

Mission Statement: "We are called through Baptism to lead a Holy Life and spread the Good News of Jesus Christ..."



Most Blessed Sacrament

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Office hours daily are from 8:30am-3:30pm

In the summer Monday thru Thursday. Closed Friday.

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6 Aug 2017

Feast of the Transfiguration

"Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here."



Matt
17
1-9

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

CONFESSIONS:
Tuesday 6:00-6:30 pm.

Saturday 3:15-4:00pm.

All Guests and New Parishioners

are

Most Welcome!

You can register at our parish on line

at:

www.mbsbally.org

1st Annual SFA Scholarship Fund Golf Outing SPREAD THE WORD!!!!

We will be holding our First Golf Outing to support a scholarship fund for the students of St. Francis Academy on Monday, October 2 at the Butter Valley Golf Port.



Shotgun starts at 12:30pm rain or shine. Lunch, prizes and raffles begin at 4:30 pm. 100% of proceeds fund student scholarships.

Individual golf package \$70, foursome \$260 includes course fees, green fees, and dinner. See the back table info/registration forms or contact Karen Kinn, fundraising chair at 484-432-0780 or sfafund@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support.

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

AnB Education is looking for host families for our international students attending Berks Catholic High School. A generous stipend is provided.

Call AnB Education 267-263-2481 or email:

hostfamily@anbeducation.com.

The application is online at: www.anbeducation.us.

PRA YFUL INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, AUGUST 7

8:00 AM-Amanda Binsfeld, by the Steve Sobjak Family

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8

8:00 AM-Intentions of Henry & Rosemary Buehner & Family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9

8:00 AM-Victor & Anna Rapp, by Joe & Kathy

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

8:00 AM-Elmo Manieri, by His family

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

8:00 AM-Carl Schott, by Clint & Angie Snyder & Family

4:30 PM-John & Betty Fronheiser, by Yolanda & Gina Torchia

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

6:00 AM-Marion Bauer, by The Bauer Family

7:30 AM-Albert Babilon, by Maria Buggoetz

10:15 AM-People of Most Blessed Sacrament Parish

Sunday August 6, 2017 Readings

DN 7: 9-10, 13-14

2 PETER 1: 16-19

MATTHEW 17: 1-9

LEGION OF MARY Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM.

MASS CARDS

To schedule a Mass please stop by the Rectory Office between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Mon-Thurs.

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Mon:	Aug 07	Father Guency Isaacban
Tue:	Aug 08	Father Stephan Isaac
Wed:	Aug 09	Msgr. David James
Thu:	Aug 10	Father Richard James
Fri:	Aug 11	Father Ronald Jankaitis
Sat:	Aug 12	Father Dennet Jung
Sun:	Aug 13	Father Dominik Kalata

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Tuesday of the Summer
After 8 a.m. Mass to 6:30 p.m.
followed by
Benediction and then by
Miraculous Medal Novena

*Please Pray for
all in our Armed
Services*



*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,
CAPT Justin Knepp,
PFC Sam S. Myers,
Lt. 1st Class Heather Cupitt,
Staff SGT Eric J. Crews,
Sr. Airman Anthony Lucarelli,
MAJ Michael O'Kane,
SSG Antonio Rivera,
Airman 1st Class Andrew Gerard,
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,
Markus De Larantus, Navy,
RCT. Emily Gehringer*

“Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts that they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.”

Fr. Adam's Corner

Dear Parishioners:

I can remember being in high school and having to read the novels "1984" and "Brave New World". Both are about future earths where there is little to no personal freedom, total rule by governments whose sole purpose is to gain power and control for its own sake. I can remember that the dark worlds in these novels seemed somewhat like life in the Soviet Union at the time. But it seemed as if what was written about could never ever happen here. After all we in the Western world loved and cherished our freedom, and were still willing to sacrifice for it. It seem to me, as a young and patriotic American, a government like the ones in these novels could never rise to power here, would never even be remotely tolerated. And then turn the pages of history forward to this summer. We have all witnessed a usurpation of power, in a Western democracy, that is chillingly like "1984" or "Brave New World". And what is most frightening is that it seems like so few have even raised a voice, let alone anything else, about it.

As I write this, I have just seen the news and Charlie Gard has died. Do you know who he is? Do most people in our country know who he is? I wonder. Charlie Gard was an 11 month old baby with a rare disease. He lived his short life in this world in England. England, once a cradle of Western Christian civilization. England, where the Magna Carta was written. England, where today, parents were prevented by a court from taking their son to another hospital, in this country, where he could have had an experimental treatment. Such treatment may or may not have saved his life. But that is not the point. His parents were not allowed to try because a court said no. They of course appealed and were denied by English courts and also by a European court. The courts said his parents didn't have the right to take their own child, with money they had raised, and try to save their child's life. If you were watching these events, you know that our president and the Pope both offered to help, to make it possible for the parents to take their child for treatment. But both of their efforts were not enough. The courts were not listening. Then after learning it was now too late to try the experimental treatments, because of the delays caused by the courts, the parents were further denied the right to take their child home to die. It was not enough for the court to decide that Charlie must die, the court would also decide where and when he would die. Charlie's brief struggle in this world is now over. He was baptized, at least so far, the courts allowed that. He is at peace.

For the rest of us, I fear, even greater struggles await. "1984", it couldn't happen here. Until it just did. How many noticed? How many cared? Beware my friends, a "brave new world" indeed awaits and is already here.

PEACE!
Fr. Adam

Stewardship

Sunday's Collection was \$8,221. 00 for July 30th.

UPCOMING EVENTS-PARISH INFORMATION

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process through which adults are fully initiated into the Catholic Faith Community. If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic or finding out more about the Catholic faith, please call Deacon Murphy at 610-845-7364.

BOYERTOWN AREA MULTI-SERVICE, INC.

During the summer months the Pantry shelves at Multi-Service are always lighter. Anyone wishing to donate items may drop them off at Boyertown Area Multi-Service, 200 Spring Street, Boyertown, PA 19512, at the back door anytime during regular business hours: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. Please ring bell at back door and someone will assist you. Donations can also be dropped off at church.

SFA- CYO - FALL SPORTS REGISTRATION

St. Francis CYO now has open registration for Cross Country (5th – 8th grade boys and girls) and Volleyball (5th – 8th grade girls). All 5th through 8th grade students attending SFA, MBS or St. Columbkil CCD programs are eligible. Please send an email to: saintfrancis-cyo@gmail.com by August 11th for more info or to request a registration packet. Practices begin mid-August.

SAVE THE DATE: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13



Our parish has invited renowned speaker and expert on G.K. Chesterton, Dale Ahlquist to speak on Friday, October 13. His talk is titled "G.K. Chesterton: A Prophet For The 21st Century".

Not sure if you know who G.K. Chesterton is or if you have read any of his books? Here are

some suggested reading, all less than 100 pages, perfect for the beach, pool or backyard!

St. Francis of Assisi: A Biography - G.K. Chesterton

ISBN - 10: 1548812668

St. Thomas Aquinas - G.K. Chesterton

ISBN -10: 1546783687

Orthodoxy - G.K. Chesterton

ISBN - 10: 1519305680

Find out what all the buzz is about! Watch the bulletin for more details.

Youth Group (7th-12th Grades)

Welcome Picnic

Sunday, August 20th
12-2pm...Location-TBD

Before you go back to school, come and find out what youth group is all about! Please bring a side dish, drink or dessert with you- the main dish will be provided. Meet new friends before going back to school and learn about what fun things are coming up in the Fall. OH... don't forget to bring something to tie-dye!

Reading Fightin' Phils Night

August 24th...Tickets are only \$10.

You can purchase them on our website's home page or on the Youth ministry Page: www.stcolumbkill.org

Contact Heather at: youthgroup@stcolumbkill.org

Altar Servers

SATURDAY August 12

4:30 PM Matthew & Gianna Graczyk – Matthew Martin

SUNDAY August 13

6:00 AM Autumn Kline
7:30 AM Gabrielle, Annika & Andrew Snyder
10:15 AM Kayleen La Salle – Anna King – Marlana Agricoli

Tuesday August 14 Vigil of the Assumption

7 PM Matthew & Gianna Graczyk

Student Announcements

CCD REGISTRATION FORMS

CCD BEGINS ON SEPTEMBER 17TH AT 9 A.M.

Register now. Registration forms can be found on table in the back of Church. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

SUMMER SERVICE HOURS

Over the summer months get a jump start on your service hours. The parish can always use extra helpers. **BINGO**- the second Sunday of every month. Contact Janice at 610-987-8851.

SAVE THE DATE

Our parish was notified this past week Confirmation will be held Tuesday, November 21st at 4:30 PM. Confirmation will be held at St. Columbkil Parish in Boyertown.

St. Francis Academy

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ST. FRANCIS ACADEMY

Pre-K Teacher

We are very pleased to welcome Mrs. Maria Crail to our St. Francis Academy Family

Registration for the 2017-18 school year is ongoing for PreK-8, offering a **full day** Kindergarten program. Please call the school or visit our website, www.sfabally.org, for more information.

Plastic Cash News

Summer sales at school - Enter through the kitchen door off the side parking lot. Tuesdays 9:30-10:30 a.m. and Thursdays 5:30-6:30 p.m. **Last summer sale day is August 17th**. These dates are subject to change based on volunteer availability.

[Visit us and MBS/SFA Alumni on Facebook!](#)

YOUTH HUMOR FOR THIS WEEK

Fr. O'Malley was walking along the corridor of the parochial school near the preschool wing when a group of little ones were trotting by on the way to the cafeteria. Little Betsy a four year old stopped and looked at him in his clerical clothes and asked "Why do you dress funny?"

He told her he was a priest and this is the uniform priests wear. Then Betsy pointed to the priest's plastic collar tab and asked, "Do you have an boo-boo?"

The priest realized that to her the collar tab looked like a band-aid. So Fr. O'Malley took it out and handed it to Betsy to show her. On the back of the tab are raised letters giving the name of the manufacturer.

The little girl felt the letters, and the priest asked, "Do you know what those words say?"

"Yes I do," said Betsy who was not old enough to read. Peering intently at the letters she said, "Kills ticks and fleas up to six months."

And Fr. O'Malley was smiling :)



Parish News and Events

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

During the summer months the rectory will be closed every Friday.

SALE OF FLOWERS

How about supporting a good cause and enjoying an arrangement of fresh flowers at the same time? For more information call Chuck at 610-702-2187. Proceeds from sales go to Mary's Shelter.

PARISH CEMETERY REMINDER

Just a reminder that according to our parish regulations; the use of shells, toys, metal designs, ornaments, glass, plastics, jars and containers, metal cases, barriers, pebbles, wooden or metal crosses, foot stones, iron furniture, concrete urns, and pedestals shall not be permitted in any plot. The cemetery authorities shall remove all. Plants, flowers and wreaths are permitted on plots at the head of the grave in acceptable temporary containers.

DO YOU HAVE?

Having these three legal documents – **a Will, a Living Will, and a Durable Power of Attorney** prepared by your attorney—your wishes will be fulfilled and your assets protected for the benefit of your beneficiaries. Do it today.

The Annual Diocesan Anniversary Mass Celebration

Will be held on Sunday, September 17, 2017, at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, 1875 West Turner St., Allentown, PA 18104 at 3:00 PM. Invited are couples celebrating five, twenty-five, forty, fifty, sixty or sixty plus years of marriage to this special event. Register online at <http://www.allentowndiocese.org/anniversarymass> or refer to the A.D. Times for a registration form or request a form through email at MFLF@allentowndiocese.org or by calling 610-289-8900 ext. 2028 The form must be completed and returned to the Office of Marriage & Natural Family Planning, 2121 Madison Avenue, Bethlehem, PA 18017. The deadline for registration is September 8, 2017.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor - Father Adam Sedar
Deacons - Thomas J. Murphy & Mike Boyle
Administrative Assistant - Cindy Repko
Financial Secretary - Sue Nitroy
Parish School, St. Francis Academy -
 Deacon Thomas J. Murphy, Headmaster
Preschool Teacher—Susan Stroud
Director of Religious Edn - Deacon Murphy
RCIA Coordinator—Deacon Murphy

News, Ministries & Organizations

Widow and Widowers Grief Support

The next meeting is on the August 13th at St Columbkil's conference room. Grief has a voice. When it is your voice, what you are hearing is the worst grief of all. In life, things happen to us, more is expected of us and change can only happen by us. All are welcome! For more information please call Dn. Mike Boyle at 484-336-9849.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

The names of the sick of our parish can be found on our website www.mbsbally.org, or in the Prayer Intention Book located at the side entrance of church. The sick are also remembered in the Intercessions at every Sunday Mass.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Most Blessed Sacrament Council # 16745 will meet on Tuesday, **August 8th at 7:30 PM** in Father Schneider Hall. Men over the age of 18 interested in the Knights of Columbus please contact Joe Dusko Grand Knight by email jrdkoc16745@comcast.net or call 610-864-1163.

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Tuesday, August 15 is a Holy Day of Obligation. The mass schedule will be as follows; Vigil mass on Monday Evening, August 14 at 7 PM, morning mass at 7:00 AM and in the evening a Latin Mass at 7:30 PM, on Tuesday, August 15th. **Please note: There is no mass scheduled on Monday morning August 13.**

BINGO CREW # 4

Caller: Tammi Eccleston
 Controller Carolyn Schaeffer
 Kitchen: Joanne Haas – Patty Haas - Margie Kelsch
 Floor: Kate Sherwood
 Bakers: Janet Wronowski - Linda Moll

PARISH STAFF

Youth Ministry - Heather Shainline:
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Youth Choir—Fred Carr
Diocesan Victim Assistance Coord.
 Wendy S Krisak, MA, NCC, LPC
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