

Acts 9:26-31: Because of Paul's earlier reputation, the Christians were fearful of him. He was then accepted and began to spread the message of the gospel.

1 Jn 3:18-24: Christians are to love in deed and in truth. A clear conscience is proof of God's favor. To keep the commandments is to please God.

Jn 15:1-8: Jesus compared Himself to the vine and the branches. Whoever is united to Jesus will do good and be rewarded. But anyone who does not live in Jesus will wither like a cut-off vine.

Today's Message - Saul witnesses the Risen Jesus and boldly proclaims His Lordship. We proclaim our belief in Jesus by our love for one another. He is the vine and we the branches. Together let us praise His name in our assembly of worship.

10TH ANNUAL PRAISE & WORSHIP SUNDAY – MAY 17TH
PLEASE JOIN US AT THE TENTH ANNUAL HEALING MASS PRECEDED BY PRAISE & WORSHIP MUSIC AND FOLLOWED BY BENEDICTION AND HEALING SERVICE. THE MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON MAY 17TH BY FR. PATRICK LAMB AT ST. CATHARINE OF SIENA CHURCH, BOYERTOWN PIKE. MUSIC BEGINS AT 6:30 P.M. WITH MASS AT 7:00 P.M. JOIN US IN PRAISING THE LORD WITH PRAISE AND WORSHIP MUSIC BEGINNING AT 6:30 P.M. & MASS AT 7:00 P.M. PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD AND WE HOPE TO SEE YOU ON MAY 17TH. **THIS MASS DOES COUNT AS YOUR SUNDAY OBLIGATION.**

Welcome!

... Such a simple concept, yet our Parish Survey indicated that Parishioners felt strongly that St. Catharine's Parish needs to make more of an effort ...

We need your help! Please join our Ministry of Hospitality!

Consider assisting us with greeting and seating our Congregation, and/or helping with weekly collections! **Simply let us know your interest:**
a) Which aspect of Hospitality most suits you,
b) How frequently you would be willing to serve,
c) The Mass of your preference.

All are welcome to join this Ministry (Children in 5th grade or younger will need parental accompaniment.) Families are encouraged to serve together! Please join us in the Social Hall on Saturday May 9 at 9:00 am for an informational meeting & training session. Please contact Jay Yohn at jy5600@ptd.net or (610) 816-8026 for more information.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS ! 2015 ST. CATHARINE OF SIENA FALL FEST

Friday evening of the festival is an adult only focused evening of dinner and music. Only individuals 21 and over will be permitted to purchase tickets for this event and there will be a limited number of tickets.

~~~~ ADULT DINNER & DANCE – (21 Years & Over Only) - Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015 - SCS Social Hall, Rte. 562 in Exeter Township

### THE UPTOWN BAND

(7:30 – 10:30 PM) - *Featuring Erich Cawalla & Jenifer Kinder*

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Fall Fest Saturday will be centered on more festival related items.....carnival and Fall type food items, games, and "Fall-Season" related crafts for the children.

MORE DETAILS TO COME IN THE FOLLOWING MONTHS

ASCENSION THURSDAY IS ON MAY 14TH AND IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION! Masses will be as follows:

Wed.- May 13th - Vigil of Ascension Thursday
6:00 p.m.. (Chapel)
Ascension Thursday - May 14th
6:30 a.m. (Chapel)
8:00 a.m. (Chapel)
9:30 a.m. (Chapel)
7:00 p.m. (Church)



Mother's Day Carnations for

Lifeline: Please support the annual Mother's Day Carnation sale to support Lifeline of Berks County. Lifeline has been offering life affirming alternatives to pregnant girls and women in Berks County for over 40 years. Flowers will be sold after Masses Mother's Day weekend with a suggested donation of \$2 per flower. Additional donations are also gladly accepted. This is a great way to honor our Mothers, our "Lifeline" to us being here!

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, MAY 3

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – during the 10:30 Mass

BAPTISMS – 1 p.m. - Church

MONDAY, MAY 4

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION-after the 8 a.m. Mass until 9 p.m.

SERRA MTG. – 7 p.m. – Parish Center

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MTG. – 7 p.m. Parish Center

GUITAR CHOIR – 7 p.m. – Church

TUESDAY, MAY 5

BIBLE STUDY- 7:15 p.m.- Church Conference Rm.

50+BOARD MTG. – 10 a.m. – Parish Center

MAY PROCESSION – 7 p.m. - Church

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

50+GENERAL MTG. – 1 p.m. – Social Hall

LEGION OF MARY MTG. – 6:30 p.m. – Parish Center

THURSDAY, MAY 7

“SIENA STITCHERS” – 10 a.m. –Gathering Area

YOUTH CHOIR- 5 p.m. – Church

K OF C MTG. – 7:30 p.m. – Social Hall

CREIGHTON SESSION – 7 p.m. – Parish Center

FRIDAY, MAY 8

CUB PACK MTG. – 6:30 p.m. – Social Hall

SATURDAY, MAY 9

BAPTISM WORKSHOP – 10 a.m. – Parish Center

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY MTG. - 9 a.m. – Social Hall

SUNDAY, MAY 10

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – during the 10:30 Mass

Are you unemployed, underemployed, or know someone who is?

At our next meeting, the Berks County chapter of Joseph's People will hold our rescheduled meeting about how to customize your resume to an open job position. The meeting will be held 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 6 at St. Catharine of Siena Parish Center, 2427 Perkiomen Ave. in Reading. Information: josephspeople.org or send e-mail to atticus0621@gmail.com

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Many thanks to those who have made a pledge to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Making a six-month pledge to the Appeal allows you to maximize the amount that you may give by making monthly payments. For example, a \$120 gift to the Appeal may be setup with six \$20 installments. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how small. Your generosity funds the annual budget for important Diocesan ministries in our area. You can make your gift online at www.2015baa.org.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING . . . memory

writes on every page of the calendar. A support group offering caring presence, strength, and wisdom meets two Mondays a month at St. Catharine's of Siena Church, Mt. Penn 19606, at 7 PM. To register call 610 370-1174.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, MAY 4

6:30 Irene M. Arnold

8:00 August & Arlene Goldsmith

TUESDAY, MAY 5

6:30 Deceased Members of the Kimbel Fam.

8:00 John & Eileen Anderson

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

6:30 Maryanne Eksterowicz

8:00 Thomas K. Schadt

THURSDAY, MAY 7

6:30 Diane Cerra

8:00 Victor Teves

FRIDAY, MAY 8

6:30 Wanda Myslinski

8:30 Sarah DiFulvio (3rd Ann.)

SATURDAY, MAY 9

8:00 Catherine Borst

4:00 Frank Mierzwinski, Jr.

6:00 Jean Zielinski

SUNDAY, MAY 10

7:30 Living and Deceased Mothers

9:00 Living and Deceased Mothers

10:30 Living and Deceased Mothers

12:00 Living and Deceased Mothers

Readings for the week of May 3, 2015

Sunday

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

Monday

Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday

Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145; Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday

Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday

Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96; Jn 15:9-11

Friday

Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday

Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98;

1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17

THE BANNS OF MARRIAGE are announced as follows:

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Jamie McHale & Michael Williams

Men and Women: Do you feel called to enter a deeper relationship with God?

The Secular Carmelites of West Reading would like to invite you to please come and see what we are all about. **Date: Sunday, May 17th Time: 1:00 p.m. Place: Sacred Heart Chapel, West Reading.** More information or questions, please call Kathryn Holden at 610-488-7156 or Theresa Pauley at 610-462-6886.

Gethsemane Cemetery's Annual Memorial Day Mass will be held on Monday, May 25th, 2015 at 10:00 A.M. – Everyone is welcome and Mass will be held rain or shine.

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 5/4	Bishop Emeritus Edward Cullen
Tuesday 5/5	Father Stephen Halabura
Wednesday 5/6	Msgr. William Handges
Thursday 5/7	Father James Harper
Friday 5/8	Msgr. Dennis Hartgen
Saturday 5/9	Father John Hilferty
Sunday 5/10	Msgr. Thomas Hoban

We pray for the Gift of Peace in the world and the safety of those working for peace through the military services, especially: Commander Daniel M. Simon, Airman First Class Michael Porcaro, Staff Sgt. Zak Ribble, Staff Sgt. John V. Nowotarski, III, Airman First Class Domenic Martino, Peter Hinsey, LC. Matthew Pawlik, Thomas Bristol, Lt. Grant Vaughan, Col. Patrick Sullivan, Second Lt. Joshua Kline, Captain Kevin Madary, Sgt. First Class Andrew Spies, Sergeant Zachary Wendt, Major Jeffrey Brizek, Warrant Officer Gregory Van Horn, Captain Jeffrey Van Horn, Lt. Cdr. Allison Rosati Martin, Commander Master Chief Marie Rosati Clark, Lt. Brandon Daughtry, David L. Busch, Zachary Deissler, Amy & Gregory Boland, Major Adam Sawyer, Staff Sgt. Jeremiah Sola, Lt. Mathew Stuber, Sgt. Nathan Essig & Lt. Cdr. Brian Blair. Please contact the Parish Office with your prayer requests or email them to dsitler@comcast.net. Please call with addresses of military to Terri Mueller at 610-779-1766.



St. Vincent De Paul Baby Shower - Celebrate Mothers' Day next week by bringing a baby gift to Church to help a new mother give her baby a good start to life. Gifts can be dropped off at the tables located at the back of the Church. Monetary donations can also be made by dropping an envelope marked "Baby

Shower" in the poor box or by taking home a baby bottle (located on the shower tables) to collect your extra change. Filled bottles can be returned to the tables at any time during the month.



**ST. CATHARINE'S
TEEN STUDY 2015**

May 3rd Come to St. Catharine's Church, Boyertown Road and play a game of dodgeball in the Social Hall.

Next we will go to the Children's Liturgy Room for snacks and discussion regarding our faith. Drop off is 6:00 pm and Pick up is 7:30 pm. Bring Your Bible and invite a Friend. For those who have been confirmed up to 12th grade. *Parents if you feel you have a 7th/8th grader who wants to engage in a more meaningful study of their faith prior to confirmation contact Jason Bingaman at bing1989@icloud.com. Please also contact Jason if you have a son or daughter interested in joining the group or with any questions about the teen study. Teen Study led by Jason Bingaman and Susan Kopecky.

Weekend Mass Schedule

May 9th - 4:00 Mass (Church)
Lector- Joanne Pumariega
Cantor - Kate Bobb
Organist - Joe Schwartz
Altar Servers - B. Fuchs - K. Fuchs - J. Grams
May 9th - 6:00 Mass (Chapel)
Lector - Charles Simcik
Cantor- Mollie Ziemba
Organist - Joe Schwartz
Altar Servers - D. Gombar - M. Gombar - J. Hahn
May 10th - 7:30 a.m. Mass (Church)
Lector- Bernard Ryan
Altar Servers - J. Headen - E. Hendrickson - C. Higgins
May 10th - 9:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
Lector - Theresa Pauley
Guitar Choir
Altar Servers - N. Griffith - W. Griffith - R. Griffin
May 10th - 10:30 a.m. Mass (Church)
Lector - Vince McDevitt
Voices In Praise
Organist - Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - K. Hodgson - R. Hodgson - S. Hodgson
May 10th - 12:00 p.m. Mass (Church)
Lector - Ursula Pledger
Cantor - Bob Aregood
Organist - Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - O. Iswalt - J. Iswalt - A. Kline

ALTAR SERVERS LIST - WEEKDAYS

Week of - May 4th- 9th

8:00 a.m.- I. Fries & E. Fries - (Mon - Wed.)
8:00 a.m. -M. Feeney & J. Iswalt - (Thurs- Sat)

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

April 19 , 2015

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 21,210	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 893,979	\$ 983,502
Year to date deficit		\$ 89,523
Last Year	\$ 16,417	

April 26 , 2015

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 21,714	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 915,693	\$ 1,006,923
Year to date deficit		\$ 91,230
Last Year	\$ 19,438	

A sincere "THANK YOU" to our parishioners and visitors who choose to contribute to St. Catharine's. Your contributions are deeply appreciated.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven”
“a time to be born...”**

Recently Baptized: Destinee Felicia Melendez

Recently added: Ursula Pledger, Lu Ann Eyre & Frances Ford

Please pray for our sick & our soldiers in harm’s way:

Paula Abel, Sara Abraham, Anita Adamo, Mike Alfiero, Tony Angello, Anthony & Genevieve Antonucci, Tara Arnold, Barbara Ash, Kathy Barnes, Kailee Baxter, Rev. David Beebe, Harrison Bergstresser, Stella Bickleman, Val Billings, Karen Bird, Catherine Blanchard, Michael & Kim Blair, Charles Bobb, Christina Boehning, Adolph Bomba, Edward Boris, Thomas Brady, Robin Briand, Frank Broga, Kathryn Brubaker, Robert Bruno, Robert Bryden, Emily Buelow, Glenn Burnish, Frances Byrne, Jeannine Caffrey, Peg Cappel, Neil Carroll, Nancy Cassidy, John Cavallino, Mark Christ, Nancy Ciccone, Kevin Cleary, Donna Cocchia, Alycia Cook, Anna Corso, Lisa Costello, Audrey Crilley, Joan Cronan, Alexa Cupitt, Robin Cuzner, Linda D’Alessandro, Yvania Dawson, Tony DeAngelis, Theresa De Georgio, John Demangone, Julie Denunzio, Melissa DeWees, Arthur Dietrich, Jr, Carmela Donato, Henry Dolinski, Mildred Donnelly, Kate Doughton, Father Michael Drury, Becky & Chuck Drennen, Jack Farrell, Pearl Fillman, Jennifer Flook, Jane Fordyce, John Fordyce, Jean Freeze, Margaret Frisbee, Donny Fry, Kim Furtow, Jeanne Goodwin, Hall, Ken G., Anna Mae Gantert, Helen Gaunt, Jessica Gaydos, Donna Gentry, Grace Gerace, Pat Gerace, Kathy Glaser, Larry Glaser, Johanna Goheen, Claire Griffith, Kathy Grim, Tom Hafer, Warren Haggerty, Linda Hall, Beverly Hannahoe, Bob Hamer, Eva Hare, Jason Heckman, Debbie Heberling, William Hedl, Robyn Hefferan, Diane Herbein, Dolores Hildebrand, Melissa Himmelberger, Ethan Himonitis, William Hinkle, Michael Hoover, Jeannie Hope, Siegfried Hosey, Allison Howard, Jim & Joan Hunsburger, Karen Irely, Genevieve Iswalt, Catharine Jagielski, Erick Jefferson, Elizabeth Kase, Blake Kauffman, Brad Kegarise, Elizabeth Kehler, Trey Kelly, Jill Kemp, John Kiedeisch, Carolyn Kilyk, Sharon Kirkpatrick, Joyce Kleckner, Dolores Klein, Marilla Kleinsasser, Mary Klick, Barry Kline, Sr, Benjamin Kline, Ginny Koch, Judy Koch, Helen Koehler, John Kogut, Mary Konopelski, Mary Koren, Jim Kowalczyk, Jack Kuhn, Tracy Larish, Mike LaScala, Louis & Madeline LeBlanc, Kathleen Light, Sandra Loden, Olivia & Liam Lynch & family, Harriet Madara, Francis Madl, Eleanor Majka, Petrina Mangino, Julia Marason, Bill March, Megan Marino, Tony Marino, Angela Marroccoli, Anna Mastandrea, Charles Mathews, Mary Mathews, Patricia Mc Anally, Coral McConnell, Jacob McCue, Gary McGee, Rita McHale, Dorothy McGill, Charles McMenamin, Rosemarie McMenamin, Abbie McKinney, Arthur Mengel, Susan Mertz, Nicholas Messina, Joseph W. Miller, Kate Mims, Jacob Mower, Goup Toy Moy, Gertrude Moyer, Thomas Muchanic, Cora Nacar, Gordon Newmoyer, Joseph & Shirley Nicholas, Bill Norquist, Bernie Nowotarski, Virginia O’Brien, Grace Oliver, William Orth, Sr., Anna Ospina, Anna Paone, Gabriella Paone, Landon Paul, Peter Pietrzyk, Dolores Pikula, Pat Pinto, Doreen Piscotty, Donald Pisker, James Pisker, Anne Poserina, Johann Po, Potts Family, Mary Price, Kathleen Rainey, Thomas Joseph Rainey, Sandra Rambo, Michelle Edythe Ray, Ricky Ricketts, Jack Ritz, Agnes Roach, Lynn Roberts, Barbara Rowe, Catherine Rudy, Mario Salvatore, AJ & Eddie Scargill, Anne Schaeffer, Gladys Schell, Ann Schweitzer, Beth Serafin, Tom Shaaber, Garth Shannon, David Sharpley, Sr., Rosemary Shollenberger, Albert Shore, Dawn Siderowicz, Janet Smith, Patricia Smoyer, Tyson Snader, Gene Sock, Julie Staber, Pam Stribbling, Helen Strohecker, Maria Stubblebine, Annabelle Stump, Earl Suchomelly, Cullen Sullivan, Carolyn Taraba, Hilda Thomas, Lou Thomas, Grace Thompson, Mary Thorne, John Tittle, Bella Tomalis, Jan Tomalis, Robin Trate, Michael Trivel, Wendy Tustin, Luanna Uhler, Jane Valeriano, Susan Velez, Rex Voelker, John Vogel, Henry Von Spreckelsen, Alan Wachowicz, Marie Weber, Christine Wendt, Dave Wentling, Vera & Warren Wert, Leo Woelkers, Hana Yago, Ann Marie Zawislak, Bob Zeiler, Sr., Bob Zeiler, Jr. & Mary Zettlemoyer.

...and a time for peace.”

...a time to die: Joan Essick, (sister of Gerald Young) & all victims of war, and the 4,100 daily abortions.

Ecclesiastes 3:11

To have someone from your family enrolled on our prayer list, please call the Parish Center. Names will be listed for one month unless the office is notified that the condition continues and prayers are still requested. Parishioners who are sick or hospitalized, in a rehabilitation facility or at home wishing to receive the Holy Eucharist may call the Parish at 610-779-4005.

Youth News

Youth Bonfire: Saint Catharine's youth ministry will be having an End of Year Bonfire on May 30th at 5pm and will take place at the Church pavilion. Come celebrate the end of the academic year with food, fun, and fire.



Teens and parents are invited to participate in a very preliminary planning meeting for next year's youth ministry program Monday, May 4th 7:00pm in the parish center. In addition we will finalize plans for the "End of the Year" picnic set for 5/30 and hear how the preparations for the Steubenville Youth conference set for this summer are coming along. All are welcome.



GOLF TOURNAMENT SAVE-THE-DATE!!!

**The 14th Annual St Catharine's
Golf Tournament**

Friday May 8th at Golden Oaks Golf Club

1:00pm Shotgun Start

**90.00/player includes golf, cart, lunch,
dinner and prizes.**

Sponsorships are available

Email josephcmiller@msn.com for information.

