## Saint Mary's News

Next Weekend's Mass Schedule

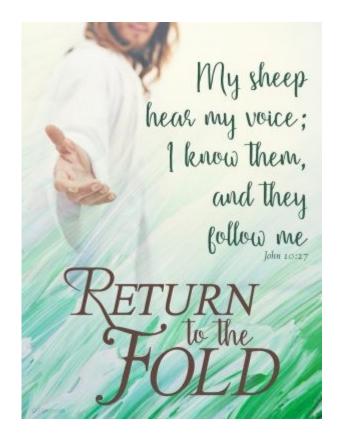
Saturday, August 22nd - 3:30 p.m. - Alexander & Pearl Kwiatkowski Sunday, August 23rd - 10:30 a.m. - Joseph A. Babb

# Our Parish office re-opened.

Please wear a mask and practice social distancing. Our reception area will be limited to one at a time. The Parish Center hours are Monday - Thursday - 8:30 -4:00 p.m. & Fridays 8:30 -3:00 p.m.

There remains **no obligation** to attend Sunday Mass. We will continue to live-stream one parish Mass each weekend for those who feel they may be at risk and who choose to remain home. Also - We offer our gratitude to those who continue to drop off contributions or send via mail, or who contribute electronically. Be an Angel

# Wear a mask while at Mass



Is 56:1, 6-7: The prophet warns his people that for salvation they must do what is just, love the Lord, and keep the Sabbath. God will then lead them to His mountain and accept their sacrifices.

Rom 11:13-15, 29-32: Paul is proud of his ministry and he is anxious to lead his Jewish brothers and sisters to reconciliation with God. In spite of their disobedience, God has been merciful toward them.

Mt 15:21-28: A Canaanite woman whose daughter is possessed comes to Jesus and asks for a favor with perseverance. Jesus commends her great faith and cures her daughter.

Today's Message: All peoples are invited to worship the Lord and to know His ways. God's gifts and His call are to Jew and Gentile alike. Jesus recognizes the universality of God's call in granting the request of the Canaanite woman.

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 **MONDAY, AUGUST 17** Dr. Cleto Cinelli (31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary) 7:15 **TUESDAY, AUGUST 18** Joseph F. Kabat 7:15 WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19 7:15 Alois & Rosa Sager **THURSDAY, AUGUST 20** Theodore Borek (22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary) 7:15 **FRIDAY, AUGUST 21** Anthony Screpesi (30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) 7:15 **SATURDAY, AUGUST 22** 8:00 **Theresa Ruzowicz** J. Kenton Rand (7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) 4:30 **SUNDAY, AUGUST 23** 7:30 Mr. & Mrs. Richard J. Seisler Daniel DiFulvio (48<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) 9:00 Fernando Cuesta (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary) 10:30 12:00 Robert & Theresa Bates (50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)

#### Scripture Readings for the Week of August 16, 2020 Sunday **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time** Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28 Monday Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21; Mt 19:16-22 Tuesday Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30 Wednesday Saint John Eudes, Priest Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 20:1-16 Thursday Memorial of Saint Bernard, Abbot and **Doctor of the Church** Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14 Friday Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 'Mt 22:34-40 Saturday Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 23:1-12 Sunday **Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time** Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33 36; Mt 16:13-20

#### PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 8/17 Tuesday 8/18 Wednesday 8/19 Thursday 8/20 Friday 8/21 Saturday 8/22 Sunday 8/23 Rev. Joseph Favole-Mihm Rev. Msgr. Victor F. Finelli Rev. Robert T. Finlan Rev. Msgr. Robert M. Forst Rev. Jaya K. Francis, M.S.C. Rev. John A. Frink Rev. Kevin P. Gallagher



SIENA STITCHERS will resume meeting on the  $1^{st}$  and  $3^{rd}$ Thursdays of each month beginning with

September 3 at 10:00 A.M. at the Church. Are you looking to meet some new people and learn or teach a few stitches? No experience necessary! For more info, call Anita (610-779-1571) or Judy (610-779-8654).

At St. Catharine's & Saint Mary's we are doing everything to ensure the safety of our parish family. As per the diocese, during this Green Phase I, attendance at each Mass is limited to 50% of Church capacity. This number is enforced through roping off pews. Also. facemasks must be worn in Church at all times. Thank you for understanding journey as we through this challenging time together with God.

Ossa - Life's tough at the Parish Center!



# Prayer for Students

Lord our God, in your wisdom and love you surround us with the mysteries of the universe. Send your Spirit upon these students and fill them with your wisdom and blessings. Grant that they may devote themselves to their studies and draw ever closer to you, the source of all knowledge. We ask this through Christ our Lord. R/. Amen.

~from Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers



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:

Bill Abramowicz, Karin Acuna, Stanley Andrzjewski, 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, Daniel Matz, Richard Matz, 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 Prechtl, Lorraine Ransom, 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:** *Robert Wright*, (husband of Catherine Wright; father of Kate Bobb, Robert, Matthew, Peter & Andrew Wright; grandfather of Bronwyn Wright Rivera, Rhiannon Wright, Juliana Coleman, Emma, Sophia, Chloe, Stella & Benjamin Wright; Jacob Bobb, Riley, Madeline, Mia & Cecelia & Daniel Wright) **& 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 Soja, Corporal Α. Kadan C. Soja, Staff Sgt. Brian Perrotto, Captain Hissick, Morgan

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 <u>dsitler@comcast.net</u>. Please call with <u>addresses of military</u> to Terri Mueller at 610-779-1766. Registration forms for the 2020-2021 PREP Program are available in the back of the church or on the youth website <u>www.scsyouth.weebly.com</u> Registration is due to the DRE by August 21, 2020.

**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, <u>Mkraycik@scsreading.org</u>

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, <u>Mkraycik@scsreading.org</u>

# 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 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.

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.



Congratulations to Ineresa & Robert Bates who will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on August 23rd! Many more years of happiness!

# **<u><b>Prayer for a Married Couple**</u>

O God, who in creating the human race willed that man and wife should be one, keep, we pray, in a bond of inseparable love those who are united in the covenant of Marriage, so that, as you make their love fruitful, they may become, by your grace, witnesses to charity itself. Through Christ our Lord Amen.