

# Saint Januarius Parish

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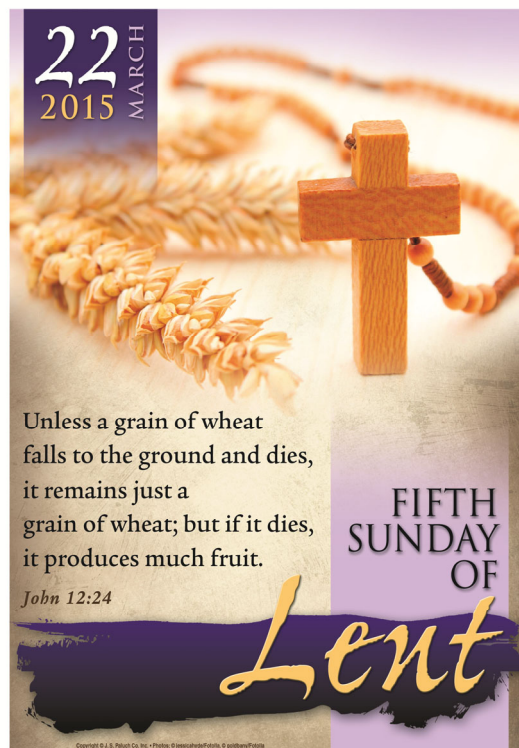
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March 22, 2015  
Fifth Sunday of Lent

## THE NEW COVENANT

When the prophet Jeremiah coined the term "new covenant" he was actually doing something quite radical. For the Jewish people, there was only one covenant, the one made between the Lord God and Israel through Moses at Mount Sinai. For Jeremiah to suggest that God would somehow supersede the covenant with a new one would have sounded audacious to Jewish ears. But in this way he is a predecessor of Jesus who, in the Gospel of John, is continually portrayed as superseding the past, establishing the reign of God in a new way. And in today's Gospel passage, Jesus the "new covenant" speaks the language of his "new commandment" of love when he tells of the dying grain of wheat, and of our own need to die to self in order to be raised with Christ. As Lent ends and we prepare to enter into Holy Week, the dying grain of wheat serves as an excellent symbol of the kind of dying and self-sacrifice to which disciples are called, a symbol of that new covenant written deep within our hearts.

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## Worship Schedules

### • Mass Schedule

Saturday - 4:00 PM, Sunday - 10:00 AM  
Monday - Friday - 8:00 AM

### • Confession

Saturday - 3:30 PM  
Sunday - 9:30 AM  
Or by appointment

### • Sacraments

**BAPTISM** - By Appointment  
**MARRIAGE** - Arrangements are to be made six months in advance.



## Parish Staff and Other Contacts

**Pastor:** Fr. Kenneth Sparks  
**Church Secretary:** Betsy Yaklich  
**Pastoral Council Presidents:** Bud Joyce  
Steve Bullick  
**Finance Council President:** George Carabin  
**Women's Guild President:** Arlene Miller  
**C.C.D. Coordinators:** Diana Bullick  
Helen Feledik  
**Prayer Chain Contact:** Tracy Zanolio  
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**Church and Hall are Handicap Accessible**

## Saint Januarius Parish Mission Statement

St. Januarius is a Roman Catholic community of faith focused on the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. We are grateful to those who have built up St. Januarius to be a welcoming, active, and spiritual parish. With the Eucharist and through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we strive to use the gifts and talents given to us by the Father to support the lives of parishioners at all age levels and stages of life. We also pledge to live our lives so that through our words and actions all may feel the presence of Jesus Christ in the world today.

# From the Pastor's Desk

On Wednesday, March 25 , 7:00 pm, the Knights of Columbus will be here praying the Rosary as part of their Lenten series. All are welcome.

In the final weeks of Lent, we are called to bring forth the glory of the Lord as we follow Christ in service to God and to one another.

According to the Church law, all Catholics "having reached the age of discretion" are required to confess all "grave sins" at least once a year and also venial sins. Lent is the ideal time to make a good confession.

On March 25, we celebrate the Annunciation, the day that the Angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she had been chosen to be the mother of the Savior. "...Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High." (Luke 1:30-32)

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT:** "When Jesus stepped into the waters of the Jordan and was baptized by John the Baptist, he did so not because he was in need of repentance, or conversion; he did it to be among people who need forgiveness, among us sinners, and to take upon himself the burden of our sins."

*~Pope Francis*

Have you ever considered that Jesus might have been "troubled" about what was going to happen to him? How can the way he dealt with his anxiety help you deal with your own worries and fears? Is there someone in your life that you need to forgive? Do I keep in mind that it is as we forgive that we are forgiven? How are you doing on keeping your Lenten discipline?

*May God's perfect peace and love remain with you always! ~ Fr. Ken*

## Sick and Homebound

Please pray for the following:

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|----------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Larry Cybach         | Ursula Koontz    | Emily Snow     |
| Audrey D'Incau       | Helen Kosnac     | Phil Stango    |
| Helen Feledik        | Farah Marshal    | Jack Tolan     |
| William Griffith III | Donnalee McCloy  | Haley Ucman    |
| Sarah Griffith       | Chuck McKinley   | George Walcutt |
| Fredrick Heinz       | Patsy Montanaro  | Tom Woods      |
| Mary Kathryn         | Msgr. Ogradowski | Angie Zucco    |
| Heinz                | Sandy Novak      | Elmer Zucco    |
| Sandy Keller         | Phyllis Pierce   |                |
| Jacob Knighton       | Kay Silvio       |                |

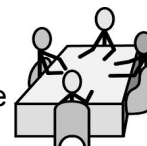


**Please :** We ask those who have requested prayers to give us another "update" call when your loved one is better.

## MEETINGS COMING UP

**Overeaters Anonymous** - Tuesday, March 24  
Contact Sherry @ 412-795-4897

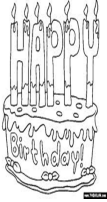
All meetings are held at 7:00 pm in the Church Hall.



**PLEASE NOTE!** The deadline for information to be included in the bulletin is NOON on MONDAYS. Anything received later than that will be included in the following week's bulletin.

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**Happy Birthday!**  
We wish a very happy birthday to:  
**Bryce Lynch**  
**Anna Lewis**  
You are a gift from God!



**Early Bird Discount Registration for CCD for the 2015-2016 School Year**

We are offering a discounted rate for families who register their children for next year's CCD by March 29<sup>th</sup>. The rates are as follows:

- \$25 for 1 child**
- \$40 for 2 children**
- \$50 for 3 or more children**



To take advantage of this offer, please remit proper payment with completed

**Upcoming events.....**

Sun., March 29: last day of CCD + treat!  
mission money due  
last day- early registration  
Sun., April 12: First Holy Communion  
Tues., April 28: Confirmation

***Holy Sacrament of Confirmation***

*We are seeking sponsors for our gift of a crucifix to our Confirmandis. If you are able to help, please use the envelope provided in this bulletin.*

*Thank you and God Bless You!*

**Men's Pancake Breakfast**

Thank you to all who donated to our CCD auction basket entitled "Family Fun Night"! We were able to provide a beautiful basket loaded with lots of fun stuff! A special thank you goes to Mrs. Golubski for donating the beautiful basket!



**Ministry Schedule**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>OFFERTORY</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>	<u>MONEY COUNTERS</u>
SATURDAY MARCH 21	Abby DiLonardo Alani DiLonardo	Loretta White	Vincie & Joseph Barbieri	Jim Price Susan Price Marie Pietropaolo	
SUNDAY MARCH 22	Marley Lewis Megan Christman	David McKinley	Ryan Family	Carol Kelly Judy Rogers Marlene Jones	Ray Valotta Cheryl Stezoski Bill Stezoski
SATURDAY MARCH 28	Angela Campbell BJ Campbell	Mary Ann Kaiser	Millie Massimino	Tony Traficante Kathleen Specht Mary Kay Sneider	
SUNDAY MARCH 29	Maria Czura Megan Christman	Bob Oldenski	Gary & Rina DiFrank	Jessica McKinley Charles McKinley Judy Rogers	Arlene Miller Karen Murphy Bernard Murphy



Mass Intentions

**Saturday, March 21-  
Sunday March 29**

**SATURDAY – Lenten Weekday 03/21**

4 PM Gregory & Teresa Matta - M/M Joseph Barbieri

**SUNDAY - Fourth Sunday in Lent 03/22**

10 AM Patricia Phillips - Ryan Family

**MONDAY - Lenten Weekday 03/23**

8 AM Marianna Marino - Rosa Fusca

**TUESDAY - Lenten Weekday 03/24**

8 AM Agnes Colwell - Barbara Marshall

**WEDNESDAY– The Annunciation of the Lord 03/25**

8 AM Living and Deceased Members of the Papciak, Blodgett, Anzlovar & Benton Families - Papciak Family

**THURSDAY - Lenten Weekday 03/26**

8 AM Cam Cordon - Philip Scoleri

**FRIDAY - Lenten Weekday 03/27**

8 AM Anthony DeLuca - St. Januarius Parish  
7 PM Stations of the Cross

**SATURDAY – Lenten Weekday 03/28**

4 PM Andrew & Frances Massimino - Millie Massimino

**SUNDAY - Fourth Sunday in Lent 03/29**

10 AM Gladys Greene - Gary & Rina DiFrank

We reserve the right to make unavoidable changes in the Mass schedule.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL FORUM:**

Your Pastoral Council wants to keep you informed and provide opportunities for you to be involved. Thank you to everyone who contributes to the Food Bank by placing your contributions in the Green Bins at the entrances of all the Church Doors. Please remember those in need as we near Easter.

If you have any input for the Council please contact the Church. We welcome your ideas and suggestions. You can provide written input in the suggestion box in the rear of the church or here is the contact information to share your ideas with us.

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Readings for the Week of March 22

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11  
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30  
Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38  
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59  
Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42  
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56  
Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 -- 15:47 [15:1-39]

Saints and Special Observances

**Sunday: Third Scrutiny** - Today the Church calls the Elect to conversion. To deepen their resolve to hold fast to Christ and to carry out the decision to love God above all

**Monday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo** - Together with Rose of Lima, Turibius is the first known saint of the New World, serving the Lord in Peru, South America, for 26 years. He was ordained priest and bishop and sent to Peru, where he found colonialism at its worst. He began the long and arduous visitation of an immense archdiocese, studying the language, staying two or three days in each place, often with neither bed nor food. He confessed every morning to his chaplain, and celebrated Mass with intense fervor. Among those to whom he gave the Sacrament of Confirmation was St. Rose of Lima, and possibly St. Martin de Porres (November 3). After 1590 he had the help of another great missionary, St. Francis Solanus.

**Wednesday: The Annunciation of the Lord** - The Solemnity of the Annunciation celebrates the coming of the Angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary to announce to her the special mission God had chosen for her in being the mother of His only son. We are continually reminded of the importance of this feast to our salvation in various devotional prayers. Two examples that highlight the importance of this feast are the joyous mysteries of the Rosary and the Angelus. The feast of the Annunciation began to be celebrated on this day during the fourth and fifth centuries, soon after the date for celebrating Christmas was universalized throughout the Church. This feast celebrates the Incarnation of the Second Person of the Trinity and the salvation of all mankind. This point of our salvation was deeply discussed by many of the Church fathers, to explain it to the faithful and to show the deep love God has for us.

**Weekly Collection - March 15**

Collection	Amount
Offertory	\$ 2,442
Monthly	\$ 275
Second Collection	\$ 207
PSP received to date 2014	\$26,315

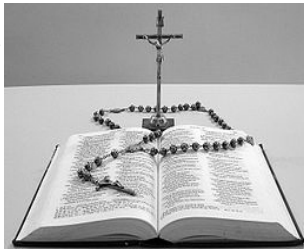
Please remember St. Januarius in your will.

*Around Our District*

**FLEA MARKET** - Saturday, April 11 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. The U.P. Church of Universal, 2455 Main Street. Free coffee. All proceeds to go to their chimney fund (repair).

**MASS OF HEALING:** Come one, come all and celebrate Mass with us at Our Lady of Joy with Father Bill Kiel, Mass with Prayers and Blessings for Healing. Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at 6:30 pm.

**GOING THRU THE BIBLE IN ONE HOUR** - Dr. John Bergsma, Scripture Professor at Franciscan University of Steubenville, will provide a unique understanding of how all of scripture is connected with a beautiful thread of gold. You may want to read his book *"Bible Basics for Catholics: Anew Picture of Salvation History"* (Ave Maria Press) before this session. Don't hesitate to bring a notebook and a pen with you. Will be held in the church at 1:00 pm, March 22. All are welcomed.



**SACRED HEART HIGH SCHOOL Class of 1975:** A reunion is being planned for this summer. If you are interested in attending and/or planning, and if you can provide contact info for any of our classmates, please contact either Mary Ann Martino Maxwell ([mamax0602@consolidated.net](mailto:mamax0602@consolidated.net)) or Karen Caprino Criscella ([kcriscella@aol.com](mailto:kcriscella@aol.com))

**PASSION OF THE CHRIST MOVIE** – AMC 22 Waterfront Movie Theater will be showing The Passion of the Christ movie on Wednesday, April 1 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 each, or \$10.50 for VIP.



*Diocesan News*

**CO-ED SOFTBALL PLAYERS WANTED: SINGLES, 21 AND OVER.** Games are played in Blawnox. Looking for a new way to meet people, make friends, and share good times with others? Check out the Catholic Alumni Club. The group offers tennis, parties, picnics, dances, hiking, volleyball, dinners, scripture study, trips, and many other great events. For more information or an application, go to their website: [www.cacpittsburgh.org](http://www.cacpittsburgh.org), or contact Christine at 412-225-5077 or [cac.softball@yahoo.com](mailto:cac.softball@yahoo.com).



**ANNUAL BLESSING OF FAMILIES** - Easter Sunday, April 5, 2015, Bishops David Zubik, William Waltersheid and William Winter will welcome families of the Diocese of Pittsburgh to their Annual Blessing of Families at St. Paul Cathedral, Oakland beginning at 2:00 p.m. As they greet and bless your family personally, they affirm and support you as a household of love and witness to The Faith. Come and experience the Bishops' expression of appreciation for the gift that you are, and the gifts that you bring to our Diocese. Each family attending will receive a special memento to take home.

**CATHOLIC CRUISE TO CARIBBEAN** - Come and sail away on a 7-night Catholic Caribbean Cruise (Priest to be Assigned by the Apostleship of Seas of the USA), September 27-October 4, 2015 on Carnival Dream out of New Orleans, LA. Ports of call: Mahogany Bay (Isla Roatan), Belize (Belize), Cozumel (Mexico) and back to New Orleans, LA. Prices begin at \$1,065 for two passengers. This includes all port fees and taxes. Daily Mass offered. Deposits of only \$300 per person will reserve your cabin. Space is limited. For further info or to register, contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785 or [Doug@CatholicCruisesandTours.com](mailto:Doug@CatholicCruisesandTours.com)



*St. Januarius Parish*  
Membership Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK ONE:

New Registration  Change of Address  Moving out of Parish  Want Envelopes

**PLEASE NOTE** the new membership form in the bulletin. If you are thinking about joining our Parish Community of Faith OR there is new or changed information that should be of record, please complete the form and put it in the collection basket or send it to the Parish Office; we will be happy to contact you. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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**Attn: Betsy**

**Only send 300 copies.**

