

Saint Mary's News

Next Weekends Mass Schedule

Sunday, April 21st - 10:30 a.m. - Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

SAINT MARY'S EASTER SCHEDULE

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS- 2:45- 3:15 P.M. - CHURCH

PLEASE NOTE: THERE ARE NO CONFESSIONS ON HOLY SATURDAY

- ◆ WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17TH
- ◆ 5:30-6:30 P.M. - CHURCH

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH

BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD – 11:00 a.m. – CHURCH

EASTER SUNDAY

10:30 A.M. - CHURCH

See St. Catharine's Mass Schedule for additional Masses for the Easter.



MILITARY RECOGNITION: In an effort to continue to recognize our military troops, changes are underway. The present military board will be removed, and a new display is being

created. If you would like any of the pictures on the present board, please let us know. Also, please review the list of names in this announcement and let us know of any updates. If you would like a picture displayed, please drop it off at the parish center. For any questions or concerns please call Beth Pawlik 610-781-2935, David Pawlik 610-781-3093 or Terri Mueller 484-269-7282.

ADULT CONFIRMATION AT THE CATHEDRAL

ON PENTECOST SUNDAY: Bishop Schlert will celebrate the Noon Mass on Pentecost Sunday, June 9th, 2019 at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, Allentown, within which he will confirm adults of our Diocese. Those to be confirmed are those adults (eighteen years of age or older) who were baptized in the Roman Catholic Church, received their First Holy Communion, are catechized, but never confirmed. Please contact the Parish Center at 610-779-4005 to register.



Saint Catharine's

Easter Schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS- 3:30-4:15 P.M. - CHURCH

PLEASE NOTE: THERE ARE NO CONFESSIONS ON HOLY SATURDAY

- ◆ MONDAY, APRIL 15TH - 4-5 P.M. &
◆ 6:30- 7:30 P.M. - CHAPEL
- ◆ TUESDAY, APRIL 16TH - 4-5P.M. &
◆ 6:30 - 7:30 P. M. - CHAPEL

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 18TH – MASS OF THE LAST SUPPER- 7:00 P.M.*- CHURCH

**NIGHT PRAYERS & GUITAR CHOIR SINGS
–10:30 P.M. - CHURCH**

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19TH -

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION -
3 P.M. – CHURCH

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS -
7:00 P.M. - CHAPEL

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH

*****BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD – 11:00 A.M. –
AT SAINT MARY'S CHURCH*****

EASTER VIGIL – 8 P.M.* – CHURCH

EASTER SUNDAY

7:30, 9:00, 10:30* & 12 NOON – CHURCH

*INCENSE USED

Help is needed - "We will be decorating the Chapel for Easter on Saturday, April 20th, at 9 AM. It usually takes about 45 minutes. Thank you"

Gethsemane Cemetery's Annual Memorial Day Mass will be held on Monday, May 27th, 2019 at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome and Mass will be held rain or shine. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING . . . memory writes on every page of the calendar. A support group offering caring presence, strength, and wisdom meets two Mondays a month at St. Catharine's of Siena Church, Mt. Penn 19606, at 7 PM. To register call 610 370-1174.

PALM SUNDAY

Is 50:4-7: The sufferings of God's servant will not deter him from faith in God.

Phil 2:6-11 Christ Jesus, though He was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped.

Lk 22:14 – 23:56 Attend to the account of Christ's last days, and consider how He suffered that we might have faith. By His Holy Cross He has saved the world.

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.

WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

VOICES IN PRAISE REHEARSAL – 9 a.m. – Knights Room
RECEPTION FOR DEACON ESPOSITO - After all Masses - Social Hall

MONDAY, APRIL 15

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – After 8 a.m. Mass until 8 p.m.

GUITAR CHOIR PRACTICE - 7:00 p.m. - Church

ULTREYA - 7:30 p.m. - Social Hall

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

LEGION OF MARY – 6:30 p.m. - Parish Center

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

SIENA STITCHERS - 10:00 a.m. - Gathering Area

MASS OF THE LAST SUPPER - 7:00 p.m. - Church

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19

PASSION OF THE LORD - 3 p.m. - Church

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS - 7:00 p.m. - Chapel

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

BLESSING OF THE EASTER FOOD - 11:00 a.m. - St. Mary's Church

EASTER VIGIL - 8:00 p.m. - Church

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

EASTER SUNDAY

We pray for the Gift of Peace in the world and the safety of those working for peace through the military services, especially: SPC Mackenzie Adame, Pvt. Connor A. Soja, Lance Corporal Kadan C. Soja, Staff Sgt. Brian Perotto, LCPL David Ermentrout, Lt. Morgan Hissick, Captain Anthony Bennett, Tom Bristol, Danny Bristol, Spc. Erin Pawlik, Commander Daniel M. Simon, Staff Sgt. Michael Porcaro, Staff Sgt. Zak Ribble, Tech. Sgt. John V. Nowotarski, III, Senior Airman 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, Lt. Cdr. Allison Rosati Martin, Zachary Deissler, Amy & Gregory Boland, Lt. Col. Adam Sawyer, Staff Sgt. Jeremiah Sola, Lt. Mathew Stuber, Sgt. Nathan Essig & Lt. Cdr. Brian Blair. Please contact the Parish Office with your prayer requests or email them to dsitler@comcast.net. Please call with addresses of military to Terri Mueller at 610-779-1766.

Please join us for the 14th ANNUAL MASS, BENEDICTION AND HEALING SERVICE

preceded by Praise & Worship Music. The Mass will be celebrated by Reverend Clifton E. Bishop, Jr. on Sunday, May 5th at St. Catharine of Siena Church, Boyertown Pike. Join us for this special evening as we give thanks to the Lord with Praise & Worship Music beginning at 6:30 P.M. and Mass at 7:00 P.M. Please spread the word. We hope you can join us for this uplifting and solemn service. This Mass does count as your Sunday obligation.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 15

6:30 Samuel P. Forke

8:00 Josephine Yurkanin

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

6:30 Carl Meinhold

8:00 John Burns

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

6:30 Living & Deceased of the Parish

8:00 Gerald & Helen Impink

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 18

7 PM Mass of the Last Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19

Passion of the Lord - 3 p.m.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS - 7p.m. - Chapel

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 20

BLESSING OF THE EASTER FOOD - 11:00 - St. Mary's

8 PM Living & Deceased of the Parish

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21

7:30 Living & Deceased of the Parish

9:00 Living & Deceased of the Parish

10:30 Living & Deceased of the Parish

12:00 Living & Deceased of the Parish

Readings for the Week of April 14, 2019

Sunday

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

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

Thursday

Holy Thursday

Chrim Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21

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

Friday

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

Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or Gn 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; Gn 22:1-18 or Gn 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; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Rom 6:3-11; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Lk 24:1-12

Sunday

Easter Sunday of 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 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 4/15	Deceased priests
Tuesday 4/16	Father James Torpey
Wednesday 4/17	Monsignor James Treston
Thursday 4/18	Father James Ward
Friday 4/19	Monsignor Robert Wargo
Saturday 4/20	Newly ordained
Sunday 4/21	Father Leon Weisenberger, M.S.C.

Next Weekends Mass Schedule

April 20th - 8:00 p.m.

Lector - Dottie Bixler
Cantor - Jeff Tomczyk, Carol McDevitt & Hailey Zambito
Voices In Praise Choir - Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - J. Iswalt - D. McAdams - C. Nguyen - H. Paris
Eucharistic Ministers - Mark Abramowicz - Lorraine Simon

April 21st - 7:30 a.m. Mass

Lector - Paul Essig
Cantor - Sophia Stankiewicz & Organist - Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - M. Ream - N. Barbera - M. Feeney
Eucharistic Ministers - Donna Weidner - Beth Pawlik

April 21st - 9:00 a.m. Mass

Lector - Cassie Sedlack
Guitar Group
Altar Servers - R. Stoudt - A. Beaver - J. Beaver
Eucharistic Ministers - Marcia Wert - Vince McDevitt - Lisa Ianni

April 21st - 10:30 Mass

Lector - Mike Lenhart
Cantor - K. Bobb & Voices In Praise Choir & Organist - Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - R. Bernas - O. Chiarelli - M. Pawlik
Eucharistic Ministers - Diane Luchetta - Maria Post - David Drezek

April 21st - 12:00 p.m. Mass

Lector - Mike McElderry
Cantor - Tracy Scheirer - Michele Feeney & Kim Kostival
Organist - Dave Kostival
Altar Servers - J. Dempster - A. Renninger - N. Lamp
Eucharistic Ministers - Milton Vicente - Helen Veet



**St. Catharine of Siena 18th
Annual CYO Golf
Tournament Saturday,
May 11, 2019 -
Berkleigh Golf Club—
4-Person Scramble Format
REGISTRATION BEGINS**

AT Noon

SHOTGUN STARTS AT 1:30pm

DINNER AND PRIZES - TO FOLLOW GOLF

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

· For Group Players ·

Player 1: _____

Player 2: _____

Player 3: _____

Player 4: _____

Group Name: _____

Number of Golfers: _____ x \$100 = _____

Additional dinner guests: _____ x \$60 = _____

Total amount enclosed: _____

I cannot play this year but would like to donate: _____

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ve Music · Raffle · Lots of Prizes · and more! To register: Mail this entry form along with your check (payable to St. Catharine's CYO) to St. Catharine's at 2427 Perkiomen Ave., Reading, PA 19606

Parish Nurse News - Prepare your heart and spirit for the week ahead. Attend Lenten services. Try to eat sparingly, thinking of sacrifice. Stay hydrated, but you can switch from sweetened drinks to water. Learn much more at our annual St. Catharine's Health Fair, Sunday, May 5th, in the Social Hall.

Knights of Columbus Community Service Awards - Our St. Catharine of Siena Council #14880 will be awarding two \$500 cash awards via its Community Service Award Program, intended to award student's dedication to and performance of charitable service. The program is open to St. Catharine of Siena School, Prep Program, and home-schooled students currently in the eighth grade and planning to attend Berks Catholic High School this fall. Applications are being sent to parents/guardians of eighth grade students at St. Catharine's School. In addition, applications can be found on the Knight's table by the Scrip area or by contacting Bill Wertz at pakettle629@aol.com. Please see the application form for additional details.

Thank you to all who made our Pay It Forward Fundraiser a huge success! We raised over \$20,000! Thank you to our event sponsors: Manatawny Creek Winery, Vincenzo's and GoggleWorks. Thank you to our raffle sponsors including: Gretchen Ward, Inspiration Beads, Sunny's Car Wash, Lords & Ladies, Happily Ever After, Dr. Tara Lawlor, Andrea George, Patti Miravich, Maryann Trainer, Car Andrzejewski, Martha D'Achille, Sneaker Villa, Dr. Jon Dicerchio, and the Impellizzeri Family. Finally, we owe an enormous debt of gratitude to all of our donors and supporters. Because of you, our school is a leader in education among local and regional schools!

PALM SUNDAY



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: Elias Touri, Aria Morar & Hunter Haas

Please pray for our sick : & our soldiers in harm's way:

Stella Albrecht, Anthony Antonucci, Jim Auchter, Beverly Bansner, Melody Bechtel, MaryAnn Beeman, Debbie Bennett, Agnes Bohner, Patricia Bohner, Paul A. Bomba, Joseph Brahler, Mike Bristol, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Marvin Bush, Joseph Capilo, Lisa Cole, Larry Curtin, Charles DeNaples, Jennifer Devlin, Arthur Dietrich Jr., Susan Dolinski, Roseanne Dougherty Cathy Duggan, Gina Ebright, Margaret Ehret, Charles Elchlepp, Peter Fantacone, Al Franckowiak, Joseph Gierschick, Jr., David J. Gulati II,, Wayne Hedrick, Catharine Hefferan, Robyn Hefferan, Brian Heim, Patricia Herber, Dorothy Kaisoglus, Winnie Kerns, Louise Knoeller, Mary Kolakowski, Dorothy Kosikowski, Mary Leddy, Greg Leinweber, Albert Lellig, Daniel Lonergan, Helen Long, Charles E. Mathews, Cindy McConnell, Jeff McCoy, Jacob McCue, Anthony Myers, Patrick Nelis, Jerome Nigh, Stella Pingitore, Patricia Pinto, Donald Pisker, Angelo Porcaro, Sharon PrechtI, Lorraine Ransom, Nada Rathkey, David Samsel, John Sausen, Anne Schaeffer, Mary Scheirer, Vincent Skimski, Tyler Skoczen, Eugene Sock, Chris Starr, Dean Soltzfus, Andy Strangarity, Kent Styer, Marie Sullivan, Sandy Sullivan, Paul Teske, Alan Wachowicz, Merritt Weidner, Frank White, Theresa White, Leo Woelkers, Noel Yapsuga, Susan Yapsuga, Ruth Yoder, Donna Yohn, Ann Marie Zawislak. ...a time to die: **Joseph Gatto**, (father of Robert Gatto); **Ruth Yoder**, (mother of Margarette Ganter); **Mildred Barbon** ; **Jean Kline**; **Betty Stasek**, (wife of Richard Stasek) & **Ann Polizzi** (mother of Virginia Serino & grandmother of Paul & Michelle Serino) & **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.



It's time for **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!** Our theme this year is Miraculous Mission. Vacation Bible School will be held June 24 - June 28 from 9:00 am - 11:30 am at St. Catharine's School. Students ages 5 and up will learn all about the Miraculous Mission of Jesus. Registration forms can be found on the tables in the back of the Church.

We are looking for volunteers to help make our Miraculous Mission a success. If you feel called to volunteer, please contact Marci Zambito at mzambito@scsreading.org. All materials and plans are provided. College students home for the summer are welcome too!

Recycle Hard drives and help protect your identity-

Berks Catholic H.S. and Cyber Crunch are teaming up to bring you this opportunity. Sat. May 11, 2019 from 9-11 a.m. Berks Catholic Parking Lot. For more information and to pre-register please visit: <https://bit.ly/shredBC>

3 Great Camps: Basketball, Cheerleading, and Dance Camp -

Berks Catholic will be hosting Saints Boys' Basketball, Cheerleading, and Dance Camps for grades 1-8, June 10th-14th. For more information contact Tony Balistrere at 610-374-8361, ext 224 or tbalistrere@berkscatholic.org. For camp information and registration forms go to www.berkscatholic.org

Berks Catholic H.S is centered on the 4 pillars of God, Family, Academics, and Fun

and is dedicated to providing a challenging academic environment for a diverse population of young men and women. Please contact Nicky Smith to schedule a personal tour. nsmith@berkscatholic.org or 610.374.8361 ext.244

50+ CLUB NEWS

The monthly meeting for the 50+ Club will be held on **May 1, 2019** at **1:00 pm**. The board meeting will be held on **April 30, 2019** at 10:00 am. Please call Carol Buddell, President of the 50+ Club at 610-401-0600 with any questions or concerns. You can see us on **Facebook** for additional information.

MEETINGS

MAY 1, 2019: Let's play **Boom Box Bingo** with Rich Weilacher, will get hints from music to fill the board, so brush up on your tunes. Italian sandwiches and cupcakes & coffee

JUNE 5, 2019: Maria Damone, a wonderful singer, will be singing all types of music, some patriotic and others. Coffee & cake

JULY 3, 2019: The Happy Boombadears will entertain us with their musical instrument, originated in Bavaria-the BoomBa is the instrument played by the group. Ice Cream Treats

AUGUST 7, 2019: **SPECIAL EVENT** – Our Summer Picnic- Information to follow

2019 TRAVEL PLANS

May 8, 2019 – Wednesday, Adams Co Wine Around, Tour Historic Round Barn - Family Style lunch at Hickory Bridge Farm Wine Tastings & Apple Dumpling Demo. Cost: \$95.00

June 12, 2019 - Wednesday, Pines Dinner Theatre **ROCK AROUND THE CLOCK**. Cost: \$85.00

July 10, 2019 - Wednesday, York -- Kreider Farms, Red Brick Bakery, Haines Shoe House & Turkey Hill Experience Cost: \$95.00

August 21, 2019 - Wednesday, Atlantic City Air Show Cost: \$45.00

October 23, 2019 – Wednesday, Mystery Trip- Hint both Men & Women will enjoy this Cost: \$95.00

November 20, 2019 - Wednesday, Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre, Irving Berlin's Holiday Inn "Christmas Show" Cost: \$85.00

Call **Pat White 610-582-1437** for trip information.

We always welcome new members and encourage guests to join us at any of our meetings. Our meetings are held at 1:00 P.M. on the first Wednesday of every month at St. Catharine's Social Hall on Route 562, 4975 Boyertown Pike in Exeter Township, dues are \$5.00 per year. **ALL ARE WELCOME**

HELP SUPPORT EXETER AREA FOOD PANTRY by

donating hygiene products (shampoo, soap, toothpaste, deodorant etc.). This collection will be on an ongoing basis. A collection bin will be located in the back of the church. A sincere thank you to all of our generous and dedicated volunteers, those who have made monetary donations and for those keeping the hungry in your prayers. You are making a difference. INFO: Phil or Bonnie 610-779-6045.

First Holy Communion Choir- All students in grades 6-12 are invited to sing in our First Holy Communion Choir on Saturday, May 4 at 10:00 A.M. Rehearsals will be held on Thursdays, April 25 and May 2 from 5:00-6:30 P.M. in the Church. If you are interested, or have questions, please contact Kate Bobb at 610-689-9816 or loves-2sing@hotmail.com

Financial Stewardship

February 3, 2019

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 26,966	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 635,775	\$ 749,472
Year to date deficit	\$ 113,697	
Last Year	\$ 22,511	

February 10, 2019

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 21,565	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 657,340	\$ 772,893
Year to date deficit	\$ 115,553	
Last Year	\$ 20,772	

February 17, 2019

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 19,207	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 676,547	\$ 796,314
Year to date deficit	\$ 119,767	
Last Year	\$ 19,801	

February 24, 2019

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 18,026	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 694,573	\$ 819,735
Year to date deficit	\$ 125,162	
Last Year	\$ 20,163	

March 3, 2019

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 20,377	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 714,950	\$ 843,156
Year to date deficit	\$ 128,206	
Last Year	\$ 24,756	

March 10, 2019

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 18,731	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 733,681	\$ 866,577
Year to date deficit	\$ 132,896	
Last Year	\$ 20,261	

March 17, 2019

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 20,446	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 754,127	\$ 889,998
Year to date deficit	\$ 135,871	
Last Year	\$ 19,197	

March 24, 2019

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 18,225	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 772,352	\$ 913,419
Year to date deficit	\$ 141,067	
Last Year	\$ 20,664	

March 31, 2019

	Actual	Budget
This Year	\$ 19,328	\$ 23,421
Year to date	\$ 791,680	\$ 936,840
Year to date deficit	\$ 145,160	
Last Year	\$ 19,791	

A sincere "THANK YOU" to our parishioners and visitors who choose to contribute to St. Catharine's. Your contributions are deeply appreciated.