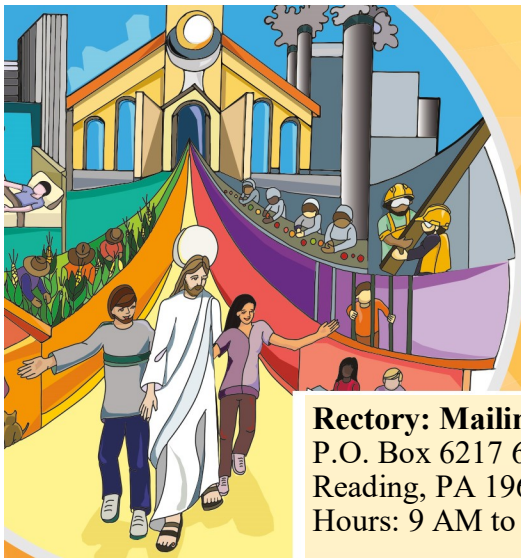


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Reading, PA 19610

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610-332-0442, ext. 2019

### **Sacrament of Marriage:**

**Diocesan Marriage Policy:** Couples should schedule a meeting with the parish priest as soon as they are engaged to marry. After meeting with the priest, the couple must contact the Office of Marriage and Family Life Formation at (610) 289-8900 x221 to register for the FOCCUS inventory. This survey is to be taken online within two weeks after meeting with the priest. The survey is designed to help couples learn more about their unique relationship and to facilitate open and honest communication between the couple. After discussing FOCCUS with the priest, the couple should register online for marriage preparation classes. These classes must be taken at least six months prior to the wedding date. Please see the website for the schedule.

**Baptism/Baptism Preparation:** Baptism every third Sunday of the month. Baptism preparation class every Wednesday before the 3rd Sunday at 7 PM in the Borneman Room.

**Letters of Recommendation & Eligibility:** Can be issued only to parishioners who are registered and in good standing with the Parish.

**New Parishioners:** Welcome to Sacred Heart Parish! Please call the rectory for registration



**Catechetical Sunday**  
**September 15, 2019**

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## MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday, September 14th-Exaltation of the Holy Cross**  
8:00 P.M. RICHARD A. TSCHIDERER—The Tschiderer Family

**Sunday, September 15th-24th Sunday of the Year**  
7:30 A.M. LEONARD SCIOLI—The Scioli Family  
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9:30 A.M. HELEN SUTHERLAND—Dr. & Mrs. Robert D. Sutherland

11:00 A.M. DR. JAMES CIABATTONI—Hildegard Ciabattoni  
**Monday, September 16th-Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian**  
8:00 A.M. JOHN LACHMAN, M.D.—Dr. & Mrs. Robert D. Sutherland  
MICHAEL RESTREPO—Jeanie Price

**Tuesday, September 17th-St. Robert Bellamine**  
8:00 A.M. JAMES TIEHL—Mary Tiehl  
LIVING & DECEASED FATHERS

**Wednesday, September 18th**  
8:00 A.M. BETTY DeSANTIS—Msgr. DeSantis  
REV. MSGR. DENNIS HARTGEN—Pat Hansbury

**Thursday, September 19th-St. Januarius**  
8:00 A.M. MARGARET GOMBAR—Al & Robin Gombar  
RAY STRAUSE—The Ghiringhelli Family

**Friday, September 20th-Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon & Paul Chong Ha-sang**  
8:00 A.M. LOURDES RIYA QUIDOL—Scott & Susie Kos & Family

**Saturday, September 21st-St. Matthew**  
5:00 P.M. ALEXANDRA M. DUDA—Dr. & Mrs. Andrew M. Duda

**Sunday, September 22nd-25th Sunday of the Year**  
7:30 A.M. BETTY BATDORF—Joe & Jo Quaglia  
9:30 A.M. VICTORIA CHRUSCH—Silveri Family  
11:00 A.M. WILLIAM B. TUCKER—Jim Tucker  
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## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR



**M**ercy is a keyword in the gospel today even though it does not appear in the text. But mercy is the motivating force behind the father's actions, and the experience of the younger son who has been forgiven. Only when the youngest son has "hit bottom," so to speak, does he awaken to the notion of returning to his father's home, where he hopes to be a hired hand. And that part of the story is an accurate reflection of human nature. Often, before we seek

repentance and ask forgiveness we must hit bottom. The younger son was not interested in repentance when he had plenty of money and resources! Only when he was feeding the pigs and desirous of their food did the realization strike him.

**A**nd so it may be with us. We must die to our own pride, self-assurance, and resources, recognizing that all is a gift of the Father. The son did not earn his money on his own. Perhaps it is only when we hit bottom with the recognition that all is the Father's, not our own, will we be ready to return to the embrace of mercy, and live a new life of reconciliation.

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## Next Sunday's Readings:

Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 16:1-13

## ALTAR SERVER'S SCHEDULE

**September 16th through September 18th**

8:00 A.M. Francesca Ditsky, Mary Esterbrook

**September 19th through September 20th**

8:00 A.M. Isabelle Gasperack, Ayla Estriplet

**September 21st/22nd-25th Sunday of the Year**

5:00 P.M. Chet DePue, Ciaran & David Giles

7:30 A.M. Lucia Anewalt, Boomer Schroder, Natalie Muir

9:30 A.M. Anna & John Huber, DJ O'Boyle

11:00 A.M. The Tharp Family

The flowers in front of the altar are in loving memory of Betty DeSantis from her family.

## † MEMORIAL SOCIETY †

The following has been enrolled in Sacred Heart's Memorial Society:

By: Dr. James J. Kase  
Vince & Mary Lou Parisi  
David Lineaweaver

## CANDLE OFFERINGS

### Blessed Virgin Mary

Special Intention for our parents and family—The O'Rourke Family

Special Intention Tillie Schilfer—Ginny

Special Intention Robert Stricek—Grandma

### St. Joseph—In Memory of:

Tom Masano

Special Intention for our parents and family—The O'Rourke Family

The Sanctity of Fatherhood

## SVDP SMOKEHOUSE FUNDRAISER

Enjoy a smoked pulled pork sandwich plate with smokehouse baked beans and homemade mac & cheese on Sunday, September 22nd. Tickets will be on sale at all Masses this weekend, September 14th & 15th. Tickets are \$10 and need to be purchased beforehand. Tickets are also available in the Rectory Office during normal business hours. Purchase deadline is Sunday, September 15th. The Plates can be picked up on Sunday, September 22nd in the Church Parking Lot between 10 AM and 12:15 PM. Buy ten plates and have a party! Most importantly—don't miss out on this special opportunity to support the mission of the St. Vincent de Paul Society! Proceeds are used to help those in need in our community!



## INDEPENDENT RECONCILIATION AND COMPENSATION PROGRAM

As a reminder to victims of clergy sexual abuse in the Diocese of Allentown, the deadline to apply for compensation as one aspect of your healing is September 30, 2019. To learn more about the Independent Reconciliation and Compensation Program, visit [www.allentowndioceserlcp.com](http://www.allentowndioceserlcp.com), or call (833) 267-6389.



## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

### This Week In Our Parish

**Monday, September 16th**  
 7:30 A.M. Recitation of the Rosary  
*Monday through Friday*  
 8:30 A.M. Fatima/Novena Rosary Group—Bornemann  
 7:00 P.M. Classical Choir Rehearsal—Church  
**Tuesday, September 17th**  
 8:30 A.M. Adoration Begins—Chapel  
 5:00 P.M. Legion of Mary—Bornemann  
 10:00 P.M. Adoration Ends—Chapel  
**Wednesday, September 18th**  
 7:00 P.M. Liturgy Meeting—Wachter  
 7:00 P.M. RCIA—Bornemann  
 7:30 P.M. Contemporary Choir—Church  
**Thursday, September 19th**  
 1:00 P.M. Knitters & Crocheters—Bornemann  
 7:00 P.M. Knights of Columbus—IHM Room  
**Sunday, September 22nd**  
 10:00 A.M. SVPD Smokehouse Fundraiser—Parking Lot  
 10:40 A.M. Recitation of the Rosary—Church  
 6:30 P.M. AFG District Meeting—Wachter

### COLLECTION FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES, USA

This week our parish will take a collection to benefit the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA, a triennial collection approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. Please prayerfully consider a contribution to this special collection to support active-duty military men and women, and their families—including those from our own parish. Envelopes for the collection can be found at the end of the pew.

### Vatican International Exhibition Eucharistic Miracles of the World

Sacred Heart Church and Holy Rosary Church will be hosting this extraordinary and impactful visual exhibit of the Eucharistic Miracles of the World on the weekends of September 28th/29th in the gym at Sacred Heart School, and October 5th/6th in the basement meeting room at Holy Rosary Church.

Read about the Eucharistic Miracles that have transpired through the years, first observed during Mass in Lanciano, Italy in 750 AD! Learn about the various scientific and medical tests and studies performed in numerous countries that all point to the same divine conclusion. The exhibit consists of 160 poster-sized pictorial articles arranged alphabetically by the country in which the miracles occurred. Come, spend as much time as you can. The exhibits will be open on both Saturdays from 3:30pm to 7:30pm, and both Sundays from 8am to 2pm.

Sponsored by the Real Presence Eucharistic Education and Adoration Association, ([therealpresence.org](http://therealpresence.org)) and coordinated by our own Monsignor Bornemann Knights Council. Please make every attempt to visit this powerful exhibit. There is no cost to attend these events, but a Free-will offering will be graciously accepted to benefit the continuation of this display as it ventures around the world.

### LET US PRAY

In your charity, please pray for the priests of our diocese, and in particular this week, remember:

- ✠ 16 September—Rev. Thomas W. Prior
- ✠ 17 September—Rev. Msgr. Stephen J. Radocha
- ✠ 18 September—Rev. Msgr. James J. Reichert
- ✠ 19 September—Rev. Eugene P. Ritz
- ✠ 20 September—Rev. Philip F. Rodgers
- ✠ 21 September—Rev. John F. Rother
- ✠ 22 September—Rev. Paul L. Rothermel

### SHOWER OF ROSES FESTIVAL

Will be held on October 6th at the Shrine of St. Therese, 1 East Garibaldi Avenue, Nesquehoning. Mass will be celebrated at 1 PM with a Procession at 3 pm. Benediction at the Grotto will be at 4 PM with the Rose drop at 5 PM. Ethnic Foods, Vendors, Music and a Spaghetti Dinner will be available. For more information: [www.shrineofsainttherese.com](http://www.shrineofsainttherese.com).



### A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS:

**Understanding What We Say and Do in the Liturgy**  
 Do you ever wish you could get more out of Mass? Discover how all the prayers, symbols, and rituals in the liturgy can come alive for us today once we understand their Biblical roots. Dr. Edward Sri will present at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena during an evening beginning with Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop Schlert at 6:30 PM on Friday, October 4th. Register today at [www.allentowndiocese.org/Liturgy](http://www.allentowndiocese.org/Liturgy)

### HOPING AGAINST HOPE

#### Living the Gospel Where It Is Unwelcome

The Diocesan Commission for Men is offering a men's morning of reflection on Saturday, October 19th, at Queenship of Mary in Northampton. An optional Holy Mass will be offered at 8:00 AM followed by refreshments. Presentations by Rev. Eric Gruber, Rev. Patrick Lamb, and Rev. David Anthony will begin at 9:15 AM. To register for this free offering visit [www.allentowndiocese.org/cfm-spirituality](http://www.allentowndiocese.org/cfm-spirituality).

### FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH

The weekends of September 22nd, October 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th are available for anyone who would like to place flowers at the tabernacle or in front of the altar. To make arrangements, call the rectory at (610) 372-4010.

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Sept. 21/22	Celebrant	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Extraordinary Ministers
5:00 P.M.	Fr. Hutta	Sandie Wrable	Karen Minter	Sandi Wrable
7:30 A.M.	Fr. Hutta	Wince Moffitt	Jo Quaglia	
9:30 A.M.	Msgr. DeSantis	Bonnie Batdorf/Denise Mogel	Peter Chu/Bill Fatora	Denise Mogel
11:00 A.M.	Msgr. DeSantis	Kathy Nevel/Steve Bell	Scott Sensenig/Steve Bell	Roseann Tice