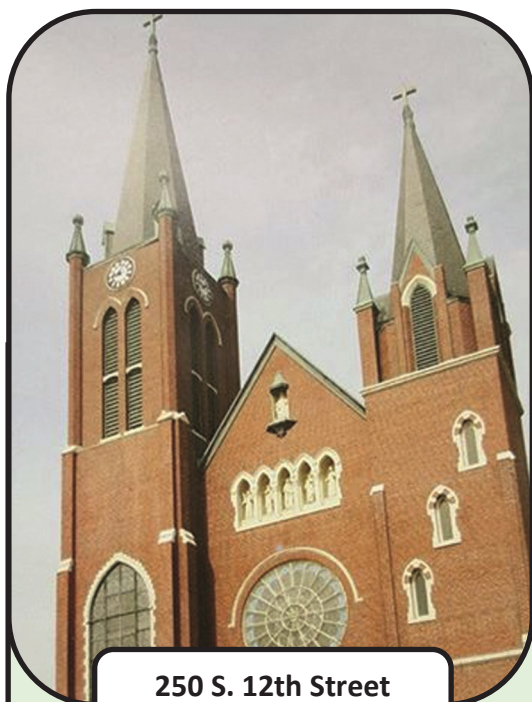


Saint Mary's

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

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Rev. Van-Vien (JV) Nguyen, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Tyler Davis, Parochial Vicar
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Deacon Gregory Schneider
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Rev. Msgr. Joseph P. T. Smith, Pastor Emeritus

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P.O. Box F, Allentown, PA 18105-1538
610-871-5200 ext. 2204
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1-800-276-1562, www.ReportBishopAbuse.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
Office Email: diane@scsreadingparish.org

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PRE-SCHOOL:

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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.

St. Mary's Masses

Saturday, July 11th - 3:30 p.m. - Lauren Wagner Myland, (3rd Anniversary)
 Sunday, July 12th - 10:30 a.m. - Jadwiga Starosciak
 Saturday, July 18th - 3:30 p.m. - Domenic Martino
 Sunday, July 19th - 10:30 a.m. - Sister Vincent de Paul Malecki



Contributions in Memory of Monsignor Edward Domin
 Donations may be made to the Catholic Foundation of Eastern Pennsylvania for the Domin Family Endowment Fund. The fund supports 11 Catholic nonprofit organizations meaningful to the Domin Family. Please mail gifts payable to the Catholic Foundation of Eastern Pennsylvania, PO Box 1430, Allentown, PA 18105 OR visit catholicfoundationep.org.



In 1854, a French parish priest, Jules Chevalier, gathered a small group of like-minded priests and formed the MSC congregation under the protection of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart.

Chevalier set his sights on a new goal: bringing together like-minded people, incorporating priests, religious, and lay associates, who would work to bring this message of faith and love to the world around them—a world mired in bitterness, hopelessness, and despair.

Today, the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart minister in more than 50 countries worldwide, with over 1,700 MSCs carrying on the legacy of our founder, Fr. Jules Chevalier. From pastoral care of riverside communities in the Amazon, to the provision of something as simple and essential as a nutritious meal for a hungry child in Brazil, our Sacred Heart family are working across the globe to help those who need it most.

This year's World Projects Appeal will offer a lifeline to many vulnerable communities, from children living in the bushlands of the Congo to elderly people in need of company and a safe space to meet in Brazil. As we're faced with bleak news of disaster and destruction on a regular basis, it is a breath of fresh air to see our mission family joining together to create something extraordinary. Together, we are making 2026 a year of positive transformation—can you help?

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

IS HELD EVERY **MONDAY**

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar

FROM
AFTER THE 7:15 AM MASS
UNTIL
8:00 PM

All are invited and encouraged to spend some quality prayer time before the Blessed Sacrament.

CONFESSIONS
FROM
7:00 - 8:00 P.M.

ENCOUNTER MINISTRIES

SCHOOL OF HEALING

2-DAY WEEKEND SCHOOL & HEALING SERVICE

AUG. 28 - 29
 St. Francis DeSales Parish
 320 N. Church St., Robesonia, PA 19551

"...they will lay hands on the sick & they will recover." - Mark 16:18

GILBERT RODRIGUEZ
ESM New Jersey Campus

DCN. JOE COOLEY
ESM Boston Campus

Jesus promised, "These signs will accompany those who believe...They will lay hands on the sick and they will recover." (Mark 16:17) Jesus has called us to do what he did, and that includes healing the sick. The event is a two-day conference to teach, impart and activate Christians to be a more effective minister of Jesus' healing in the world! Are you going to give him the chance?

BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT	THEOLOGY OF HEALING	ROLE OF FAITH & PRAYER MODEL FOR HEALING	OVERCOMING DISCOURAGEMENT & UNDERSTANDING IMPARTATION	THE POWER OF PEACE	HEALING SERVICE* <small>This session is free & open to the public</small>
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SESSIONS *Faithful to Catholic Teaching.*

Training Includes:

- Praise & Worship
- Powerful Sessions
- Opportunities to pray for and receive prayer for healing

Friday, August 28
5:30pm - 9:30pm

Saturday, August 29
9:00am - 10:00pm

Healing Service*
August 29 @ 7:30pm
*This portion is free and open to the public

encounterschool.org/

Is 55:10-11: Isaiah uses the example of rain and snow seeping into the ground to make it fertile to show how the word of God filters into the hearts of men. It shall not be void and empty.

Rom 8:18-23: The sufferings and trials of the present are destined to be only a prelude to the glorious future of the children of God. During this life we await the redemption of our bodies.

Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9: Jesus teaches in parables that can be easily understood. He speaks of sowing the message of salvation that by some is heeded for a while, or ignored. Others, however, listen intently and try to live according to the will of God. Jesus explains this parable in detail.

Today's Message: "The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest". May the soil of our hearts be receptive to the Word and carry it out through the presence of the Spirit.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, JULY 12

SOCIAL SUNDAY – following all Masses- Social Hall
YOUNG SAINTS MINISTRY – 3:30-5:00 p.m. – Social Hall

MONDAY, JULY 13

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

CONFESSIONS – 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Church
LIFE AFTER LOSS – 7:00 p.m. – Meeting Room

TUESDAY, JULY 14

FIRESIDE WITH FR. MILLER – 7:00-8:00 p.m. - Pavilion

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

MILLIONS OF MONICAS -9:00-10:00 a.m. - Church
WOMEN IN THE BIBLE WITH FR. MILLER – 7:00 p.m. – Church

THURSDAY, JULY 16

PRAY THE ROSARY – 6:45 a.m.
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MTG. – 7:00 p.m. – Social Hall

SATURDAY, JULY 18

PRAY THE ROSARY – 7:30 a.m.
ULTREYA – 9:30 a.m.-noon – Meeting Room

SUNDAY, JULY 19

SEVEN SISTERS MTG. – 1:00 p.m. – Social Hall

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, JULY 11

8:00 Ankielewicz, Stracilo & Nowak Families
4:30 Mary Ann (Dolly) Barr

SUNDAY, JULY 12

7:30 Florence & Stephen Milshaw
9:30 Lana Worrall
11:30 William J. Kostival

MONDAY, JULY 13

7:15 Mark Sneeringer

TUESDAY, JULY 14

7:15 Kathleen Milbrand

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

7:15 Guy & Geraldine Lawrence

THURSDAY, JULY 16

7:15 Deceased Members of the Michael J. & Ellen V. Barry Family

FRIDAY, JULY 17

7:15 Francis J. Itle

SATURDAY, JULY 18

8:00 Joseph D. Evans
4:30 Barry Kreisher (2nd Anniversary)

SUNDAY, JULY 19

7:30 Betty & Leonard Bolognese
9:30 Jennie J. Palkon
11:30 Brian, Michelle & Victoria Solarek

Scripture Readings

For the Week of July 12, 2026

Sunday

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or Mt 13:1-9

Monday

Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday

Memorial of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday

Memorial of Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27

Thursday

Is 26:7-9; 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21; Mt 11:28-30

Friday

Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8

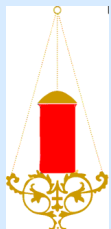
Saturday

Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

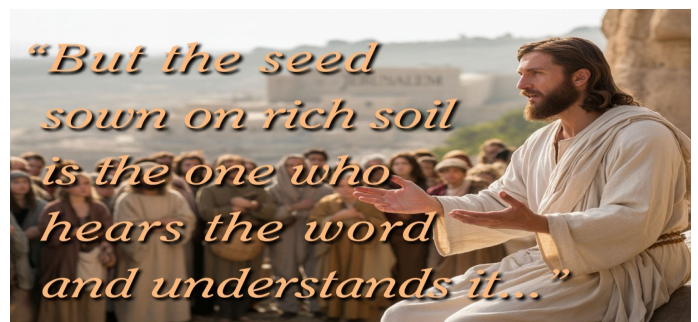
Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 or Mt 13:24-30



For the week of July 12th
The Sanctuary Candle
will burn in
Loving Memory of

St. Catharine's Church - Helen & Harry Frey

St. Mary's - Betty & Spike Spsychalski



PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 7/13	Rev. Ronald P. Bowman
Tuesday 7/14	Rev. Nikolai R. Brelinsky
Wednesday 7/15	Rev. Richard C. Brensinger
Thursday 7/16	Rev. Alexander T. Brown
Friday 7/17	Rev. Thomas R. Buckley
Saturday 7/18	Rev. Douglas C. Burns, O.S.F.S.

The St. Francis Hospice Home in Shillington, PA is in need of additional volunteers to help provide compassionate, loving care to its residents. Please come and shadow one of our volunteers and see if you are being called to provide this blessed ministry. No medical background is required, just a willing heart. Any amount of time can help. For more information please contact Cathy Goss at 484-645-3981.

THANK YOU
for your generosity
YOUR SUPPORT HELPS SUSTAIN OUR PARISH!

June 7, 2026	\$20,921
June 14, 2026	\$21,742
June 21, 2026	\$20,130
June 28, 2026	\$20,285

Parish Nurse News - We've all lost things or forgotten names. Here are a few tips for our brains to remember more and worry less! Exercise, regularly eat fish, purposefully decrease stress, sometimes talking to a therapist helps. Get enough sleep, be socially active, and smile! (Harvard Medical School, July 1, 2026)

Celebrate 65 Years with Bingo! Join us for an evening of fun, fellowship, and prizes as we celebrate the 65th Anniversary of the Diocese of Allentown! Wednesday, July 15, 2026 at Holy Cross Church Hall, 99 Lombard Street, New Philadelphia. Enjoy 20 games for just \$20, gift baskets and cash prizes valued at \$50 or more, a 50/50 raffle, and food and beverages provided (BYOB). Doors open at 5:00 p.m., and games begin at 6:00 p.m. Gather your family and friends for a memorable evening celebrating 65 years of faith, fellowship, and community. Sign up at www.allentowndiocese.org/events/bingo-celebrate-the-65th. For more information, contact Maggie Riggins at mriggins@allentowndiocese.org

RETRouvaille: Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage
 Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of July 31 - August 2, 2026 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, call 215-766-3944 or visit www.MarriageHelpDelVal.org. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

WIN \$10,000 CASH!! The Berks Catholic High School Extravaganza Cash Raffle tickets are now available. The drawing will be held on FRIDAY, October 9TH during the Extravaganza 2026 event. Donation \$100. To buy raffle tickets, please send your check with return address and phone number to: Berks Catholic Extravaganza, 955 E. Wyomissing Blvd., Reading, PA 19611. If you would like to receive an invitation to attend Extravaganza, please call the Extravaganza Office at 610-374-1695 or e-mail at Extravaganza@BerksCatholic.org or use the below QR code.



Coming soon....

CURSILLO

Allentown Diocese (AD)

Men and Women's Cursillo Weekends

Cursillo has been a powerful means of spiritual growth for Catholics throughout our diocese as well as Catholics around the world for decades. We are pleased to announce this year's weekends are as follows:

Men: 6:00 p.m. - Thursday 9/17/26 to Sunday afternoon 9/20/26

Women: 6:00 p.m. - Thursday 9/24/26 to Sunday afternoon 9/27/26

(Must be 18yrs of age to attend)

Where: Mariawald Renewal Center, Mohnton, PA

Please text or email Beth at: 610-781-2935 or bap3mem@ptd.net

*** — The — ***
PATRIOTIC ROSARY
 * RESUMES EVERY *
WEDNESDAY,
STARTING JULY 15TH
AT 6:15PM
 * IN THE GROTTA *
 ONE NATION UNDER GOD

★ If you've never heard it come out and join us. | 🪑 Bring a chair and your rosary.



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, David Austin, Baby Lanzo, 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, Sandra Brobst, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Paul Brooke, Maria Bunch, Connie Burkhart, Jennifer Burrell, Marvin Bush, John Callaghan, Pauline Cappel, Linda Christ, Richard Cunnius, Cyril Danko, Tamara Danko, Joan Davis, Amy Dougherty, Alivia, Jennifer & Thomas Devlin, George Dietrich, Roseanne Dougherty, Cory Doyen, Andy Dykie, Gina Ebright, Charles Elchlepp, Ann Entzminger, Marian Ertel, Joe Essig, Bob Finley, Robert Flipping, Deane & Ann Foster, Jocelyn Franek, Geraldine Gamby, Michael Gantert, Charles Gierschick, Todd Gladfelder, Tom Goerner, Theresa Grabowski,

Lillianna Greenberg, Joe Grippe, Charlotte Grauf, David J. Gubernot, Doris Harner, Clara Hartline, Marie Hartranft, Terry Hayward, William M. Hedl, Wayne & Mary Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, John Heft, Theresa Heltzinger, Patricia Herber, Carole Hess, Jesse Hill, Roger Hilton, Michael Hivner, Carolyn Hoffman, John Hughes, Margaret & Myron Hughes, Margaret Iuso, Michael & Dorothy Jurasinski, Katelynn Solecki Kajunski, Lesley Kaminski, Krissy Kelly, Maryanne Kenton, Mary Klick, Cindy Kohl, Rosemarie Kovacs, Dorothy Kulak, Christine T. Kuzio, William Lawson, Pat Lenich, Marilyn Leap, Ann Lewandowski, Melanie Lintz, Jane Lubas, Joan Lubas, Aleigha Manderbach, Peter Manolakis, Angela Marroccoli, Rocco Martinozzi, Greg & Kevin Masters, Daniel Matz, Cindy McConnell, Peggy McConnell, Mary Rita McFadden, Tim McNeil, Katherine Miceli, Lannie Milillo, Kyle Moore, Robert Moyer, Christine Motley, Madeline Mullen, William Nelson, Jerome Nigh, Maddie Nordhoy, Trudy Oliver, Angela Biscanti Ondik, Louise Orlando, Luis Osorio, Peggy Pacharis, Frank Pingitore, Donald Pisker, Chris Plue, David Plumley, Chuck Rackie, Antonio Mark Ramos, Lorraine Ransom, Phyliss Rathman, Peggy Reid, Dave Rickert, Virginia Rivera, Dave Robertshaw, Raven Robinson, Gloria Lynn Romanski, Pat & John Russell, David Samsel, Barbara Santoro, Anne Schaeffer, Barbara Schock, Melvin Schucker, Edward Senkowski, Mark Serino, Bob Shardin, Earl Sheetz, Gabbie Sierra, Shaun Sisk, Joan Skoczen, Anne Smith, Georgene Smith, Amy Spiker, Patricia Soto, Louise Souders, Barbara Spatz, **Father Leo Stajkowski**, Andy Strangarity, Jerry Stricker, Marty Strunk, Earl Suchomelly, Thomas Sword, Sean Tipping, Kimberly Trigstead, Tom Testa, Danielle Trout, Richard Uliasz, Janet Ustaszewski, Rex Voelker, Chad Vogel, John Vogel, Alexandra Wachowicz, Mark Walter, Pam Weber, Lyn Weidenhammer, Pat White, Frank White, Marcia Willman, Eugene Yachera, Walter Yourkavitch, Ann Marie Zawislak, Mary Ann Zerkowski, Dan Zielinski, Mollie Ziemba, Mary Ann Zimmerman **Time to die: Michael Bailey, Patrica Leary, Anna Muratore, Angela Candelario & Stan Murphy & 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: Captain 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 diane@scsreadingparish.org

Hallow

Tips & Tricks

Friend Requests: You can add friends in Hallow if you are in each other's contacts, both belong to the St. Catharine's Church community, or share a mutual friend. To add friends, go to the "Me" tab at the bottom right on your home screen, click on the image of two people at the top, then click on the image of a person with a + sign inside at the top right. You will see a list of eligible friends. If they use Hallow, tap "Add" next to the name of the person you want to add. They will get a request, and once they accept, you will be friends in Hallow. If one of your contacts is not a Hallow member, tap "Invite" and send them a text message containing a link to join you on Hallow. This is a nice way to invite family and friends to pray with you, and you see your Friends on the Leaderboard when you do Hallow Trivia each day. We look forward to praying and playing with you!



Forging Friendships for Our Children and Families
in a Community of Faith

St. Catharine of Siena
Social Hall

Second Sundays
3:30 - 5:00PM

We're excited to continue Young Saints Ministries at
St. Catharine of Siena!

This joyful program brings children together to make new friends while learning about the saints in a fun and faith-filled way. Parents are welcome to connect, share, and grow in community as families gather together.

We meet on the second Sunday of each month, creating a special time for families to come together, build friendships, and grow in faith.

Join us for a welcoming, family-friendly environment where kids can learn, laugh, and grow in their faith together!

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

August 5, 2026: 50 Plus Club Picnic -The picnic will be at the church and the starting time will be 12 o'clock noon. Call Jeanette Walk with any questions, 610-451-9680. The picnic registration deadline is July 20, 2026.

September 2, 2026: Michael Kropp we'll play the guitar and sing songs from the 50s and 60s.

Trips

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 Bev Bard, 610-763-5654 for additional 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.

PREP Registration for the 2026-2027 year is open. The Parish Religious Education Program is open to all students in grades 1 – 8. All levels will meet in person on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm. There is also a Family Catechesis option where the student completes the curriculum online with the help of a parent. Registration can be completed by following the link or QR code and filling out the Google form. Information is also available online at www.scsyouth.weebly.com. <https://forms.gle/sDvNEY2NchFMfza8>



Volunteers are needed to help with PREP classes. We are in need of a few volunteers to be teacher aides and door watchers. All materials and training will be provided. Please look inside your heart and see if you would be able to volunteer your time for the kids of our parish. As it was once sung, "I believe that children are our future. Teach them well and let them lead the way." Volunteers will need all diocesan required clearances. For more information, please contact Marci Zambito at mzambito@scsreading.org.

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sea Gather Boat Seed Path
Rocky Thorns Soil Hear Parable

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