

# Blessed Sacrament Church

*"I am the Living Bread come down from Heaven. If any man eats of this Bread, he shall live forever; and the Bread I will give, is My Flesh." John 6:51-52*



*"Whosoever shall eat this Bread, or drink this Chalice of the Lord unworthily, shall be guilty of the Body and Blood of the Lord."*

1 Corinthians 11:27

Perpetual Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place in the side chapel twenty-four hours a day, every day. All are welcome to come and worship and adore our Eucharistic Lord.

*"Could you not watch one hour with Me?" Matthew 26:40*

## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

**LORD'S DAY:** Saturday: 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

**HOLIDAYS:** Vigil: 6:00 p.m.  
Holyday: 9:00 a.m.

**WEEKDAYS:** 9:00 a.m.

**SATURDAYS:** First Saturdays only: 8:00 a.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 2:45 to 3:30 p.m. and by appointment

**BAPTISM:** As part of the preparation process an interview with the Pastor and two instructional sessions are required. Please contact the rectory to schedule.

**ENGAGED COUPLES:** Arrangements for your marriage must be made at least nine months in advance of the marriage date.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** We welcome you and ask that you register at the Rectory. We want to know and serve you! We hope that you will favor your parish with your prayers, your presence and your talents.

## Pastor

Rev. Timothy J. Campoli

## Church

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## Rectory

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Choir Director  
Stephen Glover  
772-0532

## Alternatives Pregnancy Ctr.

Pregnancy Tests, Counseling, Support  
Post Abortion Support  
(413) 774-6010

## Calvary Cemetery

Wisdom Way  
Greenfield  
773-3311

## Hispanic Ministry

Sr. Caritina Olmos, M.P.S.  
413-777-5115  
Sr. Rosa Torres, M.P.S.  
413-459-7052

## Natural Family Planning

Ed & Suzi Cottrill  
413-772-6062



**Weekend of November 25 & 26**

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**

Saturday, November 25

4:00	Deacon John Leary	Kerry Semaski
	Francis Campbell	Bill Randall
	Monica McCarthy	Hannah Lively
	Joanne Yestramski	Brian Luippold
	Winston LaBelle	

Sunday, November 26

8:00	Deacon John Leary	Kevin O'Neil, Jr.
	Kevin O'Neil	Lionel Martin
	Liza O'Neil	
10:30	Deacon John Leary	Judy Lapointe
	Donna Leary	Bob O'Connor
	Mary Jane Bardwell	Suzanne Hunter
	Joyce Thibodo	Wayne Cottrill

**Poet's Seat Nursing Home:**

Sunday, November 26 Deacon John and Donna Leary

**Lectors / Cantors:**

Sat., Nov. 25	4:00	Jason Semaski / Sandra Pavoni
Sun., Nov. 26	8:00	Laurie Tilton / Brenda Hill
	10:30	Bob O'Connor / Jane Winchester



Saturday, November 25

4:00 John Semaski, Joshua Semaski

Sunday, November 26

8:00 Cody Podlesney, Sarah Podlesney  
10:30 Nathaniel Pierce, Sean Pierce

Sunday and Energy Collection (Date)....  
No. Sunday/Energy Envelopes Submitted

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup> All Souls (Pope Francis)

4:00 Jim and Hilda DeJoy – by Family

SUNDAY, NOV. 19<sup>TH</sup> – 33<sup>RD</sup> Sunday in Ord. Time (Fr. Aksamit)

*All Souls*

8:00 Souls in Purgatory – by Betty Fritz

10:30 Thomas and Mary Dillon – by Jay and Ann Dillon

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup> (Deacon Bucci)

*All Souls*

9:00 Mary Alice Grover – by Family

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> – The Presentation of the Blessed

Virgin Mary All Souls (Fr. Bombardier)

9:00 Deceased members of the Maley & Conklin Families

WED., NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> – St. Cecilia (Deacon Leary)

*All Souls*

9:00 Kersavage – Toomey Families

THURS., NOV. 23<sup>RD</sup> – Pope St. Clement I / St. Columban/

Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro All Souls (Our Seminarians)

9:00 Francis Smith (31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary) – by Family

FRIDAY, NOV. 24<sup>TH</sup> – St. Andrew Duing Lac and Companions

*All Souls* (Bishop Rozanski)

9:00 The parents of Vesta Keller – by Vesta Keller

SATURDAY, NOV. 25<sup>TH</sup> – St. Catherine of Alexandria

*All Souls* (Our Deacon Candidates)

4:00 Paula Castine – by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Zraunig & Fam.

SUN., NOV. 26<sup>TH</sup> – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

*All Souls* (Fr. Bermudez)

8:00 Joan Storozuk – by husband Donald & sister Dorothy

10:30 Paula Castine – by Family

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REMINDER: ♦ Please join with us in praying the **Rosary** before each daily Mass at 8:15 a.m., before the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and 8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.

♦ **Confessions** after each weekend Mass.

♦ The **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** will be recited Fridays at 3:00 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel. All are invited to come and pray with us.

♦ Blessed Sacrament has a **Prayer Chain** which is available for anyone. Simply contact Marie Boynton at 413-772-5858 or memeboynton@comcast with your petition.

♦ **Sponsor Certificates** - Many parishes require certificates of sponsorship for Godparents and Confirmation Sponsors. These will be issued only to those who are confirmed adult Catholics, registered in the parish, regular participants at Mass, validly married in the Church (*if applicable*) and providing for the religious education of their own children (*if applicable*).

The **Sanctuary Candle** will burn this week in memory/honor:  
**Health and Blessings for Douglas Parsons** –  
from wife, Joni Gilhooly

The **Adoration Chapel Candles** will burn this week in  
memory/honor of:

- 1.) **The Jeffrey Galica Family** – from Doug & Joni Gilhooly Parsons
- 2.) **Health and Blessings for Douglas Parsons** –  
from wife, Joni Gilhooly
- 3.) **Deceased members of the McCarthy & Tracy Families** –  
from Dan and Monica McCarthy
- 4.) **Joseph Brozo** – from Wife and Family

**Got Your Bottle?**

This month our church will participate in **ALTERNATIVES Pregnancy Center's Change for Babies** program. You are invited to "adopt" a baby bottle as you leave this weekend! Your baby bottle receives your loose change (or bills or checks) during the month and reminds you to pray for the needs of both clients and volunteers at ALTERNATIVES. No good work bears fruit without prayer and sacrifice! Make this time one of generous, prayerful **Change for Babies**.

**Christmas Wreath Sale**

A Christmas Wreath Sale will be held at Holy Trinity Church in Greenfield on Fri., Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> and Sat., Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Wreath with bow - \$15 / Decorated wreath - \$20.00. Proceeds to benefit Holy Trinity Church.

**Pennsylvania Dutch Christmas Trip**

St. Mary's Church in Lee presents a Pennsylvania Dutch Christmas Trip, November 28-30. Highlights include: Miracle of Christmas Show at Sight and Sound Theatre, Mass at Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, American Music Theatre Christmas Show, Christmas Chalk w/artist - art work will be given away to a guest, two breakfasts, two dinners (one being in an Amish home), Kitchen Kettle Village, Farmers Market and guided tour of Amish Farmlands. Cost is \$439 pp, double occupancy. For more info., please contact St. Mary's office at [413-243-0275](tel:413-243-0275) or Nancy Wilcox at [413-298-4603](tel:413-298-4603).

**St. Nicholas Bazaar**

Our Lady of Czestochowa Church at 84 K Street, Turners Falls, will hold its annual **St. Nicholas Christmas Bazaar** on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Come for Christmas crafts and gifts, religious goods, bake sale, Polish food sale, pierogi, gifts from Poland, tag sale, giant raffles, and more! Anyone who would like to rent a table for this popular holiday event may call Shirley Webb at [413-773-7202](tel:413-773-7202) for information and to reserve a space.

**StayCatholic.com**

Are you or a family member thinking about leaving the Church? Have you been told that Catholic teachings are opposed to the teachings of the Bible? Visit [StayCatholic.com](http://StayCatholic.com) and see the Biblical evidence for Catholicism. The site features essays and articles that explain why we believe what we believe. Links to other Catholic sites are provided to further aid you in your understanding of the Faith. There are also links that deal with personal issues to help you in living the Faith.

**Attention, Single Catholic Men 18-30**

The Knights of the Holy Eucharist, a community of consecrated brothers dedicated to fostering reverent devotion to Our Eucharistic Lord, invite you to discern your vocation at their House of Formation, located at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville, Alabama. Learn more: [knights.org](http://knights.org).

**Rosary and Novena**

The Rosary and Novena will be prayed every evening in the Adoration Chapel during November at 7 p.m. for the Souls in Purgatory. We will pray especially for all of the deceased members of Blessed Sacrament Church and for your family members. Please join us to pray for these souls, and they when they reach Heaven, they will in turn intercede for you.

**Doe vs. Bolton**

In 1973, the Supreme Court's Doe vs. Bolton decision was the companion case to Roe vs. Wade, making abortion legal throughout pregnancy. Sandra Cano, the "Mary Doe" plaintiff of Doe vs. Bolton, technically won the case and the right to have an abortion – except that she never wanted one. Sandra was always a pro-life Christian until her death in 2014. On March 23, 1997, she declared these memorable words: "I am Sandra Cano. I became known as Mary Doe when the U.S. Supreme Court released Doe v. Bolton, which allowed abortion for virtually any reason. I am against abortion; I never sought an abortion; I have never had an abortion. Abortion is murder. For over twenty years, and against my will, my name has been synonymous with abortion. The Doe v. Bolton case is based on deceit and fraud. I stand today in this place of healing, the National Memorial for the Unborn, and pledge to the memory of these innocent children, that as long as I have breath, I will strive to see abortion ended in America."

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land**

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land with Msgr. Mike Shershanovich from St. Joseph's, Pittsfield and Fr. Brian McGrath from St. Mary's, Lee from Jan. 23-31, 2018. For more information, call Msgr. Mike at 413-445-5789.

**Catholic Cruise Tropical Caribbean**

Come and sail away on a 7 night tropical Caribbean cruise with Fr. John Harper, Dec. 31-Jan. 7, 2018 on Holland America's Eurodam out of Ft. Lauderdale (Port Everglades)), Florida Ports of Call: Key West, Florida, Grand Turk Island, Turks & Caicos, Amber Cove (Puerto Plata), Dominican Republic, Half Moon Bay, Bahamas (Cruiseline Private Island). Prices begin at \$3,168 for two passengers which includes all port fees and taxes. Daily Mass offered. Deposits of only \$350 per person will reserve your cabin. Space is limited. For more information or to register, contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785 or [Doug@CatholicCruisesandTours.com](http://Doug@CatholicCruisesandTours.com).

**The Catholic Mirror**

We are in the sixth year of receiving the *Catholic Mirror*, the diocesan magazine. Everyone automatically receives this magazine from the diocese and the diocese bills us over \$2,000 a year. Please let us know if you want to continue receiving the *Catholic Mirror* from the diocese or if you want to be removed from the diocesan list.

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## *December, Pray for the Priests and Deacons of the Franklin County Deanery*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Deacon Patten	Fr. Campoli
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Fr. Lisowski	Fr. Reardon	Deacon Rabbitt	Deacon Culliton	Msgr. Yargeau	Deacon Leary	Fr. Roach
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Deacon Bucci	Deacon Ratté	Fr. Bermudez	Pope Francis	Fr. Aksamit	Deacon Bete	Fr. O'Mannion
<i>Holy Hour for Vocations – 7 p.m.</i>						
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Pope Francis	Deacon Nolan	Bishop Rozanski	Deacon DeCarlo	Fr. Bombardier	Fr. DiMascola	Bishop McDonnell
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Our Seminarians	Vocations	Our Deacon Candidates	Fr. Cullen	Fr. Paulus	Clergy in Purgatory	Clergy who are sick
31		Infant Jesus, give Your sons wisdom and fortitude to do Your work on earth.				
Fr. Roux						

# A Patron Saint for Musicians, Singers

Thomas Craughwell

As the father of Gregorian chant, Pope St. Gregory the Great was the obvious candidate for patron of singers and musicians. His position went unchallenged for 700 years until the proliferation of pipe organs in churches and a misreading of a line in the Divine Office pushed Gregory into the background and advanced St. Cecilia (3<sup>rd</sup> century; feast day November 22) as the patron of all things musical.

The line that caused the shift is found in the Office for the feast of St. Cecilia: "*cantantibus organis illa in corde suo sui domino decantabat.*" While the instruments were playing, she [Cecilia] would sing to her Lord in her heart. The scene describes Cecilia's wedding banquet: while the musicians played bawdy songs, Cecilia sang in her heart hymns to Christ, her heavenly bridegroom.

Apparently readers in the 14<sup>th</sup> century read *cantantibus organis* as "the organ was playing" and interpreted the rest of the phrase to mean that Cecilia herself was the organist. The image of a beautiful young woman seated at a pipe organ singing sweetly to God captured the popular imagination of the faithful in a way that St. Gregory the Great never did.

Cecilia's wedding requires a little explanation. She had made a vow to remain a virgin, but her parents insisted that Cecilia marry. Although they were Christians, they chose a pagan named Valerian as Cecilia's husband. On the wedding night Cecilia explained to Valerian that she had promised God to remain a virgin, that she had been forced into marriage. Her Christian faith would not permit her to break her vow. Valerian was skeptical, but Cecilia urged him to go see Pope Urban who would be able to convince him of what was right.

Urban did more than persuade Valerian to respect Cecilia's vow; he converted him to Christianity. Valerian's conversion led his brother Tiburtius to seek out Pope Urban, and he too was baptized. Not long afterward a fresh wave of persecution swept through Rome: Cecilia, Valerian, Tiburtius and Maximus, the

prison warden who had guarded Valerian and Tiburtius, were all martyred.



St. Cecilia – Feast Day November 22

If you go to Rome you can see St. Cecilia's house — it is intact beneath the Basilica of St. Cecilia in the part of town called Trastevere.

Before Constantine granted freedom to the Church, Christianity operated in secret. In Rome, generous, well-to-do Christians risked their lives by offering their homes as both church and community center. These house churches became known as *tituli*, a Roman term for an inscription placed upon a building to indicate who owned the property. By the year 300 there were 25 Christian *tituli* in Rome. One of these belonged to Cecilia.

After St. Cecilia's martyrdom, Pope Urban had her buried in the Catacomb of St. Callixtus. Her

relics remained there until the ninth century when Pope St. Paschal I (reigned 817-24) moved the bodies of St. Cecilia and Sts. Valerian, Tiburtius and Maximus to the basilica he had built over Cecilia's house. In 1599, Cecilia's tomb was opened and her body was found to be incorrupt. The excavators called the sculptor Stefano Maderno to the site to make a sketch of Cecilia's body.

The martyr's body did not remain intact: with exposure to the air, it crumbled to dust. But the life-size sculpture Maderno made from his sketch shows us what Cecilia looked like. You can see it in Rome enshrined beneath the high altar in the Basilica of St. Cecilia.



The position of her fingers, three extended on her right hand and one on the left, were her final silent profession of faith in the Holy Trinity.