



WELCOME TO ST. CATHARINE'S

A FAITH-FILLED COMMUNITY
UNITED IN CHRIST



ST. CATHARINE'S

4975 Boyertown Pike, Reading, PA 19606

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.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:15 p.m. in the Church.

Otherwise, by appointment only.



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Please mail all your correspondence to the Parish Center, 4975 Boyertown Pike, Reading, PA 19606

ST. MARY'S

250 South 12th Street, Reading, PA 19602

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 3:30 p.m.

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 2:45 - 3:15 p.m. in the Church.

Otherwise, by appointment only.



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Rev. Tyler Davis, Parochial Vicar

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Deacon Gregory Schneider

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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.





Saint Mary's MASSES

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

Sunday, October 11th
10:30 a.m. — John Ziemba

Saturday, October 17th
3:30 p.m. — Deceased Members of the Sajdak Family

Sunday, October 18th
10:30 a.m. — John Ziemba



For the week of October 11th

The Sanctuary Candle will burn In Loving Memory of

St. Catharine's Church
Margaret & John Franek

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



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 Monday, November 2nd
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 2026 year, please fill out the form below and return it to the Parish Center or place in the collection basket no later than Sunday, October 25th.

OUR LOVED ONES REMEMBERED

Name of deceased: _____

Person requesting: _____

I will attend _____ I will not attend _____



SAINT CATHARINE OF SIENA PARISH

Reading, Pennsylvania



Come, Pray with Us
**EUCHARISTIC
ADORATION**

Monday–Friday
After morning Mass until 8:00 PM

*Spend time with Jesus in the
Blessed Sacrament.*



OCTOBER • MONTH OF THE ROSARY

Honor Our Blessed Virgin Mary
Join us to pray the Rosary together before every weekend Mass throughout October.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES
Saturday • 4:30 PM
Sunday • 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM
Please arrive before Mass to join the Rosary.

— ✦ Pray for our world, our country, and our families. ✦ —



Thank You

to the Parishioners of
St. Catharine of Siena
and
St. Mary's Church

*Your continued generosity
helps our parishes to grow,
serve and share the love of Christ
in our community.*

WEEKLY OFFERTORY TOTALS	
September 6, 2026	\$20,888
September 13, 2026	\$19,995
September 20, 2026	\$19,692
September 27, 2026	\$18,598

✦
*Thank you for your faith, generosity
and continued support of
St. Catharine of Siena and St. Mary's Church.*

Is 25:6-10a: The Lord will set up a sumptuous feast for His people. He will wipe away their tears. Then the people will recognize Him as their Lord and God.

Phil 4:12-14, 19-20: Paul admits that he has learned how to live and accept joy and sorrows, pleasures and pain. This lesson he has learned in Jesus.

Mt 22:1-14: Jesus teaches using the parable of a king who gave a wedding banquet. Invited guests refused to come or mistreated his servants. The king destroyed these and invited the poor and simple. Even one of these did not accept his kindness.

Today's Message: The Lord invites us to a banquet, one of the favorite images of messianic times. This banquet is spread before us and can fully satisfy our needs, yet how often have we refused the Lord's invitation to share in the riches prepared for us?

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – following the 7:15 a.m. Mass until 8:00 p.m.
CONFESSIONS – 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Church
CUB SCOUTS – 6:00-7:30 p.m. – Social Hall
LIFE AFTER LOSS – 7:00 p.m. – Meeting Room

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – following the 7:15 a.m. Mass until 8:00 p.m.
CONFIRMATION PRACTICE – 6:30 p.m. – Church
MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY MEETING – 6:00 p.m. – Meeting Room

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

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

CONFIRMATION – 4:30 p.m. – Church
PATRIOTIC ROSARY – 6:30 p.m. - Church

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

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

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

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

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

AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS – 6:00-9:00 p.m. – Social Hall

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

PRAY THE ROSARY – 7:30 a.m. – Church

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

BLOOD DRIVE – 8:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. – Social Hall
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



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12
7:15 a.m. Dennis Hoffman

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13
7:15 a.m. Violet Leier

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14
7:15 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Frank McLaughlin

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15
7:15 a.m. Dick Horrigan

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16
7:15 a.m. George Auchter (13th Anniversary)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17
8:00 a.m. Nicholas Rappaselli
4:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus #14880

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18
7:30 a.m. Elizabeth & George Ashton
9:30 a.m. Marie Marthe Briand (5th Anniversary)
11:30 a.m. Palma D. Evans



SCRIPTURE READINGS For the Week of October 11, 2026

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

MONDAY
Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31–5:1;
Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32

TUESDAY
Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48;
Lk 11:37-41

WEDNESDAY
Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Lk 11:42-46

THURSDAY *Memorial of Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church*
Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6;
Lk 11:47-54

FRIDAY
Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13;
Lk 12:1-7

SATURDAY *Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr*
Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7;
Lk 12:8-12

SUNDAY *Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10;
1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

Hallow Parish Week 2026: Rebuild My Church

GIVING CAMPAIGN

We hope you have been praying through Hallow with us. If not, you can still listen to all 7 sessions and Father Miller's welcome audio. Inspired by Christ's words to St. Francis to "REBUILD MY CHURCH" we have learned what it means to build up His Church. Just as we donated last year to move the beautiful stained-glass windows to the entrance of the Church, let's work together now to "rebuild" our Social Hall.

If you haven't already, PLEASE GIVE through the Hallow app to help us renovate and modernize the Msgr. Joseph Smith Social Hall. Your GIFT will make it a more welcoming space for activities all year long and will have a lasting impact.



50 PLUS News

Friendship Fun Fellowship

Please call, President Bev Gallo for any 50 Plus Club inquiries. Her phone number is 610-763-7058.

You can also find us on Facebook for additional information.

MEETINGS

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

For trip information, please call Bev Bard at 610-763-5654.

Please call Maria Bunch at 610-914-7005 with the names of members who are sick or who have died.

New members are always welcome!
We also encourage guests to join us at any of our meetings.

There will be no meetings during the special events months of April, August, and December.

Meetings are held at 1:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of most months in St. Catharine's Social Hall.

MAINTENANCE & GROUNDS

COMMITTEE SIGN-UPS

We Need Your Help!

Do you have handyman skills or a love for working outdoors and want to give back while helping make our Churches and School even better?

Then we are looking for you!

Our Maintenance & Grounds Committee is hoping to expand with your help. You can assist with repairs, maintenance, landscaping and upgrades from a list of projects. Tasks can be completed at your own pace and according to your availability.

Both men and women are welcome!

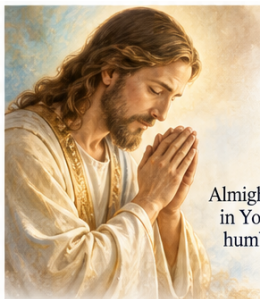
The reward in helping maintain and improve our facilities is great.

KICKOFF MEETING

Wednesday, November 4, 2026
6:00 p.m.
Meeting Room

We hope you'll join us!
We look forward to seeing you there.

11th Annual Toy Drive- To Benefit the Exeter Area Food Pantry - St. Catharine's 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)



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR Prayers

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.**




We Pray for the Gift of Peace

in the world and the safety
of those working for peace
through the military services,
especially:

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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.

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Please contact the Parish Office with your prayer requests
or email them to diane@scsreadingparish.org.

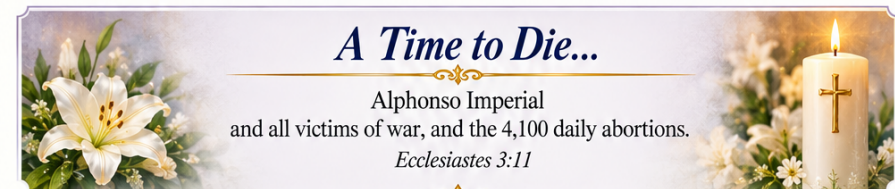


A Time to Be Born...

Recently Baptized:
Aubrey, Amelia, & Oliver Townsley
Samuel & James Dobinsky

Please Pray for Our Sick & Soldiers in Harm's Way

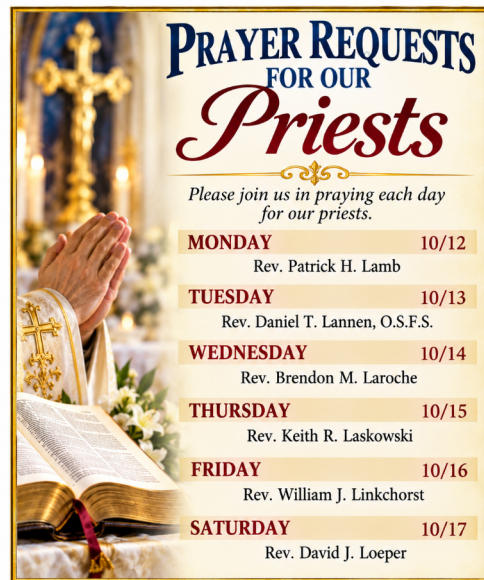
Karin Acuna, Richard Abelt, Carl Andrzejewski, Anthony Antonucci, David Austin, Baby Lanzo, Joe Barker, Melody Bechtel, Dolores Bertoti, Joseph Bezak, Jason Beshore, JoAnne Biscanti, Jodi Bixler, Susan Bolognese, Jim Boris, Michele Boucher, Joanne Bowman, Katie Briggs, Sandra Brobst, Frank Broga, Sophia 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, Harriet Dombrowski, Cory Doyen, Andy Dykie, Gina Ebright, Charles Elchlepp, Joe Essig, Bob Finley, Robert Flipping, Kathleen Formando, Deane & Ann Foster, Jocelyn Franek, Geraldine Gamby, Charles Gierschick, Todd Gladfelter, Tom Goerner, Theresa Grabowski, Lillianna Greenberg, Joe Grippe, Charlotte Grauf, David J. Gubemot, 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 Soleccki 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 Martinuzzi, 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, Phyllis 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, Faye Schultz, 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...

Alphonso Imperial
and 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**.



PRAYER REQUESTS FOR OUR Priests

Please join us in praying each day
for our priests.

MONDAY	10/12
Rev. Patrick H. Lamb	
TUESDAY	10/13
Rev. Daniel T. Lannen, O.S.F.S.	
WEDNESDAY	10/14
Rev. Brendon M. Laroche	
THURSDAY	10/15
Rev. Keith R. Laskowski	
FRIDAY	10/16
Rev. William J. Linkhorst	
SATURDAY	10/17
Rev. David J. Loeper	

SAINT CATHERINE'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Welcome Back!

Whether you have been away
for a few weeks, a few months,
or many years,
you are always welcome here.

Come join us at Saint Catharine's
as we celebrate the Eucharist,
grow in faith, and experience
the love and mercy of
Jesus Christ.

There is always a place for you
in our parish family.
Welcome home!

Parish Nurse News- Give and receive health! Being kind harbors a spirit of helpfulness and generosity, boosts serotonin, improves self-esteem and mood, lowers blood pressure and cortisol, and provides excellent example to others! People who are kind to themselves and give of themselves in a balanced way tend to live healthier longer! (Siegle, S. www.mayoclinichealthsystem.org.August.2023)



Help American Heritage Girls Troop 1111 honor local heroes!
Sponsor a wreath to be placed on a veteran's grave during a special ceremony

Help American Heritage Girls Troop 1111 honor local heroes!

Sponsor a wreath today to be placed on a veteran's grave this December at Forest Hills Memorial Park, Inc..

Scan the QR code to make a donation online or visit www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/PA0275P



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Shop with a Purpose!

Scrip gift cards are everyday gift cards you buy at face value that give back to our Parish and our School.

Your everyday purchases make a difference!

Buy gift cards for the stores you already shop at.	Pay face value for the cards.	A percentage goes back to our Parish and School.	Supports the ongoing needs of our Parish and School community.
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Shop Local. Shop Scrip.

Attention All New Parishioners!

Brunch with Father

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

SAVING LIVES WITH Saint Januarius

Patron Saint of Blood Banks

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

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN
CELEBRATING 65 YEARS

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