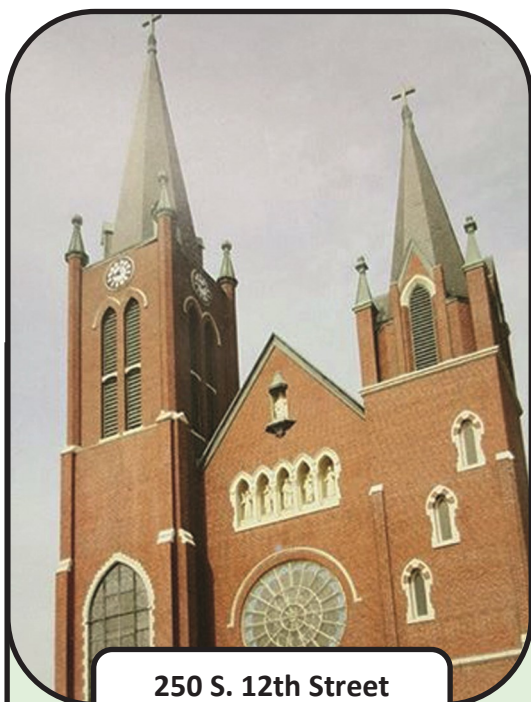


Saint Mary's

Saint Catharine of Siena Parish



250 S. 12th Street
Reading, PA 19602

ST. MARY'S REGULAR 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
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4975 Boyertown Pike
Reading, PA 19606

ST. CATHARINE'S REGULAR 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

Phone: 610-779-4005
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ST. CATHARINE'S SCHOOL: 2330 Perkiomen Avenue

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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.

Saint Mary's News

Saturday, February 15th - 3:30 p.m. - Deceased Members of the Graczyk Family
 Sunday, February 16th - 10:30 a.m. - Regina Wrobel
 Saturday, February 22nd - 3:30 p.m. - Walter LaSota (99th Birthday)
 Sunday, February 23rd - 10:30 a.m. - Peter Kaminski, Jr.

The Lenten Pierogi Society will begin making pierogies from 8:00 a.m. until noon and will meet each Monday and Tuesday through April 8. Pierogies will be made in the kitchen under the Church. Please use the parking lot Chapel entrance. New members are always welcome.



Celebrate the Parish's 100 year Anniversary and the Jubilee Year Trip to Italy with Father Miller from October 6th - 15th. Cost is \$5,599 and includes airfare, 1 checked bag and carryon, 4-5 Star Hotels & breakfast & dinner. Rome, Assisi, Florence, Siena & more! For more information please call Proximo Travel at 508-854-8001 or email office@proximotravel.com

PLAY TO WIN!



INTERESTED, BUT CAN'T JOIN ON 2/21? PURCHASE RAFFLE BASKET TICKETS TODAY!

It's less than a week from **Cash BINGO Night** on February 21! Doors open at 6 PM and games start at 7. Enjoy dinner and drinks while supporting St. Catharine of Siena School! Reserve your seat now using the QR code or a form at the basket raffle table near the main entrance.



CASH BINGO
CO-ED STYLE!

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21 @ 7 PM IN SOCIAL HALL

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MEN ALIVE IN CHRIST HALF DAY LENTEN REFLECTION

"What Good is Hope?"

Catholic men, we invite you to renew and strengthen your hope and trust in Christ Jesus at our annual half day Lenten Reflection.

Embrace your mission live virtuous masculinity, and deepen your relationship with God through a powerful morning of men's fellowship, Sacraments, and talks from our Bishop and two other speakers.

We are excited to equip you with the tools you need to go forth as hopeful Catholic men, imitating Christ, and invigorated in the fire of the Holy Spirit!

JOIN US:

Date / Time: March 1, 2025, 8am - Noon
 St. Catharine of Siena Parish, 4975 Boyertown Pike, Reading, PA 19606

Contact:
 Mike Akins, Email: makins46@hotmail.com
 Text: (610) 914-0382



REGISTER HERE:



Jer 17:5-8: To put all one's trust in human strength leads to frustration. Let us trust in the Lord and find fulfillment.

1 Cor 15:12, 16-20: If our hopes in Christ are limited to this life only, we are the most pitiable of human beings.

Lk 6:17, 20-26: Happiness and blessing are the rewards of those who accept the Gospel and the Savior. Sorrow and woe await those who take wealth and pleasure as their goal in life.

Today's Message: Blest are they who trust in the Lord. Blest are they who are poor and who endure insult, for their reward shall be great: eternal life.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

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

PINEWOOD DERBY – noon-4:00 p.m. – Social Hall

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17

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

Mass until 8:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS – 7:00-8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

PREP – 6:30-8:00 p.m. – School

MILLIONS OF MONICAS – 9:00-10:00 a.m. - Church

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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20

PRAY THE ROSARY – 6:45 a.m.

SIENA STITCHERS – 10:00 a.m. – Meeting Room

OCIA – 6:00 p.m. – Meeting Room

PATRIOTIC ROSARY – 6:30 p.m. – Church

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

CASH BINGO NIGHT – 7:00 p.m. – Social Hall

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

PRAY THE ROSARY – 7:30 a.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

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

BLUE & GOLD BANQUET – 5:00 p.m. – Social Hall

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

8:00 Harvey Snyder

4:30 Pauline & Robert Brandfon

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

7:30 Elias Cuesta (36th Anniversary)

9:30 Joseph Calabrese

11:30 William Wertz

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17

7:15 Drew Crawford

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

7:15 John A. Walter

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

7:15 Gary Humma

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20

7:15 Ronald Moyer

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

7:15 For the Intentions of Fr. Matthew Kuna

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

8:00 Helmut Makosch

4:30 Mary Ann Matthews

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

7:30 Gregory Nicholas

9:30 Rosemarie Gruber

11:30 Chiara Rugolo (12th Anniversary)

Scripture Readings

For the Week of February 16, 2025

Sunday

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

Monday

Gen 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday

Gen 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday

Gen 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday

Gen 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-18; 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Mk 8:27-33

Friday

Gen 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 8:34 - 9:1

Saturday

1 Pet 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:13-19

Sunday

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103; 1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Immaculate

Conception-The Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., will be on Tuesday, October 7, 2025, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. The Diocesan Pilgrimage tradition to Mary's House is typically held every four years. More information will be forthcoming for individuals, parishes, and schools. Email pilgrimage@aor call 610-921-2729, ext. 2205.



For the week of February 16th
The Sanctuary Candle
will burn In
Loving Memory of

St. Catharine's Church - William H. Hartranft

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

PRAYER REQUEST FOR PRIESTS

Monday 2/17	Rev. Richard W. James
Tuesday 2/18	Rev. Ronald V. Jankaitis
Wednesday 2/19	Rev. Dominik P. Kalata
Thursday 2/20	Rev. Speratus Kamanzi, A.J.
Friday 2/21	Rev. Shaju J. Kanjiramparayil, O.S.F.S.
Saturday 2/22	Rev. Venantius T. Karobo, A. J.

Parish Nurse News - Avoid diets! Instead, upgrade your nutrition! Green fruits and vegetables deliver heart-protective potassium and Vitamin K, for healthy blood clotting. Greens contain antioxidants to reduce chronic inflammation, which damages your heart. Dark green leafy veggies provide heart-friendly antioxidants and fiber. Check with your provider to be sure your medications do not interact with green veggies. (K.Doner, 2022. Mayo clinic Six steps to a heart-healthy lifestyle).

**COME & SEE
ST. CHARLES
BORROMEIO
SEMINARY**



YOUNG MEN (15+)



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THEY SAID TO HIM,
"RABBI, WHERE ARE
YOU STAYING?"
JESUS SAID TO
THEM,
"COME, AND YOU
WILL SEE."

JOHN 1:38-29

Young men of the Diocese of Allentown, if you are open to discerning the Lord's call to the holy priesthood, this is your chance to see where future priests study, pray, and live throughout their formation!

The weekend includes Mass on Saturday and Sunday, prayer time and adoration of the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. There will also be time for recreation and the opportunity to meet current seminarians and other young men considering the priesthood.

Visit 'allentowndioocese.org/come-and-see-weekend' to learn more.



14-16 MARCH 2025

SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO SEMINARY
1400 EVANS ROAD
AMBLER, PA 19002



TO REGISTER, CONTACT THE OFFICE OF VOCATIONS.
610-437-0755, JMARIA@ALLENTOWNDIOCESE.ORG

Berks Catholic High School Presents: "Cinderella: Enchanted Edition" Step into the magic this spring! Friday, February 28 @ 7:00 PM - Saturday, March 1 @ 2:00 PM, Franco-Post Auditorium, 955 E. Wyomissing Blvd, Reading, PA 19611

Join us for a magical retelling of the timeless story of Cinderella, the beloved musical based on the classic fairy tale and featuring enchanting songs by Rodgers & Hammerstein. This special show is full of wonder, laughter, and unforgettable music that will transport you to a land where dreams really do come true.

Tickets are available at the door. Adults \$15 – Seniors \$10, Students \$5

Bring your friends, family, and loved ones to experience an unforgettable evening of magic, romance, and a little bit of fairy dust. See you at the ball!



SCS KNIGHTLY NEWS & EVENTS

LENTEN FISH FRYs

The Knights will be hosting the Lenten Fish Frys at the Social Hall from 5-7 PM on the following Fridays during Lent.

- March 7th (music by Mitch Milanek & Fred Nowotarski)
- March 21st - (music by Martin Bradfield and the Fibanachi Trio)
- April 11th - (music by Martin Bradfield and the Fibanachi Trio)

The cost per meal is \$18 (the same as last year). Also, as was the case last year, the Fish Frys will operate on a 100 % walk-in basis. No pre-orders will be taken. The event will be operating on a first come, first serve basis until we are sold out. Beer & wine will be available for a small contribution.



CRAB CAKE DINNER

Father Miller and the SCS Knights will be hosting a Crab Cake dinner on **Friday, April 4th from 5-7 PM.**

The meal will include crab cakes, stewed tomatoes, mac & cheese, coleslaw, rolls, a dessert, and drinks. Beer & wine will be available for a small contribution. **This event will be a pre-order only event and the contact info for orders will be released in the bulletin in early March.**

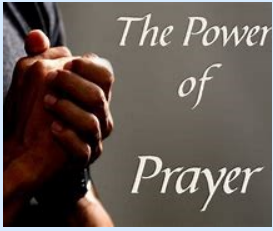


**CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT -
SAVE THE DATE!**

Annual Cornhole Tournament

SATURDAY, MAY 3rd

Looking forward to seeing you all again this year!
The SCS Knights thank you for your continued support !



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, Joseph Albert, Richard Abelt, Carl Andrzejewski, Anthony Antonucci, Elizabeth Ashton, Baby Lanzo, Mike Bailey, Joe Barker, Melody Bechtel, Gene Bellus, Dolores Bertoti, Irene Bezak, Joseph Bezak, Jason Beshore, JoAnne Biscanti, Jodi Bixler, Susan Bolognese, Jim Boris, Joanne Bowman, Katie Briggs, Frank Broga, Sophia Broga, Paul Brooke, Renee Brzostek, Connie Burkhart, Marvin Bush, Pauline Cappel, Therese (Brenner) Cooney, Richard Cunnius, Larry Curtin, Cyril Danko, Tamara Danko, Alivia Devlin,

Jennifer & Thomas Devlin, George Dietrich, Roseanne Dougherty, Andy Dykie, Gina Ebright, Charles Elchlepp, Marian Ertel, Joe & Theresa Essig, Robert Flipping, Jocelyn Franek, Chris Fry, Geraldine Gamby, Michael Gantert, Todd Gladfelter, Theresa Grabowski, Loretta Greely, Clara Hartline, Ruth Ann Hass, Terry Hayward, Al Heck, William M. Hedl, Wayne & Mary Hedrick, Robyn Hefferan, John Heft, Theresa Heltzinger, Patricia Herber, Curtis S. Hill, Jesse Hill, Roger Hilton, Michael Hivner, Margaret Iuso, Michael & Dorothy Jurasinski, Katelynn Solecki Kajunski, Krissy Kelly, Maryanne Kenton, Cindy Kohl, Rev. David Kohut, OFM, Genny Kopel, Rosemarie Kovacs, Dorothy Kulak, Walter LaSota, Darryl Larish, William Lawson, Pat & Fred Lenich, Melanie Lintz, Jane Lubas, Joan Lubas, Aleigha Manderbach, Angela Marroccoli, Rocco Martinuzzi, Greg & Kevin Masters, Daniel Matz, Debra McCarthy, Cindy McConnell, Peggy McConnell, Mary Rita McFadden, Tim McNeil, Katherine Miceli, Lannie Milillo, William Nelson, Jerome Nigh, Maddie Nordhoy, Angela Biscanti Ondik, Peggy Pacharis, Frank Pingitore, Donald Pisker, David Plumley, Chuck Rackie, Lorraine Ransom, Phyliss Rathman, Rich Readinger, Peggy Reid, Virginia Rivera, Aneliese & Raven Robinson, David Samsel, Barbara Santoro, Anne Schaeffer, Barbara Schock, Edward Senkowski, Bob Shardin, Earl Sheetz, Gabbie Sierra, Joan Skoczen, Tyler Skoczen, Anne Smith, Louise Souders, Barbara Spatz, Andy Strangarity, Earl Suchomelly, Thomas Sword, Sean Tipping, Kimberly Trigstead, Richard Uliasz, Janet Ustaszewski, Rex Voelker, Chad Vogel, Alexandra Wachowicz, Mark Walter, Pam Weber, Lyn Weidenhammer, Frank White, Ann Marie Zawislak, Mary Ann Zerkowski, Dan Zielinski, John Ziembra, Mollie Ziembra, Mary Ann Zimmerman *A Time to die: Clara Hissick* (mother of Bob Hissick); *Cynthia Salem*, (wife of Brian Salem); *David Walter*, (husband of Joanne Walter) & 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, Second Lt. Nicholas A. Wentling, Cpts. Juliana & Sean Coleman, Petty Officer Matthew J. Dobroskey, Jr., Cpl. Bruce Bogertey, SPC, Alex Heintz, Captain Chelsea Pellicano, LTJG 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. Please contact the Parish Office with your prayer requests or email them to dsitler@comcast.net.



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WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT
— A TIME OF FORGIVENESS & HEALING —





MARCH 8 | 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

ST. MARY'S IN KUTZTOWN
14833 KUTZTOWN ROAD KUTZTOWN, PA 19530
FEE: \$35
CONTACT: RTULLOCH@ALLENTOWNDIOCESE.ORG



SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

50 Plus News

Please call, Acting 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

March 5, 2025: Boombox Bingo, refreshments will be served.

April 2, 2025: Everybody's Birthday Party, Victor Emmanuel's, Members \$25, Nonmembers \$27. Please contact Michele Berman at 484-955-8885 for more information.

Trips

April 16, 2025: "Noah", Sight and Sound, \$135

June 24-27, 2025: Lucy and Desi Comedy Center, as well as, PA Grand Canyon, \$1025, per person, double occupancy!

July 10, 2025: Magic and Wonder Show, \$110

August 27, 2025: Toby's Dinner in the Round, "Saturday Night Fever", \$145

September 23, 2025: Penn's Peak, "Billy Joel and Elton John Tribute" \$100

October 21-22, 2025: Ride the Rails in West Virginia, 2 train rides with meals, \$530, per person, double occupancy

November 15, 2025: Christmas Show at American Music Theatre, \$90

Please call Pat White at 610-582-1437 or Bev Bard at 610-763-5654. For 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.

Special note- In the event of inclement weather on the day a 50 Plus Club meeting is scheduled, please refer to Exeter School District's decision on school closure. If Exeter has decided schools are to be closed, there will be no 50+ meeting on that particular day. If there is a delay in school start time, the meeting will be held as usual!

VOLUNTEER NEEDED!

We are looking for a **SCRIP seller** for the **4th Saturday of every month, at the 4:30 Mass**. Don't worry - sellers often switch with each other if you have a prior commitment on one of your selling dates! This is a great way to get involved with the school and parish community, and is also open to high school students who are looking to earn service hours (an adult must accompany them). Please reach out to Cristina Schmehl for more details: scripprogramscs@gmail.com!

AVCP Antietam Valley Community Partnership- 12th annual community dinner. Sunday March 9th from 12-2 Antietam School 2310 Cumberland Ave. Chili, Golumpki, or Kielbasa / Haluski dinners \$15 each. Family size dinners (feeds 4) \$50 each, Haluski \$8 per quart. Please order through the AVCP website or call Larry @ 610 779 6973

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"Where is God Calling You?" ----- **Vocations Discernment Retreat**

Are you a young adult seeking clarity about your calling in life? Are you discerning married life, single life, priesthood or religious life? This retreat will allow you to encounter speakers from all these callings and give you a space to listen to God's voice in exploring your vocation.

St. Mary's Church 14833 Kutztown Rd, Kutztown, PA 19530

Contact: Zelenda Hodgskin, zhodgskin@allentowndiocese.org





One hour. One purpose. Our children - Join with other mothers as we pray to grow in holiness and humility and for our children's faithful return to the Catholic Church. All meetings are in the church. Our upcoming prayer times are:

February 19th from 9a - 10a
March 8 from 10:15a - 11:15a
March 12 from 7p - 8p (this month only due to Ash Wednesday service on 3/5)
March 19th from 9a - 10a

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Diocese of Allentown
Young Adult Event

MARDI Gras



The Commission for Young Adults would like to invite all the Young Adults in the Diocese of Allentown to enjoy an evening indulging in conversation, community, and some delicious foods and drinks we might give up during the 40 days of Lent.

3.4.25
7 PM -
9 PM
Contact:
zhodgskin@allentowndiocese.org

Holy Family Parish Center
508 W. Center Street
Nazareth, PA 18064

