

## Saint Mary's News

### St. Mary's Mass Intentions

Monday, Feb., 29th - 8:00 a.m. - Julian Pelka  
Wednesday, March 2nd, - 8:00 a.m. - William Rowlands  
Friday, March 4th - 12:00 noon - Stanley Soja  
Saturday, March 5th - 3:30 p.m. - Marc Worthington  
Sunday, March 6th - 10:30 a.m. - Florence Slabik

Sunday Mass will now be at 10:30 a.m.

Lenten Mass & Stations: Mass and Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at 12:00 noon on Fridays during lent.

Easter Plants for the sanctuary can be purchased in memory of your beloved deceased by enclosing \$10 per plant in an envelope provided today on the altar rail. Please print name clearly.

The St. Mary Rectory will be open on Wednesdays from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Ann Nachurski will be at the rectory during that time period to handle the business of St. Mary parishioners who cannot make it down to St. Catharine's. Otherwise, all of St. Mary's business will be handled out of St. Catharine's Parish Center. Their phone number is 610-779-4005.

The Lenten Pierogi Society will continue its labors on Mondays and Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on the Lower Hall during Lent. (weather permitting) Help is needed if we wish this popular fundraiser to be successful.

Pierogi Sale : Pierogi will be on sale every Friday through and including March 18th in the Lower Hall of Saint Mary's School building from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Potato, sauerkraut, and cheese pierogis will sell for \$8.00 per dozen. (weather permitting) Haluski will be available in limited amounts for \$3.00 per cup. **Anyone who can help sell pierogies, please call the rectory on Wednesdays from 9:00 to 1:00 p.m. and let us know if you can help.**

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Please note: Our email has changed: Please email to [stmarypolishrcc@gmail.com](mailto:stmarypolishrcc@gmail.com)

Bishop's Annual Appeal Goal for 2016 will be \$16,053.00.

## 2016 Raffle to Benefit St. Catharine of Siena School

### Raffle Ticket Winners

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$3,000 – Kim Gilbert (#1049)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$1,500 – Barry Hannahoe (#0800)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: \$1,000 – Anita Barber (#1557)  
4<sup>th</sup> Prize: \$600 – Suzie Cieniewicz (#675)  
5<sup>th</sup> Prize: \$600 – Martin Eisenhower (#1683)  
6<sup>th</sup> Prize: \$300 – Rose Ann Uhrig (#1663)  
7<sup>th</sup> Prize: \$300 – Valerie Cardell (#0304)  
8<sup>th</sup> Prize: \$100 – Debbie Sottosanti (#1763)  
9<sup>th</sup> Prize: \$100 – Joan Robinson (#1189)

### \$1,000 Tuition Credit for 2016-2017 School Year

Megan Lundstrom

### Heads & Tails Winners

Bob D'Achille, Sr.  
Megan Wentzel  
Laura Tranovich

### 11th ANNUAL PRAISE & WORSHIP AND DIVINE MERCY

SUNDAY - PLEASE JOIN US AT THE 11TH ANNUAL HEALING MASS PRECEDED BY PRAISE AND WORSHIP MUSIC AND FOLLOWED BY BENEDICTION AND HEALING SERVICE. THE MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON APRIL 3RD AT ST. CATHARINE OF SIENA CHURCH, BOYERTOWN PIKE. JOIN US IN PRAISING THE LORD WITH PRAISE AND WORSHIP MUSIC BEGINNING AT 6:30 P.M. AND MASS AT 7:00 P.M. PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD AND WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US FOR THIS UPLIFTING AND SOLEMN SERVICE. THIS MASS DOES COUNT AS YOUR SUNDAY OBLIGATION.

Men of Saint Catharine's Weekend Retreat! We are having a parish "2nd Annual Gentlemen's Retreat" the weekend of April 8,9 & 10th 2016 at IHM Spirituality Center at The Villa Maria House of Studies in Immaculata, PA. Our spiritual director will be Father Miller. For additional information contact Craig Wolf at 610-507-5158 or Rob Katzenmoyer at 610-451-9267.

Confirmation Inscription Prayer Service: Sunday, March 13th during the noon Mass to be followed by the meeting. This is for any 7th grade student wishing to be confirmed in the fall of this year should attend this important meeting accompanied by a parent. Any questions, please call Lorraine Gajewski, Coordinator at 610-779-4499.

The 82 Annual Communion Breakfast sponsored by the Berks Regional Holy Name Societies will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Sunday, March 20th. The speaker for the event will be Mr. Tony Balistrere. Principal of Berks Catholic. Mass will be celebrated at 8:15 a.m. by Father Jack Barron, S.J. followed by the breakfast. The cost of the tickets are \$15.00. Please send check to David Krick, 536 Walnut Tree Road, Blandon, PA 19510.

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

**Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15:** The Lord God calls Moses to lead His people and reveals His name to Moses.

**1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12:** We must remain steadfast in our faith. We cannot become overconfident even though we are the recipients of God's favor and grace.

**Lk 13:1-9:** Jesus tells us to reform and repent. Time will run out, and no one can ever count on another year. Now is the time!

**Today's Message** - From the burning bush, Moses is called by God to lead His people out of slavery into freedom. The parable of the fig tree speaks, on the one hand, of God's patience, but of the urgency of the call to conversion, on the other. Like the Hebrews of old, we too have failed to heed God's call, thinking ourselves to be self-righteous.

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

CHILDREN'S LITURGY- during the 10:30 Mass

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 29

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

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET-8:45 p.m.

PREP (LEVELS 6-8) 6:45 p.m.- School

LITTLE ANGELS-KIDS FOR CHRIST-6:00 p.m.-Social Hall

GUITAR CHOIR - 7 p.m. - Church

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 1

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

RCIA -7 p.m. - Parish Center

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

MARY'S WAY OF THE CROSS - after 8 a.m. Mass

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

PREP - (LEVELS 1-5) 6:45 p.m. -School

LEGION OF MARY - 6:30 p.m.- Parish Center

UNEMPLOYMENT MTG. - 7 p.m. -Parish Center

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 3

"SIENA STITCHERS" - 10 a.m. -Church

YOUTH CHOIR- 5 p.m. - Church

VOICES IN PRAISE-7 p.m. - Church

K OF C MTG. - 7:30 p.m. - Knight's Rm.

LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE - 7:00 p.m. - Parish Center

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 4

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - 7 p.m. -Church

FISH FRY - 5-7 p.m. - Social Hall

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 6

BAPTISMS - 1 p.m. - Church

PGC WORKSHOP- 10:30 a.m. - Social Hall

**We pray for the Gift of Peace** in the world and the safety of those working for peace through the military services, especially: Tom Bristol, Danny Bristol, Pvt. Erin Pawlik, 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, 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](mailto:dsitler@comcast.net). Please call with addresses of military to Terri Mueller at 610-779-1766.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 29

6:30 Stella Bielski

8:00 Anna McDonald (22<sup>nd</sup> Ann.)

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 1

6:30 Michael Wisniewski

8:00 Arthur W. McAnally (25<sup>th</sup> Ann.)

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

6:30 Thomas O'Donnell

8:00 William J. McCabe

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 3

6:30 Ralph Mason

8:00 Sarah Boyer

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 4

6:30 Living and Deceased of the Parish

8:30 Warren R. Wert

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 5

8:00 Diane Kita

4:30 Barry Burrell (9<sup>th</sup> Ann.)

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 6

7:30 Virginia Seisler

9:00 Mary Ely (1<sup>st</sup> Ann.)

10:30 Maria Cambria (3<sup>rd</sup> Ann.)

12:00 Isabella Rose George

### Readings for the Week of February 28, 2016

#### Sunday Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11;

1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

#### Monday

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

#### Tuesday

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9;

Mt 18:21-35

#### Wednesday

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;

Mt 5:17-19

#### Thursday

Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin

Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23

#### Friday

Saint Casimir

Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14,

and 17; Mk 12:28-34

#### Saturday

Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

#### Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7;

2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Unemployment Group** - Are you unemployed, underemployed, or know someone who is? At our next meeting, the Berks County chapter of Joseph's People will have hold practice interviews with HR professionals. The meeting will be held 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 2 at St. Catharine of Siena Parish Center, 2427 Perkiomen Ave. in Reading. Information: [josephspeople.org](http://josephspeople.org) or send e-mail to [atticus0621@gmail.com](mailto:atticus0621@gmail.com)

**To all those with loved ones buried at Gethsemane Cemetery.** Grave clean off will begin on Monday, March 14th, 2016. All decorations and plantings are removed at this time. Please refrain from bringing any new decoration out until after Friday, March 18th, 2016. Thank you!

**Nocturnal Adoration Devotions** will be held at St. Joseph's Church on North 8th Street. The one hour Adoration will be from 8:00-9:00 p.m. on First Friday, March 4th. All are welcome!

**PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS**

|               |                                 |
|---------------|---------------------------------|
| Monday 2/29   | Father Kiaeta Kanimea           |
| Tuesday 3/1   | His Holiness Pope Francis       |
| Wednesday 3/2 | Pope Emeritus Benedict          |
| Thursday 3/3  | Bishop of Allentown John Barres |
| Friday 3/4    | Bishop Emeritus Edward Cullen   |
| Saturday 3/5  | Father David Karns              |
| Sunday 3/6    | Father Venantius Karobo         |

**Youth News**

**Lenten Greetings!!!** Our next Little Angels & Kids for Christ Youth Ministry event is Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:30-11:30 at St. Catharine's Smith Hall. We will continue the Lenten tradition of Soft Pretzel Baking!!! Bring something yummy for dipping and we'll have the rest! Please RSVP to Heather & Shaun Keperling @ [Keperling@ieec.org](mailto:Keperling@ieec.org).

*All children (12 and under) and families are invited to the next Youth Ministry event on Monday, February 29th 6:00-7:30pm for our St. Valentine's dance with DJ Mr. Zambito. Location is SMITH HALL (social hall). Pizza will be served – bring a drink or snack to share. RSVP Shaun & Heather Keperling @ [Keperling@ieec.org](mailto:Keperling@ieec.org)*

**3/13 Movie and Ice Cream Sundies!** Open to all 6-12th gr. Free, bring your friends from the community. See [scsreading.org](http://scsreading.org) for permission slip. RSVP deadline 3/12.

**4/9 Diocese Youth Rally, Rise Up: UNITED!** 1-8pm at Berks Catholic. Open to all 8-12thgr youth. \$15 includes dinner and T-shirt. Register with our Parish see [scsreading.org](http://scsreading.org) for permission slip. **Deadline 3/18.**

**6/24-26 Steubenville Youth Conference at St John University in NYC.** Save the date!! Open to all current 8-12th gr. More information to come soon!

**St. Vincent de Paul Lenten Food Drive - "For I was hungry and you gave me food"** - In just two more weeks, we are asking you, the parishioners to join us in doing something special. "Be part of feeding the hungry." If each family or person would just bring one or two items to our Lenten Food Drive, think of how many of our families in need we could help? Any non-perishables are so appreciated. If for some reason you forget your items, we have our Poor Boxes in the back of the Church. They help us purchase more food for these grateful families. The date is March 12th & 13th at all the Masses. God bless.

**Save The Date:**  
**Designer Purse Bingo**  
Saturday, April 9, 2016  
SCS Social Hall

Doors open at 5:30. Games start at 6:30  
BYOB, Great food, Chinese Auction and 50/50 raffle  
More information to come soon...

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

**March 5th - 4:30 Mass (Church)**

Lector - Todd Tomczyk

Cantor- Kate Bobb

Organist - Joe Schwartz

Altar Servers - J. Bobb - L. Formando - D. Formando

**March 6th - 7:30 a.m. Mass (Church)**

Lector- Jim Snyder

Altar Servers - M. Feryo - W. D'Andrea - A. D'Archangelo

**March 6th - 9:00 a.m. Mass (Church)**

Lector - Barry Hannahoe

Guitar Group

Altar Servers - E. Fries - I. Fries - E. Fries

**March 6th - 10:30 a.m. Mass (Church)**

Lector - Mike McCarthy

Voices In Praise Choir

Organist - Dave Kostival

Altar Servers - L. Gilbert - J. Hahn - H. Gorman

**March 6th - 12:00 p.m. Mass (Church)**

Lector - Rose Ann Uhrig

Contemporary Music

Altar Servers - D. Gombar - M. Gombar - A. Gillner

**ALTAR SERVERS LIST - WEEKDAYS**

**Week of Feb., 29th - March 5th**

8:00 a.m.- A. Atkins & K. Zambito - (Monday - Wednesday)

8:00 a.m. - K. Amey & O. Chiarelli - (Thursday & Saturday)

8:30 a.m.. -K. Amey & O. Chiarelli - (Friday)

**ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS OF ITALIAN**

**DESCENT:** Victor Emmanuel II Beneficial Society offers a \$12,000 scholarship available to Berks Co. High School seniors living in Berks Co. and who are of Italian descent. Applications must be picked up at your local high school guidance counselor's office and returned to VE II by March 15, 2016. Any questions, please contact Fred Ranalli Jr. 610 678 2512.

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**50th Class Reunion - Class of 1966- Looking for Classmates!** - Central Catholic High School & Holy Name High School will have their class reunions together on October 29th at the Fish Pond West Banquet Hall. For more information, please call Greg Albrecht at 610-779-6304 or 610-413-0435 (cell).

**Mary's Shelter 21st Annual Bowl-a-Thon** will be held on Sunday, March 20th at Berks Lanes, Sinking Spring from 12:30—2:30 or 3:00 - 5:00 session. Register and Pledge Forms: [www.maryshelter.org](http://www.maryshelter.org) or call Laura at 610-603-8010.

**Saint Mary's in Reading** has a Latin Mass the third Sunday of every month at 12:30 p.m.

**Save the date: (Vacation Bible School)** Get ready for a life changing adventure taking place right here at St. Catharine of Siena School; June 27th - July 1st.



## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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

**Recently Baptized: Eizek Jose Gomez , Kirra Keade & Lachlan Hikaru Tanaka**

Recently added: Thomas McCarthy

**& 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, Bob Bates, Kailee Baxter, Melanie Bechtel, Diane Becker, Rev. David Beebe, Harrison Bergstresser, Stella Bickleman, Val Billings, Karen Bird, Catherine Blanchard, Michael & Kim Blair, Christina Boehning, Adolph Bomba, Edward Boris, Thomas Brady, Susan Brennan, Robin Briand, Frank Broga, Kathryn Brubaker, Robert Bruno, Robert Bryden, Emily Buelow, Frances Byrne, Gina Cady, Jeannine Caffrey, Peg Cappel, Neil Carroll, Nancy Cassidy, Brianna Chery, Mark Christ, Nancy Ciccone, Kevin Cleary, Donna Cocchia, Michael Conrad, Lisa Costello, Audrey Crilley, Joan Cronan, Alexa Cupitt, Robin Cuzner, Jean Czapka, Yvania Dawson, Kathy DeAngelo, Tony DeAngelis, John Demangone, Julie Denunzio, Jennifer Devlin, Melissa DeWees, Paula DiBuilda, Arthur Dietrich, Jr, Carmela Donato, Henry Dolinski, Mildred Donnelly, Kate Doughton, Kathy Doyle, Father Michael Drury, Becky & Chuck Drennen, Dick Dunn, Gina Ebright, Lu Ann Eyre, Peter Fanticone, Jack Farrell, Josie Farrell, Pearl Fillman, Devona Fisher, Jennifer Flook, Laurie Flynn, Frances Ford, Jane Fordyce, John Fordyce, Margaret Frisbee, Kim Furtow, Adam Gajewski, Anna Mae Gantert, Helen Gaunt, Donna Gentry, Grace Gerace, Pat Gerace, Joseph Gierschick, Jr, Frank Gill, Kathy Glaser, Larry Glaser, Ken Goodman, Johanna Goheen, Robert Grauert, Sr., Claire Griffith, Tom Hafer, Warren Haggerty, Jeanne Goodwin Hall, Beverly Hannahoe, Bob Hamer, Eva Hare, Jason Heckman, Debbie Heberling, William Hedl, Robyn Hefferan, Wayne Hedrick, Diane Herbein, Melissa Himmelberger, Ethan Himonitis, William Hinkle, Janice Hossler, Michael Hoover, Siegfried Hosey, Robert Hough, Allison Howard, John Hull, Karen Irely, Genevieve Iswalt, Catharine Jagielski, Baby Jessica Jara, Erick Jefferson, Blake Kauffman, Beth Kase, Blaine Kegarise, Elizabeth Kehler, John Kiedeisch, Carolyn Kilyk, Sharon Kirkpatrick, Joyce Kleckner, Marilla Kleinsasser, Mary Klick, Barry Kline, Sr, Jean Kline, Benjamin Kline, Ginny Koch, Judy Koch, Helen Koehler, John Kogut, Mary Konopelski, Jim Kowalczyk, George Krick, Jack Kuhn, Mary Kusek, Tracy Larish, Mike LaScala, Kathleen Light, Sandra Loden, Harry Logan, Stephen & Genevieve Luskie, Kelly Lynch & family, Harriet Madara, Eleanor Majka, Petrina Mangino, Julia Marason, Angela Marroccoli, Ron Marshman, Anna Mastandrea, Charles Mathews, Mary Mathews, Chris McCarron, Coral McConnell, Jacob McCue, Rita McHale, Dorothy McGill, Edward McKeane, Abbie McKinney, Charles McMenamin, Rosemarie McMenamin, Rosemary McNish, Arthur Mengel, Susan Mertz, Nicholas Messina, Jacob Mower, Goup Toy Moy, Gertrude Moyer, Thomas Muchanic, Patrick & Louise Murtagh, Gordon Newmoyer, Joseph Nicholas, Bill Norquist, Bernie Nowotarski, Virginia O’Brien, Jean Olsefsky, Molly Oliver, William Orth, Sr., Anna Ospina, Anna Paone, Gabriella Paone, Landon Paul, Peter Pietrzyk, Dolores Pikula, Melly Pimentel, Pat Pinto, Doreen Piscotty, Donald Pisker, James Pisker, Anne Poserina, Potts Family, Mary Price, Kathleen Rainey, Thomas Joseph Rainey, Ricky Ricketts, Agnes Roach, Lynn Roberts, Rita Rose, Barbara Rowe, Catherine Rudy, Mary Ryan, Anne Schaeffer, Gladys Schell, Ann Schweitzer, Beth Serafin, Tom Shaaber, Garth Shannon, David Sharpley, Sr., Earl Sheetz, Dawn Siderowicz, Connie Sitler, Janet Smith, Patricia Smoyer, Tyson Snader, Gene Sock, Julie Staber, Pam Stribbling, Helen Strohecker, Maria Stubblebine, Annabelle Stump, Earl Suchomelly, Cullen Sullivan, Carolyn Taraba, Paul Teske, Hilda Thomas, John Thorne, John Tittle, Bella Tomalis, Jan Tomalis, Michael Trivel, Wendy Tustin, Jane Valeriano, Alan Wachowicz, Mark Walter, Marie Weber, Vera Wert, Leo Woelkers, Julia Wolff, Lana Worrall, Hana Yago, Sue Yapsuga, Ann Marie Zawislak, Bob Zeiler, Sr., Bob Zeiler, Jr. & Mary Zettlemoyer.

**...and a time for peace.”**

**...a time to die: Bob Adams, (wife of Josephine Adams)**

**& 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.**

### **The Life Ad Committee would like to thank the supporters from St. Catharine and St. Mary parish**

for their donations and signatures. Our 2016 campaign collected 245 signatures and \$3,374 dollars from both parishes to support the homeless, pregnant women at Mary's Shelter. Thank you St. Mary's parishioners for donating \$171.00 and thank you St. Catharine's parishioners for donating \$3,203.00 to this cause. We are proud to report that the Catholic Churches of Berks County gave a check to St. Mary's Shelter for \$12,372.25.

### **Berks Catholic Presents:**

#### **ANNIE- Show times:**

**Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm**

**Saturday, March 19 at 1 pm Matinee**

**Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.**

Tickets available online at [www.berkscatholic.org](http://www.berkscatholic.org)



The St Catharine's CYO High School Girls won the county championship in dramatic fashion last weekend outlasting HGA 34-33 at Berks Catholic HS. This is the girls third consecutive CYO HS championship. Members of the team this year are: Millie Amilcar, Taylor Hafer, Faith Ouidmet, Jordan Konopelski, Liza Miller, Jackie Scoboria, Angela Xavios, Nicole Krepps and Libby Tarquinio. The girls are coached by Jeff Xavios, Joe Miller and Joe Scoboria. CONGRATULATIONS GIRLS!!!!

## 50 PLUS NEWS

The monthly meeting for the 50+ Club will be held on **April 6, 2016**. The board meeting will be held on **April 5, 2016** at 10:00 am. Call Mike Mullen, President of 50+ Club at (610) 370-1298, with any questions or concerns. **MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2016 ARE DUE 0 \$5.00 THANK YOU**

**APRIL 6, 2016** – Speaker: Mary Beth Krauchuk to speak on Health issues and tips. CAKE and COFFEE Play Left, Right & Center or Bingo

**May 4, 2016** – Speaker: Mary Kay Bernosky- “Women In Crisis” Collect donation or free will offerings for basic items/needs of the organization. Snacks for the table will be provided by the club. CAKE and COFFEE

**June 8, 2016** – Outdoor Picnic, details to follow

### 2016 TRAVEL PLANS

**Hunterdon Hills Playhouse:** Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, Neil Simons "Rumors" High Society! High Crimes! High Comedy! **Cost:** \$88.50

**Chanticleer Gardens:** Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, American Treasure Tour & Lunch. **Cost:** \$98.00 per person

**Bucks County Playhouse:** Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, “The Buddy Holly Story”, and lunch at Marsha Brown’s (a renovated church). **Cost:** \$113.00 per person. Final payment due: June 1, 2016. Call Pat White 610-582-1437 for more information.

**We always welcome new members and encourage guests to join us at any of our meetings. Our meetings are held at 1:00 P.M. on the first Wednesday of every month at St. Catharine’s Social Hall on Route 562 in Exeter Township, dues are \$5.00 per year. ALL ARE WELCOME**

**Save the date! May 15, 2016** The St. Catharine of Siena Parish Health Fair will be held in the social hall. Vendors will be available to share health and wellness information from infancy through adulthood - a fun, learning experience for the entire family. Healthy snacks, free samples and door prizes will be offered. Tell your friends and family, everyone is invited!

**Protection of Youth** - It is essential for Any and ALL individuals 18 years of age and older who volunteer with children to attend a Protecting God’s Children Workshop. The next Protecting God’s Children Workshop at St. Catharine of Siena will be held: **When:** Sunday, March 6th - **Where:** St. Catharine of Siena Church, **Social Hall**, Boyertown Pike, Reading, PA 19606. **Time:** Begins promptly at: 10:30 AM. Call:(610) 779-4005 to reserve a spot. **Please arrive by 10:15 a.m. to sign in.**



## KNIGHTLY NEWS & EVENTS

### **REMAINING LENTEN FISH FRYs**

\* **March 4<sup>th</sup>** \* **March 18<sup>th</sup>**

**From 5 - 7 pm @ the SCS Social Hall**

**TICKETS ON SALE AFTER EACH MASS  
& AT THE PARISH CENTER**

#### *Something New !*

The Knights will conduct a drawing at the end of each respective Fish Fry to award a single \$300 catholic education voucher. A special ticket will be issued at the Fish Fry to each student who attends and has purchased the applicable Fish Fry dinner ticket. The winning St. Catharine of Siena or Berks Catholic High School student will have the \$300 award applied to the eligible student’s pre-school through 12th grade tuition. The award remittance will be paid directly to the respective school reducing the student’s tuition. Tickets for a chance at the prize will be available at the ticket table during each Fish Fry. Although attendance at the respective Fish Fry is required, you need not be present at the time of the drawing to win. The SCS Knights will notify you of the award.

#### **Homemade Chocolate Covered Easter Eggs**

Ordered eggs will be available for pick-up after Masses on Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> and also at the Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> Fish Fry.

#### **EASTER EGG HUNT** sponsored by SCS Knights of Columbus

The event is to be held on Saturday, March 26 beginning at 9AM at the SCS picnic grove (and will be moved to the Social Hall if it rains or snows)

There will be a prize for the winner in each of the following age groups:

- Age 1-2 years
- Age 3-4 years
- Age 5-7 years
- Age 8-10 years

Come and hunt for eggs ! ...you’ll be surprised for what you find inside!

**Mark your calendars:** The 6<sup>th</sup> SCS Knights of Columbus golf outing benefiting our local charities will be held at the Reading CC on Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. Shot gun start @ 1:00 and dinner at the SCS Social Hall to follow.

If you are interested in becoming a SCS Knight, please contact Dave Auchter , Dave Gibney or any current Knight. We will be glad to discuss what we are about and our mission.

**Bishop’s Annual Appeal Goal for 2016 will be \$140,601.00.**

**Save the date!** HSO Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Saturday, April 2nd!