



Church of Saint Richard

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February 17, 2019 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 - Phone: 610-332-0442, Ext. 2019

Saint Richard's Welcomes All!!

Daily Mass

Tuesday, 19 February (6:00 pm) ~ Weekday

Intention: Joseph Cukauskas by Stan & Joann Dombrowski

Wednesday, 20 February (8:00 am) ~ Weekday

Intention: Veronica & Daniel Tracy by Pat Tracy

Thursday, 21 February (8:00 am) ~ St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Intention: Wanda Wester by Kathy & Mike Miller

Friday, 22 February (8:00 am) ~ The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

Intention: Catherine King by Margie, Olga, Art, Kathy, & Helene families

Saturday - February 23rd - 3:30 pm - Confessions

Saturday - February 23rd - 4:00 pm - Vigil of the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Intention: Susan Kovich by Leo & Lorraine Drosdak

Lector: Beth Bialek

Eucharistic Minister: Nancy Brylewski

Altar Servers: Ignatius Neifert, Isidora Neifert

Sunday - February 24th - 8:30 am - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Intention: Anna & John Kowalick by Weber Family

Lector: Gale Kufrovich

Eucharistic Minister: Jack Hurst

Altar Servers: Tucker Bowman, Taylor Walsh

Sunday - February 24th - 10:30 am - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Intention: For the living and deceased parishioners

Lector: Gloria Burda

Eucharistic Minister: Tony Liscusky

Altar Servers: Tucker Bowman

Psalm Response: Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.

Sanctuary Lamp: In Loving Memory of the Curran Family

Blessed Virgin Mary: Special Intention by Duke & Joan

Sunday Collection:

Regular: \$2,989 — Candles: \$167 — Parish Utilities: \$163

Second Collections: February 16th and February 17th ~ Black/Indian Home Missions
February 23rd and February 24th ~ Parish Utilities

Mass Attendance: (February 9th & February 10th)

Saturday, 4:00 pm - 127 Sunday, 8:30 am - 128 Sunday, 10:30 am - 123

Religious Education:

- Grades 1st through 4th ~ February 17th @ 9:30 am in Church Hall
- Grades 5th through 8th ~ February 17th @ 6:00 pm in Church Hall
- Grades 1st through 4th ~ February 24th @ 9:30 am in Church Hall

Bulletins for Children: Available and can be picked up in the vestibule.

Please Lift Up in Prayer those in need of Healing and Encouragement: Ann Balas, Bob Blue, Joe Bones, Steve Chakan, Paul Curley, Nina Day, Sam Geissinger, William Godanis, Jr., Mike Grigalonis, Peg Grigalonis, Dee Harvan, Dr. Francis Kane, Kenny Karlavage, Jack Kehler, Francis Keiser, Joseph Klatka, George Koval, Marie Koval, George Kufrovich, Joe Kufrovich, Theresa (Tess) McManus, Joel Rivera, Dorothe Schmerfeld, Gene Sault, Dominic Streisel, Elaine Sweeney, Marilyn Tolan, Kevin White, and Celia Zukoski.

From Bishop Schlert: In the light of the heightened cases of influenza being reported in our five-county area and the January 2nd change in the Pennsylvania Department of Health's Influenza Status from "sporadic" to "widespread", His Excellency, Most Reverend Alfred A. Schlert, directs that the Exchange of the Sign of Peace and the Reception of Holy Communion from the Chalice be suspended beginning with the Vigil and Sunday Masses on the weekend of January 12th and January 13th. This suspension will be in effect until the incidence of influenza subsides in our region.

Prospective Sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation: Being asked to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation is an honor and a privilege, not a right. The Church requires that sponsors must be themselves baptized and confirmed Catholics who regularly practice their faith by attending the Lord's Day Masses and being good examples of what it means to be Catholic. It's not enough that the sponsor is a good friend or member of the family—they must also be a serious and committed disciple of Christ who can encourage and accompany the child to be sponsored in their journey of faith. Please be aware of your responsibilities and these requirements before you agree to be a sponsor.

Contribution Statements: Anyone wishing to receive a copy of their 2018 Contribution Statement for tax preparation, please call during office hours (Monday-Friday; 9am-1pm) to request one.

50/50 Drawing: Congratulations to Brone Lobichusky (ticket #2005) who was our Valentine's Day Drawing winner! Prize amounted to \$576. Thanks to everyone who made this raffle a success!

Mass Cruets: Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. John Tracy and family for their donation of the new Mass Cruets in Memory of Jimmy Tracy.

Fundraising Committee Meeting: Rescheduled to this Tuesday, February 19th @ 7:00 pm in the hall

Adult Bible Study: Thursday, February 21st @ 6:30 pm in the Meeting Room. The topic will continue with Moses in The Book of Exodus. As always, new members are welcome.

Boy Scouts Meeting: Thursday, February 21st from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the Church Hall.

Scout Sunday: Troop 725 will participate at the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, February 24th. The scouts invite you to join them in the hall immediately following Mass for coffee and snacks. As an added bonus, you can see the cub scouts as they display their derby cars. Come and meet some great kids doing some amazing things! Scouts past and present are encouraged to join in the fun!

Healing Our Church: The first meeting of this diocesan program is Tuesday, March 5th @ 6:30 pm in the rectory meeting room. There will be six sessions during the Lenten season. Sign up sheets are in the vestibule.

Sweet Grace Infant Support Group: This organization offers support for any parent who has experienced the loss of their child through ectopic pregnancy, miscarriage, stillbirth or neonatal death. Please join us as we begin our journey to healing and shared community. The group will meet in St. Richard's Hall on Tuesday, March 5th @ 6:00 pm. For any questions, please call Krystal Finneran at (570) 778-8498.

Choir Practice: Wednesday, March 6th @ 5:30 pm in the church. All are welcome.

Fish/Crab Cake Dinner: This year's dinner will be held Friday, March 8th from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm. The mailing is currently in the vestibule and ready for pick up. Please return your dinner tickets and 50/50 chances either in a Mass collection or bring them to the rectory; whichever is convenient for you. Also, there are sign up sheets for donations of baked goods, beverages and workers the day of the dinner. Please lend a helping hand wherever you can-it is always appreciated!

Children's Envelopes in the Vestibule: If your child will be using an envelope, please have them write their full family name on the first few, so we can cross reference their name with the envelope number.

Family Envelopes: If you haven't picked up your contribution envelope pack, please call the church office. Remember that your record of Mass attendance is an important factor in obtaining a certificate of sponsorship for Baptism or Confirmation. Regular use of contribution envelopes not only supports your parish financially, but also serves as a record of attendance. Please pass the information on to those who have been absent from Mass.

Fundraising Suggestion Box: Every parish needs regular fundraisers to augment its income from the weekend collections. You'll find a suggestion box in the Church vestibule in which you can write your ideas for different fundraising possibilities. Of course, not only do we need your ideas, but also your time as a volunteer. Perhaps you have a few like-minded friends who are familiar with how to organize and carry out a particular fundraiser. We'd appreciate both your ideas and your time in supporting our parish.

Come & See: Retreat at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Philadelphia; Friday, April 5th-Sunday, April 7th. Young men from the Diocese of Allentown ages 15+ including young adults are invited to join us for a discernment retreat. Highlights include Eucharistic Holy Hour, Mass, Liturgy of the Hours, hang out with Seminarians and visit the Shrines of Philadelphia. All meals included plus a stop for cheesesteaks. To register, call the Office for Vocations Promotion @ (610) 437-0755 or visit our website www.allentowndiocese.org/come-and-see-weekend.

Upcoming Basket Raffle: This year we are hosting our basket raffle on Saturday, April 13th for browsing from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm; with the actual raffle being held Sunday, April 14th. The doors will open at 11:30 am and drawing will begin promptly at 2:00 pm. Light refreshments will be available for purchase on Sunday only. Look for more information to come shortly!

Upcoming Sacramental Schedule: Confirmation (8th grade), Wednesday, March 27th @ St. John XXIII , Tamaqua at 4:30 pm Mass; Holy Communion (3rd graders), Saturday, April 27th at 10:00 am Mass; 1st Penance (2nd graders), Tuesday, May 7th at 4:30 pm (Prayer Service and Penance)

Intercessory Candles

In Loving Memory of Steve Hercek
In Loving Memory of Charlotte M. Bowman
Special Intention for our family & Kathy
by Dolores & Frank Vitek
Good Health & God's Blessings upon neighbors,
friends & family by M. Jones
In Loving Memory of Sarah Kanaski
Husband "Ski"

Rest in God's Peace Jer by Wife Pat
Happy 55th Anniversary to my Al in Heaven
Love Fran
Special Intention for good test results
Special Intentions by Higgins Family
Special Intention by Sue & Jay
Alecia & for my Mom—heart transplant is a success
by the Pilla's