

Saint Mary's News

Mass Schedule

Saturday, September 2nd - 3:30 p.m. - Mary Ann Kozlowski
Sunday, September 3rd - 10:30 a.m. - Living & Deceased
Members of St. Mary's Class of 1967

The Polish-American Heritage Association is holding their 25th Anniversary Picnic on Saturday, September 9, at the Lower Alsace Fire Company Picnic Grove starting at 1PM. Buffet served at 1:30PM. Live music. Members: \$15/Non-Members: \$20. Everyone is invited! Deadline for reservations is Tuesday, August 29. For reservations contact Nadine at 610-736-3035.

Additional Church Parking - Parking is available for Masses in the parking lot beside the old convent building at 12th & Muhlenberg Streets.

New Altar Servers schedules can be picked up in the Sacristy after Masses this weekend.

Volunteers are needed to help clean the Church next Sunday, September 3rd, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

In order to have as many people as possible watch the events surrounding the Ordination of Bishop-elect Alfred Schlert, the Diocese of Allentown has made wonderful provisions for the faithful of our Diocese to see this moment in our Diocesan history:

Television:

Vesper Service (Wednesday, August 30th): Service Electric/Blue Ridge
Cable: live coverage beginning at 7:00 PM

Ordination Mass (Thursday, August 31st): three ways to watch:

1. Service Electric/Blue Ridge Cable: live coverage beginning at 2:00 PM.
2. EWTN beginning at 3:00 PM (will have full coverage).
3. CatholicTV live coverage beginning at 2:00 PM.

Facebook: visit [facebook.com/dioceseofallentown](https://www.facebook.com/dioceseofallentown) to watch live streaming of the Ordination beginning at 2:00 PM.

SAVE THE DATE

Our parish family of St. Catharine of Siena and St. Mary's joyfully thank God for the great gift of our Lady's apparitions in Fatima, Portugal. The closeness of our Lady to us and her call to return to the Gospel through prayer, sacrifice and conversion are as important for us today as they were in 1917. To mark the 100th Anniversary of the Fatima apparitions, our parish family will host an Evening of Prayer on **Wednesday, September 13, 2017 in the Chapel on Perkiomen Avenue at 7 p.m.** The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar for a Holy Hour. During that time, the Rosary and Fatima Litany will be prayed. The Holy Hour will conclude at 8 p.m. with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Confessions will be heard throughout the Holy Hour. Everyone is welcome.

Deanery Mass- Because of the limited number of seats available at the Cathedral, Bishop Schlert will celebrate his ordination and installation at a special deanery Mass at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish on Thursday, September 21st at 7 p.m. All are welcome!

Registration for our September 30, 2017 Parish Retreat Day presented by Sister Patrice Klausung, OSF will begin on Labor Day Weekend until September 25, 2017.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 22:19-23: Eliakim is given the leadership of the Israelites. He is to become the father of the Jewish people. He shall have the key of the House of David. He is to have a place of honor for his family.

Rom 11:33-36: Paul offers a description of God, noting His infinite wisdom. God's ways are unsearchable and no one can really measure the mind of God. But in Him all things have their being.

Mt 16:13-20: Peter acknowledges that Jesus is the Messiah. Jesus in turn declares Peter the rock upon which His Church is to be built. He also gives Peter the power of the keys.

Today's Message - As Eliakim is given authority as master of the palace, so does Jesus confer upon Peter's authority to bind and to loose. To Jesus, who promised to be with His Church for all time, be glory for ever and ever!

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION-after the 8 a.m. Mass until 9 p.m.
GRIEFSHARE MTG. – 7 p.m. – Parish Center

WEDNESDAY-AUGUST 30

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

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

NOCTURNAL ADORATION- 8-9 p.m. – Chapel

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

BAPTISMS – 1 p.m.,- Church

A Time Apart With Jesus to Grow in Your Spiritual Life - Friday evening, November 3 — Sunday at Noon, November 5, 2017

The retreat is offered by Sister Joan Noreen, Co-Founder of OLME and EWTN Host of "Eucharistic Journey." The retreat is held at the Ave Maria Retreat House in Doylestown, PA. This retreat includes Daily Eucharist, Eucharistic Adoration, conferences on Catholic Spirituality, Prayer with Sacred Scripture, Liturgy of the Hours, and much more. For more information, please contact: **Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist, 640 E. Main St., Birdsboro, PA 19508, olme@olme.org 610-582-3333.**

VOICES IN PRAISE CHOIR begins the new choral season on Sunday, September 10. New members are welcome! Because of hectic schedules, the choir does not require an evening commitment during the week. We practice at 9:00 a.m. on Sundays in the Knight's room and immediately sing for the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Need a reason to join? Studies have proven that choral singing increases immunity, reduces depression, improves cognitive function and mood and increases feelings of wellbeing. If you would like additional information, contact David at 484-332-8695 or dkostival@comcast.net.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION DEVOTIONS will be held in our Chapel. The Devotions will be from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. on First Friday, September 1st. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

6:30 Salvatore Trabosh

8:00 Mary Shaub (1st Ann.)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

6:30 Living and Deceased of the Parish

8:00 Cianciosi-Orlando Family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

6:30 Thomas Mazza

8:00 Peter Cossitor, Jr.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

6:30 Darion Einsig

8:00 Lana Worrall (1st Ann.)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

6:30 Patricia Cunningham

8:00 Jeanette Nyles

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

8:00 Kathleen A. Jurasinski

4:30 Steve M. Bibbo, Sr. (3rd Ann.)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

7:30 Loretta & James Owens

9:00 Michael C. Fura

10:30 Salvatore Scarpaci (28th Ann.)

12:00 Joseph Lintz

Readings for the Week of August 27, 2017

Sunday

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36;
Mt 16:13-20

Monday

Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday

The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mk 6:17-29

Wednesday

1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab;
Mt 23:27-32

Thursday

1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a 12-13, 14 and 17;
Mt 24:42-51

Friday

1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12;
Mt 25:1-13

Saturday

1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2;
Mt 16:21-27

THE BANNES OF MARRIAGE are announced as follows:

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Amy Katzenmoyer & Andrew Stufflet

We pray for the Gift of Peace in the world and the safety of those working for peace through the military services, especially: Staff Sgt. Brian Perrotto, Private First Class David Ermentrout, Second Lt. Morgan Hissick, 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, 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, Major 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. Please call with [addresses of military](mailto:addressesofmilitary) to Terri Mueller at 610-779-1766.

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 8/28	Father Daniel Kravatz
Tuesday 8/29	Father John Krivak
Wednesday 8/30	Father Thomas Kuller
Thursday 8/31	Father Joseph Kweder
Friday 9/1	His Holiness Pope Francis
Saturday 9/2	Pope Emeritus Benedict
Sunday 9/3	Bishop Alfred Schlert

St. Catharine's Christmas Boutique is now accepting applications from new vendors. The event will be held on Friday, November 17 from 5 p.m. – 9 p.m. and on Saturday, November 18 from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. Vendors must sell handmade merchandise; no buy/resell is permitted. Spaces start at \$55. If you are interested in receiving an application, please call 484-332-8695.

The St. Catharine's guitar group invites anyone who likes to sing or play for the Lord to join our family. It's not necessary to be able to read music, just a desire to join your voice or instrument with ours at Sunday liturgies as we celebrate God's loving presence in our lives. We rehearse on Monday evenings and sing at the 9:00 Mass on all Sundays except the 4th of the month. Please consider joining us. We'd love to have you! For further information, please contact Annie delCollo at 610 777-5234.

Attention Parents of Confirmation Students: Please register for the Confirmation Rally at the Diocesan website: www.allentowndiocese.org/cff as soon as possible, or call the Diocesan office at 610-289-8900.

REGULAR DAILY MASS SCHEDULE - We will resume our regular daily Mass Schedule starting Monday, August 28th. 6:30 and 8 a.m. - Monday-Thursday; Friday: 8:30 a.m.

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.

PLEASE NOTE ALL PARENTS OF TEENS & COLLEGE STUDENTS: Your Envelopes Box sets are now available for September 2017 through August 2018. They are on the table in the Gathering Area next to the **Scrip Table** this weekend. **PLEASE SIGN YOUR NAME AND INDICATE WHAT NUMBER BOXED SET YOU TAKE SO WE CAN KEEP RECORDS.** If you have any questions, please call Diane Sitler at 610-779-4005.

Homes Needed! Like to decorate for the holidays... The Exeter Women's Club would like to have your house on our 20th Holiday House Tour, Sunday, December 3rd. For more information, please call Fran Vogt at 610-779-6506.

Weekend Mass Schedule

September 2nd - 4:30 p.m. (Church)

Lector - Helen Veet

Cantor - Mollie Ziemba

Organist - Joe Schwartz

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

September 3rd - 7:30 a.m. Mass (Church)

Lector- Madeline Mullen

Altar Servers - R. Bernas - J. Bobb - O. Chiarelli

September 3rd - 9:00 a.m. Mass (Church)

Lector - Cristine Marabella

Cantor - Kate Bobb

Organist - Dave Kostival

Altar Servers - S. Cortes - B. Davis - J. Davis

September 3rd - 10:30 a.m. Mass (Church)

Lector - Amanda Dooley

Cantor- Kim Kostival

Organist- Dave Kostival

Altar Servers - G. Donato - D. Dougherty - M. Feeney

September 3rd - 12:00 p.m. Mass (Church)

Lector - Todd Tomczyk

Cantor - Jay Yohn

Organist - Dave Kostival

Altar Servers - J. Albert - E. Fernandez - L. Gilbert

ALTAR SERVERS LIST - WEEKDAYS

Week of - August 28th - September 2nd

8:00 a.m. - G. Donato & E. Fernandez - (Mon - Wed.)

8:00 a.m. - H. Keperling & T. Keperling - (Thurs-Sat)

8:30 a.m. - H. Keperling & T. Keperling - (Friday Only)

Siena Stitchers will resume meetings on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays beginning September 7th.

Anyone interested in learning to crochet, knit, etc. is welcomed to join us in the Gathering area of the Church. For more information, please call Judy at 610-779-8654 or Anita at 610-779-1571.

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact St. Catharine's Parish Center at 610-779-4005

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Recently Baptized: Chloe Christine Reedy

Please pray for our sick : Recently added : Frank White & Lori Rears

& our soldiers in harm's way:

Paula Abel, Anita Adamo, Stella Albrecht, Jeannine Ambrosi, Sue Ambruch, Tony Angello, Anthony Antonucci, Tara Arnold, Beverly Bansner, Kathy Barnes, Denny Bastian, Kailee Baxter, Melanie Bechtel, Debi Bennett, Harrison Bergstresser, Jan Bertolet, Sandy Bibbo, Stella Bickleman, Nicky Biondo, Karen Bird, Christine Blair, Kim & Michael Blair, Catherine Blanchard, Christina Boehning, Agnes Bohner, Edward Boris, Susan Brennan, Maria Briand, Robin Briand, Frank Broga, Kathryn Brubaker, Robert Bryden, Renee Brzostek, Emily Buelow, Renee Burns, Marvin Bush, Jeannine Caffrey, Ronald Calabrese, Neil Carroll, Nancy Cassidy, Bob & Patty Cavallino, Brianna Chery, Mark Christ, Marilyn Clifford, Nancy Ciccone, Donna Cocchia, Michael Conrad, Lisa Costello, Jeannie Crass, 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, 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, Pearl Fillman, Devonna Fisher, Jennifer Flook, Laurie Flynn, Frances Ford, Jane Fordyce, John Fordyce, Al Franckowiak, Margaret Frisbee, Kim Furtow, Shelley Fox, 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, Jacob Hafer, Tom Hafer, Warren Haggerty, Jeanne Goodwin Hall, Beverly Hannahoe, Richelle Harbst, 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, Erick Jefferson, Steven Julian, Brian K, Dorothy Kaisoglus, Blake Kauffman, Andrew Kazmierczak, Elizabeth Kehlor, Alex Kelso, John Kiedeisch, Carolyn Kilyk, John Kirsch, Joyce Kleckner, Aubrie Kletzel, Marilla Kleinsasser, Mary Klick, Barry Kline, Sr, Benjamin Kline, Jean Kline, Ginny Koch, Helen Koehler, John Kogut, Mary Kolakowski, Mary Konopelski, Jim Kowalczyk, Jack Kuhn, Dolores Lamp, Jeffrey Lamp, Tracy Larish, Mike LaScala, Vanessa Leaizer, Harry Logan, Stephen & Genevieve Luskie, Kelly Lynch & family, Julia Marason, Megan Marino, Angela Marroccoli, Anna Mastandrea, Charles Mathews, Mary Ann Matthews, Chris McCarron, Coral McConnell, Jacob McCue, 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, Gordon Newmoyer, Bill Norquist, Bernie Nowotarski, Evelyn Oquendo, Anna Ospina, Anna Paone, Gabriella Paone, Landon Paul, Melly Pimentel, Pat Pinto, Donald Pisker, James Pisker, Anne Poserina, Potts Family, Sharon Prechtl, Mary Price, Kathleen Rainey, Thomas Joseph Rainey, Agnes Roach, Lynn Roberts, Barbara Rowe, Catherine Rudy, Mary Ryan, Diane Rymshaw, Elizabeth Fassig, Joann Sacco, Anne Schaeffer, Gladys Schell, Ann Schweitzer, Robert Senick, Beth Serafin, Tom Shaaber, Garth Shannon, David Sharples, Sr., Earl Sheetz, Dawn Siderowicz, Janet Smith, Patricia Smoyer, Tyson Snader, Susan Sneddon, Mike Spear, Mark Speece, Julie Staber, Christopher Starr, Maureen Steimetz, Pam Stribbling, Maria Stubblebine, Annabelle Stump, Ken Styer, Earl Suchomelly, Cullen Sullivan, Gerry Sullivan, Carolyn Taraba, Paul Teske, Hilda Thomas, John Tittle, Joe Tomalis, Wendy Tustin, Donald Ulrich, Jane Valeriano, Alan Wachowicz, Sherry Wainwright, Patty Wagner, Mark Walter, Marie Weber, Charles Wettstein, Amber White, Annetta Wilson, Leo Woelkers, Ann Marie Zawislak, Bob Zeiler, Sr. & Bob Zeiler, Jr.

...and a time for peace ...a time to die: *Joseph Drogo, Anthony Eaton; Stanley Goerner*, (brother of Tom Goerner) **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.**



SAVE THE DATE

Night at the Races/Beef and Beer

Saturday, October 21, 2017

\$25 per person

SCS Social Hall

4975 Boyertown Pike

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT

ST. CATHARINE OF SIENA SCHOOL

More information coming soon!!

The Angel Tree - Catholic Charities sends a big thank you to all who sent in a donation from our Angel Tree. The tree will be on display, either in the left or the right area of the Gathering Area throughout the year. We hope you can find it in your heart to make a contribution periodically. There is a list of suggested items needed inside each envelope. All it takes is a stamp, the envelopes are already addressed. God Bless you, from Saint Vincent DePaul Society.

50 Plus News

The monthly meeting for the 50+ Club will be held on **September 6, 2017**. The board meeting will be held on **September 5, 2017** at 10:00 am. Please call Carol Buddell, President of the 50+ club at 610-401-0600, with any questions or concerns.

MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 6, 2017: CHILL IN THE AIR, make your favorite Chili recipe and share with us. Cake and Coffee

Speaker: Missy Lengle from Country Meadows Retirement Communities

OCTOBER 4, 2017: Octoberfest, Hot Dogs with Kraut or other toppings, Cake and Coffee, Bingo, Bingo, Bingo,

NOVEMBER 2TH: Veteran's Day Celebration, saluting Men and Women who have served our country. Speaker: Robert Huber from the Army Cake & Coffee

DECEMBER 6, 2017: CHRISTMAS PARTY at the Crowne Plaza from 11:30-3:00 Entertainment by Tony Farina

OCTOBER 17, 2017: We are again selling tickets for BOSCOV'S FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS, Cost of \$5.00 for a 25% off all day coupon. Please call Pat White for Coupons at 610-582-1437

2017 TRAVEL PLANS

October 11th, Wednesday – Pines Dinner Theatre, Always Patsy Cline. Cost: \$90.00

November 26th, Sunday – Cirque Dreams Holiday show at Sands Casino, trip includes the show + \$20.00 meal voucher + \$20.00 Casino Bonus. Cost: \$105.00

December 13th, Wednesday – Sight and Sound to see THE MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS with lunch before at Golden Corral. Cost: \$105.00

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

Consecration of the Diocese of Allentown to Our lady of Fatima– In honor of the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, Portugal, Bishop Alfred A. Schlert will consecrate the Diocese of Allentown to Our Lady of Fatima on Sunday, October 15th at the Noon Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine, Allentown. All clergy, religious, and lay faithful are invited to this historic event of the life of our local Church.

Parish Nurse News- Stop for a few moments each day to enjoy the sounds and sights of summer: birds, crickets and frogs sing for us, shrubbery, grass and trees are lush and green, gardens are thriving and colorful. Allow your stress to slip away during these moments!

Saint Catharine School News

Saint Catharine of Siena School is forming a pool of substitute teachers for the 2017 -2018 school year. If you are interested in subbing, please send a resume to

Mrs. Marcella Kraycik at Saint Catharine of Siena School, 2330 Perkiomen Avenue, Reading, PA 19606 or mkraycikscs@gmail.com. Substitutes are required to attend the diocesan seminar, "Protecting God's Children" and submit the required background checks.

OPENING OF SCHOOL INFORMATION

Saint Catharine of Siena School welcomes all our new and returning faculty and students for the 2017 - 2018 School Year. We pray for God's blessings on each of you.

August 28 – 8:00 to 3:00 – Grades 5 to 8

August 29 – 8:00 to 3:00 – Grades K – 4

August 30 – 8:00 to 3:00 – Grades K – 8

August 31 – 8:00 to 3:00 – Grades K – 8

September 1 – Holiday

September 4 – Labor Day Holiday

September 5 – Full Day for Grades K – 8 & Pre-K starts

September 5 – 7:00 p.m. - Back to School Night

For more information, please refer to the school calendar.

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Center will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 4th. There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on that day. **THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE DAILY MASS AT 9:00 A.M. ON LABOR DAY IN THE CHAPEL.**