



# Church of St. Richard

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## February 18, 2018 ☩ First Sunday in Lent

**Confessions: Every Saturday 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.**

**1<sup>st</sup> 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!! ☩ 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. unls otherwise noted.)

Monday - Marjorie Guinan by Estate

Tuesday \*\* 6:00 p.m. \*\* - Paul Krukus by Carol & Ben Blue

Wednesday - Wanda Kenesky by Mark & Betsy Bassler

Thursday - Larry Guinan by Estate

Friday - Roseann Blackwell by Gerry Kandrot

Saturday - Jack Ryan by The Futyma Family

### Saturday ☩ February 24<sup>th</sup> - 4:00 p.m.

Intention - Bill Yacilla by Deacon John & Ellie Setlock

Lector - Marge Coassolo

Eucharistic Ministers - **None needed this week**

Altar Servers - Olivia Eckert, Gretchen Pucklavage

### Sunday ☩ February 25<sup>th</sup> - 8:30 a.m.

Intention - David Strmensky by Helen Pucklavage

Lector - Gale Kufrovich

Eucharistic Ministers - **Need one** ~ Jack Hurst, Jim Kane, Tony Liscusky

Altar Servers - Tucker Bowman, Noah Hayes, Taylor Walsh

### Sunday ☩ February 25<sup>th</sup> - 10:30 a.m.

Intention - Theresa Kolbush by Regina & Jeff Zoba

Lector - Kelsey Macieunas

Eucharistic Ministers - **Need one** ~ Mike Burda, Dan Sleva, Patty Sleva

Altar Servers - Bree Dobeck, Maggie O'Rourke

**Responsorial:** Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth, to those who keep your covenant.



**Sacred Heart of Jesus:** Special Intention for My Daughter ~ Love, Mom

**St. Francis Lamp:** Available

**Sanctuary Lamp:** Available

**Blessed Virgin Mary:** Special Intention by Duke & Joan

**St. Richard Lamp:** Available

**St. Joseph's Lamp:** For Prayers Answered by Kathy & Mike Miller

**Sunday Collection:** None provided ~ check the bulletin next week for the numbers.

**Extra Collections:** *This* weekend, February 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, there is an extra collection for Black/Indian Home Missions. Kindly put this into the *first* collection.

**Rice Bowl Collection:** Each Sunday during Lent, a second collection will be done for Rice Bowl. The second collection will *only* be for Rice Bowl during Lent.

**Choir Practice:** Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in the church. All are welcome.

# Dear Padre

FEBRUARY 18, 2018

## **Why won't the priest hear my confession right before Mass?**

Theoretically, any time is a good time for penitents to reconcile and renew their relationship with the Lord! In practice, the priest's refusal to hear your confession immediately before presiding at Mass may be as much for your benefit as his. In his preoccupation with last-minute details of leading the assembly, he may think: "*How can I be more attentive to this individual and to a worthy celebration of the sacrament of penance without delaying Mass?*" He might also be reacting to a penitent's mechanical understanding of the sacrament that fosters a scrupulous practice of devotional confessions—that is, confessing only minor sins in preparation for Communion.

Anyone who is conscious of serious sin is not to "receive the body of the Lord without previous sacramental confession unless there is a grave reason and there is no opportunity to confess" (*Code of Canon Law*, 916). In this case, the person makes a sincere act of contrition, including a resolution to confess as soon as possible. "The Eucharist is not ordered to the forgiveness of mortal sins—that is proper to the sacrament of Reconciliation" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1395). Nevertheless, "the Eucharist strengthens our charity...and this living charity wipes away venial sins [and] the Eucharist preserves us from future mortal sins" (CCC 1394–95).


Catholics in a state of grace show respect for the dignity of the Eucharist, but trying to confess grave sins to a priest right before Mass may lessen the dignity given to one sacrament over another if the celebration of the sacrament of penance is rushed or the celebration of Mass begins late.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR

**Bible Study:** Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

**Religious Education:** Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup> ~ 9:30 a.m. Religious Education Class  
Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup> ~ 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, Theresa (Tess) McManus, Joel Rivera, Dorothe Schmerfeld, Ellie Setlock, Gene Sault, Dominic Streisel, Lisa Surfied, Elaine Sweeney, Marilyn Tolan, Tom Whalen, Kevin White, and Celia Zukoski.

 **Adoration, Stations of the Cross, Benediction and Confession:** Adoration will be every Friday from after 8:00 a.m. Mass until Stations begin. Stations and Benediction will also be every Friday during Lent at 6:00 p.m. Confessions will follow until 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

**We Need A Volunteer (or Two):** Father is still in need of a volunteer (or two) to volunteer to be a counter for the collection from the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. Please see Father directly if interested. It isn't a difficult job!

**Contribution Statements:** Last call for 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.



**“Craft & Sip”:** Sunday, March 18, 2018 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at St. Richard's. Create a beautiful Cork Flower Wreath (yes, that is the actual wreath pictured!) while enjoying your favorite sipping beverage and chatting with friends! BYOB or there will also be some beverages available to purchase. Cost is \$25 per person. You MUST register so enough supplies can be ordered.

**Registration and a non-refundable deposit of \$10 must be received by March 11<sup>th</sup>.** Deposits can be placed in the weekly collections, turned into the Rectory or contact Patty Sleva. Checks should be made out to “St. Richard's”. Benefits St. Richard's.

**Basket Raffle:** Reminder that this year's Basket Raffle is sneaking up on us. **Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup>** is the date. Keep your eyes open for all the great after Christmas sales and deals going on. More info will be provided as it becomes available.



**Lost and Found:** Reminder that there is a “lost and found” box in the vestibule. If you're missing something, please stop by and check it out. You might get lucky and find it there!

**Bishop's Annual Appeal:** The Bishop's Annual Appeal for 2017 has concluded. Our parish collected \$705.00 more than it did in 2016. We received a 15% rebate on that amount, or \$105.75. The Appeal Office extends a heartfelt thank you to the people of St. Richard of Chichester Parish for their support and dedication to the needs of God's people.

# CANDLES

Special Intention for Our Children & A by M & S  
Special Intentions for Joe, Florence & Helen by Marge & Steve

Special Intention for Steve by Marge  
Recovery & Strength for Joe by Maryellen  
Happy Birthday to Mom in Heaven by Joe & Maryellen  
Birthday Blessings for Victoria by Joe & Maryellen  
Birthday Blessings for JuJu by Joe & Maryellen  
Blessings for My Brother Matt by Joe & Maryellen  
Strength & Hope for All Cancer Patients by Joe & Maryellen

Blessings & Strength for All Caregivers by Joe & Maryellen

In Loving Memory of Gary Macek by Wife Beverly  
Intention for Mitch & Ricky by Mams & Unc.  
Intention for Lisa & Family by Mom & Jeff  
Intention for Jeff by Mom  
Intention for Regina

In Loving Memory of My Al ~ Love, Fran

Special Intentions for Shelley  
Special Intention for Sam ~ Love, Mom & Dad  
Tom McGrath ~ Miss You Dearly by Joan  
Special Intention by Duke & Joan

Special Intention for Family & Friends by Mary  
Special Intention for Gary in Heaven by Peg Schaediger  
Miss & Love You ~ My Hubby by Peg Schaediger  
Special Intention for Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchild by Nan

Special Intention for All Parish Personnel & All Our Military by Marge Kufrovich

Birthday Blessings to a Great Nephew Leo Sweeney by Aunt Marge and Family

Birthday Blessings to a Dear Niece Laura by Aunt Marge and Family

Birthday Blessings for a Great Neighbor Bruce Rang by Margie & Family

Health for My Sister by Pat

Special Intentions by M & J Konidas

Special Intention for Dolores Vitek by Frank Vitek

Happy Birthday Jeana Smith in Heaven ~ Rest in Peace ~ Love, Louise & Bruce

In Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered by Mary Ann

Prayers for Kelly O. and Mom for Successful Operation ~ Love, Uncle Bruce & Aunt Louise

Special Prayers for My Sister

Special Intention for Cara by Roy & Anne

Strength for Beth by Neveroskys

Special Intention by The Neveroskys

Strength for Fran by The Neveroskys

Valentine Birthday Blessings for My Dad in Heaven by Gale & Family

Special Intention for Our Moms by Mark & Gale  
Health of Suzanne, EZ, Bob & Vaal by Lou & Margie

For All of Our Relatives & Friends by Lou & Margie

Special Intention by Lou & Margie

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

Birthday Remembrance for Thomas Lemonovich by Aunt Vicky

Birthday Remembrance for Ted Lemonovich ~ Rest in Peace by Sister Vicky

Birthday Remembrance for Michael Lemonovich by Aunt Vicky  
Birthday Remembrance for Mom Lemonovich ~ Rest in Peace by Daughter Vicky

In Loving Memory of "Sarah" Kanaski by Husband "Ski"

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

Special Intentions by Marilyn

Health for Pat by Jer

In Loving Memory of Jack Schaar by Loving Wife Liz

Strength & Health for My Friend Ernest

Love & Prayers for Nora Keiser by Suzanne Hurst

In Loving Memory of Paul Krukak by His Family

In Loving Memory of Toni Houser by The Dobecks

Prayers for Healing & Strength for Joe Boyle by The Dobecks

Special Intention for My Grandfather Mike Hosak by Lucas

Special Intention by Donna Kamenas

Special Intention for Edward, Emily, Jacquelynn & Edward, Jr.

Special Intention for Lauren & Paul

Successful Surgery for June

Special Intention for Mom & Dad by Barbara

Special Intention for Bill by Barbara

Special Intention for Bernie by Barbara

Special Intentions by Sue & Jay

Special Intention & Prayers for Cara & Pete by The Brunis

Special Intention & Prayers for Maria & James by The Brunis

Special Intention & Prayers for Maria by The Brunis

Prayers for Safe Travel by The Brunis

Special Intention & Prayers for Rachel, Laura & Abby by The Brunis

Prayers for Health by The Brunis

Prayers for Healing for Aunt Jane by The Brunis

In Loving Memory of Elizabeth Yutko by Beverly

Prayers, Strength & Healing for Jill by Bill & Karen Chilinskas

Prayers, Strength & Healing for Anne by Bill & Karen Chilinskas

Special Intention for Grandchildren by Marianne

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