

**Mass Intentions
For The Week** 
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Saturday, January 19th

4:30 PM Frank Parella
(Robert & Karen Parella)

Sunday, January 20th 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Parishioners of St. Rocco's

9:00 AM Amelia Ruggiero
(Lucy Camiletti)

10:30 AM George Bargisen, Jr.
(Domerski Family)

Monday, January 21st St. Agnes

Morning Prayers

8:00 AM Fr. Ignatius Catudo
(Eleanor Burke)

Tuesday, January 22nd

8:00 AM Lavinia Spadoni
(George & Rose Pasch)

Wednesday, January 23rd St. Vincent, Deacon

8:00 AM NO MASS

Thursday, January 24th St. Francis deSales

Morning Prayers

8:00 AM Una McGrael
(Eileen & Bernie Lodge)

Fri, January 25th Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

Morning Prayers

8:00 AM Barbara & Mike Stosz
(Terry & Bill Brodniak)

Saturday, January 26th

4:30 PM Manuri Family
(Marie Fox)

Sunday, January 27th 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Parishioners of St. Rocco's

9:00 AM Kenneth Pulcini
(Kirk & Linda Harbrecht)

10:30 AM Mary Reade
(Robert & MaryLou Castelletti)

Parish Membership

New parishioners living in the Parish boundaries are asked to register at the Rectory or call. You must be an active registered member of the parish for three months prior to receiving a certificate of eligibility to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. If you change information or move away, please notify us.

Marriages

Please contact Fr. Joe six months in advance. Currently dated copies of Baptismal and Confirmation records are required. Marriage classes as well as sessions with the priest are required.

Baptisms

Please contact Fr. Joe at least three months before your expected delivery date to arrange for Baptismal instruction. Parents must be registered with the Parish. A Godparent must be a registered practicing Catholic. Call the rectory at 610-258-9059.

Mass Requests

Please call or stop by the rectory to schedule Masses. All Masses are \$10 weekday or weekend. Altar flowers are \$40 and the Sanctuary Candle is \$20.

Communion Calls

Communion is distributed to homebound parishioners- 1st Friday of each month. Please call the rectory to be included on the list.

Hospitalization

If a parishioner is admitted to the hospital and would like to have a priest visit, please call the rectory. Due to HIPPA regulations we are not notified of admittance.

Sponsors

Sponsors for Baptism & Confirmation must be at least 16 years of age, received Confirmation & Holy Communion, must be an active member who receives the Sacraments on a regular basis, & if married be in a valid marriage.

CCD Classes

Mondays 6pm-7:30pm (September-May) for Grades 1 through 7 and Sundays 9AM—10:30AM for Confirmation Class Grade 8.

To learn more about the Diocese's Youth Protection programs, visit The Charter for the Protection of Children & Young People on the Diocese of Allentown's website at www.allentowndiocese.org under "Protection of Youth".

Liturgical Ministries
Weekend of January 26/27

Saturday 4:30 PM

Susan Castelletti
Susan Cowell
S Minnich & N Minnich

Sunday 7:30 AM

John Cullen
Rich Grucela
Avery McPeck

Sunday 9:00AM

Mike Overhiser
Noemio Oliveira
Mikaela Marangolo

Sunday 10:30 AM

Bill Brodniak
Lori Koch
S Koch & G Koch

Lector

Eucharistic Mimister

Altar Servers

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PLEASE NOTE THIS: When sending correspondence to St. Rocco's please be sure to include our Post Office Number. Postal requirements request this. Any mail without our P.O. Box number may result in delayed delivery or may be returned to the sender. Our complete mailing address is:

St. Rocco's Church
P.O. Box 421
6658 School St.
Martins Creek, PA 18063



St. Rocco's Memorial-Purgatorial Society

Recently the following person made a donation in Memory of:

JULIA LOCASCIO

By: Tom DiSabatino

**PARISHIONERS FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS FOR 2018
will be mailed to all parishioners
by the end of January.** Letters reflecting your contribution to the Bishop's Annual Appeal are mailed directly from the diocese.

Parish Stewardship

Plate: January 6/7 \$4,749.00
Monthly dues: \$979.00

Thank you for your continued stewardship!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

The Knights of Columbus will meet on **Thursday, January 24, 2019** in the church hall. The Kof C recites the rosary before each of its scheduled meetings. Meetings are the Second and Fourth Thursday. All members of the parish are invited to join us in prayer. Rosary starts 7PM.

St. Rocco's Knights of Columbus is organizing the following parish outings:

- ♦ **Lehigh Valley Phantoms**, Friday, March 15, 2019 7pm – Tickets \$20 each (Payment due February 2, 2019.)
- ♦ **Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs**, Wednesday, May 22, 2019 7pm – Tickets \$11 each (Payment due April 7, 2019.)

Signup sheets are available in the vestibule. Please place ticket orders as soon as possible, so that we can reserve the appropriate number of seats. Payment submission details will follow.

Contact Bryan Holzmacher with any questions 908-319-0873.

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

The A&R will meet on **Tuesday, February 5, at 7PM.** We will pray the Rosary before the meeting. All women of the parish 18 years and older are welcome to join us.

The Altar & Rosary Society will continue selling Religious items the **first Sunday of each month** in the church hall. Be sure to stop by and check out their inventory.

CHECK OUT THE ALTAR & ROSARY's new page on our parish website. Go to www.strocco.org and click on the Altar & Rosary link. Keep checking it for updated information.

Catholic Schools Week



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed!
January 27–February 2, 2019

Immaculate Conception School ~

*****Sunday, January 27, 2019 Open House and Registration***11:00AM – 3:30PM*****

Accepting Enrollment for Pre-Kindergarten through Eighth Grade. Early Registration Discount and Scholarships Available!

Bethlehem Catholic High School

OPEN HOUSE –Thursday, January 31 from 6-8PM. Student let tours tailored to your child. Enrollment discount special **expires January 31st.** Don't miss out on these savings. Contact Cristin Eick at ceick@becahi.org for more information.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES collection will be held **NEXT weekend January 26/27.** Funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ's love and respect to all people here at home and abroad. Please be generous to the CRS and help Jesus in disguise. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

Questions people ask

Q. Catholics use wine at Communion. Is the Church condoning drinking?

A. The abuse of alcohol is a serious vice, and it has caused untold damage. When we celebrate the Eucharist we are commemorating the Last Supper at which Jesus offered wine and unleavened bread according to the Jewish Passover tradition, changed it into his Body and Blood, and gave us this command: “ ‘This is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.’ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes” (1Cor 11:25-26). While the properties of wine remain, including alcohol content, the substance becomes the Precious Blood of Christ. Therefore, the ingestion of a sip or two seems trivial compared to the divine presence received therein. Those with medical reasons for abstaining should discuss those matters with their pastor or specialist. Jesus turned water into wine at the wedding in Cana (Jn 2:1-11), but he obviously doesn't condone alcoholism. God has given us many things to enjoy: food, love, and leisure to mention a few. As Catholics we are called to rightly use these gifts for the greater and common good. To abuse them is sinful; to use them as they are intended is a way to give thanks.

CCD NEWS



Any questions or concerns regarding CCD, please contact Christine Haring, CRE at 610-588-0986 or email stroccoccd@yahoo.com.

Sunday, January 20 –Confirmation Class Gr. 8 at 9AM
Monday, January 21—NO Class grades 1-7
Saturday, January 26—Confirmation Retreat at noon
Sunday, January 27— Confirmation Class Gr. 8 at 9AM
Monday, January 28—Class Gr. 1-7 at 6PM

Mark your Calendar: We have been informed by the Diocese of Allentown that **CONFIRMATION** will take place with St. Elizabeth's Church, PenArgyl on **Thursday, March 7** at 4:30PM with Bishop Schlert.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL NEWS

ICS hosts BINGO—EVERY Sunday in the school gym.
Doors open at 11AM games begin at 1PM
Progressive jackpots—Food & Drinks available

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If you haven't had the chance to pick-up your copy of the book “*The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity*” by Bestselling Author Matthew Kelly, please do so. Copies are available in the vestibule. These are made possible by the generous donation of a parishioner.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to heightened cases of influenza being reported, Bishop Alfred Schlert has directed the exchange of the Sign of Peace be suspended until the incidence of influenza subsides in our area.

WELCOME: We welcome all who join us at our Mass. We encourage you to become an active participant in the life of our Parish. All Catholics who live within our Parish boundaries should register. Please call the Parish Office at 610-258-9059 for more information.