

Saint Mary's News
Next Weekends Mass Schedule

Saturday, August 1st - 3:30 p.m. - Angelina Talarico (18th Anniversary)
Sunday, July 26th - 10:30 a.m. - William R. Rowlands, Sr. (6th Anniversary)



**CONGRATULATIONS TO
DEACON CRAIG FRY
on celebrating
20 years in the
Deaconate!**

BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL We are grateful to all who pledged their support this to the 2020 BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC 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 - BecauseWeareCatholic.org. Thank you for your support!

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.

*Thank
You!*

Please take note of the businesses advertising on the last pages of our bulletins. We thank them for their support and ask you to consider patronizing them.

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*)

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12: Solomon prays for wisdom to lead the people of God. God is pleased that Solomon asked above all else to know right from wrong. God promises him wisdom and understanding that will be unequalled either in times past or in the future.

Rom 8:28-30: God makes all His works of creation fit into His divine plan. He planned to share the image of His Son with us so that we might be justified and thereby enter into eternal glory.

Mt 13:44-52: Jesus compares the value of the kingdom of God to a hidden treasure, to a most valuable pearl, to a dragnet. It is beyond human comprehension but in the end God's angels will sort out those who have lived good lives from the unrepentant sinners.

Today's Message: The person with true wisdom, like Solomon, will seek the reign of God and treasure it above all else. It is more precious than gold and silver. Thus one becomes conformed to the image of Christ, the Son.

Bishop Alfred Schlert will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, October 15th at 4:30 p.m.

Confessions are Saturday after the 4:30 Mass - They are held in the Meeting Room next to the Priest's Office.



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.

MASS INTENTIONS



FOR THE WEEK



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MONDAY, JULY 27

7:15 Robert A. Denby

TUESDAY, JULY 28

7:15 Skrincosky Family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

7:15 Madeline Houston

THURSDAY, JULY 30

7:15 Kevin Michael Heck

FRIDAY, JULY 31

7:15 Joan Whitney (3rd Anniversary)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

8:00 Anna Sajdak (1st Anniversary)

4:30 Daniel DiFulvio

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

7:30 Diane Cerra

9:00 Louise Pettyjohn

10:30 Barbara Turner

12:00 Tony Marino

Scripture Readings for the Week of July 26, 2020

Sunday	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 or Mt 13:44-46
Monday	Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21; Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday	Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday	Memorial of Saint Martha Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Thursday	Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Mt 13:47-53
Friday	Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday	Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:1-3; Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 7/27	Rev. Thomas A. Carney, M.S.C.
Tuesday 7/28	Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Chaback
Wednesday 7/29	Rev. Msgr. John G. Chizmar
Thursday 7/30	Rev. Donald W. Cieniewicz
Friday 7/31	Rev. Richard M. Clement
Saturday 8/1	Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Coll
Sunday 8/2	Rev. Edward B. Connolly

Please inform the Parish Office if you have a change in name, address, marital status, telephone number or any other change that may effect your Church registration. We are trying very hard to keep our data base current. Thanks for your help! Any time you do not receive your Church envelopes in the mail, please contact Diane Sitler at dsitler@comcast.net or call the Parish Center at 610-779-4005.



FEED THE HUNGRY

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.

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

RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille. If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of August 14 - 16 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. All inquiries are strictly confidential. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944.

HELP US BUILD COMMUNITIES IN GOD'S VISION OF JUSTICE

Holy Spirit,

We praise and thank you!

You anoint us to

bring glad tidings to the poor
proclaim liberty to captives
recover sight for the blind
free the oppressed
and build communities in keeping
with God's vision of justice.

Show us how to be

light of the world
salt of the earth
seeds that sprout love
and leaven that infuses humanity
with the desire to promote
human dignity and solidarity.

Help us to listen so that

those in poverty can lead our efforts to
proclaim a more hopeful vision
liberate captives from injustice
heal the blindness of the powerful
free us all from self-centeredness
and build community to overcome poverty.

Amen.



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PRAYER FOR WORK

Creator God,
thank you for providing us
with the gift to share our talents.

Provide our community, our nation, our world
the fortitude to provide work for all
which is decent and fair.

Make us faithful stewards
of your creation
to enhance the human dignity
of our global family.

We ask this in the name of Jesus,
who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit
now and forever.

Amen



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: Oliver Matyas

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, Jack Gaffney, Luke Gilbert, Ken Green, Christine Gubernot, David J. Gulati II, Thomas Healy, 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, David A. Lellig, David C. Lellig, Melanie Lintz, Alma Lonergan, Daniel Lonergan, Charles Loose, Charles E. Mathews, Cindy McConnell, Jacob McCue, Jr., John Mercadante Jr., Kathy Mills, Cathy Motznik, Charles Mountz, Ruth Mountz, Bill Nelson, Jerome Nigh, Joann Patty, Melly Pimentel, Stella Pingitore, Patricia Pinto, Donald Pisker, Angelo Porcaro, Michael Poserina, Sharon Precht, Lorraine Ransom, Nada Rathkey, David Samsel, Loretta Sausen, Anne Schaeffer, Barry Scheirer, Gloria Schmeck, Vincent Skimski, Tyler Skoczen, Margaret Smith, Louise Snell, Veronica Stoss, Andy Strangarity, Kim Trois, Betty Vilardo, Chad Vogel, Alan Wachowicz, Chris Wasko, Aiden Watkins, Frank White, Theresa White, Sylvia Willey, Leo Woelkers, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Ann Marie Zawislak, Mary Ann Zimmerman. **A time to die: Peter Terefenko** (brother of Lori Calabrese); **Miriam Skopek**, (mother of Patricia Hrezik & Carol Herr) & **Pearl Fillman & 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, Sgt. Mackenzie Adame, Lance Corporal Connor A. Soja, Corporal Kadan C. Soja, Staff Sgt. Brian Perrotto, 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. 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.



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

DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, I AM VERY SORRY TO SAY, WE WILL BE CANCELLING ALL MONTHLY MEETINGS FOR THE YEAR 2020.

The **dues** paid by members in 2020 will carry over to **2021**. Hopefully we will be able to resume our meeting in January of 2021.

We just want you all to know, it was a very tough decision to cancel the meetings. We hope all of our members and families are staying safe & that we will see each other in the near future.

Any MEMBERS who have saved **Redner's tapes** for the club, would you please mail them to:

Trudy Oliver – 886 Fernleigh Place, Reading, PA 19606

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.

SCS School News:

Now registering students in all grades, PreK-8.

For more information, go to www.scsreading.org or contact Advancement Director, Amy Impellizzeri, at aimpellizzeri@scsreading.org.

Saint Catharine of Siena is accepting applications for a Full Time Contracted Elementary Teacher and Technology Teacher. Please send a cover letter, resume, references, and all clearances and certifications to Mrs. Marcella Kraycik, Mkraycik@scsreading.org

Saint Catharine of Siena is also accepting applications for PT classroom aides. Please send a cover letter, resume, references, and all clearances and certifications to Mrs. Marcella Kraycik, Mkraycik@scsreading.org

St. Benedict's 64th Annual Chicken Barbecue will be held on Saturday, August 1st from Noon to 7pm. Dinners will be available as drive-thru/takeout only. Dinners include ½ chicken, baked potato, corn on the cob, applesauce, roll/butter and choice of drink. Cost is \$12 per ticket. Get your tickets in advance—limited sales on event day. To purchase tickets, contact Anna Welch at amwelch@ptd.net or call/text 610.334.5418. You may also visit the parish office or call 610.856.1006.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Berks Catholic High School has opening for French Teacher
Grades 9-12

Be a part of something special! Please email resume and clearances to aeinolf@berkscatholic.org By 8/3/2020

Parish Nurse News - Always let your doctor know if you've had major changes in your life. For example, a new job, new house, new medicines- even herbal supplements, or problems sleeping can impact your health! Be honest and encourage your teens to be honest during doctor visits, too, to get the best and most accurate healthcare advice. (HealthyAdvice.com)