

Church of St. Richard

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Website: www.strichard.org Reverend Joseph T. Whalen, Pastor Deacon John A. Setlock

January 21, 2018 † Third 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!! To 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. unlss otherwise noted.)

Monday - Lucilla Spotts by Karlavage Family Tuesday ** 6:00 p.m. ** - Gary Macek by Wife Beverly Wednesday - Bruce Damiter by Jones Family Thursday - Daniel J. McDonald by Robert & Kerri Polumbo Friday - Wanda Kenesky by Stanley & Joann Dombrowski Saturday - Dorothy Gallagher by Estate

Saturday & January 27th - 4:00 p.m.

Intention - Rita Kufrovich by Gerry Kandrot Lector - Marge Coassolo Eucharistic Ministers - **None needed this week** Altar Servers - Olivia Eckert, Gretchen Pucklavage

Sunday ♥ January 28th - 8:30 a.m.

Intention - Bill Yatcilla by Frank & Cathy Riotto
Lector - Peg Schaediger
Eucharistic Ministers - Need one ~ Jack Hurst, Jim Kane, Peg Schaediger
Altar Servers - Olivia Sebastian, Lillian Stoyer, Taylor Walsh

Sunday ♥ January 28th - 10:30 a.m.

Intention - Daniel J. McDonald by Jim McNamara Lector - Beth Bialek Eucharistic Ministers - Need one ~ Mike Burda, Dave Evancho, Kristen Williams Altar Servers - Bree Dobeck, Maggie O'Rourke

Responsorial: Teach me your ways, O Lord.



Sacred Heart of Jesus: In Loving Memory of My Sister, Judy Earley Lawrence

by Marilyn Tolan

St. Francis Lamp: Available

Sanctuary Lamp: Special Intention

Blessed Virgin Mary: Special Intention by Duke & Joan

St. Richard Lamp: In Memory of Bill Yatcilla by Mary Helen Rehatchek St. Joseph's Lamp: In Loving Memory of My Parents, Joseph & Catherine

Earley by Marilyn Tolan

Sunday Collection: Regular: \$2,436 and Other: \$441. Your faithful support is greatly

appreciated.

Extra Collection: Next weekend, January 20th & 21st, there is an extra collection for Catholic

Relief.

Bible Study: Thursday, January 25th at 6:30 p.m.

Dear Padre

JANUARY 21, 2018

Whenever I try to pray, I'm plagued with a thousand distractions. How can I learn to control my mind better?

Maybe you're trying too hard. You've heard how some baseball hitters press when they're trying to come out of a slump. Their very effort to overcome their problem makes them tighten up more. They are so worried about the mechanics of their swing, stance, or grip that they can't hit the ball. That's why their coach might advise them to stay loose in the batter's box. We could use the same advice in our approach to prayer. Do your best to pray well, but don't be too upset if your prayer is not "perfect."

Some scrupulous Catholics will repeat a prayer if their mind wanders the first time through, but this isn't advisable. I suggest that you make a good intention, say your prayer and, even if your mind wanders, don't repeat it. Remember that distractions are as natural as breathing, and even the saints couldn't pray without them. When a distraction comes, treat it as you would a fly buzzing around your head. Occasionally shoo it away, but don't spend all your time and concentration on it. The good Lord can read your heart. He loves you just as you are, distracted mind and all.

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Religious Education: Sunday, January 21st ~ 9:30 a.m. Religious Education Class Sunday, January 28th ~ 9:30 a.m. Religious Education Class

Please Remember the Sick & Shut-ins in Your Prayers, and Especially: Ann Balas, Joe Bones, Joe "Tibbsey" Boyle, Nina Day, Sam Geissinger, 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, Joel Rivera, Dorothe Schmerfeld, Ellie Setlock, Gene Soult, Dominic Streisel, Lisa Surfield, Elaine Sweeney, Marilyn Tolan, Tom Whalen, Kevin White, and Celia Zukoski. Added this week: Theresa (Tess) McManus.



Please Stop By: The fish and crab cake dinner mailing is in the vestibule and ready for pick up. Please stop by, either before or after Mass, to take your envelope. We appreciate each one that is taken and saves postage. Also sign up sheets to help prepare for the dinner are in the vestibule as well. Additional sign up sheets for baked goods and workers the day of the event will be in the vestibule at a later time.



Thank You and We Need Two Volunteers: Mike & Jean Konidas are retiring as collection counters from the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. We thank them for their many years of service. In light of their "retiring", Father is in need of two (preferably a husband & wife team) to volunteer to be the counters for this Mass. Please see him directly if interested.

Contribution Statements: Anyone wishing to have a copy of their 2017 Contribution Statement for tax purposes, kindly call the Rectory on either Monday or Wednesday morning from 9:00 a.m. to noon at 570-467-2315 to request one. Once printed they can be picked up or mailed directly to you.

Thank You!: A huge thank you to everyone who went home, brought ashes back and spread them around ~ all in frigid temperatures ~ to make the parking lot safer for walking last weekend. It was very much appreciated.

For the People of St. Richard's Parish: "I wish to express my deepest appreciation to all who comforted us in our sorrow with words of sympathy, Mass cards, candles, cards, personal services and hugs. Bill was the love of my life and liked by many. He would reach out and help anyone. He will be greatly missed. Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered. From the bottom of my heart ~ thank you for your thoughts. God Love & Bless You all always. Donna Jeanne Yatcilla & Sons"



Souper Bowl of Caring: Let's tackle hunger in a "souper" way! The A.C.T.I.O.N. Youth Group will collect for St. Vincent de Paul Society. Our church will keep what is collected for the St. Vincent de Paul Societies. An A.C.T.I.O.N. member will be in the back of church after Communion with their soup pot on Super Bowl Sunday

weekend (February 3rd & 4th). We are asking everyone to donate at least \$1 to the cause (if you can give a few dollars more, that would be appreciated). If you would like to learn more about the Souper Bowl of Caring collection, please visit www.souperbowl.org.

Open House: At Marian Catholic High School on Sunday, January 28th at 12 noon. Please join them to learn more about the world class education and experience that Marian has to offer. Please call 570-467-0641 or e-mail *jcarlucci@mariancatholic.org* with any questions.

Bishop's Scholar Society: The Diocese of Allentown will once again be awarding Catholic High School Scholarships to students who wish to attend one of the six Catholic high schools in the Diocese of Allentown for the 2018-2019 school year. The program will award a one-year, partial scholarship of \$1,000 to the recipient's high school. Wednesday, February 14, 2018 is the deadline to apply. Please see Father for applications.

Catholic Relief Collection: Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC). Funds from the collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here at home and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the CRSC and help Jesus in disguise. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

CANDLES

In Loving Memory of Our Mom by Children,
Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren
Complete Healing for MC
Special Intention for Kristin by Mom
Prayers for Dana Scatton by Mary
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 for Shelley
In Loving Memory of Bill Yatcilla ~ Love,

Donna Yatcilla

In Memory of Joe Kandrot ~ Love, Gerry In Memory of Frank Burda by Wife Cynthia, Children & Grandchildren

Health of Suzanne, EZ, Bob, Vaal & Bill by Lou & Margie

For All of Our Relatives & Friends by Lou & Margie

Thank You for Prayers Answered by Lou & Margie

Special Intention by Lou & Margie

Rest in Peace Mary Rang Jones ~ Love, Bruce & Louise

Special Intentions for L.R. by Mam Mam & Pop Love You & Miss You ~ My Beloved by Peg Schaediger

In Loving Memory of Paul Krukas by His Family

Thank You God for All the Help by Marge & Steve Prayers for Strength & Healing for Joe Boyle by The Dobecks

Special Intention for Christine by Dad & Mom For the Healing for All Those Who Suffer Mentally & Physically

Special Intention for Steve by Marge Special Intention for Our Family by Marge & Steve

Special Intentions by M & J Konidas

Special Intention by Roy & Anne

Special Intention by Patty

Prayers for Nathan & El by Patty

In Loving Memory of John ~ Rest in Peace ~ Love, Niki

Intentions of Neighbors, Friends & Family by M. Jones

Good Health & God Bless My Neighbors, Friends & Family

Intentions of Rochelle, Marcella & Jessica ~ Love, Mom & Dad

Special Intention by Duke & Joan

Special Intention by Sue & Jay

Healing for Joe Arner by Aunt Pat & Uncle Jerry Intention for Mitch & Ricky by Mams & Unc.

Intention for Lisa & Family by Mom & Jeff

Intention for Jeff by Mom

Intention for Regina

Healing for Theresa (Tess) McManus by Joann & Steve Souchak

Special Intention for Jill by Mom & Ed