

Saint Mary's News

Next Weekends Mass Schedule

Saturday, July 11th - 3:30 p.m. - James Lubas

Sunday, July 12th - 10:30 a.m. - Alvah Schaeffer



*Prayer for Christlikeness*

*John Henry Cardinal Newman*

*Dear Jesus, help me to spread your fragrance everywhere I go;*

*Flood my soul with your spirit and life;*

*Penetrate and possess my whole being so completely*

*That all my life may be only a radiance of yours;*

*Shine through me and be so in me*

*That everyone with whom I come into contact*

*May feel your presence within me.*

*Let them look up and see no longer me—but only Jesus.*

*Amen.*

You still do not have to attend Mass in the current **Green Phase** if you feel uncomfortable, worried about crowds, ill, or at high risk, etc. The obligation to attend Mass at Church will remain suspended until further notice.

Masks still will be required, and social distancing will continue to be enforced. Parishes will continue to sanitize pews and other common surfaces after each Mass.

The new capacity limit means that parishes will be permitted to admit up to 50 percent of the church's seating capacity, provided that adequate social distancing can be maintained.

The dispensation from the Mass obligation will remain in place for the time being, and many parishes will continue to offer livestream Masses on their websites or Facebook pages.

Eucharistic Adoration will be held in our Chapel Mondays from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. This is a personal invitation to you from Jesus. "Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love." (Pope John Paul II, *Dominicae Canae*)

HAVE YOU  
TALKED  
TO GOD  
TODAY?

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Zec :9-10: Zechariah foretells the coming of the Messiah. Rejoicing shall come to Jerusalem. He shall bring peace to all nations and He shall rule over them.

Rom 8:9, 11-13: Although we are both flesh and spirit, we must live according to the Spirit of God who dwells in us. This is a pledge for life if we die to sin and live by the Spirit.

Mt 11:25-30: Jesus gives praise to His Father. No one knows the Son but the Father and those to whom the Father reveals this truth. Jesus calls to Himself those who are troubled and weary that they may find refreshment.

Today's Message: Jesus, gentle and humble of heart, came to bring peace to all people. We are called to live in His Spirit, to be gracious, merciful, and compassionate to all.

**HELP NEEDED:** We are in need of more volunteers to help clean the Church & Chapel. Please call the Parish Center (610-779-4005) if you can help.

EXETER AREA FOOD PANTRY will continue to accept PERSONAL HYGEINE products and any non-perishable food item on an on-going basis. Bins are located in the back of the church. Thank you for your continued prayers and support. For more information, please contact Phil & Bonnie Blankenstein at 610-779-6045.

Kennedy House. These past months have been a challenge, but the doors of Kennedy House have stayed OPEN and the number of patrons has gone up dramatically. It is St. Catharine's turn to run the Kennedy House in Reading July 18th and 19th. **We need your help.** There are lots of supplies we need in order to serve those in need.

Please see the sign up genius link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848ACA823A4FA7-kennedy> if you can help.

Email me at [sk1699@hotmail.com](mailto:sk1699@hotmail.com) to get the link sent to you directly. Please call, text, or email if you can help in anyway- Sara Miller 484-459-0270.



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JULY 6

7:15 Mary Jane Herter

TUESDAY, JULY 7

7:15 Peter Pelka

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

7:15 George & Dolores Spanier

THURSDAY, JULY 9

7:15 Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

FRIDAY, JULY 10

7:15 Joseph McCullough (5th Anniversary)

SATURDAY, JULY 11

8:00 Ibelisse Cabrera

4:30 Richard Farrell

SUNDAY, JULY 12

7:30 Deceased Members of the Buday & O'Rourke Families

9:00 Robert Vogel

10:30 William J. Kostival (16th Anniversary)

12:00 Larry Wentzel (40th Anniversary)

Scripture Readings for the Week of July 5, 2020

Sunday Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14;  
Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Monday Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr  
Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7,  
8-9; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10;  
Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7;  
Mt 10:1-7

Thursday Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and  
Companions, Martyrs  
Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9; Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16;  
Mt 10:7-15

Friday Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17;  
Mt 10:16-23

Saturday Memorial of Saint Benedict, Abbot  
Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33

Sunday Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14;  
Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or Mt 13:1-9

**PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS**

Monday 7/6	Rev. Joseph Becker, OSFS
Tuesday 7/7	Rev. J. Michael Beers
Wednesday 7/8	Rev. Frans Berkhout
Thursday 7/9	Rev. Clifton Bishop
Friday 7/10	Rev. Msgr. Robert Bisek
Saturday 7/11	Rev. Kevin Bobbin
Sunday 7/12	Rev. Msgr. Ronald Bocian

As of today, 18.93% of our parish families have joined the 2020 BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL. In other words, 247 parishioners have contributed \$73,768.00 to support food programs, senior services, community outreach, Catholic schools, and more. Every dollar helps those in need. Our parish goal is 100% participation! Remember, every gift counts, no gift is too small. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, please call the parish office or visit the Appeal website at [www.BecauseWeareCatholic.org](http://www.BecauseWeareCatholic.org).

**Pope's Prayer Intention July  
Our Families**

**We pray that today's families may be  
accompanied with love,  
respect and guidance.**

School News: Re-enrollment for all Grades, PreK through 8th, is currently on-going. A limited number of spots still available in PreK and Kindergarten. For more information, including a Virtual Tour Link, go to [www.scsreadingschool.org](http://www.scsreadingschool.org), or contact our Advancement Director, Amy Impellizzeri, at [aimpellizzeri@scsreading.org](mailto:aimpellizzeri@scsreading.org).

**50+ CLUB NEWS**

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 5, 2020: ARE CANCELLED**

**WE WILL RESUME HAVING MEETINGS WHEN WE ARE PERMITTED.**

**We hope all of our members and families are staying safe & that we will see each other soon.**

**SEPTEMBER 2, 2020:** Kasey from **The Mystic Mind** will speak to us about her shop, she creates homemade item's (candles, oils & stones) that are good for the soul.

**OCTOBER 7, 2020:** Charlie Adams will entertain us telling "Ghost Stories, Legends, and Lore of Berks County. Cake & Coffee

**NOVEMBER 4, 2020:** We will be entertained by Craig Caltagirone, he sings all types of music, tap dances and will have a sing along. Cake & Coffee

**DECEMBER 2, 2020: SPECIAL EVENT -**  
**CHRISTMAS PARTY, Crowne Plaza.**

**2020 TRIPS**

**\*\*Update\*\***

**Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic we will be cancelling ALL of the scheduled trips for 2020, except the November trip.**

**NOVEMBER 18, 2020:** Hunterdon Hills  
**CHRISTMAS SHOW. COST: \$100.00**

**CONTACT: Pat White 610-582-1437** for any information concerning the trips.

Please call **Rosalie Snyder** at **610-779-6562** with the name of members who are sick or have died.

**We always welcome new members and encourage guests to join us at any of our meetings. Our meetings are NORMALLY held at 1:00 P.M. on the first Wednesday of every month at St. Catharine's Social Hall at 4975 Boyertown Pike, Rt. 562, Reading, PA.**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



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: Brooklyn Cerra

**Please pray for our sick : & our soldiers in harm's way:** Bill Abramowicz, Karin Acuna, Stanley Andrzejewski, Anthony Antonucci, Marie Bassler, Becky Batastini, Melody Bechtel, Paul A. Bomba, Michele Boucher, Kathy Brendlinger, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Marvin Bush, Nancy Cassidy, Della Chmielewski, Lisa Coins, Larry Curtin, Charles DeNaples, Arthur Dietrich Jr., Roseanne Dougherty, Gina Ebright, Charles Elchlepp, Luke Gilbert, Ken Green, Christine Gubernot, David J. Gulati II, Thomas Healy, Roberta Hedl, William Hedl, Jr., Wayne Hedrick, Catherine Hefferan, Robyn Hefferan, John Heft, Brian Heim, Patricia Herber, Michael Hivner, Sister Mary Cecilia Jurasinski, Winnie Kerns, Mary Kolakowski, Rosemarie Kovacs, Mary Leddy, David A. Lellig, David C. Lellig, Alma Lonergan, Daniel Lonergan, Charles Loose, Charles E. Mathews, Cindy McConnell, Jacob McCue, Jr., John Mercadante Jr., Joanne Mierzwinski, Mitchell Milanek, Johnna Miller, Kathy Mills, Cathy Motznik, Charles Mountz, Bill Nelson, Jerome Nigh, Joann Patty, Melly Pimentel, Stella Pingitore, Patricia Pinto, Donald Pisker, Angelo Porcaro, Sharon Prechtl, Lisa R., Lorraine Ransom, Nada Rathkey, David Samsel, Loretta Sausen, Anne Schaeffer, Barry Scheirer, Gloria Schmeck, Michael Shadday, Vincent Skimski, Tyler Skoczen, Margaret Smith, Louise Snell, Veronica Stoss, Andy Strangarity, Sandy Sullivan, Kim Trois, Betty Vilardo, Alan Wachowicz, Chris Wasko, Frank White, Theresa White, Sylvia Willey, Leo Woelkers, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Ann Marie Zawislak, Mary Ann Zimmerman. **A time to die: Beverly Bansner**, (sister of Craig Wert) & **Rosalie Sandell**, (mother of Janet DeCembrino & grandmother of Allie, Ava & Lilly DeCembrino) & **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.



### ***We pray for the Gift of Peace***

*in the world and the safety of those working for peace through the military services, especially: Captain Steffen E. Lis, SPC Specialist Mackenzie Adame, Lance Corporal Connor A. Soja, Corporal Kadan C. Soja, Staff Sgt. Brian Perrotto, LCPL David Ermentrout, Captain Morgan Hissick, Captain Anthony Bennett, Tom Bristol, Danny Bristol, Sgt. 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, Zachary Deissler, Amy & Gregory Boland, Lt. Col. Adam Sawyer, Staff Sgt. Jeremiah Sola, Lt. Cdr. 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 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, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

**PRIESTS, BROTHERS, NUNS.  
THEY NEED US.  
WE NEED THEM.**

*Vocations Are Everybody's Business*

## *Make Me an Instrument of Your Peace:*

### *A Prayer for Civility*

*Lord, make me an instrument of  
your peace.*

*Where uncivil words prevail,  
show me how to model love.*

*Help me remember the God-given  
dignity of all and invite others to  
do the same.*

*Show me how to build bridges  
and not walls and see first what  
unites us rather than how we  
diverge.*

*Let me seek to understand before  
asking to be understood.*

*Give me a listening heart filled  
with empathy and compassion.*

*May I be clear in sharing my  
own position and respectful and  
civil in describing those of others.*

*Let me never tolerate hateful  
ideas.*

*May I invite all to charity and  
love. Lord, help me to imitate  
your compassion and mercy.*

*Make me an instrument of your  
peace. Amen.*

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 the program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church. Victim Assistance Coordinator Direct Telephone (800)791-9209 To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, visit [www.allentowndiocese.org](http://www.allentowndiocese.org) and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right hand corner of the page.

### Financial Stewardship

#### May 10, 2020

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 17,218	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 839,404	\$ 1,053,945
Year to date deficit	\$ 214,541	
Last Year	\$ 21,154	

#### May 17, 2020

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 11,376	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 850,780	\$ 1,077,366
Year to date deficit	\$ 226,586	
Last Year	\$ 17,553	

#### May 24, 2020

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 10,640	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 861,420	\$ 1,100,787
Year to date deficit	\$ 239,367	
Last Year	\$ 18,666	

#### May 31, 2020

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 12,398	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 873,818	\$ 1,124,208
Year to date deficit	\$ 250,390	
Last Year	\$ 22,872	

#### June 7, 2020

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 24,723	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 898,541	\$ 1,147,629
Year to date deficit	\$ 249,088	
Last Year	\$ 19,374	

*Thank you for the offerings you  
have made and are making to St.  
Catharine's & St. Mary's.*