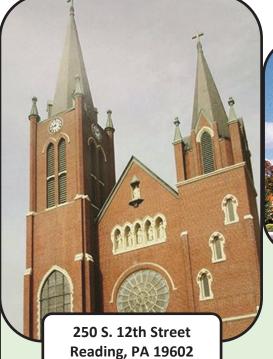
Saint Mary's

Saint Catharine of Siena Parish





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

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Saturday: 8:00 a.m. Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. Daily: Monday - Friday - 7:15 a.m.

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

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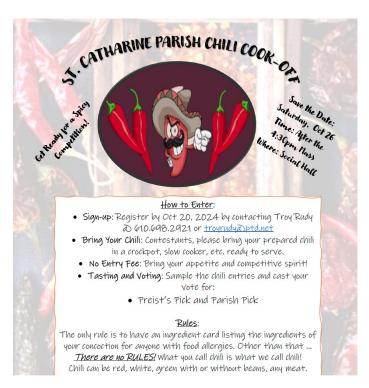
St. Catharine of Siena Parish Mission Statement We, the people of St. Catharine of Siena Parish, as brothers and sisters in Christ guided by the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and inspired by the works of our patron saint proclaim a desire to grow in our Roman Catholic faith through holiness and a willingness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

Saint Mary's News

Saturday, October 5th - 3:30 p.m. - Chester Chelstowski (9th Anniversary)

Sunday, October 6th - 10:30 a.m. - Terry Eckert Saturday, October 12th - 3:30 p.m. - Tommy Karas Sunday, October 13th - 10:30 a.m. - Raymond McFadden

The Polish American TV Show - Tom Gajewski interviews people from the Polish American Community on BCTV about topics of interest, events and activities every month. The program airs on Comcast Ch 15 and Service Electric Ch 19 as follows: First Tuesday of every month - 7:30 pm - First Wednesday after First Tuesday - 7:30 pm - First Friday after First Tuesday - 1:30 pm - First Monday after First Tuesday - 10:30 am - Second Tuesday - 3:30 pm. Your feedback and/or ideas for future programs is welcome- Call Tom 610 -698-8731.





OPPORTUNITY FOR DAILY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IN THE CHURCH. VISITATION WITH OUR LORD IN HIS MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT WILL BE FROM 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., UNTIL FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25TH.

WHAT IS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION? EUCHARISTIC 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. For more information, please call Sue Hissick and leave text/voice at 610-568-6328.

Blessed are the Peacemakers Webinar on the Upcoming

Election - Everyone is invited to a special webinar on the upcoming election hosted by the Pennsylvania and New Jersey Catholic Conferences. The webinar, "Blessed Are the Peacemakers," will be Wednesday, Oct. 9 at 6:30 p.m. Participants will learn how Catholics can prepare for the upcoming election and restore civility to politics and public discourse. Panelists will be James J. King, New Jersey Catholic Conference; Emily Schumacher-Novak, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops; and Eric Failing, Pennsylvania Catholic Conference. To register, go to www.bit.ly/46ZEW3F.

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Many parishes throughout the country and in our own diocese, have made this program available to their communities and now we have it.

Use the links below to signup/view content.

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Rosaries in October! We will be reciting the rosary before all masses in the month of October. We need volunteers to lead. Rosaries will start 1/2 hour before Mass. All materials will be provided to you prior via email and copies will also be in the sacristy before each weekend. If you came to the rosaries in May and you were blessed by them, please consider signing up to lead.

Please join us on our **New Night; Wednesdays, 6pm in Mary's Grotto at the Church** for a group recitation of the Meditative Patriotic Rosary from the Caritas community. This is a rosary unlike our traditional rosary, in that we pray for each state by name and the souls in each state, for our local, state and federal governments, and we sing a patriotic song after each mystery. Materials are provided. Bring a comfortable chair if you like. May God Bless you and may God Bless America!

Gn 2:18-24: God, knowing that man needs companionship, created animals and birds and finally placed Adam in a deep sleep and took one of his ribs, forming a woman.

Heb 2:9-11: To suffer, Jesus took a human body. In this way God made our leader perfect through suffering, bringing salvation. All who are consecrated have thereby a common Father and become brothers and sisters.

Mk 10:2 -16: The Pharisees, knowing the permission of Moses about divorce, test Jesus, but he recalls the reason for the command and reminds them of God's intention for the unity of marriage. Divorce followed by remarriage is adultery. (Jesus then speaks about His love for little children and their innocence.)

Today's Message: Conjugal love, lived in fidelity to God's original plan, is to be one of the principal manifestations of the kingdom proclaimed by Jesus. Through baptism into Christ, we join with Him in having one and the same Father.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION – following the 7:15 a.m. Mass until

CONFESSIONS -- 7:00-8:00 p.m.

BLESS THIS SPACE – 7:00 p.m. – Meeting Room

CUB SCOUTS – 6:30 p.m. – Social Hall

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8

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

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION & CATHOLIC CHARITIES ESTATE **PLANNING**

9:30 a.m. - Meeting Room

6:00 p.m. – Meeting Room

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

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

PREP - 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. - School

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY – 7:00 p.m. – Meeting Room

PATRIOTIC ROSARY – 6:00 p.m. – Grotto

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION – following the 7:15 a.m. Mass until

PRAY THE ROSARY – 6:45 a.m.

OCIA (formerly RCIA) - 6:00 p.m. - Meeting Room

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

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

AHG-6:30-8:00 p.m. - Social Hall

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

PRAY THE ROSARY - 7:30 a.m.

BAPTISMAL WORKSHOP - 10:00 a.m.

BLESSING OF THE PETS/ANIMALS - 10:00 a.m. - Pavilion

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

SOCIAL SUNDAY - Doughnuts & Coffee following the 9:30 & 11:30 Masses

> For the week of October 6th The Sanctuary Candle will burn In **Loving Memory of**

St. Catharine's Church - Terry Mscichowski

St. Mary's - Dennis Hoffman

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

8:00 Florence Urban

4:30 Nicholas D'Alonzo (6th Anniversary)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:30

Mary I. Mathews (7th Anniversary) Deceased Members of the Suchomelly & Bukowski 9:30

Families

Mary Lou Miller (1st Anniversary) 11:30

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7 7:15 Gerald Young

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8

7:15 Violet Leier

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

Barry Kreisher 7.15

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

7:15 Thomas Fry

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

7:15

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

Fotios Arnidis

Jeffrey Schloder (1st Anniversary) Bill Bradley (18th Anniversary) 8:00

4:30

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

7:30 Melanie Landis

9:30 Barbara Ianni

11:30 Thomas Schlegel

Scripture Readings For the Week of October 6, 2024 Sunday

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 or Mk 10:2 -12

Monday

Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday

Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday

Memorial of Saints Denis, Bishop and Martyr, and John Leonardi,

Priest

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday

Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Lk 11:5-13

Memorial Saint John XXIII, Pope

Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday

Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 11:27-28

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 or

Mk 10:17-27

Date Night at Folino Estate For Engaged and Married Couples -

Catholic engaged and married couples are invited to an evening of romance and reflection at Folino Estate Winery in Kutztown, PA on Friday, January 24, 2025. The evening will feature a cocktail hour with live music and optional couples' portraits by Vargas Photography. A tasteful dinner buffet will follow along with an intimate New Year's reflection by guest speakers Greg and Heather Maigur. Tickets are \$100 per couple, and space is limited to 25 couples, so reserve your spot today! Register at allentowndiocese.org/. Contact Rhady Tulloch, Director of Marriage & Family Life, at rtulloch@allentowndiocese.org with any questions.

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 10/7
Tuesday 10/8
Wednesday 10/9
Thursday 10/10
Rev. Magr. Edward R. Sacks
Rev. Msgr. Walter T. Scheaffer
Friday 10/11
Saturday 10/12
Rev. Msgr. Francis P. Schoenauer

50 Plus News

Please call, Acting President Bev Gallo for any 50 Plus Club inquiries. Her phone number is 610-763-7058. You can see us on Facebook for additional information.

Meetings

November 6, 2024: John Vogel will be discussing Medicare Updates. Refreshments will be served.

Trips

November 20, 2024: Hunterdon Hills N. J., Christmas Show \$120 per person.

December 4, 2024: The 50+ Christmas Party will be held at the Doubletree Hotel. The cost is \$35 for members and \$37 for nonmembers. Flyers will be available at the next meeting. Reservations and cancellations can be made November 25, 2024. For more information call, Janina Ankielewicz 215-644-7396.

Please call Pat White at 610-582-1437 or Bev Bard at 610-763-5654. For trip information.

Please call Bev Gallo, 610-763-7058 with the names of members who are sick or who 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 St Catharine Social Hall. There will be no meetings during the special events months of April, August, and December.

St. Catharine's of Siena is holding a blood drive on Sunday, October 27,2024. Blood drives are an excellent way to support our community. Please call Dave Gibney at 484.332.1624, or schedule online athttps://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 vou 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.



SCRIP Cards are gift cards that we sell here in the parish. Retailers make gift cards available for us to sell to you. The retailers then give the parish rebates for selling the gift card. This rebate is split between the parish and YOUR tuition accounts. The amount of the rebate is set by each individual retailer. No additional cost for you!

Cards can be purchased by cash, check or you can set up an online account with the "Raise Right" mobile app. enabling you to purchase with your debit/credit cards or your personal bank account. Please contact the school at 610-779-5810 for the code to set up an online account.

Vendor	Amount
Alebrije	\$25
Amazon	\$25 & \$100
Anthony's	\$25, \$50 & \$100
Applebee's	\$25 & \$50
Austin's	\$25 & \$50
Barnes & Noble	\$25
Boscov's	\$25, \$100 & \$250
Chick-Fil-A	\$10 & \$25
CVS	\$25 & \$100
Dick's	\$25 & \$100
Dunkin Donuts	\$10 & \$25
Esposito's	\$25 & \$50
Giant	\$50 & \$100
Home Depot	\$25 & \$100
Kohl's	\$25 & \$100
Lords & Ladies	\$25, \$50 & \$100
Lowe's	\$25 & \$100
Old Navy / Gap	\$25
Olive Garden (Darden)	\$25
Panera Bread	\$10 & \$25
Red Lobster	\$25
Red Robin	\$25
Redner's	\$50 & \$100
Rite Aid	\$25
Schmeck's Villa	\$25
Sebastiano's	\$25
Sheetz	\$25 & \$100
Starbucks	\$10 & \$25
Stokesay	\$25 & \$50
Sunny's Car Wash	\$25
Target	\$25 & \$50
TJ Maxx	\$25
Vincenzo's	\$25 & \$50
Walmart	\$25 & \$100
Wawa	\$25 & \$100
Weis	\$50 & \$100
The Works	\$25
Yellow House	\$25 & \$50

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 & soldiers in harm's way: Karin Acuna, Joseph Albert, Richard Albelt, Carl Andrzjewski, Anthony Antonucci, Joan Antush, Elizabeth Ashton, Baby Lanzo, Mike Bailey, Steven Barber, Joe Barker, Melody Bechtel, Gene Bellus, Dolores Bertoti, Jason Beshore, JoAnne Biscanti, Jodi Bixler, Jim Boris, Michele Boucher, Joanne Bowman, Katie Briggs, Bruce Brandfon, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Paul Brooke, Renee Brzostek, Connie Burkhart, Maria Bunch, Marvin Bush, Pauline Cappel, Therese (Brenner) Cooney, Richard Cunnius, Larry Curtin, Barbara D'Augustino, Cyril Danko, Tamara Danko, Alivia Devlin, Jennifer & Thomas Devlin, Roseanne Dougherty, Andy Dykie, Gina Ebright, Dr. Elizabeth Edmunds, Charles Elchlepp, Marian Ertel, Joe Essig, Robert Flipping, Jocelyn Franck, Abby Francy, Chris Fry, Geraldine Gamby, Michael Gantert, Rita Gethmann, Todd Gladfelter, Theresa Grabowski, Clara Hartline, Ruth Ann Hass, Al Heck, Wayne & Mary Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, John Heft, Theresa Heltzinger, Patricia Herber, Curtis S. Hill, Jesse Hill, Roger Hilton, Michael Hivner, Chuck Holt, Margaret Iuso, Katelynn Solecki Kajunski, Nikki Lyn Kells, Krissy Kelly, Maryanne Kenton, Lynn Keys, Cindy Kohl, Rev. David Kohut, OFM, John Kompa, Jackie Kopicki, Deb Kothgasser, Rosemarie Kovacs, Barry Kreisher, Dorothy Kulak, Walter LaSota, Darryl Larish, William Lawson, Pat Lenich, Melanie Lintz, Jane Lubas, Joan Lubas, Aleigha Manderbach, Angela Marroccoli, Rocco Martinozzi, Greg & Kevin Masters, Daniel Matz, Cindy McConnell, Peggy McConnell, Mary Rita McFadden, Tim McNeil, Katherine Miceli, Lannie Milillo, William Nelson, Jerome Nigh, Maddie Nordhoy, Angela Biscanti Ondik, Peggy Pacharis, Frank Pingitore, Donald Pisker, David Plumley, Chuck Rackie, Lorraine Ransom, Nada Rathkey, Phyliss Rathman, Rich Readinger, Peggy Reid, Virginia Rivera, Aneliese & Raven Robinson, David Samsel, Barbara Santoro, Anne Schaeffer, Barbara Schock, Edward Senkowski, Earl Sheetz, Gabbie Sierra, Vincent Skimski, Joan Skoczen, Tyler Skoczen, Anne Smith, Louise Souders, Barbara Spatz, Andy Strangarity, Earl Suchomelly, Thomas Sword, Sean Tipping, Kimberly Trigstead, Janet Ustaszewski, Rex Voelker, Chad Vogel, John Vogel, Alexandra Wachowicz, Dave Walter, Mark Walter, Pam Weber, Lyn Weidenhammer, Frank White, Ann Marie Zawislak, Mary Ann Zerkowski, Dan Zielinski, John Ziemba, Mollie Ziemba, Mary Ann Zimmerman A Time to die: Noel Yapsuga, (father of Marisa Gilbert, Alicia Dauble, Kristen Reinert; grandmother of Morgan, Joshua & Luke Gilbert, Aidan, Chloe, Andrew & Hunter Dauble, Braylon, Cayden & Sienna Reinert) & all victims of war, and the 4,100 daily abortions.

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: Cpts. Juliana & Sean Coleman, Petty Officer Matthew J. Dobroskey, Jr., Cpl. Bruce Bogertey, SPC, Alex Heintz, Captain Chelsea Pellicano, 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, Staff Sgt. Brian Perrotto, Captain Anthony Bennett, Tom Bristol, Danny Bristol, Commander Daniel M. Simon, Staff Sgt. Michael Porcaro, Staff Sgt. Zak Ribble, TSgt. 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.

THANK YOU ST. CATHARINE'S

for your overwhelming support of the 2024 Lifeline of Berks County baby bottle fundraiser. Your parish gift exceeded S6,500! Thank you for your continued support of our mission: to make abortion unnecessary in Berks County. Your donations will be instrumental in building up a culture of life in Berks County by providing pregnancy tests and ultrasounds, medical information and parenting classes, diapers and formula and a variety of other services FOR FREE in our community. We are so grateful for your incredible generosity!



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 www.lifelineofberks.org



Parish Nurse News - Calcium! Important for bone health throughout your life. Diet is the best way to get calcium, including broccoli, sweet potatoes, butternut squash, and kale. Talk with your provider before taking supplements to determine which are best and if you may be getting your correct amount from foods! (healthy-lifestyle.nutrition">www.mayoclinic.org>healthy-lifestyle.nutrition

We are looking for volunteers to sell SCRIP at Church for the following shifts:

4th Sunday every month, 2nd shift (10:15-12:45) 5th Sunday, 2nd shift (10:15-12:45) (doesn't occur every month)

This is a great opportunity for high school students who need service hours (must be accompanied by an adult). Please contact Cristina Schmehl if interested or for more information at scripprogramscs@gmail.com

CHOIR START DATE - The choir will resume choir rehearsals on Sunday, October 13 at 10 a.m. in the conference room in the office area. All ages and experience levels are welcome! Contact dkostival@comcast.net for any additional information.

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Sunday, October 6th, 2024 5:30pm

Reiffton Bus Stop (corner of Perkiomen Ave & 36th Street)

Parking graciously provided by the Reformation Lutheran Church & Wegman Dentistry



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May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.



Blessing of Animals/ Pets

We will have the Blessing of the Animals on Saturday, October 12th at 10: 00 a.m. at the Pavilion. There will be a short service and a blessing. We encourage you to bring your animals/ pets for this special blessing. All pets should be contained with a leash for their own safety as well as the safety of the other people who will be present. All pets are welcome!



If you are underemployed or unemployed or know someone who is, let Joseph's People help! Join us on Zoom on Tuesday, Oct 8th at 6 pm. Our topic will be "Resources of your local Careerlink". We have helped thousands of people over the years and there is never a fee for our services. Email Paul Licata for more info at pauljosephlicata@gmail.com



Catholic men of the Diocese of Allentown, we invite you to renew and strengthen your faith at our annual Men's Conference.
Embrace the mission of the Church and deepen your relationship with God through a powerful day of community, Sacraments, and talks from nationally renowned speakers.

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Mark McDevitt, markmcd@outlook.com

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