

Welcome to the Church of Saint Richard of Chichester

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January 17, 2021 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

The parish plans to continue live-stream and recording Sunday, Holy Days, and other special liturgies on the parish's YouTube channel as indicated by the “ * “ in the weekly liturgy schedule.

Parish YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5YO_SqC1KeZsvFjO4vpw3Q

Mon. 1/18, 8:00am—Weekday

Living & deceased members of the Cumers, Brandewie,
& O'Brien Families by Mary Cumers

Tues. 1/19, 8:00am—Weekday

Leonard & Anna Navitsky by Duke & Joan Demko

Wed. 1/20, 8:00am—Weekday;

St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

Deceased diocesan priests

Thurs. 1/21, 6:00pm—St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr

Deceased members of the Tomasko Family
by Joy & Peggy Tomasko

Fri. 1/22, 8:00am—Weekday;

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Kenneth Karlavage by Kathy, Greg, & Ryon

Sat. 1/23, Confessions @ 3:30 pm

Sat. 1/23, Vigil

Mass @ 4:00pm

Alvin Fritz by Wife & Children

*Sun. 1/24, 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass @ 8:30am

(Also continued to be Live-Streamed)

People of the Parish

Sun. 1/24

Mass @ 10:30am

Thomas Flaherty by Gerry Kandrot

Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptisms are usually celebrated after the 10:30am Sunday Mass. Parents need to be registered parishioners and attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. At least one Godparent must be a practicing Catholic for a valid reception of Baptism and also obtain a Certificate of Eligibility from their parish.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays @ 3:30pm in the vestibule or call the rectory to schedule an appointment.

Parish Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday ~ 9:00am—12:00noon

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:
Ms. Wendy S. Krisak (800) 791-9209
victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org

Diocesan Secretary for :
Youth Protection & Catholic Human Services
Office of Safe Environment
P.O. Box F
Allentown, PA 18105-1538
(610) 871-5200 ext. 2204
prusso@allentowndiocese.org

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service:
If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service @ www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 800-276-1562.

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited & encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more info about this program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church. To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, & Code of Conduct, please visit www.allentowndiocese.org & click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right hand corner of the page.

Dear parish family,

On this Sunday, January 10, 2021, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which is the last day of the Christmas Season. I am praying and hoping that you and your families having a blessed and holy Christmas Season. On Monday, January 11th, the Liturgy of the Church begins week one in Ordinary Time.

“Our hope is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.” This past year was quite challenging for us to bear our crosses as disciples of Jesus Christ, involving much suffering for so many people here and around the world. This past week on January 4th, the Church celebrated the Memorial of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. I found the first reading for the Mass on this memorial and the Office of Readings Second Reading from the Liturgy of the Hours for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton’s feast day quite inspiring and would like to share excerpts of these with you as our families strive to grow in holiness by the grace of God and through the Holy Spirit, as we begin the new calendar year.

1 John 3:23-4:6

“And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit that he gave us.

Beloved, do not trust every spirit but test the spirits to see whether they belong to God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. This is how you can know the Spirit of God: every spirit that acknowledges Jesus Christ come in the flesh belongs to God, and every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus does not belong to God... [You belong to God, children, and you have conquered them, for the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world. They belong to the world; accordingly, their teaching belongs to the world, and the world listens to them. We belong to God, and anyone who knows God listens to us, while anyone who does not belong to God refuses to hear us. This is how we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of deceit.]”

“From a conference to her spiritual daughters by Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

I will tell you what is my own great help. I once read or heard that an interior life means but the continuation of our Savior’s life in us; that the great object of all his mysteries is to merit for us the grace of his interior life and communicate it to us, it being the end of his mission to lead us into the sweet land of promise, a life of constant union with himself. And what was the first rule of our dear Savior’s life? You know it was to do his Father’s will. Well, then, the first end I propose in our daily work is to do the will of God; secondly, to do it in the manner he wills; and thirdly, to do it because it is his will.

I know what his will is by those who direct me; whatever they bid me do, if it is ever so small in itself, is the will of God for me. Then do it in the manner he wills it, not sewing an old thing as if it were new, or a new thing as if it were old; not fretting because the oven is too hot, or in a fuss because it is too cold. You understand—not flying and driving because you are hurried, not creeping like a snail because no one pushes you. Our dear Savior was never in extremes. The third object is to do his will because God wills it, that is, to be ready to quit at any moment and to do anything else to which you may be called

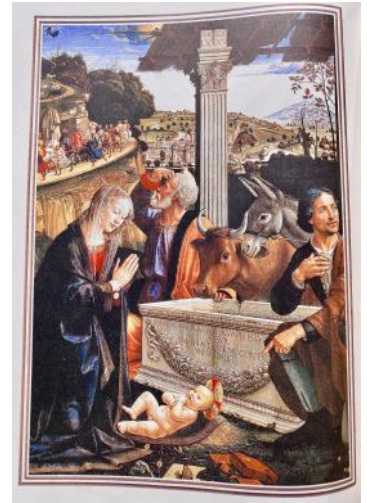
...Perseverance is a great grace. To go on gaining and advancing every day, we must be resolute, and bear and suffer as our blessed forerunners did. Which of them gained heaven without a struggle?...

[What are our real trials? By what name shall we call them? One cuts herself out a cross of pride; another, one of causeless discontent; another, one of restless impatience or peevish fretfulness. But is the whole any better than children’s play if looked at with the common eye of faith? Yet] we know certainly that our God calls us to a holy life, that he gives us every grace, every abundant grace; and though we are so weak of ourselves, this grace is able to carry us through every obstacle and difficulty

...Be above the vain fears of nature and efforts of your enemy. You are children of eternity. Your immortal crown awaits you, and the best of Fathers waits there to reward your duty and love. You may indeed sow here in tears, but you may be sure there to reap in joy.

Prayer

O God, who crowned with the gift of true faith Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton’s burning zeal to find you, grant by her intercession and example that we may always seek you with diligent love and find you in daily service with sincere faith. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.”



Readings for Sunday Mass, January 24th:
Jon 3:1-5,10; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31;
Mk 1:14-20

Responsorial Psalm:
Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

Sunday Collection: Regular: \$2,377 ~ Candles: \$57

Second Collections: 1/1~Solemnity of Mary;
1/3~Monthly Supplement; 1/10~Parish Utilities;
1/17~Parish Utilities; 1/24~Parish Utilities;
1/31~Catholic Relief

2020 Contribution Statements: Anyone wanting to receive a copy of their 2020 Contribution Statement for tax preparation, can call the office and leave your name, number, and a brief message.

2021 Offering Envelopes: The remaining offering envelopes were mailed. If you do not receive yours within the week, please call the parish office. Thank you.

Parish Drop Boxes: There are 2 drop boxes located on the Parish Rectory porch. The larger box is for anything that comes directly to the office, the smaller box will be for all fundraising returns. Both these boxes are marked accordingly and locked and will be opened by office personnel. Thank you.

2021 Mass Intention Book: Due to the ongoing COVID19 pandemic procedures and restrictions, the 2021 Mass Book opening will be done by the fully completed request form (1 request per form). The office will try to accommodate your first choices, however; if there are any questions or concerns, the office will contact you. The request forms are located in the church on the table as you enter or on the parish website.

Please note: We are not permitted to accept more than one intention per Mass. Also, some dates are reserved for specific parish intentions, this includes the Saturday Vigil Mass, (for example: People of the Parish).

Mass requests may be submitted in the following ways:
1. Drop your Mass Intention Request form in an envelope marked "Attn: Secretary/Mass Requests" in the collection basket, rectory porch drop box or the mail OR 2. email to strichard@frontiernet.net (please include Mass Requests in the subject line).

**COOKS
WITH COLLARS
started January 15!
Father Tolentino needs
your help!**



Fr. Tolentino will represent the Church of St. Richard in

COOKS WITH COLLARS, an online cooking competition to raise funds for parishes and Catholic Charities in the Diocese of Allentown. Visit www.cookswithcollars.com to see your favorite priests from around the Diocese creating delicious kitchen concoctions. Vote early and vote often (deadline February 15) for our Diocesan top chef! Each vote is just \$10.00. All voting proceeds benefit our parish. Thanks for making Father Eric and the Church of St. Richard a winner!

Fish/Crab Cake Dinner: Our annual Crab/Fish Dinner will be a Pre-Order Take-Out catered event. It will be held Friday, February 19th from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Cost is \$11 per dinner and includes choice of 1 piece of fried haddock or 1 fried crab cake, french fries, green beans, cole slaw and choice of cake. The dinner tickets and 50/50 chances have been mailed so check your mailboxes in the upcoming days. Then please return your dinner tickets and 50/50 chances in any of the Mass collections or drop them in the box marked "Fundraisers" on the rectory porch. If you have any questions, please contact Joann @ (570)640-1034. Thank you for your continued support.

Right for Life March (Friday, January 29th) Bus departing from William Penn Park and Ride in Easton PA. Call Andrew at (484) 259-7740 for details or to donate to offset bus cost.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK:
(January 31st—February 6th)
St. Jerome's Regional School**

Due to the pandemic, St. Jerome's will not be having their annual Open House this year. However, a list of events for Catholic Schools Week can be found at www.sjrschool.com/ newsletters. So stop by and check them out!

Marian Catholic High School Open House

Sunday, January 31st at 1:00PM

Meet our administration, faculty, staff, and some of our students! Learn about financial assistance, transportation, and academics. \$3K, \$2K, \$1K, & \$500 tuition credit raffle for all **new** students who are registered by February 26th.

Drawing held on Monday, March 1st.

To RSVP, please call Mary Milosh @ (570) 467-3335 ext. 116.

The Angelus

V. The angel spoke God's message to Mary,
R. and she conceived by the Holy Spirit.
Hail, Mary

V. "I am the lowly servant of the Lord:
R. let it be done to me according to your word."
Hail, Mary

V. And the Word became flesh
R. and lived among us.
Hail, Mary

V. Pray for us, holy Mother of God.
R. That we may become worthy of the promises of
Christ.

Priest: Let us pray.
V. Lord,
fill our hearts with your grace:
once, through the message of an angel you revealed to us the
incarnation of your Son;
now, through his suffering and death lead us to the glory of
his resurrection.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: Even though we are leaving
the church after receiving Holy Communion, it is very
important in our spiritual lives for us to pause and recognize
Christ's Eucharistic presence within us. We invite you to
take that time before leaving the church parking lot.

I. Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ,
wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus, hear me.
Within Thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated
from thee.
From the malignant enemy defend me. In the hour of my
death call me.
And bid me come unto Thee, That with all Thy saints,
I may praise thee Forever and ever. Amen.

II. May Your Body, O Lord, which I have eaten, and
Your Blood which I have drunk, cleave to my very soul,
and grant that no trace of sin be found in me, whom these
pure and holy mysteries have renewed.

III. Who live and reign, world without end. Amen. We
humbly beseech You, almighty God, to grant that those
whom You refresh with Your sacraments, may serve you
worthily by a life well pleasing to You. Through our Lord
Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns, world without

We Gather Together 638

1. We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; He
chastens and hastens his will to make known;
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing: Sing
praises to his name; he forgets not his own.
2. Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, Whose
kingdom calls all to the love which endures.
So from the beginning the fight we were winning: You, Lord,
were at our side; all glory be yours!

Now Thank We All Our God 636

1. Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and
voices, Who wondrous things has done, In whom his world
rejoices; Who from our mothers' arms Has blessed us on our
way With countless gifts of love, And still is ours today.
2. O may this bounteous God Through fall our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts And grace, And guide us in distress,
And free us from all harm Till heaven we possess.

Please Lift Up in Prayer those in need of Healing and Encouragement:

Ann Balas, William Bednar, Jim Bialek, Mark BeYoung, Bob Blue, Joe Bones, Steve Chakan, Marge Coassolo, Paul Curley,
Nina Day, Pat Firkal, Eddy Freer, William Godanis, Jr., Mike Grigalonis, Peg Grigalonis, Bob Harvan, Dee Harvan,
Dr. Francis Kane, Francis Keiser, Joseph Klatka, George Koval, George Kufrovich, Linda Light, Theresa (Tess) McManus,
Dan Metzger, Bonnie Morgan, Bobby Moucheron, Joel Rivera, Dorothe Schmerfeld, Gene Soutl, Dominic Streisel,
Mary Ann Thompson, Marilyn Tolan, and Celia Zukoski.

Intercessory Candles

Blessed Virgin Mary: In Loving Memory of Rose Horvat

In Loving Memory of my Al, Love Fran
Restoration of good health for Kevin by Roncek Family
In Loving Memory of Thomas & MaryAnn Flaherty
Love Williams Family
In Loving Memory of Brian McCue Jr.
Love Williams Family

Rest in God's Peace Jer, Love wife Pat
Special Intention by Sue & Jay
In Loving Memory of Daniel G. Sleva Jr. Love Williams Family
R.I.P. Christine Vecchione
Prayers of Strength for Allishia McCue & Vecchione Family
Love Williams Family