



Mass Intentions for the Week

LITURGY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, AUGUST 29, 2011

The Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist

6:40 AM Margaret Campbell
(Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Marinzel)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2011

Weekday

6:40 AM David Rombach (Clyde & Mel Rombach)
8:45 AM Richard Kline
(Carl & Gloria Fischerkeller)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2011

Weekday

6:40 AM Olympia Henry (Lou & Christine Iezzi, Sr)
8:45 AM Ignatia MacLean (Husband)
9:30 AM .Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Chapel
All Day Adoration
7:00 PM Novena, Our Lady of Perpetual Help
and Benediction

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2011

Weekday

6:40 AM Robert Ponter (McConnell Family)
8:45 AM Richard Walters (Barbara Hudak & Family)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2011

Weekday

8:45 AM Edward Miller
(St. Bonaventure PTG Guild)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2011 St. Gregory the Great

8:30 AM Steve & Theresa Nagy (Family)
6:00 PM Clarence Murdy (Kimberly Ivill)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2011

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

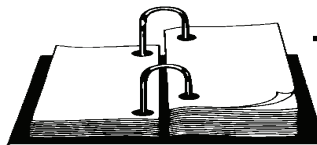
7:00 AM Intention of St Bonaventure Parish Family
8:45 AM Dorothy Kompare (Ruth Hamilton)
10:30 AM Lucy McClean (Mom & Dad)
12:15 PM Deceased of Krasnecki Family (Family)

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP every Thursday morning at 6:30 AM in the Parish Center. Come and join us before work.

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP
AUGUST 21, 2011**

Regular Collection	\$13,225.00
Somalia Relief	\$4,179.00

Please remember St. Bonaventure Parish in your will. This assures the parish of continued financial strength.



The Week Ahead

MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2011

7:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting – Parish Center

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2011

1:30 PM Ladies Bible Study - PL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2011

St. Bonaventure Golf Outing



RCIA: Our process to welcome new members into the Catholic Church will be beginning again in September. If you or anyone you know may be interested in looking into becoming Catholic, or are Baptized and would want to receive the Eucharist and Confirmation - please call Fr. John for more information



CONGRATULATIONS TO KAYLIE IVY MITCHELL, ALAINA MARIE RUFFING, AND GRAHAM CURLEY WILLIAMS who were baptized in our Parish last Sunday. We rejoice with their families for this sign of new life in our midst.



PLEASE PRAY FOR VINCENZA TOLOMEO who was buried from our Parish this past week. May her soul rest in the peace of the Lord. To her family we extend our sincere sympathy and prayerful support.

CHANGE IN WEEKDAY MASS TIME: Beginning the week of September 6, our daily Mass times will change slightly. There will now be two Masses on Monday: 6:40 and 8:45 AM - and only one Mass on Tuesday: 6:40 AM.

CHAPEL SEATING: We have been asked by a number of our young parents to put something in the bulletin to our Parishioners about the fact that the side chapel in our Church always been considered “reserved” - especially at the later Masses on Sunday - as a “crying room “ for babies and toddlers, and their parents - where they can take them in case they get a little “restless” in the main Church. Even though other Parishioners are welcome to use that chapel if you have a physical need to do so – occasionally there is no room available for parents and children because so many people choose to sit in the chapel. If you do choose to sit there - please be aware that there will be children - sometimes crying and rambunctious in there with you. Please be patient with them if you choose to sit in the chapel – it is the “crying room.”

ATTENTION PARENTS OF SMALL CHILDREN: we are pleased to let you know there is now a changing table in the “Brides room,” next to the bathrooms, thanks to the generosity of a member of our Young Adults Group.

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY WILL BE FOR THE CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS AND CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA CAMPAIGN

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM NEWS

WELCOME - DAVID VAN VICKLE: We welcome our new Director of Religious Education – Mr. David Van Vickle, as he speaks to us at all our Masses today about his work in our Parish.

CCD: Our CCD classes – for grades K-6 - will begin for a new year on Saturday morning, September 10. If your child attended CCD last year, you will not need to register them again – but if you would like to register your child for the first time in our CCD program- there are registration forms available in the gathering area of the Church - or you can download forms from the website at www.stbonaventureparish.org . We will be holding a CCD Parent's information evening on September 21st - and more information about this evening will be communicated to our CCD parents.

JR HIGH CCD SCHEDULE
SEPTEMBER 11th & 25th
OCTOBER 9th & 23rd
NOVEMBER 6th & 20th
DECEMBER 4th & 18th

Jr High CCD Starts with Teen Mass at 6PM (all are welcome). Jr High CCD starts at 7PM and goes to 8:15 PM. Any questions, please contact Ben Lesnfsky at bonaventureministries@gmail.com. There will be a Jr High **Parents Meeting** on Wednesday, September 7th in Newmeyer Hall at 7:30 PM

CONFIRMATION: We recently received word from the Diocese that the Sacrament of Confirmation has been scheduled in our Parish for Thursday evening, November 10, with Bishop William Winter. More information and Confirmation class schedules are in the process of being mailed out to this year's Confirmation class, and their families.

CONFIRMATION CLASS SCHEDULE

Confirmation Parent meeting September 28th - 7:30 PM
 October 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th Classes - 7:30 PM

Confirmation Retreat October 22nd - 10 AM - 5 PM

Confirmation Practice November 8th 7- 8:30 PM

CONFIRMATION IS ON NOVEMBER 10th
ALL SESSIONS ARE MANDATORY

YOUTH GROUP NEWS: A new year of Youth Group activities at St. Bonaventure will kick off in the second week of September. as we look forward to an exciting new year.

YOUNG ADULTS: Pick-up our Fall calendar in the Gathering Space.

YOUNG ADULT BASKETBALL: Pick up basketball. Men - college to 40's - are invited to come and play - any Tuesday Night @ 9:30 – in the school gym. E-mail Ben with any questions at bonaventureministries@gmail.com



Jesus said to Peter in today's Gospel that he was "not thinking as God thinks." He told Peter that he was even being influenced in his thinking by the Devil. Nothing has changed in life since that exchange between Jesus and the Apostle He eventually chose to be the "Rock" on which He built His Church. On our own, we human beings - never have, do not now, nor ever will, "think as God thinks." The

task of our lives is to come to think more like God and less by our human nature. And as Jesus said to Peter last Sunday – it was "only the Father who revealed to Peter who Jesus is." Only the Holy Spirit will bring us to "think like God." That is what St. Paul tells us in today's second reading at Mass. The Holy Spirit has to work on us - to "transform our lives by the renewing of our minds." If we come to the place in our life that we really desire to have "our minds renewed," we will then have some work to do. We have to stop letting our minds be "conformed to this age." You gotta realize that your mind is always being shaped by, and "conformed to, this age." The more television you watch – especially television "news reporting" – and the more you "buy it" - the more your minds will have to be renewed by the Light, by the Truth, which comes only from God –as you come here each week to Mass, and as you pray each day. The more "stuff" you watch on TV and the internet, or movies or print media – the more likely it is that your mind in going to need to be purified - of the Devil's influence, which is in so many places in our culture today- purified by the truth of God.

The next time you realize that you have spent an evening watching "stuff" on TV - just think about what you chose to watch - and unless you were really enlightened about what you were watching (think "EWTN") - remember the phrase – "garbage in – garbage out." You can be taking in a lot of what is presented as "sophisticated information" or "cutting edge humor," and it is really "garbage" which is affecting you - and your family - and can "come out as garbage" in the ways you think or act. Pray, when you come here to Mass, or when you pray everyday - that the Holy Spirit will renew your mind - so that you will know what it will mean in your life to "deny yourself, and take up your cross, and follow Jesus." Pray that the Holy Spirit will bring you to know the truth that you "will only find the meaning of your life as you give it away" - to Jesus. Pray that you might one day come to the place of "giving your body to Jesus as a living sacrifice." And let us pray for one another that the truth and the love of Jesus Christ might some day become like "a fire burning in our hearts" – so that "we won't be able to hold it in" – and we will have to share it with others – so many out there who need to know Jesus, who need to "think as God thinks." - Fr. John



ST. BONAVENTURE BREAVEMENT MINISTRY is offering a seven-week grief support group this Fall. We invite anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one to join us for this free series. A morning Grief Support Group will be held at 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM beginning Friday, September 9 to Friday, October 21, 2011. For more information or to register call the St Bonaventure Parish Center at 412-486-2606 ext 101. All are welcome. If this time is not convenient, we will also offer a Support Group in the Spring.



ST. BONAVENTURE CROSS COUNTRY TEAM: Congratulations to the St. Bonaventure Varsity Boys Cross Country team on winning the 10 team Vincentian Invitational last Saturday. Our girls Varsity team was also recognized with a Third place finish. Individual medal winners from the event were Ben Graziano 1st, Sarah Leist 4th, Jonathan Devito 5th, Andrew Cunningham 7th, Austin Bauer 8th, and Marc Devito 9th. Come see our team compete in the North Area Catholic School Invitational this Sunday August 28th at the Shaler Turf Field beginning at 5:30pm.

CERTIFICATE/GIFTCARDS: The certificate office will be open Tuesday & Friday from 9:30 AM - Noon and on Thursday evening from 7 - 8pm. We will continue to sell certificates after all masses. Summer hours will remain in effect until school resumes after Labor Day. Also Special orders will be taken the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month with orders filled by the end of the week.

ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS WOMEN'S RETREAT SERIES :

Welcome all ladies of the parish for a spiritually enriching hour in our chapel on Wed. Sept. 21st @7:30pm. Our topic is "Come with me into the fields. The harvest is plenty and the laborers are few."

We will incorporate scripture and music related to both inspiration and concrete examples of how our faith nurtures and sustains us during our life. For those planning to attend please contact Tammy Smith @ 412-487-7332 or Maureen Romano @ 412-487-2500 / romanosjm2@aol.com.

This is the fourth in our series.

NORTH HILLS COMMUNITY OUTREACH needs soup (the chunky, more substantial varieties), canned fruit and all types of rice. Donations may be dropped off at 1975 Ferguson Road in Allison Park.

ST. RICHARD PARISH - Eucharistic Adoration: 8 am Friday, September 2. We begin with Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer and continue with 24 hour Adoration. We conclude 8 am Saturday, September 3, with Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer and Benediction. All are invited to come and spend some quiet time with the Lord in His Eucharistic presence. For more information, please call St. Richard Parish office 724-444-1971.



BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS:

All expectant parents who plan to have their child baptized at St. Bonaventure Church are asked to attend a Baptism Preparation Class. The class will be offered on Monday, September 12 at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center Conference Room. To reserve a place, please call 412-486-2606 x 200.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN: I am happy to tell you that the Diocese has set up a Protecting God's Children class to be held here at St. Bonaventure on Tuesday, Sept. 27th beginning at 6:30 PM in Newmeyer Hall. If you still need to take this class and this date is not convenient, check the class postings on bulletin boards in the Gathering Space, as I will be updating them later this week with classes at other locations around us. To register for our 9/27 class, just email me at kathystb@verizon.net and I will send you a confirmation.

Also, if attending, please check with your colleagues and offer a ride to those who do not drive.

Safe Environment Guide: For your convenience and to assist you in completing the compliance process required of all parish volunteers, we are putting links to all documents you need, as well as information/tips on completing them and contact information for your questions, on our parish web site

(<http://www.stbonaventureparish.org/>). Look for a link that says "Safe Environment Guide." It should be available by the time you read this, or shortly there after. If you do not have access to a computer, feel free to contact Kathy at 412-897-5838 for assistance in completing the compliance process.

-Kathy Stupar, Safe Environment Coordinator



ST. BONAVENTURE SCHOOL GOLF OUTING

will be held on September 3rd at Lake Vue North Golf course. Shotgun start @ 9:00AM includes beverages, continental breakfast, lunch and a steak dinner. All proceeds benefit the Parish School. For more information, contact Joe Wenger 412-952-1996 or visit the school's website for the registration forms. (www.stbonaventureparish.org/white_envelope).

GERALD DONATO a Parishioner, is selling 2012 Entertainment Books for \$30.00 and Enjoyment books for \$27.00, if interested call 412-487-6033. Proceeds to support youth soccer.