

Welcome to the Church of Saint Richard of Chichester

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September 20, 2020 Twenty-Fifth 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. 9/21, 8:00am—St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist
Stanley Lemonovich by sister Vicky Karnish

Tues. 9/22, 8:00am—Weekday
Sarah Kanaski by husband “Ski”

Wed. 9/23, 8:00am—St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
Shemansky & Krasowski Families by Pat Tracy

Thurs. 9/24, 6:00pm—Weekday
Evelyn Yost by Paul & Michelle Yost

Fri. 9/25, 8:00am—Weekday
William Valinch by Bob & Ginny Allesch

Sat. 9/26, September 27th Vigil
Mass @ 4:00pm
Son Brian by Mom & Dad

***Sun. 9/27, 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Mass @ 8:30am
(Also continued to be Live-Streamed)
Anne Boner & Francis M. Senglar by Family

Sun. 9/27
(included with Sunday Live-Stream Mass)
People of the Parish

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:
Pamela Russo (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.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements should be made at least one year prior to the proposed wedding date to begin pre-nuptial instructions before making any arrangements. Please call the parish office for more information and schedule an appointment with the Pastor.

Sponsor Eligibility:

Certificates of Eligibility for Baptism and Confirmation require the sponsor to be a registered & active member of the parish. Please call the parish office to schedule an appointment with the Pastor.

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.

Readings for Sunday Mass, September 27th:

EZ 18:25-28; PS 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14; PHIL2:1-11 or 2:1-5;
MT 21:28-32

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

Sunday Collection: Regular: \$2,385 ~ Candles: \$64

Second Collections: 9/06~Monthly Supplement;
9/13~St. Vincent de Paul; 9/20~Parish Utilities;
9/27~Parish Utilities

Special Collections: 9/06 & 9/13~Beirut Relief;
9/13~Shrines of the Holy Land (rescheduled from 4/10)

Pastoral Note

As many of you already know on May 22nd, 2020, Bishop Schlert announced that the faithful are invited back to Mass and that parishes reopened for Masses to the public on Monday, June 1st, 2020. *Mass attendance remains voluntary during the pandemic Green Phase Part 1. The dispensation from the Mass obligation will remain in place until the green phase.*

Those, who do not feel safe or have compromising health conditions, should not attend Mass.

On Wednesday, June 17th, 2020, the Diocese of Allentown moved into Green Phase Part I regardless of the Commonwealth's designation of their respective county at that time. As you will note, *this is Part I of the Green Phase. We anticipate a second part of this phase after evaluating the effectiveness and needs of parishes in the second half of the summer so that we can determine the best course of action.*

The main change for the Green Phase Part 1, is that Churches are permitted "no more than 50% of their occupancy" which in the case for our parish of St. Richard of Chichester will be an occupancy limit of 80 people in the church for Mass and using the overflow Mass procedure up to 20 people in the lower church hall for Sunday Masses.

The overflow Mass procedure of using the lower Church hall and Live-streaming of the Sunday 8:30 A.M. Masses will eventually be discontinued sometime during the Green Phase, Part 1 or 2, since more parishioners will be able to attend Mass in the Church proper.

For the Green Phase Part 1 (until otherwise notified by the diocese) face masks are to be worn by all of the lay faithful in the church and lower church hall. The only time a face mask should be removed is when a lector proclaims the readings and for the reception of Holy Communion. A cantor, who is socially distanced may participate without a face mask.

Thank you so much for all of your support and for continuing to share your treasure according to your ability to do so, during this difficult economic and financial time caused by the pandemic, and for mailing or dropping your offering envelopes, and/or contributing via the parish online giving link on our parish website.

May God bless you and keep you...
Rev. Eric Tolentino

Hot Roast Beef Dinner Drive Thru: Don't forget to pick up your dinner **this** Sunday, September 20th from 12:00noon to 2:00pm. Your dinner includes Roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, coleslaw and a roll plus your choice of chocolate or vanilla cake.

Religious Education:

Grades 1st- 4th ~ 09/20/2020 @ 9:30 am in Church Hall

Grades 5th - 8th ~ 09/27/2020 @ 6:00 pm in Church Hall

Confessions: The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be administered Saturdays before the Vigil Mass @ 3:30 pm in the vestibule or by appointment. This schedule is temporary in the Green Phase Part 1 and subject to change according to updated pandemic guidelines. Thank you for your understanding.

*Following are the current details for the celebration of Mass with parishioners present.. Please note the updated items in the list for the “**Green Phase**” Part 1, effective Monday, June 29th, 2020.*

1. The faithful who attend Mass will be **required to wear** masks and maintain social distancing.
Family groups may be seated together.

2. Please bring your own hand sanitizer.

3. For Sunday Masses, I plan to use the overflow Mass procedure having some people seated in the lower church hall with the Mass projected on the screen, while the Mass is celebrated in the church. This procedure will be eventually discontinued sometime during the Green Phase Part 1 or 2, since more parishioners will be able to attend Mass in the Church proper.

4. Green Phase, Part 1

Sunday Mass attendance will be limited to 80 people in the church (50% of the church seating capacity) and 20 people in the lower church hall for the overflow Mass procedure.

A maximum of 25 people permitted in the church hall for non-liturgical functions.

5. Sunday Mass attendees may enter the church using the ramp door only, 30 minutes before the scheduled Mass.

6. Green Phase, Part 1

Weekday Mass attendance will be limited to 80 people (50% of the church seating capacity) in the church.

A maximum of 25 people permitted in the church hall for non-liturgical functions.

7. Weekday Mass attendees may enter the church using the ramp door only, 30 minutes before the Scheduled Mass.

8. The Saturday vigil Mass for Sunday will be at 4:00 PM . Sunday morning Mass will be at 8:30 AM. Sunday 8:30 AM Masses will also continue to be live-streamed for those unable to attend Mass.

This procedure will eventually be discontinued sometime during the Green Phase Part 1 or 2, since more parishioners will be able to attend Mass in the Church proper.

9. Weekday Masses will be at 8:00 AM Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and 6:00 PM on Thursdays.

10. Holy Communion for people attending Mass will be distributed immediately at the end of Mass in the Church only. After the people, who attended Mass, receive communion in the church, please exit using the ramp Door of the church. After finishing distributing Holy Communion in the church after the Sunday Masses only, one of the clergy will be available outside of church at the bottom of the ramp to distribute communion to anyone in the parking lot who was not able to attend Mass.

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.

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven 613

1. Praise, my soul, the king of heaven; o his feet your
tribute bring.,
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Evermore his
praises sing.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.

2. Praise him for his grace and favor To his people in
distress. Praise him, still the same as ever, Slow to
chide and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness.

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 our today.

2. O may this bounteous God Through all our life be
near us,
With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us;
Preserve us in his 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, Mark BeYoung, Bob Blue, Joe Bones, Steve Chakan, Marge Coassolo, Paul Curley, Nina Day, Eddy Freer, William Godanis, Jr., Mike Grigalonis, Peg Grigalonis, Bob Harvan, Dee Harvan, Dr. Francis Kane, Kenny Karlavage, Francis Keiser, Joseph Klatka, George Koval, George Kufrovich, Joe 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: Special Intention by Duke & Joan

Sacred Heart: Brother Paul by Jim & Pat Firkal & Family

St. Joseph: In Loving Memory of my sister, Judy. Happy Birthday in Heaven. Love, Marilyn

Special Intention by Sue & Jay
Rest in God's Peace Jer, Love wife Pat
In Loving Memory of my Al, Love Fran

Rest in Peace Penny Schlorf by friend Pat Tracy
Prayers for a successful surgery for Bernard & healing
Rest in Peace Charles Rusk by cousin Pat Tracy