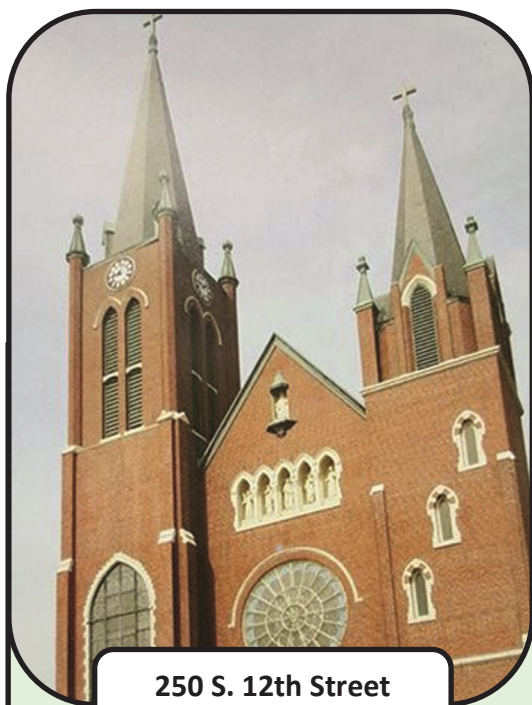


Saint Mary's

Saint Catharine of Siena Parish



250 S. 12th Street
Reading, PA 19602

ST. MARY'S 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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M.S.W, M.S.

Secretary, Youth Protection and Catholic Human Services

P.O. Box F, Allentown, PA 18105-1538
610-871-5200 ext. 2204
prusso@allentowndiocese.org



4975 Boyertown Pike
Reading, PA 19606

ST. CATHARINE'S MASS SCHEDULE

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.

PARISH CENTER: 4975 Boyertown Pike (**Office is in the back**)

Phone: 610-779-4005
Parish Website: www.scsreading.org
Parish Email: saintcatharineofreading@gmail.com

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Phone: 610-779-5810 • www.scsreading.org

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**Please mail all your correspondence to the Parish
Center, 4975 Boyertown Pike, 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 Masses

Saturday, October 25th - 3:30 p.m. - Irene Edwards
Sunday, October 26th - 10:30 a.m. - Partrick A. Floriani
Saturday, November 1st - 3:30 p.m. - Health of Msgr. Edward Domin
Sunday, November 2nd - 10:30 a.m. - Skoraczewski & Chelstowski Families

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MASS HONORING & THANKING OUR MILITARY VETERANS

9:30 AM SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9th



Following the November 9th, 9:30 am Sunday Mass honoring our veterans, there will be a breakfast hosted by the SCS Knights in the social hall. **All military veterans eat for free.**

Come join us, we are in the Land of the Free because of these brave men and women !

The Knights request a "Free Will" offering for all others in attendance to help defray the cost of the breakfast.



2025 Christmas Boutique One-Hundred Years of Christmas

Friday, November 21 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Saturday, November 22 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

As we are coming to an end of the centennial year, the Christmas Boutique returns with a celebration theme of "One Hundred Years of Christmas" This extremely popular holiday event features one-of-a-kind Christmas Shopping, the holiday Turkey Dinner, the large assortment of Christmas Cookies and Baked Goods, Homemade foods, and the famous basket raffle!

Boutique Big Bucks Bonanza

WIN: \$1,000 CASH! (With four additional prizes)

Raffle Tickets will be in the bulletins
the weekend of November 2

**We are pleased to once again present
ANGELORUM**

Beverly McDevitt will return with her choral group in a holiday concert in the church on Friday, November 22 at 6:30 p.m.

**If you would like additional
information or volunteer
your time or your baking skills,
please email us at
SCSChristmasBoutique@gmail.com**

St. Vincent DePaul Society/Knights of Columbus Thanksgiving Dinner Baskets

St. Catharine's St. Vincent DePaul Society and Knights of Columbus are partnering to provide Thanksgiving dinner baskets to parishioners who may need a little help this year. The basket items are not prepared – they are intended to be cooked at your home. The baskets include, turkey, stuffing, butter, rolls, vegetables, and ½ gallon of milk amongst a few other traditional food items. Please contact Diane at the Parish Center, 610-779-4005, and leave your name and phone number and someone from the St. Vincent dePaul society will contact you. Please call by October 31st. All information is confidential.

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18: No one is unimportant in the sight of God. If we serve God willingly, He will receive our prayers.

2 Tm 4:6-8,16-18: Paul sees time running out and his life drawing to a close. He is comforted by faith in God's just judgment.

Lk 18:9-14: Pride brings no true reward but only projects an "Image." In humility true values are seen.

Today's Message: Humility is the recognition that no matter what our accomplishments, we still stand in need of the Lord. God hears the cry of the poor and the oppressed, especially those who acknowledge their dependency upon Him. Having heard Paul's cries for help, the Lord crowned him with eternal salvation.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

CHOIR REHEARSAL – 10:00 a.m. – Meeting Room

SR. HIGH YOUTH GROUP – 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Social Hall

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27

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

8:00 p.m. & **CONFESSIONS – 7:00-8:00 p.m.**

CUB SCOUTS – 5:00-7:00 p.m. – Social Hall

FR. MILLER'S BIBLE STUDY – 7:00 p.m. – Church

LIFE AFTER LOSS – 7:00 p.m. – Meeting Room

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28

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

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29

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

ROSARY/DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET – 7:00 p.m. - Church

PREP – 6:30-8:00 p.m. - School

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30

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

PRAY THE ROSARY – 6:45 a.m.

OCIA – 6:00-7:30 p.m. – Church

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31

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

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1

PRAY THE ROSARY – 7:30 a.m.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

CHOIR REHEARSAL – 10:00 a.m. – Meeting Room

SOCIAL SUNDAY – following all Sunday Masses

JR. HIGH YOUTH GROUP – 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Social Hall

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

8:00 Patrick Sisk

4:30 Donald Entzminger, Sr.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

7:30 Sheila DiCerchio

9:30 John S. Palkon

11:30 Sandra Brossman Bezar

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27

7:15 Adam Gajewski

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28

7:15 Anna Sajdak

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29

7:15 Communion Service

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30

7:15 Communion Service

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31

7:15 Communion Service

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1

8:00 James Gaffney

4:30 Alberto & Beatriz Acuna

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

7:30 All Souls

9:30 All Souls

11:30 All Souls

Scripture Readings

For the Week of October 26, 2025

Sunday

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 35:12-14; 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

Monday

Rom 8: 12-17; Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21; Lk 13: 10-17

Tuesday

Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

Eph 2: 19-22; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 6:12-16

Wednesday

Rom 8:26-30; Ps 13:4-5, 6; Lk 13:22-30

Thursday

Rom 8:31b-39; Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Lk 13:31-35

Friday

Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6

Saturday

Solemnity of All Saints

Rv 7: 2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Sunday

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

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., 2nd Lt. Jorge Taveras, please contact the Parish Office with your prayer requests or email them to dstitler@comcast.net.



**For the week of October 26th
The Sanctuary Candle
will burn In
Loving Memory of**

St. Catharine's Church - David J. Hafer

St. Mary's - Al & Madeline Sowizdral

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 10/27	Rev. Gregory Pendergraft F.S.S.P.
Tuesday 10/28	Rev. John S. Pendzick
Wednesday 10/29	Rev. Dominic Thao Pham
Thursday 10/30	Rev. Quyet A. Pham
Friday 10/31	Rev. Robert J. Potts
Saturday 11/1	Rev. Msgr. Stephen J. Radocha

The Boy Scouts will be handing out bags after Mass for the annual Scouting for Food Drive. We ask that you return your bags next week, November 1 & 2, with non-perishable food items. All food will be donated to Helping Harvest Food Bank and will go to local families. Please help us help those in need. We thank you for your generosity and your support.



OUR LOVED ONES REMEMBERED

St. Catharine's Family of Faith lovingly extends to you an invitation to gather with your sisters and brothers who support, sustain and encourage each other in the tender love of the Lord. Everyone experiences grief in a unique way. Healing comes, however, our hearts are touched by the hand of the Lord. **On Wednesday November 5th** at 7:00 p.m. in the Church St. Catharine's Family beckons you to share with us in a Memorial Mass of love and remembrance of your dearly departed family members.

If you have lost a family member during the 2025 year, please fill out the form below and return it to the Parish Center or place in the collection basket no later than Sunday, November 2nd.

OUR LOVED ONES REMEMBERED

Name of deceased: _____

Person requesting: _____

I will attend _____

I will not attend _____

ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Social Sunday, November 2nd
after the 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 Masses - Social Hall

The AOH is the oldest Catholic lay organization in America, founded in 1836. It exists today as a fraternal organization for Catholics of Irish birth or descent. Its purpose is to support the Church's mission, provide community support, and to promote and preserve the Irish cultural heritage in America. Membership in the AOH is confined to men 16 years and older who are practicing Roman Catholics of Irish birth or descent and are citizens of the United States. IF INTERESTED Contact Kerry Williard, Pres. St. Brendan Division, Reading/Berks 610-678-4590 FRIENDSHIP, UNITY AND CHRISTIAN CHARITY.

Parish Nurse News - Feet are a gateway to enjoying health and independence. Taking good care of feet is important, especially for diabetics, due to restricted blood flow to feet. Examine your feet regularly, for skin texture, bruises, sores. Check socks for discoloration. Cleanse feet well with soap and warm water, avoid soaking, and be sure to dry well. Contact your healthcare provider for foot concerns (mayoclinic.diabetics put your best foot forward).

Fr. Miller's Bible Study will resume in the fall. We will cover the book of Revelation. It's suggested you bring a 3 ring binder for handouts. It will generally be every Tuesday unless noted, here are the future dates. **Oct 27th, Monday, Nov 6th, Thursday, Nov 11th, Nov 18th, Nov 25th, Dec 2nd.**

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

November 5, 2025: Rosa from Encore will be speaking about 2026 Medicare updates. Refreshments will be served

December 3, 2025: The 50+ Club's Christmas party will be held at St Catharine's Social Hall. Vincenzo's will be catering! Members charge will be \$25 and non-members \$27

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.

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: Weston Valentine & Amir Dominguez

Please pray for our sick & soldiers in harm's way: Karin Acuna, Joseph Albert, Richard Abelt, Carl Andrzejewski, Anthony Antonucci, Baby Lanzo, Mike Bailey, Joe & 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, Maria Bunch, Connie Burkhardt, Jennifer Burrell, Marvin Bush, John Callaghan, Pauline Cappel, Richard Cunnius, Cyril Danko, Tamara Danko, Alivia Devlin, Jennifer & Thomas Devlin, George Dietrich, **Msgr. Edward R. Domin**, Roseanne Dougherty, Andy Dykie, Gina Ebright, Charles Elchlepp, Ann Entzminger, Marian Ertel, Joe Essig, Robert Flipping, Deane & Ann Foster, Jocelyn Franek, Chris Fry, Geraldine Gamby, Michael Gantert, Charles Gierschick, Todd Gladfelter, Theresa Grabowski, Joe Grippe, David J. Gubernot, Clara Hartline, Terry Hayward, William M. Hedl, Wayne & Mary Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, John Heft, Theresa Heltzinger, Patricia Herber, Curtis S. Hill, Jesse Hill, Pat Hill, Roger Hilton, Michael Hivner, Margaret Iuso, Michael & Dorothy Jurasinski, Katelynn Solecki Kajunski, Krissy Kelly, Maryanne Kenton, Mary Klick, Cindy Kohl, Rev. David Kohut, OFM, Genny Kopel, Rosemarie Kovacs, Dorothy Kulak, Stanley Kuter, Walter LaSota, Paul Lepore, Darryl Larish, William Lawson, Pat & Fred Lenich, Ann Lewandowski, Melanie Lintz, Jane Lubas, Joan Lubas, Aleigha Manderbach, Angela Marroccoli, Rocco Martinuzzi, Greg & Kevin Masters, Daniel Matz, 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, Luis Osorio, Peggy Pacharis, Frank Pingitore, Donald Pisker, David Plumley, Chuck Rackie, Antonio Mark Ramos, Lorraine Ransom, Phyliss Rathman, Rich Readinger, Peggy Reid, Virginia Rivera, Dave Robertshaw, Raven Robinson, David Samsel, Barbara Santoro, Anne Schaeffer, Bill Schlosser, Barbara Schock, Edward Senkowski, Mark Serino, Bob Shardin, Earl Sheetz, Gabbie Sierra, Shaun Sisk, Joan Skoczen, Anne Smith, Patricia Soto, Louise Souders, Barbara Spatz, **Father Leo Stajkoswki**, Andy Strangarity, Earl Suchomelly, Thomas Sword, Sean Tipping, Kimberly Trigstead, Tom Testa, Richard Uliasz, Janet Ustaszewski, Rex Voelker, Chad Vogel, Alexandra Wachowicz, Mark Walter, Pam Weber, Lyn Weidenhammer, Pat Wertz, Frank White, 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.

October is: RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Consider joining our Life Runners Reading Chapter - [JOIN OUR TEAM](#). [PRAY THEIR CREED](#). [WEAR A JERSEY](#) RUNNING OPTIONAL!

**82% OF POST-ABORTION MOTHERS SAID IF THEY
HAD ENCOURAGEMENT, THEY WOULD HAVE CHOSEN LIFE**

Call Sharon D'Andrea, parishioner & Co-Captain, 510-507-9267.
learn more at: <http://www.liferunners.org>

PARISH DIRECTORY PHOTOS -

Please join us in becoming a part of our Parish Directory

Take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to make a treasured family keepsake

TO SIGN UP: three options

1 - Go online at www.ucdir.com Login code: pa1134 Password: photos

2.- After Masses on weekends of Nov 1-2, Nov 8-9, and Nov 15-16th

3. Contact Chris Goerner at 610 779-5657 for available dates and times

There is no cost to be photographed and each household will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait –

Additional photo packages can be ordered – Portraits will be received prior to Christmas

Only participating households will receive a free directory

Photography will take place :

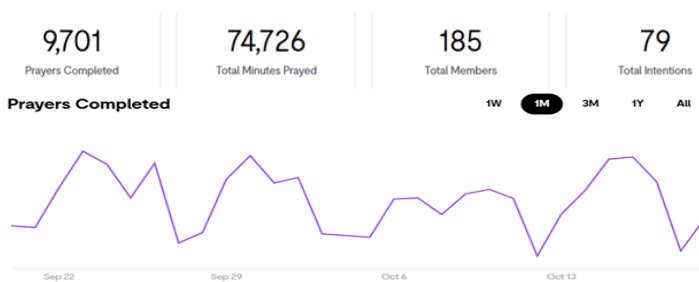
Monday Nov 24 2 pm to 8:30 pm

Tuesday Nov 25 2 pm to 8:30 pm

Hallow

TIPS and TRICKS

Prayer Dashboard: In our first month on Hallow as a Parish our 185 members prayed 9,701 prayers and posted 79 prayer intentions. That's almost 75,000 minutes of prayer. Click the QR code to join Hallow to see what this is all about and let's pray 10,000 prayers together next month. We look forward to praying with you!!!



Free Screening of "The 1916 Project," the film that's igniting a movement.

Holy Guardian Angels Parish / Sunday, October 26, 2025 at 6:00 pm
3121 Kutztown Road, Reading, PA 19605

The 1916 Project reveals the untold story of Margaret Sanger, Planned Parenthood's founder, exposing her dark legacy and the profound influence her eugenic ideologies continue to have on abortion, family breakdown, and societal confusion today.

HGA is hosting a free screening of *The 1916 Project*, a powerful documentary that uncovers the disturbing legacy of Margaret Sanger and her deep ties to the eugenics movement (a harmful pseudoscientific belief aimed at "improving" humanity by controlling who could reproduce. This ideology targeted marginalized groups – especially people of color, the poor, and those with disabilities – justifying horrific policies like forced sterilizations and treating human lives as disposable). Through compelling historical research and expert analysis, the film reveals how Sanger's racist and elitist ideologies have shaped the modern cultural landscape. From the promotion of abortion to the breakdown of family structures and the rise of gender confusion, *The 1916 Project* exposes the enduring impact of her influence, particularly on communities of color. The film serves as a call to action for those seeking to understand the origins of America's moral decline and the forces at play in today's culture war.

RSVP is not required, but encouraged so we can ensure enough seating for everyone. Please call the rectory at 610-921-2729, ext. 2202 to let us know if you will attend.

WREATHS across AMERICA

Wreaths Across America helps to coordinate wreath laying ceremonies at cemeteries across the United States to honor our fallen veterans.

Our goal of making sure that ALL 5000 veterans laid to rest at Gethsemane Cemetery and St. Mary's Cemetery receive a wreath at their grave cannot be accomplished without the generous and heartfelt sponsorship by like yours. Each wreath is priced at only \$17 and it's important that you know that your entire contribution goes to Wreaths Across America for the purchase of wreaths! The last day to order wreaths is December 1st.

Visit our website at <https://gethcm.com/wreaths-across-america/> or scan the QR code for more information.

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