Saint Mary's News

Next Weekends Mass Schedule Saturday, April 30th - 3:30 p.m. - John Morawczynski Sunday, May 1st - 10:30 a.m. - Martha Lubas (38th Anniversary)

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.

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. THIS MASS DOES COUNT AS YOUR SUNDAY OBLIGATION.



Congratulations to all those in RCIA who recently entered the Catholic Church at the beautiful Easter Vigil this past Saturday at our parish! Congratulations to Anthony Chan, Christopher Chan, Dona Shirk, Daniel Augustine, Amanda Roth, and Mayowa Akinlemibola! We're so happy and excited for you as you begin a new journey of following our Lord Jesus Christ as one of His disciples in His One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church! May God bless and protect you always!

Acts 5: 12-16: Through signs and wonders-miracles-the Lord supports the work of the Apostles and leads people to the Faith.

Rv 1:9-11a,12-13,17-18: In symbol and allegory the glory of the Lord is depicted.

Jn 20:19-31: Jesus is risen; he comes and stands before his disciples. He encourages them and strengthens their faith.

Today's Message: As Thomas believed because he saw the risen Jesus, so too were many brought to faith through various signs and wonders wrought by the apostles. They proclaimed as Lord "the stone rejected by the builders", "the First and the Last of the One who lives".

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH **SUNDAY APRIL 24**

CUB SCOUTS - 5 p.m. - Social Hall

MONDAY APRIL 25

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - following the 8:00 a.m. Mass until 8 p.m.

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 26

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ASSEMBLY - 7:30 p.m. -Social Hall

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

FIRST COMMUNION PRACTICE (level 2 only) 7:00 p.m. -Church

We are blessed to have a beautiful building in which to worship. Keeping St. Catharine's Church orderly and welcoming means weekly cleaning, and we can always use more volunteers for this ministry. If you have some time during the weekends you can donate to help maintain the beauty of our Church, please call the Parish Center at 610-779-4005.

Lost & Found is located in the closet near the Sacristy on the top shelf.

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

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 25

Sara Salino 6:30

John Sadlowski 8:00

TUESDAY, APRIL 26

Deceased Members of the Anderson Family 6:30 8:00 Deceased Members of the Lisinski & Myslinski

Families

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

Mary Rundle (16th Anniversary) 6:30

8:00 Jeffrey Young

THURSDAY, APRIL 28

6:30 Mario Bisbano

8:00 Joseph Khac Nguyen

FRIDAY, APRIL 29

7:15 Victoria Youse

8:30 John M. Tomaszewski

SATURDAY, APRIL 30

8:00 Deceased Members of the 1970 Class of Central Catholic High School

Stacey Tomczyk (6th Anniversary) 4:30

SUNDAY, MAY 1

Nikolas Janezic (11th Anniversary) 7:30

9:00

Robert J. Loeper (13th Anniversary) Dolores B. Jancuska (8th Anniversary) Gerald Showalter, Jr. (6th Anniversary) 10:30

12:00

Readings for the week of, April 24, 2022

Sunday

Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

Monday

Feast of Saint Mark, Evangelist

1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20

Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday Wednesday of the Second Week of **Easter**

Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday

Memorial of Saint Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 & 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday

Memorial of Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday

Memorial of Saint Pius V, Pope, Religious

Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday

Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

"Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid, for the Lord God is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation."

Isaiah 12:2

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 4/25 Rev. Java K. Francis M.S.C.

Tuesday 4/26 Rev. John A. Frink Wednesday 4/27 Rev. Kevin P. Gallagher Rev. Joseph S. Ganser Thursday 4/28

Friday 4/29 Rev. Angel L. Garcia-Almodovar

Saturday 4/30 Rev. Andrew N. Gehringer

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.

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 homeschooled students can secure applications by contacting Bill Wertz at pakettle629@aol.com. Please see the application form for additional details.

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.

Healing Mass, May 2, 2022– All are welcome!

All are invited to join us for a special Mass on Monday, May 2nd at St. Elizabeth Church, Whitehall for healing of physical, spiritual, mental, or emotional illness. All attendees will have time for adoration, confessions, and Mass celebrated by Bishop Schlert. All ages welcome.

LOCATION: St. Elizabeth Church 618 Fullerton Avenue Whitehall, PA 18052

6:00 PM - 6:45 PM / Adoration

6:15 PM - 6:45 PM / Confessions

7:00 PM- 8:00 PM / Mass with Most Reverend Alfred A. Schlert.

The Healing Mass will be concelebrated by Rev. Stanley M. Moczydlowski and Rev. Msgr. Walter Scheaffer

For more information, please contact Pam Russo at prusso@allentowndiocese.org

Ossa's Corner



Just another day in the office!



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: Karin Acuna, 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, Cuirtis S. Hill, 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 Prechtl, Chuck Rackie, Lorraine Ransom, Warren C. Readinger, Peggy Reid, Aneliese Robinson, Jackie Romyn, 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, Jan Tomalis, Kimberly Trigstead, Betty Vilardo, Alan Wachowicz, Aiden Watkins, Frank White, Leo Woelkers, Bernette Wrobel, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Ann Marie Zawislak, John Ziemba ,Dan Zielinski, Mary Ann Zimmerman A Time to die: Lori Rears (wife of Patrick Rears & mother of Julie & Katelyn Rears) & 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.



Save the Date!!

May 27, 2022

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Entry forms on tables!



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.

FeedThePriests



This ministry allows you to provide a complete ready-to-eat meal for our Parish Priests by bringing: a Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday evening meal as your schedule allows.

Through the grace of God our Priests are ordained so that they may bring us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. As a service to them for these beautiful gifts they bring us, we are starting this new ministry, 'Feed the Priests'.

- On the day you signed up to bring a meal to the Parish Center by 4:00 p.m.
- Meal will be for 3 priests.
- Fully cooked ready-to-eat meal.
- We ask that you put the meal in a disposable container.
- Include heating instructions if necessary.
- Example of a full meal would include a salad, meat, starch, vegetable and possibly a dessert.

Please call <u>Diane</u> at the Parish Center if you can help at 610-779-4005.

THANKS YOU FOR ALL YOU DO FOR OUR PARISH AND OUR PRIESTS!



Earn a tank on us! Earn a chance to win a \$50 WAWA Scrip Gift Card of your choice! For every scrip purchase during the weeks of April 17th through May 8th, you will be entered into a drawing to win a \$50 WAWA Scrip Gift Card. Mother's Day? Teacher Appreciation Day? We have you covered! Buy some scrip, earn tuition credits, and be entered into the raffle for a tank of gas on us! Scrip can be purchased at St. Catharine of Siena School, the Parish Center, and at all weekend Masses.

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. In addition, at the May Meeting, Rose Glaser, an advocate for the Ukraine refugees will be speaking. She is collecting diapers for the Ukraine refugees' babies and children. Unopened packages of diapers may be brought to the May Meeting, Monetary donations are also acceptable.

TRIPS

Wednesday May 18 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

<u>September 19th - 24th</u> 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.