

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

Rev. Brian M. Miller, M.A., Pastor
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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.

PARISH CENTER: 2427 Perkiomen Avenue
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ST. CATHARINE'S SCHOOL: 2330 Perkiomen Avenue
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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, September 16th - 3:30 p.m. - Margaret Gombar, (5th Anniversary)
Sunday, September 17th - 10:30 a.m. - Betty & Nicholas Mesisca
Saturday, September 23rd - 3:30 p.m. - Lauren Myland
Sunday, September 24th - 10:30 a.m. - Casimir E. Lubas, (24th Anniversary)

The Polish American Heritage Association and the Columbiettes, Light OF Christ #8726, proudly present the author of "One Star Away", Imogene Salva, on Saturday, Oct. 7th, at the Reading Public Museum, at 5:30 p.m. It is a story of Imogene's family, who survived the WWII deportation from Poland to a Siberian labor camp. It is a story of survival, separation, and sacrifice. For tickets (\$10.00) and advance book copies (\$15.00), contact Marilyn at 610-779-5523 or marilynwla@aol.com; Chris at 610-743-5613 or cearl7@comcast.net. Tickets will be available after Mass on September 23rd & 24th.



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH

POST TIME: 6:00 PM

**St. Catharine of Siena
Church Social Hall**

COST: \$30.00 per person
(Admission includes pasta buffet, salad, snacks, homemade desserts, beer, wine, soda & water)

NO ONE UNER 21 ADMITTED

11 Horse Races, Opportunity to Name a Race Horse-\$5.00, Money Wheel, 50/50 Drawing, and Door Prizes
TICKETS AVAILABLE AFTER MASS,

**AT THE PARISH CENTER, OR
CALL BOB HOFFMAN
at 610-779-8833**

**ALL EVENT PROCEEDS BENEFIT
THE SCS KNIGHTS' CHURCH AND
COMMUNITY BASED CHARITABLE
ENDEAVORS**

The Saint Catharine of Siena School Advisory Board is looking for new members! Parishioners (21 and older), if you are looking for a way to give back and are passionate about Catholic Education, we encourage you to apply. Please email Mrs. Marcella Kraycik mkraycik@scsreading.org for an application. Questions about this ministry? Email Mindy Anderson melinda.e.anderson@gmail.com. Thank you for considering this ministry!

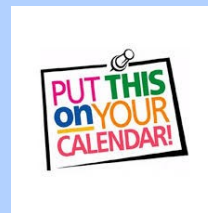


ONCE AGAIN, THIS FALL, WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR DAILY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL (PERKIOMEN AVENUE). VISITATION WITH OUR LORD IN HIS MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT WILL BE FROM 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., STARTING MONDAY, OCTOBER 2ND THRU FRIDAY, UNTIL SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH.

WHAT IS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IS THE ACT OF WORSHIPPING GOD AS HE IS PRESENT IN THE CONSECRATED EUCHARIST. "OF ALL DEVOTIONS, THAT OF ADORING JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IS THE GREATEST AFTER THE SACRAMENTS, THE ONE DEAREST TO GOD AND THE ONE MOST HELPFUL TO US." St. Alphonsus Liguori.

Please visit the sign up tables at the back of the Church or Chapel. For more information, please call Sue Hissick and leave a message at 610-568-6328.



Father Miller's Bible Study Dates

6:30 p.m. - Church
Wednesday, September 20th
Wednesday, September 27th
Tuesday, October 10th
Monday, October 16th
Wednesday, October 25th
Monday, October 30th
Wednesday, November 8th
Tuesday, November 21st
Wednesday, November 29th

Sir 27:30-28:7: The sinner abounds in wrath. It is the Lord who punishes, and we are to forgive injustice and be merciful. We should think of our last days.

Rom 14:7-9: We are not our own master since we belong to Jesus. This is true in life and in death.

Mt 18:21-35: Jesus answers Peter that we are to forgive our neighbor's faults without any limit. Jesus tells the parable of the unjust steward who was forgiven a large debt by his master but refused to forgive a small debt owed to himself.

Today's Message: As the Lord is kind and merciful, so should we be forgiving toward one another. Our forgiveness is to be without limit and so reflect Christ's eternal love. He alone is Lord.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY – after 7:30 & 9:30 a.m. Masses - Social Hall

BOY SCOUTS KICK-OFF PICNIC – Pavilion

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

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

CONFESSIONS – 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Chapel

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

PREP – 6:30-8:00 p.m. – School

FR. MILLER'S BIBLE STUDY – 6:30 -7:30 p.m. – Social Hall

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

PRAY THE ROSARY – 6:45 a.m. – Chapel

SIENA STITCHERS – 10:00 a.m. – Church Gathering Area

RCIA – 6:00-7:30 p.m. – Parish Center

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING – 7:00 p.m. – Social Hall

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

PRAY THE ROSARY – 7:30 a.m. – Chapel

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

Scripture Readings

For the Week of September 17, 2023

Sunday

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 27:30 – 28:7; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Rom 14:7-9;

Mt 18:21-35

Monday

1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday

Memorial of Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6; Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday

Memorial of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Priest, and Paul Chöng Ha-sang, Companions, Martyrs

1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday

Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

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

Friday

1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday

Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Lk 8:4-15

Sunday

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

4:30 Frank J. Kosikowski

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

7:30 Virginia Higgins

9:30 William Schott

11:30 Vela Coyle

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:15 John Harner

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

7:15 Deceased Members of the Curtin, Haggerty, Kroener, & Wagner Families

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

7:15 Joseph Bambrick

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

7:15 Anna Nerino

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

7:15 Paul J. Monte

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

8:00 James Dube

4:30 Orlando & Cianciosi Families

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

7:30 Gantert & Raduazo Families

9:30 Jack Gaffney (3rd Anniversary)

11:30 Rachel Druzba



For the week of September 17th

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

St. Catharine's Church - Donald & Scott Hafer

St. Catharine's Chapel - Deceased Members of the Stasek Family

St. Mary's - Deceased Members of St. Mary's

*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, LTJG 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.***

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 9/18	Rev. Msgr. Walter T. Scheaffer
Tuesday 9/19	Most Rev. Alfred A. Schlert
Wednesday 9/20	Rev. Msgr. Francis P. Schoenauer
Thursday 9/21	Rev. Mark R. Searles
Friday 9/22	Rev. Adam C. Sedar
Saturday 9/23	Rev. William N. Seifert

Catholic Trivia - Question: In the 4th century, who discovered the True Cross in Jerusalem?

- A. Saint Jerome
- B. Constantine the Great
- C. Saint Helena
- D. Saint Cyril of Jerusalem

Answer on page 6

HARVEST FEST '23 at St. Mary Church, 94 Walnut Road, Hamburg: Friday, Oct. 6 (4-9 PM) and Saturday, Oct. 7 (12-9 PM). Music, homemade ethnic food, activities, ongoing entertainment and games for all ages including bungee jump & rock wall, hay rides, bounce house, bingo, theme baskets, quilt & cash raffles, corn maze and more! Free admission, plenty of parking, no coolers, no BYOB/F. Questions: 610-562-7657 ext. 0 or www.stmarvhamburg.org or Facebook.



Card Shower!
Birthday Celebration
Msgr. James Treston
turns 89 on
September 24th

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

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.

Mass For Persons With Disabilities - Let us gather as a community of faith! You are **cordially invited to Mass with Bishop Alfred Schlert** in celebration of persons with disabilities. Join us on September 21, 2023 at 6PM at St. Thomas More Church, Allentown, PA. All are welcome!

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.

Meetings

October 4, 2023 - Jill Marie will discuss the history of Tom Sturgis Pretzels. Samples will be available. Water, Coffee, Tea, and Dessert will be served.

November 1, 2023 - John Vogel will be discussing Medicare Updates. Members are asked to bring their favorite soup in a crockpot, identifying the soup on a small card.

December 6, 2023- 12:00 noon - 50+ Club's Christmas party at the Doubletree. \$35 for members and \$37 for nonmembers. Please call Janina at 215-644-7396 for reservations.

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.**

October 18, 2023, Wednesday, Penn's, Peak, "Dolly, and Kenny Tribute", \$95. **Reservations are open again for this trip!**

November 15, 2023, Wednesday, "Holidays at Mount Hope", \$95. **Reservations are open again for this trip!**

Reservations are open only for a waiting list!

Special note-a 2024 trip preview! April 18-21: Parade of Nations and Virginia International Tattoo - \$770 per person double occupancy (The Virginia International Tattoo incorporates groups from around the world, including acrobats, choral groups, and precision military drill teams.)

Please call Maria Bunch at 610-914-7005 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.**



Stella Watkins and her family donated loaves of bread to Mary's Shelter. This is a true example of giving to others.

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: Ian Colon & Quinn Wrobel

Please pray for our sick: Karin Acuna, Anthony Antonucci, Elizabeth Ashton, Pat Auchter, Baby Lanzo, John Balatincz, Melody Bechtel, Gene Bellus, Jason Beshore, Jodi Bixler, 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, Joe Essig, Robert Flipping, Chris Fry, Geraldine Gamby, Michael Gantert, 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, 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, Alma Lonergan, Del Long, Jane Lubas, Joan Lubas, Rosemary Ludwig, Maryann Marino, Joanne Marnell, Angela Marroccoli, Greg & Kevin Masters, Daniel Matz, Cindy McConnell, Peggy McConnell, Mary Rita McFadden, Tim McNeil, Katherine Miceli, Lannie Milillo, Cynthia Mitchell, Robert Moyer, Madeline Mullen, Jerome Nigh, Maddie Nordhoy, Angela Biscanti Ondik, Peggy Pacharis, Frank Pingitore, Donald Pisker, Michael Poserina, Chuck Rackie, Lorraine Ransom, Rich Readinger, Peggy Reid, Aneliese Robinson, Raven Robinson, David Samsel, Barbara Santoro, Anne Schaeffer, Jeffrey Schloder, Earl Sheetz, Carolyn Schott, Gabbie Sierra, Vincent Skimski, Joan Skoczen, Tyler Skoczen, Henry and Mary Jane Skowron, Harvey Snyder, Louise Souders, Barbara Spatz, Andy Strangarity, Earl Suchomelly, Kimberly Trigstead, Jeff Trojanowski, Janet Ustaszewski, Rex Voelker, Chad Vogel, Alan Wachowicz, Alexandra Wachowicz, Dave Walter, Mark Walter, Pam Weber, Frank White, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Kathleen Zagar, Ann Marie Zawislak, John Ziemba, Mollie Ziemba, Dan Zielinski, Mary Ann Zimmerman **A Time to die:** Nancy Miller, (sister of Mindy Mattes); Florence Mont & 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.

The Senior High Youth Group will kick off the new year tonight, from 6:30pm - 8:30pm in the Upper Room (former convent on the SCS School grounds). All youth in grades 9-12 are invited to join us. Contact Marci Zambito at mzambito@scsreading.org or check out the website www.scsyouth.weebly.com for more information.

The 2024 Mass Book is open. 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 **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.**

There is no altar server training on Saturday, September 23, due to the CYO meet that day.

Berks Catholic High School News

Homecoming and Partner School Night and BIG tailgate is October 13, 2023 at our Home Football game. All Partner and PREP students admitted free with BC or their school spirit wear. Game time is 7pm.

Berks Catholic High School is accepting applications for the 2024-2025 school year. To learn more about how Berks Catholic prepares students to be college & life ready please contact Mrs. Smith. nsmith@berkscatholic.org or 610.374.8361 ext. 244. All inquiries are confidential

Save the Date- Advent by Candlelight for Women, December 3, 2023 & Advent for Men, Jesus is Coming, December 10, 2023.

Confirmation will be held on Tuesday, October 24th at 4:30 p.m.

“LOOKING FORWARD”^{School} FUNDRAISER
9/16/23 - 9/24/23

- Help support Saint Catharine of Siena School by selecting a student-decorated envelope with a note from our students!
- The number on the envelope represents your donation amount.

DONATE TO support OUR SCHOOL

PLEASE VISIT OUR TABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH AFTER MASS

CONTACT STEPHANIE CONLON, ADVANCEMENT AT SCONLON@SCSREADING.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION OR STOP BY OUR TABLE AFTER MASS 9/16/23 - 9/24/23

Respecting All Life As A Gift From God

PURPOSE OF THE BERKS COUNTY LIFE CHAIN

The Berks County LIFE CHAIN will provide a visual statement of solidarity by our local Christian community that abortion is grievously wrong and that the church Christ founded is opposed to the unmerciful killing of pre-born children. Please join with hundreds of Berks County Christians, representing 60+ churches standing on both sides of Penn Avenue, while holding 17" x 22" signs that read: Abortion Kills Children; Jesus Heals and Forgives; Adoption, the Loving Option; Lord, Forgive us and our Nation; Abortion Hurts Women; and Life, the First Inalienable Right. **Our bold, prayful witness is scheduled from 2:00 to 3:30 PM, on Sunday, October 1, 2023; and we regard it as an extension of our regular worship on the Lord's Day.** An estimated number of babies killed annually in Berks County exceeds 1,000; approximately 10-15 babies murdered weekly at Reading's Planned Parenthood facility. A powerful LIFE CHAIN on October 1 will offer strong encouragement and hope for reducing that number. With your firm support, we are confident of having a strong chain, able to change the lives and minds of those who pass by. We have a comprehensive LIFE CHAIN manual to lead us each step of the way, but more importantly, we in the local Life ministry are experiencing peace with this project because we believe God has approved this event. Please join with us. **Let us invest at least one hour to save a lifetime.**



St. Catharine's of Siena is holding a blood drive on Sunday, October 1st. Please call Dave Gibney at [484.332.1624](tel:484.332.1624), or schedule online at <https://donor.giveapint.org/donor/schedules/drive/schedule/85668>. 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).

Did you know: 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.

It only takes about 45 minutes of your time to save a life.

Miller-Keystone Blood Center needs to see approximately 450 donors every day to supply the 27 hospitals served by the blood center.

Catholic Trivia ANSWER: C. -On September 14th we honor or exalt the cross that Jesus was crucified on. In the 4th Century St. Helena, the mother of Constantine discovered the True Cross in Jerusalem. The feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross commemorates two historic events. The first, the discovery in 320 AD of the True Cross, Calvary, and the tomb of Jesus and second, the dedication of the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher on that site in 335 AD.

Marriage and Family Life - #9 Selflessness

In everything we watch, read or participate in it seems we are told by society, perhaps louder today than ever before, to put ourselves first, in a word, to be selfish. Shallow pleasures and immediate gratification seem to be glorified and prized above all else in the narcissistic culture. A principle like this may sound good for the individual on the surface, but it will destroy relationships both on a micro level, meaning the family, and a macro level, society. Selfishness is literally the opposite of Jesus's message and example of Love given for us. In Jesus we see that love is not an emotion, but rather a verb which is never selfish and always "Wills the Good of the other". The solution to the culture's message, is of course Christ's, and can be found lived out in many holy families. In these people delays of gratification and a reorientation to the "good of the other" help to foster trust, mutual respect, patience, kindness, joy, peace, and faithfulness in the home.

Pro tip: "As the family goes, so goes the nation, and so goes the whole world in which we live." - Saint Pope John Paul II.

Challenge for the week: Learn this acronym: F.A.M.I.L.Y, and what it stands for, "Forget About Me, I Love You!" Say it to yourself when tempted to be selfish against a family member or neighbor.