

Saturday, August 29, Martyrdom of John Baptist
4:00 p.m. † Will Vaughan

Sunday, August 30, 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. For the Parish
10:30 a.m. † Chester & Mary Rukas

Monday, August 31, Weekday
8:30 a.m. † Katherine Capretto (An.)

Tuesday, September 1, Weekday
8:30 a.m. † James "Geno" Marsinetti

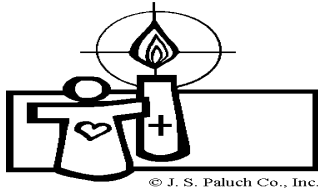
Wednesday, September 2, Weekday
8:30 a.m. † Louis Canzano

Thursday, September 3, Gregory the Great
8:30 a.m. † Ruth Retter (An.)

FIRST Friday, September 4, Weekday
9:00 a.m. † Lillian Donniss
10:00- -12 N Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, September 5, Weekday
8:30 a.m. † Joanne Adams (An.)
11:00 a.m. † Virginia Solomon (Memorial Mass)
4:00 p.m. † John & Stella Amaranto (An.)

Sunday, Sept. 6, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. For the Parish
10:30 a.m. † John & Molly Sikorski



Servers Schedule
September 5 & 6

4:00 p.m. - Kaitlyn Sciuillo & J. Reynolds
8:00 a.m. - Nicole Shannon & Emma Lloyd
10:30 a.m. - D. DelleDonne & Joey Caporali

GOOD NEWS

August 30, 2009

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 4:1-2, 6- 6-8/ Jas 1:17-18/ 21b-22, 27

Mk: 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

When have you felt really free? When are we most creative? When do we think outside the box, step into new territory, break down barriers? Have you ever given your time away, expecting nothing back? Ever tutor a child? That kid can't pay you. The payback comes in knowing you helped her. You gave her something for free. Free acts have ripple effects.

Today's readings give us several angles from which to think about following rules. Deuteronomy recognizes the law as good—a great gift from God. The people of Israel will live well in their land if they keep the law.

What can we make of this? If we keep the law, not only will we live well ourselves, but others will see that God is good in guiding us. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that how we act matters. Yet just following the rules is not the point. Pharisees do that. They are quite good at that. Do we look good from the outside? What matters comes from inside us.

Something subtle is going on here. If we act well, those outside us will see the hand of God in us. If we dwell only on the outside actions, we could miss the point—we could neglect what we really are inside. We cannot just try to look good. We have to be good.

James has the key piece here. Our faith is a gift. What we do with it is a gift. What we do to serve Christ who we find in others is a gift. If we lose our concern for looking impressive, if we give our self away, God will see us. Christ will free us to be Christ like.

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CCD Registration - registration letters and forms for CCD have been mailed or e-mailed to those families who had children enrolled last year in CCD. If you are a new family or a family with a change of address and have not received your registration you may pick one up at the church entrances. You may also call the office to have a registration packet mailed or e-mailed to your home. Call 724-568-2331 during regular office hours. First CCD class is Sunday, September 20.

The Magnificat Greensburg Chapter is holding a BREAKFAST at Four Points Sheraton, Rt. 30 East, Greensburg on Saturday, September 26 from 9 a.m.—12 Noon. The inspirational Speaker is Rene'e Marazon, an author, consultant and conference presenter who has a passionate love for the Lord and a deep desire to be a part of the renewal of the Catholic Church. To register, please call Jeanie at 724-733-0614 or Kathy at 724-832-1701.

GOOD BYE FATHER CHAD
 We will be honoring Father Chad for his years of dedication and commitment to St. Gertrude's Parish. All parishioners and friends of Father Chad are invited to participate in the 10:30 Mass on September 6. A social will follow in the church hall.

**Tithing: God's Plan for Giving:
 August 22 & 23**

Sunday Offertory.....	\$5,270.00
Loose Collection.....	481.00
Utilities.....	179.00

*God bless and
 Thank you for your generous support!*

SANCTUARY LAMP

In memory of Nunzio Dettore by the family

MEMORIAL CANDLES

In memory of Lillian Donniss by the family
 In memory of Nancy Arteritano by her husband
 Dom & Mark, Dorothy, Ron & Lauren

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS who are hospitalized, invalids or seriously ill at home: Catherine Maietta, Bertha Hines, Joseph Polito, Duclane Rybicki and all the sick who need our prayers.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS of AMERICAS, Court #1008, will meet on Tuesday, September 1 at 7 p.m. in the church hall.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL, meeting on Wednesday, September 2 at 7 p.m. in the church hall.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR ~ starting on Friday, September 4, and every Friday when school is in session, the Mass will be at 9 a.m. This is the Children's Liturgy



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CARDINAL MAIDA ACADEMY will begin school on **MONDAY, AUGUST 31**. The teacher assignments are as follow:

- Pre School/Pre Kindergarten—Mrs. Donna Blair
 - Kindergarten—Mrs. Patricia Visnick
 - 1st Grade—Mrs. Melanie Johns
 - 2nd Grade—Mrs. Patsy Majeran
 - 3rd Grade—Mrs. Lindsey Wilson
 - 4th Grade—Mrs. Linda Horrell
 - 5th Grade—Miss Chrystal D'Angelo
 - 6th Grade—Miss Sara Howell
 - 7th Grade—Miss Mary Rose Rokosz
- Mrs. Karen McClarnon is the Principal

THANK YOU ~ to all the volunteers who help with our spaghetti dinners. The hosts for our next spaghetti dinner on September 3 will be: Lectors; Eucharistic Ministers; Home Bound Ministries; Senior, Sr. Adults, Jr. & Sr. Youth Ministries.

TODAY'S second collection is for THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA and CATHOLIC SCHOOLS of the Greensburg Diocese, the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. CUA provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to 6,000 students every year. Every dollar we give directly supports financial aid for students from dioceses across the country, including ours. Please be generous.



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**CARDINAL MAIDA ACADEMY
 ~ SUNDAY
 JACKPOT 58 ~ NO'S**

Church Hall ~ Doors open 5:15 p.m.
 Proceeds benefit the Cardinal Maida Academy

St. Sylvester, Slickville, Fall Tea is set for Sunday, September 20 at 12:30 p.m. There will be basket raffles, food, refreshments and lots of door prizes. Adults: \$10. Ages 6-12 yrs \$7. Hat and Gloves are optional. Advance tickets only. Please call Bridget at 724-468-4094.

The Church of the Seven Dolors, Yukon, have prepared a 100th anniversary cookbook containing 600 recipes. The cookbooks are \$13. For more information call 724-722-3141.

Stress in Your Marriage? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriage. In today's busy world, many couples experience anger, coldness, frustration, and loneliness. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on September 25-27, please contact Retrouvaille at 412-277.3434.



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