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PARISH PICNIC

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SEPT 18

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12:15 PM

*A fun-filled afternoon  
for the entire family!*

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Mohnton Playground | Walnut Street in Mohnton

**\$10 PER PERSON (17 & UNDER ARE FREE)**

BINGO

» — Serving Kauffman's BBQ Dinner at 1PM — «

Kauffman's Famous Bar-B-Que Half Chicken, Hot Dog, Baked Potato,  
Baked Beans, Applesauce, Assorted Picnic Snacks, Water, Lemonade, and Iced Tea.

Kids Meal (Ages 2-17): Hot Dog, Chicken Nuggets, and Applesauce.

**JOIN YOUR FAMILY OF FAITH  
ON SEPT 18<sup>TH</sup>**

Please RSVP by Wednesday, Sept. 4th by filling out this form, detaching it, and placing it in the Sunday Collection Basket or dropping it off at the church office.

Make checks payable to "St. John's"

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Adults (18+ over) \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 / person

No. of Children (17 & under) \_\_\_\_\_ x FREE!

Age(s) of Children (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_



# PARISH STAFF, MINISTRY DIRECTORY, AND CONTACT INFORMATION

## PARISH STAFF & MAILING ADDRESS

### Parish Mailing Address

420 Holland Street, Shillington, PA 19607

### Pastor

Rev. Edward Essig: [REDACTED]

### Deacon

Deacon F. Joseph Lombardo: 610.777.1697

### Principal of La Salle Academy

Mr. Stephen Mickulik: 610.777.7392

### Parish Secretary

Bernadette Yohn: 610.777.1697

### Parish Communications Coordinator

Sarah Capato: 610.850.4978

### Director of Religious Education

Bernadette Yohn: 610.777.1697

## OUTREACH & PARISH MINISTRIES

### Culture of Life

Contact: Bob Peters at 610.775.8965

### Bereavement Ministry

Contact: Roseann Kumor at 610.775.7431

### Justice in Action Ministry

Contact: Arlene Seeber at 484.794.8027

### Breaking Bread Social Committee

Contact: Lois Lombardo at 610.777.2542

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Contact: Elaine Strick at 484.824.1577

### Nursing Home Visitors for Rosary & Mass

Contact: Billie & Mike Resch at 610.775.3927

### Food Pantry / Emergency Meals

Contact: Kate Roche at 610.777.4792

### Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities

Contact: Kate Roche at 610.777.4792

### Parish Nurse Ministry

Contact: Sharon Shingler at 610.775.9998

### St. Paul Street Evangelization

Contact: Gina Aldi at 484.769.5346

### Divorce Ministry

Contact: Deb Kelly at 610.763.6528

## ORGANIZATIONS

### Prime Timers

Contact: Nick Bentz at 610.777.8864

### Knights of Columbus

Contact: Bill Griffith at 484.797.0669

### Altar Society

Contact: Carol Bensing at 610.401.6561

### CYO (Christian Youth Organization)

Contact: Tony Cannon at 215.872.0240

### Parish Gardeners

Contact: Chris Hofmann at 610.777.2523

## WORSHIP

### Eucharistic Adoration

TBA

### Altar Servers

Students from Grade 4 to Seniors in High School

Contact: Parish Office at 610.777.1697

### Adult Funeral Servers

Contact: Parish Office at 610.777.1697

### Eucharistic Ministers

Contact: Bernadette Yohn at 610.777.1697 or 610.777.6297

### Lectors

Contact: Deacon Joe Lombardo at 610.777.2542

### Ministers of Hospitality

Contact: Deacon Joe Lombardo at 610.777.2542

### Liturgical Music

Contact: Christopher Hoster at 610.334.1188

### Cantors

Contact: Christopher Hoster at 610.334.1188

### Baptismal Prep

Contact: Parish Office at 610.777.1697

### Baptismal Bibs

Contact: Parish Office at 610.777.1697

### Sacristans

Contact: Elaine Strick at 610.856.7264

## SPIRITUAL GROWTH

### RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Contact: Parish Office at 610.777.1697

### Adult Education (Seasonal)

Contact: Parish Office at 610.777.1697

### Faith Sharing for Women

Contact: Arlene Seeber at 484.794.8027

### Parish Prayer Line

Contact: Judy Peters at 610.775.8965

### Charismatic Prayer Group

Contact: Amelia "Midge" Biancone at 610.777.2215

## COMPREHENSIVE CATHOLIC EDUCATION

**La Salle Academy:** Preschool, Pre Kindergarten, K-8th Grade

Mr. Stephen Mickulik, Principal: 610.777.7392

**Berks Catholic High School:** 9th-12th Grade

Mr. Bill Hess, M. Ed, Head of School: 610.374.8361 ext. 230

**Parish Religious Education Program:** 1st-8th Grade

Mrs. Bernadette Yohn, DRE: 610.777.1697

**RCIA:** Age 18+

Mrs. Bernadette Yohn, DRE: 610.777.1697

## SCHEDULING USE OF PARISH FACILITIES

For those interested in using the Father Lyons room for a meeting or special event, please contact the Parish Office at 610.777.1697

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<b>MONDAY,</b>	<b>AUGUST 15 / Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
8:00 a.m.	Clerv Artz
<b>TUESDAY,</b>	<b>AUGUST 16 / St. Stephen of Hungary</b>
8:00 a.m.	Fr. Peter Keenan
<b>WEDNESDAY,</b>	<b>AUGUST 17 / Weekday</b>
8:00 a.m.	Intentions for Paul & Anne Essig, 60 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary
<b>THURSDAY,</b>	<b>AUGUST 18 / Weekday</b>
7:00 p.m.	Jack Causa
<b>FRIDAY,</b>	<b>AUGUST 19 / St. John Eudes</b>
8:00 a.m.	Marlin Rautzhan
<b>TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	
<b>SATURDAY,</b>	<b>AUGUST 20</b>
4:00 p.m.	Eleanor & John Mc Ginn
<b>SUNDAY,</b>	<b>AUGUST 21</b>
8:30 a.m.	Rimmer Haley
10:30 a.m.	People of the Parish

## UPCOMING LITURGICAL MINISTERS

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 20 - 4:00PM****Lector:** Bernadette Yohn**Servers:** Teagan Rogers**EM:** Vince Sottosanti, Mary Ellen Symanski, Linda Katzaman**SUNDAY, AUGUST 21 - 8:30AM****Lector:** Chris Boland**Servers:** Catherine Weisman**EM:** Judy Stephan, Mary Beth Kakos, Britt Kobularcik, Mike & Billie Resch**SUNDAY, AUGUST 21 - 10:30AM****Lector:** Craig Turnbaugh**Servers:** Penny Cartin**EM:** Alverda Turnbaugh, Chris & Keith Worley, Kristen Kellenberger

## WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

SUNDAY 8/7: \$8,548.50

Maintenance &amp; Utilities for August: \$2,416.00

**Thank you for your generosity!****Sanctuary Lamp for the week of August 14 - 20:**In loving memory of Albert J. Bushinski  
(requested by Marie & Steve Szurgot)

## TODAYS READINGS

**First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10**

Jeremiah urged the people of Jerusalem to surrender to the enemy. This angered the princes, who then requested that Jeremiah be put to death. The king allowed the princes to leave him in a cistern without food or water. But after Ebed Melech pleaded for Jeremiah's life, the king decided to free him.

**Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4**

This letter to the Hebrews inspires all Christians to persevere, in spite of the trials they may face. Jesus endured much suffering and was rewarded by God. Despite our struggles, we must remember Jesus' ability to endure and maintain strong faith in him.

**Gospel: Luke 12:49-53**

Jesus tells his disciples that his message will not bring peace to the earth. Instead, even families will become sharply divided because some members will embrace him, while others condemn him.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday**

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

**Monday**

Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

**Tuesday**

Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday**

Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday**

Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14

**Friday**

Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday**

Ez 43:1-7ab; Mt 23:1-12

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

**Wednesday, August 17**

6:30 PM

JAM meeting

Please direct all bulletin and website inquiries to the Parish Communications Coordinator, Sarah Capato at 610.850.4978 or sarah@stjohnsfamilyoffaith.com. Bulletin submissions are due Thursday, ten days prior to the Sunday of publication.

## PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Aug. 14,	Rev. Venantius Karobo, AJ
Aug. 15	Our deceased priests
Aug. 16,	Our sick and infirmed priests
Aug. 17,	Our seminarians
Aug. 18,	Rev. Gregory Karpyn
Aug. 19,	Rev. Martin Kern
Aug. 20,	Rev. Simon Kimaryo, AJ

## SPIRITUAL THOUGHT

God has not created us, nor does He preserve our lives, that we may labor to acquire riches or earthly honors, or that we may indulge in amusements, but that we may love and serve Him in this world, in order to love and enjoy Him for eternity in the next.

Saint Alphonsus Liguori—Love Beyond Measure

Life is a journey, let faith be your guide.



### La Salle Academy is hiring for the 2022-2023 School Year :

1. Full-Time - Learning Support Teacher
2. P/T - Preschool Teacher
3. P/T - ART Teacher (2 Days per week)
4. P/T - Music Teacher (2 Days per week)
5. Long-Term Sub. F/T Teacher- October -February (K-3 Cert. Required)
6. P/T - Classroom Aides
7. Per Diem - Substitute Teachers
8. Aftercare Workers
9. Full Time- Main Office Administrative Assistant
10. P/T - Marketing Coordinator

Applications may be found on [www.LSABEAR.com](http://www.LSABEAR.com) under the EMPLOYMENT Tab . Teaching/Classroom Positions, Send completed Diocesan Teaching Application and documentation via email or by Mail. Admin Assistant and Marketing Positions, Send Cover Letter and Diocesan Employment Application via email or by Mail to

Mr. Stephen Mickulik, M.Ed., Principal  
440 Holland Street, Shillington, PA 19607  
or email: [MICKULIK@LSABEAR.COM](mailto:MICKULIK@LSABEAR.COM)

**WIN \$10,000 CASH!!** The Berks Catholic High School Extravaganza Cash Raffle tickets are now available. The drawing will be held on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. Donation \$100. To buy raffle tickets, please send your check with return address and phone number to: Berks Catholic Extravaganza, 955 E. Wyomissing Blvd., Reading, PA 19611. For more information on Extravaganza, please contact Danielle Fowler at 610.374.1695 or e-mail [Extravaganza@BerksCatholic.org](mailto:Extravaganza@BerksCatholic.org)

## PRIME TIMERS NEWS

### Upcoming Trips with our Prime Timers:

**-Casino Trip to Wind Creek:** Thursday, October 13, 2002 - bus will leave St. John's parking lot at 9 AM and return approximately 6 PM. Cost: \$35.00 per person.

**-American Music Theater "Christmas Show":** Wednesday, November 16, 2022. Lunch at Showboat. Cost: To be determined at later date.

For more information on these trips please Call **Mary Stadelmeyer at 484-955-9492. Please continue to read the bulletin for updates on the trips.**

**You do not need to be a member of the Prime Timers to join them on their trips!**

### The Fatima Statue, also called the Traveling Madonna is available to parish families!

If someone is going through a crisis, sick or celebrating something special, anything - and wanting to host her for a week or so, asking that the rosary be said at least once during day or evening for her intersection! Please call Joan Reedy at 610.678.5683 so we can make arrangements to make this happen.



### Justice in Action Ministry Meeting August 17 at 6:30 pm

Are you curious to know more about Catholic Social Teaching? Would you like to feed the hungry and join in our parish outreach to the homeless men and women at Opportunity House? Do you have concerns about the effects of climate change on our environment and wonder what you can do? Consider coming to the next Justice in Action Ministry (JAM) meeting on Wednesday, August 17 at 6:30 pm in the Father Lyons. Meet other parishioners who share these interests and brainstorm some ideas. All are welcome.

**PA March for Life-** The PA Family Institute will be holding the second annual March for Life on September 19<sup>th</sup>. The rally will begin at 11:00 AM with the march to follow at 12:00 PM. Plans are also in the works to speak with our local representatives. Lifeline of Berks County and the Reading March for Life will be providing two buses for the event. The buses are open to anyone on a first come first served bases, but registration is required. More details will follow in your parish bulletin, or you can contact Stephanie Giles at 610.374.8545 or watch for registration information on the Lifeline website at [www.lifelineofberks.org](http://www.lifelineofberks.org).

**The Class of 1962 C.C.H.S. 60<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion** will be held on Sept. 10, 2022 at Anthony's - 900 Byron St., Pennside. Time: 12 pm - 3 pm. Cost: \$32.50 per person. For reservations please call George Dietner at 717.466.767.

## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

On Sunday June 19, 2022, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi (The Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus) the Catholic Church in the United States began a 3-year Eucharistic Revival. The purpose is to refresh, renew, recommit, and rebuild our belief and understanding of The Most Holy Eucharist. During this time the Church will be encouraging a greater participation at Mass, including attendance at the daily Masses in our parishes, along with times set aside for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and the annual celebration of parish 40 Hours.

Therefore, one thing I have chosen for the parish family of St. John's is to share with all of us as to what the Church teaches concerning the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist. Over the next two years we will be reading from the Catechism of the Catholic Church concerning this Gift from God Our Father - The Body and Blood, the Soul and Divinity, of His Only Begotten Son, Jesus Christ. This food given to us for our salvation. I encourage all our parish families to take advantage of this opportunity to read these quick teachings from the Catechism so as to grow in our knowledge of the Holy Eucharist, and to share the beauty of this knowledge with others.

*The Peace of Jesus be yours!  
Fr. Ed*

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### **THE SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST** **The Eucharist—Source and Summit of Ecclesial Life**

**1324** :The Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Christian life." "The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesial ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it. For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself, our Pasch."

#### **Mifflin Community Food Ministry Update:**

Thanks to all who remember the food ministry with weekly food donations. Through your continued generosity, the food ministry is able to assist more than 100 families each month! Even though it seems that summer has just started, the Mifflin Community Food Ministry is already preparing to assist students when they return to classes in the fall. We are asking for donations of school supplies for distribution to students within the Governor Mifflin School District. **The distribution of food and school items will be on Saturday, August 20, 2022.**

Below is a wish list of the most needed items to help our youngsters get off to a good start. Collected school supplies will be needed by August 18th for distribution on August 20th. *Extra large back packs, Binders (Heavy Duty - 3 inch), Spiral notebooks, Pocket size tissue packs, Calculators, pencils and pens, Colored pencils, Markers, Sharpies, Crayons, Glue Sticks or bottles, Erasers (large pink ones and pencil toppers)* Donations may be left at the church entrances (where the food donations are dropped off) or dropped off at 54 Chestnut Street, Mohnton, from now through August 18th, 2022 for the next food pick up. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated and may be placed in the collection basket in an envelope marked "school supplies".

Please contact Kate Roche at 610.777.4792 with any questions or for information about volunteering to distribute.

**The Polish American Heritage Association** will be holding their annual picnic on Sunday, September 11, at the Lower Alsace Fire Company picnic grove, at 1:00PM. Good food, fun and music. Members \$10. Non-members \$15. Reservations are a must. Deadline: Monday, August 29th For more information or reservations call Nadine at 610.736.3035.

**Away from home?** Find a mass wherever you are by visiting [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org)

**Did you know that the lack of English proficiency is holding back a significant number of potential workers from obtaining local jobs in the Reading area?** If you are concerned about the literacy issues affecting our community and would like to make a difference, the Mother Veronica Resource Center at 449 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street in Reading needs you! We are looking for individuals with teaching experience or a background in Education to volunteer to serve as ESL class instructors. Being bilingual in English and Spanish is a plus, but not necessary. If you have some time in the morning or evening and are passionate about teaching, the Mother Veronica Resource Center invites you to get in touch for more details. Please call Sister Cara at 484.516.2138 or email [mveronicacenter@gmail.com](mailto:mveronicacenter@gmail.com).

# BLOOD DONORS SAVE LIVES

**St. John Baptist De La Salle** is hosting a special blood drive to save lives. Our only source of blood is from blood donors like you.

**JOIN US**

**September 19th - September 24th**

**MILLER-KEYSTONE BLOOD CENTER  
2745A Leisz's Bridge Road, Reading  
(for GPS, use 1047 Old Bernville Road)**

Schedule your appointment by calling **800-223-6667** and mention **Group ID 3170**, visit **[GIVEaPINT.org](http://GIVEaPINT.org)**, or scan the QR code below.

Please include **Group ID 3170** in the notes section of the form.



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Follow the dots and see where God is in your life!