

## Saint Mary's News

### Next Weekends Mass Schedule

Saturday, May 25th - 3:30 p.m. - Andrew, Elizabeth Marie & Andrew Dziedzic, Jr.

Sunday, May 26th - 9:00 a.m. - (Polish Mass) - Living & Deceased Members of the Kazimierowicz, Bednarz & Mackiewicz Families

Sunday, May 26th - 10:30 a.m. - David Soja

The Polish American Heritage Assoc. will be holding their annual Polish Open on Saturday, June 8th, at the Manor Golf Club, Sinking Spring. 1:00PM Scramble. \$75. per golfer includes golf, cart, gift bag, lunch, refreshments, famous Polish Open buffet, desserts and prizes. To register contact Toni at 484-333-2838. Deadline is May 31.

ASCENSION THURSDAY IS ON MAY 30TH AND IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. Mass will be at 8:00 a.m.

There will be a Polish Mass next Sunday, May 26th, at 9:00 a.m. in the Church.

THE PARISH CENTER WILL BE CLOSED ON MEMORIAL DAY. THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE MASS AT 9:00 A.M. AND NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE: DAILY MASS TIME - SUMMER HOURS -

During the summer starting Monday, May 28th, the daily Mass (Monday-Friday) will be changed to 7:15 a.m. There will only be one daily Mass. The Saturday morning Mass will remain at 8 A.M. The regular schedule will resume on August 27th.

## *Banns of Ordination*

*Reverend Mr. Giuseppe Charles Esposito, assigned as a transitional deacon in this parish, has been called to the Order of the Presbyterate by His Excellency, Alfred A. Schlert, D. D., J.C.L., Bishop of Allentown. Deacon Esposito will be ordained at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, Allentown, on Saturday, 1 June 2019.*

## Saint Catharine's Mass Schedule

**ASCENSION THURSDAY IS ON MAY 30TH AND IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. Masses will be as follows:**

**Wednesday - May 29th -**

**Vigil of Ascension Thursday**

**6:00 p.m. ( Church)**

**Ascension Thursday - May 30th**

**6:30 a.m. ( Church)**

**8:00 a.m. ( Church)**

**9:30 a.m. (School)**

**7:00 p.m. (Church)**

**Attention:** All information for the bulletin of **June 2nd** must be in the office by Wednesday, May 22nd. Also, all information for the bulletins of the **June 16th & 23rd** must be in the office by Wednesday, June 5th.

### **ADULT CONFIRMATION AT THE CATHEDRAL ON PENTECOST SUNDAY:**

Bishop Schlert will celebrate the Noon Mass on Pentecost Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, Allentown, within which he will confirm adults of our Diocese. Those to be confirmed are those adults (eighteen years of age or older) who were baptized in the Roman Catholic Church, received their First Holy Communion, are catechized, but never confirmed. Please contact the Parish Center at 610-779-4005 to register.

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Acts 14:21-27:** The life we have through Faith is not easy. We must struggle against many difficulties, even temptations, on our journey to eternal life.

**Rv 21:-1-5a:-** In the Kingdom of God all things are made new.

**Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35:** Jesus is about to be betrayed yet He teaches us the way to glory - the way He will go. It is the way of love.

**Today's Message:** At the conclusion of their missionary journey, Paul and Barnabas tell the Antioch community all that the Lord had accomplished in their preaching the kingdom of God. This kingdom, to be marked by our love for one another, will reach its fulfillment in new heavens and a new earth.

### WEEK IN OUR PARISH

#### SUNDAY, MAY 19

VOICES IN PRAISE REHEARSAL – 9 a.m. – Knights Room

BAPTISMS - After noon Mass

YOUTH GROUP - 6:30 p.m. - Upper Room

#### MONDAY, MAY 20

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – After 8 a.m. Mass until 8 p.m

ULTREYA - 7:30 p.m. - Social Hall

GUITAR PRACTICE - 7:00 p.m.. - Church

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

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

#### THURSDAY, MAY 23

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - 7:00 p.m. - Parish Center

#### SUNDAY, MAY 26

VOICES IN PRAISE REHEARSAL – 9 a.m. – Knights Room

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL:** We are grateful to all who pledged their support this weekend to the 2019 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL. Your gift will allow our diocese to meet the many and varied needs of the people of this diocese. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how small. If you did not take the opportunity to make your gift, you may do so at any time over the next few weeks by placing your pledge form in the collection basket or visiting the Appeal website at FaithHopeCharityGives.org. Thank you for your support!

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### MONDAY, MAY 20

6:30 Frank & Rhoda Russek

8:00 Dr. Frank Franco

#### TUESDAY, MAY 21

6:30 Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

8:00 Mary A. Arnold

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

6:30 Rose Marie Goldberg (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)

8:00 Erich Makosch

#### THURSDAY, MAY 23

6:30 John Byers

8:00 Josephine Brozene

#### FRIDAY, MAY 24

6:30 Evelyn R. Armbruster

8:30 Craig & Marcia Wert (46<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)

#### SATURDAY, MAY 25

8:00 Nick D'Alonzo

4:30 Julia Hafer

#### SUNDAY, MAY 26

7:30 Patrick & Celia O'Donnell

9:00 Susan Salvatore

10:30 Louise Screpesi (25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

12:00 Cynthia McMahon

### Readings for the Week of May 19, 2019

#### Sunday

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13;

Rev 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

#### Monday

**Saint Bernadine of Siena, Priest**

Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

#### Tuesday

**Saint Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs**

Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21;

Jn 14:27-31a

#### Wednesday

**Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious**

Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8

#### Thursday

Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

#### Friday

Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12; Jn 15:12-17

#### Saturday

**Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church; Saint Gregory VII, Pope;**

**Saint Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, Virgin**

Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

#### Sunday

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;

Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

**DEFENDING THE FAITH CONFERENCE BUS TRIP** to Franciscan Univ. Jul 26–28: “Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope- 1 Peter 3: 15”. This is a WONDERFUL opportunity to enhance the knowledge of your faith & spiritual growth with over 1,200 other attendees. The conference includes theologians and apologists who are bestselling authors and renowned speakers. Scott Hahn is the co-chair of the event which includes: Daily Mass, confession and a joyful, prayerful, and musical bus ride. More info on the conference can be found at: <http://steubenvilleconferences.com/adult/dfc/>. Previous attendees found this conference to be very informative and a significant impact on their spiritual lives. Call Deacon Bruce for information at (610) 468-9506 or [b@swist.us](mailto:b@swist.us).

AnB Education, a non-profit travel exchange agency for international high school students, is in need of loving host families with an empty bedroom, who are looking to give back and experience another culture inside their very own home. A generous monthly stipend is provided. Call AnB Education 267-263-2481 or email [hosting@anbeducation.com](mailto:hosting@anbeducation.com). The application is online at [www.anbeducation.us](http://www.anbeducation.us).



For those of you who are parents, do you remember the baby shower your friends had for you, and how you appreciated all the little outfits, blankets, onesies, etc.? You can be a friend to less fortunate moms-to-be by bringing a baby item to the church for the St. Vincent De Paul baby gift collection. These moms-to-be will be as excited and grateful as you were to receive these gifts! The gift collection will end May 26<sup>th</sup>. Monetary donations can be made by dropping an envelope marked "Baby Shower" in the poor box or by taking home a baby bottle (located on the shower tables) to collect your extra change. Donations from this baby shower help support the work of Mary's Shelter and Catholic Charities. Any help you can give would be greatly appreciated! Please call Karen Gorel 610-779-5226 with any questions.

**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.

**Newly Ordained Priest Reception and Dinner**- The Serra Clubs of the Diocese of Allentown are sponsoring this event for our three newly ordained priests : Giuseppe Esposito, John Maria, and Zachary Weir. The dinner will be held on Monday, June 17 (reception 5:30PM and dinner 6:30PM) at St Mary's Church Social Hall in Hamburg, PA. Tickets are \$42 and can be purchased by calling John Magee (610-779-9714).

**Mary, our Mother, in Times of Joy & Crisis!**  
**May 22, 6:45-9:00 PM**  
**Please join us for an evening with Bishop Alfred Schlert**  
**Registration is required.**  
**Offering: \$25.00 Deposit: \$15.00**  
**Includes Refreshments**  
**St. Francis Center for Renewal**  
**395 Bridle Path Rd**  
**Bethlehem PA 18017**  
**To register: 610.867.8890 or [stfranciscenter@gmail.com](mailto:stfranciscenter@gmail.com)**

### Next Weekend's Mass Schedule

**May 25th - 4:30 p.m.**

Lector - Helen Veet

Cantor - Bryan Scollick

Organist - Dave Kostival

Altar Servers - M. Fernandez - E. Fernandez - S. Robinson

Eucharistic Ministers - Joan Davis & Linda Fetterman

**May 26th - 7:30 a.m. Mass**

Lector- Melissa Woodward

Altar Servers - N. Wentling - J. Wentling - M. Schneider

Eucharistic Ministers - Mike Balla & Steve Gribb

**May 26th - 9:00 a.m. Mass**

Lector - Vince McDevitt

Cantor - Bryan Scollick

Pianist - Kate Bobb

Altar Servers - D. O'Hara - C. Wright - S. Wright

Eucharistic Ministers - Judy McMahon - Jim Snyder - Ed Smith

**May 26th - 10:30 Mass**

Lector - Chris Marabella

Voices In Praise Choir & Organist - Dave Kostival

Altar Servers - D. Dougherty - E. Oscar - M. Pawlik

Eucharistic Ministers - Maria Post & Jennifer & Tom Devlin

**May 26th - 12:00 p.m. Mass**

Lector - Gretchen Wentling

Contemporary Ensemble

Altar Servers - J. Bobb - H. Keperling - T. Keperling

Eucharistic Ministers - Michelle Boucher, Edrie Watson & David Drezek

**We pray for the Gift of Peace** in the world and the safety of those working for peace through the military services, especially: SPC Specialist Mackenzie Adame, Private First Class Connor A. Soja, Lance Corporal Kadan C. Soja, Staff Sgt. Brian Perrotto, LCPL David Ermentrout, Lt. Morgan Hissick, Captain Anthony Bennett, Tom Bristol, Danny Bristol, Spc. Erin Pawlik, Commander Daniel M. Simon, Staff Sgt. Michael Porcaro, Staff Sgt. Zak Ribble, Tech. Sgt. John V. Nowotarski, III, Senior Airman Timothy 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, 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.

**Parish Nurse News** - Warm weather ahead, time for the hydration reminder! Try these to flavor your water for a tasty treat and staying well hydrated: Slices from lemons, limes, cucumbers, strawberries, and oranges. Single or mixed- always refreshing!

**MILITARY RECOGNITION:** In an effort to continue to recognize our military troops, changes are underway. The present military board will be removed, and a new display is being created. If you would like any of the pictures on the present board, please let us know. Also, please review the list of names in this announcement and let us know of any updates. If you would like a picture displayed, please drop it off at the parish center. For any questions or concerns please call Beth Pawlik 610-781-2935, David Pawlik 610-781-3093 or Terri Mueller 484-269-7282.

**Gethsemane Cemetery's Annual Memorial Day Mass will be held on Monday, May 27th, 2019 at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome and Mass will be held rain or shine. Refreshments will be served after Mass.**



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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:

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

Stella Albrecht, Anthony Antonucci, Jim Auchter, Beverly Bansner, Melody Bechtel, MaryAnn Beeman, Debbie Bennett, Agnes Bohner, Patricia Bohner, Paul A. Bomba, Joseph Brahler, Mike Bristol, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Marvin Bush, Lisa Cole, Larry Curtin, Charles DeNaples, Jennifer Devlin, Arthur Dietrich Jr., Susan Dolinski, Roseanne Dougherty, Cathy Duggan, Gina Ebright, Margaret Ehret, Charles Elchlepp, Joseph Gierschick, Jr., David J. Gulati II,, Wayne Hedrick, Catharine Hefferan, Robyn Hefferan, Brian Heim, Patricia Herber, Christine Jenkins, Dorothy Kaisoglus, Winnie Kerns, Louise Knoeller, Mary Kolakowski, Dorothy Kosikowski, Dolores Lamp, Mary Leddy, Greg Leinweber, Albert Lellig, Leo Loeper, Daniel Lonergan, Helen Long, Charles E. Mathews, Cindy McConnell, Jeff McCoy, Jacob McCue, Rodney Moyer, Anthony Myers, Patrick Nelis, Jerome Nigh, Stella Pingitore, Patricia Pinto, Donald Pisker, Angelo Porcaro, Sharon PrechtI, Lorraine Ransom, Nada Rathkey, Barry Allen Reitnour, David Samsel, John Sausen, Anne Schaeffer, Mary Scheirer, Vincent Skimski, Tyler Skoczen, Eugene Sock, Chris Starr, Dean Soltzfus, Andy Strangarity, Kent Styer, Marie Sullivan, Sandy Sullivan, Paul Teske, Alan Wachowicz, Merritt Weidner, Frank White, Theresa White, Leo Woelkers, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Ann Marie Zawislak.... **a time to die: Jacquelyn Stenavage**, (wife of George Stenavage) & **Katherine Snyder**, (wife of Nathaniel Snyder & mother of Sophia Snyder) **all victims of war, and the 4,100 daily abortions. Ecclesiastes 3:11**

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.



***Congratulations to Rosalie & Harvey Snyder who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on May 17th. Many more years of happiness!***

**Come join our dedicated team of professionals! Saint Catharine of Siena is accepting applications for the following positions:**

**Per Diem Substitutes**

**Part time Classroom aides**

**Please send resume, cover letter, and all clearances including Protecting God's Children to Mrs. Marcella Kraycik, Principal 2330 Perkiomen Avenue, Reading PA 19606 or [Mkraycik@scsreading.org](mailto:Mkraycik@scsreading.org)**

***If you have received an adverse Prenatal Diagnosis ... You are not alone. There is help.*** The Diocese of Allentown has a network of concerned parents and professionals who have experienced or worked closely with issues surrounding adverse prenatal diagnosis. **For support, contact: Sr. Janice Marie Johnson, [jjohnson@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:jjohnson@allentowndiocese.org) or 610-289-8900 x 2280**

#### Saint Catharine's School News

Now accepting registrations for the 2019-2020 school year. Please note that at the time of this printing, there is only 1 spot left in the Kindergarten class, and 4 spots left in the PreK class. Transfer grants available for students transferring in from public school (Grades 1-7 only). Call today to schedule a tour or to receive more information: 610-779-5810.

## 50+ CLUB NEWS

The monthly meeting for the 50+ Club will be held on **June 5, 2019 at 1:00 pm**. The board meeting will be held on **June 4, 2019 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

**JUNE 5, 2019:** Maria Damone, a wonderful singer, will be singing all types of music, some Patriotic and others. Coffee & cake

**JULY 3, 2019:** The Happy Boombadears will entertain us with their musical instrument, it originated in Bavaria-the BoomBa is the instrument played by the group. Ice Cream Treats

**AUGUST 7, 2019: SPECIAL EVENT – Our Summer Picnic–** will be held in the Social Hall, starting at 12:00 noon, we have a great menu. Entertainment: Act I Productions, Debbie Wahl with Mystery Bingo. Contact Carol Searfoss for further information at 484-236-1016.  
Cost: \$18.00

**SEPTEMBER 4, 2019:** Mathew Dobb dresses like an engineer in period clothes, tell stories about the fascinating period of railroads in American history. Lasagna roll-ups along with cake and coffee.

### 2019 TRAVEL PLANS

**July 10, 2019** - Wednesday, York – Kreider Farms, Red Brick Bakery, Haines Shoe House & Turkey Hill Experience Cost: \$95.00

**October 23, 2019** – Wednesday, Mystery Trip- Hint both Men & Women will enjoy this Cost: \$95.00

**November 20, 2019** - Wednesday, Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre, Irving Berlin's Holiday Inn "Christmas Show"  
Cost: \$85.00

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**

**The Diocese of Allentown is alerting parishioners about an apparent scam.** In the last week a number of people from several different parishes have notified the Diocese that they received a text message on their cell phone from someone pretending to be a Diocesan priest asking them to purchase gift cards for him. These are not legitimate requests and are not from a Diocesan priest. No Diocesan priest will ever solicit funds by text message. The Diocese is not aware that anyone has fallen victim to this scam. But it does want to remind everyone if you are concerned about a text message you receive, always verify it before you take any action.

**Please note:** There is also a scam with emailing. Please block sender and do not reply if you get any suspicious emails from any Diocesan priests.

### Youth Group News

It's time for VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL! Our theme this year is *Miraculous Mission*. Vacation Bible School will be held June 24 - June 28 from 9:00 am - 11:30 am at St. Catharine's School. Students ages 5 and up will learn all about the *Miraculous Mission* of Jesus. Registration forms can be found on the tables in the back of the church.

We are looking for volunteers to help make our *Miraculous Mission* a success. If you feel called to volunteer, please contact Marci Zambito at [mzambito@scsreading.org](mailto:mzambito@scsreading.org). All materials and plans are provided. College students home for the summer are welcome too!

### Youth Group Reunion

We invite all former members of the St. Catharine's Youth Group to a reunion on Sunday, June 30. Home from college? Graduated from college? Come join us for fun and food! We will meet in the Upper Room (formerly the convent for the IHM sisters) on the St. Catharine's School grounds from 6:30 - 8:30. Come reconnect with your friends from your time in our youth group. Please RSVP to Marci Zambito at [mzambito@scsreading.org](mailto:mzambito@scsreading.org)