

Saint Mary's News

Mass Schedule

Saturday, November 11th - 3:30 p.m. - Carmel & Martin Alfiero

Sunday, November 12th - 10:30 a.m. - Felicia Skoraszewski

Attention: Pierogi Society - The Pierogi Society will meet for one day, Tuesday, November 14th, at 9:00 a.m. under the Church to make pierogies to be sold as part of the Christmas Boutique at St. Catharine's on November 17th & 18th If you can help that day please call St. Catharine's Rectory at 610-779-4005 and leave your name.

There will be a Latin Mass next Sunday, November 12th at 12:30 p.m. in the Church. Reconciliation at noon; Social after Mass.

THANKSGIVING WEEK MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-November 20th – 6:30 & 8 a.m. – Mass

Tuesday, November 21st – 6:30 & 8 a.m.- Mass

Wednesday, Nov., 22nd - 6:30 & 8 a.m.-Mass

Vigil of Thanksgiving Mass – 7:00 p.m.- Church

Thanksgiving Day – 9 a.m. Mass in Chapel

No 6:30 or 8 a.m. Mass

Friday, November 24th – 8:30 a.m.. Mass

NO 6:30 A.M.

Local Poverty Relief Collection — the annual collection will be taken up on the weekend of November 18-19. The collection is used to support local groups and organizations that assist the poor here in the diocese. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

2018 Sunday Missals and Advent Supplies are now available in the **Church Store**. Included with the Advent supplies are candles, wreaths, calendars, and the "Little Blue Books" – daily meditations for the Advent/Christmas season. The 2018 Sunday Missals are also available at the Parish Center. Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors can pick up their Missals in the Priests' Sacristy.

Try **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**, a weekend for couples of all ages, from honeymooners to golden-agers who want to enrich their marriages. For information call 1-732-904-9636 or visit www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org.

Remember Our Veterans this Christmas! This holiday season, sponsor a wreath in honor or memory of a veteran. For the fifth year, the Information Technology team from Air Products has joined with Wreaths Across America to honor the veterans buried at Resurrection Cemetery, Wescosville. **Wreaths are \$15** each and can be sponsored online at <https://wreaths.fastport.com/donateLocation.html?page=24326>. With your help, we can remember and honor all 1,500 veterans and teach our children about the many sacrifices our veterans made to protect our freedom. Then join us at Resurrection on Saturday, December 16 at noon for a short ceremony, our National Anthem, Taps and wreath placement. Wreath sponsorship **deadline is Monday, 27 November**. Contact Margaret Albert with any questions, albertmm@airproducts.com.

Be sure and visit the Christmas Boutique table in the back of Church today or next weekend after all Masses to see a preview of what this year's event has to offer. We will be accepting your completed cash raffle tickets, selling dinner tickets and taking sign-ups for volunteer opportunities at the boutique. See today's bulletin cover for more details.

ALL INFORMATION FOR THE BULLETIN OF THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26TH MUST BE RECEIVED IN OUR OFFICE NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10: I have sent a curse upon you, says the Lord, since you have turned from me. You have not kept my ways. Only one God has created us. Why do we break faith with one another?

1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13: Paul tells the Thessalonians how he wanted to share the teachings of Jesus with them as well as His own life. He works day and night for them. The word of God works in those who believe.

Mt 23:1-12: Jesus warns the Pharisees speak many words boldly, admonishing others to observe the Law but themselves fail in deeds fulfilling the Law. They act only to be seen. Only the humble will be exalted.

Today's Message - The prophet denounces those priests who in their pride have turned away from the Law, causing others to go astray. Jesus, too, is critical of those religious leaders who fail to practice what they preach. All, rather, are called to greatness through humility and service, by sharing their lives with others.

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.

Are you confused about your Medicare options; are you struggling with high premiums, high co-pays or unreasonable drug costs? Long time parishioner, George Violand, is licensed and certified with all the major health carriers. His product knowledge allows him to make appropriate recommendations based upon your individual needs. If you need help, please call him at 610-406-9065. This year he will be holding Informal Sales Meetings at the Exeter Community Library in the Adult Conference Room @ 11:00am on November 8, 15, & 29. Space is limited, reservations recommended. Open Enrollment ends December 7th.

Berks Catholic High School is accepting Applications for the 2018-2019 School Year. Please contact Nicky Smith to schedule a personal tour, receive an Application packet or to schedule a "Saint for a Day" visit. All inquiries are confidential. nsmith@berkscatholic.org or 610.374.8361 ext.244.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

6:30 Jack Ritz (1st Ann.)

8:00 Alma Wassell (1st. Ann.)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

6:30 Robert Salley (1st Ann.)

8:00 Colleen & Jasper Chen See

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

6:30 COMMUNION SERVICE

8:00 Joy Griffith

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

6:30 COMMUNION SERVICE

8:00 Joseph Passuzzi

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

6:30 COMMUNION SERVICE

8:30 Terry McGlenn

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

8:00 Howard Lins

4:30 Herb Wetzel

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

7:30 Mike & Madeline Mullen (48th Wedd. Ann.)

9:00 William Bryan

10:30 Adam Calvaresi (5th Ann.)

12:00 Daniel Simpson

Readings for the Week of November 5, 2017

Sunday	Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10; Ps 13:1, 2, 3; 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12
Monday	Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday	Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3; Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday	Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Friday	Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday	Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday	Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13

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, LCPL 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, Command Master Chief Marie Rosati France, 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 to Terri Mueller at 610-779-1766.

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 11/6	Father James Prior
Tuesday 11/7	Father Thomas Prior
Wednesday 11/8	Msgr. Stephen Radocha
Thursday 11/9	Msgr. James Reichert
Friday 11/10	Msgr. Dennis Rigney
Saturday 11/11	Father Eugene Ritz
Sunday 11/12	Father Philip Rodgers

50 Plus News

The Christmas Party for the 50+ Club will be held on **December 6, 2017**. The board meeting will be held on **December 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



DECEMBER 6, 2017: CHRISTMAS PARTY at the Crowne Plaza from 11:30-3:00 Entertainment by Tony Farina . Cost: \$25.00

JANUARY 3, 2018: NEW YEARS CELEBRATION with members to bring appetizers and snacks to share – cookies and coffee. Speaker: Lisa Lorah - Benefits of **Encore**



FEBRUARY 7, 2018: Valentine Day Celebration. Cupcakes and coffee. Speaker: Pat White – 2018 trip schedule & video/pictures from Vermont

2017 TRAVEL PLANS

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 **Trip closed** . **Bus will be leaving from the parking lot at the Church on Perkiomen Ave.**

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, 4975 Boyertown Pike in Exeter Township, dues are \$5.00 per year. **ALL ARE WELCOME**

Weekend Mass Schedule

November 11th - 4:30 p.m. (Church)

Lector - Elizabeth Edmunds
Cantor - Sophia Stankiewicz
Organist - Dave Kostival
Altar Servers – E. Fernandez - M. Fernandez - S. Robinson

November 12th - 7:30 a.m. Mass (Church)

Lector– Jim Snyder
Altar Servers - E. Fries - I. Fries - J. Iswalt
November 12th - 9:00 a.m. Mass (Church)

Lector - Mike McCarthy
Guitar Choir
Altar Servers - A. Gillner - D. Gombar - J. Konopelski
November 12th - 10:30 a.m. Mass (Church)

Lector - Ed Smith
Voices in Praise
Organist- Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - J. Beaver - H. Keperling - T. Keperling
November 12th - 12:00 p.m. Mass (Church)

Lector - Mary King
Contemporary Music
Altar Servers - C. Griffith - N. Griffith - A. Kline

ALTAR SERVERS LIST - WEEKDAYS

Week of November 6th - 11th

8:00 a.m.– L. Gilbert & N. Barbera - (Mon- Wed.)
8:00 a.m. - M. Griffin & D. Schmehl - (Thurs-Sat)
8:30 a.m. - M. Griffin & D. Schmehl - (Friday Only)



**Central Catholic High School
Class of 1992 Reunion**

On Saturday November 25th, 2017 we will be having a reunion for the class of 1992. The details are as follows:

Date: November 25, 2017
Place: Captain's Cove, 2619 Hill Road, Reading, PA 19606
Time: 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM (or possibly later...)
Who: Members of the class of 1992 and their significant other are welcome. (no children)
Cost: \$30.00 per person.

The costs are intended to cover the venue, hors d'oeuvres, and a DJ, but we have attempted to keep this a low cost event in the hopes of participation by the class. This event will be casual, and is intended to provide an opportunity to reconnect with classmates and friends. Everyone is welcome and our school will waive the fee for any financial hardships that may otherwise preclude a classmate from wanting to attend.

Please register to attend at <http://www.cchsreading.myevent.com>

THIRTY-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:

Please pray for our sick : Recently added : Donna Hoffman

& 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, , 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, Charles De Naples, Julie Denunzio, Melissa DeWees, Gretchen Dialectus, Paula DiBuilda, Arthur Dietrich, Jr, Carmela Donato, Mildred Donnelly, Kate Doughton, 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 Frankowiak, Margaret Frisbee, Kim Furtow, Shelley Fox, Anna Mae Ganter, Donna Gentry, Grace Gerace, Pat Gerace, Joseph Gierschick, Jr, Frank Gill, Margo Girardi, 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, Mike Kazmierczak, 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, Kathleen Lellig, 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, Teagan McDonnell, Rita McHale, Dorothy McGill, Ainsley McLain, Edward McKeane, 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, Lori Rears, Agnes Roach, Lynn Roberts, Barbara Rowe, Catherine Rudy, Mary Ryan, Elizabeth Fassig, Joann Sacco, Anne Schaeffer, Mary Schalk, Gladys Schell, Ann Schweitzer, Robert Senick, Beth Serafin, Tom Shaaber, Garth Shannon, David Sharpley, 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, Frank White, Annetta Wilson, Leo Woelkers, Ann Marie Zawislak, Bob Zeiler, Sr. & Bob Zeiler, Jr.

...and a time for peace ...a time to die: *Mary Kosak*, (mother of Richard Kosak) & *Frank Konopelski*, (father of Patrick Konopelski, grandfather of Lauren, Morgan, Ryan & Jordan Konopelski) 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.



With the holidays approaching Catholic Charities is in need of donations to fulfill the requests they receive from the people in need of help. Please consider taking an envelope from our Angel Tree and sending in your contribution. The information is inside the already addressed envelope. God bless you for sharing and making their holidays a bit brighter.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited and encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more information about this program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church. **Victim Assistance Coordinator CONFIDENTIAL TELEPHONE NUMBER (800) 791-9209.** To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, please visit www.allentowndiocese.org and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner of the page.

Youth News



Above are many youth from our parish and HGA's youth ministry program after sharing a tasty meal together but before leaving for an **"aMAZEing" time** at the Mast Farm's corn maze event! **Did you miss this event?** Never fear, there are more amazing youth events coming up. Get involved, bring your friends and make new ones too!

Side by Side Session from 7-8:30pm Mondays. Doors open at 6:45pm. This program is designed for both youth (Jr & Sr High youth) and adults to learn and experience their shared faith "Side by Side"! Together we will learn from *"Altaration: The Mystery of the Mass Revealed"*, which is a DVD 5 part series from Ascension Press. This series addresses head-on one of the biggest problems we all face: How do we get Catholic teens (and adults) to appreciate the awesome beauty and mystery of the Mass...and to actually look forward to attending and participating? Location is the school cafeteria. Come to one or come to all! What's left? **Monday 11/6 is Session 2, "Side by Side"- "Our Father's Plan". Monday 11/13 is Session 3, "Side by Side"- "The Mystery Revealed". Monday 11/20 is Session 4, "Side by Side"- "What is Our Response?". Monday 12/4 is Session 5 (last one) "Side by Side"-The Why's Behind the Whats".**

Tour Catholic Philadelphia with Fr. John as your guide [on Saturday, November 11!](#) This event is open to all high school youth. We will leave [at 8:30 AM](#) from the social hall and return late afternoon/early evening. We'll visit the St. John Neumann Shrine, the Cathedral, and St. Charles Seminary. You will be responsible for your own lunch at the [Reading Terminal Market](#), so bring about \$20 with you. We are also looking for some parents willing to carpool. Permission slips will be [due by 11/6](#). We hope you can join us for a memorable tour of Philly! If you have any questions, call Fr. John at the Parish Center.

On November 12, our parish will host a Family Holy Hour [at 7 PM](#) in the Chapel. We invite all families to come and spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, and to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the apparitions of Mary at Fatima. During the Holy Hour, the rosary will be prayed, and there will be an opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Call the Parish Center with any questions. All are welcome.

Financial Stewardship

October 1, 2017

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 22,120	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 286,951	\$ 327,894
Year to date deficit	\$ 40,943	
Last Year	\$ 22,660	

October 8, 2017

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 21,293	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 308,244	\$ 351,315
Year to date deficit	\$ 43,071	
Last Year	\$ 18,959	

October 15, 2017

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 17,873	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 326,117	\$ 374,736
Year to date deficit	\$ 48,619	
Last Year	\$ 20,058	

October 22, 2017

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 18,091	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 344,208	\$ 398,157
Year to date deficit	\$ 53,949	
Last Year	\$ 19,793	

October 29, 2017

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 19,738	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 363,946	\$ 421,578
Year to date deficit	\$ 57,632	
Last Year	\$ 21,638	

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

Take the night off from cooking! Holy Guardian Angels Regional School is hosting a Dining Out Night at *Victor Emmanuel's II* on Tuesday, November 14th from 4:30-7:00 PM. Cost: \$10 (Adults) / \$7 (children ages 6-2). For tickets call 610-929-4124 or stop by the school. Walk-ins welcome!

Parish Nurse News - Try colorful, healthy meals this fall! Looking for a tasty fall favorite? Try this butternut squash and apple salad. <http://mayocli.in/2ai4E6t> (bcbsil.org10/2017)