

## Saint Mary's News

### Mass Schedule

Saturday, October 13th - 3:30 p.m. - John Dziejic

Sunday, October 14th - 10:30 a.m.— Regina Wrobel

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

There will be a Latin Mass next Sunday, October 14th, at 12:30 p.m. in the Church. Reconciliation at noon.



**ONCE AGAIN, THIS FALL, WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR DAILY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL (PERKIOMEN AVENUE).** VISITATION WITH OUR LORD IN HIS MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT WILL CONTINUE FROM 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., STARTING MONDAY, OCTOBER 1st THRU FRIDAY, UNTIL SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH, CONCLUDING WITH THE SOLEMN CLOSING OF THE FORTY HOUR DEVOTION. JESUS WILL BE WAITING FOR YOUR VISIT. **THE HOMILIST WILL BE FATHER JOHN HUTTA.**

**WHAT IS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?** EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IS THE ACT OF WORSHIPPING GOD AS HE IS PRESENT IN THE CONSECRATED EUCHARIST. **"OF ALL DEVOTIONS, THAT OF ADORING JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IS THE GREATEST AFTER THE SACRAMENTS, THE ONE DEAREST TO GOD AND THE ONE MOST HELPFUL TO US."** St. Alphonsus Liguori. For more information, please call Kathy Green at (610) 698-4089.

*Pawprints*   
LEFT BY YOU...

You no longer greet me,  
As I walk through the door.  
You're not there to make me smile,  
To make me laugh anymore.  
Life seems quiet without you,  
You were far more than a pet.  
You were a family member, a friend,  
*...a loving soul I'll never forget.*

It will take time to heal-  
For the silence to go away.  
I still listen for you,  
And miss you every day.  
You were such a great companion,  
Constant, loyal and true.  
My heart will always wear,  
*the pawprints left by you.©*

## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Gn 2:18-24:** God, knowing that man needs companionship, created animals, and birds and finally placed Adam in a deep sleep and took one of his ribs, forming a woman.

**Heb 2:9-11:** To suffer, Jesus took a human body. In this way God made our leader perfect through suffering, bringing salvation. All who are consecrated have thereby a common Father and become brothers and sisters.

**Mk 10:2-16:** The Pharisees, knowing the permission of Moses about divorce, test Jesus, but he recalls the reason for the command and reminds them of God's intention for the unity of marriage. Divorce followed by remarriage is adultery.

**Today's Message** - Conjugal love, lived in fidelity to God's original plan, is to be one of the principal manifestations of the Kingdom proclaimed by Jesus. Through baptism into Christ, we join with Him in having one and the same Father.

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7**

BAPTISMS - After the noon Mass - Church  
YOUTH GROUP 6:30 - 8:30 - Upper Room  
CUB DEN MEETING - 6:00 p.m. - Social Hall

#### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 8**

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION- after 8 a.m. Mass until 8 p.m.  
GUITAR CHOIR PRACTICE - 7:00 p.m. - Church  
GRIEF SHARE - 7:00 p.m. - Parish Center

#### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10**

LEGION OF MARY - 6:30 p.m. - Parish Center  
PREP LEVELS 1-5 - 6:45 - 8:00 p.m. - School  
PREP LEVELS 6-8 - 6:30 - 7:45 p.m. - School

#### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12**

SCOUTS HALLOWEEN PARTY - 7:00 p.m. - Social Hall

#### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13**

BAPTISMAL WORKSHOP - 10:00 a.m. - Parish Center

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14**

FAMILY HOLY HOUR - 7:00 p.m. - Chapel

**ALL INFORMATION FOR THE BULLETIN OF THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 21ST MUST BE RECEIVED IN OUR OFFICE NO LATER THAN MONDAY, OCTOBER 15TH. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.**

### 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](http://www.allentowndiocese.org) and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner of the page.

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 8

6:30 Eileen & John Anderson

8:00 Bob Gallagher

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9

6:30 Theresa Schlaffer

8:00 Stanley Maksimowicz

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

6:30 Spencer Leddy

8:00 Bill Bradley (12th Anniversary)

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11

6:30 Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

8:00 Barry Parney ( 1st Anniversary)

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12

6:30 Josephine Farrell

8:30 Bonnie Sell (**Mass held at the Gym**)

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13

8:00 Gerald Impink

4:30 George Auchter (5th Anniversary)

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

7:30 Dick Horrigan

9:00 Casey Zielinski

10:30 Deceased Members of the Impellizzeri & Nuccio Families

12:00 Dr. Clete Cinelli

### Readings for the Week of October 7, 2018

#### Sunday

**Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Heb 2:9-11;  
Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

#### Monday

Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9, 10c;  
Lk 10:25-37

#### Tuesday

**Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions,  
Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest**

Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15;  
Lk 10:38-42

#### Wednesday

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc-2; Lk 11:1-4

#### Thursday

**Saint John XXIII, Pope**

Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Lk 11:5-13

#### Friday

Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 11:15-26

#### Saturday

Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 11:27-28

#### Sunday

**Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17;  
Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

**We pray for the Gift of Peace** in the world and the safety of those working for peace through the military services, especially: SPC Mackenzie Adame, Kadan C. Soja, Seaman First Class Julian Arroyo, Staff Sgt. Brian Perrotto, LCPL David Ermentrout, 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, Lt. Col. Jeffrey Brizek, Warrant Officer Gregory Van Horn, Major Jeffrey Van Horn, Lt. Cdr. Allison Rosati Martin, Lt. , 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.



**PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS**

Monday 10/8	Father Thomas Buckley
Tuesday 10/9	Father George Bur
Wednesday 10/10	Father Douglas Burns
Thursday 10/11	Father Christopher Butera
Friday 10/12	Monsignor Albert Byrne
Saturday 10/13	Father Floyd Caesar
Sunday 10/14	Monsignor Aloysius Callaghan

**Parish Nurse News** - Diabetes is affecting more people today. If not managed well, it can lead to conditions such as stroke and heart disease, If you have been diagnosed with diabetes or elevated blood sugar, avoid complications of diabetes: follow your doctor's orders, know your blood glucose level, eat smart, and exercise regularly.

**The Questions You Never Ask But Should:** When you think about the life you want and deserve for your family does it seem overwhelming to create a financial plan that takes all of your future needs and expenses into account? Are you feeling unprepared to make important end of life decisions? Then please join us **October 18th** at the McGlenn Center located near Alvernia University from 6:00 to 8:00 pm for a complementary information presentation in which our panel of pastoral and financial experts, may have answers you need to make smart decisions about your financial future. Small plates and sweets will be served. Please RSVP by October 15<sup>th</sup> to Ginny Downey at (610) 871-5200 ext. 2244 or [gdowney@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:gdowney@allentowndiocese.org)

**Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup>** blood drive in the social hall from 8:15 to 1:15 pm. Contact Miller Keystone 800 223 6667 or email [David.Sheehan@med.ge.com](mailto:David.Sheehan@med.ge.com) to donate.



**Father John will be holding altar server training sessions** open to all students in 6th grade and up. Sessions are scheduled for Saturday, October

20th and Saturday, October 27th from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Church. All students are welcome! Please call the Parish Center at 610-779-4005 to sign up.

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

**October 13th - 4:30 p.m. (Church)**  
Lector - Helen Veet  
Cantor - Mollie Ziembra  
Organist - Dave Kostival  
Altar Servers - H. Keperling - T. Keperling - J. Iswalt  
**October 14th - 7:30 a.m. Mass (Church)**  
Lector- Melissa Woodard  
Altar Servers - J. Konopelski - M. Partsch - B. Truong  
**October 14th - 9:00 a.m. Mass (Church)**  
Lector - Vince McDevitt  
Guitar Group  
Altar Servers - N. Lamp - R. Stoudt - G. Reed  
**October 14th - 10:30 a.m. Mass (Church)**  
Lector - Chris Marabella  
Voices In Praise Choir  
Organist- Dave Kostival  
Altar Servers - K. Nguyen - M. Ream - J. Howard  
**October 14th - 12:00 p.m. Mass (Church)**  
Lector - Gretchen Wentling  
Cantor - Kate Bobb  
Organist - Dave Kostival  
Altar Servers - A. Kline - H. Paris - N. Barbera

**Kennedy House.** Want to volunteer and help those struggling? It is St. Catharine's turn to run the **Kennedy House** in Reading. We would love to have you come and help out either Saturday, October 20th and or Sunday, October 21st or both days! Times are from 9-2 each day. Please call, text, or email if you can help - Sara Miller 484-459-0270. Hope to see you there. Also if you are unable to help but would be willing to donate food or other supplies we would need, please contact me as well.

**SUNDAY AFTERNOONS OF REFLECTION – BEREAVEMENT SEMINAR-** Topic - "Loss of Spouse" 10-28-18 from 2- 4:30 PM - Registration is required before Oct. 5th & the book is \$5. For details email: [judyacameron@comcast.net](mailto:judyacameron@comcast.net) or call 610 370-1174

**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.

**Spiritual Combat: Armed with the Spirit** – This year's Diocesan Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, November 3, 2018, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at DeSales University. The day will include keynote addresses, exhibits and a Vigil Mass with The Most Reverend Alfred A. Schlert, Bishop of Allentown. Continental breakfast and lunch are included. General Admission is \$40 and the High School/ College rate is \$15. For more information or to register visit [www.allentowndiocese.org/mens-conference](http://www.allentowndiocese.org/mens-conference). Questions can be directed to [mensconference@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:mensconference@allentowndiocese.org) or (610) 289-8900, Ext. 2028.



**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...”**

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

Margaret Albert, Stella Albrecht, Anthony Antonucci, Jim Auchter, Beverly Bansner, Fr. John Bechtel, Melody Bechtel, MaryAnn Beeman, Sandy Bradley, Joseph Brahler, Mike Bristol, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Marvin Bush, Joseph Capilo, Raymond Cooper, Larry Curtin, Charles DeNaples, Arthur Dietrich Jr., Cathy Duggan, Gina Ebright, Jane Fordyce, Maureen Gibson, Joseph Gierschick, Jr., Joseph Gowal, David J. Gulati II, Wayne Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, Ken Higo, Winnie Kerns, Mary Kolakowski, Dorothy Kosikowski, Margaret Kreuzberger, Darryl Larish, Albert Lellig, Timothy Loeper, Daniel Lonergan, Kelly MacDonald, Charles E. Matthews, Cindy McConnell, Jacob McCue, Nicholas Milanek, Anna Mae Murphy, Patrick Nelis, Helen Nowotarski, Patricia Pinto, Donald Pisker, Sharon Prechtel, Pat Prutzman, Lorraine Ransom, Anne Schaeffer, Ann Schweitzer, Margaret Scott, Vincent Skimski, Tyler Skoczen, Eugene Sock, Betty Stasek, George Stenavage, Andy Strangarity, Paul Teske, Alan Wachowicz, Frank White, Leo Woelkers, Ann Marie Zawislak **and a time for peace ...a time to die:**

To have someone from your family enrolled on our prayer list, please call the Parish Center. 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**.



**Valerie (Farrell) Wertman is a long time parishioner. Fourth Annual “Sean Wertman Memorial 3 vs. 3 Basketball Tournament”**

**on Saturday, November**

**10th, 2018.** Please help to end addiction “One Basket” at a time...while having fun and displaying good sportsmanship! Where: Exeter Senior High School gyms for boys and girls in **5th and 6th grades & 7th & 8th**. The purpose is to increase awareness of over the counter medicine abuse and a fundraiser for Adult\Teen Challenge Rehab. \$60 per team entrance fee. For sign ups and more info call or text Roger or Valerie Wertman at 610-779-8943. You can also leave a voicemail, or [rogerwertman@yahoo.com](mailto:rogerwertman@yahoo.com) or on Facebook - ([seanwertmanbb](https://www.facebook.com/seanwertmanbb)). **Forms and details can be found on Facebook.** Please help this important cause. **Team sponsors and donations are appreciated!**

**PRAYER TO  
ST. MICHAEL  
THE ARCHANGEL**

**St. Michael the Archangel,  
defend us in battle.**

**Be our protection against  
the wickedness and snares of the Devil.  
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,  
and do thou,**

**O Prince of the heavenly hosts,  
by the power of God,  
thrust into hell Satan,  
and all the evil spirits,  
who prowl about the world  
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen**

## 50+ CLUB NEWS

The monthly meeting for the 50+ Club will be held on **November 7, 2018** at 1:00 pm. The board meeting will be held on **November 6, 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

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

**DECEMBER 5, 2018:** CHRISTMAS PARTY, Crowne Plaza, **11:30-3:00**, lunch served at 12:00 noon, Entertainment provided by Tony Farina, Cost: \$25.00

**JANUARY 9, 2019:** NEW YEARS CELEBRATION with members to bring appetizers and snacks to share - Cake and Coffee  
Let's play BINGO

**FEBRUARY 6, 2019:** Valentine Day Celebration with cakes and coffee  
Speaker: Pat White – 2019 trip schedule

**March 6, 2019:** St. Patrick Day Celebration, wear Green.  
Members to bring their favorite MEATLESS SOUP

**APRIL 3, 2019:** SPECIAL EVENT - Everybody's Birthday Celebration. More information to follow.

### 2018 TRAVEL PLANS

**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

**IT IS NOT EASY TO EXPLAIN CURSILLO, NOT BECAUSE IT IS A SECRET ORGANIZATION, BUT BECAUSE BEHIND THE MYSTERY IS GOD. COME AND EXPERIENCE THE MYSTERY FOR YOURSELF. MEN'S WEEKEND OCTOBER 11-14, WOMEN'S WEEKEND OCTOBER 18-21. FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL KATHY GREEN AT (610) 698-4089 OR LISA IANNI AT (610) 223-2123.**



## Upcoming Youth Events

**October 7** – Upper Room from 6:30 – 8:30

**October 14** – Family Holy Hour 7:00pm in the Chapel.

**October 20** – Special Needs Soccer game. See website to time and place.

**October 21** – Upper Room from 6:30 – 8:30

**October 27** – Corn Maze at Mast Farms

If you would like to be included in youth group text reminders, please send a text to **81010**. In the body of the message write **@stcathari**

**SAVE THE DATES!!!**

Senior High Youth Retreat – February 22 – 24

Summer Mission Trip – July 21 - 27

For more information and permission slips for the events please visit the youth website at [www.scsyouth.weebly.com](http://www.scsyouth.weebly.com)

The youth group is looking for donations to help furnish the upper room. We are hoping for bean bag chairs, folding tables, end tables, book shelves, board games, art and craft supplies, and inspirational posters/artwork. Please contact Marci Zambito at [mzambito@scsreading.org](mailto:mzambito@scsreading.org) to donate. Thank you!

## The Five-Finger Prayer

**First Finger: Pray for those who are close to Us**

**Exodus 20:12** "Honor your father and mother. Then you will live a long, full life in the land the Lord your God is giving you."

**Second Finger: Pray for those who instruct Us**

**1 Peter 4:10** "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."

**Third Finger: Pray for our Leaders**

**Matthew 20: 26** "It is not so among you, but whoever wishes to become great among you shall be your servant."

**Fourth Finger: Pray for the Weak**

**Psalms 103:2-** "Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget none of His benefits; Who pardons all your iniquities; Who heals all your diseases; Who redeems your life from the pit; Who crowns you with loving kindness and compassion; Who satisfies your years with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle."

**Fifth Finger: Pray for Ourselves**

**Genesis 1:27-** "So God created man in his [own] image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them."