

A GIFT FROM
GOD

RESPECT ALL LIFE



St. Mary's Masses

Saturday, October 3rd - 3:30 p.m. - Jane Chelstowski
(39th Anniversary)

Sunday, October 4th - 10:30 a.m. - Raymond G.
Podguski, (20th Anniversary)

Saturday, October 10th - 3:30 p.m. - Jadwiga Starosciak

Sunday, October 11th - 10:30 a.m. - John Ziembra



ST. CATHARINE'S

ANNUAL DAILY

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

OCTOBER 2026

DAILY VISITATION WITH OUR LORD
IN HIS MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
HAS BEGUN AND WILL CONTINUE THROUGH
OCTOBER AND CONCLUDE WITH THE SOLEMN
CLOSING OF THE FORTY HOURS DEVOTION.

NEW THIS YEAR:

WE ARE EXCITED TO JOIN WITH THE
EUCHARISTIC ROSARY CONGRESS, BERKS COUNTY
AS A SATELLITE LOCATION FROM 10/5 -10/9.
DURING THIS WEEK, THE ROSARY WILL BE RECITED
AT THE TOP OF EACH HOUR OF ADORATION DURING
THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 5TH.
*(All materials will be provided to help you lead
the rosary during your hour.)*

***PLEASE USE LOG BOOK TO SIGN IN AT THE TABLE
DURING THE WEEK OF THE EUCHARISTIC ROSARY
CONGRESS. Thank you***

40 HOURS DEVOTION & PERPETUAL ADORATION –
10/25 & 10/26:
SIGN UP SHEETS FOR THE OVERNIGHT ADORATION
ARE NOW AVAILABLE.
(Let's stay awake for one hour with Jesus!)

WHAT IS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IS THE ACT OF WORSHIPING GOD
AS HE IS TRULY PRESENT IN THE CONSECRATED EUCHARIST.
"A HOLY HOUR IN FRONT OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
IS WORTH MORE THAN A THOUSAND YEARS
OF HUMAN GLORY." (St. Padre Pio)

Please visit the sign-up table at the back of the Church.
For more information, please contact Sue Hissick and leave a text/voice message at 610-568-6328.



The

SANCTUARY CANDLE

For the Week of
OCTOBER 4TH
will burn in
Loving Memory of:

St. Catharine's Church
Larry Curtin

St. Mary's Church
Living & Deceased
Members of the Parish



The 2027 Mass Book

will open on
Tuesday, October 13th.

A beautiful way to remember
and pray for your loved ones.



In person requests will not be taken during this time.



Please write out your requests (Include the intention, requested by, and date.
Also include your name and contact information and a check for the amount due).
You can mail, drop them off at the Parish Center or put them in the collection basket.
Requests will be dated upon arrival and will be honored to the best of our ability.

The Mass
is the most
powerful
prayer
we can offer
for our
loved ones,
living
and deceased.



The Mass form will be available on the tables in the Gathering area
the weekend of October 11th, and will be also available online.
If possible, indicate an alternate date in case your first choice is not available.



The offering for each intention is \$10.



You may request **two** Mass intentions per deceased;
one of which will may be a weekend Mass.



The Office will put the Mass Intentions in the Mass Book
and send you a copy. If we have any questions concerning
your requests, we will call you.



If you have any questions prior to sending in your request,
please call the Parish Center between 10 AM and 3 PM,
Monday through Friday at **610-779-4005**.



If you are **handicapped** or a **shut-in**, please call the office
and we will help you.

Please note: We will do our best to accommodate everyone; however,
we will be working with a limited amount of Masses and we ask for your patience.

Thank you and God bless!

"In the Mass
the same Christ
who offered Himself
on the Cross
is present."
— Catechism of the
Catholic Church, 1367



Is 5:1-7: Isaiah uses the story of a vineyard to show how the Lord respects His people. The vineyard is well cultivated, but it does not produce. The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel and the people of Judah his cherished plants.

Phil 4:6-9: Pray to God for your needs. God will guard over you. Discern what is true, noble, and good and pure, loved and honored, virtuous or worthy of praise. God's peace will be with you.

Mt 21:33-43: Jesus uses the parable of a vineyard owner. Salvation is offered to all. The chosen who reject Christ are really turning Him over to the whole world. The vineyard will be leased to others. The Kingdom of God will produce fruit.

Today's Message: The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel. At vintage time the master will return to receive the harvest. May we bear fruit in plenty and be pleasing in His sight by living lives that are marked by love and respect.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY OCTOBER 4

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

YOUTH GROUP – 5:30-9:30 p.m. – Social Hall

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

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

ROSARY RECITED ON THE HOUR

CONFESSIONS – 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Church

CUB SCOUTS – 6:00-7:30 p.m. – Social Hall

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

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

ROSARY RECITED ON THE HOUR

50+ CLUB BOARD MEETING – 10:00 a.m. – Meeting Room

ST. VINCENT De PAUL MEETING – 6:30 p.m. – Meeting Room

GUITAR GROUP REHEARSAL – 7:00 p.m. – Church

FR. MILLER'S Q. & A. – 7:00-8:00 p.m. - Firepit/Pavilion

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7

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

ROSARY RECITED ON THE HOUR

50+ CLUB GENERAL MEETING – 1:00 p.m. – Social Hall

PATRIOTIC ROSARY – 6:30 p.m. – Church

PREP 6:30-8:00 p.m. – School

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

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

ROSARY RECITED ON THE HOUR

PRAY THE ROSARY – 6:45 a.m. -Church

OCIA – 6:00-7:30 p.m.- Meeting Room

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING -7:00 p.m. – Social Hall

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

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

ROSARY RECITED ON THE HOUR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

PRAY THE ROSARY – 7:30 a.m. – Church

MILLIONS OF MONICA'S – 10:15-11:15 a.m. - Church

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

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

YOUNG SAINTS MINISTRY – 3:30-5:00 p.m. – Social Hall

YOUTH GROUP – 5:30-9:30 p.m. – Social Hall

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



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

8:00 a.m. Carole Lotz
4:30 p.m. Nicholas D'Alonzo (8th Anniversary)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

7:30 a.m. Marie P. Bassler (4th Anniversary)
9:30 a.m. Mary I. Mathews (9th Anniversary)
11:30 a.m. Catherine D. Kostival

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

7:15 a.m. Jack Neff

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:15 a.m. Gerald Young

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7

7:15 a.m. Ludyng Paniagua

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

7:15 a.m. Lillian Hissick

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

7:15 a.m. Fotios Arnidis

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

8:00 a.m. Carl Solarek (1st Anniversary)
4:30 p.m. Bill Bradley (20th Anniversary)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

7:30 a.m. Cora Nacar (11th Anniversary)
9:30 a.m. Deceased of the Bukowski & Suchomelly Families
11:30 a.m. Jeffrey H. Schloder

Scripture Readings

For the Week of October 4, 2026

Sunday **Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

Monday Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday **Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary**
Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Lk 11:5-13

Friday Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday **Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 or Mt 22:1-10

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 10/5	Rev. Msgr. Robert F. Kozel
Tuesday 10/6	Rev. Daniel E. Kravatz
Wednesday 10/7	Rev. John A. Krivak
Thursday 10/8	Rev. Thomas J. Kuller, S. J.
Friday 10/9	Rev. Matthew J. Kuna
Saturday 10/10	Rev. Joseph J. Kweder

Attention All New Parishioners!

Brunch with Father

Meet
Share
Connect
Belong

will be held immediately after the
11:30 Mass on Sunday, November 1st
in the Social Hall.

This invitation is for any new members to
this parish and their families.

Family members of all ages are welcome!

If interested, please RSVP to the Parish Office
at **610-779-4005** with your name and number
of family members attending.

*Father Miller is looking
forward to getting to know
you better!*

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

Young women in the Diocese are invited to a beginner-friendly hike on Saturday, October 10, at 9am at Trexler Nature Preserve in Schnecksville, PA. Enjoy the autumn season and the Month of the Holy Rosary by bringing your friends, your water, and a rosary for a prayerful and fun morning of fellowship and exercise. Bagels, donuts, and hot chocolate will be available for a post-hike snack! Sign up for free and view the flyer at allentowndiocese.org/events/womens-hiking-club.

Parish Nurse News -Build and jot down your healthy menu for the week! Dinner is half plate vegetables and fruits with variety and color! French fries do not count as vegetables! One-fourth plate is whole grains, such as barley, quinoa, oats, or brown rice. Final fourth is protein, fish, lean meat, nuts, seeds, beans. Avoid processed and cured meats. (HealthBeat.Harvard Health Publishing)

Speak, Lord

Women's Discernment Group

"Find your delight in the LORD who will give you your heart's desire" (Ps. 37:4-5)

Inviting Women Ages 18 - 40

Single? Still in college?
College grad? Working?
Want to learn more about
the call to Holy Matrimony
& the **Religious Life**?

All sessions free

With...

- Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 - Liturgy of the Hours
- Talk on vocations (marriage, religious life, and others) with *special guest speakers*
- Followed by pizza and social

***NEW Meeting Time

3rd Saturdays of the Month
10:30am - 12:30pm

Upcoming Dates 2026

- September 19th
- October 17th
- November 19th

In-Person Meetings

Old St. Paul's School
219 W. Susquehanna St.,
Allentown, PA 18103
(Enter through the 4 glass doors
from the parking lot)

Or...Scan QR code
for ZOOM Link

Meeting ID: 824 8594 8515

Passcode: SpeakLord



For more info, contact: 267-775-1222 or marianmisioneras@gmail.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

October 7, 2026

Hoagies & Bingo!



November 4, 2026

Encore's John and Rosa
will be providing
Medicare updates.
Refreshments will be served.



December 2, 2026

Christmas Dinner

*More information
to follow.*



Trips



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's 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: Benson Bellott & Hazley Zientek

Please pray for our sick & soldiers in harm's way: Karin Acuna, Richard Abelt, Carl Andrzejewski, Anthony Antonucci, David Austin, Baby Lanzo, Joe Barker, Melody Bechtel, 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, Connie Burkhart, Jennifer Burrell, Patty Burrell, Marvin Bush, Pauline Cappel, Linda Christ, Richard Cunnius, Cyril Danko, Tamara Danko, Joan Davis, Amy Dougherty, Alivia, Jennifer & Thomas Devlin, George Dietrich, Cory Doyen, Andy Dykie, Gina Ebright, Charles Elchlepp, Joe Essig, Bob Finley, Robert Flipping, Deane & Ann Foster, Jocelyn Franek, Geraldine Gamby, Charles Gierschick, Todd Gladfelter, 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 Hughes, Margaret Iuso, Michael & Dorothy Jurasinski, Katelynn Solecki Kajunski, Lesley Kaminski, Krissy Kelly, Maryanne Kenton, Mary Klick, Rosemarie Kovacs, Dorothy Kulak, Christine T. Kuzio, William Lawson, Pat Lenich, Marilyn Leap, Ann Lewandowski, Jane Lubas, Joan Lubas, Donald Ludwig, Aleigha Manderbach, Peter Manolakis, Angela Marroccoli, Rocco Martinozzi, Greg & Kevin Masters, Daniel Matz, Irm Guard & Bill Maxwell, Cindy McConnell, Peggy McConnell, Mary Rita McFadden, Tim McNeil, Katherine Miceli, Lannie Milillo, Susan Miller, Kyle Moore, Christine Motley, Michael Mullen, William Nelson, Jerome Nigh, Maddie Nordhoy, Trudy Oliver, Angela Biscanti Ondik, Louise Orlando, Luis Osorio, 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, Amy Spiker, Patricia Soto, Louise Souders, Barbara Spatz, **Father Leo Stajkowski**, Andy Strangarity, Jerry Stricker, Marty Strunk, Earl Suchomelly, Laura Sullivan, Kimberly Trigstead, Tom Testa, Danielle Trout, Richard Uliasz, Janet Ustaszewski, Rex Voelker, Chad Vogel, John Vogel, Alexandra Wachowicz, Mark Walter, Pam Weber, Pat White, Frank White, Marcia Willman, Walter Yourkavitch, Ann Marie Zawislak, Mary Ann Zerkowski, Dan Zielinski, Mollie Ziemba, Mary Ann Zimmerman *A Time to die: Ann Schilling; Vincent McElderry, (father of Michael McElderry); Baby Nolan Bateman, (son of Regina & Brandon Nolan) & 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.

The Mother Veronica Center is searching for a volunteer ESL (English as a Second Language) class instructor to take over a class for an instructor who unexpectedly needs to resign. The opening is for a morning class taught on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. The start date would be Tuesday, October 13, 2026. If you are able to fill this position, please contact Sister Cara Garofalo at mveronicacenter@gmail.com or call 484-709-5966. If you know anyone who might be willing and able to teach ESL at the Center, please share my contact information with them.

Save the Date: Diocese of Allentown Family Festival - part of the Diocese of Allentown's **65th Anniversary Jubilee Year**, all are invited to celebrate **faith, family, and community** at the Diocese's **Family Festival** at **12pm** on **Sunday, November 1, 2026**, at **St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Orefield**. Join Bishop Alfred A. Schlert and families from across the Diocese for this special anniversary celebration featuring Mass with Bishop Schlert, live music, food, bingo, a petting zoo, activities and games, an All Saints Trunk-or-Treat, and more. This rain-or-shine event promises fun for all ages and is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate 65 years of faith together. More details, including the full schedule and registration information, will be shared soon.

11th Annual Toy Drive- To Benefit the Exeter Area Food Pantry

St. Catharine of Siena has agreed to join all our local churches in collecting toys for the children of the Exeter Area Food Pantry. All toys collected will benefit local children in need. Parents will select toys for their children on December 11, 2026. A toy collection box will be placed in your building in October. We ask that you consider purchasing NEW toys, books, games, puzzles, hats, mittens, scarves, socks etc. (for ages infant through age 13) and place them in the box between before December 1st. We are also seeking gift sets for the older children (14-18). Art sets, shaving sets, nail care sets, hair care sets, etc. This event has brought much joy to the families of the Exeter Area Food Pantry for the past ten years, giving parents an opportunity to provide Christmas gifts for their children without compromising their ability to keep food on the table. Last year gifts were provided for 440+ children. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please contact Doris Jaeger (610-780-9825) or Diane Hafer (Secretary of Schwarzwald Lutheran Church at 610-779-3480)



SAVING LIVES WITH
Saint Januarius
Patron Saint of Blood Banks

Donate blood September 19th - December 16th
and receive a St. Januarius medallion.



Blood Drive
St. Catharine of Siena R C Church
Sunday, October 18th
8:15 am – 1:15 pm

Miller-Keystone Blood Center and the Diocese of Allentown are once again teaming up for a **diocese-wide blood drive honoring Saint Januarius, patron saint of blood banks.**

Donors will receive a **Saint Januarius medallion blessed by Bishop Schlert**. Donors who already have a medallion may choose **Saint Januarius prayer card or magnet instead.**

To schedule an appointment:
Scan the QR Code
OR
Call David Gibney at 484-332-1624



800-B-A-DONOR  GIVEaPINT.org



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 Parish Week 2026: Rebuild My Church

– What if rebuilding the Church starts with us? **Beginning Sunday, October 4** listen to a Pastor audio invitation from Father Miller, as St. Catharine's joins hundreds of parishes across the country for **Parish Week**, a seven-day prayer challenge through Hallow called **"Rebuild My Church."** Inspired by Christ's words to St. Francis, we'll spend a few minutes each day praying with the saints and reflecting on what it means to build up His Church today. Together, we'll focus on prayer, the sacraments, communion, generosity, invitation, and becoming the missionary disciples Christ is calling us to be. Vibrant Parishes change lives – and changed lives transform the world. Together we can spark spiritual renewal in our community. A few minutes a day. One parish praying together. Join us through our parish page in the Hallow app.

DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE

COME HOME TO MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

 **Saturday November 21, 2026**
 **8:00am - 4:00pm**
 **DeSales University Center**
2755 Station Avenue
Center Valley, PA 18034

SPEAKERS



FR. DAVE PIVONKA
President, Franciscan University



NATHAN CRANKFIELD
Author & National Speaker



MARK HOUCK
Apologist & Founder of The King's Men



HOLY MASS
4PM
w/ BISHOP SCHLERT



CONFESSION
AVAILABLE



BREAKFAST & LUNCH
INCLUDED

Catholic men, renew and strengthen your faith at our annual Men's Conference at DeSales University.

What does it mean to "come home" to Mary?

In a world that often feels chaotic and uncertain, we all long for a place of belonging, peace, and hope. As our spiritual mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary leads us to her Son and invites us to find refuge in the heart of the Church.

Join us for a day of inspiring speakers, prayer, fellowship, and spiritual renewal as we discover what it means to come home to Mary.

REGISTER HERE



menaliveinchrist.org/events

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