

Saint Mary's News
Next Weekends Mass Schedule

Sunday, April 17th - 10:30 a.m. - Leaving & Deceased
Members of the Parish

Easter Plants for the sanctuary can be
purchased in memory of your beloved
deceased by enclosing \$12 per plant in an
envelope provided today on the altar rail.
Please print name clearly.

Saint Mary's Easter Schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- ◆ WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13TH -
- ◆ 6:00 - 6:45 P.M. - CHURCH

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 16TH
BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD -
11:00 a.m. - CHURCH

EASTER SUNDAY-APRIL 17TH
10:30 A.M. - CHURCH

**See St. Catharine's Mass Schedule for
additional Masses for Easter**



Save the Date!!
May 27, 2022
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GOLF TOURNAMENT
Entry forms on tables!



Saint Catharine's
Easter Schedule

- ◆ MONDAY, APRIL 11TH -
- ◆ 4-5 P.M. & 6:30 - 7:30 P.M. - CHAPEL
- ◆ TUESDAY, APRIL 12TH -
- ◆ 4-5 P.M. & 6:30 - 7:30 P. M. - CHAPEL

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 14TH
MASS OF THE LAST SUPPER- 7:00 P.M.*- CHURCH
NIGHT PRAYERS & GUITAR CHOIR SINGS -
10:30 P.M. - CHURCH

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 15TH
CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION -
3 P.M. - CHURCH
STATIONS OF THE CROSS - 7:00 P.M. - CHURCH

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 16TH
*****BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD - 11:00 A.M.**
AT SAINT MARY'S CHURCH***
EASTER VIGIL - 8 P.M.* - CHURCH

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17TH
7:30, 9:00, 10:30* AND 12 NOON - CHURCH
*INCENSE USED

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS
TUESDAY, APRIL 12TH
AT 1:15 P.M.-CHAPEL

PALM SUNDAY

Is 50:4-7: The sufferings of God's servant will not deter him from faith in God.

Phil 2:6-11: Jesus is Lord!

Lk 22:14-23:56: Attend to the account of Christ's last days, and consider how he suffered that we might have faith. By his Holy Cross he has saved the world.

Today's Message: Jesus, humbling himself out of love for us, did not shield his face from buffets and spitting, but offered his life on the cross. He relied on his Father's love.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY APRIL 10

CONFIRMATION INSCRIPTION SERVICE – following the noon Mass

CUB SCOUTS – 5 p.m. - Social Hall

MONDAY APRIL 11

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – After 8:00 a.m. Mass until 8 p.m.

LIFE AFTER LOSS – 7p.m. – Parish Center Basement

TUESDAY, APRIL 12

LIVING STATIONS – 1:15 p.m. - Chapel

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

CUB SCOUTS WOLF DEN 358 – 6:30-7:30 p.m. – Knights' Room

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

PREP LEVEL 1-7 – 6:30-8 p.m. – School

MARY'S WAY OF THE CROSS– following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

THURSDAY, APRIL 14

MASS OF THE LAST SUPPER – 7:00 p.m. - Church

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

PASSION OF THE LORD – 3 p.m. - Church

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – 7 p.m. – Church

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

BLESSING OF THE EASTER FOOD – 11:00 a.m. – St. Mary's Church

EASTER VIGIL – 8:00 p.m. – Church

SUNDAY, APRIL 17

EASTER SUNDAY

Parish Nurse News - Pain relief creams and ointments used on sore joints and muscles can also help relieve sore feet. Rub it onto your feet at bedtime and allow it to dry thoroughly. Do not apply between toes, it may cause irritation. Be sure to follow prescription or container instructions (Arthritis Today, 2019). Don't use if you are taking an oral pain medication. As always, check any questions with your healthcare provider!

Adult Confirmation is scheduled for Sunday, June 5.

There will be a Confirmation prep class on **Saturday May 14th at 11:00 a.m.** at the Parish Center.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 11

6:30 Helen & Gerald Impink

8:00 Nicholas Gardecki (1st Anniversary)

TUESDAY, APRIL 12

6:30 John Sadlowski

8:00 Gerry & Marie Sullivan

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

6:30 Joseph Tucci

8:00 Joan & Robert Sabo

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 14

MASS OF THE LAST SUPPER – 7 p.m. (CHURCH)

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 15

THE PASSION OF THE LORD – 3 p.m. (CHURCH)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – 7 p.m. (CHURCH)

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 16

BLESSING OF THE FOOD – 11 a.m. – St. Mary's

EASTER VIGIL – 8 p.m. - Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

SUNDAY, APRIL 17

7:30 Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

9:00 Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

10:30 Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

12:00 Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

Reading for the week of, April 10, 2022

Sunday

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20,23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14-23:56 or Lk 23: 1-49

Monday

Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday

Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 & 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday

Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 & 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

Thursday

Holy Thursday

Chrism Mass

Is 61: 1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25 & 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Ex 12: 1-8, 11-14; Ps 116: 12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11: 23-26; Jn 13: 1-15

Friday

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion

Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday

Holy Saturday

Gn 1:1-2:2 or Gn 1:1,26-31a; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20 & 22; Gn 22:1-18 or Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Ex 14:15-15:1; Ex 15:1-2,3-4,5-6,17-18; Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2,4,5-6,11-12,13; Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-3,4,5-6; Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Ez 36:16-17a,18-28; Ps 42:3,5;43:3,4 or Is 12:2-3,4 bcd,5-6 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15,18-19; Rom 6:3-11; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Lk 24:1-12

Sunday

Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8a; Jn 20:1-9

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 4/11	Rev. Harold F. Dagle
Tuesday 4/12	Rev. Charles J. Dene
Wednesday 4/13	Rev. Msgr. Joseph A. DeSantis
Thursday 4/14	Rev. Msgr. Edward R. Domin
Friday 4/15	Rev. Bruno Dongo, A.J.
Saturday 4/16	Rev. Anthony M. Drouncheck



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL EVENING ON SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2022 AT 6:30 PM FOR PRAISE & WORSHIP MUSIC. MASS, BENEDICTION & HEALING SERVICE WILL BEGIN AT 7: PM. OUR CELEBRANT WILL BE REV. GEORGE WINNE.

JOIN US FOR THIS SPECIAL EVENING AT ST. CATHARINE OF SIENA CHURCH ON BOYERTOWN PIKE AS WE GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD.

PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD. WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US FOR THIS UPLIFTING & SOLEMN SERVICE. HIS MASS DOES COUNT AS YOUR SUNDAY OBLIGATION.

American Heritage Girls Troop PA1111 is collecting worn and tattered American flags in need of a proper retirement. There will be a collection box in the gathering area until the end of April. Thank you for assisting us in this service project.

BERKS CATHOLIC YOUTH FOOTBALL AND CHEERLEADING- 2022 Season Registration is now open- This year you can register online by going to -- <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/309123>

This program is open to girls and boys enrolled in Berks County Parochial Schools. Some age and grade restrictions do apply. FOR MORE ON ELIGIBILITY AND COST: Go to WWW.LEAGUELINEUP.COM/BCYFAC You can also follow us on Facebook by going to: Berks Catholic Youth Football and Cheer-2020 and Beyond. For any other questions contact: Danielle Fowler 610-374-1695 or email DFOWLER@BERKSCATHOLIC.ORG

Ossa's Corner



Cutest bunny ever!

Ossa would like to say ... thanks to everyone who donated to "Cooks with Collars" the total donated was \$5,920!



PALM SUNDAY

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: Lucas O'Donnell

Please pray for our sick & soldiers in harm's way: Karin Acuna, Howard Albright, Anthony Antonucci, Elizabeth Ashton, Baby Lanzo, Marie Bassler, Melody Bechtel, Gene Bellus, Michele Boucher, Jacques Briand, Katie Briggs, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Paul Brooke, Alan Budgeon, Marvin Bush, Pauline Cappel, Della Chmielewski, Larry Curtin, Cyril Danko, Tamara Danko, Bryan DeMarco, Charles DeNaples, Roseanne Dougherty, Andy Dykie, Gina Ebright, Martin Eisenhower, Charles Elchlepp, Donald Entzminger, Robert Flipping, Coleen Foltin, Chris Fry, Geraldine Gamby, Michael Gantert, Todd Gladfelter, Cecelia Godek, Theresa Grabowski, David J. Gulati II, Mary Hedrick, Wayne Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, John Heft, Theresa Heltzinger, Patricia Herber, Jesse Hill, Roger Hilton, Dolores Hinnershitz, Michael Hivner, Nikki Lyn Kells, Rev. David Kohut, OFM, John Kompa, Rosemarie Kovacs, Dorothy Kulak, John Kurtick, Darryl Larish, Melanie Lintz, Sylvia Loeper, Alma Lonergan, Daniel Lonergan, Joan Lubas, Joanne Marnell, Charles E. Mathews, Mindy Mattes, Daniel Matz, Margaret May, Cindy McConnell, Mary Rita McFadden, Bernie McGuirk, John Mercadante Jr., Katherine Miceli, Lannie Milillo, Cynthia Mitchell, Carol Moore, Charles Mountz, Ruth Mountz, Jerome Nigh, Jane O'Malley, James O'Malley, Frank Pingitore, Patricia Pinto, Donald Pisker, Michael Poserina, Sharon Prechtel, Chuck Rackie, Lorraine Ransom, Warren C. Readinger, Peggy Reid, Aneliese Robinson, Jackie Romy, David Samsel, Barbara Santoro, Pat Sarro, John C. Sauer, Jr., Anne Schaeffer, Barry Scheirer, Carolyn Schott, Vincent Skimski, Joan Skoczen, Tyler Skoczen, Mary Jane Skowron, Harvey Snyder, Barbara Spatz, Andy Strangarity, John Staub, Kimberly Trigstead, Alan Wachowicz, Aiden Watkins, Frank White, Leo Woelkers, Bernette Wrobel, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Ann Marie Zawislak, John Ziemba, Mary Ann Zimmerman **A Time to die: Alfred DeCarlo**, (husband of Lorraine DeCarlo), **Kathy Ludwig**, (sister of Rick Doll) & 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.

Knights of Columbus Community Service Award – Our St. Catharine of Siena Council #14880 will again be providing a \$1000 cash award via its Community Service Award Program, intended to award student's dedication to and performance of charitable service. The program is open to St. Catharine of Siena School, public school, and home-schooled students currently in the eighth grade and planning to attend Berks Catholic High School this fall. Applications are being sent to parents/guardians of eighth grade students at St. Catharine's School. In addition, public and home-schooled students can secure applications by contacting Bill Wertz at pakettle629@aol.com. Please see the application form for additional details.

ST. BENEDICT'S FAMILY DAY-SAVE THE DATE, JULY 9TH. Family day will bring your family closer to God and provide fun activities for the whole family. Activities for the family include: mass, gaga ball, confession, volleyball, adoration, bounce house, and much more. Family day will be held all day Saturday at the St. Benedict's church and picnic grounds. Additional information to follow in the coming weeks. Expected cost to register for family day of around \$40 per family.

We pray for the Gift of Peace in the world and the safety of those working for peace through the military services, especially: Cpl. Bruce Bogertey, Private 2 Alex Heintz, Captain Chelsea Pellicano, Airman Ethan Kosmoski, Ensign Nicholas Tomczyk, Captain Steffan Lis, MD, SPC, Dylan Einfalt, Airman 1st Class Kevin Hodgson, Sgt. Madison Straka, First Lt. Devon Schoonover, Sgt. Mackenzie Adame, Lance Corporal Connor A. 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, 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**

Homeschool Families - Thursday, May 5, 2022 -
Homeschool Families of the Diocese of Allentown are invited to a First Friday gathering on Thursday, May 5 at St. John the Baptist Church, 10th and Mahantongo Sts., Pottsville. An informal social beginning at 6:00pm will be followed by Eucharistic Adoration from 7:00-8:00 with the opportunity for Confessions. RSVP Fr. Kevin Bobbin, Chaplain to the Homeschool Community (kbobbin@allentowndiocese.org).

Saints and Scholars Dinner and Discussion - *What is the Real Presence? How do we know it is really Jesus? What does it mean to you in your life?* Come explore the theology of the Holy Eucharist in this free event series featuring dinner, a reflection from a featured speaker, discussion, and fellowship! As we break bread together, we will come to better understand the Bread of Life! Guests can register for the upcoming session on April 28, 2022. [Check the website](#) for presenters, additional information, and to register!

50 Plus News

Please call Maria Bunch, Vice President of the 50+ Club at **610-582-4632** with any questions or concerns. You can see us on Facebook for additional information. **Anyone attending the 50+ meeting will be asked to show proof of Covid Vaccination. If an attendee does not have proof of vaccination, he/she will be asked to wear a mask.**

"May 4, 2022, meeting will feature guest speaker, Jill Marie. She will detail the history of Tom Sturgis pretzels. Cake/coffee, tea, water will be provided

TRIPS

Wednesday May 18 David at Sight & Sound Cracker Barrel lunch on your own \$115

Wednesday June 15 Baltimore Dine Around with Narrated cruise
Eat at different area's in Baltimore \$160

Wednesday July 13 Silver Birches Shake Rattle & Roll
Show Tunes from 50's to the 80's \$95.

Wednesday August 24 Mystery Tour HINT: Sightseeing Boat Ride \$150

September 19th - 24th Monday - Saturday Charleston & Savannah Double \$1645

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 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.



The collection for Ukraine was \$11,231. Thank you so much for your generosity. Pray for peace.

Calling all high schoolers! Throughout the Bible, the Lord tells us over and over again, "Be not afraid," and he continues to speak these words to us today. Join hundreds of Catholic teens at Steubenville Main Campus 5 on July 15 – 17 to experience the peace of Jesus Christ, who is always faithful and will never abandon us. All rising freshmen in high school through rising freshmen in college are invited to attend this retreat with our group. Learn more at www.scsyouth.weebly.com and contact Mrs. Zambito at mzambito@scsreading.org if you are interested in attending. Space is limited. **Register by April 15, 2022 to save your spot!**



Save the Date!

Vacation Bible School is back! At Monumental VBS, kids celebrate God's Greatness! Monumental is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch! Sciency-fun gizmos, team building games, unforgettable Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. Plus, we'll help kids discover how to see the evidence of God in everyday life. VBS will be held in the school cafeteria June 20, 2022 thru June 24, 2022 from 9:00 am – 11:30 am and is open to children entering grades K-5 in September 2022. Students in grades 6-8 are invited to volunteer to help run VBS. Adult leaders are needed as well! Registration and volunteer forms are available on the tables in the back of the church or at www.scsyouth.weebly.com. Contact Marci Zambito at mzambito@scsreading.org with questions.