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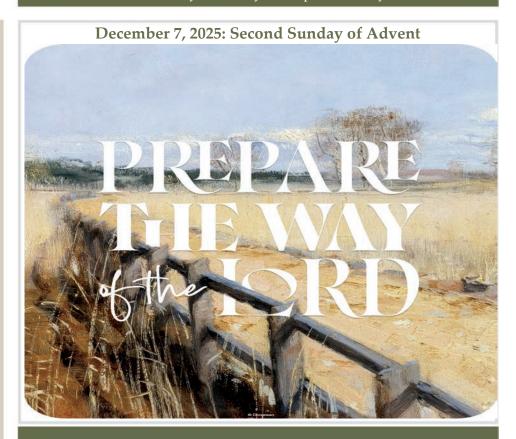
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Masses: M-T-Th 8:30am, W: 12pm | Saturday 4pm | Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am

Adoration & Confession: Monday 6-7pm | Confession: Saturday 3-3:45pm

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9am-2pm | Friday 9am-Noon



Missionary Creativity

"The parish is not an outdated institution; precisely because it possesses great flexibility, it can assume quite different contours depending on the openness and missionary creativity of the pastor and the community. While certainly not the only institution which evangelizes, if the parish proves capable of self-renewal and constant adaptivity, it continues to be the Church living in the midst of the homes of her sons and daughters"

Pope Francis in EVANGELII GAUDIUM #28

Saint Eulalia Parish Mission Statement

We are an evangelizing Catholic community living and sharing the Gospel values of faith, hope, and love.

| | Mass Inten | tions ~ December 8-14 |
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| Monday | 8:30 AM | All Parishioners living & deceased |
| | 6:00 PM | Linda DeScipio (Marlene & Joe Brogan) |
| Tuesday | 8:30 AM | Anthony Merlino (Angelo Merlino) |
| Wednesday | 12:00 PM | Phil Rodney (Sandra McAndrew) |
| Thursday | 8:30 AM | Joseph Mulrooney (MaryBeth, Bill & Cameron Lewis) |
| Saturday | 4:00 PM | Phil & Jane Clifford (Karen Clifford) |
| Sunday | 8:30 AM | All Parishioners living & deceased |
| | 10:30 AM | Robert & Dorothy Boinske (Family) |

Sanctuary Candle

In memory of John Boni (Boni Family)
In memory of Janette Campbell (John, Liz Strasburger & Family)

Bread and Wine

In memory of Deceased Parishioners of St. Eulalia Church

Honor a Loved One at Mass

In addition to mass intentions you can also sponsor a sanctuary candle, and the bread and wine used during Mass for one week to honor family and friends. Please note that there is a \$10 stipend for each sponsorship, and sponsorship can be requested by stopping by the Parish Office, giving us a call (570 -842-7656) or sending an email to secretary@saint-eulalia.com.

| | | LECTOR | EMOHC | ALTAR SERVER |
|-------------------------|----------|---------------------------------|--|---|
| Monday December 8 | 6:00 PM | Tim Pawlik | Linda Naro | Volunteers Needed |
| Saturday December 13 | 4:00 PM | Karen Clifford Lois Draina | Andrea Gilpin Jacqueline Marrone Holly Zaluski | Karalyn Hill Brody Lafferty Cole Lafferty |
| Sunday December 14 | 8:30 AM | Rose Sadowski William Waller | Mark Lemoncelli Kristine Padula Rebecca Wargo | Rory Deabill Drew Kloss Lauren Kloss |
| | 10:30 AM | Fourth Grade | Ann Arcurie Ann Arvay John Hall | Emily Rocco Hailey Rocco Hannah Rocco |

Welcome to Saint Eulalia Parish

Thank you for joining us for Mass

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A Weekly Quote from Pope Leo XIV—



"Together with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, let us persevere tirelessly in praying for peace, a God-given gift that we must strive to receive and to which we must make a strong commitment." Jubilee 2025

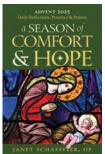
Annual Christmas Poinsettias

Honor a loved one (living or deceased) by donating \$10 for a poinsettia which will be displayed in our church for the Christmas season. Place an envelope containing the name of whom you wish to honor and your name along with your donation in the Sunday offertory collection box or mail to St. Eulalia Church, 214 Blue Shutters Rd., Roaring Brook Twp., PA 18444.

The next Social Concerns Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 9 at 9am.

All are welcome!

Advent Series: A Season of Comfort and Hope



This resource serves as the basis for a new Advent series: Soup and Sharing with Fr Dave.

The dates for these sessions are on Wednesdays: December 3rd-10th-17th immediately following 12 Noon Mass. (12:30 - 1:00 p.m.)

"What do you need during this Advent season? What are you seeking?

A deepened awareness of God's presence? Answers and direction amid chaos and uncertainty?

A strengthening of your faith?

Clarity, guidance, peace?

Encountering God in all people and places?

Join us for a prayerful Advent season! Copies are available at all church entrances.

Banns of Marriage

There is a promise of marriage announced for the first time between Marissa Drobnicki & Henry Padula

Hospital Ministry

Lori Carlin and Helen Hilborn will serve GCMC Hospital Ministry on Sunday, December 7

Liturgical Decorating Ministry

Please join us on Sunday, December 21 after the 10:30 AM mass to decorate the church for Christmas. New members are always welcome!

Weekly Financial Report

November 22-23

| Offertory Envelopes & Loose | \$5,672.00 | | | |
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| Weekly Electronic Average | \$2,328.00 | | | |
| Total Offertory Income | \$8,000.00 | | | |
| Dues | \$990.00 | | | |
| Care & Education of Priests | \$130.00 | | | |
| Campaign for Human Development | \$90.00 | | | |
| World Mission Sunday | \$45.00 | | | |
| November 29-30 | | | | |
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| Offertory Envelopes & Loose | \$4,104.00 | | | |
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| Offertory Envelopes & Loose Weekly Electronic Average Total Offertory Income | \$2,328.00 \$6,432.00 | | | |

Electronic giving options are available on our website.

Special Collections

Dec. 6-7: Care & Education of Priests Dec. 13-14: Retirement Fund for Religious

ShopRite Gift Card Program

ShopRite gift cards will be sold following Masses on Sat., 12/6 and Sun., 12/7. Gift cards are also available in the parish office during the week.

Welcome Weekend THIS Weekend!

Please join us for a treat and fellowship after all Masses this weekend, **December 6-7** as we celebrate the season! Welcome Weekends will occur on the first weekend of the month.

Are you available to volunteer?

Volunteer tasks such as setting up, smiling, and cleaning up help everyone feel welcome at these gatherings. Your donations of savory snacks and baked goods, soft drinks or juice are always appreciated too!

Please contact Ellen Dermody if you have any questions or are interested in volunteering.

PLEASE NOTE there will NOT be a welcome weekend in January. Will resume in February!

St. Eulalia's Advent Prayer Service

Wednesday, December 17
6pm
In Celebration of the Feast of St. Eulalia

Please join us for an evening of prayer and fellowship as we celebrate the Patronal Feast of St. Eulalia's and prepare our hearts for Christmas. Reception to follow.

A light will enter the darkness

Christmas Wafers

Christmas Eve Supper has become traditional for many families in our area. Part of this tradition is sharing a "wafer" made in the same way as the Eucharistic host at Mass. Before the meal begins, each family member greets each other member and shares the wafer by breaking off a small piece of the other's wafer and eating it, thus sharing in the family just as we share in the Body of Christ at Mass. Wafers are available in the back of the Church. A donation of \$5 may be made.

Hot Meal Program: Every Tuesday 12-12:30pm

In conjunction with the Saint Francis of Assisi Kitchen, St. Eulalia's provides a free, hot, nutritious meal to members of the North Pocono community. All in our community are welcome to come for the meal and enjoy the company of others. If you'd like to volunteer or have any questions, please contact Ellen Dermody at <u>pastoralassociate@sainteulalia.com</u> or 570-842-7656 (Opt 7).

Please keep our Week 2 Team in your prayers as we serve our Free Community Meal on Tuesday, December 9

Remember: St. Francis Free Clothing Trailer

Here Next: Tuesday, December 9

The St. Francis free clothing trailer is in our parish parking lot the second Tuesday of every month during our free community meal, 12-12:30pm. Anyone in the community is welcome to visit the trailer for clothes. The trailer's motto is: If you have some, give some ... if you need some, take some.



Volunteers needed for Monthly Sunday Buffet Breakfast

In order for the breakfast to continue into 2026, we need volunteers. Specifically, we need one or two volunteers to serve as team leaders. The job would include inventorying and ordering food and supplies each month; supervising the progress of events leading up to the breakfast; opening the doors on breakfast morning at 6 AM and supervising and assisting all food prep; ensuring all stations are covered by volunteers, etc. We also need at least two additional food prep people and one additional dishwasher. Please contact Cathy Kochis for more information at 570 780-7116.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Snack Donations Welcome!

Our students love to enjoy a snack in their classroom as they learn about our faith each Sunday morning! Donations for classroom snacks, such as fruit snacks and granola bars, can kindly be placed in the designated basket in the foyer or sent in with Religious Education students. Thank you for keeping our kiddos bellies full!

Join the Religious Education Remind!

Keep up to date with RE updates, including winter weather cancelations, by joining our Remind text group. To join, text @steulali to the number 81010.

Confirmation Class Service Hour Opportunities

Students can see updates on service opportunities with our youth ministry program by joining the youth ministry Remind. To join, text @npcym2 to 81010.

DECEMBER

Dec 7 – RE week 10. (5th grade Mass @ 10:30am)

Dec 14 – RE week 11. (4th grade Mass @ 10:30am)

Dec 21 – No Class. Winter Break Begins. Merry Christmas!

Dec 28 – No Class. Winter Break

JANUARY

Jan 4 – No Class. Winter Break. Happy New Year!

Jan 11 – No Class. Winter Break

Ian 18 – No Class, Winter Break

Jan 25 – RE week 12. Class Resumes.

Christmas Kindness

As the holiday season approaches, if you are in need of Christmas kindness for children, please reach out to Fr Dave.

All inquiries will be kept confidential.



Once again the Christmas Tree will be set up in the Atrium, adorned with Angel Tags.

Tags will be available on the weekend of November 15 & 16.

Please consider helping to bring some joy to a local child by purchasing a gift!

Angel Tree gifts should be wrapped with the tag attached, and should cost approximately \$25.

Please include gift receipts for all purchases, if possible.

Kindly return all gifts to Eulalia's Sleigh no later than Sunday, December 7. Gifts, along with our prayers, will be delivered for the feast day of St. Eulalia.

75th Anniversary Ornaments for Sale

Commemorative 75th Anniversary Parish Ornaments are available for purchase for \$5 each. Baskets of ornaments are available with a cash/check envelope at all church entrances, and ornaments will be for sale at a table in the Atrium after Masses now through Dec. 21 and at the Dec. Breakfast.











All **submissions for the bulletin** are due no later than 12noon on the Monday before the weekend. Submit bulletin announcements for consideration to office@saint-eulalia.com. Thank you!

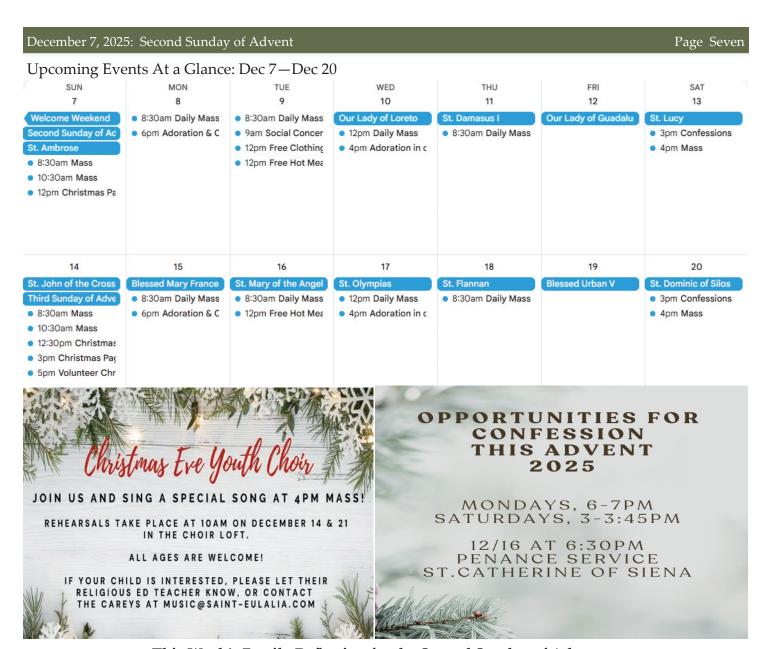


This stunning

Victorian dollhouse

was donated by parishioner Gene Dubinsky who originally received it from a woman named Kathleen Brown. Her husband, Larry Brown,

was the original "builder" and it was in much disrepair when Kathleen gave it to Gene. Gene painstakingly restored it to include new flooring and wallpaper, paint, and much more and then generously donated it to St. Eulalia Church. You must see it up close to appreciate it. We are selling \$1 raffles for a chance to win this dollhouse. The drawing will take place at 10 am during the December monthly breakfast. Tickets can be purchased anytime the church is open including before and after masses as well as during each monthly breakfast. Please stop by the Parish Center foyer to see this beautiful dollhouse and take a chance!



This Week's Family Reflection for the Second Sunday of Advent—

Gospel Reading—Matthew 3:1-12

John the Baptist appears in Judea preaching a message of repentance.

We do many things to get ourselves ready for our celebration of Christmas: purchase gifts, prepare Christmas cards, decorate our homes. John's call of repentance in preparation for Jesus reminds us that our repentance is another way in which we can prepare for the Lord's coming and our celebration of Christmas. Parish communities often offer a communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the Advent season. Your family might choose to participate in the communal celebration of the sacrament, or you might seek out the sacrament on an individual basis.

Read together today's Gospel. Talk about how John reminds the people that they prepare for the reign of God by reforming their lives. As a family, prepare a simple reconciliation service in preparation for Christmas such as the following: Gather in a prayerful space, perhaps around your family Advent wreath. Read again today's Gospel: Matthew 3:1-3. Invite each family member to pray silently, asking God to forgive their sins. Pray together an Act of Contrition. Then celebrate God's forgiveness by sharing a Sign of Peace with each other.



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