

## Saint Mary's News

### Mass Schedule

**Saturday, September 5th - 3:30 p.m. - Frank & Caroline Kasprzak**

**Sunday, September 6th - 10:30 a.m. - Dorothy Piccone**

**PIEROGI SALE** on Friday, September 11th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm in the meeting room under the Church. To enter, please use the side door from the Church parking lot. Potato, sauerkraut and cheese pierogi will be sold at a cost of \$8.00 per dozen. Guests are requested to please wear their face masks.

**POLISH AMERICAN CONNECTION TV:** On the first Tuesday of every month, Tom Gajewski interviews guests who discuss topics, events or activities of interest to our Polish American Community. He also announces upcoming events and activities. You can watch it on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm on Comcast Channel 15 and Service Electric Channel 19. The Program is rebroadcast on the Friday following the first Tuesday at 1:30 pm, the following Monday at 10:30 am and the following Tuesday at 3:30 pm.

**NOCTURNAL ADORATION DEVOTIONS** in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held in St. Catharine's Chapel. The holy hour of Adoration will be on first Friday, September 4th from 4:00 to 5:00 P.M. **All are welcome and everyone attending must wear a mask and follow social distancing guidelines.**

**BEIRUT RELIEF COLLECTION:** We are all aware of the recent explosion that destroyed and damaged large parts of Beirut, Lebanon and caused thousands of deaths and injuries to the population. Bishop Schlert has authorized a free-will "second" collection to be taken up. **Our collection will be the weekend of September 5-6.**



The Knights of Columbus will be cooking a Low Country Boil. Sunday September 13, 2020 12:00 noon -2:00 p.m. Pre-order and pick-up. There will be no indoor seating. Meals will be prepacked. Pick-up will be in the Social Hall. Preorder meals on the link below.

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www.signupgenius.com/  
go/10C0D4CA5AA28A7FDCE  
9-lowcountry](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4CA5AA28A7FDCE9-lowcountry)

**\$12 per meal includes 6 shrimp,  
1/4lb. smoked kielbasa, corn on  
the cob, red potatoes.**

**Order by Wednesday  
September 9, 2020**

**Contact Fred Nowotarski  
with any questions:  
516-509- 0190**

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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**Jer 20:7-9:** Jeremiah admits that he has become a mockery for the Lord. He is derided and reproached, but he cannot help speaking out the word of the Lord.

**Rom 12:1-2:** Paul recommends sacrifice, to offer our bodies as a sacrifice to the Lord. We must ignore the standards of the world and become renewed in spirit to be pleasing to God.

**Mt 16:21-27:** Jesus foretells His suffering, passion, and death. All those who wish to follow Jesus must take up their cross.

**Today's Message:** Following the Lord means nothing less than the cross: offering ourselves with Jesus as a living sacrifice and not conforming ourselves to this world. Following Him will entail derision and scorn, yet the Lord is our help.

**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*)

**Are you interested in getting involved in community service?** If your answer is "Yes" and you have a background in teaching/education, the Mother Veronica Resource Center is looking for volunteer ESL (English as a Second Language) teachers for the upcoming semester, which begins on September 8, 2020. You can volunteer for one semester (September 8 - December 17, 2020) or for the year (September 8, 2020 - June 4, 2021). There is time off for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter breaks. Materials needed for instruction are provided. The Center is located at 449 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street in Reading, adjacent to SS. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church at 6<sup>th</sup> and Laurel Streets. Classes are offered two days a week, either Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday, for an hour-and-a-half. Morning and evening positions are available. If you are interested in and able to volunteer starting this September, please contact Sister Cara Garofalo at 484-706-3570 or at [mveronicacenter@gmail.com](mailto:mveronicacenter@gmail.com).

**SIENA STITCHERS** will resume meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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).

**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.

### MASS INTENTIONS MONDAY, AUGUST 31

7:15 1<sup>ST</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Mr. & Mrs. Norman Schuhwerk

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

7:15 Dorothy Baker

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

7:15 Linda Marie Lee

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

7:15 Deceased Members of the Skimski Family

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

7:15 Paul Courtney

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

8:00 Jim McGinnis

4:30 Theresa A. Mellinger (8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

7:30 Mullen-Sowizdral Family

9:00 Michael A. LaScala

10:30 Nick Mesisca

12:00 Sandra & Steven Bibbo

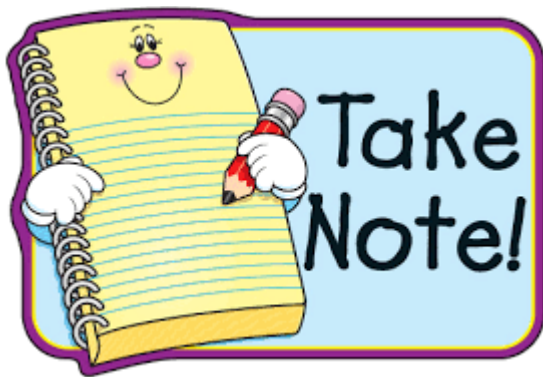
### Scripture Readings for the Week of August 30, 2020

Sunday	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27
Monday	1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday	1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday	1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday	<b>Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church</b> 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday	1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday	1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

**ALL INFORMATION FOR THE BULLETIN OF THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 6th. MUST BE RECEIVED IN OUR OFFICE NO LATER THAN MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST.**

**PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS**

Monday 8/31	Rev. Joseph Gleixner, M.S.C.
Tuesday 9/1	Rev. Msgr. William F. Glosser
Wednesday 9/2	Rev. Msgr. Gerald E. Gobitas
Thursday 9/3	Rev. Msgr. John J. Grabish
Friday 9/4	Rev. James J. Greenfield, O.S.F.S.
Saturday 9/5	Rev. Eric J. Gruber
Sunday 9/6	Rev. Francis M. Grundowski



**The 2021 Mass Book will open on Tuesday, September 22nd.** Due to the pandemic we will not have the parishioners come to the Parish Center to request Masses for 2021. As the Mass requests come in, we will number them numerically and process the requests in the order received. The **Mass form** will be in an upcoming **bulletin and online**. If you are not coming to Church please call Parish Center and **we will mail or email** you the form. **See next weeks bulletin for more information.**

**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.

**Next blood drive Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup> in Social hall. Call 1-800-223-6667 to schedule an appointment.**

**Ossa's Corner**



**Ossa is helping at the front desk!**



**St. Catharine of Siena School will be holding its Virtual Walk-A-Thon.** Monsignor Domin will be collecting donations of support after all Masses the weekends of September 12th & 13Th & 19th & 20th.

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:** Bill Abramowicz, Karin Acuna, Stanley Andrzejewski, Anthony Antonucci, Marie Bassler, Becky Batastini, Melody Bechtel, Anthony Blass, Paul A. Bomba, Michele Boucher, Kathy Brendlinger, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Marvin Bush, Nancy Cassidy, Della Chmielewski, Larry Curtin, Charles DeNaples, Arthur Dietrich Jr., Roseanne Dougherty, Gina Ebright, Charles Elchlepp, Jack Gaffney, Randy Gensemer, Luke Gilbert, Ken Green, Judy Gruber, Christine Gubernot, David J. Gulati II, Thomas Healy, Roberta Hedl, Wayne Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, John Heft, Brian Heim, Patricia Herber, Michael Hivner, Sister Mary Cecilia Jurasinski, Maryann Kenton, 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, Stella Pingitore, Patricia Pinto, Donald Pisker, Angelo Porcaro, Michael Poserina, Sharon Prechtel, Lorraine Ransom, Anne Schaeffer, Barry Scheirer, Gloria Schmeck, Vincent Skimski, Tyler Skoczen, Margaret Smith, Louise Snell, Harv Snyder, Veronica Stoss, Andy Strangarity, Kim Trois, Chad Vogel, Alan Wachowicz, Chris Wasko, Aiden Watkins, Frank White, Sylvia Willey, Leo Woelkers, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Ann Marie Zawislak, Mary Ann Zimmerman. **A time to die: *Melly Pimentel*, (sister of Gloria Moy); *Loretta Sausen & 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: Sgt. Madison Straka, First Lt. Devon Schoonover, 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](mailto:dsitler@comcast.net). Please call with addresses of military to Terri Mueller at 610-779-1766.*



## CYO Sunday – September 20, 2020

There will be a special collection the weekend of Sept 20th for the St Catharine of Siena Parish CYO. The Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) provides athletic, social, educational, and volunteer programs to develop the mind, bodies, and spirits of the youth in our community. We promote good sportsmanship at every level and strive to maintain high quality programs that allow everyone to participate. If you are interested or have any questions about the St Catharine CYO Program, please see us after Mass on Sept 20th at the back of the Church or email Cristina Schmehl at [schsac@verizon.net](mailto:schsac@verizon.net) with your name, email, and phone number. Your support is appreciated. CYO Students: please plan to attend the Sept 19, 4:30 Mass or the 9:00, 10:30, or Noon Mass on Sept 20th. Please wear your athletic/gym clothing or your school uniform. Please sit with your families for the Mass.

### 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.**

**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 as we journey through this challenging time together with God.

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY MASS** Married couples around the Diocese will be invited to renew their vows and thank God for the gift of the Sacrament of Marriage during the annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on September 13. Because this Mass is always a packed house when it is celebrated in-person, this year's Mass will be on-line so that all can participate safely from their homes. Bishop Alfred Schlert will celebrate the Mass on-line at 11 a.m. Sept. 13. Those couples celebrating 1-5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 or 60-plus years of marriage will receive special recognition during the Mass, and will receive a certificate from Bishop Schlert in the mail. To receive the recognition and certificate, you need to register with the Diocese. The deadline to register is Friday September 4. Call toll free 1-800-831-4443 or Email [stewardship@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:stewardship@allentowndiocese.org). All are welcome to join in by watching the Mass online at the one of the following:  
AD Today: [www.ad-today.com](http://www.ad-today.com)  
YouTube: [m.youtube.com/user/DioceseofAllentown](https://m.youtube.com/user/DioceseofAllentown)  
Facebook: [ww.facebook.com/DioceseofAllentown](https://www.facebook.com/DioceseofAllentown)

### Financial Stewardship

	<u>July 12, 2020</u>	
	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 19,620	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 39,540	\$ 46,842
Year to date deficit	\$ 7,302	
Last Year	\$ 22,413	

	<u>July 19, 2020</u>	
	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 16,476	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 56,016	\$ 70,263
Year to date deficit	\$ 14,247	
Last Year	\$ 22,413	

	<u>July 26, 2020</u>	
	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 17,743	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 73,759	\$ 93,684
Year to date deficit	\$ 19,925	
Last Year	\$ 17,990	

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