

WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 12, 2017

MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

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ST. FRANCIS ACADEMY

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Rev. Adam Sedar, M.A., M.Div. Pastor

Deacon Michael Boyle

Deacon Thomas J. Murphy, Principal & D.R.E.



Sunday Collection	\$ 10,388.00
Imp. & Rep.	\$ 721.00

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

4:30 PM Eleanor Miller, by Dave & Eleanor Ritter

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

6:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of Most Blessed Sacrament Parish

7:30 AM Angela Gehringer

10:15 AM Jim Rapp, by Catherine Richter

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:00 AM Fern Henry, by Victor & Veronica Diehl

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:00 AM Ruth Crater, by The Smith Family

10:45 AM Theresa McGrath, by The Graczyk family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

8:00 AM Albert Weinstein, by Frank & Barbara Bauman

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

8:00 AM Ruth Farina, by Her family

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

8:00 AM Kathy Shryock, by Husband John

4:30 PM Joshua Gehman, by His family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

6:00 AM Cindy Pennypacker, by The Smith family

7:30 AM Paul & Delores Schultz, by Judy & Al

10:15 AM Living & Deceased Members of Most Blessed Sacrament Parish

ALTAR SERVERS FEBRUARY 18th & 19th

SATURDAY	
4:30 PM	Sara Imhoff – Tyler Smith – AJ Castaldi – Bobby Hollis
SUNDAY	
6:00 AM	Volunteer
7:30 AM	Mikayla & Peyton Moyer – Grace Spaar – Zachariah McLaughlin
10:15 AM	Sara & Anthony Adamkovic - Robert Houk – Mary James

CONFESSIONS:

Tuesday evening 6:00 – 6:30 PM.

Saturday 3:15 – 4:00 PM.

WEEK AT A GLANCE:

ROSARY GUILD Tues. morning 8:30 AM in Fr. Schneider Hall.

LEGION OF MARY Tues. evening at 7:00 PM.

MASS CARDS

To schedule a mass please stop by the Rectory office Monday – Friday 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM.

SAINT VINCENT De PAUL

Please continue to pray for the many requests listed in Our Book of Intentions.

HOSPITAL CONFIDENTIALITY

Parishioners are encouraged to let the parish know when they are in the hospital, nursing home or other medical care facilities. Due to the laws on confidentiality hospitals will not release information to the parish unless a patient requests parish notification.



WELCOME VISITORS

A special word of welcome to all visitors and pilgrims worshipping with us here in our historical parish church. We hope you enjoy your trip to Bally. The town was named after our former pastor Augustus Bally, S.J.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Alicia Wurster, Helen Ragone, Tara Wyman, Eric Hoehl, Ron Myslak, Ed Kugent, Jason Michael, Lucy Riebling, Toby Minner, Romana Kemp, Jarrid Keller, Donald Minner, George Showers, Lisa Derocher, Leroy Shaw, Eleanor Larson, Marcy Marks, Bradley King, Ed Hurys, Julianna Di Pietro, Francis "Fritz" Henry, Bill and Rita Stephens, William Pfeifer, Margaret Kuhn, Dan Bauer, Brian Kelly, Elizabeth Klocek, Grace Ziegler, Ilene Herrlinger, Yvonne Watts, Brandon Dubble, Charlene Long, Matthew Palmer, Liz Rotondo, Bill Eliasson, Gail Russell, Joe Bintner, Richard Slavinski, Thomas Rymal, Joseph Neill, Bonnie Bowman, A.E. Hill, Jennifer Sivco, Chris Stavinski, Mike Sobjak, Emalyn Faith Moyer, Phillip MacKely, Tony, Brian Muthersbaugh, Rudy Freimann, Maria Rossi, Kathi Donia, Veronica Babilon, Volker Kaestel, Jennifer Farrey, Miranda MacKenzie Richard, Frances Jacobs, Ryan Gerhold, Russell Reigner, Cathy Heimbach, Christian, Linda Seiber, Mary Burns, Michael Furey, Mary Lou Stuffed, The Bonner Family, J. Hilferty, Peggy Dwyer, Lauren Petrosky, Dr. Paul Newcomer, Kevin Richter, Kathleen Detuliis, Steve, Betty Ann Daily, Andrea Romig, Karen Davis-King, Jeremy Beidler, Michael Kane, Sadie Grater, Hannah Levegood, Gerald Cleary, Joan Nichols, Victor Bastecki, Marie Hobson, Pat Fry, Christian Walters, Rita Meck, Mark Zigenfuse, Jackie Repko, Teresa Nethers, Carl and Barbara Schott, C. Simes, Jay Bauer, Karen Baker, Joanne Mathias, Louisa Frey, Jon Strain, Robert Strain, Robert Baumer, Tammy Hubickey, Michael McCormick, Eileen Daulerio, David Henry, Kelly Barry, Richard Bauman, Michael Quigley, Frances DeMedio, Karen Waldron, Earl Ziegler, Carol Minner, Christine Chesney, Mel Mundy-Williams, Dennis Weinstein, Anna Mae Melcher, David Farrell, Francesca Thaler, Nancy Grim, Tillie Sodano, Tony Rossetti, Allen Melcher, James Kennedy, Polly Richard, Jonathan Nichols, Larry Tranovich, Jim McGlory, Shirley Cleary and Mary Ann Blankenbiller.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS:

Sr. Joseph, Dennis Fronheiser, Francis S. Henry, and Betty Saladino.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Albert Weinstein Sr. and Rita Bealer, grandmother of Dan & Jaclyn Youse, who died recently.

Remembering our Loved Ones in the Military

Please keep in your prayers:

ISSN Keith Essig, SGT Jeffrey Ferry, CPT. Kevin Bergan, SGT Brad Kline, USMC 2nd Lt. Peter C. Fisher, SPC Daniel Saylor, CPL Matt Renner, PSC Derrick Avant, SPC Michael Greaves, SGT Vince Sodano, Chief Noah W. Ziegler, MAJ Jeremy Bushyager, SGT Eddie Pierce, Airman 1st Class Jordan C. Garcia, CAPT Justin Knepp, PFC Sam S. Myers, Lt. 1st Class Heather Cupitt, Staff SGT Eric J. Crews, PVT Nathaniel Walters, Sr. Airman Anthony Lucarelli, MAJ Michael O'Kane, SSG Antonio Rivera, Airman 1st Class Andrew Gerard, PVT Daniel Walters, Sr. Airman Michael Viola, Douglas Philip Murray, Sr. Airman J.T. Walters, Lt. Justin Hazlett, MSTR SGT Jason Robbins, CPT Tylara Romero, 2nd LT Konrad Thaler, Midshipman Piper Thaler, David Stavish, Capt, USN, Joseph Stavish, Cdr, USN, SPC James O' Connor.

If a member of your family or a friend is currently serving in the armed services, please let us know 610-845-2460. We would like to especially pray for them and you during these difficult times.



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The Diocesan Website for Protection and Youth can be found online at: www.allentowndiocese.org. – Then click on the link on the left for the Protection of Youth.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

First I'd like to offer a word of clarification. At the reception of Holy Communion for the 4:30 and 10:15 Masses, anyone who desires to receive from an ordinary minister, i.e., a priest or deacon, may certainly still do so. In saying that if the person in front of you goes to the center then you should move to the side, that was to aid the flow of the communion line, but is not an absolute mandate, so if you prefer to receive from the priest or deacon please do so.

Now we have had a question about periods of silence during the Mass. Periods of brief silence are an important part of the sacred liturgy. Most especially periods of silence are encouraged after Holy Communion and after the homily. There is also to be a brief moment of silence after the priest says "Let us Pray" before the opening collect of the Mass. There could also be brief periods of silence before the penitential rite and after each of the readings from Sacred Scripture. When we observe these moments of silence and the length of these periods is left up to the priest celebrant to determine. Their purpose is to give some time to the faithful (and the priest!) for silent prayer and reflection. So often we see that God speaks to us when we are silent. Since His presence is so real and powerful at the Sacred Liturgy, especially the Mass, all the more important for there to be some moments of external silence so that we can quiet ourselves inside in order to hear the Lord speaking to us. Today, perhaps as never before, the world is so full of noise. Silence is then even more critical for us. I hope we will all take full advantage of those precious moments of silence during the Mass to reflect and most of all to listen to the voice of the Lord.

Peace- Father Adam

COMING SOON—

Weekly Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament— beginning Tuesday, March 7th we will have Eucharistic Adoration every Tuesday from 12 Noon until 6:30PM, at which time we will have Evening Prayer, Benediction and the Miraculous Medal Novena. The Lord is inviting you to come and spend some time with Him each week!

LENTEN LUNCH OFFERINGS

"Pivotal Players" by Bishop Robert Barron the creator of the "Catholicism" series. Bishop Barron has identified some pivotal players who have affected and shaped the Catholic tradition. This series includes: St. Francis of Assisi, St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Catherine of Siena, Blessed John Cardinal Newman, G.K. Chesterton and Michelangelo. During Sunday's in Lent MBS will be offering this video series followed by some brief discussion. The sessions will follow after the 10:15 Mass in Fr. Schneider Hall, from approximately, 11:15 - 12: 45. Each video is approximately one hour long. The discussions will be led either by Fr. Adam or Margaret Chovanes. Dates include: 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2.

All the presentations can stand alone but recommend seeing all of them!! There will be spaghetti lunch available in the hall. Good will offering appreciated but not necessary.

Come and find out how these pivotal people affected the Catholic Church even today. How can these role models inform our behavior today?

Registration is not required but recommended. Email or call Margaret to save your spot or for any questions: mchova1084@gmail.com or 610-845-2600.

WIDOW AND WIDOWERS GRIEF SUPPORT

A widow concluded that after a year, her grief has moved from numbness and denial to acceptance. Denial is not always a bad thing. Hope lives there. In life, things happen to us, more is expected of us and change can only happen by us. Our "Reach Out" sessions can help by bringing the tools needed to meet the challenges ahead. Our next "REACH OUT" meeting will be at MBS' Fr. Schneider Hall at 1 PM on Feb. 12th. We ask all to pray for the families who have lost a loved-one as they adapt to life after loss. For more information and for **anyone** who has suffered a loss of **any one** close to them, please call Dn. Mike Boyle at 484-336-9849.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Calling all Old and New Volunteers for the Annual MBS Fish Fry. Mark your calendars this year's dates will be March 10th, 24th, 31st and April 7th. Volunteers needed each Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each fish fry.

We need volunteers to help on Thursdays 8 AM - 1 PM to cut vegetables, sauté onions, bread fish, sauté onions, make soup and sauté onions. Persons who love onions or have little sense of smell are preferred. Fridays 8 AM- 7 PM to help cook, clean, sell food and jolly up other volunteers. Any number of hours you can provide on Fridays are appreciated, whole days not required! :)

One or Two Drivers also needed to deliver to the local businesses during the lunchtime hours.

Saturdays 8:30 AM - 12 PM clean up. High schoolers who need service hours welcome!

A Volunteer meeting will be held February 19th following the 10:15 mass in Fr. Schneider hall. For more information call Margaret at 610-845-2600 or mchova1084@gmail.com.

PARISH SCHOOL NEWS: ST. FRANCIS ACADEMY

Feb. 13 – Grades 3-8 will participate in the American Heart Association Jump Rope for Heart Program. Grades K through 2 will participate on Feb. 17.

Feb. 14 – Happy Valentine's Day! School liturgy 10:45 SFA owes an enormous thank you to Kriebel Security Systems.

Through their generosity we now have a state of the art alarm system to protect our school. It is up and running!

Please do not put any kind of cardboard in the paper recycling bins behind the school. Thank you.

Plastic Cash Sales through school are Mon., Wed., and Fri. and at all Sunday MBS masses. Thank you for supporting our biggest fundraiser.

Please continue to send in Box Tops and Redners Save-a-Tapes.

PLEASE NOTE: INCLEMENT WEATHER UPDATE

In the event of delays and closings at St. Francis Academy, school masses will be rescheduled for a later date.

DESIGNER BAG BINGO

Join St. Francis Academy Home and School on March 5th for a Designer Bag Bingo. Doors open at 11:30 AM. Bingo starts at 1PM. Tickets are \$25 for 20 games with specials and jackpot games at an additional cost. Tickets can be purchased by calling Karen Kinn at 484-432-0780.

YOUTH GROUP

For information about the Youth Group please contact Heather at: 484-336-9200 or [email to: youthgroup@stcolumbkill.org](mailto:youthgroup@stcolumbkill.org).

BLOOD DRIVE THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16th

Please help with this lifesaving effort at Calvary UCC in Barto from 2:30 – 7:30 pm. Walk-Ins are always welcome, remember to bring a valid ID, to schedule an appointment call or email Tammi at 215-679-9198, 610-282-1100 x 1449 or the2@desales.edu.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus is organizing a council here at MBS. Please mark your calendars now for our open house on April 2nd at 4 PM.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are asking for more volunteers to serve as ushers at our weekend Masses. We would like to at least have 3 or 4 taking up the collection on the floor and at least 1 in the loft, in order to move things along more efficiently. If you can help with this, please see one of our ushers before Mass. Please consider also calling the parish office and we can put you on the usher schedule. The more help the better so that the same people do not have to be on every week. Remember many hands make lighter and happier work. Thanks!!