

June 27, 2010

13th Sunday Ordinary Time



C. J. S. Paluch 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

Parish Office 724-457-7026
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Sue Tranter, CCD Director 724-457-7026
Jennifer Pursuitt-Organist..... 412-596-8511
John Galzarano, Maintenance 724-457-7026
Mary Ann Jones, Bookkeeper 412-771-5646
Helene Goodbread, Parish Secretary.. 724-457-7026

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

PARISH E-MAIL ADDRESS:

scatparish@verizon.net Parish Email
 scatpastor@verizon.net Father Vallone Email
 scatccd@verizon.net Sue Tranter, CCD Director

PARISH WEB-SITE:

stcatherinesiena-crescent@e-paluch.com

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 to Thursday 9:30 A.M. to 5:00 PM
 Friday: 9:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS

CCD IS CLOSED FOR THE SUMMER—CCD CLASSES WILL RESUME IN THE FALL

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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100th Year



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**THIRTEENTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

- Saturday June 26th**
4:00 PM The Grandparents of Mario & Carolina Santilli
- Sunday, June 27th**
9:00 AM Nick Santilli (Mario & Carolina Santilli)
11:30 AM Andrew, Mary & Jeffrey Glomb (Family)
- Monday, June 28th**
8:30 AM Parish Family
- Tuesday, June 29th**
8:00 AM Rosary
8:30 AM Parish Family
- Thursday, July 1st**
8:30 AM Sam Santilli (Son)
- Friday, July 2nd**
8:30 AM Parish Family
- Saturday July 3rd**
4:00 PM Betty and Lou Vallone
- Sunday, July 4th**
9:00 AM Irene Koza (M/M George Zawoysky)
11:30 AM Parish Family

**NEIGHBORING CHURCHES
WEDNESDAY MORNING MASSES**

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| Our Lady of Fatima in Hopewell Twp. | 9:00 AM |
| St. James in Sewickley | 6:45 AM & Noon |
| St. Titus in Aliquippa | 7:00 AM |
| St. Margaret Mary | 8:30 AM |
| Good Samaritan | M, T, H, F, 8:00 AM - Wednesday, 6:30 PM |

PRAYER REQUESTS

In your kindness will you please pray for the following :

Jacob Haelett, Lenore Hoovler and Helene Goodbread

PLEASE NOTE: We have discontinued the practice of publishing reasons of prayer requests due to the HIPPA Act. If you wish to add a name on this list please complete a slip (PLEASE PRINT) at the entrances to the church.

Also: Prayer intentions will now 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.

Peter's Pence Collection

This weekend the Annual Peter's Pence collection will be taken at all Masses. This annual 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. This annual collection is a powerful way for Catholics around the world to shed the Light of Christ on those who are most in need. Please be as generous as your means allow. Thank you.

In Honor of Independence Day

The Hats Off to the Soldiers organization is requesting the following items for the Walter Reed Hospital veterans. They are preparing 40 bags to be given on July 4th. We will have a red, white, and blue box at the front entrance of the church to collect your donations. We have been assured that it is not too late to collect donations for them. If your last name starts with:

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| A through F | 1 man's body wash (not bar soap) |
| G through L | 1 hair shampoo |
| M through R | 1 shaving cream |
| S through Z | 1 pkg of Bic razors |

There is no better time to remember our veterans and all they have done for our country. We thank them and you for your support.



John Tucci Performances

Local singer, John Tucci, Sewickley, will be at the following events:

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| Ambridge Fireworks | 9:30 PM | Sat., July 3 |
| Pittsburgh River Regatta | | Sun., July 4 |
| Leetsdale Fireworks | 9:30 PM | Mon., July 5 |

He received a MVP of the season community award for community service from the Pittsburgh Steelers and the "Sewickley Herald" wrote an article on his community service in the tristate area.



First Holy Communion pictures are in and may be picked up in the church office during regular office hours.

Pierogi Sale

Good Samaritan Parish, 8th and Melrose, Ambridge will sponsor a Potato/Cheese Pierogi Sale, on July 2nd from 8:00 am til 3:00 pm. "Voted #1 Potato/Cheese Pierogi by Ambridge Nationality Days 2007." \$7.00 per dozen

Sold cooked with butter and onions or FROZEN. All Pierogi provided in our containers. Phone orders (DAY OF SALE ONLY BEGINNING AT 7 AM) 724-266-6010.

"One Parish---Many Traditions:."

TESTED BY FIRE

Since gold and silver, which are only corruptible metals, are purified and tested by fire, it is but reasonable that our faith, which surpasses all the riches of the world, should be tried.

—St. Peter Claver



STEEPLE CHASE STEELER FOOTBALL POOL.
It is that time of the year again.....**FOOTBALL SEASON** and the **STEEPLE CHASE FOOTBALL POOL**

The pool will include 16 regular season games beginning **Sunday, September 12 against the Falcons.** There are 100 blocks per game. The payout per game: \$100 at half-time, \$150 the final score. The total cost for all 16 games is \$80 or \$5 per game. One payment of **\$80** is due on or before **August 30,** Or two payments, \$40 by **August 30, 2010** and final \$40 due by Tuesday, October 5, 2010. You will retain the same block for each game. The numbers for each game will be drawn in advance; therefore, your numbers will be different each week. You will receive the completed pool for all of the 16 games prior to **September 12.** Purchase a single square or partner with your neighbor, mom, dad, friend or pew buddy to buy one or more. They make great gifts too! Name your block with your given name or be creative with a name. Forms are due back to the parish office with payment on or before **August 30, 2010** Completed forms and payment may be mailed to St. John of God Parish, 1011 Church Avenue, McKees Rocks, PA 15136 by U. S. Mail, or placed in SJOG collection basket or office mail drop

Put **"STEELERS FOOTBALL POOL"** on the front of the envelope. Any questions call :
Charlotte 412-331-2453 or Terry 412-331-3443.

Let's Go Steelers! This is better than fantasy football, so don't miss out on the fun!!!

PLEASE PRINT, FILLOUT COMPLETELY, MAIL TO: sjog Parish, "Football Pool", 1011 Church Avenue, McKeesrocks, PA 15136, or place in SJOG collection basket or office mail drop by August 30, 2010. Questions call 412-331-2453 or 412-331-3443

I would like to purchase _____square(s) on the SJG Steeple Chase Steeler Football Pool @ \$80 per square.

Enclosed is _____(Full Payment) or _____(\$40 partial) - remainder due October 5, 2010

I would like to name my square(s)

Name _____

Address/Zip _____

Phone _____

JUNE 20, 2010

Regular Offertory Collection.....\$2,419.00

(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

Total of PSP Assessment 2010 \$35,484.00
 Contribution to Date \$24,938.00
 Remaining on goal \$10,546.00

This is our 2010 assessment. 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.

Debt Reduction

Total debt \$137,000.00
 Contributions to date 73,793.00
 Matched by diocese 68,500.00
EXCESS on goal..... +\$5,293.00

GREAT NEWS! We have EXCEEDED OUR GOAL and now have a surplus in our Debt Reduction. Thank you to everybody for all of your hard work and generosity. However, now what we collect in Debt Reduction is TAXABLE by the Diocese, but keep in mind Parish Share is not! Thank you again and God Bless!

Religious Education

Assessment 2010..... \$4,400.00
 Contributions to date 3,628.00
 Balance..... \$772.00

(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

JUNE 20, 2010

4:00 pm Mass.....228
 9:00 am Mass.....132
 11:30 am Mass.....103
 Total.....463

Sister of Divine Providence present: Murder...Las Vegas Style!

Dinner theater featuring the Assumption Theatre Guild

Saturday, July 17, 2010 at 6 p.m.

Sunday, July 18, 2010 at 2 p.m.

Providence Heights Auditorium

9000 Babcock Boulevard in McCandless Twp.

\$65 includes full-course dinner, cash bar, and mystery

Reservations at 412-635-5408 or at

www.divineprovidenceweb.org

Benefits Sisters of Divine Providence

Catholic Cruise to the Eastern Caribbean

Come and sail away on a 7-Night Catholic Eastern Caribbean Cruise with Father Michael Sullivan December 12, 2010 on the Carnival Pride out of Baltimore, MD Ports of Call: Port Canaveral (Orlando), Nassau (Bahamas), and Freeport (Bahamas). Prices begin at \$1117 for two passengers which includes all port fees and taxes. Daily Mass and Rosary offered. Deposits of only \$50 per person will reserve your cabin. Space is limited. Deadline is July 18, 2010. For further info or to register, contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785 / dpayttc@aol.com.

FLEA MARKET:

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Polish Hill will hold

a flea market

on Sunday, June 27th, from 12:00 noon to 4:00 PM at 3058 Brereton St.

Food and beverages will be available.

For further information: 412-621-5170



Outdoor Men's Retreat

The Catholic Men's Fellowship of Pittsburgh and The King's Men of Philadelphia are sponsoring a retreat for men called "Into the Wild" at Raccoon Creek State Park from August 19-22. This experimental weekend features fishing, orienteering, outdoor cooking, archery, and faith presented in a masculine modality. No experience is necessary and space is limited. "Into the Wild" is excellent for single or married men as well as fathers and sons. More information at www.intothewildweekend.com or call Damian Wargo at 215-906-8878. Financial aid is available.

4 Stages of Marriage

The 4 stages of marriage are (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery (4) Awakening. Many marriages experience the first 3 Stages. Marriages that end in divorce never make it to the 4th Stage of Awakening. Don't give up without learning about the 4th 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 July 9,2010, contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434 or email 3041@retrovaille.org. More information is available at www.helpyourmarriage.com.

AT A LOSS

When wealth is lost, nothing is lost; when health is lost, something is lost; when character is lost, all is lost.

—German proverb

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH CENTENNIAL

Dates to Remember:

August 22, Centennial Celebration Mass with Bishop Zubik, 11:30

August 22, Centennial reception at the Fez (ticket details to follow)

Reminder:

If you have any photographs or stories to share please give them to Debbie Michalik, drop in the collection basket or bring them to the rectory office. We are trying to piece together our church history and everything is one more piece to the puzzle. Even if you think it may not be important, it may be just the thing we're looking for! Thank you.

Volunteer to help with our Centennial celebration.

Phone/email Debbie Michalik, 724-266-5452, dfm0912@msn.com.

JUNE TICKET WINNERS

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| June 14 | 058 | \$100 |
| June 15 | 500 | \$ 50 |
| June 16 | 739 | \$ 50 |
| June 17 | 313 | \$100 |
| June 18 | 329 | \$200 |
| June 19 | 389 | \$300 |
| June 20 | 064 | \$200 |

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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Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Best Time to Reach you: _____ New _____ Address Change _____

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St. Catherine of Siena Ministry Schedule

July, 2010

| July 3 - 4 | Sat 4:00 PM | Sun 9:00 AM | Sun 11:30 AM |
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| Lector | Marion Pukach | Paul Urbani | Terra Koerpel |
| Altar Server | Amanda Stotlemyer Austin Kelly | Joe Piroli Jr. Elyse Kostelnik | Nathan Barcaskey Patrick Barcaskey |
| Euch. Min. | John Toth Tina Hoffman Joanne Pushinsky | Audrey Burckart Joe Burckart Bob Bittner | Colleen Barcaskey Mary Baun Kathleen Gillie |
| July 10 - 11 | Sat 4:00 PM | Sun 9:00 AM | Sun 11:30 AM |
| Lector | Diane Hetzer | Kris/Scott Becker | Pat Varley |
| Altar Server | Ethan Conner Austin Kelly | Ryan Becker Rachel Becker | Rachael Kriger Zachery Kriger |
| Euch. Min. | Christine Conner Jerry Conner Bob Bittner | Karen Simpson Steve Simpson Antoinette Garuccio | Terra Koerpel Arlene (Sis) Kruppa Christine Divens |
| July 17 - 18 | Sat 4:00 PM | Sun 9:00 AM | Sun 11:30 AM |
| Lector | Alyssa Lee | Rick Tessmer | Terra Koerpel |
| Altar Server | Nathan & Ryan Lee Amanda Stotlemyer | Matthew Tessmer Megan Tessmer | Nathan Barcaskey Patrick Barcaskey |
| Euch. Min. | John Toth Bob Bittner Christine Divens | William Murphy Audrey Burckart Joe Burckart | Dino Nanni Rona Nanni Colleen Barcaskey |
| July 24 - 25 | Sat 4:00 PM | Sun 9:00 AM | Sun 11:30 AM |
| Lector | Paul Urbani | Janice Moore | Terra Koerpel |
| Altar Server | Christopher Hoffman Phillip Hoffman | Giavanna Rizzuto Santino Ciccone | Marisa Duncan Austin Kelly |
| Euch. Min. | Tina Hoffman Joanne Pushinsky Dino Nanni | Antoinette Garuccio Bob Bittner Christine Divens | Mary Baun Kathleen Gillie Arlene (Sis) Kruppa |
| July 31 - Aug 1 | Sat 4:00 PM | Sun 9:00 AM | Sun 11:30 AM |
| Lector | Alyssa Lee | Karen Simpson | Pat Varley |
| Altar Server | Amanda Stotlemyer Nathan & Ryan Lee | Benjamin May Elyse Kostelnik | Ethan Conner Austin Kelly |
| Euch. Min. | John Toth Dino Nanni Rona Nanni | Steve Simpson Audrey Burckart Joe Burckart | Christine Conner Jerry Conner Bob Bittner |

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The Pastor's Cornered 10th Edition

Yes, it's really him and not a figment of your imagination. Fr. Lou is back, but we are cutting him some slack and letting him ease his way back into the Rocks after being in Rome for the past three weeks. (Ok, really our Pastor is just old – don't tell him we said that - and it takes him a little longer to get re-acclimated so he had nothing for his Pastor's Corner except a used train ticket from Rome!) At any rate the bulletin space needs to be filled.

This week we are talking about numbers. I love numbers! They tell you so much. Right now the numbers that are making us (St. John of God and St. Catherine of Siena) look good are our Parish Share Program numbers. Go ahead and do the math; we are approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way to our goal at SJOG and $\frac{2}{3}$ of the way at SCAT! That is an awesome accomplishment! We are only $\frac{1}{2}$ way through this year (yep folks, only about 180 shopping days left til Christmas!) and more than $\frac{1}{2}$ way to our goals at each parish. Looking at those numbers alone would make any Pastor smile (and your friendly parish business manager say THANK YOU!). But then you take a look at some other numbers in our bulletins and those numbers aren't so pleasing to the eye. I'm referring to our weekend Mass attendance numbers. This week brought on the first day of summer by a number on a calendar, but at our parishes we knew it was summer by our drop in Mass attendance. Granted we realize people vacation more during the summer months, but we have seen a significant drop in attendance at each parish. Believe it or not, those numbers mean more to a Priest than the monetary numbers. Bishop Zubik, our wonderful shepherd of the Diocese of Pittsburgh is constantly talking about "The Church Alive" and I believe he is mostly referring to the active participation of all parishioners. I am sure that each parishioner at each of our parishes wants to also be a part of "The Church Alive", but in order to accomplish this everybody must attend, become active in some portion of parish life and invite others to do the same.

This weekend Bishop Zubik has ordained three men to the Priesthood. They will each be assigned

to a parish (or two) and our prayer for them should include that they be greeted by "The Church Alive" in every aspect of their Parishes. I know they will all look at the financial stability of their assignments and form their own thoughts and opinions, but it won't be until they actually meet their Parishioners at their first weekend Masses that they will see the real numbers. It would be great if they were all greeted with "The Church Alive" and every pew in the church was occupied. That is the smile on the face of a Priest that shines brightly and reflects the face of Christ. Although we are currently blessed with a part-time Pastor, a part-time Parochial Vicar and a Retired Priest in Residence, we really don't know when a new guy might come along. I know that we would all want to put our best numbers forward and be seen as "The Church Alive". Since the Pope had declared last year as the "Year of the Priest", maybe this year should be the "Year of the Parishioner"! So go ahead and take your vacations, visit family and friends, but don't be gone all summer – we truly do miss seeing you and want to continue to be a part of "The Church Alive".

(Information in this article is the sole opinion of the author and should not be used to jump to any conclusions except what is presented here.)

FOLLOW FAITHFULLY

When Elijah calls Elisha to follow him, Elisha goes back, momentarily, to finish some business at home. But note that he does not leave the work to be done by those at home, nor does he plan to come back and finish it himself. He recognizes in Elijah's call that he must follow faithfully and not look back.

Psalm 16 celebrates the loving protection of God for those who depend on God's love and mercy. God is our portion and cup, in a line seen by Christians as a poetic reference to Eucharist, and God will not abandon us to death and corruption, but will call us into the holy Presence forever. This could be seen as resurrection, something that was not universally believed in the days before Jesus. We are assured that if we go forth in confidence to follow God's daily call, we will not be shamed or abandoned, but will find the life we seek.

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