

Saint Mary's News

Mass Schedule

Monday, May 9th - 8:00 a.m. - Clare Soltys
Wednesday, May 11th - 8:00 a.m. - Bernard Wrobel
Saturday, May 14th - 3:30 p.m. - Stanley, Victoria & Joseph Menet
Sunday, May 15th - 10:30 a.m. - Joseph Kabat

A Happy Mother's Day to all our Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers, Foster Mothers, and Mother Figures in our lives!

Marriage Banns:

Serena Barrett & Nicholas Ercoli

Mother's Day May 8 - Please Support the annual Mother's Day carnation sale to support Lifeline of Berks County. Lifeline offers life affirming alternatives to pregnant girls and women in Berks County. Flowers will be sold after Masses on Mother's Day weekend for \$2.00 per carnation. Additional donations are also accepted.

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.

Please note: Our email has changed: Please email to stmarypolishrcc@gmail.com

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL - On this Mother's Day weekend please remember those Mothers who give tirelessly of themselves but have fallen upon hard times and have come to our Diocese and the Bishop's Annual Appeal for assistance. Next weekend is Commitment Sunday. If you have not done so already, please bring your pledge form to Mass next weekend. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach our parish BAA goal. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how small. If you have any questions, please call the parish office or visit the BAA website at FaithHopeCharityGives.org. **Our goal is \$16,053.**

Mother's Day

*There are times when only a Mother's love
Can understand our tears,
Can soothe our disappoints
And calm all of our fears.
There are times when only a Mother's love
Can share the joy we feel
When something we've dreamed about
Quite suddenly is real.
There are times when only a Mother's faith
Can help us on life's way
And inspire in us the confidence
We need from day to day.
For a Mother's heart and a Mother's faith
And a Mother's steadfast love
Were fashioned by the Angels
And sent from God above.*

Parish Directories -- parish families/individuals who attended a portrait session for the church directory can pick up their free directory after all Masses in the main gathering area the this weekend. Directories may also be purchased for \$10 a piece at the Parish Center.



The "**Elijah Cup**" is back! After a 2 month sojourn at Saint Mary's, the Cup will be returning to Saint Catharine beginning with the 4:30 Mass on May 7th. As you recall, the Chalice the priest uses for the consecration is taken home, where it becomes a focal point of prayer for Vocations, which is a responsibility and privilege of the laity. We also obey the command Our Lord gave us to "pray to the Master of the Harvest that he may send laborers into His harvest" (Mt 9:38). In successive weeks, the "Elijah Cup" is passed to the other families, couples, or individuals. Please stop by the sign-up table in the gathering area after Mass today to sign up!

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 7:55-60: Deacon Stephen, the first martyr, proclaims the glory of Jesus.

Rv 22:12-14, 16-17: He will come soon to judge each one of us. Now is the time to repent (symbolically wash our robes)

Jn 17:20-26: Jesus prays for us—who believe in Him—that our faith will unite us to each other, to Him, and in Him to the Father.

Today's Message - Stephen, the first martyr of the infant Church, washes his robe in the blood of the Lamb, the Alpha and the Omega. He proclaims Jesus Lord and King, Most High over all the earth. In Him we become one.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, MAY 8

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – during the 10:30 Mass

MONDAY, MAY 9

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

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET- 8:45 p.m.-until Closing

GUITAR CHOIR – 7 p.m. – Church

GRIEFSHARE MTG. – 7 p.m. – Parish Center

TUESDAY, MAY 10

MAY PROCESSION – 7 p.m. - Church

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

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

THURSDAY, MAY 12

YOUTH CHOIR- 5 p.m.- Church

BIBLE STUDY – 7:15 p.m.. – Church

FRIDAY, MAY 13

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

SATURDAY, MAY 14

BAPTISM WORKSHOP – 10 a.m. – Parish Center

CHURCH GROUND CLEAN-UP – 8 a.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 15

HEALTH FAIR – 8 a.m.- Noon – JPTSMITH Social Hall

CHILDREN'S LITURGY-during the 10:30 Mass

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 this 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!"



Let's celebrate the gift of new life!

During the month of May, the Saint Vincent DePaul Society will be holding its baby shower to help needy local mothers and their newborns.

Diapers, formula, baby lotion, and clothing are just a few gift suggestions. There will be tables at the back of the church where you can drop off

your gifts. 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. Donations from this baby shower help support the work of Mary's Shelter and Catholic Charities Caring Hearts program. Any help you can give will be greatly appreciated!

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAY 9

6:30 Catherine Borst

8:00 Casey Zielinski

TUESDAY, MAY 10

6:30 Diane Cerra

8:00 Jean Zielinski (4th Ann.)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

6:30 Ronald DeHart

8:00 Barbara Malecki (24th Ann.)

THURSDAY, MAY 12

6:30 Charles McGinley

8:00 Father Larry Hess

FRIDAY, MAY 13

6:30 Blake Hoo

8:30 Sandy Rambo (1st Ann.)

SATURDAY, MAY 14

8:00 Doreen Hull (1st Ann.)

4:30 Michael Reid, Jr.

SUNDAY, MAY 15

7:30 Bill Bradley

9:00 Russel Hartman (3rd Ann.)

10:30 Mary Deegan

12:00 Fern & Albert Goheen

Readings for the Week of May 8, 2016

Sunday

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9;

Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26

Monday

Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab;

Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday

Saint Damien de Veuster, Priest

Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-2; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday

Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab;

Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday

Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs;

Saint Pancras, Martyr

Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday

Our Lady of Fatima

Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab;

Jn 21:15-19

Saturday

Saint Matthias, Apostle

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Jn 15:9-17

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or

Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39

Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b; Ez 37:1-14; Jl 3:1-5;

Ps 104; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39

Sunday

Pentecost Sunday

Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34;

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17;

Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

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.

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 5/9	Msgr. Anthony Muntone
Tuesday 5/10	Father Elias Munyaneza
Wednesday 5/11	Msgr. John Murphy
Thursday 5/12	Msgr. Francis Nave
Friday 5/13	Father Anthony Nyari
Saturday 5/14	Father Bernard O'Connor
Sunday 5/15	Deceased priests

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENT - ALL families and parishioners are invited to a family rosary night in the grotto! Come honor our Blessed Mother on Sunday, May 15th from 6:45PM-7:15PM at the St. Catharine's Church Grotto. Weather permitting. RSVP Heather and Shaun @ keperling@ieee.org.

Momnipotent, a spiritual journey for women. The summer study will validate the dignity and importance of motherhood and will help you recognize your uniquely feminine strengths. Come join fellow moms and see how you can use those strengths to find peace, balance, and joy in being the woman God created and called you to be. Please join us for an information meeting to confirm our summer study schedule & order materials Wednesday May 11th 7pm at the Church meeting room. Contact [484.332.9084](tel:484.332.9084) or elisabethym@gmail.com with any questions.

Antietam Valley Farmers and Artists Market - We're back! The market opens May 21st at the Antietam Valley Recreation and Community Center located in historic Carsonia Park. The market runs every Saturday, rain or shine, from 8am until noon and features over 40+ vendors. Grab a cup of coffee and some breakfast and socialize in our shaded seating area. We have lots of special events planned! **May 28th is Senior Citizens Day!**

Commission For Women Hosts Diocesan Retreat Day for Women - REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! Saturday, June 11, 2016, the Commission for Women will host a retreat day for women at the **McGlinn Conference Center in Reading**, from 9 AM — 5 PM. Cost is \$25.00 and includes a Continental Breakfast and Lunch. Come spend the day with our Mother and women of the diocese while reflecting on her mantle of mercy. Directing our retreat will be **Rev. Ronald Bowman**. For more details of the day and to register, visit www.allentowndiocese.org/cfw-spirituality. For questions, please contact cfw@allentowndiocese.org or call 917-406-4879.

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. Please call with addresses of military to Terri Mueller at 610-779-1766.

Weekend Mass Schedule

May 14th - 4:30 p.m. (Church)

Lectors - Kathy Lavanga
Cantor - Mollie Ziembra
Organist - Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - J. Iswalt - O. Iswalt - A. Kline

May 15th - 7:30 a.m. Mass (Church)

Lector- Paul Essig
Altar Servers - B. Kominick - C. Kominick - P. Kopecky

May 15th - 9:00 a.m. Mass (Church)

Lector - Theresa Pauley
Guitar Choir
Altar Servers - N. Lamp - P. McCullough - E. Lavanga
May 15th - 10:30 a.m. Mass (Church)
Lector - Sandi Lloyd
Voices In Praise Choir
Organist - Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - D. McAdams - N. Krepps - J. Konopelski
May 15th - 12:00 p.m. Mass (Church)
Lector - Mary King
Cantor - Tracey Scheirer
Organist - Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - A. McElderry - E. McElderry - G. McElderry

ALTAR SERVERS LIST - WEEKDAYS

Week of May 9th - 14th

8:00 a.m.- H. Keperling & C. Kominick (Monday - Wednesday)
8:00 a.m.- N. Lamp & V. McDevitt - Thursday - Saturday)
8:30 a.m.... - N. Lamp & V. McDevitt - (Friday)

Angel Tree - Catholic Charities has moved to a new address but they still need our help. Please take an envelope from our Angel Tree and place your donation inside, stamp and mail it to the address on the front. Thank you for being so generous. There are many grateful praying for you. St. Vincent DePaul Society.

"I will honor Christmas, in my heart, and try to keep it all year."

Charles Dickens

\$3.00 one day bus pass _____ job interview!

\$10.00 _____ keep a roof over a family!

\$15.00 _____ 5- one day bus passes - First week of work

\$20.00 _____ Keep lights on and water flowing! (utilities)

\$30.00 _____ 10 one day bus passes - first pay check - WOW!

\$ _____ Other .. For those in need

Make check out to Catholic Charities. Make a note on your check how you want it used, and we honor your gifting wishes. Mail to Catholic Charities.

Parish Nurse News - Stop in at our Health Fair in the Social Hall, Sunday, May 15, 8am till noon! Lots of vendors with expertise to answer questions and share information! Door prizes! Snacks! Get motivated to begin a health-smart eating, drinking, and exercise routine that can start Today!

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

Recently Baptized: Emily Quinn Yapsuga

Recently added:

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

Paula Abel, Sara Abraham, Anita Adamo, Mike Alfiero, Tony Angello, Anthony Antonucci, Tara Arnold, Barbara Ash, Beverly Bansner, Kathy Barnes, Bob Bates, Kailee Baxter, Melanie Bechtel, Rev. David Beebe, Harrison Bergstresser, Sandy Bibbo, 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, Renee Brzostek, Emily Buelow, Frances Byrne, Jeannine Caffrey, Jackie Calvaresi, Peg Cappel, Neil Carroll, Nancy Cassidy, Brianna Chery, Mark Christ, Richard Cibroski, Nancy Ciccone, Kevin Cleary, Donna Cocchia, Michael Conrad, Lisa Costello, Audrey Crilley, Joan Cronan, Alexa Cupitt, Ryan Curley, 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, 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, Albert Gombar, Robert Grauert, Sr., Claire Griffith, Ruth Guyah, Tom Hafer, Warren Haggerty, Jeanne Goodwin Hall, Beverly Hannahoe, Bob Hamer, Eva Hare, Debbie Heberling, Jason Heckman, William Hedl, Wayne Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, Diane Herbein, Eugene Hilbert, Emory Hilton, 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, Jack Kuhn, Mary Kusek, Tracy Larish, Mike LaScala, Vanessa Leaizer, Sandra Loden, Harry Logan, Stephen & Genevieve Luskie, Kelly Lynch & family, Harriet Madara, Eleanor Majka, Julia Marason, Angela Marroccoli, Ron Marshman, Linda Martz, Anna Mastandrea, Charles Mathews, Mary Mathews, Chris McCarron, Thomas McCarthy, Coral McConnell, Jacob McCue, Rita McHale, Dorothy McGill, Edward McKeane, Abbie McKinney, Charles McMenamin, Rosemarie McMenamin, Rosemary McNish, Arthur Mengel, Susan Mertz, Nicholas Messica, Jacob Mower, Goup Toy Moy, Gertrude Moyer, Thomas Muchanic, Patrick & Louise Murtagh, Gordon Newmoyer, Joseph Nicholas, Bill Norquist, Bernie Nowotarski, Virginia O'Brien, 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, 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, Shelia Violand, Alan Wachowicz, Mark Walter, Marie Weber, Leo Woelkers, Julia Wolff, Lana Worrall, Hana Yago, Sue Yapsuga, Ann Marie Zawislak, Bob Zeiler, Sr., Bob Zeiler, Jr. & Mary Zettlemyer.

...and a time for peace."

...a time to die: *George Krick*, (husband of Catherine Krick & father of Patricia McNeil)

& 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.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

March 27, 2016

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 15,991	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 855,309	\$ 936,840
Year to date deficit		\$ 81,531
Last Year	\$ 22,874	

Our Easter Collection was \$29,281

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

**PUT THIS ON YOUR
CALENDAR!**

Parish Retreat
McGlenn Conference Center
(adjacent to Alvernia University)

October 1, 2016
More information to follow!

Going Deeper —Exploring The Undeniable 21 Secrets of Marriage. The Office of Marriage and Family Life invites couples to an evening book discussion on Dr. Allen Hunt's newest book on Tuesday May 10th at 7:00 PM at St. Ann's Parish Center, Emmaus. Register online at www.allentowndiocese.org/enrich by May 9th. Questions call 610-289-8900 ext. 28 or email MFLF@allentowndiocese.org

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Saint Catharine School News

Saint Catharine of Siena School has opened enrollment for new students for the 2016-2017 academic year. If you would like a full-time Catholic education for your child, now is the time to visit and register.

TUITION TRANSFER GRANTS

Saint Catharine of Siena School is excited to announce that the Bishop's Commission on Catholic Schools will offer \$1500 Tuition Transfer Grants to any parishioner who transfers their child into the second to seventh grades from any private or public school. No financial aid forms are required for this two year grant and it is a direct reduction from your school tuition (\$1,000 in year one and \$500 in year two). Saint Catharine of Siena School has been very effective at preparing our children for a successful high school and college experience. Our excellent faculty is dedicated to maximizing the God given potential of each child entrusted to our care in a nurturing family atmosphere. With our small class sizes and many extracurricular activities, your child will have a greater opportunity to participate and lead throughout the year. *Saint Catharine of Siena School = Academic Success + Catholic Values.* For more information and a tour, please call our Principal Sister Teresa Ballisty, IHM or Administrative Assistant Mrs. Maryann Weiser at 610-779-5810.

OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS - Some scholarships are available for students who are currently attending a Reading public school and would like to transfer to Saint Catharine of Siena School. In order to qualify, the family's income must meet the requirements of the EITC-OSTC.

Pre-Kindergarten - St. Catharine's Pre-Kindergarten (four-year old program) is located in the school building. Three options are offered: five days full-day, three full-days (M, W, F), or three half-days (M, W, F). The hours are: 8:30 - noon for half-day and 8:30 - 2:30 for full-day. Children can also use the before and after care program if needed. If you are looking for a pre-kindergarten program for your child for the 2016-2017 academic year, call the school office for more information. (610-779-5810)**Age Requirements for Registration.**

Pre-Kindergarten: Children must be 4 years of age by October 15, 2016.

Kindergarten: Children must be 5 years of age by October 15, 2016.

First Grade: Children must be 6 years of age by October 15, 2016 and completed a kindergarten program.

50+ CLUB NEWS

The monthly meeting for the 50+ Club will be held on **July 6, 2016**. The board meeting will be held on **July 5, 2016** at 10:00 am. Call Mike Mullen, President of 50+ Club at (610) 370-1298, with any questions or concerns.

SPECIAL EVENT

June 1, 2016 - Outdoor Picnic, at the St. Catharine of Siena Church Pavilion, 12 noon until ?????? Cost: \$15.00 members - \$20.00 non members. **GREAT FOOD, GREAT PRIZES AND BINGO - BINGO - BINGO**

MEETINGS

July 6, 2016 - Speaker: Cindy Kauffman - Historical Reading, PA. Italian sandwiches from Esposito's - WEAR: **Red** - White - **Blue**. **Games: if time allows**

August 3, 2016 - Speaker: Kathy Holm, Service Dog tasks, specific to calm and help patients in all settings. **Make Ice Cream Sundaes (will be a mess but fun)**

2016 TRAVEL PLAN

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

Bucks County Playhouse: Wednesday, June 29th, "The Buddy Holly Story", and lunch at Marsha Brown's (a renovated church). Cost: \$113.00 per person . Final payment due: June 1, 2016

Paddleboat to Ocean City, MD: July 19-21, Crab Buffet. Cost: \$440.00 per person - **\$50.00 deposit ASAP to hold reservation** - call Pat (below) for further details.

Byers Choice Tour & Dinner: Thursday, August 11th on Moshulu Tall Ship (the ship will be docked). Cost: \$110.00 per person. Final payment due: June 30, 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

Commission for Women, Diocese of Allentown Seeks New Members.

The Commission for Women serves as an advisory board to the Bishop of Allentown offering the woman's perspective on issues of concern to our Bishop and the Church. Women of the Diocese gather together throughout the year for spiritual, educational and social programs. The CFW is a 15 member board and meets six (6) times per year. Members serve a three-year term and represent all geographic areas of the diocese. To serve on the Commission, you must be a Catholic laywoman in good standing with the Church and Church teaching. Currently there are openings for members from Berks, Schuylkill and Northampton Counties, but applications from all interested candidates are welcomed to apply. If you would like to be considered for membership on the Commission for Women, please send a cover letter of intent, your resume and a letter of recommendation from your Pastor by **May 31, 2016** to: Commission for Women, 2145 Madison Ave., Bethlehem, PA 18017. For more information, please call Mary Fran Hartigan, M.A. at 610-289-8900 x 26 or e-mail mhartigan@allentowndiocese.org