

Saint Mary's News

Mass Schedule

Saturday, July 28th - 3:30 p.m. - Jim Kowalczyk
Sunday, July, 29th - 9:00 a.m. - **Polish Mass** - Marek Starosciak
Sunday, July 29th - 10:30 a.m. - Virginia Pawlik

Attention: Any parishioner who is homebound and wishes to receive Communion please call the office at 610-779-4005.

There will be a Polish Mass next Sunday, July 29th at 9:00 a.m. in the Church.



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.

ASSUMPTION OF MARY IS ON AUGUST 15TH AND IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. Masses will be as follows:

Tuesday, August 14th -
Vigil of Assumption

7:00 p.m. - Church (Route 562)

Wednesday, August 15th -

Feast of the Assumption (Route 562)

6:30 a.m. - Church (Route 562)

8:00 a.m. - Church (Route 562)

8:00 a.m. St. Mary's Church

7:00 p.m. - Church (Route 562)

Please note all Masses for Assumption will be held at the Church on Route 562 because of the construction on Perkiomen Avenue, except for the 8:00 a.m. Mass at Saint Mary's.



We would like to express our gratitude and best wishes to Connie Fry (33 years) and Lorraine Gajewski (27 years) upon their retirements from the Religious Education program in our parish. We thank you both for all your hard work and dedication in both teaching and in the coordination of PREP for so many years, and for preparing our children to receive the sacraments.



*We would also like to welcome Marci Zambito as the new Director of Religious Education and Youth Minister at St. Catharine's. Marci is a native of St. Catharine's parish, and has taught in our school for over 20 years, most recently in 5th Grade. Please be assured of our prayers and support as you take on this new role in forming our young people in the faith. **You can reach Marci at 610-779-8535.***

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jer 23:1-6: Woe to those who sow evil. Their evil deeds will be punished. Good Shepherds will be appointed. There will come a shoot to David in whose days Judah will be saved.

Eph 2:13-18: Paul tells the Ephesians that Christ has brought them together. Jesus has brought peace and reconciliation through His cross.

Mk 6:30-34: Jesus called the apostles aside to rest. Still the people came, so Jesus and the apostles went to a deserted place. Yet the people came.

Today's Message - Jesus, Our Shepherd, nourishes and strengthens us, guiding us in right paths. He is the righteous shoot of David, the peace between Jews and Gentiles, between God and all humanity.

SUNDAY, JULY 22

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOP -

10:00 a.m. - Social Hall

MONDAY, JULY 23

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - after 7:15 a.m. Mass until 8 p.m.

GRIEF SHARE - 7:00 p.m. - Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25

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

FRIDAY, JULY 26

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBIS GOLF OUTING - 1 p.m. - Reading Country Club

Are you looking for an opportunity to share your faith? Do you want to be a part of strengthening our parish and building the church? Our parish PREP program is looking for a 2nd-grade catechist and classroom aides for various levels. You do not need to be a professional teacher in order to volunteer. All materials are provided. What a great way to live out our mission and spread the love of Jesus! Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to share your faith with the children of our parish. For more information contact Marci Zambito at 610-779-8535 or mzambito@scsreading.org

HELP SUPPORT EXETER AREA FOOD PANTRY by donating hygiene products (shampoo, soap, toothpaste, deodorant etc.) This collection will be on an ongoing basis. A collection bin will be located in the back of the Church. INFO: Phil or Bonnie 610-779-6045.

Ministry to Traveling Catholics- For nationwide Mass time and locations: Call 1-858-207-6277 (not toll-free) or internet www.masstimes.org

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JULY 23

7:15 David Stefanik (1st Anniversary)

TUESDAY, JULY 24

7:15 Joseph & Regina Kastenmaier

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25

7:15 Michael Pelachick (14th Anniversary)

THURSDAY, JULY 26

7:15 Erin Overly

FRIDAY, JULY 27

7:15 Mario Salvatore

SATURDAY, JULY 28

8:00 D. Regina Skrincosky

4:30 Eleanor Majka

SUNDAY, JULY 29

7:30 Lily Carus (17th Anniversary)

9:00 Irene McCullough (13th Anniversary)

10:30 Maggie Cambria

12:00 Michael Keller (3rd Anniversary)

Readings for the Week of July 22, 2018

Sunday	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34
Monday	Saint Bridget, Religious Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 & 23; Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday	Saint Sharbel Makhlúf, Priest Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7, 8; Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday	Saint James, Apostle 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Mt 20:20-28
Thursday	Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11; Mt 13:10-17
Friday	Jer 3:14-17; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Mt 13:18-23
Saturday	Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a & 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-30
Sunday	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

Thank you for your generous contributions last week to the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe! As a parish, we collected \$2,691.00 to help restore the Church and build the future in over 25 countries. Thanks for your support!

Sacred Heart Villa - Nun Run 5K & 1M Fun Walk 2018-September

15th– Bring your family and friends to benefit the Missionary Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart! Register as an individual or a team at www.mscreading.org by August 25th to guarantee your dry fit NUN RUN t-shirt! Registration is \$25 before race day; \$30 on race day. Email Carrie at chwtmoyer@mscreading.org with questions, to register or to become a sponsor!

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 7/23	Father Edwin Sanders
Tuesday 7/24	Father Frederick Sattler
Wednesday 7/25	Monsignor Walter Scheaffer
Thursday 7/26	Monsignor Francis Schoenauer
Friday 7/27	Father Edwin Schwartz
Saturday 7/28	Father Mark Searles
Sunday 7/29	Father Adam Sedar

We pray for the Gift of Peace in the world and the safety of those working for peace through the military services, especially: Kadan C. Soja, Seaman First Class Julian Arroyo, 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, Tech. 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.

Saint Catharine of Siena is accepting applications for the following school positions for the 2018-2109 school year.

Full time fifth grade teacher. Must possess teaching certificate. Please send Diocesan Teacher Application, cover letter, resume, all certifications and clearances, Pastor recommendation, and both personal and professional references to Mrs. Marcella Kraycik, principal, 2330 Perkiomen Avenue, Reading, PA 19606 Mkraycik@scsreading.org <http://www.allentowndiocese.org/about/employment>

Long Term Substitute Teacher, fifth grade. Teaching certificate, preferred. Please send cover letter, resume, all certifications and clearances, Pastor recommendation, and both personal and professional references to Mrs. Marcella Kraycik, principal, 2330 Perkiomen Avenue, Reading, PA 19606 Mkraycik@scsreading.org <http://www.allentowndiocese.org/about/employment>

Full time computer teacher. Must possess teaching certificate. Please send Diocesan Teacher Application cover letter, resume, all certifications and clearances, Pastor recommendation, and both personal and professional references to Mrs. Marcella Kraycik, principal, 2330 Perkiomen Avenue, Reading, PA 19606 Mkraycik@scsreading.org <http://www.allentowndiocese.org/about/employment>

Weekend Mass Schedule

July 23rd - 4:30 p.m. (Church)
Lector - Sue Hissick
Cantor - Jay Yohn
Organist - Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - M. Fernandez - E. Fernandez - S. Robinson
July 24th - 7:30 a.m. Mass (Church)
Lector- Russ Jirik
Altar Servers - N. Wentling - J. Wentling - M. Schneider
July 25th - 9:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
Lector - Al Worrall
Cantor - Mollie Ziemba
Organist - Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - D. O'Hara - C. Wright - S. Wright
July 26th - 10:30 a.m. Mass (Church)
Lector - Ed Dougherty
Cantor - Michele Feeney
Organist- Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - D. Dougherty - E. Oscar - M. Pawlik
July 27th - 12:00 p.m. Mass (Church)
Lector - Colleen Kelly
Cantor - Kim Kostival
Organist - Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - R. Bernas - H. Keperling - T. Keperling

Parish Nurse News - Never Text and Drive. Scientific data tells us that even hand-free conversation on your phone contributes to distracted driving. The call can wait. Be safe - for yourself, your loved ones, and the others who are sharing the road with you! (Jacy Good).

If you or your family member is at St. Joseph's Hospital please call the Parish Center if you would like a Priest to visit at 610-779-4005. St. Joseph's has a new computer system and are unable to run reports for us.

East Reading Reunion - Do you? Did you ever? -Live or work in East Reading? How long since you saw your East Reading friends & neighbors? Join us at Liederkrantz, Spook Lane, Reading, **Sunday, September 16th** from noon till 6 p.m. Follow us on Facebook at East Reading Reunion 2018 or call Tom Gajewski at 610-698-8731 or Sandy Lubas Hummel at 610-207-7065 for reservations. Limited tickets.

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Monday following the 7:15 a.m. Mass concluding at 8 p.m. in the Chapel on Perkiomen Avenue. Everyone welcome!

“One cannot know the Lord without being in the habit of adoring, adoring in silence. I believe, if I am not mistaken, that this prayer of adoration is the least known among us; it is the one we engage in the least.” - Pope Francis



Almighty and Everlasting God, the eternal salvation of those who believe in You, hear us on behalf of Your servants who are sick, for whom we humbly beg the help of your mercy, so that, being restored to health, they may render thanks to you in your Church.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen

“a time to be born...”

Recently Baptized: Madeline Polidore, Brielle Matyas, Adam Willey & William Skrbn

Please pray for our sick :

*Lynn Adams, Stella Albrecht, Anthony Antonucci, Bob Bechtel, Melody Bechtel, Judy Bilski, Sandy Bradley, Joseph Brahler, Mike Bristol, Frank Broga, Marwin Bush, Larry Curtin, Charles DeNaples, Jane Fordyce, Maureen Gibson, Joseph Gierschick, Jr., Joseph Goyal, Barry Hafer, Wayne Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, Ken Higo, Dorothy Kaisoglus, Winnie Kerns, Dorothy Kosikowski, Margaret Kreuzberger, Darryl Larish, Albert Lellig, Fred Lenich, Timothy Loeper, Daniel Lonergan, Jacob McCue, Stanley Michlak, Nicholas Milanek, Pat Nelis, Mike Panik, Patricia Pinto, Donald Pisker, Sharon Prechtel, Pat Prutzman, Lorraine Ransom, Mary Ryan, Anne Schaeffer, Ann Schweitzer, Margaret Scott, Vincent Skimski, Tyler Skoczen, Earl Suchomelly, Alan Wachowicz, Frank White, Leo Woelkers, Ann Marie Zawislak ... & our soldiers in harm's way: and a time for peace ...a time to die... *Vincent Rosati*, (son of Joseph & Maria Rosati)*

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.

Breaking school news!



A handful of openings available in our full-time Kindergarten and Pre-K for 2018-19 school year.

Please note: Due to a family re-location, an opening has just arisen in our previously closed Kindergarten class. Also! At this printing, we have only 3 spots left in our Pre-K class.

Don't miss out! Call the office at 610-779-5810 to register your child/children for next year.

MEMORIAL PLAQUES

From time to time, when someone dies the family suggests that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to St. Catharine of Siena's Church Memorial Fund. When these donations amount to \$300 or more we put the name of the deceased on the plaque.

We also memorialize those who have remembered St. Catharine's in their estates. The various categories are: **Willed Donations-Builders**- \$1,000-\$4,999; **Benefactors**=\$5,000-\$19,000; **Special Benefactors** - \$20,000-\$49,000; **Distinguished Benefactors** - over \$50,000. We invite you to remember each of these parish benefactors in your prayers as you enter the Church and the Chapel.

50 Plus News

The yearly Picnic for the 50+ Club will be held on **August 1, 2018**. The board meeting will be held on **July 31, 2018** at 10:00 am. Please call Carol Buddell, President of the 50+ club at 610-401-0600 with any questions or concerns. You can see us on **Facebook** for additional information.

MEETINGS

AUGUST 1, 2018: SPECIAL EVENT – Our Summer Picnic—Entertainment—Steve Kucenski, plays the accordion. Cost: \$15.00

SEPTEMBER 5, 2018: Bring your favorite salad for **all to share**, general, Caesar, broccoli, pasta or your special salad. Cake and Coffee . Country Meadows – Your health and exercise for seniors

OCTOBER 3, 2018: Susan Staub – will give us ideas for decorating for the holidays, Thanksgiving & Christmas - Cake and Coffee

NOVEMBER 7, 2018: Chinese Auction, all members to bring a NEW \$5.00 or more gift - **unwrapped** to be auctioned off, only NEW gifts will be accepted. Cake & Coffee

DECEMBER 5, 2018: CHRISTMAS PARTY, Crowne Plaza, **Special Event**

2018 TRAVEL PLANS

Sept 19, 2018, Wednesday- Baltimore Harbor National Aquarium...Lunch at Bubba Gumps, then shopping. Cost: \$125

Oct 15th to 19th, 2018, Kentucky Ark Experience + Creation Museum + Cathedral of the Assumption + more & Pittsburgh tour the Duquesne incline + Frank Lloyd Wright's Falling Waters. \$955 Double, \$870 Triple, \$1220 Single.

Nov 28, 2018, Wednesday-Hunterdon Hills Playhouse Dinner Theatre, Christmas Musical, includes lunch and a show. Cost: \$100.00

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

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS, CONTACT PERSONS
AND RESOURCES

Altar Servers – (Father John Rother – 610-779-4005)
American Heritage Girls - (Julia Wright - 610-370-9290)
Bible Sharing Group – (Terry Mscichowski 610-779-0999)
Boy Scout- (Terry Wade - 610-478-1200)
Bereavement Support - (Judy Cameron– 610-370-1174)
Catholic Charities - (610-376-7144)
Catholic Soup Kitchen (Sara Miller 610-404-1590)
Choir- (Dave Kostival – 484-332-8695)
Church Library - (Karin Donato - 610-779-3642)
Cub Scouts – (610-888-5595 Kristen Reinert)
Cursillo – (Bill McMahon 610-779-8654)
CYO President – (Kevin Franey - 610-370-5243)
CYO Athletic Director - (Cristina Schmehl- 610-779-1513)
Disability Advocates -(Carol McCullough 610-370-1660)
Eucharistic Ministers-(Donna Weidner 610-779-8283)
Exeter Food Bank - (Phil & Bonnie Blankenstein - 610-779-6045)
Girl Scouts - (Adrienne Evans - 908-872-6105)
Guitar Choir – (Ann DelCollo - 610-777-5234)
Home School Organization- (Janet Decembrino - 610-370-9131)
Knights of Columbus - (Tom Rochowicz –610-779-2851)
Lectors – (John Vogel 610-779-6287)
Legion of Mary - (Joe Akkara - 610-370-5762)
Little Angels – (Heather Keperling - 610-370-2378)
Maintenance - (Carl Andrzejewski (610-779-4005)
Marriage Preparation - (610-779-4005)
Ministers of Hospitality- (Deacon John Stapleton 610-779-4005)
Parish Nurses - mjauman@verizon.net
Parish School – (Mrs. Marcella Kraycik - 610-779-5810)
Saint Catharine's Pre-School – (610-779-5810)
PREP (CCD) – (Coordinator - Marci Zambito,610-779-8535)
Protecting God's Children Coordinator - (Cristina Schmehl - 610-779-1513 & Marci Zambito - 610-779-8535)
RCIA – (Father John Rother - 610-779-4005)
Religious Store - (Bill Wertz - 610-779-5283)
Saint Vincent de Paul Society- (Carol Cinelli 610-779-3113)
School Board - Michele Weber (610-779-8406)
Scrip – (Cristina Schmehl - 610-779-1513)
Senior Citizen Group (50+Club)- (Carol Buddell - 610-401-0600)
Serra Club – (Bob Wright 610-779-9040)
Siena Stitchers - (Judy McMahon - 610-779-8654)
Youth Choir– Kate Bobb - (610-689-9816)
Youth Group - (Marci Zambito 610-779-8535)
Parish Office- (610-779-4005) ; Fax: 610-779-0859
Church Website - <http://www.scsreading.org/scsparish/wp/>
Saint Catharine's School - 610-779-5810