

Calendar of Meetings  
John Paul I Center  
201 9th Street  
Sharpsburg, PA 15215

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### February, 2019

2/4	NA	7:00 pm
2/5	NARANON	7:30 pm
2/6	NA	8:00 pm
2/11	NA	7:00 pm
2/12	NARANON	7:30 pm
2/13	NA	8:00 pm
2/18	NA	7:00 pm
2/19	NARANON	7:30 pm
2/20	NA	8:00 pm
2/25	NA	7:00 pm
2/26	NARANON	7:30 pm
2/27	NA	8:00 pm



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### Step Two by Father Michael Decewicz

“Came to believe that a power great than ourselves could restore us to sanity.”

When I first came to the program, I was comfortable accepting a power greater than myself and I believe that power to be God. I had no problem accepting God’s presence, and submitting to God’s will in my life.

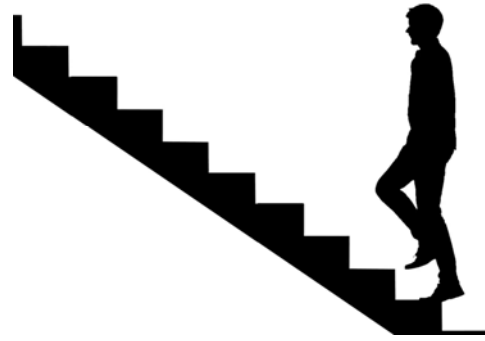
However, what I did have a problem accepting was the idea that I needed to be restored to sanity. I never questioned my sanity; I only questioned my drinking and did not equate alcoholism with sanity. But with the eyes of sobriety I learned to appreciate how insane my choices and actions were, and when confronted with this evidence, I was able to conclude that indeed I did need God to restore me not just to sobriety, but also to sanity.

Once I realized and owned the fact that my behavior and choices were insane, then I was both willing and able to not just seek God’s presence, but also to accept the fact that I needed to be restored to sanity.

## Upcoming Events

Anointing Mass for those in recovery  
and those currently suffering with  
addiction

Sunday, February 10, 2019  
2:30 pm St. Paul Cathedral



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### 2019 Speaker Series

- Monday, March 18, 2019      Casey Mullen  
Rodef Shalom, 4905 5th Avenue, Oakland      7:00 pm  
Casey will share with us his personal story of addiction and recovery
- Sunday, April 7, 2019      Father Michael Decewicz  
Roots of Faith, 800 Main Street, Sharpsburg      2:00 pm  
Father Michael will speak on the subject of shame
- Saturday, May 8, 2019      Rocco Magnelli  
John Paul I Center, 201 9th Street, Sharpsburg      11:00 am  
Rocco will share his story of a family dealing with addiction and  
the loss of a child
- Sunday, June 9, 2019      Carol Haley-Smith  
John Paul I Center, 201 9th Street, Sharpsburg      2:00 pm  
Carol will speak about a women's perspective with addiction
- Monday, July 8, 2019      Dr. Janet Astle  
St. Bernard Parish, 401 Washington Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15216  
Dr. Astle will speak about the disease of addiction

### Final Thought by Ernest Hemingway

Today is only one day in all the days that will ever be. But what will happen  
in all the other days that ever come can depend on what you do today.

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