

Most Blessed Sacrament

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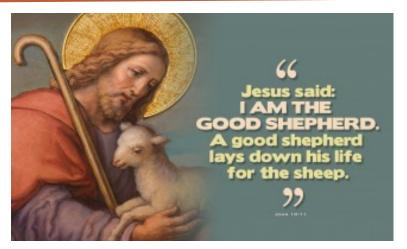
610 Pine Street, Bally PA
Pastor: Father Adam Sedar
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Office hours daily are from 8:30am-3:30pm
In the summer Monday thru Thursday. Closed Friday.

22 April 2018

4th Sunday Of Easter

www.allentowndiocese.org

Jesus said:
"I am the good shepherd.
A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.."



John 10: 11-18 SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

CONFESSIONS: Monday 6:00-6:30 pm.

Saturday 3:15-4:00pm.

Parish Giving

SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING

Most Blessed Sacrament has enlisted Parish Giving to provide its members with the opportunity to use Credit/Debit Cards or your Checking Account via Electronic Funds Transfer as an alternative method for giving.

On this giving site, you will be able to select from the various opportunities to contribute to our parish Sunday Offerings and other initiatives such as our annual appeal, Christmas, Easter and Holy Day Collections, as well as second collections that both benefit our parish community and Diocesan initiatives.

Register by going to our website: www.mbsbally.org
Scroll down on Home Page and follow Instructions.

If you have any questions please call Parish Giving at: 1-866-307-7140.

All Guests and New
Parishioners
are
Most Welcome!
You can register at
our parish on line

www.mbsbally.org

Daily Mass on Monday, April 23rd will be at 8 AM.

School Mass on April 27th will be at 9:30 AM.

PRAYFUL INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 23

8:00 AM—Mary Kehs, The Cyril Kehs Family

TUESDAY, APRIL 24

8:00 AM—For the Intentions of Noreen Muthersbaugh, by The Rosary Guild

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

8:00 AM—-Joseph Heid, Jr., by The Smith Family

FRIDAY,-APRIL 27

8:00 AM—Yessie Allen, by Connie Clarke

9:30 AM—In Thanksgiving for the Benefactors of St. Francis Academy

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

8:00 AM—Joseph Sobjak, Sr.

4:30 PM-George Melcher, by His family **SUNDAY, APRIL 29**

6:00 AM—Theodore & Ruth Bauer, by Ted & Agnes Bauer

7:30 AM—Earl Strunk, by Buddy & Family

10:15 AM—People of Most Blessed Sacrament Parish

READINGS FOR APRIL 22, 2018

Reading 1: ACTS 4: 8-12 Reading 2: 1 JOHN 3: 1-2 Gospel: JOHN 10: 11-18

LEGION OF MARY Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM. **MASS CARDS**

To schedule a Mass please stop by the Rectory Office between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Mon-Thurs.

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Mon Apr 23—Fr. Richard James
Tue Apr 24—Fr. Ronald Jankaitis
Wed Apr 25—Fr. Dominik Kalata
Thur Apr 26—Fr. Francis Kaminski
Fri Apr 27—Fr. Kiaieta Kanimea
Sat Apr 28—Fr. Venantius Karobo
Sun Apr 29—Fr. Gregory Karpyn

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Tuesday from 8:30am-6:30 pm Followed by Benediction and Miraculous Medal Novena Please Pray for all in our Armed Services

PRAYING

ISSN Keith Essig, MILITAR SGT Jeffrey Ferry, CPT. Kevin Bergan, SGT Brad Kline, USMC 2nd Lt. Peter C. Fisher, SPC Daniel Saylor, CPL Matt Renner, PSC Derrick Avant. SPC Michael Greaves. SGT Vince Sodano, Chief Noah W. Ziegler, MAJ Jeremy Bushyager, SGT Eddie Pierce, CAPT Justin Knepp, PFC Sam S. Myers, Lt. 1st Class Heather Cupitt, Staff SGT Eric J. Crews, Staff SGT, Anthony Lucarelli, MAJ Michael O'Kane, SSG Antonio Rivera, Airman 1st Class Andrew Gerard, SSgt. Michael Viola, Douglas Philip Murray, Staff SGT J.T. Walters, Lt. Justin Hazlett, MSTR SGT Jason Robbins, CPT Tylara Romero, 2nd LT Konrad Thaler, Midshipman Piper Thaler, David Stavish, Capt, USN, Joseph Stavish, Cdr, USN, SPC James O' Connor, Markus De Larantus, Navy, PFC USMC Emily Gehringer ENS Alex Viola Staff SGT Megan Crews

"Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the self-less acts that they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and

Savior. Amen."



Youth Group (7th-12th Grades)

Steubenville Update

There is ONE spot open for our Steubenville trip in July. The dates are **July 13th to July 15th**. The cost is \$240.00. This includes

transportation on a charter bus, food for the entire weekend, a t-shirt and an experience you will never forget.

Heather Shainline is our Director of our vibrant Youth Group. She can be reached at: youthgroup@stcolumbkill.org

GRADES PRE SCHOOL THRU 5TH GRADE CCD TEACHER NEEDED

A 5th Grade CCD Teacher is needed for the 2018-2019 School year. Please call Deacon Murphy at **610-845-7364.**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL @ ST. COLUMBKILL

Pre-K thru 5th grade

VBS is June 25-29, 2018 Registration is due by June 1-2018. To Register on our parish website go to:

https://stcolumbkill.org/vbs-online-registration

More info: Megan Repko: meganrepko@stcolumbkill.org

Altar Servers

SATURDAY April 28

4:30 PM—Breton Poster-Delaney Geise-

Sarah Imhoff

SUNDAY April 29

6:00 AM—Volunteer

7:30 AM—Gabrielle, Annika & Andrew Snyder

10:15 AM—Alicia & Makayla Jones – Mary James

YOUTH HUMOR OF THE WEEK

City kids have a difficult time understanding the Christmas story. When Johnnie's mom said Mary and Joseph had to spend the night in a stable when Jesus was born, Johnnie asked, "What's a stable?"

His mom paused, then said very pointedly, "Picture your room, the way it looks and smells...without the flat -screen monitor and your computer! All Johnnie could say was, "Wow."

Yes, Mary and Joseph were indeed smiling!

St. Francis Academy

St. Francis Academy 610 Pine Street Bally, PA 19503

http:// www.sfabally.org/



April 24 - CYO Track begins for Grades K, 1, and 2

April 25 - CYO Track begins for Grades 3, 4, and 5

April 26 - Seventh and Eighth Grade are off to tour our nation's capital, Washington D.C.

April 27 - Hedge Fund Day . Our Hedge Fund campaign

concludes with some celebrating. We'll have a 9:30 school liturgy. Following the liturgy we'll gather in the school parking lot for a huge group photo in the shape of a 275. (That should be around 10:30.) After our photo shoot we'll enjoy a sweet treat in the cafeteria.

We'll also draw the winner of Sea Glass Art which features

the Prayer of St. Francis. Come one, come all!

April 28 - First Holy Communion at MBS 11:00

Anniversary News Update

May 20 - Our day to honor the Sisters of St. Francis and their service to our school. We'll begin with the 10:15 Mass and follow with a light reception in Fr. Schneider Hall.

June 2 - We'll celebrate after the 4:30 Mass. An additional note- We still have anniversary apparel available for purchase.

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Reminder-Registration and re-registration for the 2018-19 school year is taking place NOW!

PK 4-yr-old program FULL DAY Kindergarten Grades 1-8

Any questions, please call the school 610-845-7364.

Grades 1 to 4_after school STEM Club has started on Mondays and Thursdays.

Fr. Adam's Corner

Dear Parishioners:

At this time, I want to bring you up to date on a few of our ongoing initiatives. This past Saturday members of our Development Council had an extensive review session. The Council has standing committees for Stewardship, Public Relations, St. Francis Academy, Memorials, Planned Giving and Capital Campaign. Each committee has been meeting regularly and have been studying, planning and accomplishing goals and tasks that will greatly help in advancing the mission of our parish. Some of these are already underway and some will be happening in the near future. Within the next six to seven weeks you will receive a "Development Mailing" with details about what each committee is doing and how you can become involved. Soon there will also be content on our website about the Development Council. I ask you to look carefully at both of these so that you will be fully informed and be able to get involved in some way in these many initiatives. We are only in the beginning stages of establishing this council and, in my view, it will take another year and a half until it is fully active and functioning.

Also, our parish Finance Committee continues to watch over and guide our financial position and we now have a Buildings and Grounds Committee that will meet regularly to oversee the upkeep and maintenance of our church properties and will work on any physical plant projects we may undertake. I plan also to establish a Spiritual and Social Life Committee to coordinate our spiritual and community activities. The overall plan is for the Development Council, Financial Committee, Buildings and Grounds Committee and the Spiritual and Social Life Committee to work with each other, under the direction of your pastor, to engage the parish community and all the organizations of our parish in advancing together the mission of our parish, which is nothing short of the mission of the Gospel, to preach. teach and sanctify the Church of Christ in our midst.

On another happy note, as I hope you are aware, our school, St. Francis Academy, is celebrating it's 275th anniversary this year. There are many events planned, including a Mass and Banquet with our Bishop August 26th. This is truly another historic event and one we should all be proud of and one that I hope will generate much enthusiasm for the great work of Catholic Education that our school continues to provide our young people.

Peace Fr. Adam

UPCOMING News, Events and Ministry Information

PAPER RETRIEVERS.

Please DO NOT drop off paper in or around the Paper Retrievers. The program is no longer in service.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL Many thanks to those who have made a pledge to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Making a six-month pledge to the Appeal allows you to maximize the amount that you may give by making monthly payments. For example, a \$120 gift to the Appeal may be setup with six \$20 installments. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how small. Your generosity funds the annual budget for 6 important Diocesan ministries in our area. You can make your gift online at FaithHopeCharityGives.org.

FLOCKNOTE

If you would like to be notified by *TEXT or EMAIL* of important parish news, Holy Day reminders, important messages from our pastor, special events being held at MBS, school closings, etc., then this is for you. Go to our webpage at: www.mbsbally.org to sign-up.

The 8th Annual Reading/Berks March for Life is scheduled for Sunday, April 29, 2018 at Berks Catholic High School, 955 E. Wyomissing Blvd., Reading, PA. This year we have an "Expo" beginning at 12PM that includes both National and Local Pro-Life organizations who will be on hand to provide participants with information on where our support is needed and how we can assist these organization throughout the year in continuing to promote the Sanctity of Life. Food and drink will also be provided during the "Expo". The Rally will begin at 2:00PM.

LEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Henry Calandra that he may rest in the eternal peace and love of Christ.

ROSARY GUILD—Tues. morning 8:30 AM in Fr. Schneider Hall.

FIRST COMMUNION

Please keep the students of St. Francis Academy and CCD who will receive Holy Eucharist on April 28th in your prayers. Please pray that they may continue to grow in faith and in the love of the Lord.

BIBLE STUDY

Come join us on Monday Evenings at 7 PM in Fr. Schneider Hall. Presently we are studying the Gospel of Mark. Please come join us! Contact Margaret Chovanes at: margaretc@mbsbally.org



Parish News and Events

BINGO

Volunteers are needed, no experience necessary. Contact: Janice Szilli 610-987-8851.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Most Blessed Sacrament Council #16745 Would like to welcome men 18 years of age or older along with their families for a communion Mass, followed by a continental breakfast and guest speaker at Father Schneider Hall. The Mass will be held on Sunday, **April 29th** at 7:30am. Come see the many joys of becoming a Knight. Any questions or for more information please contact Ed Short at **eshort3@comcast.net** or by calling 610-850-4652.

EGG-CELLENT JOB

Thank you to Cindy Keller and all the volunteers for another the egg-cellent Easter Egg Hunt. The thousands of gifts were overwhelming for all the participants. What a great way to celebrate the Easter Season!

COMMUNION CALLS

Please contact the rectory if you or anyone you know might be ill and would like to receive Holy Communion at home. If you or members of your family are shut-ins and unable to attend mass on a weekly basis, please let the rectory know. Fr. Adam visits the shut-ins once a month and Deacon Boyle brings the Eucharist weekly to those who are at home.

ATTIC TREASURES!!!

After a hiatus due to the Quinn Hall renovation last year, the annual Attic Treasures, an Indoor Flea Market and Bake Sale, will be held at St. Columbkill Parish, Boyertown. April 27th to April 29th.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor - Father Adam Sedar
Weekend Assistant - Father Kevin Bobbin
Deacons - Thomas J. Murphy & Mike Boyle
Administrative Assistant - Cindy Repko
Financial Secretary - Sue Nitroy
Parish School, St. Francis Academy Deacon Thomas J. Murphy, Headmaster
Preschool Teacher—Maria Crail
Director of Religious Edu - Deacon Murphy
RCIA Coordinator—Deacon Murphy

News, Ministries & Organizations

WIDOW & WIDOWERS GRIEF SUPPORT

The next "**REACH OUT"** meeting is on **April 22nd** at Most Blessed Sacrament's Schneider Hall at 1 PM. Easter speaks to the new spring. For those that have lost a loved one, the Easter message is to trust in our faith and to trust in others. The support of those who understand cannot be overestimated. We ask all to pray for the families who have lost a loved-one as they adapt to life after loss. For more information and for **anyone** who has suffered a loss of **any one** close to them, please call Dn. Mike Boyle at 484-336-9849.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Your help is needed. Many of the requests have been on for years. We will gladly keep requested names on the list. Please take a look at the list and notify Cindy 610-845-2460 if any names can be removed. Thank you. The names of the sick of our parish can be found on our website www.mbsbally.org. or in the Prayer Intention Book located at the side entrance of church. The sick are also remembered in the Intercessions at every Sunday Mass.

CALLING ALL WOMEN

The Diocese of Allentown is hosting its second annual women's conference on Saturday, May 5, 2018 at DeSales University, Center Valley from 8:30 am ending with a Vigil Mass at 4:00 pm celebrated by Bishop Alfred A. Schlert. The cost is \$40/Adult, \$10/High School Students, \$15 College Students and Vowed/Consecrated Religious. Questions call 610-289-8900 x 2021 or e-mail AFF@allentowndiocese.org

PARISH STAFF

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