

**Mass Intentions
For The Week** 

Saturday, October 13th

5:30 PM Frank Francisco
(Wife and family)

Sunday, October 14th 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Stella M. Grucela
(Gina & Rich Grucela Family)

9:00 AM Maryann Alercia
(Family)

10:30 AM Msgr. Joseph Dooley
(Buza Family)

Monday, October 15th St. Teresa of Jesus

Morning Prayers

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Rocco's

Tuesday, October 16th St. Hedwig, Religious

8:00 AM Parents & Brother
(Sam Villari & Family)

Wednesday, October 17th St. Ignatius of Antioch

8:00 AM Connie Remaly
(Michael Fina)

Thursday, October 18th St. Luke

Morning Prayers

8:00 AM Eileen M. Ball
(Family)

Friday, October 19th St. John de Brebeuf

Morning Prayers

8:00 AM Long Family
(Joe & Jean Curzi)

Saturday, October 20th

5:30 PM William Diehl
(Carl & Susan Castelletti)

Sun, October 21st 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Parishioners of St. Rocco's

9:00 AM Josephine Lewonka
(Byrne Family)

10:30 AM Living & Deceased Members of
The Altar & Rosary Society



SANCTUARY LIGHT will burn before the Blessed Sacrament this week are in *Loving Memory of Stella M. Grucela* requested by Grandchildren, Patrick & Salomea.

Please remember in your prayers *Gloria DiFilippantonio* who died last week. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen. *May God grant her the joys of eternal life.*



Parish Stewardship

Plate: September 29/30: \$3,721.00
Thank you for your continued stewardship!

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 11:30—1PM 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 October 20/21

Saturday 5:30 PM

Len Rollo
Susan Cowell
Joseph Cowell

Sunday 7:30 AM

John Cullen
Bob Austen
G Murgia & A McPeck

Sunday 9:00AM

Fran Betz
Joanne Palmeri
P Hera & E Riddle

Sunday 10:30 AM

Jim Gleeson
Lori Koch
S Koch & G Koch

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Eucharistic Minister
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RCIA –The RCIA program is a series of meeting, classes, and rituals to prepare non-Catholic men and women to enter the Church and receive Sacraments at Easter. This is also ideal for anyone who was baptized in the Catholic Church, but did not complete their religious education or receive Holy Communion and Confirmation. Anyone who would like to attend or learn more about RCIA please call the Parish Office at 610-258-9059.

Thursday, October 18th at 3:15PM Fr. Joe will celebrate Mass at Country Meadows, Newlins Rd, Easton. All are invited to attend.

Look **Msgr. Reichert** will be giving a **Twilight Retreat October 16** at St. Francis Center for Renewal 395 Bridal Path Rd, Bethlehem. 6:45PM to 9PM. *"What Does God See and Love in Me that I Don't See and Love?"* Offering \$25—Deposit \$15. Refreshments included. Come for an evening of prayer, reflecting on Monsignor's words of wisdom, and meeting a new faith community. Call 610-867-8890 to register. Visit www.stfrancisctr.org.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

The Knights of Columbus will meet on **Thursday, October 25, 2018** in the church hall. We will pray the Rosary at 7PM.

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS



The A&R will meet on **Tuesday, November 6 at 7PM**. We will pray the Rosary before the meeting. All women of the parish 18 years and older are welcome to join us.

Sunday, October 21 there will be a 10:30AM Mass for the Living & Deceased Members of the Altar & Rosary Society, followed by a breakfast/lunch at 12:00 noon at the Nazareth Diner. Everyone will pay for their own meal, which includes gratuity and tax. Anyone who would like to attend please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the back of the church vestibule. Hope to see you there!

The Altar Rosary Society is again collecting items for **Safe Harbor and 3rd Street Alliance for Women & Children**. The project will run the month of October. Items needed: Soap, Body Wash, Hand Cream, Shampoo, Brushes, Combs, Q-Tips, Deodorant, Shaving Cream Disposable Shavers, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Dental Floss, Chap stick, Hats, Gloves, Scarves, Socks. These items will also be for children at the Alliance. **All items must be brand new and in original packaging.** Thank you in advance for your assistance with this project. St. Rocco's Parish has always been very benevolent. For additional info contact: Karen Brewer @ 484-894-5661.

REMINDER and SAVE THE DATE: Our Turkey Bingo will be held on **Nov 11** tickets going on sale October 21 with limited tickets being sold. We will be accepting donations for the giveaways and for a **small** tricky tray, starting Oct 21. All items are to be new and in unopened packages. Any questions contact Linda Nicusanti 610-252-3053 or 610-417-6245.

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.

SPIRITUAL COMBAT: Armed with the Spirit—This year's Diocesan Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, November 3 from 9AM to 5PM at DeSales University. The day will include keynote addresses, exhibits and a Vigil Mass with Bishop Alfred A. Schlert. Continental breakfast and lunch is included. General Admission is \$40 and the High School/College rate is \$15. For more info or to register visit www.allentowndiocese.org/mens-confernece. Any questions please call 610-289-8900, ext 2028. Please see posters and brochures available in the vestibule.



Hurricane Florence has left much devastation in her wake. The effects of her path and ferocity have crippled areas of Georgia and the Carolinas with flooding and wind damage. It will take months for these areas to recover. To aid in the recovery, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has called for a special collection to be taken up across the U.S. the weekend of October 27/28. The funds will be administered by Catholic Charities USA. Please be generous in your support of our brothers and sisters to the South to regain their lives.

Questions people ask

Q. Should we believe in Mary's Apparitions?

A. In the last 500 years or more, claims of Marian apparitions have increased enormously. Mary has reportedly come to different countries on all 6 major continents. But along with the apparitions approved by the Church, there have been false claims. Following the apparitions of Our Lady of Beauraing in Belgium in 1932-33, nineteen "visions" of Mary were reported within weeks. They were studied and soon denied by the Church. The Church teaches that Scripture and Tradition (doctrine transmitted by the apostles & later by the Church) have already provided what Catholics must know and believe. Consequently, belief in the approved appearances of Mary is optional. Catholics are free to believe or ignore them. Did Mary really appear on a hilltop to Juan Diego at Guadalupe? Or to 3 children in 1917 at Fatima? Or in 1984 to hundreds of people gathered on a farm in Betania, Venezuela? Each individual may discern where approved apparitions fit in their life.



CCD NEWS

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

Sunday, October 14, 21, & 28 — Gr. 8 Class 9AM
Sunday, October 14—Mass Sacrament Enrollment for Grades 2, 3 & 8
Monday, October 15, 22 & 29 —Gr. 1-7 Class 6PM

MISSION SUNDAY: Next weekend **October 20/21**, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support the mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's 2nd collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

BECAHI OPEN HOUSE—Sunday, October 21 from 2-4PM. Come see our campus, meet our teachers, visit the coaches corner and enjoy a student-led tour. Financial aid counseling and transportation information will also be available. For a personal tour, contact Cristin Eick, Director of Admissions at ceick@becahi.org or 610-866-0791 ext. 313

The 2018 **FALL SAT** class will be held at Bethlehem Catholic HS to October 30th. Mathematics classes will run October 15, 22, 24 & 29 in room 112 and Reading and Writing classes will run October 16, 18, 23, 25, and 30. (** Please note: English class dates are subject to change due to field hockey playoffs!) Classes time is 3:30 pm until 6:30 pm. Please contact Debbie DeSanto at ddesanto@becahi.org

Lectors/Ushers/ Altar Server Training

Lectors are responsible for proclaiming the word of God in a way that makes the word come alive. We will be training new lectors. We are also looking for Ushers. Also, anyone in grade 4 or higher interested in becoming an Altar Server. Please sign-up on the sheets posted in the vestibule. Training will begin shortly. You will be contacted.