

Saint Mary's News

Saturday, May 27th - 3:30 p.m. - Ed Ruane, Sr.
Sunday, May 28th 10:30 a.m. - Stella & Leon Zerkowski
Saturday, June 3rd - 3:30 p.m. - Irene Goodman
Sunday, June 4th - 10:30 a.m. - Frances C. Lubas

The Polish American Heritage Assoc. will be holding their 14th annual. Polish Open Golf Tournament fundraiser on Saturday, June 17, 2023, at the Manor Golf Club, 153 Bran Rd., Sinking Spring. The scramble format starts at 1:30pm. The cost is \$90. per golfer and includes. greens fees, cart, refreshments, lunch and dinner, gift and prizes. Proceeds support the Polish American Cultural Center at the Goggle Works Center for the Arts. For questions call 610-779-5523. Deadline is June 7, 2023



**Welcome to St. Catharine
of Siena Parish !**

The priests, deacons, staff and parishioners would like to extend a warm welcome Deacon Van Vien Nguyen to St. Catharine's. He will be here this weekend and stay until the end of July. We wish him the very best !



SCS Endowment Fund

Thank you to all who have generously donated to our "Saint Catharine of Siena Endowment Fund" and have supported our academic programs, special programs, scholarships, teacher excellence programs, maintenance programs and capital improvements at St. Catharine of Siena School.

Your renewed generosity and support of the Saint Catharine of Siena Endowment Fund is needed for our mission of providing a rigorous and quality Catholic education that will continue to make a positive impact on our world. Your support is needed to keep Saint Catharine of Siena School from becoming part of the unsustainable school statistics.

Your donation goes directly to the school and **will** make a crucial difference. You can play a part. There are a variety of ways to provide you with maximum tax and financial benefits. They include: A gift made in your will or trust; A gift that pays you income for life; A gift of life insurance or retirement plan assets.

We hope you will play a part in our future by filling an endowment envelope found in the back of the church. Feel free to contact Marcella Kraycik, Principal, at mkraycik@scsreading.org or Mrs. Stephanie Conlon, Advancement Director at sconlon@scsreading.org for more details. Thank you.

The Parish Finance Committee currently has openings for several new members. This committee meets quarterly and acts as an advisory board to the Pastor. To be considered for this committee, candidates must have backgrounds in one of the following categories: attorney/legal, CPA, architect/engineer, business owner/management, finance/banking. Qualified applicants should email their resume to stcatharinespc@outlook.com by June 12, 2023.

Hallow

If you saw the flyers here at Church during the Easter season about Hallow, here is some additional information. I and other parishioners enjoy Catholic content on Hallow every day. Hallow is a Catholic app that is easy to use on your phone or computer. It contains a wide variety of content for adults, teens and children. Content includes the Bible in a Year, Catechism in a Year, daily Gospel and homilies, Catholic trivia, daily Saint, guess the Saint for children, and daily quote, as well as Rosaries, Divine Mercy Chaplets, Novenas, Litanies, music, examen, and spiritual challenges and courses. They have speakers like Jonathan Roumie from the Chosen, Jim Caviezel, Scott Hahn, Jeff Cavins, Fr. Mike Schmitz, Sister Miriam and many others. Most trials are 14 days, but since I am a member of the Hallow Herald, I can share my link with all of you for a 3 months Free Trial <https://hallow.com/share/DWUYQ6>. Please feel free to share the link with friends, family and coworkers who'd like to try Hallow with you. If you have questions, please contact Lisa Siciliano.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Acts 2:1-11: As promised by Jesus, the Holy Spirit fills the faithful and, inspired, they proclaim the good news.

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13: The gifts of the Spirit are not exclusive but for all. The Spirit brings a radical uniting that overcomes all distinctions.

Jn 20:19-23: Jesus gives the blessing of peace and bestows his authority on the disciples as He confers on them the Holy Spirit.

Today's Message: All of us have been baptized into one and the same Spirit. That same Spirit, the Advocate, our comfort and refreshment, was given as gift to the disciples to strengthen them to go forth in the name of the Lord, "to renew the face of the earth."

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, MAY 29

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & CONFESSIONS**

THURSDAY, JUNE 1

PRAY THE ROSARY – 6:45 a.m. – Chapel
SIENA STITCHERS – 10:00 a.m. – Church Gathering Area
ST. CATHARINE SCHOOL GRADUATION – 7:00 p.m. -
Church
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING – 7:00 p.m. –
Knights' Room

SATURDAY, MAY 3

PRAY THE ROSARY – 7:30 a.m. – Chapel
SATURDAY MORNING PRAYER GROUP – 8:45 a.m. –
Parish Center Basement

Scripture Readings

For the Week of May 28, 2023

Pentecost Sunday

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b Or Ez 37:1-4 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2,
24, 35, 27-28, 20, 30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn
20:19-23

Monday

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-2, 3 & 5, 6-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday

Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 & 23; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday

Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk 1:39-56

Thursday

Memorial of Saint Justin, Martyr

Sir 42:15-25; Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 10:46-52

Friday

Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

Sir 44:1, 9-13; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Mk 11:11-26

Saturday

Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

Sir 51:12cd-20; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mk 11:27-33

Sunday

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, MAY 27

4:30 Dorene Gellis

SUNDAY, MAY 28

7:30 Irma Farino

9:30 Charles E. Mathews (1st Anniversary)

11:30 Jack Staub

MONDAY, MAY 29

9:00 Jack Staub

TUESDAY, MAY 30

7:15 Peter & Regina Shepos

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31

7:15 Charles Okpokwu

THURSDAY, JUNE 1

7:15 Kathleen Scoboria

FRIDAY, JUNE 2

7:15 Jan Peoples

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

8:00 Kathleen Scoboria (1st Anniversary)

4:30 Charles Raith

SUNDAY, JUNE 4

7:30 Florence M. Russo

9:30 Kathleen A. Harris (5th Anniversary)

11:30 Jennie J. Palkon



For the week of May 28th

The Sanctuary Candle
will burn In
Loving Memory of

St. Catharine's Church - Florence Russo

**Saint Catharine's Chapel - Living & Deceased
of Van Coeur Family**

St. Mary's - Mary Pondo

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 5/29	Rev. Giuseppe C. Esposito
Tuesday 5/30	Rev. Edward J. Essig
Wednesday 5/31	Rev. Bernard J. Ezaki
Thursday 6/1	Rev. Msgr. Victor F. Finelli
Friday 6/2	Rev. Robert T. Finlan
Saturday 6/3	Rev. Jaya K. Francis, M.S.C.

St. Joseph in the Hills Retreat for Men

Men in the Diocese of Allentown are invited to a period of refreshment, release, calming, learning, concentrating on the most important gift: your life, a gift from God. The retreat called 'St. Joseph in the Hills' will take place at Malvern Retreat House in Malvern, PA. The Lehigh Valley men's retreat group, dedicated to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, would like to invite you to experience the same excitement and awe that we feel on our yearly weekend. Learn, reflect, and increase your personal communion with the Lord. Join us on the weekend of **August 25, 26, & 27, 2023**, Friday night to Sunday morning. To register, contact Anthony Scarselletti of the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Group by phone (610-393-4671) or by email: OLPH.ascarselletti@gmail.com.

Parish Nurse News - Bowel health is important to physical and mental health too! IBS, irritable bowel syndrome, can be triggered by certain foods and drinks, including alcohol, eating large meals, and stress, worrying about someone or having an argument. Be proactive! Monitor triggers and reduce stress! Talk to your doctor if your bowel habits are unusual or change (HealthyAdvice.com).

Eucharistic Procession—Come join us in bringing Jesus to our community! On Sunday, June 11, 2023, on the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi), there will be a procession with the Blessed Sacrament through Robesonia immediately following 10:30 AM Mass. The feast of Corpus Christi has been observed universally since 1264 and the prayers and hymns associated with it were composed by Saint Thomas Aquinas himself! Since this time, processions with the Eucharist in the monstrance with singing by the people have been a feature of the celebration. Our procession will form after Mass and go through the local streets (closed to vehicles) and sidewalks and will last about a half hour, ending again in church for Benediction. It is a special opportunity for our First Communicants and those who serve in various ministries to be present. Those who are unable to make the walk are welcome to stay in Church and pray for the success of the procession: not only an opportunity to celebrate our Lord in the Eucharist, but also an opportunity to "Live Jesus" in bringing the light of Christ to the world outside our doorsteps. All are welcome!

Nocturnal Adoration Devotions in honor of The Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held at Sacred Heart Chapel adjacent to the Church in West Reading on first Friday, June 2nd from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Everyone is invited.

Join Sacred Heart Church for a Mass in support of those suffering from addiction. Sacred Heart Church is located at 868 Walnut Street, Royersford, Pa 19468. The Mass will be held on Saturday, June 17th at 10:00 a.m.

Saturday Morning Prayer Group - To meet after the 8am morning Mass in the Parish Center Basement around 8:45am. Please call Matthew if interested 610-864-2611 or email him at Mattmalf11@gmail.com. Cenacle will include Divine Mercy Chaplet, Rosary and discussions on Our Lady of Medjugorje and her messages.



Join our team of faith-filled professionals...

Looking to return to the classroom after being home on family leave? Looking to return to the classroom from retirement? Then Saint Catharine of Siena is the place for you! Join our excellent team of faith-filled, dedicated, and professional educators. Saint Catharine of Siena is accepting applications for: Classroom teacher, Science teacher, Teacher aides **Please send resume, all clearances, references, and certifications to Mkrcaycik@scsreading.org or mail to 2330 Perkiomen Avenue, Reading PA 19606**

Kennedy House. Want to volunteer and help those struggling? It is St. Catharine's turn to run the **Kennedy House** in Reading. We would love to have you come and help out either **Saturday, June 10th and or Sunday, June 11th** or both days! Times are from 10-2 each day. Please call, text, or email if you can help - Sara Miller 484-459-0270 or sk1699@hotmail.com. Hope to see you there.

Also, if you are unable to help but would be willing to **donate** food or other supplies we would need, please contact me as well.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848ACA823A4FA7-kennedy6>



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THE MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE
COMPETITION BY
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Donations can be made online using the QR code or checks can be payable to: Saint Catharine of Siena School and mailed to Saint Catharine of Siena School - Attention Make a Joyful Noise 2330 Perkiomen Avenue Reading, PA 19606.

PENTECOST 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:

Karin Acuna, Anthony Antonucci, Elizabeth Ashton, Pat Auchter, Baby Lanzo, Melody Bechtel, Gene Bellus, Michele Boucher, Joanne Bowman, Katie Briggs, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Paul Brooke, Renee Brzostek, Marvin Bush, Pauline Cappel, Richard Cunnius, Larry Curtin, Cyril Danko, Tamara Danko, George Dietrich, Janet Dodge, Roseanne Dougherty, Andy Dykie, Gina Ebright, Martin Eisenhower, Charles Elchlepp, Robert Flipping, Tom Franek, Chris Fry, Geraldine Gamby, Michael Gantert, Carl Gethmann, Todd Gladfelter, Theresa Grabowski, Lydia Griffith, David J. Gulati II, Doris Harner, Al Heck, Mary & Wayne Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, John Heft, Theresa Heltzinger, Patricia Herber, Curtis S. Hill, Jesse Hill, Roger Hilton, Michael Hivner, Carolyn Hoffman, Margaret Iuso, Nikki Lyn Kells, Judith M. Koch, Rev. David Kohut, OFM, John Kompa, Deb Kothgasser, Rosemarie Kovacs, Doug Kroener, Dorothy Kulak, Walter LaSota, Darryl Larish, William Lawson, Marniece Lepore, Alma Lonergan, Daniel Lonergan, Del Long, Jane Lubas, Joan Lubas, Rosemary Ludwig, Maryann Marino, Angela Marroccoli, Daniel Matz, Cindy McConnell, Peggy McConnell, Mary Rita McFadden, Tim McNeil, Katherine Miceli, Lannie Milillo, Cynthia Mitchell, Carol Moore, Robert Moyer, Madeline Mullen, Jerome Nigh, Maddie Nordhoy, Angela Biscanti Ondik, Frank Pingitore, Stella Pingitore, Patricia Pinto, Donald Pisker, Michael Poserina, Chuck Rackie, Lorraine Ransom, Rich Readinger, Peggy Reid, Aneliese Robinson, Raven Robinson, David Samsel, Barbara Santoro, Anne Schaeffer, Earl Sheetz, Carolyn Schott, Gabbie Sierra, Vincent Skimski, Joan Skoczen, Tyler Skoczen, Henry and Mary Jane Skowron, Harvey Snyder, Barbara Spatz, Andy Strangarity, Earl Suchomelly, Kimberly Trigstead, Jeff Trojanowski, Janet Ustaszewski, Milton Vicente, Betty Vilardo, Rex Voelker, Alan Wachowicz, Alexandra Wachowicz, Dave Walter, Mark Walter, MaryBeth Werner, Frank White, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Kathleen Zagar, Ann Marie Zawislak, John Ziemba, Mollie Ziemba, Dan Zielinski, Mary Ann Zimmerman **A Time to die: Connie Fry (wife of Deacon Craig Fry); Mary Solecki, (mother of Peggy Bean) & 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, 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.

Feed the Priests - 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!**

Catholic Trivia Night—The Office of Evangelization and Formation is hosting a Catholic Trivia Night on **June 7, 2023** at 7pm at The Crimson House in Pottsville. This is an all-ages event and prizes will be awarded to the top team. Table reservations can be made by contacting The Crimson House. For more information, contact Rob Johnson at rjohnson@allentowndiocese.org.

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. Upcoming programs will be held **August 18 - 20** and again **October 6 - 8, 2023** at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Quo Vadis and Fiat Days Discernment Retreats - The Office of Vocations in the Diocese of Allentown is pleased to present *Quo Vadis* for young men and *Fiat Days* for young women on **July 16-20, 2023** at Lehigh University! All high-school aged young men and women (14-18 years of age, including newly-graduated seniors) are invited to attend this discernment retreat to hear to what vocation God might be calling them. Retreat activities will include time for fellowship, Mass and Adoration, presentations and talks, and activities each day rooted in prayer for the discernment of their vocations.



St. Catharine's of Siena is having a blood drive on Sunday, June 11. Due to continued staffing challenges, Miller Keystone had to reduce staffing. Many of St. Catharine's loyal donors may not be able to be accommodated on June 11. To help meet the demand for blood we will be adding a blood drive the week of June 12 through June 17 at the Reading Donor Center. Thank you so much for your consideration. Please mention St. Catharine's of Siena when scheduled or sponsor code #3164. Please see David Gibney with questions.

- During the summer months, our community blood supply is always low but the need is still great.
- 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.
- Miller-Keystone Blood Center needs to see approximately 450 donors every day to supply the 27 hospitals served by the blood center.

50 Plus News

Please call, President, Kathleen Zagar, for any 50+ club inquiries. Her phone number is 610-698-3289. 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, June 7, 2023, Pastor, Dave Reinwald will entertain the club with singing and guitar accompaniment. A pizza party is planned in memory of past club president, Carol Buddell.

Wednesday July 5, 2023, Boom Box Bingo with Rich Weilacher. Desserts, coffee, tea, and water served.

Trips for 2023 - Call Pat White at 610-582-1437 for trip flyers and more detailed trip information. **As trips are filling up, call Pat to confirm there are openings before you send a check.**

June 22, 2023, Thursday, Pines Dinner Theater, "Route 66", \$100. Pines dinner, theater, Pines dinner theater trip, **Reservations are closed, waiting list only!**

July 14th, 2023(Friday), Riverboat 'all you can eat crab feast' Cruise, Hurllock, MD \$135. River boat/crab fest, **reservations are closed, waiting list only!**

September 19-23, Niagara Falls \$895 per person for double occupancy, \$1095 for single occupancy.

October 18, 2023, Wednesday, Penn's, Peak, "Dolly, and Kenny Tribute", \$95

November 15, 2023, Wednesday, "Holidays at Mount Hope", \$95

Please call Bev Gallo at 610-763-7058 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 PM on the first Wednesday of most months at Saint Catharine's Social Hall. There will be no meetings during the special events' months of April, August, and December.**