



Saint Mary's News

Mass Schedule

Saturday, June 19th - 3:30 p.m. - John & Frances Lubas

Sunday, June 20th - 10:30 a.m. - Living & Deceased Fathers of the Parish

The Commemorating St. Mary's Roman Catholic Parish, Reading, Pa, 1888 – 2016 Books are on sale for \$15.90 which includes the sales tax. If you require shipping, the shipping and handling are \$3.60, charged only once regardless of the number of books requested. If you contact me for copies and attend Mass at St. Mary's, you can pick them up after the 10:30 Mass in the vestibule. If you usually go to the 3:30 PM Mass, let me know and I will deliver it after that Mass. Cash and checks only; no credit or debit cards. If you want a copy of the book, contact Carl Gethmann at cagethmann74@gmail.com or call 610-374-9215.



Welcome to St. Catharine of Siena Parish!

Your fellow priests, deacons, staff and parishioners would like to extend a warm welcome to Father Stephan Isaac. We wish Father Isaac the very best as he starts his ministry at St. Catharine's.

We are thankful to those who choose to contribute faithfully to St. Catharine and St. Mary churches. We are especially grateful to those who are unable to attend Mass, but mail in or drop off their offerings regularly, and for those who give electronically. We remember in a special way each week our members who are not able to join with us in the celebration of the Eucharist. We sincerely thank you, and may God bless you for your continuous and generous stewardship of treasure to your parish.

Our religious goods store has reopened. Items available include holy cards, crucifixes, holy water bottles, missals, bibles, children's books, rosaries and other items. You will find these items on the tables by the social hall. Also, there are a number of books on the rack across from the table. If there is no one staffing the store, simply put your money or check in an envelope and slide it under the door. There is a supply of envelopes on the table by the door.

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.

We pray for the Gift of Peace in the world and the safety of those working for peace through the military services, especially: Captain Steffan Lis, MD, SPC, Dylan Einfalt, Airman 1st Class Kevin Hodgson, 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, Staff Sgt. 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.**

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ez 17:22-24: The restoration of Israel will be a kind of resurrection. From the modest beginnings of the Church, the Good News will be spread to all humanity .

2 Cor 5:6-10: While we wait for the Lord, we should please Him in all things. Then we will be found without reproach when we appear before Him in judgment.

Mk 4:26-34: From small beginnings, the Church of Christ has arisen for the salvation of all peoples. Through Christ's preaching, God the Father has revealed all that He had to say to us.

Today's Message: The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed, which springs up and becomes the largest of plants, like a tender shoot from the cedar which will bear fruit and become a majestic cedar. So shall the just one flourish, like a cedar. As we walk by faith and not by sight, may our lives bear fruit in abundance.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, JUNE 13

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – After 7:15 a.m. Mass until 8 p.m.

GRIEFSHARE – 7 p.m. – Parish Center

THURSDAY, JUNE 14

BOY SCOUTS – 7 p.m. - Social Hall

SUNDAY, JUNE 20

BAPTISMS – 1 p.m. - Church

Do you believe that God might be calling you to discern the Ordained Ministry of Christ the Servant, as a Permanent Deacon in the Diocese of Allentown? If so you and your family are invited to attend a **COME AND SEE** Event at St. Joseph the Worker Parish Church on Friday evening, June 25th at 6:00 p.m. Registration is required. Please register by emailing jstewart@allentowndiocese.org or calling the Office of Permanent Diaconate Formation at 610-332-0442, ext. 2031.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: DAILY MASS TIME - SUMMER HOURS - During the summer the daily Mass (Monday-Friday) will be changed to **7:15 a.m.** There will only be **one** daily Mass. The Saturday morning Mass will now be at 8 a.m.

Confirmation will be held on Wednesday, October 27th with Bishop Alfred Schlert.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JUNE 14

7:15 Leon Rogosky

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

7:15 Ronald Gilbert

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

7:15 Robert DeMarco

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

7:15 Mary Scheirer

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

7:15 Joseph & Regina Kastenmaier

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

8:00 Anna McDonald

4:30 George Ashton

SUNDAY, JUNE 20

7:30 Living & Deceased Fathers of the Parish

9:00 Living & Deceased Fathers of the Parish

10:30 Living & Deceased Fathers of the Parish

12:00 Living & Deceased Fathers of the Parish

Readings for the Week of June 13, 2021

Sunday

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 17:22-24; Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16;

2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

Monday

2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4;

Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday

2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a;

Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday

2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8, Mt 6:7-15

Friday

2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7;

Mt 6:19-23

Saturday

Saint Romuald, Abbot

2 Cor 12:1-10; Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 6:24-34

Sunday

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Job 38:1, 8-11; Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29,

30-31; 2 Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41

THE BANNES OF MARRIAGE are announced as follows:

I Alexis Ashcroft & Brian Broga

As of today, our parishioners have raised \$65,296 from 173 parishioners representing 6.32% of our total number of registered families in our parish. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach our financial goal and to reach the 100% participation goal. If you have not made your pledge of support, you may return your pledge form to the parish office or make your gift online. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach our goal. Remember, every gift counts, no gift is too small. Every dollar helps those in need. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, please call the parish office.

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 6/14	Rev. John S. Pendzick
Tuesday , 6/15	Rev. Dominic Thao Pham
Wednesday, 6/16	Rev. Quyet A. Pham
Thursday, 6/17	Rev. Alexander T. Pocetto, O.S.F.S.
Friday, 6/18	Rev. Msgr. Stephen J. Radocha
Saturday, 6/19	Rev. Msgr. James J. Reichert

Ask and It Shall Be Given:

Thanks to all who donated gifts and money to the Saint Vincent DePaul Baby Shower. With your generosity we were able to donate many beautiful and needed items for distribution to babies in our area. We were also able to make a monetary donation to help with the operation of Mary's Shelter and Lifeline. What a blessing to be part of a parish that cares so much about new life!

Kennedy House. This past year has been a challenge, but the doors of Kennedy House have stayed OPEN and the number of patrons has gone up dramatically. It is St. Catharine's turn to run the **Kennedy House** in Reading July 10th and 10th. **We need your help**. There are lots of supplies we need in order to serve those in need. Please see the sign up genius link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848ACA823A4FA7-kennedy2> if you can help. Email me at sk1699@hotmail.com to get the link sent to you directly. Please call, text, or email if you can help in anyway- Sara Miller 484-459-0270.

Parish Nurse News - Mindfulness is so important in many aspects of our lives. It helps us to pause and regroup physically and mentally. When you see an article about Mindfulness, stop and read it!

The Catholic Woman's Club of Berks County is celebrating their 100th anniversary on SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24TH at the DoubleTree of Reading with a luncheon and program. It begins at 1:00 and ends at 4:00. For more information, please contact Marcia at 484-7940680 or email to mwertrn@ptd.net

KEYS FOUND: There were TWO KEYS found in a box of baby clothes left in the Church. The keys were taken to the Parish Center and can be picked up there.

Ossa's Corner



Have fun at St. Ignatius Luna!



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: Anthony Maiorana, Jr. & Troy Hodges

Please pray for our sick: Karin Acuna, Anthony Antonucci, Baby Lanzo, Marie Bassler, Becky Batastini, Melody Bechtel, Paul A. Bomba, Michele Boucher, Katie Briggs, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Alan Budgeon, Marvin Bush, Larry Curtin, Charles DeNaples, Roseanne Dougherty, Gina Ebright, Donald Entzminger, Joseph Essig, Terri Essig, Robert Flipping, Sandy Gallagher, Geraldine Gamby, Randy Gensemer, Stanley Grabowski, Jesse Hill, Sandy Groller, David J. Gulati II, Wayne Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, John Heft, Patricia Herber, Dolores Hinnershitz, Michael Hivner, Donna Kaminiski, Winnie Kerns, Mary Kolakowski, John Kompa, Rosemarie Kovacs, Darryl Larish, Melanie Lintz, Alma Lonergan, Daniel Lonergan, Joanne Marnell, Charles E. Mathews, Cindy McConnell, Jacob McCue, Jr., Mary Rita McFadden, John Mercadante Jr., Katherine Miceli, Lannie Milillo, Charles Mountz, Ruth Mountz, Bill Nelson, Jerome Nigh, Patricia Pinto, Donald Pisker, Michael Poserina, Sharon Prectl, Chuck Rackie, Lorraine Ransom, Aneliese Robinson, Jackie Romy, David Samsel, Pat Sarro, John C. Sauer, Jr., Anne Schaeffer, Barry Scheirer, Vincent Skimski, Joan Skoczen, Tyler Skoczen, Harvey Snyder, Barbara Spatz, Veronica Stoss, Andy Strangarity, Kimberly Trigstead, Alan Wachowicz, Aiden Watkins, Pat Wertz, Frank White, Leo Woelkers, Bernette Wrobel, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Ann Marie Zawislak. **A Time to die: Frank Llyod**, (father of Brad Lloyd, grandfather of Michael, Christopher & Jake Lloyd & great grandfather of Lincoln & Harrison Lloyd) & **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.

BERKS CYO—An 8th Grade Scholarship of \$500.00 is awarded to one boy and one girl who participated in CYO during their elementary years and plan to attend Berks Catholic High School in the fall. If you meet the above requirements and wish to be considered, you will need to complete an application. Students currently attending Catholic schools will receive the form from their principal. Those participating in PREP or who are being homeschooled please contact Susan Teaford at St. Benedict's Church at 610.856.1006 or via email at secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org for the application form.

Saint Catharine of Siena School Board- A position is available on the St Catharine of Siena School Board. Please consider serving on this important ministry. Parents who have students in the school, as well as individuals who do not have children in the school, are encouraged to apply. Applicants must be 21 years old. Selected candidates will have orientation and are asked to serve a 3 year term beginning in September 2021. Please email Mrs. Kraycik at mkraycik@scsreading.org for an application.



Vacation Bible School is back! This theme this year is ROCKY RAILWAY. and the children are encouraged to trust Jesus during rocky times. VBS is open to children entering grades K-5 in September 2021. We meet at St. Catharine's School each morning from 9:00 am - 11:30 am June 21 -

25. We are in need of adult and youth (grades 6 - 12) volunteers to help run the program. This is a great opportunity for service hours! Registration forms for participants and volunteers can be found at the back of the church or at the youth website www.scsyouth.weebly.com.

50+ CLUB NEWS

The St. Catharine of Siena's 50+ Club meeting will be held on Wednesday July 7, 2021 at 1:00 PM, the Board meeting will be held on Tuesday July 6, 2021 at 10:00 AM. 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

We are very happy to announce we will be holding our first meeting for the year 2021 on **July 7th**. Anyone who wishes to attend **MUST** have gotten their Covid-19 vaccine shot and we will require you to show your proof of **vaccine paper** when checking in for the meeting. You must also wear your mask. We will provide cupcakes but if you want a beverage, **please bring your own**.

The **dues** paid by members in 2020 will carry over to **2021**.

ATTENTION: THE CLUB IS IN NEED OF A VOLUNTEER FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Membership duties, gather all information from the member and collect the yearly dues. It would help if you are literate in Word and Excel.

2021 TRIPS

July 25th, 2021, Sunday, Medieval Times – includes 4 hour Dinner Feast. Cost: \$95.00

August 21, 2021, PA Renaissance Faire Feast with 4 hours free time –Cost: \$75.00

September 20-24, 2021, Monday thru Friday – Inn at Crumpin Fox, Double 1040.00, Single \$1210.00, Quad \$960.00.

October 13, 2021 – Wednesday – Mystery Trip – (even Men will enjoy this trip) Cost: \$105.00 **Date is corrected.**

November 17, 2021 – Wednesday – Hunterdon Hills Christmas Show - \$100.00

Anyone interested in the trips can send a deposit check for \$20.00 or the full cost of the trip, **NO CASH ACCEPTED.**

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.

PREP Registration for the 2021-2022 year is open.

The Parish Religious Education Program is open to all students in grades 1 – 8. All levels will meet in person on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm. Registration forms are available in the back of church or online at www.scsyouth.weebly.com. We are in need of volunteers to help teach or aide PREP classes. All materials and training will be provided. Please look inside your heart and see if you would be able to volunteer your time for the kids of our parish. As it was once sung, "I believe that children are our future. Teach them well and let them lead the way." For more information please contact Marci Zambito at mzambito@scsreading.org

Financial Stewardship

	<u>May 16, 2021</u>	
	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 18,613	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 813,901	\$ 1,077,366
Year to date deficit	\$ 263,465	
Last Year	\$ 11,376	

	<u>May 23, 2021</u>	
	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 17,078	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 830,979	\$ 1,100,787
Year to date deficit	\$ 269,808	
Last Year	\$ 10,640	

	<u>May 30, 2021</u>	
	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 17,549	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 795,288	\$ 1,124,208
Year to date deficit	\$ 258,657	
Last Year	\$ 12,398	

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