



MASS SCHEDULE

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Daily – Monday through Friday 8:00 am

Confessions – Saturday 4:15-4:45 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 – Monday-Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm & Fridays 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Mission Statement

"We, the parishioners of Holy Guardian Angels Parish united with the Catholic Church throughout the world, proclaim our belief in the message and mission of Jesus Christ. With the help of our Guardian Angels, we seek to live out that belief as a community of sacred worship, apostolic faith, and generous service where each member shares with others their God-given gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

New Members

Welcome to Holy Guardian Angels! Please call the Parish Office in order to register in our parish, or stop in during office hours. Please notify the office if you change your address or move away.

Communion Calls

Any shut-in parishioner who would like a monthly visit with Holy Communion should call the Rectory at 610-921-2729 to be added to the Communion Call List.

Bulletin Submissions

Deadline for submissions for Bulletin - Monday Noon. Please email notices to bulletin@hgaparish.com.

Ministry to the Sick - Anointing of the Sick

Visits to the hospital are made on a regular basis. Please notify the Parish Office when a parishioner is in the hospital or home and would like to receive communion or anointing of the sick. *The Sacrament of the Sick is available to all in need of healing.* PLEASE DO NOT WAIT until death is imminent to offer your loved one this grace. Visits can also be made to those parishioners who are homebound and would like to receive communion by Eucharistic Ministers or Fr. Hoffa..

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.

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

SCAN ME

MASS Intentions

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

Monday, April 15

8:00 am Holy Name Society

Tuesday, April 16

8:00 am Peggy Farren, requested by the Christ Family

Wednesday, April 17

8:00 am Larry Englert, requested by wife, Nancy

Thursday, April 18

8:00 am Mary Ann Golub, requested by Lisa Wood

Friday, April 19

8:00 am Thomas E. Trainor, Sr., requested by Cathie and Tony Wiencek

9:30 am (School Mass) Joe and Ann Jablonski, requested by Jablonski family

Sunday, April 21

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Saturday

5:00 pm Vigil (Live-Stream) Richard M. Kostival, Rocky and Mary Guidotto

Sunday

8:00 am Tiffany Brightbill, requested by husband, Keith, and children

9:45 am Antonio Campitelli, requested Dolly Natale

11:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners

SANCTUARY LAMP & CANDLE INTENTIONS **Week of April 14, 2024**

Sanctuary Lamp in Church: Living and Deceased Parishioners. **Sanctuary Candle in Chapel:** Living and Deceased Parishioners. **Blessed Mother Candles:** In Memory of Peggy Farren requested by Tricia Christ. **St. Joseph Candles:** In Memory of Chester, Jean and Michael Dziedzic requested by family; In Memory of John Dziedzic, Sr. requested by family. **Guardian Angels:** 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 First Book of Maccabees

The name Maccabee, probably meaning "hammer," is actually applied in the Books of Maccabees to only one man, Judas, third son of the priest Mattathias and first leader of the revolt against the Seleucid kings who persecuted the Jews. Traditionally the name has come to be extended to the brothers of Judas, his supporters, and even to other Jewish heroes of the period, such as the seven brothers.

The two Books of Maccabees contain independent accounts of events (in part identical) that accompanied the attempted suppression of Judaism in Palestine in the second century B.C. The vigorous reaction to this attempt established for a time the religious and political independence of the Jews.

First Maccabees was written about 100 B.C., in Hebrew, but the original has not come down to us. Instead, we have an early, pre-Christian, Greek translation full of Hebrew idioms. The author, probably a Palestinian Jew, is unknown. He was familiar with the traditions and sacred books of his people and had access to much reliable information on their recent history. He may well have played some part in it himself in his youth. His purpose in writing is to record the deliverance of Israel that God worked through the family of Mattathias, especially through his three sons, Judas, Jonathan, and Simon, and his grandson, John Hyrcanus. The writer compares their virtues and their exploits with those of Israel's ancient heroes, the Judges, Samuel, and David.

The doctrine expressed in the book is the customary belief of Israel. The people of Israel have been specially chosen by the one true God as covenant-partner, and they alone are privileged to know and worship God, their eternal benefactor and unfailing source of help. The people, in turn, must worship the Lord alone and observe exactly the precepts of the law given to them. The rededication of the Jerusalem Temple described is the origin of the Jewish feast of Hanukkah.

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, John Gaetani, Sadie West, Justin Shiffer, Giancarlo Diaz, Susan Janney, Julia Shemanski. Kira Christman; Mary Lou Faller, Richard Christ, Paul Dawson. **Names will remain on the list for one month.**



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, April 14 - Mass 8:00 am, 9:45 am, and 11:30 am; Confession 7:15 am, 9:20 am, and 11:05 am; PREP 8:15 am.

Monday, April 15 - Mass 8:00; CYO Track & Field Practice 5:30 pm; Penn Playmakers Basketball 6:00 pm; Girl Scouts Meeting 6:30 pm

Tuesday, April 16 - Mass 8:00 am; Adult Rec Basketball 7:00 pm

Wednesday, April 17 - Mass 8:00 am; Adoration 8:30 am to Benediction at 6:00 pm; Confession 8:30 am & 5:15 pm; Penn Playmakers Basketball 6:00 pm; Knights of Columbus Mtg. 6:00 pm; Pen 2 Paper Meeting 6:30 pm

Thursday, April 18 - Mass 8:00 am; Penn Playmakers Basketball 6:00 pm; Hope, Grace and Adulthood 6:00 pm; BSA Troop 161 Meeting 6:30 pm; Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm; Legion of Mary 6:30 pm

Friday, April 19 - Mass 8:00 am; School Mass 9:30 am; Meatball Making with Momma Mae & Friends 6:00 pm; LCCSA Meeting 8:00 pm

Saturday, April 20 - Diocesan Spanish Theology and Ministerial Program 8:00 am; 1st Holy Communion Retreat 9:00 am; Spaghetti Supper Take Out 4:30, Dine in 5:30 pm; Confession 4:15 pm; Vigil Mass 5:00 pm (live-streamed)

Sunday, April 21 - Mass 8:00 am, 9:45 am, and 11:30 am; Confession 7:15 am, 9:20 am, and 11:05 am; Baptism 12:45 pm; BINGO Doors Open 12:30, 1st Game 2:00 pm; Cub Scouts Pack 161 5:00 pm

View the Master Calendar at any time on the website www.hgaparish.com and click on "Calendar"



Special order date: April 21. Orders must be received by 1:00 pm and will be available for pick up the Thursday after the Order Date and then after Masses that weekend.

We are in need of a few new volunteers to help at the Angel Earnings counter before/after weekend Masses. Please contact Anne Malinowski at 610-921-2729, ext. 2216 or amalinowski@hgaparish.com if interested.

NEW BRAND ALERT!

HARRY'S! Available in amount between \$20-\$100. Tired of overpaying for razors? Shop eGift-Cards from new brand Harry's to earn 4%, then browse high-quality shave products, body care, and more, or get everything you need in one starter set.

NEW BRAND: EARN 4%

HARRY'S

RUE 21 - EARN 6%. Get the trends you want with prices and earnings you'll love at rue21. Shop new eGift cards with 6% earnings, then get inspired to look good, feel good, and be confident in looks that fit every budget.

Are you using the RaiseRight App? It's the easiest way to order gift cards on the go and to reload gift cards you already have! Scan the QR code to get started!

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.



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SERVER/LECTOR/EM SCHEDULE - APRIL 20-21

	5:00 pm	8:00 am	9:45 am	11:30 am
Servers	Madelyn Glessner Patrick Manczak Meredith Swavely	Nate Holland Samantha Holland Sara Holland	Elijah Kopp Marcus Rundle Cody Toplak	Collin Kroenig Evan Kroenig Dane Precht
Lector	Rozanne Thompson	Caroline Reber	Carolyn Toplak	Anne Malinowski
EM	Mark Semprini Tina Semprini	George Lehman Frank Ligenza	Jennifer Toplak Cathie Wiencek	Georjean Jones Martha Weida



REMINDER! Save your spot for Meatball Making with Momma Mae & Friends, Friday, April 19th at 6:00 pm. Only 50 tickets will be sold for this fun night out - a little wine... a lot of meatballs! Be sure to get your Spaghetti Supper orders in as well! Pick up a paper form at all church entrances or visit www.hgaparish.com to order online!

LAST WEEK *Collection* ©JPPC

STEWARDSHIP	APRIL 7
WEEKLY	\$11,561.75
LOOSE	\$1,076.25
CANDLES	\$375.50
EMERGENCY	\$507.00
MORTGAGE	\$135.00
MAINTENANCE	\$97.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$3,092.00
EASTER	\$3,465.00
OTHER	\$182.00
TOTAL	\$20,491.50

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Our spiritual lives could well be described as the placing of “mind over matter.” The matter is our activity, such as the plans we make, or the career we pursue. But over and above all that is our purpose. What, in short, is our goal?

An earthbound example of action and goal would be that of the two teams in a “Super Bowl” such as we watched two months ago in the company of millions. Every play that each team made was aimed at the goal of being world champions of football.

We too should be involved in the pursuit of a goal. If not, we are in danger of having no reason to get up in the morning, and that would be tragic in itself. Our goal as Catholics is our eternal salvation. That places us squarely in a competition not of our own making. That between good and evil. Both sides want us and pull at us for their triumph over our souls. This struggle is “super” in the sense that it is “above” all else in the human project.

The resurrection of Christ our Savior clearly presents us with the goal of sharing in His victory over sin and death. In His struggle with all that afflicts us in human life we find mirrored our own. But since we live in Christ and He lives in us, we have our own victory guaranteed unless we cave in to sin. Unless we change our purpose to some earthbound goal that has nothing to do with God and everything to do with our decision about what is worthwhile.

Christ’s love of us is so inviting. So powerful an antidote to that “upside down” kind of thinking that our life is all about us instead of all about God and our relationship with Him. Prayer and the sacraments, especially that of the Holy Eucharist, help us to maintain “right side up” thinking. And deep peace.

There is a story from the Middle Ages about a young woman who was expelled from heaven. As she left, she was told that if she would bring back the gift that is most valued by God, she would be welcomed back. She brought back drops of blood from a dying patriot. She brought back some coins that a destitute widow had given to the poor. She brought back a remnant of a Bible that had been used for years by an eminent preacher. She brought back many similar things but was turned back repeatedly.

One day she saw a small boy playing by a fountain. A man rode up on horseback and dismounted to take a drink. The man saw the child and suddenly remembered his boyhood innocence. Then, looking in the fountain and seeing the reflection of his hardened face, he realized what he had done with his life. And tears of repentance welled up in his eyes and began to trickle down his cheeks. The young woman took one of those tears back to heaven and was received with joy and love.

God love you and give you His Easter peace.

The St. Vincent de Paul Weekly News

SERVING UP AN EASTER MEAL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul once again provided Easter Heat-N-Eats, a hearty meal of ham, macaroni & cheese, green beans, applesauce, roll, and dessert to 552 individuals throughout Berks County. Thank you to those volunteers who helped pack and deliver, providing not only food but also love & hope to those in need.

STOCKING THE SHELVES IN APRIL – Pantry Staples

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is grateful for your continuous support of our mission. Your generosity makes a difference in our community and in the lives of those we serve. During the month of April, we are focusing on the following urgent needs requested:

- Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Shelf Stable Whole Milk
- Evaporated/Condensed Milk
- Oatmeal – single serve packets and family size



Donations can be dropped at the Kiosk stations located at all church entrances.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Monday Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30
Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday Acts 7:51-8:1a Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b
and 8a, 17 and 21ab Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a Jn
6:35-40

Thursday Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn
6:44-51

Friday Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Jn 6:52-59

Saturday Acts 9:31-42 Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-
17 Jn 6:60-69

Sunday Acts 4:8-12 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28,
29 1 Jn 3:1-2 Jn 10:11-18

**The next Knights
of Columbus
meeting will be
on Wednesday,
April 17th at 6:00
pm in the Rectory Attic Meeting
Room.**



**Knights of
Columbus®**

**Interested in becoming a Knight?
Please contact Mike Rusak via email
to koc14847@hgaparish.com.**

Upcoming EVENTS

**MEATBALL MAKING
& SPAGHETTI SUPPER**
April 19 & 20

PEN TO PAPER MEETING
April 24

DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC PREACHER EVENT
April 28 & 29

NJ & NYC SHRINE HOP
May 2

A NITE AT THE RACES
May 4

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
May 11

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
May 14

MEMORIAL DAY OUTDOOR MASS
May 27

SUNDAY BINGO at HGA
NEXT BINGO - SUNDAY
APRIL 21st
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 Diocesan Pilgrimage Committee
Announces Plans for 2024-2025! Save the Dates!

A Local Diocesan Pilgrimage has been planned for September of 2024 at the National Centre for Padre Pio in Barto, PA. Please save the dates for Thursday, September 19, 2024 (High Schools), Friday, September 20, 2024 (English), and Saturday, September 28, 2024 (Spanish). The Pilgrimage Committee is actively working on planning future local pilgrimages for the faithful.



The Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., will be on Tuesday, October 7, 2025, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. The Diocesan Pilgrimage tradition to Mary's House is typically held every four years. More information will be forthcoming for individuals, parishes, and schools.

Reservations are now open for the Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Italy with Bishop Schlert & Father Hoffa - Tuesday, March 25, 2025 - Saturday, April 3, 2025. The first Diocese of Allentown International Pilgrimage will "Follow the Footsteps of Saints Peter and Paul" through Florence, Assisi, and Rome. To sign up for the Jubilee Year Pilgrimage, please contact Father Allen Hoffa, directly at ahoffa@allentowndiocese.org or 610-921-2729, ext. 2205.

Pray with the Pope - April - For The Role Of Women

Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world. For more information visit www.praywiththepope.net.



SAVE THE DATES FOR ANGEL FEST 2024
FRIDAY, JUNE 14 & SATURDAY, JUNE 15



BUNCHAFUNK WILL BE BACK FOR SATURDAY NIGHT!

For sponsorship information, please contact Anne Malinowski at 610-921-2729, ext. 2216 or email amalinowski@hgaparish.com.

For volunteer opportunities, please contact Kari Mallozzi at 610-921-2729, ext. 2203

HOPE, GRACE AND ADULTING



JOIN US FOR HGA'S YOUNG ADULT NIGHT!

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2024 600PM AT THE RECTORY

BREAKFAST FOR DINNER!

All young adults (ages 21-35) - please join us for HGA's monthly young adult gathering! Grow in Faith and holiness; and eat, drink, learn & laugh! It is a casual and relaxed opportunity to discuss life as a young adult and a member of Christ's Church.

Space is limited! Please RSVP to Kylie Johns at 610-781-0384 or youngadults@hgaparish.com to let us know you are attending.

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

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR A NIGHT AT THE RACES SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024



HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS A NIGHT AT THE RACES

No tickets for the Kentucky Derby? Join us for a Night at the Races - it's a Great Time!
Join us for an evening of fun and friendly wagers while supporting our Parish.
Bet on the ponies and try your luck on rip-off tickets! This event is a BYOB/BYOF event so gather your friends and bring your favorite Kentucky Derby fares & drinks. Hats & bowties optional!

WWW.HGAPARISH.COM FOR TICKETS!

\$20 TICKET - PRESALE
\$25 - AT THE DOOR
OWN A HORSE - \$20



DIOCESAN YOUTH RETREAT NIGHT

"A Mystery to be
Believed, Celebrated, & Lived"

APRIL | 28th | 2024

6:30-8pm - ADORATION
7pm - PRESENTATION

HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH
3121 KUTZTOWN RD, READING, PA 19605

OUR SPEAKER:

Fr. Patrick Baikauskas is a Dominican Friar and Director of the Center for Community Engagement and Evangelization at the Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis, MO.

Please RSVP
by April 23



EUCCHARISTIC PREACHER EVENT

"A Mystery to be
Believed, Celebrated, & Lived"

APRIL | 29th | 2024

6-7pm - ADORATION
7pm - PRESENTATION

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3121 KUTZTOWN RD, READING, PA 19605

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Please RSVP
by April 23





Join us at our next Dine Out Event on Wednesday, April 24 from 4-8pm at Chipotle (5th Street Highway Muhlenberg Location). Show our flier or use the online code LVARGTK to support our school! Thank you in advance.

The Home and School Association is hosting an HGA Family and Friends Night at the Reading Fightin Phils on Friday, April 26 at 6:45pm Tickets can be purchased at <https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Holyguardian8>. We hope you can join us!

Kindergarten Registration for the 2024-2025 school 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!

Come work with our amazing School Family! We are accepting applications for Daily Substitutes for Grades PreK-8th. Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, resume, and all certifications and clearances via email to kelpre@hgaschool.org.

Immediate Help Needed at John Paul II Center for Special Learning, Shillington

Substitute Nurse

The John Paul II Center for Special Learning is in immediate need of a substitute nurse to assist with school related responsibilities and to administer daily medications. This is a part time position three to four days per week from 9 to 2:30. Looking for an immediate start date and continue through June 6, 2024. LPN or RN with time, dates and salary negotiable.



Direct Support Professionals

The John Paul II Center for Special Learning is looking for individuals to join our staff as Direct Support Professionals for the Center's Adult Program. This is a perfect job for retired teachers, empty nesters and recent graduates looking for a vocation to serve the Lord through service to others. Hours are 8:00 to 3:00, Monday Through Friday, year round.

Speech and Language Therapist needed for 2024-2025 school year.

John Paul II Center for Special Learning is looking to hire a full or part time Speech Language Therapist to provide speech/language therapy for our school age students with Intellectual Disabilities. Perfect opportunity for recently retired SLP, recent graduates or an SLP looking for a fresh start in a small, family oriented, caring, Christian community.

For additional information and to request an interview call 610-777-0605.



PREP dates for April are Sunday, April 14 and 28th. Thank you to all of the catechists, volunteers, parents, and students for continuing to make this year of Religious Education, fulfilling, faithful, and fun!

We are already prepping for next year & are looking for new team members including catechists, gym helpers, and greeters! Please contact Kari Mallozzi, Director of Religious Education at 610-921-2729, ext. 2203 or kmallozzi@hgaparish.com to talk about how you can be a part of the PREP team!



Save the Date! Vacation Bible School August 12 - 15, 2024

More information to follow! If you are interested in volunteering for VBS - please contact Kari Mallozzi at 610-921-2729, ext. 2203 or kmallozzi@hgaparish.com.

A Spiritual Bouquet for Mother's Day!

Honor and remember your mother, wife, grandmother, mother-in-law, godmother, sister, aunt, daughter, or friend this Mother's Day.

Mother's Day Spiritual Intention Cards (for the living) and Mother's Day Mass Remembrance Envelopes (for the deceased) will be available on the Church windowsills beginning the weekend of April 14. Either may also be picked up at the Rectory during regular business hours (Monday-Thursday 9am-4pm and Friday 9am-12pm).



Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet

Dear Father: Please remember _____ ☐ Living ☐ Deceased so that she may share in the Spiritual Benefits offered in this Church in observance of Mother's Day.

☐ Mother ☐ Grandmother ☐ Godmother ☐ Aunt ☐ Friend
☐ Wife ☐ Mother-in-Law ☐ Sister ☐ Daughter ☐ Other _____

My Name _____
 My Address _____
 City _____ Offering \$ _____

Mother's Day Mass Remembrance

PLEASE REMEMBER: _____ ☐ LIVING ☐ DECEASED

REQUESTED BY _____
 ADDRESS _____
 OFFERING \$ _____ ENVELOPE NO. _____

For mothers who are living, please take the larger **"Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet" envelope**. Remove the card and mailing envelope inside to send or give to your mother for Mother's Day. Complete the information requested on the front of the large envelope and return it with your offering to the rectory.

Mother's Day Mass Remembrance Envelopes for the deceased or the Mother's Day Envelopes included in your envelope pack may be completed and returned with your offering to the rectory or in the collection basket.

All returned envelopes for the living and deceased will be placed on the altar in observance of Mother's Day as a spiritual gift of honor and remembrance.

Please make your returns to the rectory by Thursday, May 9, 2024.

If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Toledo, Parish Secretary, at rtoledo@hgaparish.com or 610-921-2729, ext. 2200.



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 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.



CARMELITE SPIRITUALITY

Do you feel drawn to Carmelite Spirituality or love reading the works of the Carmelite Saints? The Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites meet at Sacred Heart Church in West Reading, PA and are having meetings for visitors who feel they may be interested in Carmel on May 19th and June 23rd at 12:45 PM. At Sacred Heart in West Reading. If you are interested in attending or might have any questions, please contact Rozanne Thompson at 610-406-3350 or Juanita Morales at 610-451-4812.

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