

Saint Susanna Parish



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Mass Schedule
 Saturday Vigil4:00 p.m.
 Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY CLUSTER MASS SCHEDULE

St. Susanna - Mon., Wed., Fri. - 9:00 am
 St. Bartholomew - Mon., Thur., Fri. - 10:00 am
 St. Gerard Majella - Tues., Wed., Thur. - 9:00 am
 St. Irenaeus - Tues., Wed., Fri. - 8:00 am
 St. Joseph - Mon., Tues., Thur. - 9:00 am

Nestled in the heart of Penn Hills since 1960, our parish community at St. Susanna encourages stewardship and spirituality. We are believers in Jesus Christ, nourished by the Eucharist and empowered by the Holy Spirit. Our family strives to connect the faithful to God, offering healing words and services to our surrounding community. Parishioners strive to share the truths of our faith with all, and encourage families, young and old, to become involved in our church. In communion with Jesus, we are committed to keeping St. Susanna Parish as a vital and vibrant place of worship.

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Martin F. Barkin, M. Div..... *Pastor*
 Sandy Baer.....*Parish Secretary*
 Mary Lou Bender*Minister of Music*

Religious Education Program Committee:
 Chris Hong, Irene Swackhammer

Children/Youth & Family Ministry Program Managers: Julia Kulwik, Susan Sciacca, Stephen Bober, Josie Michaux - Smith

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays, 3:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Last Sunday of each month (with prior arrangements)

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to marry are to contact the Pastor at least six months before the desired date. Marriage

Bible Study Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.

RCIA Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m.

St. Joseph, Verona

Contemplative Prayer Group:

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

Sunday, 11:00am

Parish Office Hours: M-F 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Anointing of the Sick will be the 3rd Sunday of every other month (7/19/2015, 9/20/2015)

MAY 24, 2015

PENTECOST SUNDAY

A SIGNIFICANT DAY

“And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were” (Acts 2:2). The Holy Spirit’s arrival on that first Pentecost was signaled by a rush of wind. We all know what it’s like when our windows are open just as a summer storm rises up. Curtains fly, papers become airborne, house plants shudder, dust is scattered. A rush of wind disrupts the orderliness of our home. The coming of the Holy Spirit, as celebrated each year at Pentecost, can also disrupt ways that have become comfortable and orderly. The Church always needs Pentecost. We need the breath of God’s Spirit to blow away any complacency or malaise that has settled into our faith. Jesus breathes on his disciples and they receive the Holy Spirit. With that reception comes the power to share the Good News of salvation. Today, this is no less true for US. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

A PRAYER TO THE SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, who sent Christ Jesus to carry the Good news to the poor, we pray to you: Help us to continue your work by serving the poor, our brothers and sisters.

MASS INTENTIONS

May 24, 2015

Week 4 of Psalter

- 25 Mon. Optional Memorial of Saint Bede the Ven**
9:00 am - No Mass Today (Mass at St. Gerard & St. Joseph)
- 26 Tues. Memorial of Saint Philip Neri**
- No Morning Liturgy
- 27 Wed. Optional Memorial of St. Augustine of Canterbury**
9:00 am- Sister Seraphine - Ed & Catherine Hohos
- 28 Thu. Weekday in Ordinary Time**
- No Morning Liturgy
- 29 Fri. Weekday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 am - John (Hatch) Rodgers - Ray & Mary Louise Owens
- 30 Sat. Weekday in Ordinary Time**
3:15 - 3:45 - Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:00 pm - John Rodgers - Dominic & Christine Scalamogna
- 31 Sun. Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity**
9:00 am- Michael Camp - Mary Lou Camp & Family
11:00 am - In Honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary
of Gerald and Dolores Price

**MEMORIAL DAY MASS WILL BE HELD ON
MONDAY, MAY 25TH AT 9:00 AM
AT BOTH SAINT JOSEPH (VERONA) AND SAINT GERARD**



VBS

Help is needed for with this years **Vacation Bible School** in the areas of the General Assembly, Crafts and Games. If you are interested please call Irene (412-977-2721) or come to the next meeting on Thursday, May 28, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spirit Room. Hope to see you there!

If you have not noticed, the Parish has a new Memorial/Thanksgiving Board - located in the atrium of the Church and a set of new handrails located at the beginning of the path way on the parking lot side of the Church. These two items were made possible by Jesse Hong, who did them as his project for obtaining his Eagle Scout Honor.

Well done Jesse, the Parish thanks you for your dedication and youth leadership in our Parish. Jesse will be joining his brother John this fall at Ohio State University. Good luck Jesse, may the gift of serving and sharing continue to grow in your heart.

May the peace and joy of God be yours

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 10:17-27
- Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31
- Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13;
Mk 10:32-45
- Thursday: Sir 42:15-25; Ps 33:2-9; Mk 10:46-52
- Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Mk 11:11-26
- Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20; Ps 19:8-11; Mk 11:27-33
- Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22;
Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

A Huge Thank You - to everyone who donated to Genesis of Pittsburgh recently. Saint Susanna collected \$479.00 for this very important organization. Because of your generous hearts, Genesis can continue to help thousands of women through the most difficult times of their lives, bringing hope through its life-affirming programs and services provided to these woman and their children. Thank you again.

Saint Susanna's Ladies of Charity.



SANCTUARY CANDLES

The Intention for the week of -
May 23/24 Is in Memory of:
Bud Valenti

SAINT SUSANNA PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please keep our friends in your prayers.
Info should be in by Tuesday of every week for that Weekend's bulletin. Thank you.



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| Jenny Baer | John & Dolores Delaney | Marlene Brienza |
| Chuck Schoffstall | Judy Pasquarelli | Pat Carson |
| Darryll Sommers | James Pasquarelli | Kathy Griffin |
| Larry Conte | Julie Kulbage | Joe Palmieri |
| Richard Paul | Rosemary Mathieu | Andrew O'Neil |
| Virginia Gloz | Lou Montanari | |
| Frank Potocnik | Mike Holodnik | |
| Mark Ruffner | | |

Mea culpa!


Due to an oversight, we forgot to mention that Billy Barbusio, son of Dennis and Barb Barbusio and grandson of Barbara Pryle, is graduating from high school this year also. The parish family would like to wish Billy all the best in his future endeavors.



**MANY HANDS WILL HELP MAKE
THE JOB GO QUICKLY**

This weekend we will be taking down the Easter decorations on Sunday, May 24th after the 11:00 Mass. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

Diocese Abuse Hotline: 1-888-808-1235
PA Department of Public Welfare Hotline: 1-800-932-0313



TO THOSE WHO COURAGOUSLY GAVE THEIR LIVES AND
TO THOSE WHO BRAVELY FIGHT TODAY
THANK YOU
A VERY HAPPY AND SAFE MEMORIAL DAY TO ALL OF
OUR PARISHIONERS AND THEIR FAMILIES

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
MONDAY, MAY 25TH**

Happy Anniversary

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY GERALD & DOLORES PRICE
Your Golden Wedding is a wonderful and joyous
occasion, and this greeting is sent to wish you many
more wonderful years of happiness.
Happy 50th Anniversary
From your friends at St. Susanna

**PLEASE JOIN THE LEGION OF MARY FOR A ROSARY FOR
OUR NATION ON MAY 31ST AT SAINT SUSANNA CHURCH
AT 10AM. SPECIAL WELCOME TO ALL VETERANS.
SAVE THIS DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR.**

WELCOME TO SAINT SUSANNA PARISH

In order that we may better serve your needs please fill out this
form, check interests and drop it in collection basket, mail or bring
to the Office. Thank you.

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/Zip Code: _____, Email _____
Phone #-H: _____ Cell/Work _____

<input type="checkbox"/> New Address/Phone	<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in taking Communion to Shut-ins.
<input type="checkbox"/> Moving out of Parish	<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in being an Altar Server.
<input type="checkbox"/> New Parishioner	<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in being a CCD Teacher/Aide.
<input type="checkbox"/> Returning to Parish	<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in being in the Choir.
<input type="checkbox"/> Need Envelope	<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in being a Eucharistic Minister
<input type="checkbox"/> Entering/In Hospital	<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in Ladies of Charity.
<input type="checkbox"/> Shut in	<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in being a Lector.
<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in doing Altar Linens.	<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in being an Usher.
<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in Gardening	<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in Funeral Ministry.
<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in maintenance work	<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in Pastoral Council.
<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in HS/MS Youth Group.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in the Children/Youth & Family Ministry.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in Catholicism/Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults	

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT 412-798-5596
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS.

THANK YOU

FINANCIAL CORNER

GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS - 5/17/2015

	<u>4:00</u>	<u>9:00</u>	<u>11:00</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Amount	1,797	1,015	948	\$3,760.00
Number of Envelopes	71	47	40	158

THE COLLECTION FOR THE ASCENSION (4PM & 9AM) —\$1,348

FLEA MARKET AND CRAFT SHOW
SAINT GERARD CHURCH HALL
SATURDAY, MAY 30TH 8AM UNTIL 2PM
TO RESERVE A TABLE OR
HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL
412-795-0085 THANK YOU



SAINT MAURICE IN FOREST HILLS WILL HAVE A
BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP THAT WILL MEET THE FIRST
WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7PM IN THE PARISH CENTER.
THIS GROUP FACILITATED BY DR. BARBARA COYNE, AND IS
OPEN TO ANYONE WHO HAS LOST A LOVED ONE.
PLEASE JOIN US.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
Marriage is ideally a parish event today, but in the
first three centuries of the church's history, it was a
household celebration guided by civil law and pagan
customs. Changes happened quickly after the Peace of
Constantine in 312, and the fresh air after long
persecution brought some creativity. The speech that
the father of the groom's family gave before dinner or
the veiling or crowning of the bride (or even the
spouse's arrival at the honeymoon suite)
attracted a prayer of blessing.

With amazing rapidity, worship was propelled out
of the intimate setting of house churches to large
public gathering spaces, and some parts of the
marriage ceremony began to migrate with the growing
community to the new spaces. In Rome, the veiling of
the bride with the customary daily headgear of a
married woman became the central liturgical act,
accompanied by a biblical prayer for her integrity and
fruitfulness. There were no vows as such (just as there
are no vows to this day in the Orthodox marriage rite).
In the liturgy, after hearing John's Gospel account of
the wedding at Cana, the bride was veiled and blessed,
and the priest gave the kiss of peace to the husband,
who then gave it to his bride. The liturgy of Rome
traveled far, and everywhere it went, marriage became
a church celebration.

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