

Church of St. Richard

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August 13, 2017 🕆 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confessions: Every Saturday 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. 1st Fri. Devotions: 8am Mass, Adoration All Day, Benediction & Sacred Heart Novena 4:00pm Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator: Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A.,NCC, LPC– Direct Phone: 800-791-9209 Diocesan Safe Environment Coordinator - Sister Meg Cole, S.S.J., M.S., LMFT - Telephone: 610-332-0442, Ext. 19

St. Richard's Welcomes All!! The No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church; no matter what your current family or marital situation; no matter what your past or present religious affiliation; no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, ethnicity, etc.; you are Invited, Welcomed, Accepted, Loved and Respected at the Parish of St. Richard's!

 Daily Mass Intentions
 [↑] (Masses are at 8:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted.) Masses in blue satisfy Holy Day obligation for Assumption Monday ** 8:00 a.m. ** - Good Health for Dolores by Husband, Frank Vitek ** 4:00 p.m. ** - Aunt Izzy Tancredi by Bernard & Felicia Bruni and Family Tuesday ** 8:00 a.m. ** - Little Sisters of the Assumption by Marci Bonner ** 6:00 p.m. ** - Mary Ann Flaherty by Family Wednesday - Marsha Cusatis by Jack Cusatis Thursday - Joseph Zakrewsky by Mary Ann Zakrewsky Friday - Beverly Fazio by Stanly & Joann Dombrowski Saturday - Joseph J. Kandrot by Rose & Vince Yavulla

Saturday ₽ August 19th - 4:00 p.m.

Intention - Catherine Peca by Peca Family Lector - Marge Coassolo Eucharistic Ministers - Bill Yatcilla, Donna Yatcilla Altar Servers - Myles Manjone, Tria Manjone

Sunday ♥ August 20th - 8:30 a.m. Intention - Clay DeMasters by Frank & Cathy Riotto Lector - Peg Schaediger Eucharistic Ministers - Jack Hurst, Jim Kane Altar Servers - Noah Hayes, Lillian Stoyer, Kenna Wonsock

Sunday ♥ August 20th - 10:30 a.m. Intention - Setlock Family by Deacon John & Ellie Lector - Gloria Burda Eucharistic Ministers - Mike Burda, Kristen Williams Altar Servers - Cole Macieunas, Nicole Yost

Responsorial: Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

 Sacred Heart of Jesus: Special Intention by Duke & Joan
 St. Francis Lamp: Prayers for Good Test Results for Our Niece, Jessica by Uncle Bill & Aunt Karen
 Sanctuary Lamp: In Loving Memory of Mary Ann Flaherty by Family
 Blessed Virgin Mary: In Honor of Little Sisters of the Assumption by Marci Bonner
 St. Richard Lamp: Rest in Peace Beverly ~ Love, Bill
 St. Joseph's Lamp: Deceased Members of Little Sisters of the Assumption by Marci Bonner

Sunday Collection: Regular: \$4,124 and Other: \$2,189. Thank you for your generous and continued support.

Bible Study: Thursday, August 17th at 6:30 p.m.

Please Remember the Sick & Shut-ins in Your Prayers, and Especially: Ann Balas, Joe Bones, Celeste Danisavich, William Godanis, Jr., Dee Harvan, Dr. Francis Kane, Jack Kehler, Francis Keiser, Nora Keiser, Vaal Kester, Joseph Klatka, George Koval, Marie Koval, George Kufrovich, Joe Kufrovich, Butchie Rang, Dorothe Schmerfeld, Ellie Setlock, Gene Soult, Dominic Streisel, Elaine Sweeney, Marilyn Tolan, Tom Whalen, Kevin White, and Celia Zukoski. Added this week: Sam Geissinger.

Dear Padre

AUGUST 13, 2017

I look at what's going on in our world today and I start to lose faith. How can I keep my faith strong in a time that seems faithless?

Evil isn't a new phenomenon. The Book of Judges, for example, presents a faithless time that may rival what's happening in our world today. Judges' twenty-one chapters are so filled with vandalism and war, murder and assassination, fratricide and suicide, that it makes a grim statement on the worst of humanity. Judges reminds us of humanity's need for salvation. "Left to itself, humanity degenerates into a frightful caricature of what we ought to be. We see such lessons repeated in recent history....In the Book of Judges, we see our need for God" (Oscar Lukefahr, *A Catholic Guide to the Bible*, Liguori Publications, 1998).

It's easy to lose faith when our focus is on how bad the world is rather than on how we can do our part to make it holy. Pope St. John Paul II wrote: "Awareness of our own sinfulness, including that which is inherited, is the first condition for salvation; the next is the confession of this sin before God, who desires only to receive this confession so that He can save man. To save means to embrace and lift up with redemptive love, with love that is always greater than any sin" (*Crossing the Threshold of Hope*, 58, Knopf, 1994). Don't lose Christian hope! While Christ already triumphed over sin and death, the reality of evil remains until God's kingdom is fully realized on earth as it is in heaven (1 John 5:18–20). —*Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR*

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In Memory of Clara & Tom Ogrodnick: \$200 by Fran & Al Fritz.



Registration for CCD: It's that time again, time to register for 2017-2018 CCD classes. Registration forms are available for pick up in the vestibule. You can also call Krissy Wonsock if you need more information or clarification at 570-467-2197.

Bishop's Annual Appeal: As of August 4, 2017, our parishioners have raised \$11,963.00 from 85 parishioners, representing 21.79% of our total number of registered families in our parish. We need the support of **all** our parish families to reach our financial goal and to reach the 100% participation goal. The goal for our parish this year is \$17,437.90. Remember, every gift counts, *no gift is ever too small*. Every dollar helps those in need. Please call the parish office or visit the Appeal website at **FaithHopeCharityGives.org** if you have any questions or would like to make a gift.

Bishop-Elect Schlert's Ordination/Installation Information: In celebration of the Ordination and Installation of Bishop-Elect Alfred Schlert as the Fifth Bishop of Allentown, the Diocese will be having two liturgical services:

□ Solemn Vespers at which the Bishop-Elect will make a Profession of Faith and the Oath of Fidelity is scheduled for Wednesday, August 30th at 7:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena in Allentown at 1825 Turner Street, Allentown, PA 18104. This event is open to the public. As the Allentown Fair will be occurring, all parking will be at St. Thomas More Church at 1040 Flexer Avenue, Allentown, PA 18105. Continuous shuttles will be running beginning at 5:00 p.m. Light refreshments in the Parish Activity Center will follow and everyone will have a chance to greet the Bishop-Elect.

□ The Mass of Ordination will be held at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena on Thursday, August 31^{st} at 2:00 p.m. Because of space limitations at the Cathedral, attendance at this event is by invitation only. The Ordination/Installation will be broadcast live on Service Electric and Blue Ridge Cable TV locally. Efforts are underway to have it broadcast nationally as well. It will also be livestreamed on the Diocesan Facebook page: www.Facebook.com/DioceseofAllentown

Ethnic Food Festival: Too early for final numbers, but we can share the names of the winners of the raffle. First prize (\$500) - John Bernhard (ticket # 0473), Second prize (\$100) - Greg Pagan (ticket # 06716), Third prize (\$100) - Michael & Nicole Hayes (ticket # 3459), Fourth prize (\$100) - J. Sullivan (ticket # 9174), Fifth prize (\$50) - Sandy Zemlavage (ticket # 10586), Sixth prize (\$50) - Dominic Riotto (ticket # 07750), Seventh prize (\$50) - Sue Horvat (ticket # 3795) and Eighth prize (\$50) - Nicholas Koshuta (ticket # 4749). Thank you to everyone who sold or bought tickets and congratulations to the winners.

Roast Beef Dinner: Sunday, August 20th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Council Social Hall, 200 Miner Street (Seek), Coaldale. Adult price is \$10.00 per meal. Everyone is welcome. Eat in or take out. Sponsored by Fr. Henry W. Baker, Council # 2711, Knights of Columbus.

Southside Festival: Saturday, August 19th from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, 223 S. Kennedy Drive, McAdoo. Music by Woodsmen Southern Gospel Quartet. There will be halupki, pierogies, haluskie, meatballs, sausage, chili, bean soup, BBQ and more!

St. Ambrose Wine Festival: September 23rd from 11 a.m. through 5 p.m.; rain or shine, at 302 Randel Street, Schuylkill Haven. Advance tickets \$15; Tickets at the door \$20; Designated Driver tickets \$5. Shuttle service will also be available from Schuylkill Haven High/Elementary Lot or M & Q Lot. There will be wineries, food vendors, craft vendors and entertainment. Must be 21 or older ~ ID required ~ including for Designated Drivers. For more info, please call Ann at 570-640-6427 or Jack at 570-573-0059.

CANDLES

Special Intentions by M & J Konidas Special Intention by Patty For Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchild by Nan For All Parish Personnel & All Our Military by Margie Kufrovich For Health of Joe by Mom Birthday Blessings to a Great Neighbor ~ Louise ~ Love, Margie & Family Blessings on All Our Neighbors, Friends & Relatives by Margie Kufrovich For a Healing Special Intentions by Higgins Family Special Intention by Donna Kamenas Special Intention for Edward, Emily, Jacquelynn & Edward, Jr. Special Intention for Lauren & Paul Rest in Peace Mary Downey Special Intention for Allyson In Loving Memory of Sarah Kanaski by Husband "Ski" Special Intention by The Neveroskys For the Soul of Bev Fazio by The Neveroskys Prayers for the Johnson Family by Sleva Family Special Intentions for Dante by Sleva Family Special Intentions for Allishia & Brian by Mom & Dad In Loving Memory of Daniel Jr. ~ Love, Mom & Dad

Special Intention Special Intention by Duke & Joan In Loving Memory of John ~ Rest in Peace ~ Love, Niki In Loving Memory of Paul Krukas by his Family Special Intention for Amy In Loving Memory of Beverly Fazio & Toni Houser by The Dobecks Special Intention Special Intention & Prayers for Maria by The Brunis Special Intention for Maria & James by The Brunis Prayers for Safe Travel by The Brunis Special Intention by The Brunis Prayers for Laura, Jeannie, Nicole & Kailee by The Brunis Thank You for Prayers Answered by The Brunis Special Intention by John & Jean In Loving Memory of My Al ~ Love, Fran Health of Suzanne, EZ, Bob, Pat & Vaal by Lou & Margie For All of Our Relatives & Friends by Lou & Margie Special Intention by Lou & Margie In Loving Memory of Steve Hercek In Loving Memory of Charlotte M. Bowman In Loving Memory of Jack Schaar by Loving Wife Liz Comfort for Fay & her Family by Peg Schaediger Special Intention for My Family & Friends by Mary Special Intention for K, P, BBL and GG by Mom