

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 31, 2015

MOST HOLY TRINITY

THE TRINITY IS LOVE

Theologians throughout the Christian centuries have spilled much ink (and, on occasion, some blood) in describing and defining the mystery of the Holy Trinity. One of the earliest, most poetic, and beautiful descriptions comes from St. Augustine in *De Trinitas*, wherein he describes the Trinity as One (the Father) who loves, One (the Son) who is loved, and One (the Spirit) who is love. And these three Ones are also one Three.

It might be wisest for us to leave the technical wranglings to the academic theologians, and focus on the fact that the three Persons of the Trinity are indeed persons; they are best known and understood in their love for each other and for us. We are made in the image of those loving persons, and our best relationships are lived out in the context of love. Truly loving relationships are inexhaustible mysteries to be lived in joy. If this is true of our human relationships, how much more so is it true of our relationship with the Trinity. And how much more does it call upon us to be joyful, loving witnesses of the holy mystery of the One-in-Three. This is the mystery to which we were called when we were chosen to be God's own, baptized with water in the name of the Holy Trinity.

MASS INTENTIONS

May 31, 2015

Week 1 of Psalter

- 1 Mon. Memorial of Saint Justin**
9:00 am - Birthday - Benny Sedlacko - Wife Tina
- 2 Tues. Optional Memorial of Saints Marcellinus & Peter**
- *No Morning Liturgy*
- 3 Wed. Memorial of Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions**
9:00 am- Anniversary - Dorothy Swackhammer - Family
- 4 Thu. Weekday in Ordinary Time**
- *No Morning Liturgy*
- 5 Fri. Memorial of Saint Boniface**
9:00 am - In Honor of The 50th Wedding Anniversary of
Bonnie & Jack Myler - Family
- 6 Sat. Optional Memorial of Saint Norbert**
3:15 - 3:45 - Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:00 pm - Birthday - Leonard Mizgorski - Joan & Family
- 7 Sun. Solemnity of The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**
9:00 am- Lou & Rose Marie DeFabio - Family
11:00 am - Anniversary - Michael Davis -
Grandparents, Lou and Inez Montanari

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8; Ps 112:1b-2, 3b-6; Mk 12:1-12
 Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112:1-2, 7-9; Mk 12:13-17
 Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25:2-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9;
 Mk 12:18-27
 Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a;
 Ps 128:1-5; Mk 12:28-34
 Friday: Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-10; Mk 12:35-37
 Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tb 13:2, 6efgh-8;
 Mk 12:38-44
 Sunday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; Heb 9:11-15; Mk
 14:12-16, 22-26



Please keep in your prayers Eleanor Truckley who passed away recently. She and her family were members of our Parish for many years. She is survived by her family, Tracy and John Roman, J.T. , Allison and her husband Andy. Our sympathies go out to them and may she rest in the peace of God's loving Hands forever.

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 .

RETROUVAILLE OF PITTSBURGH

Are you married to a stranger? Do you feel alone? Do you argue—or have you just stopped talking to each other? Do you dread the drive home? Does talking about it only make it worse? This program has helped countless couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. 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.

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH (in Verona) AND TAYLOR TOURS PRESENTS A MINI VACATION !!!!

Come join us on a trip to Erie and the Casino Niagara (USA) on July 27th, 28th, and 29th, 2015. The bus will depart St. Joseph parking lot at 6am on July 27th and travel to Erie (Presque Isle Casino) have breakfast, stay for a couple hours, then travel to Casino Niagara for two nights, Depart for home on July 29th with a stop at the Salamanca Casino. The cost of the trip is \$239 per person based on a double or triple occupancy. A single is 349. A \$75 deposit is required now with the balance due by June 19th. Make your reservation today! You will need your photo ID on the trip. Contact Joanne Osbourne at 412-795-0488 for questions or for additional information.

\$210 Trip Perks

\$35 free Play at Presque Isle
 \$100 free Play and \$40 comps at Casino Niagara
 \$35 Free Play at Salamanca Casino

The Perils of Gossip

"Gossip can also kill, because it kills the reputation of the person! It is so terrible to gossip! At first it may seem like a nice thing, even amusing, like enjoying a candy. But in the end, it fills the heart with bitterness, and even poisons us"
 - Pope Francis

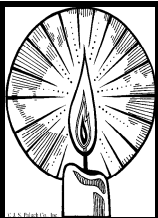
Diocese Abuse Hotline: 1-888-808-1235

PA Department of Public Welfare Hotline: 1-800-932-0313

SANCTUARY CANDLES

The Intention for the week of -
 May 30/31 Is in Memory of:

Dorothy Swackhammer



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.



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		

OUR JOURNEY WITHOUT THEM

Oakmont Presbyterian Church sponsors a Bereavement Support Program for people (families) who have lost a child. This is held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm. Please contact Les Leasure at 412-403-8644 for information or for any questions you may have.

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.

**AN EVENING AT MT. HOPE CHURCH
FEATURING LOCAL BARBER SHOP QUARTET**

Please join us for an evening of fun Christian music and great food. Featuring "Brothers in Praise" - a barber shop quartet from Harrison City, PA - Dinner includes a choice of chicken or pasta.... Call for tickets through the church office at 412-793-0227 \$15 per person - Saturday, June 6, 2015 at 6:30 pm Mt. Hope Community Presbyterian Church (Frankstown Road)

BEGINNING AGAIN

If I were to begin life again, I would want it as it was. I would only open my eyes a little more. —Jules Renard

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 _____

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

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

THANK YOU

FINANCIAL CORNER

GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS - 5/24/2015

	<u>4:00</u>	<u>9:00</u>	<u>11:00</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Amount	1,384	1,487	1,048	\$3,919.00
Number of Envelopes	62	62	41	165

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There are plenty of "treasures" in our tradition that if resurrected today would cause anxious moments for bishops! Many concern marriage. There was a time when the church "consecrated" both virgins dedicated to prayer and charity, and brides dedicated to husband and family. Virgins were blessed in the sanctuary of the church, and brides in the sanctuary of the home. The custom of blessing the bride in the marriage chamber was standard in England, Ireland, Spain, and France until the eleventh century.

If the groom (the groom's side planned the wedding) chose from the full menu of liturgy, there would be a blessing of the bridal room, solemn evening prayer on the eve and morning prayer on the day of the wedding, a blessing at the church door of the spouses, and then in the church for the wife alone during Mass, and Communion. After the feast, a priest would represent the bride's father in presiding over the legal process by which the bride transferred from her father's clan to her husband's. Some enduring customs hearken back to these days when marriage was seen as a contract between men (the bride's father and the groom) and was not so much about living out one's baptismal call, and certainly not about the equality of the spouses in Christ. Happily, this baptismal focus has been restored and unhelpful customs set aside by today's marriage rite.

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**MT. HOPE COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WEDNESDAYS ON THE LAWN IS BACK**

Starting on June 3rd - - Bigger and Better

Serving Home Cooked Meals -July thru August at 4:30 pm

There will also be a COMMUNITY FARMERS MARKET From 2-6pm Every Wednesday.

With Local Fresh Produce, Home Cooked Food, Specialty Vinegars, Baked Goods and More.

Vendor spots still available-Call 412-793-8326

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