

## Saint Mary's News

**Next Weeks Mass Schedule**

Saturday, September 24th - 3:30 p.m. - Casimir Lubas (23rd Anniversary)

Sunday, September 25th - 10:30 a.m. - Deceased of the Kompa Family

**The Polish American Heritage Association will be holding their annual Polish Open Golf Tournament on Saturday, October 8,** at the Manor Golf Club, 153 Bran Road, Sinking Spring. 1PM Shotgun Scramble Start. \$90. per golfer includes greens fees and cart, lunch, dinner, beer, soda and golf contests. Deadline for registration is September 28. For more information contact Marilyn at 610-779-5523.



**Card Shower!  
Birthday Celebration  
Msgr. James Treston  
turns 88 on September 24th**

**Please mail cards to:  
Holy Family Villa  
1325 Prospect Avenue  
Bethlehem, PA 18018**

**\*\*\*Please no gifts\*\*\***



**By looking at Him and adoring Him, we are saying: yes, love exists and because it exists things can change for the better and we may hope" (Pope Benedict XVI, June 14, 2009).**

**How does one spend an hour before Jesus exposed in the Blessed Sacrament? This hour Jesus wants you to spend with Him is spent any way you wish. Bring your prayer book, read the Bible, pray the rosary, or just sit, relax and enjoy the sweet peace that comes from simply being in the Presence of God. You may feel that you can't pray well. Don't let this discourage you. The mere fact that you take time out at a specific time each week to spend an hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament pleases Him very much and is in itself a prayer of great faith. Eucharistic Adoration is held every Monday after the 7:15 a.m. Mass till 8:00 p.m.**

**Confessions will be held every Monday from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel.**

**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.**

## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Am 8:4-7:** The Lord will punish those who cheat and oppress the poor. There is no place for the gouger, the con artist, the greedy.

**1Tm 2:1-8:** We should pray with a pure heart and blameless hands. Our Penitential Act in the liturgy must be sincere if our prayers are to meet this demand.

**Lk 16:1-13:** If we are shrewd in an evil way, we may be admired by other evil people for our cleverness. But we cannot win in the long run. We cannot divide ourselves between God and worldly gain.

**Today's Message:** Amos cries out against those who exploit the poor for the sake of extortion and greed. They seek to serve only themselves rather than the Lord. By giving ourselves to God rather than to money, we can truly pray with blameless hands for all those in need, especially the poor whom the Lord will raise up.

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

#### MONDAY SEPTEMBER 19

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

**CONFESSIONS - 7:00 - 8:00 - Chapel**

CUB SCOUTS - 6:30 -8:00 p.m. – Social Hall

#### WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 21

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

PREP CLASSES – 6:30-8:00 p.m.- School

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 7:00 p.m. – Parish Center

#### THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 22

PRAY THE ROSARY – 6:45 a.m. – Chapel

#### SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 24

PRAY THE ROSARY – 7:30 a.m. – Chapel

CYO CROSS COUNTRY MEET – 9:00 a.m. -noon – Church Grounds

PREP LEVEL 8 CONFIRMATION RETREAT – 8:00 a.m. – noon – Holy Guardian Angels

**Please note:** The Parish Center will have limited hours for the week of September 19th through the 23rd. We will only be open for three half days. Hours will be from **9:00 a.m. till 1:00 p.m.** Monday, Wednesday & Thursday. **There will no office hours on Tuesday & Friday of this week.**

**Retrouaille: Rediscover the Love in your Marriage** Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. An upcoming weekend program will be held October 14 - 16 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

**Like to decorate?** The Women's Club of Exeter is looking for houses for our Holiday House Tour - Sunday, December 4th. For more information please call Fran Vogt at 610-779-6506.

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

7:15 Victoria Youse \*\*and\*\*  
Theresa Stelmach

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

7:15 Deacon Charles Giordano \*\* and\*\*  
Dennis Antonucci

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

7:15 Cecelia & Julian Ustaszewski \*\*and\*\*  
Israel Vicente, Sr. (50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

7:15 Anita Montuori \*\*and\*\*  
Deceased Members of the Curtin, Gantert,  
Kroener, Wagner Families

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

7:15 Kate Cogan  
8:20 Daniel Sweeny III (School Mass)

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

8:00 Mary E. Ryan  
4:30 Roy G. Monde, Jr.

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

7:30 Bonnie Vogel  
9:30 Jack Gaffney (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary) \*\*and\*\*  
Catherine D. Kostival (18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
11:30 Charlotte Stamm

### Scripture Readings

#### For the Week of September 18, 2022

#### Sunday Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 or Lk 16:10-13

#### Monday

#### Memorial of Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

Prv 3:27-34; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5; Lk 8:16-18

#### Tuesday

#### Memorial of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul

#### Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21

#### Wednesday Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and

#### Evangelist

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Mt 9:9-13

#### Thursday

Ecll 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 & 17bc; Lk 9:7-9

#### Friday

#### Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Ecll 3:1-11; Ps144:1b & 2abc, 3-4; Mk 10:45; Lk9:18-22

#### Saturday

Ecll 11:9-12:8; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13,14 & 17; 2 Tm 1:10; Lk 9:43B-45

#### Sunday

#### Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

**Homebound Communion Calls** - Anyone who is homebound and would like to receive Communion on a weekly basis , please call the parish office at 610-779-4005 or email [dsitler@comcast.net](mailto:dsitler@comcast.net).

**PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS**

Monday 9/19	Rev. Msgr. Thomas D. Baddick
Tuesday 9/20	Rev. Msgr. Andrew R. Baker
Wednesday 9/21	Rev. Msgr. William T. Baker
Thursday 9/22	Rev. Francis J. Baransky
Friday 9/23	Rev. Msgr. Algimantas A. Bartkus
Saturday 9/24	Rev. Msgr. William F. Bayer

Parish Nurse news - A balanced diet and regular exercise, even walking, can help prevent headaches. Headaches after a head injury may be more serious. Call your doctor if headaches occur after you've bumped your head. Check <https://www.webmd.com/migraines-headaches/migraines-headaches-basics>

**SIENA STITCHERS** will meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of each month at 10:00 A.M. at the Church. Are you looking to meet some new people and learn or teach a few stitches? No experience necessary! For more info, call Anita (610-779-1571) or Barb Grim at 610-779-8346.



The COVID-19 pandemic forced Miller-Keystone Blood Center to cancel several hundred drives in 2020 and 2021. Miller Keystone's current staffing shortage, which limits our mobile drive capabilities, is further compromising

our blood supply. Thank you to St. Catharine's of Siena for hosting a Blood Drive on Sunday, October 2!

- 40% of the US population is eligible to donate – but only 5% do on a yearly basis.
- Statistics show that 25% or more of us will require blood at least once in our lifetime.
- Every 2 seconds, someone in the US requires a blood transfusion.

Anyone who is in good health, is 16 years of age or older, and weighs 110 pounds or more, may donate whole blood every 56 days. (16-year old donors require parental consent). *Only you can help!* Miller-Keystone Blood Center needs to see approximately 450 donors every day to supply the 29 hospitals served by the blood center. Please see David Gibney to register or visit [www.giveapint.org](http://www.giveapint.org).

**A NEW SEASON of MUSIC MINISTRY**

Choirs have been an essential part of our liturgical tradition since the very early centuries of the church, as a proper choir creates worship that is appropriately directed toward God rather than towards ourselves. Help us continue this important tradition as our choirs return to liturgy on October 2. If you like to sing, you are welcome to join our music ministry even if you do not read music.

**The Traditional Choir** - which will enhance the liturgy at the 11:30 a.m. mass- will be practicing on Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. in the former pre-school room. The covid pandemic has taken a toll on choir membership and we are very much in need of additional choir members. Please consider lending your talents to be a part of choral singing at mass. For information on Traditional Choir, please contact David Kostival at [dkostival@comcast.net](mailto:dkostival@comcast.net)

**The Guitar Choir** will be singing at the 9:30 a.m. mass and practices on Monday nights at 7 p.m. The first practice will be Monday, September 26 at 7 p.m. We would love to welcome new voices or instrumentalists.

For information on Guitar Choir, please contact Marci Zambito at [mzambito@scsreading.org](mailto:mzambito@scsreading.org)

**Cantors** are also very much in need, and we would welcome and offer training to anyone who would like to explore being involved in music ministry through cantoring. Contact [dkostival@comcast.net](mailto:dkostival@comcast.net).



**7<sup>th</sup> Annual Toy Drive**  
(sponsored by Schwarzwald  
Lutheran Church)  
**To Benefit the Exeter Area  
Food Pantry**

St. Catharine of Siena has agreed to join all our local Churches in collecting toys for the children of the Exeter Area Food Pantry. All toys collected will benefit local children in need. Parents will select toys for their children on December 9, 2022.

A toy collection box will placed in your building in October. We ask that you consider purchasing NEW toys, books, games, puzzles, hats, mittens, scarves, socks etc. (for ages infant through age 12) and place them in the box between before December 1<sup>st</sup>. We are also asking for shoebox gifts for children aged 13-18.

This event has brought much joy to the families of the Exeter Area Food Pantry for the past six years, providing parents with an opportunity to provide Christmas gifts for their children without compromising their ability to keep food on the table. Last year gifts were provided for 280+ children.

An additional flyer with more complete information will be available at the collection box, from your church secretary or by emailing [bdj43077@msn.com](mailto:bdj43077@msn.com).

If you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please contact Doris Jaeger (610-780-9825) or Diane Hafer (Secretary of Schwarzwald Lutheran Church at 610-779-3480)

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, Jo Ann Bechtel, Melody Bechtel, Gene Bellus, Michele Boucher, Joanne Bowman, 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, Chris Fry, Geraldine Gamby, Michael Gantert, Todd Gladfelter, Theresa Grabowski, Lydia Griffith, David J. Gulati II, Al Heck, Mary Hedrick, Wayne Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, John Heft, 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, Jane Lubas, 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, Frank Pingitore, Patricia Pinto, Donald Pisker, Michael Poserina, Sharon Prechtl, Chuck Rackie, Lorraine Ransom, Peggy Reid, David Samsel, Barbara Santoro, Anne Schaeffer, Earl Sheetz, Barry Scheirer, Carolyn Schott, Vincent Skimski, Joan Skoczen, Tyler Skoczen, Mary Jane Skowron, Barbara Spatz, Andy Strangarity, Earl Suchomelly, 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, Mollie Ziemba, Dan Zielinski, Mary Ann Zimmerman **A Time to die: Coleen Foltin, (sister of Carol Clevenger); Samuel Rangatore, (brother of Sandra Warchol); Leo Loeper, (husband of Joanne Loeper) & 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.**

**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, SPC, 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).**

**Come and See Weekend** - The Office of Vocations is offering a "Come and See" discernment retreat to young men ages 15+ from November 11-13, 2022 at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. The weekend will include holy hour, Mass, visits to the shrines in Philadelphia, and more. This event is free, but registration is required by the deadline of November 4, 2022. For more information and to download registration forms, [please click here](#).

**Mommy and Me Brunch for Catholic Moms** will be held on Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at 10:30AM-Noon at Pavilion #2 at Wayne A. Grube Memorial Park, Northampton. Come meet other Catholic moms and their babies and toddlers for a morning out with brunch provided! The event is free and no RSVP is required. For more information and directions, [please click here](#). If you have questions, please contact Maggie Riggins at [mriggins@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:mriggins@allentowndiocese.org).

**Catholic Women's Morning of Reflection** is being offered by the Commission for Women on Saturday, October 29, 2022 at St. Mary' Church, Kutztown. The bi-lingual event will feature Mass with Father Kuna following by three speaker sessions and a Q&A Panel discussion. Cost is \$15 per person to attend and includes a light breakfast. For more information and to register, [click here](#).

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!**



## 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, 10/5/22**, Mark Goldstein will speak about "Blankets for Hope". Monetary Donations for purchasing special blankets will be accepted at the October 5, 2022 meeting. 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.

### Men's Morning of Reflection

The Commission for Men is sponsoring a Men's Morning Reflection on the theme, "Stronger Families from Stronger Men" from 8:30 a.m. to noon on October 1st at Holy Family Church, 410 W Center St. Nazareth, PA. Featured speakers include Father Lamb, Father Searles, and Father Hoffa!

Register at link for this FREE event: <https://www.menaliveinchrist.org/events/>

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE**—The Diocese of Allentown will be making a pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC on Thursday, October 6th. St. Benedict's has reserved a 40-passenger motorcoach for the event. Arrival in Washington will be between 11am and 12 noon. The day will conclude with Mass at 3pm, celebrated by Bishop Schlert. Cost is \$25, payable when you reserve your seat. Bring a bag lunch, but we will make a dinner stop on the way home (not included in the \$25). Come to the parish office to make your reservation.