

January 2, 2011

Epiphany of the Lord



C. J. S. Parish Co., Inc.

# St. Catherine of Siena R.C. Parish

199 McGovern Boulevard • Crescent, PA 15046

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Daily Mass:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday ~ 8:30 AM (No Wednesday 8:30 AM 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*



## PARISH CLERGY

*Fr. Lou Vallone ..... Fr. Robert Zajdel*

## TELEPHONE NUMBERS & EMAIL ADDRESSES

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(Bulletin submission deadline is Tuesday at noon. Please put submissions in writing.)

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## SACRAMENTS

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays: 3:15 P.M. to 3:45P.M. & 5:00 PM; also by appointment

**BAPTISM:** 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.

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, through Thursday 9:30 A.M. to 4:00 PM  
 Friday: 9:30 A.M. to 2:00 P.M

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS

Beginning August 3 5:30 – 6:30 Tuesday evenings  
 September 12<sup>th</sup> 10:00 – 11:15 Sundays

## Mission Statement

We of St. Catherine of Siena Parish, have a commitment to meeting the spiritual needs of our members and community by building a strong bond through worship.

It is in mutual understanding and commitment to our baptismal call that we will grow in faith bringing Christ's love and peace to those we encounter.

In this we also commit ourselves to the Catholic Church's Mission of Evangelization.

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## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 1st</b>
10:30 AM	Parish Family
4:00 PM	Parish Family
<b>Sunday,</b>	<b>January 2nd</b>
9:00 AM	Rae Heintz (Daughter, Jodie)
11:30 AM	John Londino (The Londino Family)
<b>Monday,</b>	<b>January 3rd</b>
8:30 AM	John Kish (Chuck & Ruth Ann Dewhirst)
<b>Tuesday,</b>	<b>January 4th</b>
8:00 AM	Rosary
8:30 AM	Parish Family
<b>Thursday,</b>	<b>January 6th</b>
8:30 AM	Parish Family
<b>Friday,</b>	<b>January 7th</b>
8:30 AM	John Kish (Gary & Mary Catherine Vehn)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 8th</b>
4:00 PM	Anna Avolio (Emilie Thomas & Daughters)
<b>Sunday,</b>	<b>January 9th</b>
9:00 AM	Joseph Mandity (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	7:00 AM
St. Margaret Mary	8:30 AM
Good Samaritan	M, T, H, 8:00 AM
	Wednesday, 6:30 PM

### PRAYER REQUESTS

*In your kindness will you please pray for the following :*

Ed Plucinski, Zachary Henry & Family, Caty, John, Maria, John Jr., Faith, Reno, Rock, Eloise, Doris, Penny, Sara B., Bob & Esther Anglemeyer, Dee F., Barbara B., Nathan, Jon, and David Barcaskey & their Family, Rita Shively, Catherine & Harry Bittner, Bill Murphy,

***Please Note:** Prayer intentions will only be published for a 2 week period. If you wish to fill out another intention slip after that time, you are more than welcome to do so, but the list will be updated every week and, again, each intention slip will only be printed for 2 weeks. Thank you.*

### EPIPHANY PRAYER

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Lord God of Heaven and Earth, You revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill them with the light of Christ, that their concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

**Please pray for the repose of the soul of Andrew Hetzer**, son of Diane Hetzer, who was tragically killed last week. Eternal rest grant unto him oh Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

### CCD NEWS

There will be normally scheduled classes on January 2nd, 2011.

### Daily Mass Snow Policy at St. Catherine's

If Hopewell or Moon Area School Districts have a 2 hour delay for **snow/ice only**, (**NOT** wind chill or anything else), there will **not** be a weekday Mass celebrated here. Thank you for your patience in this matter.

**STEEPLE CHASE SUPER BOWL POOL**

Regular season football is still underway, and we don't know who will play in this year's Super Bowl yet. But, we do know the game is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 6, 2011 between the AFC and the NFC. We hope the AFC team is the Steelers, but even if it isn't, we are offering two versions of a Super Bowl pool. There are 100 blocks in each pool. One pool will cost \$35 will have four payouts for a total **\$1,700: \$100** first quarter **\$500** half time, **\$100** third quarter and **\$1,000** final.

*The other pool will cost \$100, will have four payouts for a total \$5,000: \$500 1st quarter, \$1,000 half-time, \$500 3rd quarter, \$3,000 final. (Payment plan available for \$100 pool only, final payment due January 19, 2011) For this pool only you will get 4 sets of numbers. One set for each quarter. The first set will be for 1<sup>st</sup> quarter score, the second set for halftime score, the third set for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter score and the last set for the final score.*

The names and numbers for each pool will be randomly drawn in advance. You will receive a copy of your completed pool prior to the Super Bowl. Purchase a square for yourself or partner with a friend. Consider buying some as Christmas or birthday gifts (**we will even gift wrap for you**). Name your block and fill out the form below. Questions call Terry 412-331-3443 or Charlotte 412-331-2453.

SUPER BOWL POOL PLEASE PRINT, FILL OUT COMPLETELY, DROP IN COLLECTION BASKET OR PARISH OFFICE MAIL SLOT, OR MAIL TO: **SJOG PARISH, "SUPER BOWL POOL," 1011 CHURCH AVE., MCKEES ROCKS, PA 15136. Questions call 412-331-2453 or 412-331-3443**

(PAYMENT PLAN AVAILABLE FOR \$100 POOL ONLY)

\_\_\_\_ Square(s) @ \$35/square (**\$1,700** payout) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(AMOUNT ENCLOSED)

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(AMOUNT ENCLOSED)

I would like to name my square(s)  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Full Address w/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**VATICAN SPLENDORS FEATURES GIFT TO BISHOP ZUBIK FROM POPE AND EXTENDED HOURS**

A gold cross and gold embossed ring given to Bishop David A. Zubik, D.D., by Pope John Paul II, are among the new additions to the Western Pennsylvania section of Vatican Splendors: A Journey through Faith and Art at the Senator John Heinz History Center, the largest Vatican exhibit ever to visit North America. It is entering the final leg of its tour. An incredible collection of over 200 artifacts is featured in this extraordinary exhibition. Owing to its heightened popularity, the History Center is offering special extended hours during the Christmas Season.



Tickets are going fast! They can only be purchased through Ticketmaster online, by calling 1-800-745-3000, or at the Heinz History Center box office at 1212 Smallman St., in Pittsburgh's unique Strip District, during museum hours (9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily). For inquiries on the Parish Advantage Program, please contact Paula Andras, Parish Advantage Coordinator, at 412-454-6341.

**Steeple Chase 2011 KICK-OFF RAFFLE**

Feel Like scratching? Do you enjoy PA scratch-off lottery tickets? Take a chance on the Steeple Chase Kick-Off Raffle on **March 8, 2011**, the feast day of St, John of God.

There will be **two winners**:

The **first** winner will receive **\$200 worth of scratch-off tickets** based on the official **3-digit PA lottery number drawn at mid-day**.

The **second** winner will receive **\$300 in scratch-off tickets** based on the official **3-digit PA lottery number drawn at 7P.M. that date**.

All numbers are played straight as drawn.

Cost **\$5**.

Tickets will be available at the Pizza Kitchen, The Bingo and the Church Office.

Tickets will be on sale at each of the Masses on or before January 15/16, 2011.

If you want any special 3-digit number in advance please contact Terry 412-331-3443 or Charlotte 412-331-2453 before January 3, 2011.

Tickets donated by Anthony M. Musmanno Funeral Home.

**We need your help** in selling these tickets beyond the parish boundaries~~in the workplace, neighbors, friends, breakfast club, bowling or bocce leagues, card clubs, at your business etc, please call Charlotte 412 331-2453 or Terry 412-331-3443 if you are interested.

**DECEMBER 19, 2010**

**REGULAR OFFERTORY COLLECTION \$3,733.00**

(Due to early bulletin deadlines, this information is a bit behind but every week will be posted eventually)

(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 2011.....??????  
 PSP Collected as of 12/1/10.....\$4,162.00  
 Remaining on 2011 Goal.....??????

We have not yet received our assessment for 2011, but all collections for Parish Share as of Dec. 1 will be allocated to our assessment for 2011. Please continue to use your monthly envelopes at the same rate - it is a year round campaign for us. God bless you for your cooperation.

**Capital Improvements**

Goal \$13,000.00  
 Contributions to Date \$1342.00  
 Remaining on Goal \$11,658.00

The contributions from your monthly envelope will go to this fund. The goal is the amount of a comprehensive update of the electrical wiring, boxes, lighting, etc. throughout the plant to bring it up to safety standards. The project is already begun. These funds are not PSP exempt. Thank you for your generosity.

**Religious Education**

Assessment 2010.....\$4,400.00  
 Contributions to date .....\$6,668.00  
**EXCESS ON GOAL**.....+\$2268.00

(This is an assessment by the diocese based on between 2% to 10% of gross parish income. Currently, by dispensation, we are at 2%. It is exempt from the PSP tax up to our assessment, and then the surplus is taxed.)

**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**

**DECEMBER 19, 2010**

4:00 pm Mass.....285  
 9:00 am Mass.....200  
 11:30 am Mass.....180  
 Total.....665

**Rediscover Your Marriage –**

**4 Stages of Marriage –** The 4 stages of marriage are: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Awakening. Many marriages experience the first 3 Stages. Marriages that end in divorce never make it to the 4<sup>th</sup> Stage of Awakening. Don't give up without learning about the 4<sup>th</sup> Stage of Awakening. If your marriage suffers from Disillusionment or Misery please contact Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i). For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on January 14, 2011, please contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434 or 3041@retrovaille.org. More information is available at [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com).

**Invitation from the Felician Sisters**

Please join the Felician Sisters at 1500 Woodcrest Ave., Coraopolis, PA on **Sunday, January 9, 2011** from 8:30 - 2:30 for a day of Celebration of Vocation. The day will include morning prayer, Mass, brunch, shared stories about religious call and a holy hour. It is open to high school, college students, 20 to 40+ year old women who are desiring more in life. To register, please call ST. Faith or St. Paula, 412-488-7010 by **January 4th**.

**Gilmary Center Spiritual Exercises for Men**

The Spiritual exercises are a weekend silent retreat with spiritual talks and time for personal meditation. The spiritual conferences are preached by the priests of Miles Christi, according to the method and the principles of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Each day there will be Holy Mass, the Rosary, and opportunity for confessions. The retreat starts on **Friday, March 11, 2011** at 4:00 PM and **concludes on Sunday, March 13, 2011** at 4:30 PM. Price includes lodging and 6 meals: \$125 for double occupancy room; \$135 for private room. Registration in advance is due **no later than Tuesday, March 8th**. For more info contact the Gilmary office at (412) 264-8400.

**Late Nite Catechism Play**

The gloriously funny play, LATE NITE CATECHISM, the original, is coming to St. Ferdinand Church, **SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2011.**

Tickets are on sale now. There will be 2 shows - Matinee @ 1:30 PM (prices \$35 & \$30) - Late Show @ 7:30 PM (prices \$45 & \$40).

**Tickets must be purchased in advance.**

Raffles - Refreshments - Snacks will be available (at an extra cost).

For more information **CALL:** Midge @ 724/452-9589 or Sandy @ 724/869-0438.



**STEELERS FOOTBALL POOL WINNERS**



**December 19, 2010  
Steelers vs Jets**

Half Time Score: Steelers 10    Jets 10

Lobo owned by George & Marge Wolf \$100  
Mace Man owned by David Daw \$100

Final Score: Steelers 17    Jets 22

Ziggy owned by Mary Zalewski \$150  
J & L owned by Lori Rosenwald \$150

**EPIPHANY**

Solemn things of mystic meaning:  
Incense doth the God disclose;  
Gold a royal Child proclaimeth;  
Myrrh a future tomb foreshows.

—Roman Breviary, Epiphany; Prudentius, fourth century

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!**

**Calling all Catholic Runners**

Run the Pittsburgh Marathon, Half Marathon, or Marathon Relay while at the same time supporting Catholic Youth Ministry to underserved inner city teens. Dirty Vagabond Ministries is excited to be an official charity of the Pittsburgh Marathon. Join the team now as we get ready for the big day on **May 15, 2011.** Sign-up @ [www.dirtyvagabond.com](http://www.dirtyvagabond.com). For more info, email [andylesnefsky@yahoo.com](mailto:andylesnefsky@yahoo.com) or call 412-837-9635. Registering with us gives you a personal online fundraising page, ongoing support, and some other great extras.



**Open House at St. Vincent College**

HIGH SCHOOL juniors or seniors and their families are invited to a Get Acquainted Day Open House at Saint Vincent College, Latrobe, on **Saturday, January 15.** Registration and breakfast, 8:15 to 9 a.m., followed by presentations on academic programs and student life and campus tours by student ambassadors. Find out more about this top-ranked Catholic, Benedictine, liberal arts college. Pre-register by phone 1-800-782-5549, e-mail admission @[stvincent.edu](mailto:stvincent.edu) or online at [www.stvincent.edu/admission/visit](http://www.stvincent.edu/admission/visit).

**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.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Best Time to Reach you:** \_\_\_\_\_ **New** \_\_\_\_\_ **Address Change** \_\_\_\_\_

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**The Silver Ring Thing**

The Silver Ring Thing is a high-tech, high-energy performance that educates teens about the benefits of remaining abstinent until marriage and the dangers of promiscuous behavior. On **January 14th** the Silver Ring Thing will be held at Seton LaSalle High School from 6:30 - 9:00 PM and all teenagers, parents, and youth workers are invited to attend. With dramas, videos, special effects, and speakers, teenagers will be motivated in a unique and personal way to choose to commit to both God and their future spouse to remain chaste until marriage. For further information please contact Sue Tranter.

**Special Collection January 16, 2011**

The Pittsburgh Diocese is home to two nationally recognized educational programs for children with special needs: St. Anthony School Programs and DePaul School for Hearing and Speech (formally known as The DePaul Institute). A special collection to benefit these two organizations will be taken the weekend of January 16, 2011 at all masses in each parish.

St. Anthony School Programs provides Catholic special education to children with development delays and autism in 7 schools within the Diocese and one college-age program located on the campus of Duquesne University. DePaul School for Hearing and Speech teaches children who have moderate to profound hearing losses how to listen and speak without the use of sign language so they may transition to the mainstream of education and live without boundaries in their respective communities.

Your donation will help St. Anthony School Programs and DePaul School for Hearing and Speech to further their goals of providing quality educational programs and services for their students. **Your support is critical. Your generosity will help these organizations forever improve the lives of their students and families.** Thank you in advance.

**Because Christ Lives in Me"**

The men's retreat scheduled for St. Catherine of Siena Parish at St. Paul's Monastery is on **Jan. 28-Jan. 30** will be here before you know it. This is a great opportunity to become closer with God and to deepen your spirituality. For those who have attended previous years, we have all experienced a closer yet different experience with our own relationships with God. Car pooling is available for those who need it. The retreat begins Friday evening and concludes around noon time on Sunday. We will be home by 1:00pm. The retreat can be flexible in arrival and departure times for those in need. Registration pamphlets are available in church or through Jim Barcaskey and Bob Bittner

We extend an invitation to our brothers at St. John of God to join in this weekend and refresh their personal lives and spirituality.

**Ladies, St. Paul's offers weekends for you as well. Please consider attending this retreat and don't feel left out.**

Remember the retreat is what you make of it.

For more information please contact Bob Bittner at 724-378-0903 or Jim Barcaskey at 724-457-7764

**PRO-LIFE VIGIL**

SS. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church would like to invite members of our faith community to join them for their 2nd Annual Pro-Life Vigil. This Vigil, to pray for the unborn child, will take place on **Wednesday, January 12, 2011 at 6:00 PM.** at the Gazebo on 11th and Merchant Streets. After the vigil they will have a candle light procession down Merchant Street to their Parish for closing prayers, light refreshments and fellowship.

**A Family Perspective.....by Bud Ozar**  
Today's gospel tells us "all Jerusalem" was upset because "King Herod was deeply troubled." A similar ripple effect happens in families; one person's negative attitude can affect the whole family. If you want a peaceful and joyful home, it must start with you. Be peaceful and joyful!

**"Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: Rejoice!"**

**LIGHT OF THE WORLD**

Epiphany can be understood as an extension of the Nativity of the Lord that we celebrate on December 25. While at Christmas we celebrate Jesus' coming as the long-awaited king and Messiah of the Jewish people, on Epiphany we celebrate the revelation that Jesus is the Savior and Light of all nations—Jews, Gentiles, and all people.

The star shines so brightly that it attracts magi who come from far distant countries to worship Jesus. They are not Jews, yet they are drawn to the Light of the World. The letter to the Ephesians reveals that the Light of the World was for the Gentiles as well as the Jews—Christ gathers all people into the light of his love. The reading from Isaiah also describes a gathering of diverse peoples, but this time it is to the light that emanates from the people of God.

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**FEAST OF FAITH****The Liturgy of Emmanuel**

The assembly has gathered from near and far, on foot, by bus, by car, by subway, singly and by twos and threes: single people, couples, families. Now that movement is ritualized and made visible in the liturgy's entrance procession.

We are not alone on this journey; Christ is with us. The procession is led by the cross, with the image of Christ upon it. Candles, signs of a living presence, are carried around the cross. Candles also accompany the Book of the Gospels, another sign of Emmanuel, God-with-us. The priest presider is likewise a sign of Christ's presence in our assembly; he will act *in persona Christi*, in the person of Christ, who presides at every Eucharist.

As the procession begins, we stand and sing together in our first act as a community. The joining of our voices begins to turn many into one. The songs we sing range from ancient chants to contemporary hymns, but they have the same purpose, to foster our unity and turn our thoughts to the mysteries we gather to celebrate. We may feel that we can't sing well, but "Christ always invites us to enter into song, to rise above our own preoccupations, and to give our entire selves to the hymn of his Paschal Sacrifice" (USCCB, *Sing to the Lord*, 14).

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**The Pastor's Corner ~ Fr. Lou Vallone**

New Year's Day is a bit anticlimactic this year. Maybe it is the weather, maybe because it is a Saturday. For me, maybe it is because January 1 is only one of several "New Year's Days." The Church's liturgical year begins on the first Sunday of Advent, and so all the prayer and reading cycles change then. The financial year in the diocese begins on July 1, and all the books roll over then. The academic year begins in the Fall (it should be after Labor Day, but some grinch messed that up years ago) and so the rhythm of parish life revolves and changes around that. And I also have a personal habit of celebrating: the Oriental New Year's every year (by going out to a great Chinese banquet); the Muslim New Year; and the Jewish New Year, all of which come during different times, with ecumenical prayer services. So for me, January 1 is only one among many "New Year's Days" that I observe in one way or another.

At any rate, it is the new calendar year, and so I will propose the following prayer for us all as 2011 unfolds:

**A prayer for the New Year**

**O God of new beginnings and wonderful surprises, thank you for the gift of a new year. May it be a time of grace for me, a time to grow in faith and love, a time to renew my commitment to following Your Son, Jesus. May it be a year of blessing for me, a time to cherish my family and friends, a time to renew my efforts at work, a time to embrace my faith more fully. Walk with me, please, in every day and every hour of this new year, that the light of Christ might shine through me, in spite of my weaknesses and failings. Above all, may I remember this year that I am a pilgrim on the Sacred Path to You. Amen.**

A blessed and happy New Year, and a new decade as well, to one and all. And Merry Christmas, too, since it will not be officially over till Thursday!

**Happy New Year!**

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