



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil – 4:00 pm | ***Sunday*** – 8:00, 9:45 & 11:30 am

Daily – Monday through Friday 8:00 am

Confessions – Saturday 3:15-3:45 pm; Sunday 7:15-7:45, 9:20-9:35,
and 11:05-11:20 am; Wednesday 8:30-9:00 am & 5:15-5:45 pm

Adoration - *Wednesdays* 8:30 am to 6:00 pm

Office Hours – Mon.-Thur. 9:00 am -4:00 pm. Fri. 9:00am- 12:00 pm

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Bulletin Submissions

Deadline for submissions for Bulletin - Friday Noon. Please email notices to tchrist@hgaparish.com.

Holy Guardian Angels Regional School

We encourage all our parents to consider sending their children to Holy Guardian Angels Regional School. The school is located at 3125 Kutztown Road, Reading, PA 19605. Please contact Kelly Prechtel, Head of School at 610-929-4124 for more information or to register. www.hgaschool.org.

Berks Catholic High School

We encourage our high school students to consider attending our local catholic high school - Berks Catholic. Please contact the Director of Admissions, Nicole Smith at 610-374-8361, ext. 244 for more information or to register. www.berkscatholic.org.

Religious Education (PREP)

All children should be receiving religious instruction through one of our Regional Catholic Schools or through our Parish Religious Education Program offered for grades K-8. Please contact Kari Mallozzi, Director of Religious Education, for more information via email to kmallozzi@hgaparish.com or call 610-921-2729, ext. 2203.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

We welcome and support all whose faith journey brings them to seek full communion with the Catholic Church. Please call the Parish Office for further information.

Knights of Columbus Holy Guardian Angels Council #14847

Mike Rusak - Grand Knight Council email: koc14847@hgaparish.com.

Wills

As a lasting remembrance or final gift to your parish, all parishioners are encouraged to include Holy Guardian Angels Parish in their wills or as a beneficiary on an insurance policy.

Memorials

At the time of passing of a relative or friend, consider enrolling them in the Holy Guardian Angels Memorial Fund. Memorials are available in the Parish Office and are often used in lieu of flowers.

Diocese of Allentown

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC Direct: (800) 791-9209

Office of Safe Environment

Pamela J. Russo, M.S.W., M.S Secretary, Youth Protection & Catholic Human Services 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, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse reporting service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 800-276-1562.



MASS Intentions

Note that all Daily Masses Monday through Friday & the 4:00 pm Vigil Mass are livestreamed on our Facebook page.

Monday, January 29

8:00 am Dorothy LaSota, requested by Michael J. Cawley

Tuesday, January 30

8:00 am Betty Ann Kunstek, requested by the Thompson Family

Wednesday, January 31

St. John Bosco, Priest

8:00 am James Toomey, requested by Hugh and Margie McGinley

Thursday, February 1

8:00 am Memorial Fund Members

Friday, February 2

The Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas Day)

8:00 am Thomas Hoffman, requested by Anne and Dave Carroll

9:30 am (School Mass) Norbert Schnier, requested by Julie Hartman

Sunday, February 4

Saturday Vigil

4:00 pm Richard M. Kostival, requested by June and Barry Kostival

Sunday

8:00 am Living and Deceased Parishioners

9:45 am Boy Scout Sunday, requested by Anthony J. and Cathie Wiencek

11:30 am Frances Cronan, requested by Vince Cronan

SANCTUARY LAMP & CANDLE INTENTIONS Week of January 28, 2024

Sanctuary Lamp in Church: In Memory of Arthur Cocroft requested by wife, Connie. **Sanctuary Candle in Chapel:** Living and Deceased Parishioners. **Blessed Mother Candles:** In Memory of Anna and William Haines requested by the Family; In Memory of Bernie Shaffer requested by Joan and Family. **St. Joseph Candles:** In Memory of C.J.Z.; Living and Deceased Parishioners. **Holy Guardian Angels Candles:** Living and Deceased Parishioners. **Anyone who would like to sponsor the Sanctuary Lamps, the Candles by St. Joseph, the Blessed Mother or the Guardian Angels for a week may stop by the Rectory Office. The cost is \$10 each.**



Padre's Piece The Book of Joshua

The Book of Joshua presents a narrative of the way Israel took possession of the land of Canaan, making it the land of Israel. This process is swift and inexorable and is followed by an orderly division and disposition of the land among the twelve tribes, with a concluding ceremony of covenant renewal.

The theological message of the book is unmistakable. God has been faithful to the promise of the land. If Israel relies totally on the Lord for victory; if Israel is united as a people; if the law of herem is kept and no one grows rich from victory in war—then and only then will Israel possess the land.

The Israelites are led by Joshua, the successor of Moses, and the book is at pains to show not only how Joshua carries on the work of Moses but how the “conquest” of Canaan is continuous with the exodus from Egypt. This is seen in the repeated insistence that, as the Lord was with Moses, so he is with Joshua; and, especially, in the crossing of the Jordan River, which is patterned after the crossing of the Red Sea.

The book preserves older traditions of Israel's settlement in the land, especially in the division of the land among the tribes. As addressed to the needs of a late preexilic audience, then, the book should be read not so much as imparting information about how Israel took over the land of Canaan, many centuries before the composition of the book, as teaching a lesson about how Israel is to avoid losing the land.



John Luppino, Barbara Schwartz, Pattie Mihalak, James Waldman, John Perate, Cindy Klymchuk, Daniel Bastek, Sandra Clayton, Harmony Chiccarine, Aubrielle Beidler, Barbara Coco, Kim Bonner, Mary Ann Wensus, Daneen Poticher, Lisa Wrede, Bob Desherlia, Doris Day, Jeff Strader, Joan Adams, John Gaetani, Kirsten Snyder, Robert Brannon, Jennifer Toplak-Sedlacek, Giada Caruso, Elaine Egan, Sharon Witman, William Ondich, Marie Scholl, Gene Toplak, George and Kathy Helms, Dennis Dautrich, Melissa Neff, Arlene Kunstek, Robert Keim, Irvin Lindinger, Msgr. John Grabish, Marian & Al Masi, Beverly Oudinot, Thomas Greth, Damaris Diaz, Zac Schneider, Jim Selig, Peg Devine, Anne Lazar, Linda Swavely, Loretta Gaetani, Anne Semmel, Sadie West. **Names will remain on the list for one month.**

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, January 28 - Confession 7:15, 9:20, and 11:05 am; Mass 8:00, 9:45 (Catholic Schools Week Opening), and 11:30 am; CSW Open House & State of the School 11:00 am - 1:00 pm; BINGO! Doors open at 12:30pm, 1st Game Called at 2:00 pm

Monday, January 29 - Mass 8:00 am; Talent Show Rehearsal 2:30 pm; Berks Catholic Softball Practice 3:00 pm; CYO Grades 5/6 Basketball Practice 5:00 pm; CYO Girls Basketball Practice 6:00 pm

Tuesday, January 30 - Mass 8:00 am; Talent Show Rehearsal 2:30 pm; Catholic Schools Week Family Night 5:00 pm; Symbolon Part II - The Eucharist: Source & Summit of Christian Life 6:30 pm

Wednesday, January 31 - Mass 8:00 am; Adoration 8:30 am until Benediction at 6:00 pm; Confessions 8:30 am and 5:15 pm; School Early Dismissal 12:00 pm; Catholic Schools Week Luncheon 12:15 pm; CYO Grades 5/6 Basketball Practice 5:00 pm; CYO Girls Basketball Practice 6:00 pm; Beloved Bible Study 6:30 pm

Thursday, February 1 - Mass 8:00 am; CYO Grades 4/5 Basketball Practice 4:00 pm; CYO Boys Basketball Practice 6:00 pm; BSA Troop 161 6:30 pm; Legion of Mary 6:30 pm; Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm; Culture of Life Meeting 6:30 pm

Friday, February 2 - First Friday Devotions 7:00 am; Mass 8:00 am; School Mass with throat blessing 9:30 am; Talent Show 7:00 pm

Saturday, February 3 - Vigil Mass (with Live Stream) 4:00 pm

Sunday, February 4 - Confession 7:15 am, 9:20 am, 11:05 am; Mass 8:00 am, 9:45 am, 11:30 am; PREP 8:15 am; CYO Basketball Playoffs 12:30 pm; Baptism 12:45 pm; Doors Open for Bingo 12:30 pm, 1st Game Called at 2:00 pm; BSA Troop 161 Committee Meeting 6:00 pm

*The Flowers at the Blessed Mother Altar
and Our Lady's Floral Rosary are
In Memory of Frances Cronan
Requested by Vincent Cronan and Family*

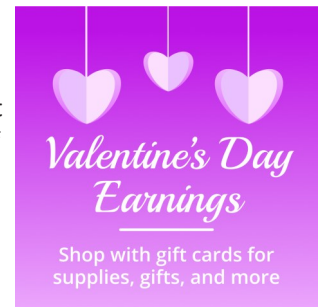


In stock gift cards for Giant, Redner's, Weis, Sheetz, and Walmart are available for purchase after all weekend Masses in the main vestibule.

Upcoming special order dates are: February 4 & 18. Orders must be received by 1:00 pm and will be available for pick up the Thursday after the Order Date and then before/after Masses that weekend.

- Shine bright and shop for Valentine's Day at Kendra Scott - eGift cards available in \$50 and \$100 amounts.
- Earnings for Petco gift cards have increased from 5% to 9% eGift cards and \$25 physical gift cards are available.
- Physical gift cards are now available from Chewy in \$25 and \$100 amounts, in addition to existing eGift cards available in \$5-\$500 amounts.

Here are some ways you can earn money for the parish and/or your tuition account with gift cards every day without a lot of extra planning. All you have to do is use gift cards to buy common items like these:



Daily coffee runs: Coffee, tea, bagel, pastry? Whatever your guilty pleasure is, enjoy it knowing you're earning a little something special.

Streaming services: As temperatures start dropping, get cozy on the couch with your favorite flicks. Watch some new releases or enjoy your go-to TV shows.

Buy gift cards for all your everyday shopping on the Raise Right mobile app or website. You can search by brand or filter your search by category to see all of the gift cards available!

If you have any questions regarding the Angel Earnings program, please contact Anne Malinowski at amalinowski@hgaparish.com or call 610-921-2729, ext. 2216.

SERVER/LECTOR/EM SCHEDULE - FEBRUARY 3 & 4

	4:00 pm	8:00 am	9:45 am	11:30 am
Servers	Christian Hendrix Noah Hendrix Sam Moody	William Johns Lia Martina Laceda Sophia Lezette	Dane Prechtl Marcus Rundle Vincent Tartaglia	Matthew Glembocki Diego Gonzalez Mikaela Schmeck
Lector	Sr. Mary Ann	Fran Krotulski	Jim Harper	Marianne Hertzog
EM	Maryellen LaSota Walt LaSota	Patrick Holland Frank Legenza	Diane Choiniere Denise LeVan	Kelli Glembocki Martha Weida

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Monday, Jan. 29, 2024 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13 Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Mk 5:1-20
 Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2024 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3 Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Mk 5:21-43
 Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2024 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 Mk 6:1-6 St. John Bosco, Priest
 Thursday, Feb. 1, 2024 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12 1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd Mk 6:7-13
 Friday, Feb. 2, 2024 Mal 3:1-4 Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22-32 The Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas Day)
 Saturday, Feb. 3, 2024 1 Kgs 3:4-13 Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 Mk 6:30-34 St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, St. Ansgar, Bishop
 Sunday, Feb. 4, 2024 Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 Mk 1:29-39

Please continue to keep Fr. Camilli in your prayers during his recovery. If you would like to send a note or card to Fr. Camilli, you may send it to:

Sacred Heart Villa
 3300 Station Ave.
 Center Valley, PA 18034
 Attn: Fr. E. Michael Camilli

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STEWARDSHIP	JANUARY 21
WEEKLY	\$7,423.00
LOOSE	\$509.00
CANDLES	\$277.00
EMERGENCY	\$81.00
MAINTENANCE	\$423.00
MORTGAGE	\$80.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$3,128.00
CATHOLIC RELIEF	\$1,819.00
OTHER	\$32.00
TOTAL	\$13,772.00

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson Deuteronomy 18: 15-20; 1 Corinthians 7: 32-35; Mark 1: 21-28

Even if you must endure loud movie trailers to learn it, all the so-called “Superheroes” in the movie world use flash and bang against their enemies. This comes after all the spoken warnings to behave better are ignored. So, we see bolts of lightning and hear ear-piercing noise as the evil figures are either vaporized or otherwise dismissed from the scene. Of course, we innocent viewers know that all this ammunition lends authority to the “good guys” when they speak. It’s that authority I choose to focus on in another context.

Twenty plus centuries ago, we Christians believed that a Person with truly omnipotent ability strode this earth with the name “Jesus of Nazareth.” He never exercised His power in a noisy burst of electricity. Instead, as when He calmed the raging sea in a wicked storm, or when He gave an evil spirit the order to leave a possessed person, He simply spoke a simple command. Naturally His voice would be raised over the roiling waters so that the frightened fishermen in the boat would hear Him. But usually, He used a calm command.

These two examples, among many others recounted in the Bible, were the bases for His authority when He taught. As we are told, He “amazed” everybody. So much so that they asked each other, “What is this? A new teaching with authority?”

Right at this junction a penetrating question for our confused times arises: “Do we dare question Christ’s authority?” “Doubt His teaching on any number of subjects just because they are not fashionable right now?” “Ignore the interpretation given to them by the Church He founded and which He promised to abide by?” Those questions we must ask ourselves because all around us are people whom we might otherwise consider “nice” but who have decided to answer “Yes.” Two thousand plus years ago people called “pagans” couldn’t or wouldn’t agree with Jesus. Today’s contemporary atheists make the same response.

It is a good and healthy exercise for our spiritual well-being to reflect on today’s Gospel passage to note how quickly evil spirits had to flee in obedience to Christ’s command. This is our solace when temptations of all kinds come to haunt us.

Meanwhile, we can add in how Christ works His authoritative message into our world. St. Teresa of Avila gives us the answer: “Christ has no body on earth but yours; No hands but yours; No feet but yours; Yours are the eyes through which He is to look out Christ’s compassion to the world; Yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good; Yours the hands with which He is to bless now.” God love you and give you His peace.

The St. Vincent de Paul Weekly News

VALENTINES FOR SENIORS & SHUT-INS

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is helping you spread love this Valentine's Day!

Do you know a senior or shut-in who would enjoy receiving a special treat for Valentine's Day? Names of relatives and friends will be collected after all masses the weekend of January 27 & 28 and February 3 & 4.



Treats and cards will be available for pick-up after all masses February 10 & 11 or delivered on Wednesday, February 14. Information can also be emailed to svdp@hgaparish.com.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is here for you!



Our parishioners have consistently supported our efforts to address the needs of others; however, we hope and pray that parishioners in need will reach out to us so that we may be of service to them as well. Please communicate with us through the parish website, or call 610-921-2729 (Option 4, then Option 1) if you are in need of food or assistance. All communications are strictly confidential.

2024 Meeting Dates - 12:45 pm
Rectory Basement Meeting Room
 May 19, July 21, Sept., 22, Nov., 17



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Saint John Bosco: Mission to Love

Flavio Insinna gives a winning performance as John Bosco, the great priest and educator of youth. Beautifully filmed in Italy, this epic movie dramatizes the many challenges that he had to overcome from his childhood all the way to founding his religious order.



Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.

THIS WEEKEND there will be a special collection for **The Barrett/Hartgen Memorial Catholic Education Scholarship and the Berks Catholic High School Scholarship.**

HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS REGIONAL SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

Any student who is registered at Holy Guardian Angels Parish for at least one year and is an active member of the parish is eligible to apply for a one-year partial scholarship of \$1,000 to be applied directly toward the next year's tuition at Holy Guardian Angels Regional School (Four students will be awarded a \$750 scholarship. Two students currently in Catholic education and two transferring from public education).

THE BERKS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

Any student who is registered at Holy Guardian Angels Parish for at least one year and is an active member of the parish is eligible to apply for a one-year partial scholarship of \$1,000 to be applied directly toward the next year's tuition at Berks Catholic High School through FACTS. (Two students will be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship. One student currently in Catholic education and one transferring from public education.)

Children of full-time Catholic school teachers in the Diocese of Allentown are NOT eligible.

Catholic Resource of the Week

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LAST CALL!

HGA School Cougar Cash 50/50 Raffle



Drawing: Live on Facebook, Friday, February 2, 2024 at 1:00 pm

Scan the QR code or visit www.holyguardianangelsregionalschool.square.site. You may also purchase tickets at the school office Monday, January 29th from 8:30 am - 2:00 pm. Cash or checks accepted. Please make checks payable to HGA. Deadline for purchasing tickets is Monday, January 29, 2024.

1 Ticket for \$5

5 Tickets for \$20

30 Tickets for \$100

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Holy Guardian Angels Regional School



QUESTION
If you concentrate on prayer, faith and how much Jesus loves you, you are unable to concentrate on worry and fears, correct?
THINK ABOUT IT

First Friday Devotions Friday, February 2, 2024

- 7:00 am Exposition
- 7:00-7:40 am Confessions
- 7:45 am Benediction
- 8:00 am Daily Mass



The weekend of February 10 & 11, there will be a special collection to support our Parish Youth Ministries. Please help us make sure that our young people have the funds available to fully participate in the ministries of our parish and the larger church. We are most grateful for your support!

Videos & voting is now live for Cooks with Collars 2024! Remember - all voting proceeds remain with our parish! The goal is to raise at least \$17,000 to cover the costs for repairing and restoring the walkways and bricks around the front of our Church and the curbs, ramp, and sidewalks on the Chapel-side entrance. The repairs are needed for everyone's safety. Scan the QR code or visit www.cookswithcollars.org to vote today! Votes may also be dropped off or mailed to the rectory, or placed in the collection basket. Thank you for your support in this fun competition.



P.S. Father Hoffa really, really, really wants to win this year!

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for revealing Christ's love to those who are poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationacollections for more information. #iGiveCatholicTogether also accepts donations for this collection (usccb.igivecatholictogether.org)



Would you like to volunteer?

Call us today! We need you! ©JPPC

We are always looking for new volunteers! From BINGO to Lent which is just around the corner, dinners, mailings, the Spring Craft Fair, and more. Would you like to volunteer? Please contact Tricia Christ at tchrist@hgaparish.com or call 610-921-2729, ext. 2202 to talk about what you would like to be a part of! Below are just some of the current volunteer needs.

Fish Dinner 2/16, Lenten Dinner, 3/8, Good Friday Fish Dinner 3/29

Spring Craft Bazaar - March 15 & 16 - various times & tasks available, Bake Sale Donations, Mailing Preparation

The PREP program is in need of help for managing gym time and aids for our awesome catechists! The PREP program continues to grow - so more help is always welcome.

Would you like to help keep our church clean and beautiful each week and for special occasions? Please let us know.

SUNDAY BINGO! JANUARY 28th

DOORS OPEN 12:30. 1ST GAME CALLED 2:00 PM

Come join us for a fun-filled afternoon of BINGO! Enjoy a fast-paced program with specials and other surprises, rip tickets, and door prizes! Food & drink is available for purchase. Player packs are \$20 & \$25. Kids play pack \$10.



The progressive jackpot on January 28 will be \$750!



Are you missing calls from Father Hoffa?

If you are not signed up for Parish Cast, please contact Tricia Christ at 610-921-2729, ext. 2202 to make sure your contact information is included in the next call! Also, if your information has recently changed, please let us know that as well.

Thank you.



SAYE THE DATE!

Saturday, March 16, 2024 * 9am-2pm

Crafters * Shopping * Food * Raffles

Be a Vendor: hgacrafts@hgaparish.com



HAPPY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2024!

Please come to the Annual Open House and State of the School to kick off Catholic Schools Week on Sunday, January 28 from 11 a.m.-

1p.m. All are welcome to visit our amazing school!

New Student Registration for the 2024-2025 school year is now open! If you are

interested in learning more about joining our amazing family, please email Head of

School, Kelly Prechtel at kelpre@hgaschool.org to set up a tour today!



Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

We hope you will consider donating to support our Catholic Schools Week Service Project: A Food Drive for St. Joseph's Pantry from Jan. 22-Feb. 5. Donations can be dropped off at HGA Regional School from Monday, January 22- Monday, February 5 from 8:15am-3:15pm (Monday-Friday).

COUGAR CASH!

Our HGA Regional School Cougar Cash 50/50 Raffle Sale has begun! Last year's winner won nearly \$4,500! Visit holyguardianangelsregionalschool.square.site to purchase your tickets to support our wonderful students!

Join us on our Facebook page for a live drawing on Friday, February 2, 2024 at 1:00 pm.

Saturday, April 6 is our Home and School Association Ladies Night Out Designer Bag Bingo!

Doors open at 6pm

First Game 7pm

\$25/ticket will include 25 games

Special Games, 50/50, Raffles

21+ event

Visit holyguardianangelsregionalschool.square.site to purchase your tickets! Advanced tickets only.

Upcoming EVENTS

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK BEGINS
OPEN HOUSE & STATE OF THE SCHOOL

January 28

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK FAMILY NIGHT

January 30

SYMBOLON (RCIA) - MAKE UP CLASS

January 30

CULTURE OF LIFE MEETING

February 1

FIRST FRIDAY

February 2

TALENT SHOW

February 2

LIFELINE BABY BOTTLE DISTRIBUTION

February 3 & 4

HEALING MASS

February 7

DONUT PICK UP DAY

February 12

VALENTINE'S DAY LOTTERY

February 14

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 14

FRIDAY FISH DINNER

February 16



Knight News! The Knights of Columbus Rosary Rally will be held the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30 pm in the Chapel. The next date will be Wednesday February 7, 2024. The next Knights of Columbus Meeting is Wednesday, February 21st at 7:00 pm in the Rectory Basement Meeting Room.

Winter Catechetical Series



Join us on
Tuesday, Jan. 30th!
Topic: The Eucharist:
Source & Summit of
Christian Life

Rectory Basement Meeting Room
6:30 pm
No RSVP Needed.

LENT
SPEAKER SERIES ON

THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST

"HEALING" BY MAGGIE RIGGINS
FEB 19 - OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL, ROSETO

"PRESENCE" BY LILLIAN FALLON
FEB 26 - ST. AMBROSE, SCHUYLKILL HAVEN

"SACRIFICE" BY ROBERT JOHNSON
MARCH 4 - ST. CATHARINE OF SIENA, READING

"MEAL" BY KRISTIN OSENBACH
MARCH 11 - SS. PETER AND PAUL, LEHIGHTON

"HOLY" BY FR. JOHN TRIGILIO
MARCH 18 - ST. CATHARINE OF SIENA, ALLENTOWN

The Catholic Writers Guild is hosting their annual online writing conference February 23-24. It features presentations on faith and writing, chances to meet fellow authors, and opportunities to pitch to Catholic publishers like Ave Maria and Chrism Press. It's totally online—no travel!—and costs \$60. Learn more at <https://catholicwritersguild.org/>


Any homebound parishioner, or family member of a homebound parishioner who would like to receive the weekly bulletin, please contact the Church Office at 610-921-2729, ext. 2200.

Because We are Catholic

Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal

Many thanks to those who have made a pledge to the Because We are Catholic Annual Appeal. Your gift will allow our Diocese to meet the many and varied needs of people in our community. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how big or small. If you did not take the opportunity to make your gift, you may do so at any time over the next few weeks by placing your pledge form in the collection basket or visiting the Appeal website at BecauseWeAreCatholic.org. Thank you for your support.

Prayer Shawl Ministry



KNIT. CROCHET. PRAY.

HGA's Prayer Shawl Ministry will provide shawls or lap blankets to anyone who would like one; they do not have to be a member of our parish. If you know someone who would like the comfort of a shawl or lap blanket, please contact Pat Hansbury (at 610-698-4327/ phansbury16@gmail.com) or Barbara Aregood (610-939-0886 or email rgba5965#comcast.net).

Who wants to go on Pilgrimage to Ireland in 2024?



Join Father Hoffa on a 10-day trip to Ireland from October 6-15, 2024 for \$4,999.00 including airfare from anywhere in the U.S.

- Galway • Our Lady of Knock • Cliffs of Moher Killarney
- Dingle Peninsula • Dublin

If you have any questions or would like to learn more about this trip, please contact Father Hoffa via email at ahoffa@hgaparish.com or call 610-921-2729, ext. 2205.

The Polish American Heritage Association of Berks County is accepting memberships for 2024.

Part of our mission is to promote and to share public awareness and appreciation of our Polish heritage through cultural, educational and social activities. IF INTERESTED, please contact Marilyn Wlazewski, President, at 610-779-5523.

BULLETIN SUBMISSION INFORMATION

All submissions for the bulletin must be received by 12:00 Noon the Monday before the bulletin is to be published. For example, to have an item published in the January 28th Bulletin - information must be submitted by Monday, January 22nd at 12:00 Noon.

Bulletin submissions should be sent to Tricia Christ at tchrist@hgaparish.com. Please submit information in plain text in a word document or in the body of the email along with the date(s) you would like the information to be published.

If you would like to discuss your submission or have any questions, please contact Tricia at 610-921-2729, ext. 2202 or email at tchrist@hgaparish.com.

Nocturnal Adoration and Devotions in Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held on a monthly basis from now on at St. Paul's Church on N. 9th & Walnut Streets.

The one-hour adoration will be held on First Friday, February 2, 2024, from 4:00 to 5:00 pm. Church parking is available, enter from Walnut Street. All are welcome! **Please note:** we will no longer be rotating parishes.




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Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties, or crises.

The next program begins the weekend of February 16-18, 2024 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.