

Mass Schedule

Saturday, November 7th - 3:30 p.m. - Mary & John Wrubel
Sunday, November 8th - 10:30 a.m. - Halina Gniadzik

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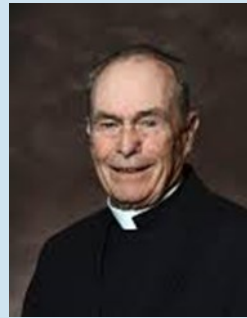
There will be a Latin Mass next Sunday, November 8th at 12:30 p.m. in the Church.

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.

Did you know that in our country, compared to 50 years ago, there are 20,000 fewer priests and 130,000 fewer religious sisters? At the same time, the Catholic population has continued to grow steadily. Many factors have contributed to the decline: growing secularism, a lengthened period of adolescence, attitudes about celibacy, etc. During National Vocation Awareness week, please pray that young people today will hear and respond to God's call. And do your part to encourage them to consider the priesthood and religious life.

Christmas Boutique

After careful consideration, the Christmas Boutique committee determined there was no feasible way to hold any aspect of St. Catharine's traditional Christmas Boutique, while still following all COVID-19 safety guideline. The event, therefore, is not being held in 2020. But this does not signal the end of this tradition. We are already in the planning stages to make the 2021 Christmas Boutique bigger and better than ever. Next year's event is scheduled for November 19 and 20, 2021.



LETTER FROM MSGR. JOSEPH SMITH:

Dear Parishioners:

During the pandemic, I decided to write and publish a hardbound book entitled "Stories of My Life."

Some are biographical, some funny, some scary, some inspiring, all of them interesting and true. Originally, I intended the book for family and close friends. As it began to take shape, I decided to offer it as a fundraiser to St. Joseph's Parish and to St. Catharine's Parish, Reading. I have served these parishes for a total of fifty years. I will pay the entire cost of publishing and printing the books. For those who would like to order a copy of the book (**the cost is \$20.00**), please put your name, address and phone number & check in an envelope and mark it: **"For Msgr. Smith's Book,"** and place it in the collection or mail it to St. Catharine's Parish Center. Your timely return of your order will let me know how many books to have printed.

Msgr. Joseph Smith
(We will put a notice in the bulletin when your book is ready for pick-up.)

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.

ALL SAINTS DAY

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14: The elect give thanks to God and the Lamb who saved them. The whole court of heaven joins the acclamation of the saints.

1 Jn 3:1-3: God's gift of love has been the gift of His only Son as Savior of the world. It is this gift that has made it possible for us to be called the children of God.

Mt 5:1-12a: Jesus is meant to be the new Moses proclaiming the new revelation on a new Mount Sinai. This is the proclamation of the reign, or the "Good News." Blessings are pronounced on those who do not share the values of the world.

Today's Message: Let us rejoice in all the men and women, blest in the eyes of the Lord, who celebrate the heavenly liturgy. They stand in God's holy place and sing of the love the Father has bestowed upon them through the blood of the Lamb.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

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

GRIEF SHARE – 2 - 4 p.m. – Parish Center

CROSS COUNTRY MEET – 2 p.m.

CUB SCOUTS – 5 p.m. – Social Hall

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2

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

SVDP MEETING – 7 p.m. – Parish Center Basement

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

KOC – 6 p.m. – Social Hall

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

AHG – 5:30 - 8 p.m. – Social Hall

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

GRIEF SHARE – 2 - 4 p.m. – Parish Center

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The Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts will be handing out bags after Mass for the annual Scouting for Food Drive. We ask that you return your bags next week, November 7 & 8, with non perishable food items. All food will be donated to Helping Harvest (formerly the Greater Berks Food Bank) and will go to local families. Please help us help those in need. We thank you for your generosity and your support.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2

7:15 ALL SOULS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

7:15 Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

7:15 Sara Jane Madl

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

7:15 Mary Ellen Birch

8:30 Albert Lellig (School Mass)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

7:15 David Kordich

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

8:00 Roger Lengel

4:30 Geraldine & Samuel Russo

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

7:30 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph L. Heck

9:00 Jim Gaffney (2nd Anniversary)

10:30 Richard Schrantz

12:00 Michael Fura

Readings for the week of November 1, 2020

Sunday Solemnity of All Saints

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6;

1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Monday The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, All Souls' Day

Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9;

Jn 6:37-40

Tuesday Saint Martin de Porres, Religious

Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30e,

31-32; Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33

Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 15:1-10

Thursday Phil 3:17—4:1; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5;

Lk 16:1-8

Friday Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a and 9;

Lk 16:9-15

Saturday Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8;

1 Thes 4:13-18 or 1 Thes 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13

THE BANS OF MARRIAGE are announced as follows:

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Sara McKennick & Michael Bean



Patriotic Rosary at top of each hour and Chaplet of Divine Mercy at half-hour at the Chapel on Election Day.

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 11/2	Rev. Msgr. David J. Morrison
Tuesday 11/3	Rev. Joseph T. Muller, M.S.C.
Wednesday 11/4	Rev. Michael E. Mullins
Thursday 11/5	Rev. Elias D. Munyaneza, A.J.
Friday 11/6	Rev. Msgr. John P. Murphy
Saturday 11/7	Rev. Kevin M. Nadolski, O.S.F.S.
Sunday 11/8	Rev. Frank T. Natale, M.S.C.



American Heritage Girls will be working with Wreaths Across America again this year to place Christmas wreaths on veteran's graves at Forest Hills Cemetery in December. Please consider honoring our veterans and supporting our troop. We will be in the gathering area the weekend of November 7th and 8th to collect donations. Thank you

for your support!

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LOOKING FOR SOME UNIQUE GIFTS? Siena Stitchers will again be offering handmade items at entrances of the Church. Donations will go to St. Vincent DePaul Society. Interested in learning a few stitches? Come join us on 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 10 A.M. at the Church. More info? Call Anita (610-779-1571) or Judy (610-779-8654).

A Special Thank You to Ace Hardware for the hand sanitizer and cleaning wipes.

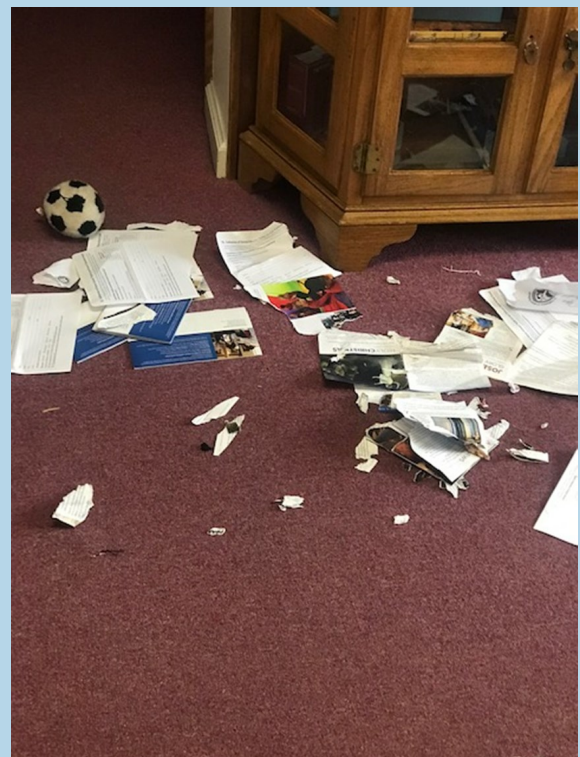


Help Needed - Fellow parishioner needs your help! RN or LPN for Private duty skilled care in home. For a 59 year old female. Need to cover 24 hour care so possibilities are available for all shifts including weekends. Even if you would be available to cover in an emergency. If interested please email John Orlando at 103driver@gmail.com

Ossa' Corner



The devil made me do this when I was a Pup!



ALL SAINTS DAY



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, Bob Bechtel, 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, Ken Green, Christine Gubernot, David J. Gulati II, 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 Motzник, 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, Harv Snyder, Veronica Stoss, Andy Strangarity, Kim Trois, Alan Wachowicz, Aiden Watkins, Frank White, Sylvia Willey, Leo Woelkers, Bernette Wrobel, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Ann Marie Zawislak, Mary Ann Zimmerman. **A time to die:** *Anthony Kozak*, (brother of Emily Bright); *Doug Cambria*; *June Lubas & Robert Flowers* *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.

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.

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>

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 or February 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.**

Financial Stewardship

September 6, 2020

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 22,771	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 183,285	\$ 234,210
Year to date deficit	\$ 50,925	
Last Year	\$ 18,833	

September 13, 2020

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 16,591	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 199,876	\$ 257,631
Year to date deficit	\$ 57,755	
Last Year	\$ 19,567	

September 20, 2020

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 17,349	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 217,225	\$ 281,052
Year to date deficit	\$ 63,827	
Last Year	\$ 19,959	

September 27, 2020

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 17,756	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 234,981	\$ 304,473
Year to date deficit	\$ 69,492	
Last Year	\$ 18,818	

October 4, 2020

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 20,239	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 255,220	\$ 327,894
Year to date deficit	\$ 72,674	
Last Year	\$ 21,072	

October 11, 2020

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 15,956	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 271,176	\$ 351,315
Year to date deficit	\$ 80,139	
Last Year	\$ 19,398	

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