

## Saint Mary's News **Mass Schedule**

Saturday, March 18th - 3:30 p.m. - Gertrude Chojnowski  
Sunday, March 19th - 10:30 a.m. - Frances Hartman

**The Lenten Pierogi Society will be making Pierogis** on Mondays & Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Church basement through Lent. Male or female, young or old, come and make this popular fundraiser a success.  
**New Location:** Use the Chapel entrance from parking lot.

**Pierogi Sale:** Pierogi will be on sale every Friday in Lent through and including April 7th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. New Location: Pierogis will be sold in the Church Basement. Please use the side entrance from the Parking Lot. Potato, Sauerkraut & Cheese Pierogis will sell for \$8.00 per dozen. Haluski will be available in limited amounts for \$4.00 per cup. (Weather permitting) Volunteers are needed to help sell Pierogis on Fridays.

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**The Polish-American Heritage** Association is presenting a speaker on the Holocaust on Sunday, March 26, at 2PM at the Slovak Catholic Sokols, 411 Crestmont St., Reading. Light refreshments. Free Admission. RSVP to Marilyn Wlazewski at 610-779-5523 no later than March 16, 2017.

**Easter Plants for the Sanctuary** can be purchased in memory of your beloved deceased by enclosing \$10.00 per plant in the envelopes provided today on the altar rail. Please print name clearly.

**Lenten Prayer Books** - The Little Black Book of Lenten Reflections are available in the back of Church. Please take one home and use it as part of your Daily Lenten Prayers.

### **St. Catharine of Siena School Position Opening - Principal 2017-2018 Academic Year**

St. Catharine of Siena School (Grade Pre-K – 8<sup>th</sup>) is seeking a dynamic and innovative educational leader with a strong commitment to academic excellence and Catholic values to serve as Principal. The ideal candidate must be experienced in and committed to the mission of Catholic education. Candidates should possess the acumen and experience to work effectively with academic and student affairs, the application of instructional technology, strategic planning, enrollment management, institutional advancement and fiscal management. Applicants should possess excellent oral and written communication skills and a collaborative leadership style capable of working with a Board of Limited Jurisdiction. Those interested in the position should submit their letter of interest, resume, background clearances, and appropriate certifications with personal and professional references by mail to Rev. Msgr. Edward R. Domin Pastor - St. Catharine of Siena Parish 2427 Perkiomen Avenue Reading, PA 19606-2049 or email to [resumes@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:resumes@allentowndiocese.org). **No phone calls please.**  
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## **Food Collection**

**Saint Vincent de Paul Annual Food Drive April 1st & 2nd - “You do make a difference,”** A box of cereal, chunky soups, jars of peanut butter & jelly are sometimes what families in need often use for their suppers. We have people right here in our parish and community who need our help. A way to fulfill your Lenten almsgiving would be to gather some of these items and other non-perishable foods and bring them to our Annual St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive the weekend of April 1st & 2nd. There will be barrels at the Chapel and we will be out front of the Church on that weekend to receive your items. Please remember the less fortunate this Lenten season. *“Whatsoever you do for the least of my people, that you do unto me.”* God bless you for sharing from your abundance. Please remember to check your labels for expiration dates.

**DEFENDING THE FAITH CONFERENCE BUS TRIP** to Franciscan Univ. Jul 29–31: “Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope- 1 Peter 3: 15”. This is a WONDERFUL opportunity to enhance the knowledge of your faith & spiritual growth with over 1,500 other attendees. The conference includes bestselling authors and renowned speakers who not only teach, but also motivate, including many EWTN personalities, such as, Scott & Kimberly Hahn, Jeff Cavins, Patrick Madrid, and other familiar Catholic Theologians and Apologists. Also includes: Daily Mass, confession and a joyful bus ride. More info on the conference can be found at: <http://steubenvilleconferences.com/adult/dfc/>. Previous attendees found this conference to be a significant lift in their spiritual lives. This very popular conference is normally sold out before May. Early bird registration discount is available before April 8. Call Bruce & Alice Swist for information at (610) 468-9506 or [b@swist.us](mailto:b@swist.us).

**MARY'S WAY OF THE CROSS** Please join us every Wednesday during Lent after the 8 a.m. Mass.

**Looking for employment or seeking a better job know someone who is Join Josephs People Berks March 15<sup>th</sup> for 7pm-8:30pm** - How to Find and Focus on Companies you Love to work for We will discuss strategies on how to search for companies that you would really love to work for For more info contact John Senick 484-651-0498 Lead Volunteer [john.senick@josephspeople.org](mailto:john.senick@josephspeople.org) Josephs People Berks St Catharine's Parish Center Basement Meeting Rooms, 2427 Perkiomen Ave Reading Pa 19606 ,610-779-4005 7pm-8:30pm [www.josephspeople.org](http://www.josephspeople.org)

**“Camp Out in the Convent”** Retreat for young adults - Marian Weekend Retreat for Young Single Women- March 24 and 25, 2017 - 7:30 pm Friday until 7:30 pm Saturday (with option to remain until Sunday Morning for 9 AM Mass followed by Brunch) Cost: Free will offering Located at the Bernardine Franciscan Sisters Motherhouse Convent 460 St. Bernardine Street, Reading, PA 19607 (adjacent to Alvernia University) If interested, contact Sister Madonna Harvath either by email or phone. [MadonnaHarvath@bfranciscan.org](mailto:MadonnaHarvath@bfranciscan.org) or (610) 952-5053

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

**Gn 12:1-4a:** God calls Abraham and promises to make him a leader of a great nation whom all will respect.

**2 Tm 1:8b-10:** God has saved us. He has called us to a holy life. He has brought life to us through the Good News of the gospel.

**Mt 17:1-9:** Jesus is transfigured before Peter, James and John. God acknowledges His Son and bids the disciples to listened to Him. Jesus asks them not to reveal this vision until after the resurrection.

**Today's Message -** Abram places trust in God's promise of making His name and descendants great on the earth. In Jesus' transfigured glory is revealed that life and immortality will rob death of its power.

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 12**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY- during the 10:30 Mass  
APPRECIATION SUNDAY – Hospitality- after all the Masses-  
JPTSMITH Social Hall

#### **MONDAY, MARCH 13**

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION-after 8 a.m. Mass until 9 p.m.  
PREP (LEVELS 6-8) 6:45 p.m. - School  
GRIEFSHARE MTG. – 7 p.m. – Parish Center  
GUITAR CHOIR- 7 p.m. - Church

#### **TUESDAY, MARCH 14**

RCIA – 7 p.m. – Parish Center  
SCHOOL/PREP MTG. –(1<sup>ST</sup> Comm.) 7 p.m. - School

#### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15**

MARY'S WAY OF THE CROSS-after 8 a.m. Mass  
PREP (LEVELS 1-5) 6:45 p.m. - School  
LEGION OF MARY – 6:30 p.m. – Parish Center  
UNEMPLOYMENT MTG. – 7 p.m. – Paris Center

#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 16**

“SIENA STITCHERS” – 10 a.m. – Gathering Area  
PRAYER SESSION – 7 p.m. –Parish Center (Fr. Miller)  
K of C MTG. – 7:30 p.m. – Knights' Rm.

#### **FRIDAY, MARCH 17**

FISH FRY- 5-7 p.m. – JPTSMITH Social Hall  
STATIONS OF THE CROSS – 7 p.m.- Church

#### **SATURDAY, MARCH 18**

LITTLE ANGELS MTG. – 3 p.m. – JPTSMITH Social Hall

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 19**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY- during the 10:30 Mass  
PGC WORKSHOP -10:30 a.m. – JPTSMITH Social Hall  
INSCRIPTION SERVICE-12 Noon Mass (Confirmation)  
CUB SCOUTS MTG.- 6 p.m. – JPTSMITH Social Hall

**The Legion of Marv will hold the annual Acies** on Sunday, March 26th at 2:00 p.m. in St. Ignatius, 2810 St. Albans Drive, West Lawn, PA. The Acies is the great central function of the Legion in which members reconsecrate themselves to Our Blessed Mother. All Legionaries, both active and auxiliary, are invited and encouraged to attend. A social with light refreshments will follow the ceremony.

**A Lenten Pilgrimage- Knights of Columbus Council 7179 at St. John Baptist de la Salle in Shillington is sponsoring a Lenten pilgrimage to the St. John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, DC.** Our Klein motor coach will leave from St. John's parking lot at 7:30 AM on March 25, 2017. In addition to visiting the Shrine, you will have time to spend on your own at the National Mall. On the way home, we will stop for dinner at the Bubba Gump Shrimp Restaurant located by the water of Baltimore's Inner Harbor. Dinner is on your own. The \$35.00 per person charge covers the bus fare and a box lunch at the Shrine. For more information or to reserve seats on the bus, please contact GK Jim Stallone at 601-406-8543 or at [Stallone7179@aol.com](mailto:Stallone7179@aol.com)

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### **MONDAY, MARCH 13**

6:30 Kathleen Light (1<sup>st</sup> Ann.)

8:00 Frances Blekicki

#### **TUESDAY, MARCH 14**

6:30 William Curtin

8:00 Margaret Troutner

#### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15**

6:30 Angeline Leap

8:00 Barry Kozik

#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 16**

6:30 Edward R. & Loretta Domin

8:00 Raymond Madara (3<sup>rd</sup> Ann.)

#### **FRIDAY, MARCH 17**

6:30 Ann L. Wicks (1<sup>st</sup> Ann.)

8:30 Beth Morelli

#### **SATURDAY, MARCH 18**

8:00 Living and Deceased of the Parish

4:30 Michael Reid, Jr.

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 19**

7:30 Geraldine Russo

9:00 Tony Waldman (2<sup>nd</sup> Ann.)

10:30 Joseph Kabat

12:00 Alberto & Beatrice Acuna

### **Readings for the Week of March 12, 2017**

#### **Sunday**

#### **Second Sunday of Lent**

Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22;

2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

#### **Monday**

Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Lk 6:36-38

#### **Tuesday**

Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23;  
Mt 23:1-12

#### **Wednesday**

Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16; Mt 20:17-28

#### **Thursday**

Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 16:19-31

#### **Friday**

#### **Saint Patrick, Bishop**

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105;16-17, 18-19,  
20-21;Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

#### **Saturday**

#### **Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and**

#### **Doctor of the Church**

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12;  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

#### **Sunday**

#### **Third Sunday of Lent**

Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;

Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

**We pray for the Gift of Peace** in the world and the safety of those working for peace through the military services, especially: Private First Class David Ermentrout, Major Brian Maurelli, Second Lt. Morgan Hissick, Second Lt. Anthony Bennett, Tom Bristol, Danny Bristol, Spc. Erin Pawlik, Commander Daniel M. Simon, Senior Airman Michael Porcaro, Staff Sgt. Zak Ribble, Staff Sgt. John V. Nowotarski, III, Peter Hinsey, Corporal Matthew Pawlik, Thomas Bristol, Col. Patrick Sullivan, Second Lt. Joshua Kline, Captain Kevin Madary, Sgt. First Class Andrew Spies, 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, Lt. Col. 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.

**Parish Nurse News -** Save the date and Smile! Our Parish Annual Health Fair is Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 8am till 12 noon. Lots of door prizes, free snacks, great information and presentations to keep you healthy and informed. More to come!

## PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 3/13	Father John Schweikert
Tuesday 3/14	Deceased priests
Wednesday 3/15	Father Mark Searles
Thursday 3/16	Father Adam Sedar
Friday 3/17	Father William Seifert
Saturday 3/18	Father Thomas Shanfelt
Sunday 3/19	Newly ordained priests



Applebee's

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You're invited to an  
Applebee's® Flapjack Fundraiser Breakfast  
to support St. Catharine of Siena Youth Group

\$7.50 per person  
5.50 children 12 & under

WHEN: Saturday, March 18, 2017  
8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

WHERE: Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar  
5600 Perkiomen Avenue  
Shelbourne Square Shopping Center  
Reading, PA 19606

For More Information:

Contact Karin Donato at 610.779.3642 or karin.36@live.com

Valid only at participating restaurants listed above. Ticket valid for pancake event only.  
Applebee's menu items are not included as part of purchase.

**Come out and support the SCS Youth Group as they raise funds for their summer mission trip to Baltimore, MD.** All-you-can-eat pancakes and sausage at the Exeter Applebee's on Saturday, March 18th, served by our SCS youth. Tickets on sale at the door. Hope to see you there!

## Youth News

All families of 0-12 year olds come and join Little Angels/Kids For Christ for our Lenten tradition of Soft Pretzel Baking on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 3pm-4pm. We will meet in the Social Hall – just bring something yummy for dipping and we'll have the rest! We are looking forward to seeing you!!! Please RSVP to Heather & Shaun Keperling @ [Keperling@ieec.org](mailto:Keperling@ieec.org) by 3/15.

**IWorship! March 26 6:30-8:30pm at HGA** (3121 Kutztown Rd 19605). What is it? A gathering around our Eucharistic Lord in Adoration to pray with other young people from the local area. Worship led by talented musicians who draw young people deeper into the Eucharist. Local priests Fr Hoffa and Fr. Miller leading prayer and reflection and offering the opportunity to go to confession. Don't miss it! Free and open to all senior high youth. Contact Mrs. Stratton (610-406-0452) or Fr. Miller if you plan to attend.

**Kennedy House Soup Kitchen April 29 & 30.** Save the date! Great opportunity to serve those less fortunate in our own community. Open to all junior and senior high youth. We will need donations of food and those willing to work. Contact Julie Wright for more information at [prtyof10@ptd.net](mailto:prtyof10@ptd.net)

## Weekend Mass Schedule

**March 18th - 4:30 p.m. (Church)**

Lector - Dorothy Bixler

Cantor - Sophia Stankiewicz

Organist - Dave Kostival

Altar Servers - R. Wentzel - C. Higgins - L. Gilbert

**March 19th - 7:30 a.m. Mass (Church)**

Lector - Melissa Woodard

Altar Servers - S. Cortes - A. Gillner - S. Stankiewicz

**March 19th - 9:00 a.m. Mass (Church)**

Lector - Jim Snyder

Guitar Group

Altar Servers - K. Zambito - H. Zambito - M. Stratton

**March 19th - 10:30 a.m. Mass (Church)**

Lector - Mike McCarthy

Voices In Praise Choir

Organist - Dave Kostival

Altar Servers - J. Albert - B. Troung - J. Headen

**March 19th - 12:00 p.m. Mass (Church)**

Lector - Gretchen Wentling

Cantor - Joe Schwartz & Organist - Dave Kostival

Altar Servers - R. Bernas - K. Swavely - O. Chiarelli

## ALTAR SERVERS LIST - WEEKDAYS

### Week of March 13th - 18th

8:00 a.m. - K. Vagnoni & S. Hodgson - (Monday - Wednesday)

8:00 a.m. - S. Wasielewski & K. Swavely - (Thurs., - Saturday)

8:30 a.m. - S. Wasielewski & K. Swavely - (Friday Only)

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**Attention:** Any person 18 years old and up who has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and wishes to do so, please call the Parish Center to register for a one time class. You will be confirmed on Pentecost Sunday, June 4th at the Cathedral in Allentown. **Date will be Saturday, April 29th at 10 a.m. in the Parish Center.**

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE 12TH ANNUAL MASS, BENEDICTION, AND HEALING SERVICE PRECEDED BY PRAISE & WORSHIP MUSIC.** THE MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED BY REV. CLIFTON E. BISHOP, JR. ON APRIL 30TH AT ST. CATHARINE OF SIENA CHURCH, BOYERTOWN PIKE. JOIN US FOR THIS SPECIAL EVENING AS WE GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD WITH PRAISE & WORSHIP MUSIC BEGINNING AT 6:30 P.M. AND MASS AT 7:00 P.M. PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD. WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US FOR THIS UPLIFTING AND SOLEMN SERVICE. THE MASS DOES COUNT AS YOUR SUNDAY OBLIGATION.

**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 19, 2017-

**Where:** St. Catharine of Siena Church, **Social Hall**, Boyertown Pike, Reading, PA 19606. **Time:** Begins promptly at: 10:30 AM.

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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

"a time to be born..."

**Recently Baptized: *Seraphina Lynne Natale***

**Recently added: *Mark Speece, Leo Mikus & Al Franckowiak***

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

Paula Abel, Anita Adamo, Stella Albrecht, Jeannine Ambrosi, Sue Ambruch, Tony Angello, Anthony Antonucci, Barbara Ash, Beverly Bansner, Kathy Barnes, Bob Bates, Kailee Baxter, Melanie Bechtel, Debi Bennett, Harrison Bergstresser, Jan Bertolet, Sandy Bibbo, Stella Bickleman, Nicky Biondo, Karen Bird, Christine Blair, Kim & Michael Blair, Madison Blair, Catherine Blanchard, Christina Boehning, Adolph Bomba, Edward Boris, Susan Brennan, Maria Briand, Robin Briand, Frank Broga, Kathryn Brubaker, Robert Bryden, Renee Brzostek, Emily Buelow, Marvin Bush, Jeannine Caffrey, Neil Carroll, Nancy Cassidy, Bob & Patty Cavallina, Brianna Chery, Mark Christ, Nancy Ciccone, Marilyn Clifford, Donna Cocchia, Michael Conrad, Lisa Costello, Audrey Crilley, Joan Cronan, Alexa Cupitt, Ryan Curley, Larry Curtin, Robin Cuzner, Yvania Dawson, Tony DeAngelis, John De Frees, Julie Denunzio, Melissa DeWees, Gretchen Dialectus, Paula DiBuilda, Arthur Dietrich, Jr, Carmela Donato, Henry Dolinski, Mildred Donnelly, Kate Doughton, James Dowling, Kathy Doyle, Father Michael Drury, Dick Dunn, Gina Ebright, Dorothy Eisenhart, Lu Ann Eyre, Peter Fanticone, Jack Farrell, Josie Farrell, Jared Fenstemacher, Chris Ferguson, Pearl Fillman, Devonna Fisher, Jennifer Flook, Laurie Flynn, Frances Ford, Jane Fordyce, John Fordyce, Margaret Frisbee, Kim Furtow, Anna Mae Gantert, Donna Gentry, Grace Gerace, Pat Gerace, Joseph Gierschick, Jr, Frank Gill, Kathy Glaser, Larry Glaser, Johanna Goheen, Albert Gombar, Claire Griffith, Ruth Guyah, Eleanor Hafer, Tom Hafer, Warren Haggerty, Jeanne Goodwin Hall, Beverly Hannahoe, Eva Hare, Maria Harp, Leann Harris, Debbie Heberling, Jason Heckman, William Hedl, Robyn Hefferan, Diane Herbein, Wayne Hedrick, Emory Hilton, Melissa Himmelberger, Ethan Himonitis, William Hinkle, Mark Holtzman, Siegfried Hosey, Robert Hough, Allison Howard, John Hull, Genevieve Iswalt, Catharine Jagielski, Frank Jagielski, Erick Jefferson, Steven Julian, Brian K, Blake Kauffman, Andrew Kazmierczak, Elizabeth Kehlor, John Kiedeisch, Carolyn Kilyk, Joyce Kleckner, Marilla Kleinsasser, Mary Klick, Barry Kline, Sr, Benjamin Kline, Jean Kline, Ginny Koch, Judy Koch, Helen Koehler, John Kogut, Mary Kolakowski, Mary Konopelski, Mary Koren, Jim Kowalczyk, Jack Kuhn, Mary Kusek, Tracy Larish, Mike LaScala, Vanessa Leaizer, Todd Lenich, Harry Logan, Stephen & Genevieve Luskie, Kelly Lynch & family, Eleanor Majka, Julia Marason, Megan Marino, Angela Marroccoli, Ron Marshman, Linda Martz, Anna Mastandrea, Charles Mathews, Mary Ann Matthews, Chris McCarron, Coral McConnell, Jacob McCue, Mary Rita McFadden, Rita McHale, Dorothy McGill, Ainsley McLain, Edward McKeaney, Abbie McKinney, Rosemary McNish, Arthur Mengel, Susan Mertz, Rick Mims, James Minner, Jacob Mower, Goup Toy Moy, Gertrude Moyer, Thomas Muchanic, Patrick & Louise Murtagh, Gordon Newmoyer, Bill Norquist, Bernie Nowotarski, Virginia O'Brien, Evelyn Oquendo, Anna Ospina, Betty Ostachowski, Anna Paone, Gabriella Paone, Landon Paul, Peter Pietrzyk, Melly Pimentel, Pat Pinto, Donald Pisker, James Pisker, Anne Poserina, Potts Family, Sharon Prechtl, Mary Price, Kathleen Rainey, Thomas Joseph Rainey, Richie Rickers, Ricky Ricketts, Agnes Roach, Lynn Roberts, Barbara Rowe, Catherine Rudy, Mary Ryan, Elizabeth Fassig, 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, Susan Sneddon, Julie Staber, Christopher Starr, Maureen Steimetz, Pam Stribbling, Maria Stubblebine, Annabelle Stump, Ken Styer, Earl Suchomelly, Cullen Sullivan, Gerry & Marie Sullivan, Carolyn Taraba, Paul Teske, Hilda Thomas, John Thorne, John Tittle, Bella Tomalis, Jan Tomalis, Wendy Tustin, Jane Valeriano, Johnathon Velez, Alan Wachowicz, Patty Wagner, Mark Walter, Marie Weber, Amber White, Annetta Wilson, Leo Woelkers, Julia Wolff, Sue Yapsuga, Ann Marie Zawislak, Bob Zeiler, Sr., Bob Zeiler, Jr. & Mary Zettlemoyer.

...and a time for peace ...a time to die: ...*Mary George*, (mother of Dorothy Bixler) & *Marguerite Cambria*, (sister of Patrick McDevitt) **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.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS



**Delicious Fish encrusted w/our own-made batter!!!!**

**A.Y.C.E. Baked Mac & Cheese , Stewed Tomatoes , Shredded Coleslaw.**

**INCLUDES ONE DESSERT !**

\* March 17th \* March 31st \* April 7th\* / 5 - 7 pm

St. Catharine Siena Social Hall,

4975 Boyertown Pike

(RT 562), 19606

Adults - \$12.50 - Children (15 and under) \$5.00

**Purchase Tickets at Parish Office or After each Mass next to the scrip table**



**"Save The Date"**

**2nd Annual Designer Purse Bingo**

**Benefits St. Catharine of Siena School**

**Saturday, April 22, 2017**

**Doors open at 5:30**

**Bingo starts at 6:30**

**Let's try to beat last years profit of just under \$20,000!**

Tickets will be on sale in the back of the Church by the scrip table after all Masses starting on March 18th through April 9th. Chinese Auction tickets will be available after the masses in April.

**50 Plus News**

The monthly meeting for the 50+ Club will be held on **April 5, 2017**. The board meeting will be held on **April 4, 2017** at 10:00 am. Please call Carol Buddell, President of the 50+ club at 610-401-0600, with any questions or concerns.

**MEETINGS**

**APRIL 5, 2017:** Speaker: Kate Erdman –Keystone Villa, Douglassville- Italian Sandwiches, as well as cake and coffee, then Bingo, Bingo, Bingo.

**MAY 3, 2017:** Zumba Instructor to get us in shape & have fun. Snacks for the tables, Cake and Coffee. We will be collecting free will offering and donation for **Mary's Shelter**.

**2017 TRAVEL PLANS**

**March 15<sup>th</sup>**, Wednesday - Silver Birches (formerly Ebrhardts) St Patrick's Festival Cost: \$100.00

**April 19<sup>th</sup>**, Wednesday - A Taste of Lancaster County with family style lunch at the famous Cork & Cap Restaurant at the Cork Factory Hotel Cost: \$70.00

**May 24<sup>th</sup>**, Wednesday - Southern York County Dine Around, Glen Rock Mill Inn for main course, with Train Ride to New Freedom Cost: \$105.00

**June 16<sup>th</sup>**, Friday – Hunterdon Hills Playhouse lunch and show, Mahoney Brothers Legends of Pop. Celebrating Elvis, the Beatles, Neil Diamond, Willie Nelson and more. Cost: \$100.00

Call **Pat White 610-582-1437** for more **trip** 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**

**Attention Scouts! - 2017 Catholic Scouting Activity Weekend**

Catholic Boy Scouts who are working on their Religious Emblems are required to attend this "retreat" Activity Weekend, although Scouts do not have to be working on their award to attend, in fact we invite all Catholic Boy Scouts to come and have fun with great food, fellowship, and Mass. Registration and info. can be found at [www.adccos.org/bsr.htm](http://www.adccos.org/bsr.htm). Any adults attending must have all Diocesan clearances. Registration deadline: March 31, 2017. E-mail [info@adccos.org](mailto:info@adccos.org) with any questions.

**Father Jeremiah Shryock, C.F.R.** Tuesday, March 28, 2017: Morning Session: 9 AM — 12 Noon Evening Session: 7PM—9PM -Morning Session includes Conference, Exposition of the Eucharist, Sacrament of Reconciliation, and Mass - Fr. Jeremiah Shryock was faced with the "reality of God" during a post-high school road trip across the US. His religious convictions continued to strengthen while he studied philosophy at Kutztown University. Despite personal struggles and opposition, he forsook his former unfulfilling lifestyle in 2002 to join the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. To register for an event contact: Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist, 640 E. Main St., Birdsboro, PA 19508 [olme@olme.org](mailto:olme@olme.org) ♦ 610-582-3333 ♦ **ALL ARE WELCOME! BRING A FRIEND! YOUR GENEROUS DONATION WILL BE DEEPLY APPRECIATED.**

**January 22, 2017**

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 20,396	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 614,514	\$ 702,630

Year to date deficit **\$ 88,116**

Last Year \$ Blizzard

**January 29, 2017**

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 19,791	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 634,305	\$ 726,051

Year to date deficit **\$ 91,746**

Last Year \$ 33,691\*\*\* snow storm two weeks

**February 5, 2017**

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 22,478	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 656,783	\$ 749,472

Year to date deficit **\$ 92,689**

Last Year \$ 24,845

**February 12, 2017**

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 20,580	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 677,363	\$ 772,893

Year to date deficit **\$ 95,530**

Last Year \$ 19,991

**February 19, 2017**

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 19,801	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 697,164	\$ 796,314

Year to date deficit **\$ 99,150**

Last Year \$ 23,916

**February 26, 2017**

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 20,163	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 717,327	\$ 819,735

Year to date deficit **\$ 102,408**

Last Year \$ 21,018

**March 5, 2017**

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 24,756	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 742,083	\$ 843,156

Year to date deficit **\$ 101,073**

Last Year \$ 21,018

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

**Saint Catharine School News**

**Short-term Substitute Needed:** St. Catharine of Siena School is in need of a substitute for third grade beginning the week of March 13th. The substitute will be needed for approximately 8 weeks. If interested, please call Sister Teresa Ballisty at 610-779-5810.