



**Saint Mary's News**

**Next Weeks Mass Schedule**

**Saturday, November 26th - 3:30 p.m. - Bogdan Janiszewski**

**Sunday, November 27th - 10:30 a.m. - Anna Nowotarski (3rd Anniversary)**

**The Polish American Heritage Association will be holding their annual traditional Wigilia dinner on Sunday, December 18th,** at the DoubleTree Hotel in Reading. Doors open at 4:15PM. Adult Members: \$65. Adult Non-Members: \$75. For questions or reservations, please call Henry Pruski at 610-372-1279 after 7:00PM. **Deadline for reservations is December 9th.**

**Pan Z Wami - 2023 Polish Missals are available at St. Catharine's Rectory. The cost is \$15.00 per book.**

**THANKSGIVING WEEK MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday-November 21st - 7:15 a.m. - Mass

Tuesday, November 22nd - 7:15 a.m. - Mass

Wednesday, November 23rd - 7:15 a.m. - Mass

Vigil of Thanksgiving Mass - 7:00 p.m. - Church

**Thanksgiving Day - 9:00 a.m. Mass in Chapel**

**Friday, November 25th - 9:00 a.m. Mass - Chapel**

Our traditional Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:00 P.M. in the Church. Please gather together with your fellow parishioners and friends in giving thanks to God for His many blessings. There will be songs of praise before Mass, so feel free to come early and join the singing. Our guitar group will offer the music.



**PARISH MISSION NOVEMBER 27-29  
7:00 p.m.**

**IGNITE YOUR FAITH!**

For anyone who desires a spiritual boost or spark – come join us for 3 evenings you won't forget. Fr. Bill Garrott will be preaching each evening for an hour using his musical talents to enhance his presentations.

**All are welcome!**

**Advent Confessions**

**Mondays 7:00 p.m. - Chapel  
December 5th  
December 12th  
December 19th**

**Sundays**

**December 4th - 6:50-7:20 a.m.**

**December 11th - 8:50-9:20 a.m.**

**December 18th - 10:50 - 11:20 a.m.**

**December 18th - 9:50-10:20 - Saint Mary's**

**Saturdays**

**2:45 - 3:15 p.m. - St. Mary's**

**3:30 - 4:15 p.m. - Saint Catharine's**



**Father Miller's Advent Reflection**

**Tuesday's December 6th, 13th & 20th. Book is "Rejoice" by Father Mark Toups. The cost is \$10. Please call the Parish office if you want a copy.**

**Father Miller's next Bible Study will be Tuesday, November 22nd at 6:30 p.m. in the Church.**

## CHRIST THE KING

**2 Sm 5:1-3:** David is anointed to be king in fulfillment of the promise of the Lord.

**Col 1:12-20:** We belong to the Kingdom of God through his Son who has dominion over all creation.

**Lk 23:35-43:** The son of David, King of the Jews, the crucified Savior, reigns - he is King of paradise.

**Today's Message:** In Hebron, David is hailed as king of all the tribes of Israel. Jesus is anointed king on the wood of His cross, a sign of paradox, of defeat yet final victory. Through his cross we have passed from darkness into the kingdom of light.

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

#### SUNDAY NOVEMBER 20

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP – 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. – Upper Room

#### MONDAY NOVEMBER 21

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

CUB SCOUTS – 6:30 p.m. – Social Hall

GUITAR GROUP PRACTICE – 7:00 p.m. - Church

**CONFESSIONS – 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. – Chapel**

#### TUESDAY NOVEMBER 22

FR. MILLER BIBLE STUDY – 6:30 p.m. – Church

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

**PARISH CENTER CLOSED**

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

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#### SATURDAY NOVEMBER 26

PRAY THE ROSARY – 7:30 a.m. – Chapel

BOY SCOUTS NEW & USED TOY DRIVE

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

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**LOVED ONE REMEMBERED CROSSES** – If you were unable to pick up your cross at the All Souls Day Mass, they are on a table in the Gathering Area. You can take it home with you.

#### **24<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR SPONSORED** by

Women's Club of Exeter Township - Sunday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> -1 to 5 PM – Tickets \$15.00 available at Boscov's East, Exeter Community Library and Effie's Restaurant. For information, call FRAN at 610-779-6506.

**THE PARISH CENTER WILL BE CLOSED ON NOVEMBER 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. THE PARISH CENTER WILL REOPEN ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28<sup>th</sup>. There is no Eucharistic Adoration on Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>.**

**Retirement Fund for Religious** - Say thank you to the senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who devoted their lives to serving others. The Diocesan Collection date for the Retirement Fund will be on the weekend of December 10th & 11th.

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

7:15 Fotios & Angeline Arnidis & Lorraine Scherer (40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

7:15 Collin R. Bollendorf & Mr. & Mrs. William J. Thomas

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7:15 Catharine Krick & Alberta Lutz  
7:00 pm Sophia Samolewicz **(CHURCH)**

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

9:00 Fran Leskiewicz & Geraldine Hydock **(CHAPEL)**

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

9:00 Rundle & Rudolff Families & Catharine Krick **(CHAPEL)**

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

8:00 Martha Trout (35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
4:30 Deceased Members of the Stubler & Parrish Families

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

7:30 John S. Bankert, Jr. (13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
9:30 Kate Cogan & Francis Mazurkiewicz (4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
11:30 David & Mary George

### Scripture Readings

For the Week of November 20, 2022

#### Sunday

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

#### Monday

Memorial of The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4

#### Tuesday

Memorial of Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13; Lk 21:5-11

#### Wednesday

Memorial of Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr

Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9; Lk 21:12-19

#### Thursday

Memorial of Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; Ps 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Lk 21:20-28

#### Friday

Memorial of Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a & 8a; Lk 21:29-33

#### Saturday

Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab; Lk 21:34-36

#### Sunday

First Sunday of Advent

Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44



### Boy Scout New & Used Toy

**Drive** - Boy Scout Troop 358 will hold their annual New and Used Toy Drive on November 26 and 27.

We are looking for new or used toys that are clean, have all or most of their parts, and are in good

condition. No plush toys please. The scouts will be cleaning the toys and delivering them to the Opportunity House who will then deliver them to children in need. Toys will be collected at the beginning of Mass. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

**PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS**

Monday 11/21	Rev. Msgr. William F. Glosser
Tuesday 11/22	Rev. Msgr. Gerald E. Gobitas
Wednesday 11/ 23	Rev. Msgr. John J. Grabish
Thursday 11/24	Rev. James J. Greenfield, O.S.F.S.
Friday 11/25	Rev. Eric J. Gruber
Saturday 11/26	Rev. Francis M. Grundowski

**50 Plus News**

Please call Maria Bunch, acting President for any 50+ club inquiries. Her phone number is 610 582-4632. 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.**

**The Christmas party, 12/7/22**, will be held at the Doubletree starting at 12:00 PM. The cost is \$35 per person, which includes dinner plus live entertainment. For more information, please call Kathleen Zagar, 610-698-3289. Deadline for reservations 11/24/22. There is no need to be a 50+ Club member to attend the Christmas party! Come and join the fun!

**Trips for 2023**

Wednesday, April 19-21st, Virginia International Tattoo Military Bands, including Drill Teams and much much more. Double occupancy, \$865 per person.

Wednesday May 17, "Moses", Sight n Sound. Cracker Barrel on your own. \$140.

Thursday June 22, Pines Dinner Theater "Route 66" \$100 per person Call Pat White 610-582-1437 for more information.

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.**

**Parish Nurse News** - Eat Well, Live Well! Apples may help prevent dementia, stroke, and diabetes, and lower cholesterol. Eat raw or dried; add to salads and baked goods, and eat with skin intact for more fiber! Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving! (Kristen Sherman, RD & Positive Promotions, Inc.)



**The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Breakfast with Santa on**

***SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4<sup>th</sup>***

***From 8:30 – 11:30 AM in the Social Hall***

***Breakfast for all and child visits with Santa will begin immediately following the 7:30 AM Mass in the Social Hall and will end at 11:30.***

**The Knights will be offering various scrambled egg casseroles, bacon, sausage, hash browns, toast, coffee, milk, and juice.**

**A free will offering will be available to cover the cost of breakfast.**



**It's that time of year again!**



The annual Operation Milk and Cookies drive we be held once again this holiday season. We ask if you could help us spread Christmas cheer to those less fortunate in our community. If you are interested in participating in the drive we ask that you either bake or buy a batch of cookies to donate to our drive so we can deliver them to places such as Mary's Shelter, Opportunity House, Hope and Rescue Mission, and many more! The cookie drop off dates will be: December 10th from 4pm-8pm & December 11th from 7am-2pm at St. Catharine of Siena Social Hall. If you are participating we ask that you email [affraney@gmail.com](mailto:affraney@gmail.com) or [rachfraney@gmail.com](mailto:rachfraney@gmail.com) and let us know how many cookies you are planning on donating.



## CHRIST THE KING

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: Michael Bean

**Please pray for our sick:** Karin Acuna, Anthony Antonucci, Elizabeth Ashton, Baby Lanzo, Jo Ann Bechtel, Melody Bechtel, Gene Bellus, Michele Boucher, Joanne Bowman, Katie Briggs, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Paul Brooke, Marvin Bush, Pauline Cappel, Richard Cunnius, Larry Curtin, Cyril Danko, Tamara Danko, George Dietrich, Janet Dodge, Roseanne Dougherty, Andy Dykie, Martin Eisenhower, Charles Elchlepp, Donald Entzminger, Robert Flipping, Chris Fry, Connie 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, Curtis S. Hill, Jesse Hill, Michael Hivner, Margaret Iuso, Nikki Lyn Kells, Rev. David Kohut, OFM, John Kompa, Rosemarie Kovacs, Dorothy Kulak, Walter LaSota, Darryl Larish, William Lawson, Marniece Lepore, Alma Lonergan, Daniel Lonergan, Jane Lubas, Joan Lubas, Rosemary Ludwig, Joanne Marnell, Angela Marroccoli, Daniel Matz, Cindy McConnell, Peggy McConnell, Mary Rita McFadden, 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, Jan Tomalis, Kimberly Trigstead, Betty Vilardo, Alan Wachowicz, Mark Walter, 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: Virginia Higgins & Leroy Burkholder**, (father of Terry Burkholder, grandfather of Shaun Burkholder, great granddaughter of Mackenzie Burkholder) & 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).**

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HERE

Thank You

Emergency Vehicle  
Access

We have been reminded to keep the driveway area immediately in front of the main Church free from parked vehicles. This includes the area under the portico as well as the driveway approaches to and from the portico. Of course, this area will remain available for pick up and drop off, but vehicles should proceed to designated spaces in the parking lot immediately thereafter. Thank you for your cooperation.

### 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!

**Retired and Infirm Priests Annual Fund, "Chosen, Blessed, Shared"** Make sure to remember the retired priests of our Diocese by making a gift to the Endowment Fund for the Care of Retired Priests. This special fund is used to directly support retired priests in good standing including the future costs of their healthcare, insurance, and housing and sustenance. Please return your gift using the envelope you received in the mail. These envelopes may be returned in the mail or in the collection basket at Mass. Your generosity supports retired priests from all 5 counties of our Diocese!

**Knights of Columbus are selling coupons delicious Wawa Shorti® Hoagies. Coupons can be used at any Wawa store in the US and never expire. Cost: \$5.00. Contact dkorch1@comcast.net.**

**Advent Day of Reflection** – Saturday, December 3, 2022 – 9:00am - 5:00pm- Our lives seem to pass at warp speed! This one-day retreat will be a time for you to slow down and visit with Mary and Elizabeth during the Advent Season. Sr. Nancy lampietro will help you reflect on Mary's haste through the hillside to reach Elizabeth, and how this notion of haste can teach you to reach Christmas. Sr. Nancy is a Missionary Sister of the Precious Blood. She is a theologian with specialization in Formation, Spirituality, Spiritual Direction, and Leadership. This retreat is an outreach of Mariawald Renewal Center, Shillington. Register before 11/27/2022. Call Mariawald Renewal Center at 610-777-0135 or email to: [mariawaldcenter@gmail.com](mailto:mariawaldcenter@gmail.com) Cost: \$30.00



## Employment Opportunities

Looking to return to the classroom after family leave or teaching retirement? Join our excellent team of faith-filled, dedicated, and professional educators. Saint Catharine of Siena is accepting applications for:

- FT and PT Teachers
- STEM/Special Education Teacher
- Arduino Board Hobbyist/Enthusiast
- Classroom aides
- Classroom Subs
- After care workers

Please send resume, all clearances, references, and certifications to [Mkrcaycik@scsreading.org](mailto:Mkrcaycik@scsreading.org) or mail to 2330 Perkiomen Avenue, Reading PA 19606

## Calling All SCS Alum

Our alumni provide the roots of our school family tree. We are deeply invested in your success and take pride in your accomplishments, knowing that your education at SCS has prepared you well for the years that follow. Please continue to stay in touch. We are so grateful for any and all support you can provide to your alma mater, including vocation and career day visits. To learn more about how to stay connected, please see <http://www.scsreadingschool.org/alumni-corner.html>

## SCS Endowment

Please consider contributing to our SCS Endowment Fund—an investment in our future and an affirmation of our many success stories. For more information regarding our endowment fund, please consider contributing @ <https://go.dojiggy.io/scsendowment/Campaign/Details> To learn more visit <http://www.scsreadingschool.org/scs-endowment-fund.html>



GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE  
DONATE BLOOD

December 5th - December 10th

St. Catharine of Siena R C Church is hosting a special blood drive to save lives. Our only source of blood is from blood donors like you.

MILLER-KEYSTONE BLOOD CENTER  
2745A Leisch's Bridge Road, Reading  
(for GPS, use 1047 Old Bernville Road)

### SCHEDULE TODAY!

Call 800-223-6667 and mention Group ID 3164, visit [GIVEaPINT.org](http://GIVEaPINT.org), or scan the QR code below with your phone's camera. Be sure to include your Group ID 3164 under the notes section of the form.



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