

Saint Mary's

Saint Catharine of Siena Parish



**250 S. 12th Street
Reading, PA 19602**

ST. MARY'S REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 3:30 p.m.
Sunday : 10:30 a.m.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturday, 2:45 -3:15 p.m. in the Church. Otherwise, by appointment only

Parish Website: www.stmaryrdg.com
If you need assistance please call 610-779-4005.

Pastoral Staff

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**4975 Boyertown Pike
Reading, PA 19606**

ST. CATHARINE'S REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - Chapel
Saturday: 4:30 p.m. - Church
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 - Church
Daily: Monday - Friday - 7:15 a.m. - Chapel
8:30 a.m. School Mass (Friday)

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturday - 3:30 - 4:15 p.m. in the Church
otherwise, by appointment only.

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**Please mail all your correspondence to the Parish Center,
2427 Perkiomen Ave., Reading, PA 19606**

St. Catharine of Siena Parish Mission Statement

We, the people of St. Catharine of Siena Parish, as brothers and sisters in Christ guided by the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and inspired by the works of our patron saint proclaim a desire to grow in our Roman Catholic faith through holiness and a willingness to serve the members of our parish family and community.

Saint Mary's News

Saturday, June 17th - 3:30 p.m. - Dolores Milanek
Sunday, June 18th - 10:30 a.m. - Living & Deceased Fathers of the Parish
Saturday, June 24th - 3:30 p.m. - Albert Gombar, (1st Anniversary)
Sunday, June 25th - 10:30 a.m. - David Buzalewski

*The Light of Christ
Council*



*of the Knights of
Columbus presents*

*The Vatican International Exhibition of
The Eucharistic Miracles*

A photographic exhibit showcasing the Eucharistic Miracles that transpired through the years, first observed in 750AD in Lanciano, Italy. Learn about the various scientific and medical tests and studies performed in numerous countries that all point to the same divine conclusion. They are visible proof of Jesus Christ's Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist.

*Saturday, July 15 from 10:00am to 6:00pm and
Sunday, July 16 from 10:00am to 3:00pm St.
Ignatius Loyola School Gymnasium, 2910 St.
Alban's Drive, Sinking Spring, PA 19608*



St. Joseph, guardian of Jesus and chaste husband of Mary, you passed your life in loving fulfillment of duty. You supported the holy family of Nazareth with the work of your hands. Kindly protect those who trustingly come to you. You know their aspirations, their hardships, their hopes. They look to you because they know you will understand and protect them. You too knew trial, labor and weariness. But amid the worries of material life your soul was full of deep peace and sang out in true joy through intimacy with God's Son entrusted to you and with Mary, his tender Mother. Assure those you protect that they do not labor alone. Teach them to find Jesus near them and to watch over him faithfully as you have done.
Pope John XXIII

Ex 19:2-6a: God assured the Israelites of His special concern for them. They are His people. He led them from Egypt and cared for them. They are to be a holy nation.

Rom 5:6-11: God sent Jesus, His Son, into the world. Jesus showed His extreme love for all human beings by offering His life for them. Those who have been reconciled to God are to be saved through Jesus' suffering and Death.

Mt 9:36-10:8: Jesus felt compassion for the crowds and so sent the Apostles to minister spiritually to them. During the Lord's public ministry, this mission was confined to the people of Israel. After His Resurrection, it was extended under the guidance of the Holy Spirit to all people.

Today's Message: Reconciled to God through the blood of Christ, we are a chosen people, "a holy nation", the sheep of God's flock. We are called, as were the Twelve, to go forth and bear witness to the reign of God.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, JUNE 19

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

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – 9:00-11:30 a.m. - School

CONFESSIONS – 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Chapel

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – 9:00-11:30 a.m. - School

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – 9:00-11:30 a.m. - School

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

PRAY THE ROSARY – 6:45 a.m. – Chapel

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – 9:00-11:30 a.m. - School

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – 9:00-11:30 a.m. - School

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

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 June 18, 2023

Sunday

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 19:2-6a; Ps 100: 1-2, 3, 5; Rom 5:6-11; Mt 9:36—10:8

Monday

2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4; Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday

2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a; Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday

Memorial of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop, John Fisher, Bishop & Martyr and Thomas More, Martyr

2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15

Friday

2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 6:19-23

Saturday

Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab & 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139: 1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

Sunday

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35; Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

4:30 Vincent Stubler Family & Ferdinand Parrish Family

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

7:30 Living and Deceased Fathers of the Parish

9:30 Living and Deceased Fathers of the Parish

11:30 Living and Deceased Fathers of the Parish

MONDAY, JUNE 19

7:15 Stanley Joseph Lubas (27th Anniversary)

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

7:15 Mary Carmen Scheirer

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

7:15 Alexander Kramer

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

7:15 Charles & Ruth Mountz

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

7:15 Patricia Capilo

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

8:00 Erich Makosch

4:30 Robert DeMarco

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

7:30 Richard & Virginia Seisler

9:30 Irene McCullough (18th Anniversary)

11:30 Robert & Miriam Lenich

For the week of June 18th



**The Sanctuary Candle
will burn In
Loving Memory of**

St. Catharine's Church - David J. Hafer

St. Catharine's Chapel - Larry & Gertrude Snyder

St. Mary's - Members of the Graczyk Family

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 6/19	Rev. James J. Greenfield, O.S.F.S.
Tuesday 6/20	Rev. Eric J. Gruber
Wednesday 6/21	Rev. Francis M. Grundowski
Thursday 6/22	Rev. Kevin M. Gualano
Friday 6/23	Rev. Abraham Ha
Saturday 6/24	Rev. Msgr. William E. Handges

Catholic Trivia

Question: The traditional Catholic Holiday for Father's Day dating back to the Middle ages is celebrated on which date?

- A. 1st Sunday in September
- B. December 5th
- C. 3rd Sunday in June
- D. March 19th

Answer on page 5

Parish Nurse News - Life is certainly an interesting gift! While we feel that many curve balls are thrown our way, we often do not know of others' difficulties. Put your challenges aside and reach out to others with care and concern. Sharing time and listening to others kindles good feelings and lightens your own load in many ways! Special blessings and prayers for all fathers this weekend, living and deceased.

Volunteer opportunity available! Are you looking to volunteer, but are limited on time? Do you have a high school student who needs service hours? We are looking for a scrip seller for the first Sunday of every month, first shift (8:00am-10:00am). If you are interested, please contact Cristina Schmehl - scripprogramscs@gmail.com * High school students must have a parent volunteering along with them *We have a whole team of sellers, so if you cannot commit to every month, you can ask for coverage or switch shifts that month.

Retrouvaille: Rediscover the Love in your Marriage
Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (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.

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. 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.

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

August 2, 2023, Special Events, 50+ club picnic! This "Reservation Only" event will start at 12 o'clock noon.

The cost for members will be \$20 and for nonmembers, \$22. Please make checks payable to St Catharine's 50+ club and either bring the check to a monthly meeting or send it to Janina Ankielewicz, 33 Christine Drive, Reading, PA 19606. If you have additional questions, call Janina at 267-252-0611.

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, Hurlock, 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.**

Poor Boxes are located in the Gathering Area of the Church. All money collected stays within our parish.



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, 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 Cunnus, 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, Carol Heft, Theresa Heltzinger, Patricia Herber, Curtis S. Hill, Jesse Hill, Roger Hilton, James Hett, Michael Hivner, Carolyn Hoffman, Margaret Iuso, Peter Kaminski, Jr., Katelynn Solecki Kajunski, 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, Joanne Marnell, Angela Marroccoli, Daniel Matz, Cindy McConnell, Peggy McConnell, Mary Rita McFadden, Tim McNeil, Katherine Miceli, Lannie Milillo, Cynthia Mitchell, Robert Moyer, Madeline Mullen, Lauren Myland, 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, Frank White, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Kathleen Zagar, Ann Marie Zawislak, John Ziembra, Mollie Ziembra, Dan Zielinski, Mary Ann Zimmerman: **Time to die: Wayne Lubas; Irene Didyong & 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.

Berks Catholic High School is hiring!

Art Teacher
Chemistry teacher
Geometry/Math teacher
Spanish 2,3,4
Please send resume and clearances
to: nvilardo@berkscatholic.org

BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL Many thanks to those who have made a pledge to the Because We are Catholic Annual Appeal. Making a six-month pledge to the Appeal allows you to maximize the amount that you may give by making monthly payments. For example, a \$120 gift to the Appeal may be setup with six \$20 installments. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how small. Your generosity funds the annual budget for important Diocesan ministries in our area. You can make your gift online at BecauseWeAreCatholic.org.



AS THE SCHOOL YEAR COMES TO A CLOSE, IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO OUR SCS STUDENTS!

Ways to give:

- Online at <https://go.dojiggy.io/2023annualappeal>
- Donation envelopes in church
- Mail to our school at:
Saint Catharine of Siena School
2330 Perkiomen Avenue
Reading, PA 19606



Donations to our SCS Annual Appeal helps support our students & allows them to take advantage of all that a Catholic education has to offer. We thank you for your generous & thoughtful giving!

There is still time to give to the Saint Catharine of Siena School Annual Appeal and make a difference in our students' lives! Donations to our SCS Annual Appeal helps support our students and allows them to take advantage of all that a Catholic education has to offer. We thank you for your generous & thoughtful giving. Donation envelopes can be found on the table at the back of the church. Donations can also be made online at <https://go.dojiggy.io/2023annualappeal>. Additionally, checks made payable to Saint Catharine of Siena School, can be mailed to: 2330 Perkiomen Avenue Reading, PA 19606. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Conlon, Advancement Director, at sconlon@scsreading.org or call (610) 779-5810.

Catholic Trivia ANSWER: D. Dating back to about 1508 in Europe, Father's Day was celebrated on March 19, the date the Catholic Church celebrates the Feast of St. Joseph, the Patron Saint of fathers. Australia and New Zealand celebrate on the 1st Sun in Sept.; Thailand celebrates on December 5th, the birthday of the country's late king; and in the US, the 3rd Sun in June was declared a national holiday in 1972 by President Richard Nixon, although Father's day was first celebrated in the US in June 1910 in the State of Washington.

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**




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