

WEEKEND OF MARCH 26, 2017
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH
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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
Rev. Adam Sedar, M.A., M.Div. Pastor
Deacon Michael Boyle
Deacon Thomas J. Murphy, Principal & D.R.E.



SATURDAY, MARCH 25

4:30 PM Myra Nichols Greenfield, by Grace & Earl Ziegler

SUNDAY, MARCH 26

6:00 AM Eleanor Miller, by Mike & Sue Nitroy and Sons

7:30 AM Deceased Members of Warren & Anna Benfield Family, by their Family

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

MONDAY, MARCH 27

8:00 AM Dolores Saboe, by Bob & Karen Zimmerman

TUESDAY, MARCH 28

8:00 AM Alverda M. Henry, by Veronica & Victor Diehl & Family

10:45 AM Kathryn Rodenbaugh, by The SFA Faculty

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29

8:00 AM Stephen Grim, by Buddy & Mary Ann Sobjak

FRIDAY, MARCH 31

8:00 AM For the Health of Sandra Riley

SATURDAY, APRIL 1

8:00 AM Albert Babilon, by George & Ronny

4:30 PM Eleanor Miller, by Rita & John Hartman

SUNDAY, APRIL 2

6:00 AM Charlotte Richmond, by Mom & Dad

7:30 AM Devin Spence, by Wee Care Child Development Center

10:15 AM Rachel Henry, by Tess & Les Luft

ALTAR SERVERS APRIL 1 & 2

STATIONS OF THE CROSS	
7:00 PM	Troy Viola - Gabe & Annalise Santiago
SATURDAY	
4:30 PM	Zane, Shae & Quinn Alderfer
SUNDAY	
6:00 AM	Volunteer
7:30 AM	Thomas & Philip Heid – Victoria Hayes
10:15 AM	Maureen & Kelly Ryan - Mary James

CONFESSIONS:

Tuesday & Friday evenings 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.

EGG HUNT

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held April 23rd. Watch future bulletins for the date. Donations are always appreciated!

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULES

Servers, Lectors and Ushers are needed. Please call Cindy to volunteer.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Warm wishes to Tom and Mary Walters who will be celebrating their 65th Wedding Anniversary on March 27th.



Sunday Collection	\$ 8, 125.00
Repair	\$ 268.00

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, 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 MacKelvy, 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 Stufflet, 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 Levensgood, 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, Jonathan Nichols, Larry Tranovich, Jimmy McGlory, Shirley Cleary, Colton Buckley, Marge Grim, Anna Wetzel and Lillian Miller.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS:

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

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Marilyn Wunderlich, sister of Joseph Schorpp, who died recently that she may rest in the eternal peace and love of Christ.

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.

YOUTH GROUP

For information please contact Heather at: 484-336-9200.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

In our bulletin reflections, we have been focusing on the Sacred Liturgy. This week we will focus on the chief effect of the Sacred Liturgy, an increase in Sanctifying Grace. What is this thing we call grace and why is it so important to us? If there is a simple way to define Sanctifying Grace it would be to say that it is God's life within us. We were created for God, to live with Him and do have Him dwell within us. This grace ensures eternal life and also gives merit to our works of prayer, sacrifice and charity through union with Christ. Without this union, we are not really complete as human beings, for we cannot complete ourselves. This union transforms us. When we look at the moral commands of the gospel and in all the ways that the Church applies the gospel to our moral decisions, it is grace that makes it possible. We take grace seriously. We really believe that by the union effected within us we are changed ever more into living images of God Himself. This happens by the work of God and only with our own cooperation. So while the sacraments happen not by our power but by the power of God, their effect within us is always by way of our cooperation. The more we prepare, the more we dispose ourselves and open our minds and hearts the more we will receive.

On Thursday April 6th, we will host "Logos and Lagers", a Catholic Young Adult Bible study group. "Logos and Lagers" was founded by Father Steve Isaac, who was just ordained last year and is the assistant pastor at St. Ignatius in Sinking Spring. He has been seeking parishes in Berks County to take turns hosting the monthly meeting. So, if you are a young adult between the ages of 21-35, come and join us at 7PM in Father Schneider Hall and after that we will be going out for food and fellowship.

Next week we will debut our new parish bulletin. We will be going from copying our bulletin in house to using John Patrick publishing. This will provide us with more space, allowing us to use a larger print size, as well as more options to make the bulletin more visually pleasing and easier to read. It will also be a cost savings to the parish, in fact, through John Patrick's profit sharing program we will go from spending a few thousand dollars on the bulletin to making five hundred to a thousand dollars each year. I hope you will enjoy this new bulletin as it continues to evolve to meet our parish needs.

FISH FRY THANKS



A special word of thanks to all who continue to make our Friday Lenten Fish fry a great success. The team of volunteers, organizers, fryers, servers, and cooks who serve our parish so well. Also, to those who made donations to keep the costs down and the bakers of our parish. If you are interested in taking the used oil after each fish fry, call at 610-248-2171.

WIDOW AND WIDOWERS GRIEF SUPPORT

The daffodils have been struggling to come forth through frost and snow after the fake spring of last month; they should be exhausted by now. Those who have lost a loved one know the feeling and they may not be ready for Spring at all. With the help of others we can find warmth and direction to a new pathway. Our next "REACH OUT" meeting will be at St Columbkil's Conference RM at 1 PM on March 26th. The following meeting will be at MBS' Fr Schneider Hall at 1 PM on April 9th. 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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Representatives of the Knights of Columbus will be available, after all the Masses, to answer your questions about the start-up of a New Council at our Parish. All Practicing Catholic men over 18 years of age are invited to join us for our open house on April 23rd at 1 PM.

LENTEN SCHEDULE 2017

Tuesday Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Every Tuesday beginning at Noon and closing at 6:30PM with Evening Prayer, Benediction and the Miraculous Medal Novena.
"Our own belief is that the renovation of the world will be brought about only by the Holy Eucharist."
- Pope Leo XIII

Fridays of Lent

6PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Confessions until 6:30PM.
6:45 PM Benediction.
7PM Stations of the Cross.

LENTEN SACRIFICE ENVELOPE????

You may have noticed two additional envelopes in your packet. This is our parish's annual Lenten Collection to help a Mission supported by Tillie Sodano in Central America over the years.

LENTEN SCHEDULE AT ST. COLUMBKILL'S

Daily Mass Monday - Friday at 9 AM and Wednesday evenings at 7 PM and Thursday mornings at 6:30 AM.

LENTEN LUNCH OFFERINGS

Join us after the 10:15 Mass in Fr. Schneider Hall, for "Pivotal Players" by Bishop Robert Barron.

MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT CEMETERY UPDATE



Weather permitting parish maintenance Winter clean - up of the cemetery will be done the week of April 3rd. Anyone wishing to save decorations please remove them by April 2nd.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Annual Egg Hunt will be held on April 23rd after the 10:15 mass. Infants thru teens are invited. Volunteers are needed to fill the eggs and to help at the egg hunt. Donations of plastic eggs are greatly needed plus the goodies filling the eggs such as; individual wrapped candy, prizes, prize baskets, individual snack packs, sport drinks and juice boxes. Drop off donations in bin found in the vestibule of church or for pick-up call Cindy at 267-377-9948.

PARISH SCHOOL NEWS: ST. FRANCIS ACADEMY

Students in Gr. 2 thru 7 will be taking Iowa Tests of Basic Skills this week.

March 28 – School Liturgy 10:45.

During Lent this year our students are Sacrificing for Soldiers.

We have collection boxes in each classroom for any money donations. With help from the USO, we will buy supplies with the money we collect.

Registration for 2017-2018 school year is ongoing for Pre-Kindergarten, Full Day Kindergarten and Grades 1-8. Please call the school or visit our website, www.sfbally.org, for more information.

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.

SPRING CLEANOUT

SFA Spring Used Clothing Drive will be held Saturday, April 29th from 7:30 AM to 10:30 AM, in the school parking lot. Any questions please call Megan at 610-730-5441 or email mbwilson@hotmail.com.

PLEASE DO NOT DROP DONATIONS OFF AT THE RECTORY.