

Saint Januarius Parish

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March 30, 2014
Fourth Sunday in Lent



NEW VISION

Jesus proclaimed that he came into the world to make the sightless see and the seeing blind. A difficult saying! But surely it must mean that Jesus intended to take our ordinary ways of looking at things and turn them inside out. Jesus came to change our perspective.

When the prophet Samuel went out to select the new king, he chose a young man who had the look of royalty about him. But God told him not to judge by appearances. God told Samuel—and today tells us—to change our perspective and to look at things and people differently.

We are like the Ephesians, whom Paul urged to live as children of the light. With the light of faith, we have a new way of looking at things, and we are called to bring that new vision to the world around us. This is a great vocation, a calling to wake people up to what's really important.

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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: Michele Mullen
Parish Council President: Mike Waruszewski
Pastoral Council President: Bud Joyce
C.C.D. Coordinator: Cindy Kutchko
Helen Feledik
Women's Guild President: Arlene Miller
Pastoral Finance President: George Carabin

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

Cindy Kutchko will be resigning from her ministry as CCD Coordinator at the end of the semester. In gratitude for her efforts to manage our Religious Education program, I would like the parishioners to send in personal notes and best wishes for an appreciation scrapbook which the parish will present to her. The last day for the CCD Program is Sunday, April 13. Please send those notes as soon as possible. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Presently, the positions of CCD Coordinator and Safe Environment Coordinator are open. The Safe Environment Coordinator is responsible to coordinate the Protecting God's Children Program in our parish. This position encourages all parish volunteers to properly obtain Pennsylvania and Diocesan clearances and record them into our database. This is your golden opportunity to enter into the heart of our Rectory operations! I will provide further information in future bulletins.

Parish bingo is Saturday, April 5!! Get your lucky charms ready!

Have a prayerful Lent,
Fr. Ken

Food for Thought: Draw names from a hat and have each family member write or color an affirming message for the selected person.

PASTORAL COUNCIL — PARISH COUNCIL

The **Parish Council** meets this week on Wednesday, April 2. The **Pastoral Council** will meet Monday, April 7. Both begin at 7:00 pm. For more info, call the Parish Office.

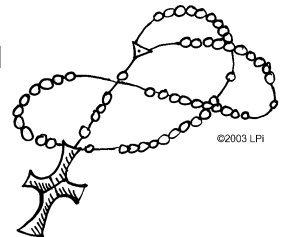


WE NEED YOU: On Tuesday, April 8 and Thursday, April 10 from 9:00 am-Noon, we will need volunteers to come and help us clean the church for Easter. If you are available on either of those days, please lend a hand. It is through your kindness that we can work together and spruce up our worship space.



ROSARY FOR LIFE

The Rosary for Life, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus at St. Januarius, will be prayed on the following dates and parishes, each at 7:00 PM except as noted.
 Wednesday, April 2 - St. Susanna (Penn Hills immediately after 7 PM Mass)
 Wednesday, April 9 - St. Gerard Majella (Penn Hills)
 All are welcome to attend.



ST. ANTHONY NOVENA: Every Tuesday after the 8:00 am Mass. Join us!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Bingo is coming to St. Januarius on Saturday, April 5! Doors open at 5:00 pm. Today - Sunday, March 30 - is the last day that tickets cost \$25. You can purchase them at the Rectory during business hours this week for \$30. For more info, please call the Parish Office. Please join us!

This year we are planning to publish the names and donors of our **Easter flowers**. If you would like your living or deceased loved ones remembered in this way, please make sure you fill out their names on the back of the Easter Flower donation envelope in your pack and get it in to the Parish Office no later than Palm Sunday, April 13. Please print clearly!



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
March 29—April 6, 2014



SATURDAY - VIGIL, FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

4 PM + **Florence Bruno** - Richard Glucs

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

10 AM + **Frances Shirer** - John & Colleen Hanes

MONDAY - LENTEN WEEKDAY

8 AM + **David Froelich** - Charles & JoAnne Carey

TUESDAY — LENTEN WEEKDAY

8 AM + **Maxine** - Daughter, Sissy Lee

WEDNESDAY— LENTEN WEEKDAY

8 AM + **Harry Jurkiewicz** - Grandchildren

THURSDAY— LENTEN WEEKDAY

8 AM + **Helen Zorbas** - Dara Raffaele

FRIDAY—LENTEN WEEKDAY

8 AM + **Dennis Baier** - Philip Accordino & Family

SATURDAY - VIGIL, FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

4 PM + **M/M Frank Montanaro** - Mary Montanaro

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

10 AM + **Fred Scoglietti, Sr** - Pat Tokarski

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 23

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]



THINGS THAT MAKE YOU GO HM-M-M-M!

*Many folks want to serve God,
 But only as advisers.*

Ministry Schedule

DATE	ALTAR SERVERS	LECTORS	OFFERTORY	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	MONEY COUNTERS
SATURDAY MARCH 29	Kyle Hanes Erin Hanes	Debbie Brinker	Richard Glucs	Tony Traficante Loretta White	
SUNDAY MARCH 30	Matt McKinley Alex McKinley Blake George	Pat Staudt	M/M D Favero	George Carabin Carol Carabin	Arlene Miller Bernard Murphy Karen Murphy
SATURDAY APRIL 5	Marley Lewis Zachary End	Laura Zullo	Mary Montanaro	Mary Graf Vince Barbieri Connie Meli	
SUNDAY APRIL 6	Angela Valotta Marisa Valotta Rachel Valotta	Mary Ellen Zik	Pat Tokarski	Charles McKinley Jessica McKinley Shirley DeLuca	Pat Staudt Janet DiLonardo Carol Carabin

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Weekly Collection - March 16

Collection	Amount
Offertory	\$2,654
Monthly	\$133
PSP Assessment	\$31,472
PSP received to date	\$7,022

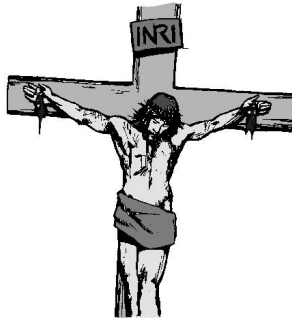
Please remember St. Januarius in your will.



THIS IS THE FOURTH WEEK IN LENT. Our Lenten Schedule will be:

FR. KEN'S group book review on Father Robert Barron's book, *Catholicism: A Journey to the Heart of Faith* continues this week - Tuesday evening at 7:30 pm and Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 pm. There is still time to call the Parish Office to sign up. Come join us.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be prayed each Friday of Lent at 7:00 pm beginning with the Examen prayer. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered after the Stations.



Every Day

Every day I need you Lord,
 But this day especially,
 I need some extra strength to face
 whatever is to be.
 This day more than any other day
 I need to feel You near,
 To fortify my courage
 And to overcome my fear.
 By myself I cannot meet the
 challenge of the hour.
 There are times when others help,
 but I need a higher Power
 to help me bear what must be borne.
 And so, dear Lord, I pray -
 Hold on to my trembling hand and be
 with me today.

Author Unknown



PARISH FAMILY CENSUS ONLINE-

The census form is now online. If you haven't already, please complete it and forward to the Parish Office. Thanks.



NOTARY PUBLIC services are available at the Parish Office (no motor vehicle services). Call Michele to make an appointment: 412.793.4439.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please pray for the following:

Kelli Biondich	Helen Kosnac	Phil Stango
Audrey D'Incau	Farah Marshal	Bill Stezoski
Heather DeLuca	Donnalee McCloy	Jack Tolan
Gladys Greene	Chuck McKinley	Haley Uzman
William Griffith III	Patsy Montanaro	Don Walter
William Griffith IV	Sandy Novak	Tom Woods
Caroline Keaton	Phyllis Pierce	Stacie Zarroli
Sandy Keller	Art Proviano	Angie Zucco
Jacob Knighton	Kay Silvio	Elmer Zucco
Ursula Koontz	Emily Snow	



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

WE COMMEND TO YOUR PRAYERS
THE SOULS OF:

Patricia E Phillips - Mother of Martina Phillips,
 Annette Ryan and Tammy Barca
Rose Goodman - Aunt of Carol Carabin



May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in the peace of our Lord. Amen

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

If there is such a thing as a Catholic "trademark" it is the sign of the cross, first traced on the senses of catechumens as they begin the journey to baptism, or on the forehead of an infant who is brought to the doors of the church at baptism.

As early as the third century, Christians were tracing the sign of the cross on their bodies. At first, the cross was traced on the forehead during times of prayer and daily occupations. We use a similar small cross today as we trace the cross over on the forehead, lips, and heart at the Gospel during Mass. Much later, the full-body sign traced from forehead to heart to shoulders took shape, perhaps copying the priest's gesture of blessing with the consecrated host during Mass. Today, this superb baptismal gift is a sign of belonging to Christ and the community, a way of focusing our attention, of asking for God's blessing, of tracing on our shoulders a willingness to find meaning in life's burdens. In the sign of the cross, we have an ever-available means of expressing gratitude for our baptism.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

NEW CALENDAR: Included in this bulletin is the April calendar marked with the activities for the month. If you see that we've missed something, or even just the fact that you like it or don't like it, please let us know. Thank you.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS meet every Tuesday at St. Januarius. For more information or questions, contact Sherry at 412-795-4897.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

Diocese of Pittsburgh Victim Assistance Hotline phone number **1-888-808-1235**.

All volunteers and employees of the Church **MUST** complete the Protecting God's Children course to continue in the ministry.

The next workshops in our area:

Saint Bernadette Parish

245 Azalea Drive, Monroeville

Saturday, April 5 at 10:00AM in Biedenbach Hall

To register, contact Marlene Kopper –

mvkopper@stbrnadet.org – 412.373.1797

North American Martyrs Parish

2526 Haymaker Road, Monroeville

Thursday, June 12, 2014 at 7:00PM

To register, contact Donna Lew-Buechel –

412.349.0942

Diocesan News

9TH ANNUAL GATHERING of Catholic Men... Come and See! All men are invited to come and see Jesus, come and see the blessings he has planned for you! This annual gathering will take place on Saturday, April 12 at the A. J. Palumbo Center, Duquesne University. For more info, visit the website at www.cmfitt.org or contact CMF at 724.680.0263.

EASTER BLESSING OF THE FAMILIES: On Easter Sunday, April 20, Bishops David Zubik, William Waltersheid and William Winter will welcome families of the Diocese to their Annual Blessing of Families at St. Paul Cathedral, Oakland, beginning at 2:00 pm.

As they greet and bless your family personally, they affirm and support you as a household of love and witnesses 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 Diocesan Faith Community. Each family attending will receive a special memento to take home and the children will receive a sweet treat.

CO-ED SOFTBALL: Singles, 21 and over. Games played in Blawnox. Catholic Alumni Club. Interested? Contact Christine (412.225.5077) or cac.softball@yahoo.com.

Around Our District



SAVE THE DATE: Bunny Brunch, Sunday, April 6, at St. John School cafeteria. Time: 9:30 am—12:30 pm. Menu: French toast sticks, sausage, fruit cup and beverage. Children under 12: \$4. Adults: \$5. Bring your camera. Crafts at an extra cost. For more information, call 412.793.0555.

St. Susanna's Parish, 200 Stotler Road, Penn Hills, will be having a **PARISH MISSION** titled "**Return to the Lord**" presented by Fr. Bernard Trickerhoof, TOR starting Sunday, April 6 thru Wednesday, April 9, starting each evening at 7:00 pm. Outline of Mission: Sunday, April 6: Exposition and Benediction - "Deepening Our Understanding of God's Love;" Monday, April 7: Evening Prayer - "The Call to Conversion;" Tuesday, April 8: Healing Service - "Healing and Forgiveness"; (Wednesday, 3:00 PM - Communal Penance Service); Wednesday, April 9: Eucharistic Liturgy - "Growing in Prayer and in Life." For additional information please call 412-798-3591 or 412-798-5596.

You are cordially invited to see TriCounty Choir Institute's musical Passion play, "**WHY MUST HE DIE?**" on Sunday, April 6 in the church at 2:00 pm at North American Martyrs Church, 2526 Haymaker Road, Monroeville. A meditation through music, drama and liturgical dance on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. This is a unique passion play written as a play within a play. For more information, call director Linda Wallace at 412-741-3463, email her at lindaswallace@comcast.net or visit the website at www.tricountychoirs.com.

LOCAL PARISH FISH FRYS:

North American Martyrs (Monroeville)

DeLuca Hall - 2526 Haymaker Road, Monroeville

When: Fridays of Lent, including Good Friday

Times: 11:30 am-7 pm

St. Bartholomew (Penn Hills)

School Cafeteria - 111 Erhardt Drive (Frankstown Road at Erhardt Drive) Pittsburgh 15235

When: Fridays of Lent, except Good Friday

Times: 4:30 pm to 7 pm

St. Bernadette (Monroeville)

Lourdes Center - 245 Azalea Drive, Monroeville

When: Each Friday of Lent, except Good Friday

Times: 4:30-7:30 pm

St. John the Baptist (Unity)

School cafeteria - 418 Unity Center Road, Pittsburgh 15239

When: Fridays of Lent, except Good Friday

Times: 4-7 pm

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