EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
August 5, 2018

Sun. 5  Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time
Ex 16: 2-4, 12-15; Eph 4: 17, 20-24;  Jn 6: 24-35

(Sat.pm)  4:15  Special Intention
6:00  Tina Gaspari

(Sun.am)  7:00  Ramona Moore
8:30  Dec’d of the Fellin Family
10:00  Living and Deceased Parishioners
12:00  Iolanda and Guglielmo Farfetti

Mon. 6  The Transfiguration of the Lord
Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14;  2 Pt 1: 16-19;  Mk 9: 2-10
7:30  Jay Snukis
12:10  Thomas Snukis

Tue. 7  St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs
Jer 30: 1-2, 12-15, 18-22;  Mt 14: 22-36 or 15: 1-2, 10-14
7:30  Maureen Ludwig
12:10  Angelo Pellegrini

Wed. 8  St. Dominic, Priest
Jer 31: 1-7;  Mt 15: 21-28
7:30  Amelia Lattanzio
12:10  Timothy Sola

Thurs. 9  St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin, Martyr
Jer 31: 31-34;  Mt 16: 13-23
7:30  Andrew and Susanna Dutko
12:10  Kitty Tetlak

Fri. 10  St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
2 Cor 9: 6 - 10;  Jn 12: 24-26
7:30  Amanda Tangredi
12:10  Lorenzo Rozzi

Sat. 11  Saint Clare, Virgin
Hb 1:12 — 2:4;  Mt 17: 14-20
8:00  Donald Schwab, Sr.

Sun. 12  Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time
1 Kgs 19: 4-8;  Eph 4: 30 – 5:2;  Jn 6: 41-51

(Sat.pm)  4:15  Pamela Miller
6:00  Mike and Catherine Shade

(Sun.am)  7:00  Living and Deceased Parishioners
8:30  Bernardino & Teresa Amadio
10:00  Holy Name Society
12:00  Mary Luppino

Eucharistic Exposition “The Eucharist is a priceless treasure: by celebrating it and also by praying before it outside of Mass, we are enabled to make contact with the very wellspring of grace.” St. John Paul II. Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament is every Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Divine Mercy Chapel.

A Rosary for vocations will be prayed each Thursday during Exposition from 6:30 – 7:00 pm. All are invited to join us.

Ministry Schedule for August 11 - 12, 2018

Mass  Lector  Commentator
4:15 p.m.  Barbara Aregood  Anne Malinowski
6:00 p.m.  Brian Schwab  Kevin Tobias
7:00 a.m.  Kevin Kleecker  Henry Keller
8:30 a.m.  Rozanne Thompson  Cindy Heimbach
10:00 a.m.  Beth Slater  Jim Harper
12:00 noon  Tim Ferguson  Jerry Hartman

Mass  Altar Servers
4:15pm  Kelly Kline, Julia and Michaela Rosenberger
6:00pm  Olivia Brady, A. Franczowiak, A. McKeltrick
7:00am  Miranda Gonzalez, Kylie Perez, Ben Wolfe
8:30am  Benjamin & William Mckullik, Kayla Thompson
10:00am  Isabella DeJesus, Brian & Evan Kroening
12:00noon  Ayen Jimenez, Kimberley & Sarah Mitchell

Ministry Schedule for Aug. 15, 2018  The Assumption

Mass  Lector  Commentator
7pm Tues.  Anne Carroll  Joseph Trois
7:30am  Marianne Hertzog  Marianne Hertzog
12:10  Georjean Jones  Cathy Douglas
7pm Wed.  Jerry Hartman  Georjean Jones

Mass  Altar Servers
7pm Tues.  Matthew, Nicholas & Rachel Glenbocki
12:10Wed.  Sophia Cornelius, Ethan Kinyo, Eva Noll
7pm Wed.  Benjamin & Dominic Delgado, Emma Moody

Please remember in your prayers the following people who are ill: Gloria Schwab, Gene Hill, Rusty Smith, Donna Re, Richard & Kristine vanBlaricum, Connie Becker, Kurt Clemens, Patricia Rench, Dick & Mary Thren, Joseph Castellano, Ryan Dunlap, Louis A. Gray, Jr., Daniel Bastek, Lee Garrigan, Lidia Krynicki, Theresa Lehman, Marco Kaiser, Barbara Kurtyska, John Perate, Sheila Slimmer, Barbara Miller, Ethel Molnar, Charles Mathews, Jonathan Rudick, Paul Fazzini, Deacon Fred Lash, Daniel Frampton, Joanne Richel, Rita Eddinger, Rebecca J. Wasniewski, Janet Koller, Keith Mannmiller, Richard Schumacher, John Luppino, Theresa Nowotarski, Felix Marrero, Frances Messina, George Houser, Joan Bohn, David Hardinger, Alice Shaner, Brinleee Hillegass, Pauline Bortz, Mya Malizia, Gloria & Henry Rossi, Steve Bromer, Kayla Cinese, Courtney Kelly, Joan Williams, Nicole Miller, Michele Gontkovsky, Laszlo Hadnagy, Joyce Kozlowski, Jose M. Candelaria, Timothy Loeger, Anne Lesko, Tony Wienecke, Glenn Ackerman (Names on the prayer list will remain for 4 weeks unless we are notified of a continuing illness).

SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS
Week of August 5, 2018

In Memory of Rev. Gerald Paul, MSC and Nancy Paul Quire
Requested by Gerry Miller
In Memory of Cory John Zahand
Requested by Anna May Woods

SAVE THE DATE!
NUN RUN 2018 IS NOW LIVE!
Whether you walk, run, sponsor or come to cheer, chat, eat and raffle:
Nun Run 2018 is set for September 15th
Sacred Heart Villa, Reading, PA
10:00 AM —  5K Run and 1M Walk
Commit soon and join the fun! We need YOU!
Guardian Angels Gift Certificate (GAGC) Program
--A Successful Parish Fundraiser since 2001—
GAGC IS THE EASIEST WAY TO RAISE MONEY FOR OUR PARISH
The GAGC Program offers a wide variety of gift cards—some of which are kept in stock to purchase at the rectory, Monday-Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (closed 12-12:30) & at the GAGC table in the church vestibule before/after every weekend Mass. In-stock gift cards include GIANT, REDNER’S, WEIS, SHEETZ & WALMART. Please use the white order envelope provided to order In-Stock gift cards. Hundreds of other Special-Order gift cards are available using the Special-Order form.

The next Special Order dates are: (additional dates have been added to accommodate all of your back-to-school shopping!)
Sun, Aug 5 with p/u Aug 11-13
Sun, Aug 12 with p/u Aug 17-19
Sun, Aug 19 with p/u Aug 24-26
Sun, Sept 9 with p/u Sept 14-16

Back-to-School Give-a-Way!

Attn: All Target Shoppers – purchase a Target gift card (physical or ScripNow) in the month of August and be entered to win a $50 Target gift card - because you know you’ll be back!
The GAGC Tuition Credit Program provides families the opportunity to reduce their Catholic school tuition. HGA Parish generously splits the percentage returned on gift cards with participating school families. Catholic University and Seminary students in the Diocese of Allentown are also eligible. Is your child in PREP? The PREP Fee Credit Program provides families the opportunity to reduce or eliminate PREP fees. Enrollment is easy. It’s a win-win for you and for your Parish! Visit the GAGC tab on the parish website for details and enrollment forms.

For more information on the GAGC Program, contact Tricia Christ at (610) 451-1959 or triciachrist.gga@gmail.com, or call the rectory.

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon or employee of the Diocese. Parents, guardians, children and survivors of sexual abuse are invited and encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more information about this program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church. To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, please visit www.allentowndiocese.org and click on “Protection of Youth” in the left hand column or call Victims Assistance Coordinator 800-791-9209.

Your priest is someone’s son, your son could be someone’s priest.

BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL
We are grateful to our parishioners who have already made a pledge to the Bishop’s Annual Appeal. HGA’s total goal is $92,475.86 with a collected amount of $56,742.31 from 21.07% of our parishioners. We Can Do Better! Your sacrifice and generosity to those who are less fortunate will allow the ministries of our diocese to offer services to those who need our assistance. Pick up a pledge form at the back of church, all the Appeal Office 800-831-4443 or make your gift online at: FaithHopeCharityGives.org.

NEXT SUNDAY IS HOLY NAME SUNDAY. All members of the Holy Name Society are urged to attend the 10:00 a.m. Mass and receive Holy Communion as a group. New members are always welcome!

Red, White & Blue Mass
Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018, 6:30 pm Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena 18th & Turner Streets, Allentown, PA

The Most Reverend Alfred A. Schlert, Bishop of Allentown Invites all Police, Firefighters, First Responders, Legal Professionals, Health Care Workers & Their Families, as we celebrate A Mass of Thanksgiving

Please wear your uniform. Reception to follow in the Parish Activities Center RSVP: rwbmass@gmail.com
The Berks Deanery Holy Hour to be held at St. Peter the Apostle Church in Reading on Sunday, August 12th, beginning at 4:00pm will have as its focus the reunification of families, especially those children and parents who have been separated at our southern border. Please come and pray for the unity of all families as well as for a just and compassionate reform of our nation’s immigration policy.

BELLA SERA --- SAVE THE DATE!
A night of song, dance and celebration will be held on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2018, at ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH
Tickets will go on sale AUGUST 5, 2018 Limited seating/ must be 21 years old.

HGA SENIOR PRIME TIME CLUB MEETING will be held Wednesday, August 8th at 1pm at Sacred Heart Villa in the basement social hall.

It will be glitter day!
Entertainment will be Conlan Keaschner our award winning banjo player.

COME ON DOWN!

SEE OUR ONLINE BULLETIN www.hgaparish.com for more important announcements.

Mim Camilli Garden Committee

Have you noticed that the grounds around the church and chapel are becoming overgrown with weeds? You’re not the only one! We are forming a gardening group and are in need of volunteers who can spare an hour or two a month to maintain our beautiful parish. Students needing service hours are welcome! Contact Lisa Wood 610-741-3717

PREP NEWS… PREP letters, registration forms and calendars were mailed to all families of PREP children this past week. If you have not received these items, please call the rectory at 610-921-2729. PREP begins on Tuesday, September 4th at 6:30 with a parent meeting. If you lost your registration form or did not receive one you can print a new one at www.hgsreled.weebly.com click on PREP.
Catechists and Aides for PREP are still needed. Please consider coming and helping our children to learn their faith. Call Mr. Angstadt at 610-929-1416 or email at andang@hgaschool.org Email is the Best!

EAST READING REUNION – DO YOU? – DID YOU EVER?
Live or work in East Reading? How long since you saw your East Reading friends and neighbors? Join us! East Reading Reunion – Liederkranz, Spook Lane, Rdg, Sunday, Sept. 16th – Noon to 6p.m. Follow us on Face Book at East Reading Reunion 2018 or call Tom Gajewski at 610-698-8731 or Sandy Lubas Hummel at 610-207-7065 for information or reservations. Limited Tickets! See notice in the online bulletin for more information.

Stewardship:
A Mission of Faith Fall Conference September 19 & 20, 2018
Join Bishop Schiert, and some great speakers like Jason Evert and Fr. Michael Gaitley, for a wonderful spiritual experience this fall. Enjoy the beautiful Star Barn Village. Mass, reconciliation and adoration will be celebrated each day. Men and women welcome. Visit www.stewardshipmission.org to register. You don’t want to miss it!

**** PLEASE NOTE: ****
The Baptismal Class normally scheduled for the third Sunday in September (9/23), will be held on Sunday, September 30th at 1:00 pm.
This simple image of an elderly man at prayer over his meal is one of the most well-known Christian pictures and is the State Photograph of Minnesota. The photograph was taken by Eric Enstrom around 1920 and later colorized by his daughter Rhoda Nyberg. The subject, Charles Wilden, was a peddler who lived in a sod hut; he disappeared not long after the photograph was taken.

John Paul II Center Teacher Opening
JPII Center is looking for a Special Education Teacher to create a brand-new classroom for the new school year. Candidate must be passionate about helping all students reach their potential. Duties include writing IEP’s, communicating with staff and families, working with support staff, and providing a safe, productive classroom environment.

NUN RUN
Fun Walk

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Grace Before Meals
Bless us, O Lord, and these Thy gifts, which we are about to receive from Thy bounty, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Grace After Meals
We give Thee thanks for all Thy benefits, O Almighty God, who livest and reignest world without end. Amen. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”
1 Thes. 5:16-18

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Join Us for the Annual Summer Feast of the Santo Nino
Mass and Potluck
A Multicultural Celebration
Sunday, August 19th 2 to 5 pm
Immaculate Conception B.V.M. Church
905 Chestnut St., Douglassville, PA. 19518
Please bring a covered dish to share. RSVP by August 1st (last name, # of people and name of dish) to either one of the to the following contacts: Enga Chimenko: 610-693-8036 or Farida Hanby : 610 373-3967
Attention Young Adults (ages 21-35). Join Berks County Young Adults for its new Bible Study group, Logos and Lagers. The group will meet on the first Thursday of each month from 7 – 8:30pm to discuss the Mass readings for the upcoming weekend, followed by food and fellowship at a local establishment. *Follow our Facebook page to find out where Logos and Lagers will be taking place each month. All young adults welcome.

BERKS CATHOLIC YOUTH FOOTBALL AND CHEERLEADING is still accepting registrations for the upcoming 2018 season. This program is open to girls and boys enrolled in Berks County Parochial Schools. Some age and grade restrictions do apply. FOR MORE ON ELIGIBILITY, COST AND HOW TO GO ABOUT REGISTERING: Go to www.leaguelineup.com/bcyfac. For any other questions contact: Danielle Fowler 610-374-1695 or email dfowler@berkscatholic.org.
CATHOLIC MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE
Come and sail away on a 10-night Mediterranean Cruise with Father Aron Maqhsoudi on October 18th - 28th, 2018 on Holland America’s Koningsdam out of Civitavecchia, Italy.
Ports of Call are: Civitavecchia; Dubrovnik; Kotor; Corfu; Katakolon; Athens; Santorini; Naples, Civitavecchia.
Prices begin at $3,578 for two passengers which includes all port fees and taxes.
ASK US ABOUT OUR LOWER NON-REFUNDABLE SNAP FARES.
Daily Mass offered.
Deposits of only $600 per person will reserve your cabin. Space is limited.
For further info or to register, contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785 or Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com.

The CYO Berks County Varsity Basketball Program involves 7th and 8th grade students from Berks County Catholic Parishes. We are currently looking for a volunteer to administer the Berks CYO Website. CYO Varsity Basketball is looking for a volunteer to record game scores and schedules to the CYO Website. Varsity Basketball runs from November through February and would require about an hour per week to upload information to the website. If interested or you would like to learn more about the website, contact: Robert Kerr, rkerr1085@gmail.com or 610-780-2336.

Prayer Shawl Ministry
Anyone who would like to make prayer shawls can pick up yarn and directions at the rectory. If you know someone who is seriously or chronically ill, having surgery, diagnosed with cancer or on hospice, please call the rectory to ask for a prayer shawl. We do give shawls to people who do not belong to the parish. We will also give you one to mail to a sick relative. This ministry has been such a blessing to the parish, our team members, our benefactors and those who have received them. If you have questions about the ministry, or would like to volunteer to crochet or knit a shawl please call Pat Hansbury 610-698-4327.

WIN $10,000 CASH!! The Berks Catholic High School Extravaganza Cash Raffle tickets are now available. The drawing will be held on Saturday, October 6th during the Extravaganza 2018 event. Donation $100. To buy raffle tickets, please send your check with return address and phone number to: Berks Catholic Extravaganza, 955 E.Wyomissing Blvd., Reading, PA 19611. If you would like to receive an invitation to attend Extravaganza, please call the Extravaganza Office at 610-374-1695 or e-mail at Extravaganza@BerksCatholic.org

If you have received an adverse Prenatal Diagnosis … You are not alone. There is help. The Diocese of Allentown has a network of concerned parents and professionals who have experienced or worked closely with issues surrounding adverse prenatal diagnosis. For support, contact: Sr. Janice Marie Johnson at 610-289-8900 x 2280, or jjohnson@allentowndiocese.org
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ESL Teachers and Tutors Needed
GED Teachers and Tutors Needed
(to teach Language Arts or Math in English or Spanish)

Are you looking to get involved in community service?

Do you have teaching experience?
Would you enjoy helping adults gain basic or further education? If this sounds like you, the Mother Veronica Resource Center at 449 S. 6th Street, Reading, PA needs you! We invite you to get in touch for more details. Please call Sister Cara at 484-516-2138 or email mveronicacenter@gmail.com.

Catholic Q&A - Do You Have Any Questions?
Catholic Q&A is a new regular column in The A.D. Times. Readers are invited to submit questions about our Catholic faith that will be answered by the Diocese of Allentown Secretariat for Catholic Life and Evangelization. Please email your questions to CLE@allentowndiocese.org.

Questions for the column will be chosen from those submitted and answered in the next possible issue. Questions may be edited for space, clarity or other considerations. Questioners must include their name and town or parish, but questions will be published anonymously.

OPEN YOUR HEART
AND HOME
to a Catholic exchange student from Spain or Germany for the coming 2018-2019 school year.
Volunteer host families (with or without children) as well as single parents are needed to provide food, a bed and a loving home for the coming school year starting in late August. EMF students have medical insurance, spending money for their personal expenses and expect to share their host family’s daily life including household responsibilities. They speak English, are well-screened and eager to experience life in America. Their stay here is sponsored and supervised by EMF (Educational Merit Foundation), a non-profit, educational exchange organization. For more information on EMF students, please call Marie-Claude Dijoud now at 1-800-467-8363 or visit www.emfusa.org

*The Educational Merit Foundation is a non-profit organization offering opportunities for young people from Europe to spend a school semester or year with a host family in America. Email EMF to learn how you can become a Host Family for a Foreign Exchange Student.
Maria Wald Renewal Center/Precious Blood
Convent Located in Shillington, PA is seeking an experienced full time cook to join their team. Flexible work schedule including weekend and holidays as needed. Applicant must have food preparation skills, initiative, menu planning, maintaining stock, etc. Salary and benefits are negotiable. For further information contact: Sr. Margaret Teufer, cps at 610-777-1624 or mteufercps@hotmail.com

Clare of Assisi House

Clare of Assisi House is a 501(c) (3) community-based organization whose mission is to provide long-term and transitional residential services and life skills training for non-violent women with a history of domestic violence, substance abuse and/or prostitution.

Why is this project important to our community? As a result of this project, women ex-offenders in Berks County for the first time will have a dedicated transitional residential facility that provides a safe environment focusing on their specific needs and supporting each resident in her attempt toward self-sufficiency and independent living. Participants will benefit from a spectrum of social service programs designed to maximize their potential for success and reduce recidivism. Clare of Assisi House will use the site of Mary’s Shelter, 325 South 12th St, Rgd as the residence.

Lifeline of Berks County

Lifeline provides options counseling and continuing support for women facing an unplanned pregnancy. We currently have volunteer opportunities in the following areas: Pantry volunteers are needed to sort incoming donations, put together layettes and material service boxes for clients, and restock our shelves for the Earn While You Learn program. Help is needed on Wednesday evenings and Thursday during the day. Translators are needed to assist our staff with clients. Volunteers need to be fluent in Spanish and English, but no other special training is required. Help is needed on Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons. Food handlers are needed to pick up orders at the food bank, carry them up to storage, and put them away in our food pantry. We also need helpers to put together bags of food for clients and rotate stock. These positions are vital to our services for clients. When volunteers help, our staff can see more women in difficulty. You help us to save more lives and serve more women. For more information, please call Stephanie Giles at 610-374-8545 or email sgiles@lifelineofberks.org.

Lifeline of Berks County is in need of diapers #s 4, 5 & 6. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Translators Needed: Lifeline of Berks County, a ministry to bring Christ’s love to women who are facing difficult pregnancies, is currently looking for bilingual volunteers who can give two hours a week to translate for our Spanish-speaking clients. To volunteer or for more info contact: Debbie Baker at 610-374-545 or email her at lifelineDebbie@yahoo.com.
The Annual Diocesan Anniversary Mass Celebration will be held on Sunday, September 23, 2017 at 3:00 PM at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, 1875 West Turner St., Allentown, PA 18104.

We cordially invite couples celebrating 1-5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 or fifty plus years of marriage to this special event.

Please register online at www.allentowndiocese.org/anniversarymass or refer to the A.D. Times for a registration form or MFLF@allentowndiocese.org to request a form by email. The form must be completed and returned to the Office of Marriage & Natural Family Planning, 2121 Madison Avenue, Bethlehem, PA 18017. The registration deadline is September 13, 2018.

Penn State Health St. Joseph is looking for more great volunteers at both our Downtown Campus and our main campus.*Information Desk *Clerical volunteer(s) *Book Cart volunteer(s) *Patient Service volunteer(s) *Minimum of one designated shift per week, although volunteers are welcome to provide more than one shift. Interested? Please email Barb Moyer, Director, Volunteer Services at bmoyer4@pennstatehealth.psu.edu

God said: “I set my bow (rainbow) in the clouds to serve as a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth.” You can deepen your Covenant of Marriage by attending a WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER weekend. For information call 1-732-904-9636 or visit www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org

AnB Education, a non-profit travel exchange agency for international high school students, is in need of loving host families with an empty bedroom, who are looking to give back and experience another culture inside their very own home. A generous monthly stipend is provided. Call AnB Education 267-263-2481 or email hosting@anbeducation.com. The application is online at www.anbeducation.us.