

## MASS INTENTIONS

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<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>OCTOBER 25</b>
8:00 AM	Adoration
9:00 AM	People of Parish
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>OCTOBER 26</b>
9:00 AM	Dolores O'Donnell
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>OCTOBER 27</b>
9:00 AM	Gregory Oswald, Jr.
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>OCTOBER 28</b>
6:00 PM	Adoration
7:00 PM	Joseph Seman
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>OCTOBER 29</b>
9:00 AM	Joseph Kucharik
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>OCTOBER 30</b>
4:30 PM	Antonio Nebres
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>OCTOBER 31</b>
8:00 AM	John & Catherine Pramik
10:00 AM	Jim Carlisle

## OUR PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please remember in your prayers all our parish family and friends who suffer physically, emotionally, or spiritually, especially:

*Mike Baran, Margaret Bonenberger, Millie Breck, Jill Brubaker, Sharon Brubaker, Mary Buesgen Signarowitz, Grace Conti, Cindy Cooper, Deb Csorba, Marie Dal Maso, Leo Fisher III, Rick Fitzgerald, Charles Fonzone, Victoria Gaffney, Wayne Glover, Joe Gnall, Skip Graham, Robert Hartzell, Ariella Jarrah, Gerald Kratzer, Anna Kaufmann, Mary Jane Kochenash, Jade Madden, Jessica Mankos, Amalie Meehan, Kathy Mistifer, Steve O'Connor, Rich Pastorella, David Perenyi, Bob Sheehan, John Signarowitz, Barbara Stangl, Kathryn Wechsler.*

\*NOTE: Please call church if you are admitted to the hospital.

## TO THOSE WITH HEALTH CONCERNS



We welcome you to Mass each weekend. If you wish to receive Holy Communion and find it difficult to join the Communion line, please let the ushers know and an Extraordinary Minister will bring communion to you.

Low gluten hosts are available; prior to Mass go to the sacristy so the celebrant will know to prepare the host.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Eucharistic Adoration will take place in the Church on Monday before the 9 am Mass and Thursday evening before the 7 pm Mass. Please contact Wendy Ohlsen at 610-248-6648 if you have questions.

## MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Please save the date for the Mass of Remembrance for those who have died in the past year. November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30. More information will follow.

## MASS INTENTION BOOK

The 2022 Mass intention book will open in December. Sanctuary Lamp and Church Bells are available as well. More information will follow in November when the new 2022 Intention book opens.

## READINGS FOR 31<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OT

First Reading:	Deuteronomy 6: 2 – 6
Responsorial Psalm:	18
Second Reading:	Hebrews 7: 23 – 28
Gospel:	Mark 12: 28 – 34

### Parish Calendar of Regular Events (call for updates)

**Adult Choir** – Wed (Sept to May) times as scheduled  
**Baptism Class** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday every other month 7 pm  
**Bible Study** – Wednesday 10 am in LMR\*  
**Friendly Visitors** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday (Sept to May) 2 pm LMR\*  
**Men of St. Elizabeth** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 7:30 pm LMR\*  
**Our Lady of Knots Novena** – Tuesday & Thursday  
**Parish Breakfast** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday (Nov to April) 8:30 – 11 am Hall  
**Prayer Shawl** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 2 pm LMR\* *call Carolyn for details*  
**PREP** – Mondays (Sept to April) 6 pm School  
**RCIA** – Tuesdays (Sept to April) 7 pm LMR\*  
**Toastmasters** – 4<sup>th</sup> Monday 7 pm LMR  
**Women's Group** – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 6 pm LMR\*

\*LMR = Parish office large meeting room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of **Deceased Members of the Krause & Watson families** requested by *Kathy Krause.*

## MASS INTENTIONS

Please pray for those who have died especially **Dolores O'Donnell**, *sister of parishioner Tom Rutz.* May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



## For Mass at 8:00 am

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.  
Christe eleison, Christe eleison.  
Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.  
Pleni sunt coeli et terra Gloria tua.  
Hosanna in excelsis.  
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; miserere nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; miserere nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; dona nobis pacem.

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Today's gospel is a familiar one. To see Jesus heal Bartimaeus, a blind man, a man on the margins of society, strengthens our faith in God who can do all things. There is a simplicity and beauty to this story that is quite edifying. Who doesn't want a God who hears our cries and responds in power and love, freeing us from whatever is holding us back or weighing us down, or crushing our spirits?

Yet, the most important line in the entire Scripture passage might be the very last one, one many of us probably can't remember, one that can easily pass us by if we are not paying attention. And it's this:

*'Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.'*

And he followed him on the way. You see, Bartimaeus receiving his sight was not the end of the story. No, the blessing he received was an opportunity, a doorway, an invitation to continue the journey, an invitation to draw closer to his God, an invitation to grow in faith and love and discipleship. Bartimaeus recognized the tremendous blessing God had showered upon him; and it changed him, not in a superficial way, but in a profound way. He knew that God had been good to him beyond measure, and it helped him grow in faith; helped him 'set his sights' on what really mattered. He no longer could be (nor probably wanted to be) the person he was. God's blessing to him made him a new person.

And so, it should be with us.

Placing our needs before our loving God requires 4 things of us, not just one or two. First, we need to trust and believe that God can provide and wants all good things for us. Secondly, we need to be able to see the hand of God at work amid the messiness of our lives; see the blessings of God even when things are tough, even when our lives are not going exactly as we hoped. Thirdly, we need to be profoundly grateful that our God loves us in the complete, tireless, eternal way that he does. And lastly (and maybe most importantly), we need to show our appreciation by allowing the grace of God to change us on the inside, so that we can love a little more deeply, forgive a little more often, and give a little more generously; in other words, change us so that we can follow the Lord Jesus a little more faithfully each and every day.

*'Go your way; your faith has saved you.'*

Let's take those words to heart and respond in the most faithful way possible.

God bless you,

Fr. Stan

## THINGS TO PONDER...

A hard battle.

The doctrine of original sin, closely connected with that of redemption by Christ, provides lucid discernment of man's situation and activity in the world. By our first parents' sin, the devil has acquired a certain domination over man, even though man remains free. Original sin entails "captivity under the power of him who thenceforth had the power of death, that is, the devil". Ignorance of the fact that man has a wounded nature inclined to evil gives rise to serious errors in the areas of education, politics, social action and morals.

The consequences of original sin and of all men's personal sins put the world as a whole in the sinful condition aptly described in St. John's expression, "the sin of the world". This expression can also refer to the negative influence exerted on people by communal situations and social structures that are the fruit of men's sins.

This dramatic situation of "the whole world [which] is in the power of the evil one" makes man's life a battle:

“The whole of man's history has been the story of dour combat with the powers of evil, stretching, so our Lord tells us, from the very dawn of history until the last day. Finding himself in the midst of the battlefield man has to struggle to do what is right, and it is at great cost to himself, and aided by God's grace, that he succeeds in achieving his own inner integrity.”

*-Gaudium et Spes*

## PARISH NEWS

## GIVE THE GIFT OF A CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Complete or partial sponsorship of a student can make a difference in a student's ability to attend Saint Elizabeth Regional School. Sponsorship opportunities, combining faith with learning, create a well-rounded and prepared student. As an “**Angel of the Lord Sponsor**,” you provide financial support to families who desire the spiritual, moral, and intellectual growth fostered by a Catholic, faith-based school.

Choose from any three levels of support:

- **Phanuel Angel:** Donate Any Amount
- **Seraphim Angel:** Donate a Half Year of Tuition (\$1,775)
- **Uriel Angel:** Donate a Full Year of Tuition (\$3,550)

Send donations to Mrs. Kimberly Kocher, Principal  
St. Elizabeth Regional School  
431 Pershing Blvd, Whitehall, PA 18052

Thanks for your support!

## Save the Date!

### ST. ELIZABETH'S TRUNK OR TREAT!



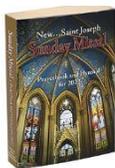
St. Elizabeth will have its 3<sup>rd</sup> "Trunk-or-Treat" on Saturday afternoon, October 30 after the 4:30 Mass in the large parking lot on Pershing Blvd. All parish families are invited - *the young and the young at heart!*

Please consider participating by decorating your car with Halloween fun and treats for the kiddies!!

Details are on [www.sercc.org](http://www.sercc.org) - See this website for ideas: <https://homefaithfamily.com/trunk-or-treat-ideas/>

### THE NEW ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSALS

#### Will be here shortly! Listen for announcements!



We will be selling the "most popular" St. Joseph pocket-size Sunday Missals again this year. The cost is \$4.00 each and it is a great way to review the Scripture Readings before, during and even after Mass for reflection. The print is easy to see, and the missal comes with complete Masses for all the Sundays and Holydays beginning at Advent through the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. It also contains prayers and popular Catholic hymns. Don't miss out, a limited amount have been ordered. Once the Missals arrive, they can be purchased at the parish office and may possibly be sold at one of the weekend Masses in November while supplies last.

### BASKET SOCIAL RAFFLE WINNERS

Thank you to all for participating in our parish basket social raffle.

We made a nice profit of almost \$4,000

Congratulations to our winners!

John Car  
Daniel Jurasits  
Annie Kern  
Gwen Millets  
Eileen Swantek

The Basket Social prize winners will be posted on the bulletin board in the back of church. A final tally including the profit from the food and a list of our donors and fabulous volunteers will be in next week's bulletin. Many thanks for all who participated in any way! This was our best year yet!

### SCRUMPTIOUS PARISH BREAKFASTS ARE BACK

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month starting

Sunday, November 14

Our Breakfast Club needs volunteers!

Our parish family has enjoyed a hearty breakfast, fun and fellowship one Sunday a month for many years thanks to a small group of dedicated volunteers who gave their time doing the prepping, cooking and serving. With the pandemic, we need to rebuild our

team of volunteers so that we can continue this wonderful tradition of food and fellowship.

Please consider joining our monthly breakfast club. We could use a helping hand in a variety of areas including in the kitchen, on the serving line, collecting at the door and assisting with cleanup, Don't, hesitate! Please call the parish office if you are willing to join the Breakfast Club – 610-266-0695 ext. 208!



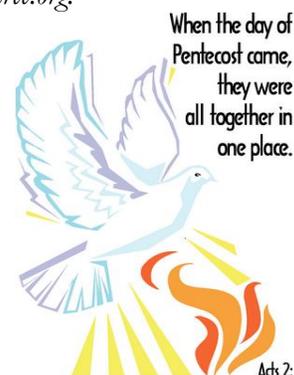
### MONTHLY BREAKFAST SPONSORS NEEDED

To help offset the cost of the breakfast, we ask for a monthly sponsor. Are you able to sponsor one of our upcoming monthly breakfasts? **To sponsor a full breakfast, we ask for \$500. If you cannot give the full amount 50% (\$250) or even 25% (\$125) would be helpful.** If you can help in any way, please contact the parish office at 610-266-0695 ext. 208.



### PRAYER PARTNERS NEEDED

On **Tuesday, February 1, 2022** at 4:30 P.M, Bishop Alfred Schlert, will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to our Confirmandi. To assist our candidates in their preparation, we call upon our parishioners to pray for them and encourage them. Please consider being a prayer partner by praying for them each day and later writing a congratulatory note that can be given to them on their Confirmation Day. *Please contact Mary Spieker at the parish office if you'd like to be a prayer partner. 610-266-0695 ext. 208 or e-mail at [dirreled@sercc.org](mailto:dirreled@sercc.org).*



OUR COMMUNITY



November Horn of Plenty Dance

St. John Social Hall 924 N. Front St.  
Saturday Nov 6 Oldies Dance \$5 per person – BYOB – Kitchen Open  
Dance from 7 – 10 – Doors open 6:30  
Call Bill Drost 610-432-3505



Packing for the Troops



The Blue Star Mothers of the Lehigh Valley will be sending care packages in a couple of weeks to deployed troops around the world. If you'd like to help, please bring any of the



following new, unused items and place them in the container in the church foyer: Shampoo, Deodorant, Body Wash, Baby Wipes, Granola Bars, and Nuts. **Items must be received by November 3<sup>rd</sup>**. If you have any questions, please call Joan Glover at 610-349-7791.

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St. Thomas More Young Adult Group Study

**Who:** Catholic young adults (21 - 35)  
**Date:** Every Thursday Oct 28<sup>th</sup> - Dec 16<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm  
**Location:** 1031 Flexer Ave, Allentown, 18103  
**Contact:** stmchurchallentown.cya@gmail.com

Concert The Swing Time Dolls

Here is your chance to see the Swing Time Dolls, a local favorite!  
Sunday, November 7th, Roxy Theatre, Northampton, Showtime - 1:30 to 3:30 pm. Tickets \$10 and will be sold at the door. The concert benefits military charities of the Knights of Columbus Assembly 3298 (4th degree). For more information, call Ken @ 610-837-1702.



Catholic Charities  
Diocese of Allentown

# Fall Festival

Saturday, Oct. 30  
2-4 p.m.

Chew Street  
COMMUNITY CENTER  
Diocese of Allentown

179 Chew Street, Allentown

Popcorn, pumpkin painting, cotton candy, health screenings, refreshments, games.

## Allentown Central Catholic OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, November 14, 2021



SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP FOR A TIME SLOT OR JUST DROP IN!

Meet our Principal and Administrators. Tour with our Student Ambassadors. Learn about our clubs and activities.

Please contact Mrs. Meskill, our Admissions Director, at [cmeskill@acchs.info](mailto:cmeskill@acchs.info) with any questions.

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**ENROLL TODAY FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR!**



## COOKS WITH COLLARS

Do you love cooking shows? Do you have an inner wish to be Mary Berry, Martha Stewart, Guy Fieri or The Swedish Chef? The second Allentown Diocese online cooking competition COOKS WITH COLLARS will be held in January 2022.

The competition will raise money for the parish and Catholic Charities while showcasing Fr. Stan's culinary skills.

The St. E's Women's Group promised to help Father think of a clever presentation, but we need YOU now. We are looking for suggestions for a theme for the competition video and help in making the video. If you need inspiration, go to Cooks with Collars - <https://www.cookswithcollars.com> to view this past year's presentations.

Please use the section below to make your entry and drop it in the collection basket. Suggestions are due by November 7, 2021. We can't wait to hear from you. God bless you.



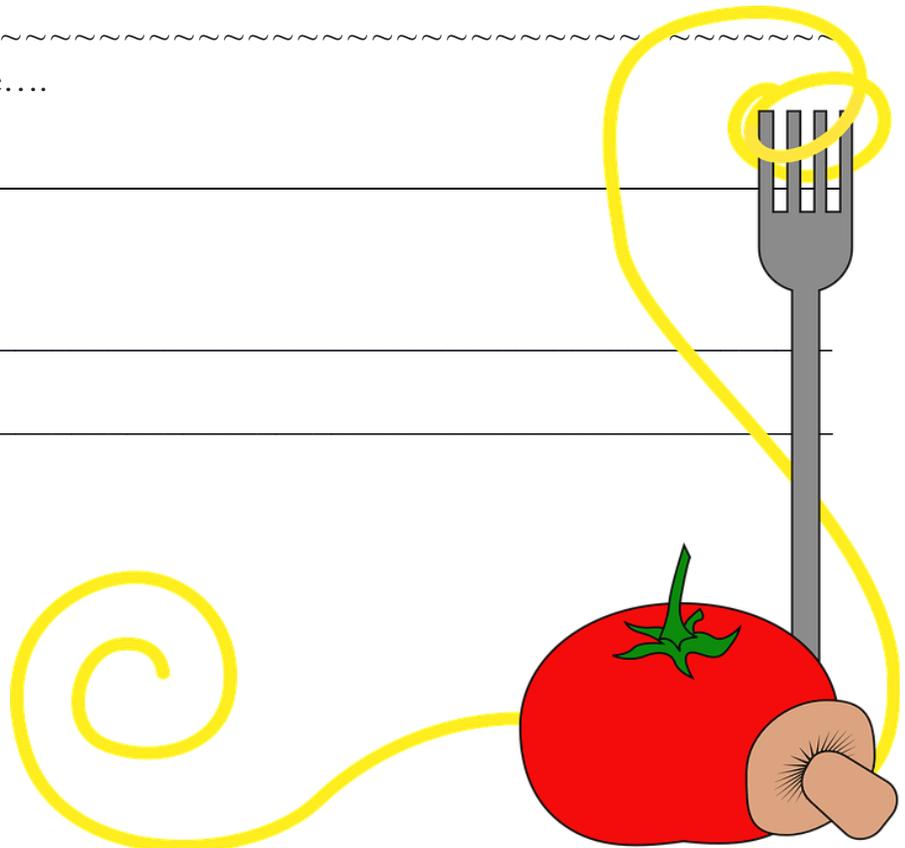
I think the theme should be....



I can help with the video!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact info \_\_\_\_\_





**St. Elizabeth Music Ministry  
is selling**

Apple, Apricot, Coconut Cream, Lekvar, Nut,  
Poppyseed, Pumpkin Cheese and Raspberry Rolls  
from

*Country Cottage Bake Shop*  
Tamaqua, PA

**Thanksgiving/Christmas  
Nut Roll Sale**

**Cost: \$16 each**

All freeze very well!

Orders due: Wednesday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>

Payment must accompany your order; checks  
payable to "St. Elizabeth Music Ministry".

Just clip the entire order form on the right side of  
this sheet, put it in an envelope with your payment  
and place it in the collection basket at church,  
(please mark the envelope "Nutroll Order");  
you can also turn the orders in at the rectory  
or mail them to:

St. Elizabeth Music Ministry  
Attn: Joan Glover  
618 Fullerton Avenue  
Whitehall PA 18052

Keep this side as a reminder of your  
pick-up date and time.

Saturday November 20<sup>th</sup>  
9 - 11:30 am in the Parish Hall

436 Pershing Boulevard \* Whitehall, PA 18062

If you have any questions,  
please call 610-349-7791

Thank you!

*Saint Elizabeth Music Ministry*

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**\$16 each**

Orders due: November 10<sup>th</sup>

Pick up Date:

Saturday November 20<sup>th</sup>  
from 9 - 11:30 am - Parish Hall

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Flavor	How Many		Total
Apple	_____	x \$16 =	_____
Apricot	_____	x \$16 =	_____
Coconut Cream	_____	x \$16 =	_____
Lekvar (Prune)	_____	x \$16 =	_____
Nut	_____	x \$16 =	_____
Poppyseed	_____	x \$16 =	_____
Pumpkin Cheese	_____	x \$16 =	_____
Seedless Raspberry	_____	x \$16 =	_____
Total # of Rolls	_____	x \$16	_____

Payment must accompany your order  
Checks made payable to  
St. Elizabeth Music Ministry

**Thank You!**