

Saint Mary's News

Mass Schedule

Saturday, October 27th - 3:30 p.m. - Donna Wrobel  
Sunday, October 28th - 9:00 a.m. - (Polish Mass)  
Marek Starosciak & Monika Kochmanski  
Sunday, October 28th - 10:30 a.m.- Zofia Lemanek

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, October 28th at 9:00 a.m. in the Church.

There will be one Mass for All Saints Day on Thursday, November 1st at 8:00 a.m. in the Church.

OUR LOVED ONES REMEMBERED

St. Catharine's Family of Faith lovingly extends to you an invitation to gather with your sisters and brothers who support, sustain and encourage each other in the tender love of the Lord. Everyone experiences grief in a unique way. Healing comes, however, our hearts are touched by the hand of the Lord. On Friday, November 2nd at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel. St. Catharine's Family beckons you to share with us in a Memorial Mass of love and remembrance of your dearly departed family members.

If you have lost a family member during the 2018 year, please fill out the form below and return it to the Rectory or place in the collection basket no later than Sunday, October 28th.

OUR LOVED ONES REMEMBERED

Name of deceased: \_\_\_\_\_

Person requesting: \_\_\_\_\_

I will attend \_\_\_\_\_

I will not attend \_\_\_\_\_

**NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> IS ALL SAINT'S DAY.  
IT IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION!  
Masses will be as follows:**

Vigil of All Saints - October 31<sup>st</sup>  
7:00 p.m. (Church)  
All Saint's Day - November 1<sup>st</sup>  
6:30 a.m. ( Church )  
8:00 a.m. (Church )  
9:30 a.m. **\*\*\* (School Gym) \*\*\***  
7:00 p.m. ( Church )

There will also be a 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's on November 1st at 8:00 a.m.

**Please note all Masses at Saint Catharine's will be at the Church due to the construction except for the 9:30 a.m. Mass it will be held in the School Gym.**

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., MONDAY, 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.

Bishop Schlert has authorized a Free will offering to help to aid in the recovery of Hurricane Florence next weekend, October 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>.

## TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Is 53:10-11**— The suffering servant speaks of his life as a sin offering that his people may prosper enjoying a long life. Through his suffering he will bear the guilt of many.

**Heb 4:14-16**: Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is the high priest who shares all our weaknesses, except sin. His mercy comes to all who seek it.

**Mk 10:35-45**— James and John request a special honor in the kingdom of heaven. Jesus reminds them and the other ten that anyone who aspires to greatness must be prepared to serve first.

**TODAY'S MESSAGE** – True greatness is found in serving one another and by giving ourselves as did Jesus who suffered that we might be justified. He is our compassionate high priest in whom we have placed our hope.

### **THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21**

BAPTISMS— After the Noon Mass - Church  
YOUTH GROUP— 6:30-8:30 - Upper Room  
CUB SCOUT DEN MEETING - 6:00 p.m. Social Hall  
CHOIR PRACTICE - 9:00 a.m. - Knights Room

#### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 22**

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION- after 8 a.m. Mass until 8 p.m.— Chapel

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

#### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23**

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION- after 8 a.m. Mass until 8 p.m.— Chapel

#### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24**

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION- after 8 a.m. Mass until 8 p.m.— Chapel

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

PREP LEVELS 1-5 - 6:45 - 8:00 p.m. - School

PREP LEVELS 6-7 - 6:30 - 7:45 p.m. - School

#### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25**

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION- after 8 a.m. Mass until 8 p.m.— Chapel

#### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26**

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION- after 8 a.m. Mass until 8 p.m.— Chapel

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28**

GRIEF SHARE - 1:00 –4:00 p.m. - Parish Center

BLOOD BANK SIGN UP - AFTER MASSES

CHOIR PRACTICE - 9:00 a.m. - Knights Room

**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.

**2019 Sunday Missals are now available at the church store. They can also be obtained at the Parish Center. Lectors and Eucharist Ministers can pick up their complimentary copies in the priest's sacristy.**

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 22**

6:30 Donald Unger, Jr.

8:00 Marilyn Clifford

#### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23**

6:30 Margaret McDevitt .

8:00 Russell Hartman

#### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24**

6:30 David & Sandy Rickert (37th Wedding Anniversary)

8:00 Francis Dougherty (1st Anniversary)

#### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25**

6:30 Margaret Gombar

8:00 Frank Konopelski (1st Anniversary)

#### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26**

6:30 Jesse Arnold

8:30 Joan Schuhwerk

#### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27**

8:00 Catherine Didyoung

4:30 Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28**

7:30 John J. Palkon

9:00 James Cogill

10:30 Adam Gajewski

12:00 Marion Hannahoe

### **Readings for the Week of October 21, 2018**

**Sunday** **Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22;

Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

**Monday**

**Saint John Paul II, Pope**

Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5;

Lk 12:13-21

**Tuesday**

**Saint John of Capistrano, Priest**

Eph 2:12-22; Ps 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14;

Lk 12:35-38

**Wednesday**

**Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop**

Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk 12:39-48

**Thursday**

Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19;

Lk 12:49-53

**Friday**

Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59

**Saturday**

Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 13:1-9

**Sunday**

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Heb 5:1-6;

Mk 10:46-52

**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**

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|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Monday 10/22    | Monsignor John Chizmar   |
| Tuesday 10/23   | Father Donald Cieniewicz |
| Wednesday 10/24 | Father Richard Clement   |
| Thursday 10/25  | Monsignor Robert Coll    |
| Friday 10/26    | Father Edward Connolly   |
| Saturday 10/27  | Father James Connolly    |
| Sunday 10/28    | Monsignor Edward Coyle   |

**Soup Kitchen** - Can you help us? Kennedy House is looking for volunteers who can be called occasionally on an as needed basis when groups who are running the weekend soup kitchen fall short with people to help. If interested please call Laura Wilson at 610-929-2765.



**Show your support for our veterans! American Heritage Girls is participating again this year in the Wreaths**

**Across America Campaign. For \$15 you can purchase a Christmas wreath that we will place on a veterans grave at Forest Hills Cemetery in December. Look for us in the gathering area after all Masses the weekend of November 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>.**

**Volunteers needed!** If you are interested in becoming a Lector for the 8:00 a.m. Mass, please call the Parish Center at 610-779-4005. Training will be provided.



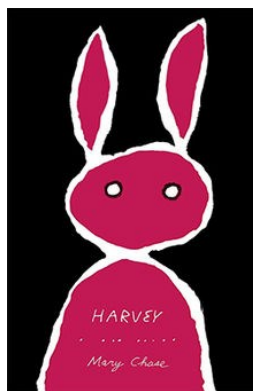
The Boy Scouts will be handing out bags after Mass today for the annual Scouting For Food drive. Please bring your non-perishable food donations to next week's Mass. All

food will be donated to the Greater Berks Food Bank.

**Parish Nurse News** - Keep your trick-or-treaters safe with well-lit outside areas, flashlights, face paint instead of masks (for better vision), and avoid floor length outfits that may be tripping hazards. Watch for choking hazards as well! Have lots of smiles, laughs, and fun!

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

**October 27th - 4:30 p.m. (Church)**  
Lector - Todd Tomczyk  
Cantor - Leah Rile  
Organist - Dave Kostival  
Altar Servers - Unavailable at press time  
**October 28th - 7:30 a.m. Mass (Church)**  
Lector - Kathy Lavanga  
Altar Servers - Unavailable at press time  
**October 28th - 9:00 a.m. Mass (Church)**  
Lector - Rosemary Caffrey  
Pianist - Kate Bobb  
Organist - Carol McDevitt  
Altar Servers - Unavailable at press time  
**October 28th - 10:30 a.m. Mass (Church)**  
Lector - Edrie Watson  
Voices In Praise Choir  
Organist - Dave Kostival  
Altar Servers - Unavailable at press time  
**October 28th - 12:00 p.m. Mass (Church)**  
Lector - Rose Ann Uhrig  
Cantor - Tracy Scheirer  
Organist - Dave Kostival  
Altar Servers - Unavailable at press time



Berks Catholic High School invites you to attend our 2018 Fall Play *Harvey* by Mary Chase, a comedy in three acts starring Elwood Dowd and his imaginary six-and-a-half-foot rabbit, Harvey.

Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.

Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:00

P.M. and 7:00 P.M.

Franco-Post Auditorium- Tickets (Adult \$10 and Student \$5) are available at the door

Open Seating

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

**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





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: Adalyn Kauffman & Aubreigh Frazer

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

Margaret Albert, Stella Albrecht, Anthony Antonucci, Jim Auchter, Beverly Bansner, Fr. James Bechtel, Melody Bechtel, MaryAnn Beeman, Sandy Bibbo, 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 Goyal, David J. Gulati II, Wayne Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, Ken Higo, Winnie Kerns, Mary Kolakowski, Dorothy Kosikowski, Margaret Kreuzberger, Albert Lellig, Timothy Loeper, Daniel Lonergan, Kelly MacDonald, Charles E. Mathews, Cindy McConnell, Jacob McCue, Nicholas Milanek, Anna Mae Murphy, Patrick Nelis, Helen Nowotarski, Patricia Pinto, Donald Pisker, Sharon Prechtl, Pat Prutzman, Lorraine Ransom, Nada Rathkey, Anne Schaeffer, Ann Schweitzer, Margaret Scott, Vincent Skimski, Tyler Skoczen, Eugene Sock, Betty Stasek, George Stenavage, Chris Starr, Andy Strangarity, Kent Styer, Paul Teske, Charles Vozella, Alan Wachowicz, Frank White, Leo Woelkers, Ann Marie Zawislak **and a time for peace ...a time to die: Genevieve McAnally**, (mother of Patricia McAnally )

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.**



**St. Catharine's CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE** -our annual kick-off to the holiday season- will be held on Friday, November 16 (5 p.m. – 9 p.m.) and Saturday, November 17 (8 a.m. – 3 p.m.)

We are currently looking for:

**Craft Vendors** (only a handful of spaces still open). Spaces start at \$55. Email David at [dkostival@comcast.net](mailto:dkostival@comcast.net).

**Bakers** willing to share their talents by committing to baking pies, cakes, breads, cookies or novelty items for the Boutique Bake Sale. Email Michele at [mfeeney@bovertownasd.org](mailto:mfeeney@bovertownasd.org)

**Volunteers** to work the kitchen, food service, the bake sale, the raffle tables on Friday and Saturday and cleanup beginning at 3 p.m. on Saturday. Email Jay at [jy5600@ptd.net](mailto:jy5600@ptd.net) or [Kim@balooda@comcast.net](mailto:Kim@balooda@comcast.net)

**Parishioners** to attend and support the event. Come for: dinner (on Friday), unique shopping and gifts, baked goods for Thanksgiving, homemade foods, raffles, prizes and more!



**THANK YOU** to all who have supported our Annual Walk-A-Thon For Catholic Education. We have raised over \$23,000 to date! (Remember to get your sponsorship return back to school by no later than November 5!) Thank you to

our amazing corporate sponsors: Lords & Ladies, Midlantic Machinery, Hollinger Law, Tiny Tim & Associates, Sneaker Villa, McGinn School Apparel Inc., Paragon Behavioral Health, Shelley Communication Services, S.O.S. Business Machines, Inc., Bean Funeral Homes Inc., The Egner Group at RE/MAX of Reading, Dr. & Mrs. Impellizzeri, Knight's Rental, Sunny's Car Wash & Lube, Chalmers Security, Rossi Mechanical Services, NextGen Security LLC, Lawlor Dermatology.

## 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**

**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!**



## Upcoming Youth Events

**October 21** – NO Upper Room tonight... instead feel free to attend a special screening of the documentary examining Pope Paul VI Encyclical - Humanae Vitae 1968. This movie will be shown, Sunday, October 21 at 7pm at

Berks Catholic. For Information visit [www.sexualrevolutionmovie.com](http://www.sexualrevolutionmovie.com) . **October 27** – Corn Maze at Mast Farms. RSVP by October 21. For more information and permission slips for the events please visit the youth website at [www.scsyouth.weebly.com](http://www.scsyouth.weebly.com) . 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 DATE!!!**

Senior High Youth Retreat – February 22, 2019 – February 24, 2019 Registration information coming soon!

## Youth Group Mission Trip

The Senior High Youth Group has the opportunity to travel to Charlotte, NY with Group Mission Catholic Workcamp. This opportunity gives us a chance to live out Roman Catholic social teaching by serving low income, elderly, disabled, or veterans with much needed home repairs. Group Mission Catholic Workcamp is led by trained Catholic youth ministry professionals, Capuchin Franciscan brothers and priests. All programming is designed to connect teens' service activities to their relationship with Jesus. To learn more, check out [www.groupmissiontrips.com](http://www.groupmissiontrips.com)

The trip will be July 21, 2019 – July 27, 2019. The cost of the trip is \$200 (fundraising opportunities will be available) and is open to 2019 graduated 8th graders – 2019 graduated seniors. Space is limited and available on a first-come first-serve basis. A non-refundable deposit of \$50 and signed permission slip will reserve your spot. Permission slips can be found on the youth website at [www.scsyouth.weebly.com](http://www.scsyouth.weebly.com)

## Volunteers needed!

We are looking for volunteers to help with Children's Liturgy of the Word on the second Sunday of each month. If interested, please contact Marci Zambito at [mzambito@scsreading.org](mailto:mzambito@scsreading.org) or 610-779-8535.

Many of us are uncomfortable with people who look and act "different". As a result, many people with disabilities are often ignored, isolated or rejected. When our response grows out of pity, the person with the disability feels patronized and diminished and does not necessarily react with gratitude. How much better to regard someone primarily as a person with abilities, and only secondarily as someone who may need assistance to use those abilities! **November 11, 2018 is Diocesan Disability Inclusion Awareness Sunday.**