



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil – 5:00 pm | ***Sunday*** – 8:00, 9:45 & 11:30 am

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 am & 5:30 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 - Monday Noon. Please email notices to baregood@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 and Memorials

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. 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

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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 5:00 pm Vigil Mass are livestreamed on our Facebook page.

Monday, November 5

8:00 am Rico Hernandez, requested by Naomi Hernandez

Tuesday, November 6

8:00 am Thomas Hoffman, requested by David and Lucille DeMarco

Wednesday, November 7

8:00 am Toni Totten, requested by Cathy and Dave DePoister

Thursday, November 8

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:00 am Juanita Ortiz, requested by Yolanda and Jose Ortiz

Friday, November 9

St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

8:00 am Anthony DeLuca, requested by Josephine and Gabriel Coccia

9:30 am (School Mass) June Braun, requested by Nancy Smith

Sunday, November 12

The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Vigil

5:00 pm Martin Kotch, requested by Phyllis Kotch

Sunday

8:00 am Lawrence F. Sacco, Sr., requested by Caroline Reber

9:45 am Holy Name Society

11:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners

SANCTUARY LAMP & CANDLE INTENTIONS Week of November 5, 2023

Sanctuary Lamp in Church: In Memory of Cory Zahand.

Sanctuary Candle in Chapel: Living and Deceased Parishioners. **St. Joseph Candles:** In Memory of John Morawczynski, Sr., requested by the Family; Living and Deceased Parishioners. **Blessed Mother Candles:** In Memory of John C. Tingberg requested by Bernadette Tingberg and family; In Memory of C J.Z. **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

Receiving Communion I

Who can receive Communion in a Catholic church? Let's talk about Catholics.

In order to properly receive Communion, a Catholic must be in a state of grace. This means that the person receiving Communion should not be conscious of any grave, or mortal, sin and have fasted for one hour. If the recipient has committed mortal sin, they should refrain from receiving the Eucharist until after they have gone to the Sacrament of Confession, also called Penance or Reconciliation. If for some grave reason there is no opportunity for the Sacrament of Confession, then the faithful should make a perfect act of contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible. If one has committed venial sins, then confession is not required.

The Church teaches that reception of the Eucharist, along with true repentance, wipes away venial sins. The Church encourages frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance. If a Catholic has committed mortal sin, he or she is required to go to Confession at least once per year. This helps us to get back in a state of grace so that we can once again receive our Blessed Lord in the Holy Eucharist.

For further study: Code of Canon Law –Canon 916,988, 989 + CCC:1385-1387, 1393-1395



John Luppino, Barbara Schwartz,
Pattie Mihalak, Fr. Wm Seifert,
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, Serge Kuschick, Jeff Strader, Joan Adams, John Gaetani, Kirsten Snyder, Robert Brannon, Jennifer Toplak-Sedlacek, George Helms, Giada Caruso, Elaine Egan, Sharon Witman, William Ondich, Marie Scholl, Gene Toplak, Kathy Helms, Dennis Dautrich, Olivia Clark, Melissa Neff, Arlene Kunstek, Robert Keim, Donald Davis, Irvin Lindinger.

Names will remain on the list for one month.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, November 5 - Confession 7:15, 9:20, and 11:05 am; Mass 8:00, 9:45, 11:30 am; PREP 8:15 am; Baptism 12:30 pm; Doors Open for BINGO 12:30 pm, 1st Game Called 2:00 pm; BSA Troop 161 Committee Meeting

Monday, November 6 - Mass 8:00 am; CYO Meeting 6:00 pm; CYO Girls Basketball Practice 6:00 pm; Girl Scouts Meeting 6:30 pm

Tuesday, November 7 - Mass 8:00 am; Culture of Life Meeting 9:30 am; Symbolon Fall Series: The Holy Spirit and the Life of Grace: God's Divine Life Within Us 6:30 pm

Wednesday, November 8 - Mass 8:00 am; Adoration 8:30 am until Benediction at 6:00 pm; Confessions 8:30 am and 5:15 pm; Senior Club Meeting 1:00 pm; CYO Girls Basketball Practice 6:00 pm;

Thursday, November 9 - Mass 8:00 am; Legion of Mary 6:30 pm; Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm; BSA Troop 161 6:30 pm

Friday, November 10 - Mass 8:00 am; School Mass 9:30 am

Saturday, November 11 - Confession 4:15 pm; Vigil Mass (Live-Streamed) 5:00 pm

Sunday, November 12 - Mass 8:00, 9:45, 11:30 am; Confession 7:15, 9:20, and 11:05 am; PREP SUNDAY 8:15 am; Doors Open for BINGO 12:30 pm, 1st Game Called 2:00 pm



The next Knights of Columbus Meeting will be on Wed., Nov. 15 at 7pm in the Rectory Basement Meeting Room.

SAVE THE DATE!
HGA'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CRAFT BAZAAR
SATURDAY, 12/2, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM



Only four more special order dates before Christmas!

- November 12th
- November 26th
- December 3rd
- December 10th – Last chance to order physical gift cards for Christmas!

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.

Not sure what you're craving? Mix It Up! First, earn 6% with gift cards for



EARN 6%
MORE FAVORITES, FLAVORS, AND EARNINGS

Auntie Anne's, Carvel, Cinnabon, Jamba, McAlister's Deli, Moe's Southwest Grill, or Schlotzsky's. Then let your taste buds decide—gift cards are redeemable at over 4,000 participating locations for any of the above brands.

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.



Cub Scout Pack 161 is looking for some new recruits! The Cub Scout program is open to all boys in Kindergarten through 5th Grade. For more information, please contact Bryan Noll at

HGAPACK161@gmail.com.

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.

SERVER/LECTOR/EM SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 11-12

*PLEASE NOTE - THE MINISTERS SCHEDULE REFLECTS THE ORIGINAL SCHEDULE.

IT DOES NOT REFLECT ANY CHANGES MADE AFTER THE TIME THE BULLETIN WAS PUBLISHED

	Sat. 5pm	Sun 8:00 am	9:45 am	11:30 am
Servers	Lia Martina Laceda Mikaela Schmeck Meredith Swavely	Libby Huston Collin Kroenig Evan Kroenig	Dominic Delgado Marcus Rundle Vincent Tartaglia	Carlos Flood Matthew Glembocki Dane Prechtl
Lector	Timothy Ferguson	Anne Carroll	Wendy Freeman	Ann Marie Botch
EM	Anne Marie Ferguson Denise LeVan	Janet Huston George Lehman	Cathy Moyer Cathie Weincek	Lillian Hart Martha Weida

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Monday: Rom 11:29-36; Lk 14:12-14
 Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b; Lk 14:15-24
 Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10; Lk 14:25-33
 Thursday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
 Friday: Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8 St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
 Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk 16:9-15 St. Martin of Tours, Bishop
 Sunday: Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 [13-14]; Mt 25:1-13

Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary Second Collection

This weekend, the second collection at all Diocese of Allentown Masses will support the Campaign for Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary, which has been forming priests to serve in our communities for more than 190 years. Please join this special effort on behalf of our seminarians today and our priests for tomorrow. You can make a gift online at AllentownDiocese.org/scbs.

LAST WEEK *Collection* ©JPPC

STEWARDSHIP	OCTOBER 29
WEEKLY	\$10,470.75
LOOSE	\$750.00
CANDLES	\$90.00
EMERGENCY	\$117.00
MAINTENANCE	\$70.00
MORTGAGE	\$118.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$1,744.00
WORLD MISSIONS	\$299.00
OTHER	\$70.00
TOTAL	\$13,728.75

STOCK THE SHELVES – Giving Hope to Those in Need

The NOVEMBER collection will benefit: Local Food Insecure & St. Joseph’s Food Pantry. Donations include: Canned Goods – vegetables, fruits, beans, chunky-style soup, cereal, rice, peanut butter & jelly, pasta & jarred sauce, and canned chicken and tuna. Thank you, in advance, for your continuous support of this new ongoing program.



Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson Malachi 1: 14b-2:2b, 8-10; 1 Thessalonians 2: 7b-9, 13; Matthew 23:1-12

You need a license these days for so many things. That includes one for driving a car, truck, or bus. For hunting game, fishing for fish, or carrying a pistol, and for so many more of life’s activities. Attached along with the license are bunches of regulations and penalties for ignoring them. But one doesn’t need a license for practicing hypocrisy.

As truth itself, Our Lord was rightly repulsed by any instance of this, especially when He found it among religious leaders of His people. Today He offers a withering critique of the scribes and Pharisees for their hypocrisy.

On another occasion, He had called them “blind guides.”

Today He urges the people in His audience to observe what they teach, but not how they acted. Why? Because “they preach but they do not practice.”

I am at once sorry and ashamed upon pondering those words at the behavior of some of my brother priests who deserve that same rebuke. They brought great harm to many people, especially among the young, by their abuse of them. It remains an ongoing scandal. The late Benedict XVI succinctly described it as “filth” within the Church. It remains one of the devil’s most successful efforts to harm the Church.

But today we hear Our Lord speak so powerfully about hypocrisy that could dwell in you and me. His assessment requires introspection on our parts. Have we, in some way or other, “preached” but not practiced? Have we given the young and not-so-young among us the kind of bad example that threatens their respect and love for the teachings of Christ and His Church? I think we do when we neglect our participation at the Mass, or we speak negatively about the pope or our pastor, who are our spiritual leaders. Our choice of TV shows. Our often-crude language. All habits that invite the young to imitate.

Our Lord offers a remedy; be humble. Recognize that true fidelity to God is shown by service of Him, followed by service to other people. Above all, to practice what you “preach” by your lifestyle.

A father once complained about the amount of time his family spent watching television. His children watched cartoons and neglected school-work. His wife preferred soap operas to housework. His solution?

“As soon as football season’s over, I’m going to pull the plug.” God love you and give you His peace.



HGA Regional School Families, please mark your calendars:

- Winter Service Project: Coat Drive Begins - Monday, November 6
- Veterans Day Mass and Recognition - Friday, November 10
- Cougar Cash 50/50 Raffle Sale Begins - Monday, November 13
- Home and School Association General Meeting - Tues., Nov. 14
- School Closed for Thanksgiving - Wednesday, November 22- Monday, November 27

Current HGA Student Re-Registration for the 2024-2025 School Year: November 1-December 1.

A registration fee of \$120 will be applied to all FACTS accounts on January 15, 2023.

Current Cougars will automatically be re-enrolled to confirm a spot for next school year unless we are notified otherwise. Please email Kelly Prechtel at kelpre@hgaschool.org if you choose not to enroll for the 2024-2025 school year. Enrollment to the public will open on January 1, 2024.

We hope you will consider supporting our HGA Regional School Winter Service Project. We will be collecting clean, gently worn and new coats for our Annual Coat Drive beginning Monday, November 6- Monday, November 20, 2023.

Please join our HGA Regional School Community in honoring our Veterans. We will bless our Veterans at our School Mass on Friday, November 10 at 9:30a.m.



November 12th-PREP SUNDAY @ the 9:45am Mass!

Fall Catechesis Program is every Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the rectory! Please enter through the back door of the rectory. Come join our RCIA candidates as we all continue to learn and grow in our Catholic faith.

Coming Soon to HGA! A Woman's Bible Study for women 35 years of age and older using the *Walking with a Purpose* program. Anyone interested in participating, please call Kari Malloizzi, Director of Religious Education at 610-921-2729, ext. 2203.

Upcoming EVENTS

CULTURE OF LIFE MEETING
November 7

PEN 2 PAPER MEETING
November 15

MEMORIAL MASSES
November 18 & 19

THANKSGIVING PIE PICK UP
November 22

RECTORY CLOSED
November 22 & 23

ADVENT CATECHETICAL SERIES BEGINS
November 29

CHRISTMAS CRAFT BAZAAR
December 2

**The Holy Spirit &
The Life of Grace:
God's Divine Life
Within Us**

Join us - Tuesday, November 7th at 6:30 pm
Rectory Basement Meeting Room
No RSVP Needed!

Endowment for Retired Priests. The Diocese of Allentown is conducting an annual fund called, "Chosen, Blessed, Shared," to support the Endowment for the Care of Retired Priests. All gifts received will be used to support the rising costs of retirement care for those priests in good standing who have faithfully served, and the many who, though retired continue to serve, in our Diocese. Please consider making a donation as part of your yearly giving. ***This is not to be confused*** with our yearly collection for the "National Appeal for Retired Religious" to be held December 8 & 9, 2023. To learn more and to give, visit:

<https://www.allentowndiocese.org/giving/endowment-care-retired-priests>.

Thanksgiving Pie Sale!



Don't forget to order your Thanksgiving Pies! The deadline is Friday, November 17th. Pie pick up will be Wednesday, November 22nd from 3:00 -6:00 pm.


Altar Flowers
The flowers at the foot of the Crucifix and the Floral Rosary are for the intentions of Tyler and Peyton Farina on the occasion of their wedding.

The flowers on either side of the tabernacle are in loving memory of Charles David Woodruff.

The flowers at the Blessed Mother's Altar are in loving memory of Albert F. and Anna May Hendricks.

The flowers at the ambo are in loving memory of Charles R. Farina, Jr.

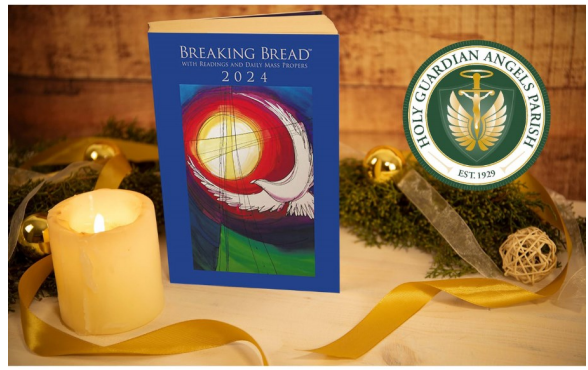
The flowers on either side of the altar are in loving memory of Marco Raymond DeLucio.



Important Notice from Gethsemane Cemetery: Beginning the week of Nov. 13, 2023, we will have our semi-annual grave clean-off at Gethsemane & St. Mary's Cemeteries. **If you have any items on gravesites you wish to keep,** please visit the Cemetery to retrieve the items prior to the week of November 13th. Thank You!

Angelorum, one of the choirs of the Diocese of Allentown, and based out of the Cathedral, is a talented group of women whose blend is angelic and filled with love of God. Their style is a perfect combination of traditional and contemporary, all of it directed toward Our Lord. Their music can be heard on Spotify, Amazon music, and many other streaming sites. Please visit their website at www.angelorumvoices.com, subscribe to their Youtube channel, and follow them on Instagram and Facebook!

Beginning with the First Sunday of Advent, December 3, 2023, we will be using the "Breaking Bread Missal for 2024." These books can be dedicated to any person living or deceased. Why not remember these people, in prayer and in song? Each time you pick up a missal at Mass, please remember to pray for the person or intention that is printed on front cover of the missal. You can sponsor a missal for various occasions: for the deceased, for the sick, as gifts for Confirmation, First Communion, First Penance, Birthdays, special intentions, name days, etc. Please call the Rectory at 610-921-2729, ext. 2200 for more information.



Breaking Bread Missal Memorials!

Advent Day of Prayer- December 9, 2023, 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM. Advent is the time of promise! Join us as we explore the doors that await us during this time of promise. Sr. Nancy Iampietro will guide us as we seek and find the door/doors that call to us to open our hearts. We will follow where God leads, not with certainty but rather to be present where we are. This is the place our God is waiting to meet us; waiting to show us the doors that will incarnate His promise to us. Sr. Nancy is a Missionary Sister of the Precious Blood. She is a Theologian with specialization in Formative Spirituality, and Spiritual Direction, and leadership. To register: call Mariawald Renewal Center at 610-777-0135 or Email: mariawaldcenter@gmail.com Register before 12/4/2023 Cost: \$40.00

Have you visited the new HGA Website?
Everything you need to know about HGA is easy to find. Check out the News & Events page, or the Parish Calendar. You can also flip through the digital version of the Mission & Activities Book!

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St. Monica Ministry Holy Hour

Please join us for our monthly Holy Hour at St. Theresa Church, Hellertown *on November 8th at 6:00pm*. We will come together before the Blessed Sacrament to ask Our Lord's mercy and to invoke the powerful intercession of St. Monica for our fallen-away loved ones. Presiding will be Rev. Anthony Mongiello, pastor of St. Anne's in Bethlehem. All are welcome.



The Pope's November prayer intention is the Pope! Pope Francis asks the faithful to pray that the Lord will bless him so that in the exercise of his mission, he may continue to accompany in the faith the flock entrusted to him by Jesus, always with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Loss – Grief – Letting Go Day of Reflection – Friday, November 17, 2023– 6:30 to 8:00 PM

“Loss, Grief, letting go” are familiar words yet, for so many, grief is a silent pain that is at times unbearable. Sr. Nancy Iampietro will guide you to reflect on loss and hope, on grief and love, on letting go of what we thought would be. It will be a time to invite the Lord to show us that we can find comfort and healing where our wounds hurt the most. Sr. Nancy is a Missionary Sister of the Precious Blood. She is a Theologian with specialization in Formative Spirituality, and Spiritual Direction, and leadership. To register, call Mariawald Renewal Center at 610-777-0135 or Email mariawald-center@gmail.com. Register before 11/13/2023 Cost: \$20.

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KEYNOTES



Fr. Larry Richards



Matthew Leonard



Peter Herbeck

Ask,

Knock,

Seek.

Luke 11:9



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November 18, 2023

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