



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 8:30-9:00 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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Bulletin Submissions

Deadline for submissions for Bulletin - Friday Noon. Please email notices to bulletin@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 Precht, Head of School at 610-929-4124 for more information or to register.

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.

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.

For PREP and RCIA questions, please contact Please contact Kari Mallozzi, Director of Religious Education at 610-921-2729, ext. 2203 or at kmallozzi@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. For more information or to speak to someone about a lasting gift to HGA, please contact the Guardian Society at guardiansociety@hgaparish.com.

Memorials

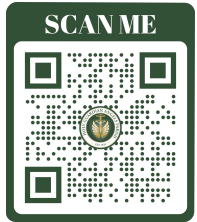
At the time of passing of a relative or friend, consider enrolling them in the Holy Guardian Angels Memorial Fund. Memorials are available in the Parish Office and are often used in lieu of flowers.

Diocese of Allentown

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

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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, July 1

St. Junipero Serra, Priest

8:00 am Amanda Tangredi, requested by Mom & Dad

Tuesday, July 2

8:00 am Irene Korch.

Wednesday, July 3

St. Thomas, Apostle

8:00 am Alfred Alvine, requested by Anna Alvine

Thursday, July 4

9:00 am Memorial Fund Members

Friday, July 5

St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest;
St. Elizabeth of Portugal

8:00 am Gino Appolloni, requested by Brian and Ann Appolloni

Sunday, July 7

The Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday

5:00 pm Vigil (Live-Stream) Richard M. Kostival, requested by Patricia Auchler

Sunday

8:00 am Jeffrey Lloyd, requested by Lara Fiore

9:45 am Intentions of Tom and Jen Sedlacek on the Occasion of their 1st Wedding Anniversary, requested by Mom & Dad

11:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners

SANCTUARY LAMP & CANDLE INTENTIONS Week of June 30, 2024

Sanctuary Lamp in Church: In Memory of Leonard Eksterowicz, requested by sister. **Sanctuary Candle in Chapel:** Living and Deceased Parishioners. **Blessed Mother Candles:** In Memory of Sister Mary Dionisia Zumon, CSSF, requested by family; Living and Deceased Parishioners. **St. Joseph Candles:** Living and Deceased Parishioners. **Guardian Angels:** In Memory of Leonard Eksterowicz, requested by sister; 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.**



Padre's Piece

The Book of Lamentations

The Book of Lamentations is a collection of five poems that serve as an anguished response to the destruction of Jerusalem in 587 B.C., after a long siege by the invading Babylonian army. Although the poems are traditionally ascribed to the prophet Jeremiah, this is unlikely. The Hebrew text of the book does not mention Jeremiah at all, and it is difficult to square some of the content of the poetry with what one finds in the Book of Jeremiah itself. In any case, they are anonymous compositions probably used by survivors of the catastrophe of 587 B.C. in a communal expression of grief and mourning.

Jewish liturgical tradition considers the book one of the "scrolls"; it is read once a year, a fast day commemorating the destruction of both the first Temple in 587 B.C. and the second Temple in A.D. 70. The reader is not so much engaged by the Book of Lamentations as assaulted by it. But with its unsparing focus on destruction, pain, and suffering the book serves an invaluable function as part of Scripture, witnessing to a biblical faith determined to express honestly the harsh realities of a violent world and providing contemporary readers the language to do the same.

As a literary work, the Book of Lamentations combines elements of communal and individual laments (in which the speakers attempt to persuade God to intervene in the face of an acute crisis), funeral dirges (in which a death is mourned), and ancient Near Eastern city-laments (in which the destruction of a city is mourned). The meter is called Qinah (lament), that is, each verse normally has three beats followed by two. Far from destroying the spontaneous pathos of the songs, this book conveys the expression of a profound grief that might otherwise seem to be without limit.



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, 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, Msgr. John Grabish, Marian & Al Masi, Beverly Oudinot, Thomas Greth, Damaris Diaz, Jim Selig, Peg Devine, Anne Lazar, Linda Swavely, Sadie West, Justin Shiffer, Giancarlo Diaz, Susan Janney, Julia Shemanski, Kira Christman, Mary Lou Faller, Richard Christ, Mandy Eckert, Will Wagner, Donna Re; Erin Aregood, Richard Lewis, Scott Masi, Rose Quaglia, Patricia and John Werner, George Weida, Grey Capriolo, Ann Marie Novak. **Names will remain on the list for one month.**

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

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

Monday, July 1 - Mass 8:00 am; Girl Scouts 6:30 pm

Tuesday, July 2 - Mass 8:00 am; Young Adult Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm; Adult Rec Basketball 7:00 pm

Wednesday, July 3 - Healing Mass 8:00 am; Adoration 8:30 am to Benediction at 6:00 pm; Confession 8:30 am & 5:15 pm; Rosary Rally 5:30 pm; Catechism Alive 6:00 pm, Women's Ministry Group 6:00 pm

Thursday, July 4 - **PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE** - Mass 9:00 am; Rectory Closed

Friday, July 5 - First Friday Devotions 7:00 am; Mass 8:00 am; LCCSA Meeting 8:00 pm; Rectory Closed

Saturday, July 6 - Confession 4:15 pm; Vigil Mass 5:00 pm (live-stream)

Sunday, July 7 - 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 pm, 1st Game at 2:00 pm; BSA Troop 161 Committee Meeting



Angel Earnings
HGA GIFT CARD FUNDRAISING PROGRAM

Upcoming order dates:

Due July 7th - Pick up - July 11th - 14th
Due July 21st - Pick up - July 25th - 28th

Earn 7% with five new brands



Love pro sports? Take your fandom (and fundraising) to the next level with eGift cards from MLB Shop, NBA Store, NFL Shop, NHL Shop, and NASCAR Shop. Earn 7% on official gear, custom jerseys and apparel, auto-graphed memorabilia, and more.

Things to know:

- In stock Gift Cards (Giant, Redner's, Weis, Sheetz, and Walmart) are sold after every weekend Mass and at the Rectory during regular business hours (Monday-Thursday 9am-4pm and Fridays 9am-12 Noon).
- You may order gift cards at any time and on-the-go using the Raise Right app! Sign up at www.raiseright.com.



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SERVER/LECTOR/EM SCHEDULE - JULY 6-7

	5:00 pm	8:00 am	9:45 am	11:30 am
Servers	Dominic Delgado Madelyn Glessner Patrick Manczak	William Johns Lia Martina Laceda Sophia Lezette	Juan Pablo Martinez Dane Prechtl Marcus Rundle	Collin Kroenig Evan Kroenig Vincent Tartaglia
Lector	Barbara Aregood	Beth Slater	Jim Harper	Wendy Freeman
EM	Maryellen LaSota Walt LaSota	Anne Marie Ferguson Frank Ligenza	Diane Collins Cathy Moyer	Lillian Hart Martha Weida

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Monday Am 2:6-10, 13-16 Ps 50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 Mt 8:18-22 St. Junipero Serra, Priest
 Tuesday Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12 Ps 5:4B-6A, 6B-7, 8 Mt 8:23-27
 Wednesday Eph 2:19-22 Ps 117:1BC, 2 Jn 20:24-29 St. Thomas, Apostle
 Thursday Am 7:10-17 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 Mt 9:1-8
 Friday Am 8:4-6, 9-12 Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131 Mt 9:9-13 St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal
 Saturday Am 9:11-15 Ps 85:9AB and 10, 11-12, 13-14 Mt 9:14-17 St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr
 Sunday Ez 2:2-5 Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 2 Cor 12:7-10 Mk 6:1-6

LAST WEEK



STEWARDSHIP	JUNE 23
WEEKLY	\$15,747.00
LOOSE	\$792.86
CANDLES	\$143.00
EMERGENCY	\$156.00
MORTGAGE	\$86.00
MAINTENANCE	\$195.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$3,637.00
OTHER	\$105.00
TOTAL	\$20,861.86

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Like flies at a garden party, sickness and death are never welcome. But nevertheless, they hover over our lives on earth and often descend just when it is most inconvenient. When they hurt the most, interrupting our plans and exposing our vulnerability. Gospel stories like these tell us that Jesus knew all about such, but that He had that wondrous divine ability to take away their sting.

Case in point are the two stories told us by Mark today that exemplify his trademark “sandwich” device to make his point. Interesting enough, the two stories have several points in common: female sufferers, the number 12, and vocabulary (“faith,” “fear,” “sane,” “daughter,” etc.) Yet the style used points to a separate origin.

The story of Jairus’ daughter is told in short sentences in the so-called historical present tense. The story of the woman with the flow of blood is told in longer sentences and in the imperfect tense.

What is more important for us is to note the faith of both Jairus and the sick woman and the reaction to both of Jesus. First Jairus. He was a Jewish official, privy to all the gossip about Jesus and the opinions of fellow Jews of rank. Yet here he is, put in the position of a beggar for Jesus’ help for his sick little daughter. He was a desperate father, a figure we can identify with. He was willing to reach out to anyone who could help him.

Then we have the woman, likely alone in the world with no husband to help her, and not able to get sufficient help from any doctors for 12 years. So, she too reaches out to the one person she knew could help her.

In the case of Jesus, He appreciates the faith behind the pleas of both persons and responds. Jesus is the calm in the midst of chaos and is in full control of both situations and of the divine power that He bears. How essential it is to have someone calm and in control at times like these if we are to get a handle on things. What does Jesus say to Jairus? Something that we all should remember: “Do not be afraid; just have faith.”

Jesus’ words bring me right back to the homily Pope St. John Paul II gave at his inaugural Mass when he too proclaimed: “Do not be afraid!” The circumstances were different from these two scenes 2,000 years ago. But the world situation in 1978 was much like it is in 2024, one of confusion and sickness of spirit. So, we need to hear Jesus say it loud and clear once again: “Do not be afraid; just have faith!”

What’s your “faith quotient”? What’s mine? A question we need to ask and answer. Not just when we are sick or facing death, but right here and right now.

Here are two thoughts about faith that I found:

“The greatest act of faith takes place when a person finally decides that he or she is not God.”

“Not as many people have lost faith in America as you might think. An awful lot of them sign up for a 30-year mortgage.”

God love you and keep the Faith!

The St. Vincent de Paul Weekly News

Stocking the Shelves – School Supplies

It's hard to believe, but school starts for most children next month; and, unfortunately, not all families are able to purchase the many required items on the school supply list. Last year we were able to ease that burden for many, thanks to you. Thinking now about collecting items to set students up for success will ensure that all students will feel empowered and ready to learn once that first day of school arrives!

During the month of July, SVdP is asking for donations of the following supplies:

- Lined Index Cards
- Crayons (24 count) – Please no glitter crayons

- Highlighters
- Colored Pencils
- Markers
- Pencil Pouches
- Notebooks
- Coloring Books
- Drawing Paper
- Flash Cards (Numeric & Alphabet)



Thank you for all you do to support those in need!

Mark Your Calendars:

The next St. Vincent de Paul Meeting will take place on Sunday, July 21st at 12:45pm in the rectory basement meeting room. We welcome all, no matter how much or how little time you have to give!

Healing Mass

Wednesday, July 3rd at 8:00 am in the main Church. Healing Masses are on the 1st Wednesday of each month.

Have your RSVP'd yet? Join us behind the Rectory Garage on Wednesdays in July for the "True Reformers" series presented by Father Hoffa & Seminarian Kolbe Eidle.



This is a free series - a free will offering will be taken at the end of the series. Please bring a chair and enjoy food and drink which will be provided.

July 3, 10, 17 & 24 at 6:00 pm.



HGA VBS DISCOVERY MISSION!

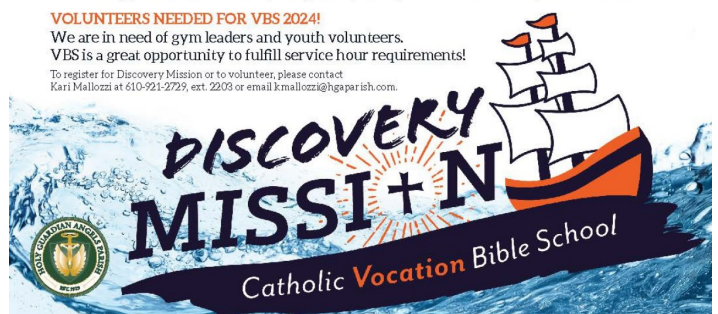
August 12-16, 2024 / 9am - 12 pm

Jesus is calling our kids by name! Help them learn to listen to His voice!
Discovery Mission is open to all boys & girls in kindergarten through 4th grade.

IMAGINE YOU'RE A SUPERHERO...
BUT YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOUR SUPERPOWER IS YET.
First, you must discover your power, then you'll be able to do your mission!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VBS 2024!
We are in need of gym leaders and youth volunteers.
VBS is a great opportunity to fulfill service hour requirements!

To register for Discovery Mission or to volunteer, please contact Kari Mallozzi at 610-921-2729, ext. 2209 or email kmallozzi@hgeparish.com.



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



HGA Ministry Spotlight

The Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is the largest apostolic organization of lay people in the Catholic Church. It makes its members better Catholics through a balanced program of prayer and service in union with the Holy Spirit as He operates through Mary, Mother of the Church.

Works include evangelization, parish visitation projects, youth work, and other spiritual needs of the parish and community.

The Legion of Mary will visit you in your home to pray the rosary and also will help you to enthrone the Sacred Heart of Jesus in your home.

Any Catholic who wants to draw closer to Jesus and his Mother are welcome to join.

If you have any questions or want more information, please email legionofmary@hgparish.com. More information about the Legion of Mary can be found at www.legionofmaryallentown.org.



ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers at the Crucifix, the Tabernacle, the St. Joseph Altar, the Blessed Virgin Mary Altar and the Floral Rosary are in memory of Realph Elia given by Josephine and Vincenzo Elia.

Altar flower memorials can be arranged by calling the rectory at 610-921-2729, ext. 2200.

Compassion and the love of knitting/crocheting have been combined into a prayerful ministry and spiritual practice which reaches out to those in need of comfort and solace, as well as in celebration and joy. Many blessings are prayed into every stitch as the shawl maker begins with prayers and blessings for the recipient. The intentions are continued throughout the creation of the shawl and upon completion, a final blessing is offered before the shawl is sent on its way.

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 or phansbury16@gmail.com.



KNIT. CROCHET. PRAY.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The first weeks of my new life as a priest have been blessed beyond measure. Following the Ordination and celebration of my first Mass in Pennsylvania, I came down to North Carolina to visit some of the parishes where I grew up. Between Holy Guardian Angels, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, and Saint Joseph parishes, it feels like I've jumped into the deep end of the pool!



Within just two weeks as a priest, I have gotten in several hours hearing confessions and a few opportunities to offer benediction. I have chanted the litany for OL of Czestochowa, administered the sacrament of Anointing, and even concelebrated in a Byzantine Divine Liturgy. I have gotten to offer countless "first blessings" and preached several homilies. Each time I get to celebrate the Holy Mass, I am humbled to become an instrument for the Lord.

All of these truly awesome and joyful experiences have come after many years of prayer – and certainly not my prayers alone. No, I believe every blessing has been in answer to the countless intercessors who have lifted me up during my life. Some people reading this may have known me for the last twenty-seven years and others for perhaps twenty-seven days. Yet, every prayer offered to the Good Lord has been heard. I could never say thank you enough. Ultimately, my thanks is owed to Almighty God for the gifts of His grace and Providence.

And now the real work begins. I am now beginning my first parish assignment as a Parochial Vicar of Saint Joseph the Worker parish in Orefield, PA. I look forward to all of the new experiences and challenges of ministry there and in future assignments. I pray that I may serve the people and kingdom of God worthily and well: Ad multos annos!

Peace in Christ Jesus,

Reverend Father Nikolai Romero Brelinisky

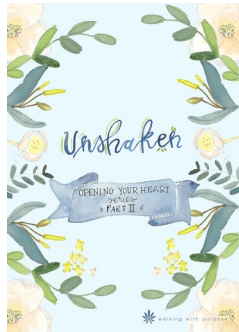
**BINGO at HGA
SUNDAY JUNE 30th!
DOORS OPEN 12:30. 1ST
GAME CALLED 2:00 PM**



Join us for BINGO on Sunday, June 23rd! Doors open at 12:30 pm & the first game is called at 2:00 pm. Come have a fun afternoon with a fast paced program, specials, rip tickets, food & drink! Player packs for \$20 & \$25. Bring your friends!

The BINGO team is always looking for volunteers to help out with various tasks. If you are interested, please contact Jen Renninger at 610-763-4929.

Women of HGA don't forget the upcoming Women's Ministry Program on July 3rd at 6pm in the rectory attic!



Join us for good conversation, refreshments, and fellowship! Please RSVP to Cathy Kopicz @ 610-780-9421.

INDEPENDENCE day

A Prayer for Our Country
 Father of all nations and ages,
 We recall the day when our country
 claimed its place among the family of nations;
 for what has been achieved we give you
 thanks, for the work that still remains we ask
 your help, and as you have called us from
 many peoples to be one nation, grant that, un-
 der your providence, our country may share
 your blessings with all the peoples of the earth.
 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity
 of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
 Amen.

**Upcoming
EVENTS**

**HEALING MASS
July 3**

**CATECHISM ALIVE BEGINS
July 3**

**WOMEN'S MINISTRY
July 3**

**ROSARY RALLY
July 3**

**RECTORY CLOSED
July 4 & 5**

**FIRST FRIDAY
July 5**

**CYO MEETING
July 8**

**HOME & SCHOOL MEETING
July 9**

**HGA SENIORS MEETING
July 10**

**CULTURE OF LIFE MEETING
July 11**

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING
July 21**



- 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!
- HGA Regional School Summer Office Hours are Tuesdays through Thursdays from 9am-1pm.
- The Office will be closed the week of July 4 and the week of July 11.

ENROLL NOW

2024-2025 School Year



Holy Guardian Angels Regional School
(Grades PreK to 8)
3125 Kutztown Road
Reading, Pa 19605

A Diocese of Allentown Catholic School

Your family can make a global impact from the comfort of home! Consider hosting an international exchange student this upcoming school year!

- Your family can learn about another culture first-hand.
- Hosting a student supports Catholic education! (Student would attend Berks Catholic)
- Families, single people, and empty-nesters can host!
- You will receive a generous stipend and continuous support from a local coordinator.

Please contact maureenc@amhomelife.org for more information!



HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH

P.R.E.P.

Parish Religious Education Program

PREP REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THE 2024-2025 YEAR

Please visit the HGA website and click on the “Faith Formation” tab. Once the drop down appears, click on “PREP.” You will see a box for the registration form – click – and get signed up for another great year! Please remember if you volunteer with us, your child/children’s tuition is waived. Please consider joining our team! Please call Kari Mallozzi, Director of Religious Education, at 610-921-2729, ext. 2203 for more information.

CYO NEWS!



Fall sport registration is now open for all Holy Guardian Angels Regional School students & student parishioners who attend other schools. Volleyball is open to all girls in grades 5-8 in the 2024/2025 school year. Cross Country is open to all boys & girls in grades K-8 for the 2024/2025 school year. Sign up and pay online at www.hgaparish.com/cyo.

CYO needs to fill several important roles on the board for the 2024/2025 school year. Please email cyo@hgaparish.com for more information or if you are interested.

COME SEE!



BERKS CATHOLIC Q & A

Tuesday, July 9, 2024
11:00am-12:30pm

955 E. Wyomissing Blvd • Reading, PA. 19611





Maria Goretti: The Story of the Patroness of Modern Youth

Learn more about the holy life and martyrdom of St. Maria Goretti in this moving documentary. In particular, the film highlights her ultimate act of love: forgiving her murderer on her deathbed.

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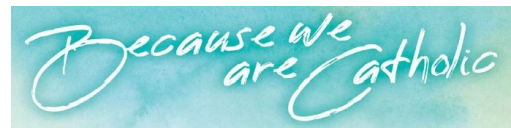


An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and ignacius press

Fr. Stephan Isaac will preside at the next St. Monica Ministry Holy Hour, taking place at St. Theresa Church, Hellertown on Tuesday, July 9 at 6:00 pm. Fr. Isaac, who serves as Chaplain of both Bethlehem Catholic High School and the Lehigh University Newman Center, will lead us in prayer for the return to the Faith of our fallen-away loved ones. All are invited to join in asking Our Lord's mercy and invoking the intercession of St. Monica for our prodigals. For information, please email StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com.



Wednesdays at HGA! Adoration from 8:30am-6:00 pm in the Chapel. Confessions 8:30-9:00 am & 5:15-5:45 pm.



Because We Are Catholic Update!

Reported below is the most recent data regarding HGA's & the Diocese's *Because We Are Catholic* Campaign. If you haven't already donated to the campaign, envelopes are available at all entrances of the church. You may also visit www.becasusewearecatholic.org to make your pledge today!

Holy Guardian Angels, Reading

- Parish Goal: \$62,629.00
- Total Committed: \$45,602.02
- Total Collected: \$40,272.02
- Number of Donors: 202
- Average Gift: \$225.75
- # of Registered Families: 1829

BWAC Appeal: Diocesan Overview

- Total Diocesan Goal \$3,600,000.00
- Total Committed \$2,881,129.97
- Total Collected \$2,530,086.78
- Number of Donors 8,008
- Average Gift \$343.56
- # of Registered Families 82,318



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 will be held August 9 - 11, 2024 and again on October 4 - 6 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.

Pray with the Pope in July - For The Pastoral Care of The Sick



Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, bestows the Lord’s strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.

For more information about Praying with the Pope visit www.praywiththepope.net.

YOUR LIFE Retreat

Malvern Retreat House would like to invite men and women to experience a period of refreshment, support, reassurance, learning, and concentration on the gift of their lives. Learn, reflect, “dump your stuff,” fortify yourself, and increase your personal communion with the Lord.

Come join the men's weekend, Sep 6, 7, and 8; or a women's weekend, Sep 13, 14, and 15; Fri night to Sun morning. Contact: Anthony Scarselletti, 610-393-4671, OLPH.ascarselletti@gmail.com.

Godly Women of the Old and New Testaments: How Can We Imitate Their Boldness, Courage, Fidelity, and Love?



Mariawald Renewal Center

An Eight-Day Preached Retreat for Women Religious/ Sisters & Lay Women – August 2 through August 9, 2024. Mariawald Renewal Center, 1094 Welsh Road, Reading PA 19607. Facilitator: Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB (Congregation of St. Basil - Basilian Fathers)
Arrival Time: 3-4:30pm; Departure Time: 2:00 pm
For More Information or to Register, please call Mariawald Renewal Center at 610-777-0135 or email mariawaldcenter@gmail.com. The deadline for registration is July 15, 2024. Cost: \$550.00

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