



## Saint Mary's News

### Next Weeks Mass Schedule

Saturday, August 20th - 3:30 p.m. - Monica Kochmanski-Hoffman

Sunday, August 21st - 10:30 a.m. - Lawrence Lubas

The Polish American Cultural Center, Room 509, at the GoggleWorks Center for the Arts, 201 Washington St., Reading, has an exhibit of Polish folk costumes on display from now until mid-November. We are open weekends from Noon-4:00PM.

The Polish American Heritage Association will be holding their annual picnic on Sunday, September 11, at the Lower Alsace Fire Company picnic grove, at 1:00PM. Good food, fun and music. Members \$10. Non-members \$15. Reservations are a must. Deadline: Monday, August 29th. For more information or reservations call Nadine at 610-736-3035.

## PREP Registration for the 2022-2023 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](http://www.scsyouth.weebly.com). Moving forward, Level 1 is required before entering Level 2 as a sacrament year. **Any child wishing to receive First Reconciliation and First Communion in the spring of 2024 must register and complete Level 1 THIS YEAR.**

Volunteers are needed to help with PREP classes. We are in need of aides in levels 3,5,6,7. 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](mailto:mzambito@scsreading.org).



**The 2023 Mass Book will open on Tuesday, August 23rd.** In person requests will not be taken during this time. Please write out your requests (Include the intention, requested by, and date. Also include your name and contact information and a check for the amount due). You can mail, drop them off at the Parish Center or put them in the collection basket. Requests will be dated upon arrival and will be honored to the best of our ability. The **Mass form** will be available on the tables in the Gathering area **the weekend of August 23rd and will be also available online.** If possible, indicate an alternate date in case your first choice is not available. The offering for each intention is \$10. **You may request \*\*two\*\* Mass intentions per deceased; one of which will may be a weekend Mass.** 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.** 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.**

**Please note: With the changes with Mass schedule, we will do our best to accommodate everyone; however, we will be working with a limited amount of Masses and we ask for your patience.**

## TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Jer 38: 4-6,8-10:** In a symbolic way the prophet's experience is a resurrection. He is buried in the cistern and later drawn up from it.

**Heb 12:1-4:** Take courage from the example of Christ. Do not lose sight of the eternal reward.

**Lk 12:49-53:** Many cannot find peace because they do not accept Christ. To them his coming is the cause of division.

**Today's Message:** The Lord came to the aid of Jeremiah whose preaching brought upon him rejection and ill treatment. For those who take the gospel seriously, misunderstanding and division must likewise be expected. Like Christ, we must never grow despondent or abandon the struggle to proclaim and live the truth.

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH MONDAY AUGUST 15

ADORATION – following the 7:15 a.m. Mass until 8:00 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY AUGUST 17

CURSILLO GROUP – 6:45 p.m. – Knights' Room

### THURSDAY AUGUST 18

PRAY THE ROSARY – 6:45 a.m. – Chapel

### SATURDAY AUGUST 20

PRAY THE ROSARY – 7:30 a.m. – Chapel

Ultreya – 9:45 a.m. – Knights' Room

**Healing Mass.** Join Father George Winne for a Healing Mass at Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, 1825 West Turner Street, Allentown on September 13, 2022 at 7:00 PM. Praise and worship music begin at 6:30 PM. All are invited to attend.

**Prayer Pilgrimage for the Unborn and their Parents** Offered by the *Juventutem Lehigh Valley* and the *Helpers of God's Precious Infants* is a prayer pilgrimage, mass, adoration, and fellowship on Saturday, September 17, 2022 at Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena (1825 West Turner Street, Allentown). The event begins with 8:00 AM Mass and concludes with fellowship at 11:30 AM in the Parish Activity Center. Please call 610-433-6461 for more information. The event is free and a RSVP is kindly requested as it is helpful with planning.

**Volunteers needed for Prison Ministry!** Are you interested in assisting with prison ministry? There is a recruitment and training session being held on Saturday, September 10th with Yokefellow Ministry. You can view details for the day of training and register to attend [by clicking here](#).

The PA Family Institute will be holding the second annual March for Life on September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The rally will begin at 11:00 AM with the march to follow at 12:00 PM. Plans are also in the works to speak with our local representatives. Lifeline of Berks County and the Reading March for Life will be providing two buses for the event. The buses are open to anyone on a first come first served bases, but registration is required. More details will follow in your parish bulletin, or you can contact Stephanie Giles at 610-374-8545 or watch for registration information on the Lifeline website at [www.lifelineofberks.org](http://www.lifelineofberks.org)

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### MONDAY, AUGUST 15

7:15 Adam Krafczek

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 16

7:15 Charles D. McDonald

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17

7:15 Robert & Mary Shaaber

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

7:15 Marguerite Arthur

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

7:15 Mario Bisbano

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

8:00 James & Jack Gaffney

4:30 Theodore Borek (24<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

7:30 Richard & Virginia Seisler

9:30 Stephen (Jake) Hydock\*\*and\*\*

Anthony Screpesi (32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)

11:30 Deceased Members of the Impellizzeri & Nuccio Families

### Scripture Readings

#### For the Week of August 14, 2022

#### Sunday

##### Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

#### Monday

##### Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

#### Tuesday

##### Memorial of Saint Stephen of Hungary

Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30,35c; Mt 19:23-30

#### Wednesday

Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-3A, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 20:1-16

#### Thursday

Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

#### Friday

##### Memorial of Saint John Eudes, Priest

Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 22:34-40

#### Saturday

##### Memorial of Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab & 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 23:1-12

#### Sunday

##### Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30



### PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 8/15	Rev. Barnabas Shayo, A.J.
Tuesday 8/16	Rev. Joseph A. Sheehan
Wednesday 8/17	Rev. Msgr. Joseph P. T. Smith
Thursday 8/18	Rev. Msgr. Joseph R. Sobiesiak
Friday 8/19	Rev. Leo S. Stajkowski
Saturday 8/20	Rev. Jason F. Stokes

## Youth Group News

Planning is underway for another exciting year for the teens of the parish. We are looking for anyone interested in being a member of the Youth Group Core Team. Anyone 18 and older is invited to be a part of this group. The Core Team will be responsible for planning and implementing Junior and Senior High Youth Group events throughout the year. Many hands make light work! Please email Marci Zambito at [mzambito@scsrerading.org](mailto:mzambito@scsrerading.org) if you are interested.

**Wedding Anniversary Mass** The Diocese of Allentown celebrates the Vocation of Marriage by offering a Mass for married couples celebrating a milestone anniversary (5,10, 15, 25, etc.). All attending couples are invited to renew their vows and thank God for the gift of the Sacrament of Marriage during the Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass held each September. The 2022 Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, September 18, 2022 at 2:00PM at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, Allentown. Couples can register to attend here: <https://www.allentowndiocese.org/anniversarymass>

All are welcome to the  
Reading Ultreya on Saturday  
August 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM in the  
Knights Room.

### The Class of 1962 C.C.H.S. 60<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion

Saturday, Sept. 10th at Anthony's – 900 Byram St.  
Pennside. Time 12-3 p.m. Cost \$32.50 per person.  
Reservation Deadline is August 22, 2022. For  
Reservations call George Dietrich 717-466-5767.

## CURSILLO

The Cursillo Movement: What is it? Cursillo in Christianity is a movement that, through a method of its own, and through God's grace, manages to enable the essential realities of the Christian to come to life in the uniqueness, originality, and creativity of each person. In becoming aware of their potential and while accepting their limitations, they exercise their freedom of conviction and strengthen their will with their constancy in both their personal and community lives

**91st MEN'S WEEKEND** - SEPTEMBER 8  
(Thursday) to SEPTEMBER 11 (Sunday)

**91st WOMEN'S WEEKEND** - SEPTEMBER  
15 (Thursday) to SEPTEMBER 18 (Sunday)

**Mariawald (Mary of the Woods)  
Renewal Center, Reading, PA**

**For more information contact**  
Lisa Ianni – 610-223-2123 - [llianni@verizon.net](mailto:llianni@verizon.net)  
or speak with your pastor or local priest



ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact St. Catharine's Parish Center at 610-779-4005.





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, Katie Briggs, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Paul Brooke, Marvin Bush, Pauline Cappel, Della Chmielewski, Larry Curtin, Cyril Danko, Tamara Danko, Janet Dodge, Roseanne Dougherty, Andy Dykie, Martin Eisenhower, Charles Elchlepp, Donald Entzminger, Robert Flipping, Coleen Foltin, Chris Fry, Geraldine Gamby, Michael Gantert, Todd Gladfelter, Theresa Grabowski, Lydia Griffith, David J. Gulati II, Mary Hedrick, Wayne Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, Theresa Heltzinger, Patricia Herber, Carol Hess, Cuirtis S. Hill, Jesse Hill, Roger Hilton, Michael Hivner, Margaret Iuso, Nikki Lyn Kells, Rev. David Kohut, OFM, John Kompa, Rosemarie Kovacs, Dorothy Kulak, Walter LaSota, Darryl Larish, William Lawson, Alma Lonergan, Daniel Lonergan, Joan Lubas, Rosemary Ludwig, Joanne Marnell, Angela Marroccoli, Daniel Matz, Cindy McConnell, Mary Rita McFadden, Bernie McGuirk, Katherine Miceli, Lannie Milillo, Cynthia Mitchell, Carol Moore, Charles Mountz, Ruth Mountz, Madeline Mullen, Jerome Nigh, Jane O'Malley, James O'Malley, Frank Pingitore, Patricia Pinto, Donald Pisker, Michael Poserina, Sharon Prechtel, Chuck Rackie, Lorraine Ransom, Peggy Reid, David Samsel, Barbara Santoro, John C. Sauer, Jr., Anne Schaeffer, Barry Scheirer, Carolyn Schott, Vincent Skimski, Joan Skoczen, Tyler Skoczen, Mary Jane Skowron, Barbara Spatz, Andy Strangarity, Sandy Sullivan, Jan Tomalis, Kimberly Trigstead, Betty Vilardo, Alan Wachowicz, Aiden Watkins, Frank White, Bernette Wrobel, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Ann Marie Zawislak, John Ziemba, Dan Zielinski, Mary Ann Zimmerman. **A Time to die: Ellen Vanszl; Charlotte Weber; Michael Rutkowski**, (husband of Carolyn Rutkowski & father of Genevieve Samolewicz & grandfather of Joseph, Daniel & Claire Samolewicz) & *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.**

## **Daily Mass** **Schedule Change**

With fewer priests assigned to Saint Catharine's, the daily Mass will remain 7:15 a.m. in the Chapel. If you have a Mass scheduled after Labor Day for 6:30 or 8:00 a.m., the intention will be combined at the 7:15 a.m. Mass. Thank you for understanding. **Daily Mass on Saturday will remain at 8:00 a.m.**

**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](mailto:dsitler@comcast.net)**

### 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 2 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 Diane at the Parish Center if you can help at 610-779-4005.

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



Hope Rescue Mission has a clothing donation box located behind our Church on Route 562.

Since 1894, Hope Rescue Mission has been a place of refuge for the homeless men of Berks County, PA. They offer four residential programs that men can work their way through to transition back into the community as productive and independent individuals. **They accept all clothing and shoes.**

## 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.**

### Meetings

**Wednesday, 9/7/22**, Dr. Borja, chiropractor, will discuss the holistic benefits of a massage. Refreshments will be provided, cakes, coffee, tea and water.

**Wednesday, 10/5/22**, Mark Goldstein will speak about "Blankets for Hope". Refreshments will be provided, cakes, coffee, tea and water.

### TRIPS

**Friday, October 21st**, American Treasure Tour, Tram ride through rooms of Memory Lane, along with a room full of Operating Musical Organs + Lunch + Colebrookdale Railroad, two hour train ride \$135

**Wednesday, November 16th**, Magic Moments of Christmas at the National Christmas Center + Lunch on your own at Cracker Barrel + Christmas Show at American Music Center \$120

**Anyone is welcome to join us on our trips! We look forward to meeting new bus trip travelers! 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.



PLEASE JOIN US IN  
PRAYING THE  
ROSARY

YOU ARE INVITED TO PRAY THE ROSARY ON  
THURSDAY MORNINGS AT 6:45 A.M. &  
SATURDAY MORNINGS AT 7:30 A.M. IN THE  
CHAPEL. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!