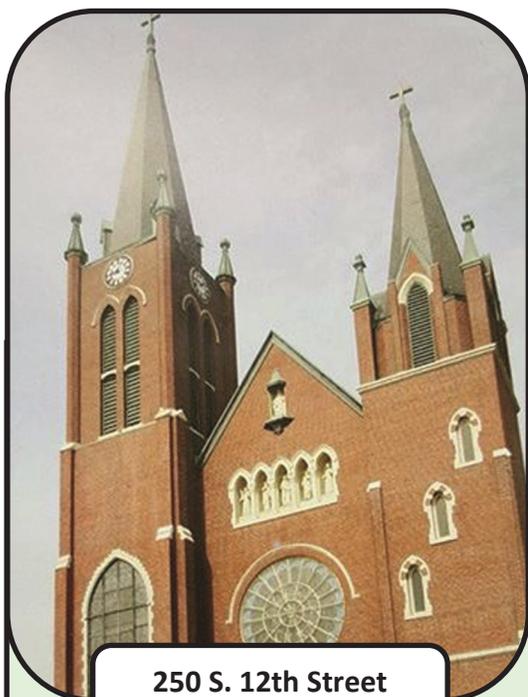


# Saint Mary's

# 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. Cythnia Williamson, Interim Principal  
Rev. Msgr. Joseph P. T. Smith, Pastor Emeritus

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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)

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Parish Email: [saintcatharineofreading@gmail.com](mailto:saintcatharineofreading@gmail.com)

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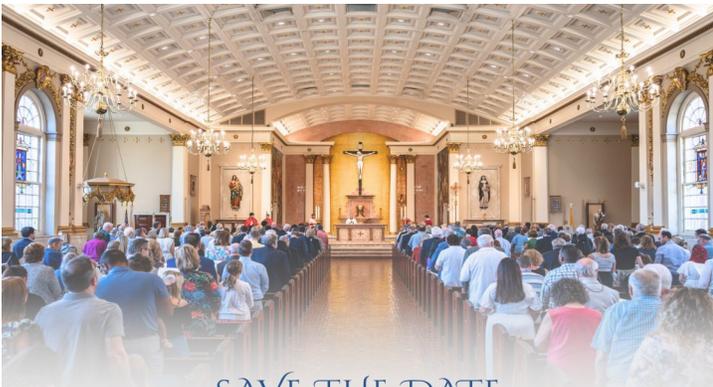
#### St. Catharine of Siena Parish Mission Statement

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.

St. Mary's News

Saturday, March 28th - 3:30 p.m. - Walter LaSota  
 Sunday, March 29th - 10:30 a.m. - Boguslaw "Billy" Mietelski  
 Sunday, April 5th - 10:30 a.m. - Living & Deceased Members  
 of the Parish

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.



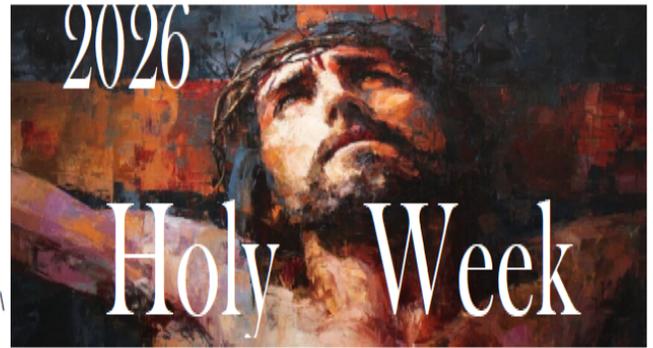
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Everyone is invited to the social hall for donuts, fruit, coffee, juice and fellowship after the 9:30 and 11:30 Masses on Sunday, April 12th. Thank you to our hosts for this month - the 50+ Club!



**PALM SUNDAY, March 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**

Palms blessed and distributed at all masses. Regular Mass Times.  
 Solemn Mass at 11:30 a.m. begins outside under the portico (Incense Used)

**Monday of Holy Week, March 30<sup>th</sup>** Mass at 7:15 am.

Penance Service with multiple priests at 7 pm

**Tuesday & Wednesday March 31<sup>st</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>** Masses at 7:15 am

**HOLY THURSDAY, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Morning Prayer at 8:00 am

MASS of THE LORD'S SUPPER 7:00 p.m. (Incense Used)

Night Prayer at the Repository 10:00 p.m.

**GOOD FRIDAY, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Morning Prayer at 8:00 a.m. (Divine Mercy Novena begins)

LITURGY of THE LORD'S PASSION AND DEATH 3:00 pm

No evening services on Friday night

**HOLY SATURDAY, April 4<sup>th</sup>**

Morning Prayer at 8:00 am (no confessions or 4:30 p.m. Mass)

BLESSING of EASTER FOOD at St. Mary's 10 a.m. (no 3:30 p.m. mass)

EASTER VIGIL 8:00 p.m (Incense Used) Begins under the portico.

**EASTER SUNDAY, April 5<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 am Mass (with music: organ and cantor)

9:30 am (Guitar Group Mass) Incense Used

11:30 am (Choir Mass) Incense Used

10:30 am Mass at St. Mary's Incense Used

**Is 50:4-7:** The servant was persecuted and struck by his own people; he was spit upon and beaten. He proclaims the true faith and suffers to atone for the sins of His people. Here we see a foreshadowing of the true Servant of God.

**Phil 2:6-11:** Paul urges us to humility by which we are made like Christ our Lord. He put off the majesty of His divinity and became man and humbled himself in obedience to the ignominious Death on the Cross.

**Mt 26:14-27:66:** Matthew portrays the Passion and Death of Jesus. Jesus gives His disciples His Body and Blood. Judas betrays Him. Jesus is condemned to die on the Cross.

**Today's Message:** Jesus, humbling Himself out of love for us, did not shield His face from buffets and spitting, but offered His life on the cross. He relied on His Father's love.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**SUNDAY , MARCH 29**

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. – Mtg. Room

**MONDAY, MARCH 30**

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

CONFESSIONS – 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Church  
CUB SCOUTS – 5:00-7:00 p.m. – Social Hall  
PENANCE SERVICE – 7:00 p.m. - Church

**TUESDAY, MARCH 31**

50+ BOARD MEETING – 10:00 a.m. – Meeting Room  
CHOIR REHEARSAL – 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. - Church

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1**

50+ CLUB GENERAL MTG – 1:00 p.m. – Social Hall  
GUITAR GROUP PRACTICE – 8:00 p.m. - Church

**THURSDAY, APRIL 2**

PRAY THE ROSARY – 6:45 a.m.  
SIENA STITCHERS – 10:00 a.m. – Meeting Room  
OCIA - 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Meeting Room  
NIGHT PARYER - 10:00 p.m. - Church

**FRIDAY, APRIL 3**

MORNING PRAYER - 8:00 a.m. - followed by Divine Mercy Novena - Church  
LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION - 3:00 P.M. - Church

**SATURDAY, APRIL 4**

Morning Prayer 8:00 a.m. - Church  
**BLESSING OF THE EASTER FOOD -10:00 a.m. – St Mary's**  
SOLEMN VIGIL OF EASTER - 8:00 p.m. - Church

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 28**

8:00 Theresa & William Bryan  
4:30 Josephine Farrell

**SUNDAY, MARCH 29**

7:30 Geraldine Russo (15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
9:30 Albert Godlewski  
11:30 Dr. Clete Cinelli

**MONDAY, MARCH 30**

7:15 Joanna Blossick

**TUESDAY, MARCH 31**

7:15 Anne Essig

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1**

7:15 Bernadette Repsik (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)

**THURSDAY, APRIL 2**

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

7:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

**FRIDAY, APRIL 3**

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer followed by Divine Mercy Novena

3:00 p.m. - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

**SATURDAY, APRIL 4**

8:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer

8:00 p.m. Intentions of the Catechumens & Candidates

**SUNDAY, APRIL 5**

7:30 Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

9:30 Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

11:30 Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

**Scripture Readings**

**For the Week of March 29, 2026**

**Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**

Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66 or Mt 27:11-54

**Monday**

Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday**

Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday**

Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

**Holy Thursday - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper**

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

**Good Friday of the Lord's Passion**

Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42

**Saturday**

**Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter**

Gen 1:1-2:2 or Gen 1:1, 26-31a; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20 and 22; Gen 22:1-18 or Gen 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Ex 14:15-15:1; Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18; Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Rm 6:3-11, Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mt 28:1-10

**Sunday**

**The Resurrection of the Lord**

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24:13-35 (Afternoon or Evening)



**For the week of March 29th  
The Sanctuary Candle  
will burn In  
Loving Memory of**

**St. Catharine's Church - Thomas Klick**

**St. Mary's - Walter LaSota**

PALM SUNDAY

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 3/30	Rev. Msgr. Robert F. Kozel
Tuesday 3/31	Rev. Daniel E. Kravatz
Wednesday 4/1	Rev. John A. Krivak
Thursday 4/2	Rev. Thomas J. Kuller, S.J.
Friday 4/3	Rev. Matthew J. Kuna
Saturday 4/4	Rev. Joseph J. Kweder



**SCS Knights 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Cornhole Tournament**



**SATURDAY, April 18<sup>th</sup>**

Tournament check-in starts at 10:30 am    Play Starts at 11:30 am  
( If raining, moved indoors to Social Hall )

(includes beef BBQ, hot dogs, beer, soda, water, traditional fixings and snacks)

Cost: \$60 per Team

Tournament Sponsorships Available (including for each Cornhole Court)

Limited to those 21 years of age or older    Registration Deadline: April 12<sup>th</sup>

**Prizes:** 1st Place = \$250    2nd Place = \$150    3rd Place = \$100  
4th Place = \$75    5th Place = \$50

**REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH**

OR

**CONTACT JOHN ARTY @ (484) 269-4195**

*Looking forward to seeing you all again this year!*

***The SCS Knights thank you for your continued support!***

The profits from the Cornhole Tournament benefit the SCS Knights charitable endeavors, which include but are not limited to, SCS Church & School, Lifeline of Berks County, John Paul II Center for Learning, Mary's Shelter, PA Special Olympics, Diocesan Seminarian(s), SCS Youth Groups, and the SCS Knights Food for Families programs.

Joseph's People - Berks & Lehigh County Chapter  
If you are underemployed or unemployed or know someone who is, let Joseph's People help! Join us on Zoom on Tuesday, April 14th at 6 pm. Our topic will be "Attend and working a Job Fair." 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](mailto:pauljosephlicata@gmail.com), [www.josephspeople.org](http://www.josephspeople.org)

Enjoy a night out filled with laughter, great company, prizes and BINGO!

**SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH @ 6:30PM**  
DOORS OPEN @ 5:30PM AT SCS CHURCH SOCIAL HALL

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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, Richard Abelt, Carl Andrzejewski, Anthony Antonucci, Baby Lanzo, Mike Bailey, Joe & Patty Barker, Melody Bechtel, Gene Bellus, Dolores Bertoti, 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, 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, Charlotte Graus, David J. Gubernot, Clara Hartline, Marie Hartranft, Terry Hayward, William M. Hedl, Wayne & Mary Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, John Heft, Theresa Heltzinger, Patricia Herber, Carole Hess, Curtis S. Hill, Jesse Hill, Roger Hilton, Michael Hivner, Margaret Iuso, Michael & Dorothy Jurasinski, Katelynn Solecki Kajunski, Lesley Kaminski, Krissy Kelly, Maryanne Kenton, Mary Klick, Cindy Kohl, **Rev. David Kohut, OFM,** Genny Kopel, Rosemarie Kovacs, Dorothy Kulak, Paul Lepore, William Lawson, Pat Lenich, Ann Lewandowski, Melanie Lintz, Jane Lubas, Joan Lubas, Aleigha Manderbach, Peter Manolakis, Angela Marroccoli, Rocco Martinuzzi, Greg & Kevin Masters, Daniel Matz, Cindy McConnell, Peggy McConnell, Mary Rita McFadden, Tim McNeil, Katherine Miceli, Lannie Milillo, Kyle Moore, Christine Motley, Madeline Mullen, William Nelson, Jerome Nigh, Maddie Nordhoy, Trudy Oliver, 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, Dave Rickert, Virginia Rivera, Dave Robertshaw, Raven Robinson, Gloria Lynn Romanski, David Samsel, Barbara Santoro, Anne Schaeffer, 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 Stajkowski,** Andy Strangarity, Jerry Stricker, Earl Suchomelly, Thomas Sword, Sean Tipping, Kimberly Trigstead, Tom Testa, Richard Uliasz, Janet Ustaszewski, Rex Voelker, Chad Vogel, John Vogel, Alexandra Wachowicz, Mark Walter, Pam Weber, Lyn Weidenhammer, Pat White, Frank White, Walter Yourkavitch, Ann Marie Zawislak, Mary Ann Zerkowski, Dan Zielinski, Mollie Ziembra, 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, First Lt. Nicholas A. Wentling, Cpts. Juliana & Sean Coleman, Petty Officer Matthew J. Dobroskey, Jr., Cpl. Bruce Bogertey, SPC, Alex Heintz, Captain Chelsea Pellicano, LT. 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](mailto:dsitler@comcast.net).***

# Hallow

## TIPS and TRICKS

*Journal Reflections:* At the end of the prayers, look at your screen and you'll see a reflection question "What stood out to you from this session?" You can immediately add your thoughts and can look at them later. To review the reflections you created, go to the "me" tab at the bottom of the home screen and scroll down to reflections – it will show all your comments along with the date you created it and what prayer you reflected on. We look forward to praying with you!!!



## Kidney Donor Needed

My name is Robert Finely (parishioner), and I am currently seeking a kidney donor. If you would like to learn more about my story,

get information about kidney donation, or find out how to be tested as a potential donor, please visit [www.nkr.org/THM452](http://www.nkr.org/THM452).

**We Are Pro-Life** - As Catholics, our Pro-Life message of "Respect Life" should not be focused on just one 'month' of the year in October, but should be our focus each day of every month. Our USCCB have dedicated this month of March to couples experiencing infertility. These bishops encourage praying one decade of a Rosary for 'these couples', beginning with: "[May couples struggling with infertility respect God's design for the creation of new life](#)". **NOTE** - The Respect Life - Prayer and Action page is available in the back of the Church. Please pick one up. Find out what is morally wrong with IVF, and why it does not fall under the Church's approved ethical fertility treatments of "restorative reproductive medicine", here: <https://www.respectlife.org/catholic-primer-ivf> Are you or someone you know struggling with infertility? Look into the many morally appropriate 'help' options available here: <https://www.usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/nfp-national-providers>

*Please join the Pro-Life Union on **Saturday, April 25th** for its annual Mass and March for Life! Bishop Efren Esmilla of the Archdiocese's Office for Life & Family will celebrate the opening Mass at the Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul at **9 a.m.** After Mass, we will proceed from the Basilica to Independence Mall to rally for the lives of the children, mothers and fathers destroyed by the horror of abortion. We are honored to have Ryan Bomberger, founder of the Radiance Foundation, as our master of ceremonies and keynote speaker, along with other guest speakers as well as musical guests. We look forward to seeing you there to publicly witness to the cause of life in the birthplace of liberty, as our nation honors its 250th anniversary!*

**Parish Nurse News** - While we prepare for this Holy Week, remember those who live alone, those with a long illness, and those who experienced the death of a child, spouse, or other loved one. Offer a ride if needed, or a visit. Pray with them, or remind them that you are thinking of them. Thoughtful gestures, conversation, and listening are heartwarming and remembered with profound gratitude!

## HALLOW Divine Mercy Novena April 3<sup>rd</sup> – April 11th



Join Fr. Mike Schmitz in praying the Divine Mercy Novena, starting on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Fr. Mike will lead us in bringing souls to the fountain of Jesus' mercy – the blood and water which poured forth from His side on the Cross (John 19:34). Passages from the Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska are used with permission of the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M., Stockbridge, MA., U.S.A. If you don't have the Hallow app and want a FREE subscription, contact Lisa Siciliano at [wdy561@yahoo.com](mailto:wdy561@yahoo.com)

### 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

**April 1, 2026: Everybody's Birthday!** \$12 for members and \$14 for non-members, more information to follow! The deadline for Everybody's Birthday reservations will be March 25, 2026! **Start time is 12:00 noon!**

### Trips

April 24, 2026: Murder at Mt. Hope, \$112  
 May 13, 2026: Arsenic and Old Lace Candlelight Theater, \$116  
 June 24, 2026: Real Diamond, Penn's Peak, \$95  
 July 16, 2026: School of Rock, Pines Theater, \$108  
 August 12-14: Island Hoppin in Ohio: single occupancy, \$845, double occupancy \$645  
 September 23, 2026: Gettysburg Dine Around, \$167  
 October 22, 2026: Medieval Times Baltimore, \$110

November 12, 2026: The Christmas Rush, Bird-In-Hand - \$110

**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.**