is a proved an effective program that is helping hurting marriages rebuild their trust and renew their communication. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on July 10, 2015, please contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434 or 3041@retrouvaille.org. More information is available at www.retrouvailleofpittsburghinc.org.

THE HOLY SHROUD OF TURIN & MIRACULOUS HOLY FACE OF JESUS WORLD TOUR
On Thursday, July 9th at 7.00PM in the church the Apostolate committee is sponsoring the international world tour of the Holy Shroud of Turin by Donald Nobs. Don, who is an expert on the Shroud of Turin, believed to be the burial cloth of Jesus, will be speaking at Our Lady of Peace (Conway) on the authenticity of the Shroud.
Don is the director general of the Confraternity of the Passion International and president of the Holy Face of Jesus. Commissioned by Pope Saint John Paul II to evangelize and teach about the suffering Jesus on the Shroud, Don has been a leading authority on the Shroud for more than 50 years.

The shroud’s existence has been documented for centuries, but the invention of photography revealed that the image of a crucified man was actually a negative image. The presentation includes authentic replicas of the Shroud and presents it in both positive and negative images. It is believed to be the largest mobile shroud display.

The negative image of the Shroud provides a more detailed image of the crucified Christ. It speaks of a man between 5’10” to 5’11” weighing about 175 pounds. He was lean and very well built, in good physical condition. The Shroud also revealed a long pony tail that was extended to the center of the back as was the tradition of a Jewish male from Galilee. Using authentic replicas of instruments used in the crucifixion, he will point out how the whip marks were reflected in the Shroud and show the scourge marks on the body. He will also show deep cuts on His body which were believed to be shards of glass that Jesus was forced to sit on. He will point out 50-75 puncture wounds around the scalp that were caused by the crown of thorns, as well as a swollen lower lip that was punctured by a thorn. Don will demonstrate the suffering in the journey to Golgotha and show all the pain Jesus endured for us. He will describe how the burial Shroud now influences the cloths that are used on the alter. Also how signs within the context of the Mass will signify Christ’s intention to return.

The presentation will end by being able to venerate an actual relic of the shroud, the Miraculous Bleeding Holy Face of Jesus. This image actually bled during some presentations. Many physical and spiritual healings and conversions are attributed to this image.

Please come and join us. This will be one of the most memorable times of your life. Don’t miss this great opportunity! This is appropriate for all ages. Donations to help defray the cost of the presentation are $10.00. Tickets are limited! Don’t wait, reserve your tickets now. Tickets can now be picked up at the office. For information or to reserve tickets call Jackie @ 724-869-9908 or Ellen @ 724-869-3320 or you may purchase tickets in the parish office.

“Precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones.”
The Pastor’s Corner……..Fr. Lou Vallone

I have received several requests from parishioners, Eucharistic ministers and First Communion families to address the proper way of receiving communion. Since this the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, instead of catechesis on the mystery of the faith, I will give a little bit of practical instruction. (I owe this to my departed mentor, Msgr. Ed Miller of Baltimore who wrote the original for his parish years ago. God be good to him.)

We all understand that our reception of the Eucharist is to empower us to DO good, not to LOOK good. It is to receive in faith the living, loving Body of Christ, and be transformed into that Body. We become what we eat! In the not too distant past, our Church asked us as Catholics to make some slight changes in the manner in which we receive the Eucharist. Let us be careful to put them into practice.

The norm for reception of Holy Communion in the United States is standing. When receiving Holy Communion in the hand, the communicant bows his or her head before the Sacrament, when standing before the minister, as a gesture of reverence, and receives the Body of the Lord from the minister. (One of the Fathers of the Church once commented that, when coming to receive, we should place on hand over the other as if making a “throne” to welcome our King! It reminds us that we should not take it from the Minister of the Eucharist, but rather receive it by having them place the Host into our hands. Do not take the Host from the minister. Allow them to distribute the Host to you; do not grab at the Host or take it.) If you wish to have the Host placed on your tongue rather than to receive it into your hands, approach with your hands folded, and say the “Amen!” AFTER the Minister says “The Body of Christ”, and THEN open your mouth for the Minister to place the Host onto your tongue.

If you are approaching the priest or deacon (not a lay minister) for a blessing only, place your folded hands OVER your lips to block them. Then we know only to bless you. Do NOT cross your hands over your chest – for this is the way many Eastern Catholics and Orthodox receive the Eucharist (including children under the age of 7) and it gets embarrassing if we pass someone up who should be receiving!

The slight bow, the sign of reverence, is also made if the communicant chooses to receive from the Cup of the Blood of Christ. Please take the cup securely in your own hands (the minister will release the cup.) Take your small sip and hand it securely back.

Please remember that when the Body of Christ, or the Cup of the Blood of Christ is presented to you, you are to respond “Amen!” That “Amen” means “I believe”. “Thank you”, although very polite, is not the appropriate response. You are making a statement of faith in coming forth, and the “Amen!” states that faith. Other gestures, such as genuflecting, making the sign of the cross, etc., though pious, do infringe on the good order and flow that all need to receive with dignity. You have plenty of time when you return to your pews to kneel, cross yourself, and make prayers of thanksgiving for this great grace and gift.

Although we receive the total Christ: humanity and divinity; soul and body; body and blood when we take either the host alone or the cup alone (and it doesn't matter if it is the smallest particle of the host or tiniest sip of the precious blood, or the opposite), the most complete sign of obeying Jesus to “eat my flesh and drink my blood” is to receive both species - host and wine. It is our option, but the fullest sign is to do both. (We remind those with celiac disease that we have low-gluten hosts available. Just see the priest before Mass. And to those with an intolerance to alcohol, you may pass the cup by.)

And on this Feast, remember that we as the worshipping community are the Body and Blood of Christ as well.

RECYCLE YOUR CANS! PLEASE!!!

Just a reminder as graduation parties and picnics are upon us...our recycling program is ongoing! Please save your aluminum beverage cans so that we can recycle them and donate the proceeds to various charities. Together we have already made a difference.

Let’s keep up the good work!

“My vows to the Lord I will pay in the presence of all his people.”