

2025 Christmas Boutique

Friday, Nov. 21
5 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 22
8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Unique
Holiday
Shopping
from 50
artists &
craftsmen

Turkey
Dinner on
Friday

Bake
Sale &
Christmas
Cookies

Impressive
Gift Basket
Raffle

Big Bucks
Bonanza
WIN
\$1,000
and
Great
Prizes

Angelorum
Holiday
Concert
6:30 p.m.
on Friday

Famous
Potato
Filling
(order in
advance)

Saint
Mary's
Pierogi

Delicious
Homemade
Foods

Swag Bags
and
Half Price
Basket
Raffle
Tickets
Saturday
8 – 9 a.m.



"100 YEARS OF CHRISTMAS"

A celebration of the Parish Centennial
1925-2025

Saint Mary's Masses

Saturday, November 15th - 3:30 p.m. - Dorothy S. Kosikowski

Sunday, November 16th - 10:30 a.m. - Kaminski & Levandowski Families

Saturday, November 22nd - 3:30 p.m. - Walter Kazmierczak, Jr.

Sunday, November 23rd - 10:30 a.m. - William Hartranft

Please note: Mass on Saturday, November 22nd will be held at 7:15 a.m. due to the set up of the Christmas Boutique.



The 11:30 Mass on November 23, will be using incense.

THE PARISH CENTER WILL BE CLOSED ON NOVEMBER 27th & 28th. THE PARISH CENTER WILL REOPEN ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 1st.

All information for the bulletin (11/30/2025) must be received by Wednesday, November 19th by noon.

100th ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK

THANK YOU to those who contributed the 300 recipes and purchased Cookbooks. We sold over 350 Cookbooks the past few weeks and raised funds for our Parish. The books still available will be sold at the Christmas Boutique November 21 and 22. We will likely sell out, so, if you'd like a St. Catharine's 100th Anniversary Cookbook as a keepsake for you or to give as Christmas gifts, please stop by the Parish Office before Friday November 21st to get your copies. Only \$15.



The Christmas Boutique is Here!

Come be a part of our
100 Years of Christmas

Friday, Nov. 21 5 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 22 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

- * **Unique Christmas Shopping from fine craftsmen**
- * **Homemade Foods**
- * **St. Mary's Pierogies**
- * **Turkey Dinner on Friday night**
- * **Kutztown University Ensemble on Friday at 6 p.m.**
- * **Angelorum Holiday Concert on Friday at 6:30 p.m.**
- * **Big Bucks Bonanza with top prize of \$1,000**
 - **The BEST Gift Basket Raffle**
 - **(over 40 baskets)**
- * **Thousands of Homemade Christmas Cookies**
- * **Other homemade baked goods**
- * **Door Prizes**
- * **Half-Price Gift Basket Tickets on Sat. from 8 - 9**
- * **Swag bags for first 100 customers on Saturday**
- * **The BEST kick-off to the 2025 HOLIDAY SEASON!**



Mal 3:19-20a: The time of judgment is coming. For the faithful it will be a day of glory.

2 Thes 3:7-12: We all must work together and cooperate with one another. No one can sit back and enjoy the fruits of another's labor.

Lk 21:5-19: Nothing in this world will last forever, and we can be sure of trials and tribulations. But if we put our trust and hope in Christ, we will find life.

Today's Message: Jesus teaches that His disciples will be persecuted as a necessary prelude to the parousia. Through their perseverance, they will emerge victorious when the Lord comes again. As we await the Day, let us conscientiously fulfill our Christian obligations.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

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

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

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17

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

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

MILLIONS OF MONICAS – 9:00-10:00 a.m. - Church

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

PREP – 6:30-8:00 p.m. - School

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

PRAY THE ROSARY – 6:45 a.m.

SIENA STITCHERS – 10:00 a.m. – Meeting Room

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING – 7:00 p.m. – Meeting Room & Church

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE – 5:00-9:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

PRAY THE ROSARY – 7:30 a.m. - Church

CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE – 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

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

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

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

8:00 William Hartranft

4:30 Betty Stasek

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

7:30 Mike & Madeline Mullen (56th Wedding Anniversary)

9:30 Joseph & Regina Kastenmaier

11:30 The Garone Twins

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17

7:15 Carolyn, Jerry, Chris & Mike Kane

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

7:15 Ralph M. Mellinger, Jr.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

7:15 Paul Nguyen

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

7:15 Margaret Finneran Hark

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

7:15 Elizabeth M. Wettstein

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

7:15 Sean G. Carr

4:30 Geraldine Delle Palme-Hydock

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7:30 Bernie & Genevive Soltysik

9:30 Alberta Lutz

11:30 Maureen Truckly

Scripture Readings

For the Week of November 16, 2025

Sunday

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

Monday

Memorial of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday

2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday

1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44

Friday

Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday

Memorial of Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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Welcome! If you are visiting, we hope you find us to be a warm and welcoming faith community. If you are new to the area, we encourage you to register as members. You can do this by meeting Father Miller or Father JV after Mass. We are happy you are here!



**For the week of November 16th
The Sanctuary Candle
will burn in
Loving Memory of**

**St. Catharine's Church - Leah & Dick Fay
St. Mary's - Thomas "Butch" Mathews**

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 11/17	Rev. Mark R. Searles
Tuesday 11/18	Rev. Adam C. Sedar
Wednesday 11/19	Rev. Thomas G. Shanfelt
Thursday 11/20	Rev. Barnabas Shayo, A.J.
Friday 11/21	Rev. Msgr. Joseph P.T. Smith
Saturday 11/22	Rev. Msgr. Joseph R. Sobiesiak

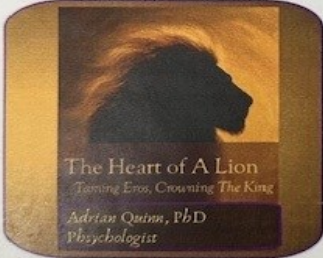


Advent

Reflection for Men Reflection for Women

Both events include:
 Delicious Food, Fellowship, Guest Speaker, Adoration,
 Confession, & Free Will Offering
 Please bring an item to support our local food pantry.

Dec. 5 - 6 to 8 PM Dec. 7 - 4:30 to 8 PM



The Heart of A Lion
Turning Eros, Crowning The King
 Adrian Quinn, PhD
 Psychologist



Featuring
 Tamara Klapatch
 Director of the
 Padre Domenico
 DaCese - Santo Volto

Learn about
 Santo Volto
 "Holy Face"
 of Jesus

edward.matyas@gmail.com

RSVP by
Nov 30

Cassie @ bhoulji@comcast.net
OR
Denise - 610-223-2391 or
lightbulblou@verizon.net

Women's Club of Exeter Township will be selling an assortment of homemade Christmas cookies for \$10.00 a pound on Saturday December 13, 2025. Pickup at Bethany Lutheran Church Social Hall on Carsonia Ave. from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Payment is due at pickup. Deadline for orders is December 1, 2025. Call 610-689-5130 or 610-779-6506 to order.

Please Support the Retired and Infirm Priests of the Diocese of Allentown - The Diocese of Allentown is conducting an annual fund called, "Chosen, Blessed, Shared," to support the Endowment for the Care of Retired Priests. All gifts received will be used to support the rising costs of retirement care for those priests in good standing who have faithfully served, and the many who, though retired continue to serve, in our Diocese. Please consider making a donation as part of your yearly giving.

Parish Nurse News - We all can experience holiday depression when winter blues and loneliness may be more difficult. Coping tips include, keep in touch with those who bring us happiness, volunteering builds relationships, saying no when you need to, and consider reaching out to a therapist when you think you may need support (healthclevelandclinic.org-holiday-depression).

From Fr. Miller

Plenty of opportunities for prayer and reflection during the season of Advent in preparation for Christmas. Please consider making the 40 hours celebration a priority for the celebration of the founding of our parish on December 16th. Do not forget to prepare for Christmas by taking advantage of the additional confession times.

Please come each night to celebrate 40 Hours in thanksgiving for the parish's 100th anniversary. The dates are December 14th, 15th, and 16th with the 16th being the 100th anniversary of the parish. There will be adoration each day, Sunday Dec. 14th from 12:30pm to 7pm and Monday and Tuesday Dec. 15-16th from 8am to 7pm. **Each night there will be Vespers and Benediction at 7pm with Fr. Pat Lamb the guest homilists on Sunday Dec. 14th, Fr. Matthew Kuna on Monday Dec. 15th, and Msgr. Edward Domin on Tuesday Dec. 16th.**

We will continue with evening daily Masses during the season of Advent. It will be on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays starting on Dec. 2nd and ending on Dec. 18th. The time will be at 6:30pm. **Wednesday Dec. 3rd will be a special teaching Mass on Dec. 3rd by Fr. Miller.**

Please consider attending our parish's Men's and Women's Advent Reflection on Dec. 5th for the men from 6-8pm and Dec. 7th from 4:30pm-8pm for the women.

Finally, additional Advent confessions will be available. For the 4 Sunday's in Advent (Nov. 30th, Dec. 7th, Dec. 14th, and Dec 21st) there will be confessions available 30 minutes before the Sunday Masses. As well as penance services hosted by 3 parishes in Berks County. St. Ignatius will be Thursday Dec. 18th, Holy Guardian Angel will be on Sunday Dec. 21st and **St. Catharine's will be on Monday Dec. 22nd.** All begin at 7pm.

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: Kaylani Cruz

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 Burkhart, 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, Dave Garman, 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 Martinozzi, 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:** Lettie Franey, (mother of Tom, John & Kevin Franey) & 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, 2nd Lt. Jorge Taveras, please contact the Parish Office with your prayer requests or email them to dsitler@comcast.net.



Congratulations to William & Kathleen Schappell who will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary this weekend. May they be blessed with many more years together!

Hallow Advent Prayer Session begins Nov. 30th

Be Still



The Advent prayer series is 25 sessions. One session opens on our community page each day leading up to Christmas. The Infancy Narratives and Caryll Houselander's *The Reed of God* will guide us to explore stillness amid life's chaos. If you don't have Hallow, download it for FREE and pray with us. Use the QR code or hallow.com/parish and search for St. Catharine of Siena. We look forward to praying with You!!!





SCS Season of Giving Campaign November 1st through December 2nd



We gratefully welcome your gift of support to St. Catharine of Siena School's Season of Giving.

Donations can be made:
Cash or check (payable to St. Catharine of Siena School)

Your generosity helps us continue our mission of faith, learning, and service —
and we are deeply grateful for your support.

St. Catharine of Siena

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

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.** The deadline for the Christmas party reservations is November 19, there will be no refunds after November 26! The 50+ Club's Christmas party, start time 12 o'clock noon, will be held at St. Catharine's Social Hall.

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.



Boy Scout Troop 358 would like to thank everyone who contributed to our annual Scouting for Food drive. Through your efforts, we collected a record breaking amount of food this year. Pictured are some of our scouts with the food donated by St. Catharine's. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Hallow

TIPS and TRICKS

Chat Feature on Community Page: You can privately chat with members of our Hallow community by going to the Community tab, selecting Members at the top, scrolling the member list which is in alphabetical order by first name, selecting the member, then clicking "chat" under their photo. These chats are private and the person gets a notification when you send a message so they know to read it and reply. We look forward to praying with you!!!



October 5, 2025	\$21,042
October 12, 2025	\$19,702
October 19, 2025	\$17,819
October 26, 2025	\$19,342