



Church of Saint Richard

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February 10, 2019 - Fifth 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, 12 February (6:00 pm) ~ Weekday

Intention: Bob Rehatchek by Loving Wife Mary Helen

Wednesday, 13 February (8:00 am) ~ Weekday

Intention: Jerome Tracy by Pat Tracy

Thursday, 14 February (8:00 am) ~ Saints Cyril, Monk & Methodius, Bishop

Intention: James Milot by Frank & Maryann Yeneskie

Friday, 15 February (8:00 am) ~ Weekday

Intention: Ignatz & Agnes Lemonovich by Vicky Karnish & Stella

Saturday - February 16th - 3:30 pm - Confessions

Saturday - February 16th - 4:00 pm - Vigil of the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Intention: William C. Yacilla by Ed & Juanita Kubert

Lector: Tim Demko

Eucharistic Minister: Sheral Bamford

Altar Servers: Ignatius Neifert, Isidora Neifert

Sunday - February 17th - 8:30 am - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Intention: Josephine Bruni by Bernard & Felicia Bruni & Family

Lector: Bruce Rang

Eucharistic Minister: Paul Babinsky

Altar Servers: Noah Hayes, Tucker Bowman

Sunday - February 18th - 10:30 am - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Intention: For the living and deceased parishioners

Lector: Steve McCarthy

Eucharistic Minister: Dave Evancho

Altar Servers: Bree Dobeck, Carly Hasara

Psalm Response: In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

Blessed Virgin Mary: Healing for Michelle Pyrdsa by Mother Mary Schodowski

Sacred Heart: Special Intention by Duke & Joan

St. Richard: In Loving Memory of Bob Rehatchek by Loving Wife Mary Helen

Sunday Collection Amount:

Regular: \$3,782 — Candles: \$158 — Monthly Supplement: \$1,395

Second Collections: February 9th and February 10th ~ Parish Utilities
February 16th and February 17th ~ Black/Indian Home Missions

Mass Attendance Numbers: (February 2nd & February 3rd)

Saturday, 4:00 pm - 145 Sunday, 8:30 am - 103 Sunday, 10:30 am - 136

Religious Education:

- Grades 1st through 4th ~ February 10th @ 9:30 am in Church Hall
- Grades 1st through 4th ~ February 17th @ 9:30 am in Church Hall
- Grades 5th through 8th ~ February 17th @ 6:00 pm 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 Soult, 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.

Adult Evangelization: Learning about our Catholic Faith is a lifetime duty. While the internet puts a library full of information at our finger tips, we do need to be selective about what is reliable and accurate information about the Church. There is unfortunately plenty of misinformation out there. Catholic magazines on the other hand provide trustworthy and informative articles on many aspects of what it means to be Catholic. Please do make use of all the material available in our church vestibule for your own continuing education and inspiration. Note that because they are fairly expensive, we are asking that you make a donation of \$6.00 per issue for “The Word Among Us” magazine (they actually cost \$5.95 plus shipping and handling). Beginning with the Lent issue, we have attached an envelope to the magazine for your convenience so you can drop it in the collection with your \$6.00 donation. The parish spends nearly \$1200 a year on this magazine alone, so hopefully we can reduce our annual costs for pamphlets and periodicals by offsetting this expense. Thanks for your understanding.

Palms Past: Where do ashes come from that are used to mark our foreheads at the beginning of Lent? They come from the previous years’ palm that has dried and is easily burned. If you still have some blessed palm from last year’s celebration of Passion Sunday, bring it to Church and place it in the basket in the vestibule so we can make ashes to be used this coming Ash Wednesday.

RENEW Prayer and Discussion Groups: At this time we are looking for volunteers to act as moderators for our parishioners who want to participate in the RENEW reflection and conversation about clergy sexual abuse. Each moderator will receive training. Discussion/prayer groups will meet during the six weeks of Lent in the church hall. To volunteer, please call the church office. Make use of this opportunity to do something positive to express support for victims and correct and heal this failure in the life of the church.

Fish/Crab Cake Dinner: This year’s dinner will be held Friday, March 8th from 3:00 pm to 6:00pm. 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!

Souper Bowl of Caring: Congratulations and thank you to the A.C.T.I.O.N Youth Group and friends for their giving and selfless hearts this past weekend. It is with much excitement that we report our grand total was \$1,144 with \$479 specifically for St. Richard’s! Again, thank you!

World Marriage Day: Today, we celebrate World Marriage Day and National Marriage Week February 7th-14th. The theme “Marriage: Made For A Reason”. It is an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with promoting and defending marriage and the family. Resources and more information for couples can be found at www.allentowndiocese.org/enrich and www.ForYourMarriage.org.

Fundraising Committee Meeting: This Tuesday, February 12th @ 7:00 pm in the hall.

Adult Bible Study: Thursday, February 14th @ 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 14th from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the Church Hall.

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.

Sweet Grace Infant Support Group: These groups are 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: Will be starting up again on Wednesday, March 6th @ 5:30 pm in the church. All are welcome.

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.

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)

CANDLES

Healing Prayers for Michelle Pyrdsa
by Mother Mary Schodowski
Rest in Peace Granny Rose & Aunt Mary

Rest in God's Peace Jer by Wife Pat
Happy Birthday to my Al in Heaven, Love Fran
Special Intention for good test results
Special Intentions by Higgins Family