

Mass Schedule

Saturday, October 24th - 3:30 p.m. - David & Sandra Rickert (39th Anniversary)
Sunday, October 25th - 10:30 a.m. - Stella E. Zerkowski (19th Anniversary)

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.

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OUR LOVED ONES REMEMBERED

St. Catharine's and Saint Mary's Families of Faith lovingly extends to you an invitation to gather with your sisters and brothers who support, sustain and encourage each other in the tender love of the Lord. Everyone experiences grief in a unique way. Healing comes, however, our hearts are touched by the hand of the Lord. **On Sunday, November 1st at 6:00 p.m. in the Church, we invite you to share with us in a Memorial Mass of love and remembrance of your dearly departed family members.**

If you have lost a family member during the 2020 year, please fill out the form below and return it to the Rectory or place in the collection basket no later than Sunday, October 25th.

OUR LOVED ONES REMEMBERED

Name of deceased: _____

Person requesting: _____

I will attend _____

I will not attend _____

The 2021 Mass Book is open. 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 is available online and the Parish Center.** If you are not coming to Church please call the Parish Center and **we will mail or email** you the form. If possible, indicate an alternate date in case your first choice is not available. The donation for each intention is \$10. The Office will put the Mass Intentions in the Mass Book and send you a copy. **If we have any questions concerning your requests, we will call you. PLEASE PRINT** legibly on all the forms! If you have any questions prior to sending in your request, please call the Parish Center between 10 AM and 3 PM, Monday through Friday at 610-779-4005. **If you are handicapped or a shut-in, please call the Office and we will help you.**

Livestream Masses will change to a recorded Mass posted to our St. Catharine of Siena YouTube Channel by noon every Sunday. We hope this change will improve your viewing and relieve technical challenges. Please subscribe to St. Catharine of Siena Parish - Reading, PA YouTube Channel for the latest updates. May God bless you! 🙏
#weareonebody
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnzcPzi8HJS00CEFaSHOYxQ>

Is 45-1, 4-6: For the sake of the Israelites, the Lord calls Cyrus. He gives him a title. It is the Lord who arms him, and through him all people will know that there is only one Lord.

1 Thes 1:1-5b: Paul writes to the Thessalonians encouraging them. He prays for them constantly as they prove their faith through works of love, for God has chosen them.

Mt 22:15-21: The Pharisees try to confound Jesus. They ask about a possible conflict of giving tribute to Caesar and God. Jesus asks for a coin which has Caesar's inscription. Jesus answers by saying: Give to Caesar his due and to God His due.

Today's Message: The Lord is King and there is no other. We are to render to God, therefore, fitting praise and service, as is God's due. God's word to us, in turn, is a matter of power and strength, to be lived with conviction of heart.

Thank you St. Catharine Parish for a successful Blood Drive. "26 pints collected"

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

PREP LEVEL 7 – 9-11 a.m. – Social Hall
CUB SCOUTS HALLOWEEN PARTY – 5 p.m. – Social Hall

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

RCIA - 6:30 p.m. – Parish Center Basement

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

PREP LEVEL 7 – 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. – Social Hall

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.

Parish Center Office Hours are Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. & Friday – 8:30- 3:00 p.m. The office number is 610-779-4005.



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

7:15 Marie Mayernik (1st Anniversary)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

7:15 Anna Tomasi

8:30 Craig Wolf

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

7:15 Joseph Brahler

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

7:15 Erma Wernicki (1st Anniversary)

8:30 Catherine Didyoung

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

7:15 Russel F. Hartman

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

8:00 Katherine Coman

4:30 Robert & Catherine Doyle

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

7:30 John Palkon

9:00 Clara B. Wertz

10:30 Deceased Members of the Impellizzeri & Nuccio Families

12:00 Joseph & Louise Pettyjohn

Readings for the Week of October 18, 2020

Sunday	Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21
Monday	Memorial of Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday	Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest Eph 2:12-22; Ps 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday	Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday	Saint John Paul II, Pope Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53
Friday	Saint John of Capistrano, Priest Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday	Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 13:1-9
Sunday	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 10/19	Rev. James J. Lofton
Tuesday 10/20	Rev. Lucien F. Longtin, S.J.
Wednesday 10/21	Rev. Rev. Stephen L. Maco
Thursday 10/22	Rev. Leo J. Maletz
Friday 10/23	Rev. John C. Maria
Saturday 10/24	Rev. Msgr. John J. Martin
Sunday 10/25	Rev. Keith A. Mathur

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 I 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

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.

Parish Nurse News - When someone suffers with mental illness, it can be difficult to remember that others care. Showing your support can help that person in a big way. Also refer them to <http://screening.mentalhealthscreening.org/readinghospital> for a free screening, anonymous and confidential and information on local resources.

Ossa's Corner



Officer Ossa is ready for duty!!

A special thank you to all who contributed to help support Ossa & Msgr. in the Walkathon. They raised \$1,112!

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: Karin Acuna, 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, Geraldine Gamby Randy Gensemer, Luke Gilbert, Ken Green, 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, 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, David Samsel, Anne Schaeffer, Barry Scheirer, Gloria Schmeck, Greg Schwartz, Vincent Skimski, Tyler Skoczen, Margaret Smith, Louise Snell, Harv Snyder, Veronica Stoss, Andy Strangarity, Kim Trois, Alan Wachowicz, Chris Wasko, Aiden Watkins, Frank White, Sylvia Willey, Leo Woelkers, Bernette Wrobel, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Ann Marie Zawislak, Mary Ann Zimmerman. **A time to die: Stanley Andrzejewski, (brother of Carl Andrzejewski) 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.



***Welcome Visitors:** Our parish community warmly welcomes those visitors who are attending Mass with us this weekend. All are always invited to join our faith family in the celebration of the Eucharist. We are glad you chose to worship with us, and we look forward to seeing you again!*

***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 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.*

Virtual Evening with Bishop Schlert

YOU ARE INVITED to join an online evening of prayer, reflection, and conversation with Bishop Alfred Schlert. - **WHEN: Wednesday, October 21 at 6:00 pm** - **WHERE: www.ad-today.com** and the Diocese of Allentown Facebook page. The program will begin with Bishop Schlert leading the Angelus for the faithful. Diocesan Director for Young Adult and Campus Ministry, Mrs. Maggie Riggins, will follow with a reflection on the virtue of hope as an essential element for life during the pandemic as well as a central component for the Because We Are Catholic Appeal. Finally, Mr. Paul Acampora, Diocesan Director of Stewardship and Development, will join Bishop Schlert and Mrs. Riggins as part of a panel to discuss questions and comments inspired by the evening's presentation. All are welcome to join this free, online event which will include a special thank you for all who have supported Diocesan campaigns and appeals during this past year. Registration is requested but not required. Email your name to stewardship@allentowndiocese.org ahead of time or simply visit www.ad-today.com or <https://www.facebook.com/DioceseofAllentown> at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, October 21.

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HELP WANTED: Full-time secretarial/receptionist position available for local Catholic Church providing support to the Pastor and parish office operations. Must be proficient in English and Spanish, working knowledge of Microsoft Office suite, be courteous and maintain confidentiality. Send resume to St. Peter Church, 322 S. 5th Street, Reading, PA 19602 ATTN: Sec Position FT or email to stpeterbusmngnr@comcast.net. No phone calls, please. EOE M/F/D/V

HELP WANTED: Part-time secretarial position available for local Catholic Church providing support to the Director of Religious Education. Must be bilingual, working knowledge of Microsoft Office suite, be courteous and maintain confidentiality. Send resume to St. Peter Church, 322 S. 5th Street, Reading, PA 19602 ATTN: Sec Position DRE or email to stpeterbusmngnr@comcast.net. No phone calls, please. EOE M/F/D/V

BERKS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL will be hosting its very first Virtual Extravaganza Gala. EXTRAVAGANZA 2020 "TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER" website will be open for registration beginning October 12, 2020. There is no cost to register or bid. The event will go live for bidding on November 2, 2020 and will conclude with a live broadcast on Saturday, November 14, 2020- from 7:30-8:30pm. To register go to bcextravaganza.maxgiving.bid- You will be able to purchase 10K raffle tickets, make a donation to our Emotional Appeal, bid on many great items or just make a monetary donation to support the students of Berks Catholic. For more information, please contact Danielle Fowler 610-374-1695 or email Extravaganza@berkscatholic.org.

OKTOBERFEST ONLINE GIFT CARD RAFFLE benefitting the Missionary Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Begins October 11 and ends October 17 Choose from **over \$2,000** in gift cards and prizes valued from \$50 to \$500! Visit MSCreading.org between 10/11 and 10/17 for your chance to win!

Blessing of the Pets



Covid- Safe Toy Drive for the Exeter Area Food Pantry Sponsored by Schwarzwald Lutheran Church

Due to Covid- 19, we have had to revise the Toy Drive for the children of the Exeter Area Food Pantry. We are hoping that you will be able to join us in making sure the children have a great Christmas.

We will be collecting hats, gloves, games and puzzles (Toys for Tots is providing some toy support) for children aged 0-18. We are also requesting small items such as card games, small cars and dolls, markers, crayons, coloring books, personal care items (toothbrush, toothpaste, bubble bath, hairbrush, comb), tub toys, action figures, Barbie dolls, etc. that can be placed into shoeboxes to be distributed to the children.

There will be additional information placed on tables in your building that provide information on how to assemble your own shoebox or how to purchase needed items from Amazon and have them shipped directly to Schwarzwald Lutheran Church.

If you have any questions or need a flyer emailed to you, please contact Doris Jaeger at 610-780-9825 or by email at bdj43077@msn.com.