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

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Brian M. Miller, M.A., Pastor Rev. Van-Vien (JV) Nguyen, Parochial Vicar Deacon John Stapleton Deacon Gregory Schneider Mrs. Marcella Kraycik, Principal Rev. Msgr. Joseph P. T. Smith, Pastor Emeritus

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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, May 24th - 3:30 p.m. - Richard Zaorski
Sunday, May 25th - 10:30 a.m. - Leon & Stella Zerkowski Saturday, May 31st - 3:30 p.m. - Linda Kolasimski Sunday, June 1st - 10:30 a.m. - Janiszewski, Kochmanski, **Kostrubiec & Szot Families**

The Polish American Heritage Assoc. will be holding their 16th annual Polish Open Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 21, 2025, at the Manor Golf Club, 153 Bran Rd., Sinking Spring. The scramble format starts at 1:30pm. The cost is \$95. per golfer and includes greens fees, cart, refreshments, lunch, dinner, tee gift and prizes. Proceeds support the Polish American Cultural Center at the GoggleWorks Center for the Arts. For questions, call Marilyn at 610-779-5523. Deadline for reservations is June 11, 2025.

Polish American Connection TV Show

Tom Gajewski interviews people from the Polish American Community every month about topics of interest, events and activities relative to the Polish community and East Reading. The program airs on Comcast channel 15 and Service Electric channel 19 on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm. The programs are rebroadcast at 7:30 pm on the following Tuesdays of each month on Comcast channel 15 and Service Electric channel 19. broadcasts air on the first Tuesday of each month. Your Feedback and/or ideas for future programs is welcome - Call Tom at 610-698-8731.



We invite all parishioners to join us for a final Mass at the Chapel on Perkiomen Avenue on Saturday, June 7th at 5:00 p.m. Join us as we gather together to celebrate the countless memories and meaningful moments we have shared within these sacred walls. Your presence will truly enhance this special occasion.



THE PARISH CENTER WILL BE CLOSED ON MEMORIAL DAY MAY 26TH. THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE MASS AT 9:00 A.M. AND NO **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & CONFESSION.**

Please note: Eucharistic Adoration on June 2nd and conclude at 5:00 p.m.



Thank you all very much for your many prayers, well-wishes, and generous gifts as I begin my Diaconate ministry. I am truly honored to be a son of our parish. May God bless all of you abundantly for your heartfelt support and love of our seminarians, deacons, and priests.

With Love, Deacon Jeffrey Tomczyk Acts 15:1-2, 22-29: The Church faces its first test caused by inner dissensions and she shows how, guided by the Spirit, charity will prevail.

Rv 21:10-14, 22-23: In symbolic language the Church is depicted as a wonderful, glorious city, repenting and caught up in the glory of God.

<u>Jn 14:23-29</u>: In saying farewell, Jesus has not deserted us. In His name the Father sends the Holy Spirit to aid us bearing witness to Jesus.

Today's Message: By listening attentively to the Spirit promised by Jesus, the early Church resolves the question whether Gentile converts need to observe certain Jewish ritual practices. All are called to dwell in the heavenly Jerusalem, founded on the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, MAY 26

PARISH CENTER CLOSED

NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & NO CONFESSIONS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY – 7:00 p.m. – Meeting Room all ROSARY AT THE GROTTO – 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 29

PRAY THE ROSARY - 6:45 a.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 30

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING -5:00-8:00 p.m. – Social Hall & Church

SATURDAY, MAY 31

PRAY THE ROSARY - 7:30 a.m.

SCOUTS' YARD SALE - 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. - Church

Parking Lot

SUNDAY, JUNE 1

SOCIAL SUNDAY - After all Sunday Masses

CHOIR PRACTICE - 9:30 a.m. - Meeting Room

ANOINTING OF THE SICK - If you are planning to go to the hospital for surgery or extended care, contact the parish office at 610-779-4005 before you go in order to arrange for the celebration of the Sacrament of the Sick.



For the week of May 25th
The Sanctuary Candle
will burn In
Loving Memory of

St. Catharine's Church - Joseph & Theresa Rizzo

St. Mary's - Karol & Mary Uliasz

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, MAY 24

8:00 Erich Makosch 4:30 Margaret L. Christ

SUNDAY, MAY 25

7:30 Mary & Gene Pondo

9:30 Virginia Laczkowski

11:30 Stella Deeble

MONDAY, MAY 26

9:00 Maria Cuesta (11th Anniversary)

TUESDAY, MAY 27

7:15 Frances Bambrick

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28

7:15 Charles Raith

6:30 p.m. Jack Staub

THURSDAY, MAY 29

7:15 Helen Carpenter

6:30 p.m. Russell Cannon

FRIDAY, MAY 30

7:15 Agnes Bohner

SATURDAY, MAY 31

8:00 Kerry Link

4:30 Ryan McElderry

SUNDAY, JUNE 1

7:30 Dominico Nhon Nguyen

9:30 For the Intentions of Kay & Bernie Geishauser

11:30 The Deceased Members of the McGowan & Harper

Families

Scripture Readings

For the Week of May 25, 2025

Sunday

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn

14:23-29

Monday

Memorial of Saint Philip Neri, Priest

Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday

Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28;

10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

Friday

Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday

Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

Sunday

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9; Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20 -26

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 5/26
Tuesday 5/27
Wednesday 5/28
Thursday 5/29
Friday 5/30
Rev. Leon Weisenberger M.S.C.
Rev. Samuel Yeboah
Rev. Msgr. Daniel J. Yenushosky
Rev. Msgr. Vincent P. York
Rev. Christopher M. Zelonis

Saturday 5/31

<u>Parish Nurse News</u> - Blueberry power! Good fiber, vitamin C, low calorie, and packed with flavor and anthocyanins that protect our heart and blood pressure! One half cup of blueberries boosts physical AND mental health

(mayoclinic.org)! 'Tis blueberry season, Enjoy!

Rev. Msgr. Edward S. Zemanik

MARRIED COUPLES – When's the last time you gave your marriage a tune-up? Keep your engines running by getting away together on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! The next in-person experiences are at the St. Mary of Providence Center in Elverson PA on June 20 -22, and at the Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine in Doylestown, PA on October 10-12 and November 14-16. For more info visit: https://www.wwme-philly.org.

Calling all altar servers!

There will be an educational training session for all current and upcoming altar servers. The training will take place Friday, May 30th, from 5-8 pm, at St. Catharine of Siena Church. The event will include pizza and ice cream sundaes.





100th Anniversary of our Church and we were honored to celebrate this milestone with our three esteemed pastors!

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 Abelt, Carl Andrzjewski, Anthony Antonucci, Geraline Auton, Baby Lanzo, Mike Bailey, Joe Barker, Patty Barker, Melody Bechtel, Gene Bellus, Dolores Bertoti, Irene Bezak, Joseph Bezak, Jason Beshore, JoAnne Biscanti, Jodi Bixler, Susan Bolognese, Jim Boris, Michele Boucher, Joanne Bowman, Katie Briggs, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Paul Brooke, Renee Brzostek, Connie Burkhart, Jennifer Burrell, Marvin Bush, Pauline Cappel, Therese (Brenner) Cooney, Richard Cunnius, Larry Curtin, Cyril Danko, Tamara Danko, Alivia Devlin, Jennifer & Thomas Devlin, George Dietrich, Msgr. Edward R. Domin, Roseanne Dougherty, Andy Dykie, Gina Ebright, Charles Elchlepp, Marian Ertel, Joe Essig, Robert Flipping, Deane & Ann Foster, Jocelyn Franck, Chris Fry, Geraldine Gamby, Michael Gantert, Todd Gladfelter, Theresa Grabowski, David J. Gubernot, Clara Hartline, Ruth Ann Hass, Terry Hayward, William M. Hedl, Wayne & Mary Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, John Heft, Theresa Heltzinger, Patricia Herber, Curtis S. Hill, Jesse Hill, Roger Hilton, Michael Hivner, Margaret Iuso, Michael & Dorothy Jurasinski, Katelynn Solecki Kajunski, Krissy Kelly, Maryanne Kenton, Cindy Kohl, Rev. David Kohut, OFM, Genny Kopel, Rosemarie Kovacs, Dorothy Kulak, Walter LaSota, Darryl Larish, William Lawson, Pat & Fred Lenich, Melanie Lintz, Jane Lubas, Joan Lubas, Aleigha Manderbach, Angela Marroccoli, Rocco Martinozzi, Greg & Kevin Masters, Daniel Matz, Debra McCarthy, Cindy McConnell, Peggy McConnell, Mary Rita McFadden, Tim McNeil, Katherine Miceli, Lannie Milillo, Christine Motley, Madeline Mullen, William Nelson, Jerome Nigh, Maddie Nordhoy, Angela Biscanti Ondik, Peggy Pacharis, Frank Pingitore, Donald Pisker, David Plumley, Chuck Rackie, Antonio Mark Ramos, Lorraine Ransom, Phyliss Rathman, Rich Readinger, Peggy Reid, Virginia Rivera, Raven Robinson, David Samsel, Barbara Santoro, Anne Schaeffer, Barbara Schock, Edward Senkowski, Bob Shardin, Earl Sheetz, Gabbie Sierra, Joan Skoczen, Anne Smith, Louise Souders, Barbara Spatz, Andy Strangarity, Earl Suchomelly, Thomas Sword, Sean Tipping, Kimberly Trigstead, Richard Uliasz, Janet Ustaszewski, Rex Voelker, Chad Vogel, Alexandra Wachowicz, Mark Walter, Pam Weber, Lyn Weidenhammer, Frank White, Kitty Wright, Walter Yourkavitch, Ann Marie Zawislak, Mary Ann Zerkowski, Dan Zielinski, Mollie Ziemba, Mary Ann Zimmerman A Time to die: & 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: First Lt. David J. Wentling, IV, Second Lt. Nicholas A. Wentling, 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, 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.

Congratulations to Msgr. Joseph Smith & Msgr. James Treston on 65 years of ordination! Your unwavering dedication and service have profoundly touched lives and inspired many. Here's to celebrating your remarkable legacy!

All are welcome to come to the social hall after all Sunday Masses on June 1st for donuts, fruit, juice and coffee! Our parish Cursillo group will be your host and will be available to answer any questions you may have about a Cursillo retreat!

See the new Pope! Jubilee Year Trip to Italy with Father Miller from October 6th - 15th. Cost is \$5,599 and includes airfare, 1 checked bag and carryon, 4-5 Star Hotels & breakfast & dinner. Rome, Assisi, Florence, Siena & more! For more information please call Proximo Travel at 508-854-8001 or email office@proximotravel.com



ASCENSION THURSDAY IS ON MAY 29TH AND IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION! Masses will be as follows:

Wednesday - May 28th - Vigil of
Ascension Thursday
6:30 p.m.
Ascension Thursday - May 29th

7:15 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m. (St. Mary's)

St. Catherine's of Siena is holding a blood drive on Sunday, June 22, 2025. Blood drives are an excellent way to support our community. Please call Dave Gibney at 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.

50 Plus News

Please call, 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

June 4, 2025- Meeting Bingo with hoagies and refreshments

July 2, 2025: Bill Sutton from Vision Resource Center will review products for Seniors experiencing low vision. Refreshments will be served.

Trips

July 10, 2025: Magic and Wonder Show, \$110

August 27, 2025: Toby's Dinner in the Round, "Saturday Night Fever", \$145

November 15, 2025: Christmas Show at American Music Theatre, \$90

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

Please call Maria Bunch at 610-914-7005 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.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths."

Proverbs 3:5-6

Troop 358 Yard Sale Fundraiser





SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2025 8:00 AM TO 1:00 PM RAIN OR SHINE BRING YOUR OWN TABLE FOR QUESTIONS, EMAIL 1358STUFF@GMAIL.COM OR TEXT ROB AT 610-587-6324

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94th MEN'S WEEKEND SEPTEMBER 18 (Thursday) to SEPTEMBER 21 (Sunday), 2025

94th WOMEN'S WEEKEND SEPTEMBER 25 (Thursday) to SEPTEMBER 28 (Sunday), 2025

Mariawald (Mary of the Woods) Renewal Center Reading, PA

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Cursillo (pronounced cur see o) is a worldwide lay movement within the Catholic Church dedicated to the renewal of the faith and Christian service to our communities. Cursillo has been active in the Allentown Diocese since 1970 and is open to all adult Catholics in good standing.

For more information contact

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Make a friend

Be a friend

Bring your friend to Christ

Beginning May 28th we will be gathering in the Grotto every Wednesday for the recitation of the Rosary at 7:00 p.m.