

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



Most Blessed Sacrament

28 Jan 2018

610-845-2460

www.mbsbally.org

610 Pine Street, Bally PA

Pastor: Father Adam Sedar

Email: pateradam3@mbsbally.org

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

In the summer Monday thru Thursday. Closed Friday.

www.allentowndioocese.org

**4th Sunday
Ordinary Time**

"What is this?
A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him."



**Mark
1:
21-28**

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**

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

Saturday 3:15-4:00pm.

HEAR YE! HEAR YE

YOUTH GROUP OF MBS & ST. COLUMBKILL

Hoagie Fundraiser—Sunday, February 4th

Youth Group is making hoagies for your Super Bowl Party! Please fill out the order form that will be in the bulletin January 13th and January 14th. All money and order forms are due January 28th. You can also sign up by filling out the google form on website at: www.stcolumbkill.org AND paying online. All hoagies are 10 inches and **\$5.00** a piece.

Thank you for supporting our Youth Group Mission Trip to Cumberland, MD in June!

More info contact Heather Shainline at: youthgroup@stcolumbkill.org



All Guests and New Parishioners are **Most Welcome!** You can register at our parish on line at: www.mbsbally.org

**Next Holy Day
Of
Obligation**

**May 10, 2018
Thursday**

**The Ascension
Of
Our Lord**

PRA YFUL INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JANUARY 29

8:00 AM—Theodore & Ruth Bauer, by Ted & Agnes Bauer

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

8:00 AM—Msgr. Raymond Merman

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

8:00 AM—Richard Stahl, by Barbara & Family

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

8:00 AM—Most Blessed Sacrament Memorial Benefactors

9:30 AM—Gerald Cleary, by Bill & Joan Kelsch

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

8:00 AM—Stephen Grim, by Rita & Ronny Schott

4:30 PM—Deceased members of the Leroy Koch Family, by Priscilla Melcher

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

6:00 AM—James Schrupp, by the Family

7:30 AM—People of Most Blessed Sacrament Parish

10:15 AM—Barbara Schwartz, by Denny & Renee Heydt

Readings for Sunday, January 28, 2018

DT 18: 15-20

1 COR 7: 32-35

MARK 1: 21-28

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 Jan 29— Msgr. Anthony Muntone
Tue Jan 30— Fr. Elias Munyaneza
Wed Jan 31— Msgr. John Murphy
Thur Feb 01— His Holiness Pope Francis
Fri Feb 02— Pope Emeritus Benedict
Sat Feb 03— Bishop Alfred Schlerk
Sun Feb 04— Bsh. Emeritus Ed Cullen

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Tuesday from 8:30am-6pm
Followed by Benediction and
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,
Staff SGT, Anthony Lucarelli,
MAJ Michael O'Kane,
SSG Antonio Rivera,
Airman 1st Class Andrew Gerard,
SSgt. Michael Viola,
Douglas Philip Murray,
Staff SGT 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,
PFC USMC Emily Gehringer
ENS Alex Viola*

“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.”

Youth Group (7th-12th Grades)

January Dental Hygiene Drive

Youth Group is collecting toothbrushes, large tubes of toothpaste, bottles of mouthwash and containers of dental floss for Boyertown Multi-Service. Believe it or not but Food Stamps do not cover dental hygiene products! Drop off your items in the Narthex until the end of January!

Sunday, January 28th

Ice Skating at Center Ice in Oaks- 2-4pm
Sign-ups and payment are due by January 21st.
If you need a ride or are meeting at the ice rink, please let Heather know by this date also.

Sat./Sun. February 10th and 11th

Youth Group will be having a Valentine's Day Bake Sale after all Masses in the Narthex.
Teens: Please sign up to help make and sell baked goods. All baked goods should be hand-made. All proceeds will go to the Mission Trip in June.

Sunday, February 11th

Happy Valentine's Day!!
Monthly Meeting - 12:30—2:00 pm
Light lunch provided. Let Heather know if you will be coming. Finish selling goodies upstairs then come on down! Please note the time change above!

Altar Servers

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 3

4:30 PM-Troy Viola – Mackenzie & Zach Moser

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 4

6:00 AM-Volunteer

7:30 AM-Sean & Nichole Bertino - Zachariah
McLaughlin

10:15 AM-Erin Smola – Sara & Anthony
Adamkovic

St. Francis Academy

St. Francis Academy

610 Pine Street
Bally, PA
19503

<http://www.sfabally.org/>



A Look at Catholic Schools Week 2018

Sunday, Jan. 28 Open House 11:15-1:15

Monday, Jan. 29 Social Studies Expo begins.

Surprises with Deacon Murphy

Tuesday, Jan. 30 Dress Down & Hat Day
Pizza Lunch

Wednesday, Jan. 31 Volunteer Luncheon

Thursday, Feb. 1 Brain Show Students v. Students
Family v. Families Brain Show 7:00 PM

Friday, Feb. 2 Parent Day

Mass at 9:30 followed by muffins and donuts with Mom and Dad.

Early dismissal 12:00

***Book Fair in the library all week.**

Anniversary Committee

Thank you for the great response to our 275th anniversary mailing. The mailing was sent to MBS parishioners. St. Columbkil mailing in progress. We have since sent the same information to non-parishioner alumni whose addresses we have thanks to our data base or family members who called us. We'd love to hear from any alumni that we missed, but we need names and current addresses. We're trying to get our information out to as many people as possible. Our 275th is a milestone for all of us to celebrate.

YOUTH HUMOR OF THE WEEK

Fr. O'Malley pulled into a gas station on the start of the New Year's weekend and found it really crowded. The busy teenage attendant finally got to the priest, who had been waiting a long time. The teen apologized saying, "Seems like everybody waits until the last minute to get ready for a long trip."

Fr. O'Malley smiled and said to the teen, "I know what you mean. I have the same problem in my line of work!"

The teen and St. Peter at the Pearly Gates were indeed smiling!

Fr. Adam's Corner

Dear Parishioners:

Once again, the Annual March for Life in Washington D.C., held this year on January 19, was a spiritually uplifting event. Here are my thoughts after returning home from "The March" this year. The March is many things. It is a peaceful protest of abortion and Roe v. Wade, but more than that, it is a day to gather and give witness to the fact that life is a gift from God. The March is a celebration of the gift of life, the sacredness of life. It is meant to awaken the conscience of our nation. It is also about witnessing to the love and mercy of God. At the March you can feel that love and mercy which is for the baby in the womb and for the mothers and fathers who face a crisis pregnancy. That love and mercy is also for those who have procured an abortion or have participated in it. The March is not about condemning the sinner but reaching out to express the hope that comes from God's infinite mercy. For those who do already believe in the sacredness of human life, the March is an important event to inspire us to keep working to spread the Gospel of Life. It is re-energizing to be in a crowd of several hundred thousand people all committed to this noble cause. It is inspiring to meet people who have traveled across the country to come to our nation's capital for this event. The great number of young people bring an energy and enthusiasm that is contagious. Their presence also gives me hope for the future of our nation.

The whole spirit of this event is something we need then to capture and hold onto or perhaps I should say not hold onto but take hold of and share with others throughout the whole year. How can we do this? First, pray! Then pray some more! We need to start with prayer. So, can we all make just one extra visit to the Blessed Sacrament within the next month and pray before the Lord for our nation to become pro-life again. AND, can we all pray just one rosary each week for the next month for someone who is planning on having an abortion. We don't have to know who it is, God and our Blessed Mother know.

After this can we all plan to do one thing every month to support the pro-life cause. Things like helping crisis pregnancy centers like our own Mary's Shelter, or calling or writing our congressmen when there is pro-life legislation pending or becoming more educated about pro-life issues. For more ideas you can go to MarchforLife.org and look at the monthly Give Life Campaign challenges for each month, these are found on the Take Action page of their website. You can also go to PriestsforLife.org and see many suggestions on the Action Items for Life page of this website.

If we all would commit to just one thing every month, what a difference we would see. Will you be part of rebuilding a culture of life in our society?

Peace
Fr. Adam!

UPCOMING News, Events and Ministry Information

THE PILGRIM STATUE OF

OUR LADY OF FATIMA: The Legion of Mary Sign-up Sheet for January and February 2018 is available on the table at the back of the church. Select your week now and also consider if your personal needs require Our Lady in your home on a date not shown. To schedule other dates Call Deacon Mike 484-336-9849 and we will assist you with your request.

FISH FRY AT MBS

Both Old and New Volunteers Needed for The Annual MBS Fish Fry. Mark your calendars dates are February 16th & 23rd and March 9th & 23rd. 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. 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 1/28/18 following the 10:15 mass in Fr. Schneider Hall.

For more information call Margaret at 610-845-2600 or mchova1084@gmail.com.

MBS PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY— We are hoping to start a new ministry here at Most Blessed Sacrament.

Prayer Shawls have been used over the centuries to wrap, comfort, cover, shelter and give solace to those who are in need. We are looking for those who can knit or crochet a simple prayer shawl or a simple lap robe that can be blessed and presented to parishioners who are in need of caring comfort, solace and compassion as they experience some of life's trials and tribulations. Interested crafters can meet for about an hour once a month. Information, patterns, tips and hints will be provided. Completed shawls/lap robes will be blessed by Father Adam before being presented to parishioners at no cost. Those who are unable to knit or crochet can help by providing new yarn for our projects, so watch for sales at the local craft stores. A donation box will be available in the back of Church For additional information, contact Sharon Hare at 610-702-2651. Our first meeting will be Friday, February 2nd at 1:00 p.m. in the Father Schneider Hall.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need more volunteers to serve as ushers at our weekend Masses. We need 3 or 4 taking up the collection on the floor and at least 1 in the loft. If you can help, please see one of our ushers before Mass. You can call the parish office, too. Remember many hands make lighter and happier work.



Parish News and Events

NOTE CHANGE IN MASS TIMES:

Monday, Jan 29th—8 a.m. (no Mass in the evening)
Friday, Feb 2nd—School Mass will be at 9:30 a.m.

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.

BIBLE STUDY

All are welcome to join us for Bible study every other Monday evening in Fr. Schneider Hall from 7-8:15 PM beginning **The next meeting will be February 5, 2018, and every other week thereafter.** We are getting ready to look at the Gospel of Mark. We plan on discussing an introduction to Mark followed by 2 chapters / session. So approximately 8-9 weeks.

We would like to introduce the idea of using a Bible commentary to assist you in understanding the readings and in particular the more difficult ones. A commentary will also frequently refer to other related Scripture readings or supports. We would suggest that you obtain *The Navarre Bible: St. Mark, Four Courts Press: New York, 2003.* Here is a link to some used ones at a reasonable price <https://www.amazon.com/Navarre-Bible-Marks-Gospel-Third/dp/1851829016>

If you already have a commentary, you do not need to buy an additional one.

Looking forward to see you there!

You can contact Margaret at: mchova1084@gmail.com

News, Ministries & Organizations

WIDOW & WIDOWERS GRIEF SUPPORT

The next “REACH OUT” will be on Sunday **Jan 28th** at Saint Columbkil’s meeting room at 1 PM. The next meeting at MBS will be **Feb 11** at 1PM in Fr. Schneider’s Hall. For those in need regardless of when your spouse has died, we provide a safe place for all to find that remembrance and readjustment are compatible. All are welcome to participate. For more information, please call Dn. Mike Boyle at 484-336-9849.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Most Blessed Sacrament Council # 16745 regular Council meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm in Father Schneider Hall. Men 18 years of age & older interested in the Knights of Columbus contact Joe Dusko Grand Knight email at jrdkoc16745@comcast.net or call 610-864-1163.

YEAR-END CONTRIBUTION REPORTS

Contribution reports for 2017 will be mailed out by January 31, 2018.

KINIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BEEF & BEER

When: Saturday, March 10, 2018.

Where: St. Francis Academy Cafeteria.

Price: \$25 per person or \$45 a couple.

Tickets: 484-942-7443 or Kmillet6@comcast.net.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERIVES

Place you envelopes in the first collection basket.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor - Father Adam Sedar
Weekend Assistant - Father Kevin Bobbin
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—Maria Crail
Director of Religious Edu - Deacon Murphy
RCIA Coordinator—Deacon Murphy

PARISH STAFF

Youth Ministry - Heather Shainline:
youthgroup@stcolumbkil.org
Adult Choir - Rob Zambanini
Youth Choir—Fred Carr
Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator
Wendy S Krisak, MA, NCC, LPC
Direct Line 800-791-9209
Diocesan Safe Environment Coord. - Sr. Meg
Cole, SSJ,MS,LMFT, 610-332-0442, ext. 2019
mcole@allentowndiocese.org