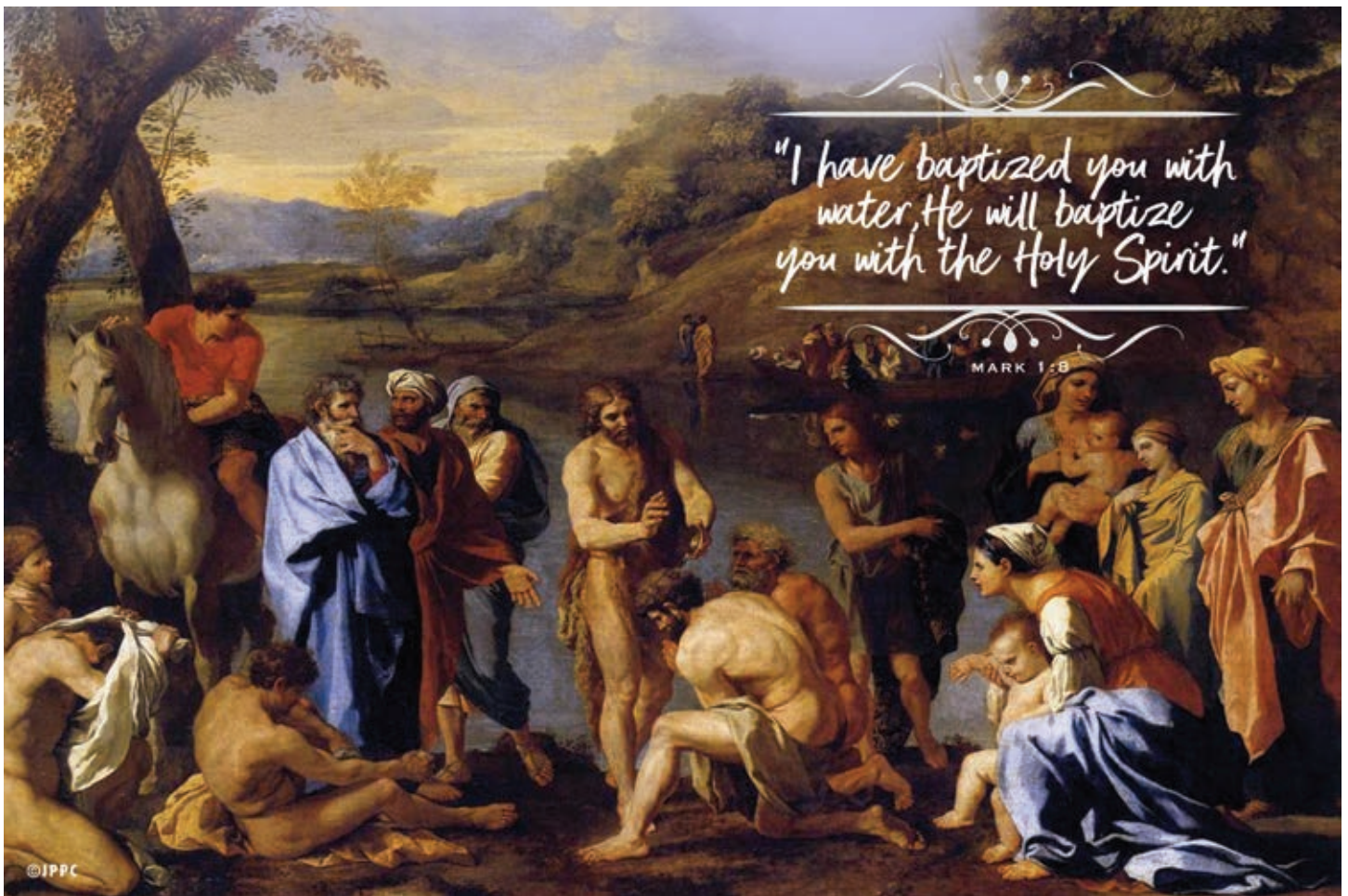


SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHURCH
117 Washington Street
Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1524

OUR MISSION

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish is a defined community of the Roman Catholic Church which seeks, as its ultimate goal, the fullness of the Kingdom of God as proclaimed by our Lord Jesus Christ, and as taught by the authentic teaching authority of the Holy Catholic Church.

We profess unity in belief, worship, and morals with our Holy Father and our Bishop. We seek to provide the fullness of life in the Church through the Sacred Liturgy, prayer, education, religious formation, outreach, and service to our neighbors and each other.



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 6, 2020

DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR: Ms. Wendy S. Krisak - Direct Telephone: (800) 791-9209
DIOCESAN SECRETARY FOR YOUTH PROTECTION: Pamela J Russo- Telephone: (610) 871-5200, Ext. 2204

MASS INTENTIONS*PRIVATE Masses are Livestreamed only*

- Saturday, Second Sunday of Advent (anticipated)**
December 5 **Is 40:1-5, 9-11/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8**
 5:00 PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart
- Sunday, Second Sunday of Advent**
December 6 **Is 40:1-5, 9-11/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8**
 7:00 AM Eileen Scholl
r/b Ray and Pat Groff
 9:00 AM Paul H. Csencsits
r/b Mike and Patty Peapos
 11:00 AM Nick Cascio
r/b Richard and Marie Brand
- Monday, Saint Ambrose**
December 7 **Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26**
PRIVATE Tony Luciano
r/b Jean Luciano
- Monday, Immaculate Conception of the BVM**
December 7 (anticipated)
Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
 7:00 PM John C. Volk (14th anniversary of death)
r/b wife, Rosemary
- Tuesday, Immaculate Conception of the BVM**
December 8 **Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38**
 8:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart
 4:30 PM Herman Wieder
r/b Rebecca Wieder
- Wednesday, Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin**
December 9 **Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30**
PRIVATE Irene Meyers
r/b Reinert Family
- Thursday, Advent Weekday**
December 10 **Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15**
 8:00 AM Edward Dellacroce
r/b Rick and Regina Gower and family
- Friday, Saint Damasus I**
December 11 **Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19**
PRIVATE Benefactors and Alumni of SHS
- Saturday, Third Sunday of Advent (anticipated)**
December 12 **Is 61:1-2, 10-11/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28**
 5:00 PM Florence Liberto (90th birthday)
r/b Rick and Regina Gower and family
- Sunday, Third Sunday of Advent**
December 13 **Is 61:1-2, 10-11/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28**
 7:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart
 9:00 AM Berta Celia Martinez
r/b Toczec Family
 11:00 AM William Ripper
r/b Augello Family

NEXT**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION****Thursday, December 10****6:00 - 9:00 pm in Church****Confessions: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.****MODIFIED SCHEDULE OF MASSES****Saturday Evening (Vigil): 5:00 PM****Sunday Mass: 7AM, 9AM and 11AM****Weekdays:**Monday, Wednesday & Friday: Livestream private Mass only: 8:00 am on Monday and

Wednesday. 8:30 am on Friday

Tuesday and Thursday: In-person, 8:00 AM**THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE****Saturday 3:45 – 4:30pm****Thursday during Adoration at 7:00pm****Monday through Thursday mornings**

7:30 – 7:50am

Friday Morning 8:00-8:20am

Anytime upon reasonable request

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**

is burning from

November 27 through December 10

for the repose of the soul of the

Betty Haldaman*r/b Cyndy Radcliffe***BLESSED MOTHER CANDLES**

are burning from

December 4 through December 10

for the repose of the soul of

**Marie Trilli***r/b daughter, Eileen and Jim Muschlitz***SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES**

are burning from

December 4 through December 10

for the repose of the soul of

**Angelo Trilli***r/b daughter, Eileen and Jim Muschlitz*

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Roles*

12/12-12/13

5:00pm

7:00am

9:00am

11:00am

Lectors

Richard Brand

Lisa Wilde Barnhorst

Beth Skinner

Tom Weber

Deacons/EMHCs

Deacon Ferris

Deacon Saukulak

Deacon Saukulak

Deacon Ferris

GREEN PHASE-PART II**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 31, 2020****What is staying the same? What is changing?**

The dispensation from Sunday Mass obligation will remain in place. Mass attendance remains voluntary. Those who do not feel safe, or who have compromising health conditions, should not attend. Sacred Heart will continue with our modified Mass schedule.

Weekday Mass--Tuesday and Thursday at 8 am

Weekend Mass

Saturday 5 pm & Sunday 7 am, 9 am, 11 am

There will continue to be limited seating capacity available in the Church. The Green Phase Part II guidelines allow for an increased capacity of *up to* 50% of the Church capacity, dependent on configuration and size of pews. At Sacred Heart, every other pew is now open for seating, compared to every third pew, so our seating capacity increases to 60 persons per Mass/service.

Reservations are still required for the Saturday 5:00 pm and Sunday 9:00 am **weekend** Masses. Reservations are NOT required for Sunday 7:00 am or 11:00 am Masses.

Long-handled baskets may be used to take up the offertory collection.

All other restrictions remain in place, including social distancing and face masks required.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES EFFECTIVE 10/31/2020**Weekdays:**

Mon., Wed. & Fri: Livestream private Mass only, 8:00 am on Mon & Wed, 8:30 am on Fri

Tues. & Thurs.: In-person with limited seating capacity, 8:00 am

Weekends:

(limited capacity-reservation required for 5 pm and 9 am Masses only)

Saturday Vigil: 5 pm

Sunday Mass: 7 am, 9 am, 11 am

GREEN PHASE-PART II**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 31, 2020****CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and

Friday from 7:30 am-3:00 pm

Thursday from 7:30 am-8:00 pm

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**Offertory envelope drop-off station open:**

Monday-Friday from 8 am-4 pm (closed 12-1)

Burkhart Building, ring at back door

HOW TO PREPARE FOR RETURNING TO MASS AND WHAT TO EXPECT

- † Please use the ramp door (back) for entrance/exit to the Church. The Church doors on Washington Street will remain locked.
- † Every second pew will be open for seating. Please honor the closed pew restrictions.
- † Seating will only be on the ends of the open pews, with no more than 4 persons per pew (excluding families). Ushers will assist with seating for weekend Masses.
- † Our current seating capacity inside the Church at any one time will be limited to 60.
- † Due to capacity limits and demand, we have a **reservation process in place for the Saturday 5:00 pm and Sunday 9:00 am Weekend Masses only**. Please call the Parish Office no earlier than Monday at 8:00 am and no later than Friday at noon before the weekend Masses if you wish to reserve a seat for the Saturday 5 pm or Sunday 9 am Masses. Once our seating capacity is reached for those Masses, you will need to attend one of the other Masses on Sunday morning at 7 am or 11 am or daily Mass during the week. When you arrive to Church the ushers will make sure you are on the reservation list for that Mass. Please be patient as we all work through this process.
- † Please bring and wear your face mask while inside the Church. You will not be allowed in the building without a face mask.
- † Respect social distancing of at least 6 feet at all times, both inside and outside of Church.
- † Please use the provided hand sanitizer in the entrances and pews as needed.
- † Our ushers will help enforce these guidelines. Please respect instructions.
- † All hymnals and pamphlets/prayer cards have been temporarily removed from Church due to the difficulty of keeping them disinfected.
- † Holy Communion will be distributed. If you choose to receive on the tongue, please wait to get in line at the end.

THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES

are burning from December 4 through December 10 for the repose of the soul of



**Jackie Birk
r/b Family**

WEEKLY OFFERING

If you are not able to attend Mass, please continue to submit your weekly offering envelopes:

- ⇒ Mail your envelopes to:
Sacred Heart Church
210 E. Northampton Street
Bath, PA 18014
- ⇒ Sign-up for Online Giving available through Sacred Heart's website at www.sacredheartbath.org. Click on the "Donate" button on the home page below the picture of the altar.
- ⇒ Drop-off your envelopes at our "self-service station" in the Burkhart Building during Parish office hours.

In these times of uncertainty and daily life disruption, we thank you for continuing to support Sacred Heart parish!

**ONLINE MASS
WITH FATHER BUTERA**

Please "join" Father Butera online via Facebook as he celebrates daily Mass on Monday, Wednesday and Friday in his private chapel. You can view the Mass live on Facebook at 8:00 am Monday and Wednesday and at 8:30 am on Friday or watch a video recording of the Mass at a later time. Look for other updates from Father on Sacred Heart's Facebook page. It is a great way to keep up-to-date with the Parish and current events and to stay connected spiritually through the livestreamed liturgical services!

Sacred Heart Parish Christmas Card List

Rev. Dominic Pham
St. Joseph Rectory
14 E. Oak Street
Sheppton, PA 18248

Rev. Msgr. Daniel J. Yenushosky
Holy Trinity Rectory
4102 South Church Street
Whitehall, PA 18052

Deacon and Mrs. Lewis Ferris
5431 Congress Way
Bethlehem, PA 18017

Reverend Jason Stokes
St. Michael the Archangel Rectory
538 Sunbury Street
Minersville, PA 17954



Deacon and Mrs. Edward Saukulak
5385 Colony Drive
Bethlehem, PA 18017-9255

Reverend Luigi Palmieri
Holy Family Villa
1325 Prospect Avenue
Bethlehem, PA 18018-4916

Reverend Msgr. Robert Kozel
3276 Oakland Square Drive
Bethlehem, PA 18020-1292

Sacred Heart Live Streaming events found at:
Facebook: follow @sacredheartofjesusbath (<https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartofjesusbath>)
Twitter: follow @sacredheartbath (<https://twitter.com/sacredheartbath>)
Periscope: follow @sacredheartbath (<https://www.pscp.tv/sacredheartbath/follow>)

Videos may also be live-streamed on YouTube or uploaded when available:
(<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwF0e0bpyBY5uOMnTETHlwQ>)

WEEKEND MASS RESERVATION UPDATE

Based on attendance at the Sunday 7:00 am and 11:00 am Masses, we will no longer need to take reservations for either of these 2 Masses! So if you want to attend 7:00 or 11:00 Mass on Sunday morning, there is no need to call the office in advance. Ushers will still count the attendance at these Masses to ensure we don't exceed our seating capacity and to monitor trends for increases in numbers. **Please note that reservations are still required for the Saturday 5:00 pm and Sunday 9:00 am Masses as these two Masses do fill up weekly.**

FOOD BANK

The food in the Food Bank bins is donated to Catholic Charities in Allentown and St. John's Lutheran Church in Bath on a rotating basis. Non-perishables or monetary donations are greatly needed. The next food distribution is **December 8 from 9:30-11am and from 6-7pm at St. John's Lutheran Church in Bath.** Access is at the rear of the church; food will be brought to you.

Thank you for your donations.





UPCOMING EVENTS AT SACRED HEART INCLUDE:

Monday, December 14 – Membership Meeting – Zoom Meeting, 7:00pm Rosary, 7:30pm Meeting

Our Council is once again assembling Christmas Food Baskets for the less fortunate of our Parish. We intend to donate 5 baskets. Donations of items will be accepted at Sacred Heart Church food bins the weekend of December 12th. We will also be accepting donations in the church parking lot from 8:00am to 10:00am on Saturday, December 12th. If you know of a family in need and would accept a basket, please contact Brother Bob Wilkin at nancinator@aol.com.

The Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori's Challenge for the month: "I challenge you to find a way to directly serve the poor, the sick, the needy or the imprisoned, such as by serving in a soup kitchen. Second, I challenge you to join with your brother Knights in the Faith in Action Food for Families Program to help feed the hungry in your midst".

Did You Know: The Knights of Columbus, Sacred Heart Bath Council donated 12 Winter Coats to the Cay Galgon Life House. The Center is supporting upward of 400 clients and is in need of donations to support their work with the community.

For additional information about joining our Council, the activities we foster and the sharing of fellowship with millions of Brother Knights, go to www.KofC14464.org. Exemplification ceremonies to be inducted as a First and Second Degree Knight and to become a Third Degree Knight are now scheduled online along with On Demand. Contact our Grand Knight, Rick Gower at rcg@fritch.com for details.

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY

December 12 and 13

On December 12 and 13, the third Sunday of Advent, we will celebrate Bambinelli Sunday, a custom popularized by St. Pope John Paul II which continues to this day. Just as Pope Francis will bless the figures of the infant Jesus brought to St. Peter's Square, we invite everyone -- most especially the children of our parish - to bring the figure of the infant Jesus from their home nativity scene for blessing by the priest at the end of each Mass. This blessing is a sign of the true meaning of this holy season, and of our willingness to take the hope of the Gospel message from our church and into our hearts and homes.



CHRISTMAS SPIRITUAL BOUQUET CARDS

Christmas spiritual bouquet cards are available during Advent after all Masses and in the pick-up station in the Burkhart Building. A donation of **\$10.00 per card is suggested**. The 9:30 a.m. Christmas Day Mass will be offered for all those to whom you send a card and there will be a remembrance at all Masses throughout the Christmas Season. All donations will go to Sacred Heart Church Saint Vincent de Paul Society. **Please place donations in the collection basket or drop off at the parish office.**



BIBLE STUDY - OPEN TO ALL

BURKHART BUILDING
SATURDAYS 9-10:30AM

UPCOMING DATES

December 12
January 9 and 23
February 6 and 20

CHURCH DECORATION FOR CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 20 starting at 12:30 pm
Typically, it takes 1-1/2 - 2 hours, depending on the number of volunteers.
Your help will be most welcome.

OPLATKY (CHRISTMAS WAFERS)

\$2 per envelope

Oplatky are available from the sacristan before weekend Masses or at the Burkhart Building drop-off/pick-up station during parish office hours.



We will be finishing the Book of Genesis on December 12th and starting the Book of Exodus on Jan. 9th using Dr. Scott Hahn's Ignatius Catholic Study Bible. Please contact Deacon Lew Ferris at lferris_2000@yahoo.com if you are interested in joining the group or have any questions!

Your Stewardship Report - November 22

First Collection	\$5,759	<u>Other collections</u>
Poverty Relief	\$836	<i>- from envelopes</i>
Other Collections	\$428	<i>dated other than</i>
<u>Other</u>	<u>\$30</u>	<u>November 22</u>
Total Collections	\$7,053	<i><u>Other</u> - donations, candles, etc.</i>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH**Next Week's Collections - December 13****First***Sunday Collection***Second***Retirement Fund for Religious***RETIRED RELIGIOUS COLLECTION**

Give in thanksgiving. "The nuns left lasting impressions on me," writes a donor. "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education." Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. **Next week's second collection** is for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please give generously.

VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited and encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more information about this program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church.

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC,
Direct Telephone Number: 1-800-791-9209

Secretary for Youth Protection

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS
Telephone Number: 610-871-5200, Ext. 2204
prusso@allentowndiocese.org

To learn more about the **Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct**, visit www.allentowndiocese.org and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner.

COURAGE – Diocesan Help Line: 610-217-5557

CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 800-276-1562.

DOMINICAN CHAPTER MEETING

The Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic meeting will be held on **Saturday, December 19** from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Father Post room of the Burkhart Building.

**PARISH FAMILY OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER 2020**

Father Jacob W. Post Council 14464 of the Knights of Columbus is pleased to announce that the family of **Martin & Karen Brynildsen** has been selected as the parish's **Family of the Month for November 2020**. Please join us in congratulating them for their great example, modeling Christian values and visibly living them each day.

Please nominate other families to be considered for the award in the coming months. To be selected as the Family of the Month, each family should stand out as a model to others in the parish.

They should meet the following criteria:

- † A tight-knit family who spends quality time together.
- † A family who attends weekly Mass together and prays together outside of Mass.
- † A family who has made significant contributions to the parish and church community.
- † A family who models Christian family values.

Your nominations can be put in the collection basket or sent to the parish office. Put "Family of the Month nomination" on the envelope. Your nomination may also include a short paragraph explaining how you feel the nominated family meets the criteria listed above. All parish families are eligible for nomination, not just families of Knights.



Feed Your Family With Purpose
Sacred Heart Will Earn 5% Everytime You Grocery Shop

The best way to raise money is to use gift cards for things you always buy—like groceries. The holidays are just weeks away. Make grocery shopping more convenient by purchasing a grocery gift card available now at the school office. Sacred Heart can earn a percentage from the sales of all gift cards. This is a wonderful way to help support your Parish.

Please stop by the school office or call at 610-837-6391 to purchase your grocery and all available gift cards - Monday through Friday between 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM.

Grocery Gift Cards Now Available

GIANT FOOD STORE



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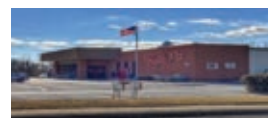
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****Gift cards are always a great idea for Christmas Gift Giving****

GREAT IDEAS FOR GIFT GIVING AND HELPS SUPPORT OUR PARISH

Sacred Heart can earn up to 14% from the sale of gift cards. This is a wonderful way to help support your Parish while Christmas shopping. Please stop by the school office or call at 610-837-6391 to purchase your grocery and all available gift cards - Monday through Friday between 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM.

Available Gift Cards

GIFT CARD	DENOMINATIONS	GIFT CARD	DENOMINATIONS
Amazon	\$10	Clair's	\$10
Best Buy	\$25	CVS	\$10 & \$25
Barnes & Nobles	\$10	Home Depot	\$25
Bed Bath & Beyond	\$25	Lowes	\$25
Kohl's	\$25/\$50/\$100	Old Navy	\$25
Dunkin Donuts	\$10	L.L. Bean	\$25
Panera	\$10	Gap	\$25
Applebee's	\$10 & \$25	Walgreens	\$25
Olive Garden	\$10	Sheetz	\$25
Walmarts	\$25	Bath & Body Works	\$10
Target	\$25		

BULLETIN PUBLICATION **HOLIDAY DEADLINES**

Please deliver your bulletin announcements to the parish office or send an email to bulletin@sacredheartbath.org

by noon on

Tuesday, December 8 for the December 20 bulletin

Monday, December 14 for the December 27 bulletin

Friday, December 18 for the January 3 bulletin



HOLY SAVIOUR CEMETERY **HELP WANTED—SKILLED LABOR**

Full time job, 40 hours per week, \$14 per hour, working 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., including Saturdays, working at Holy Saviour Cemetery. Maintain cemetery grounds, grass cutting, trimming, removal of trees and shrubs, leaf maintenance, spring clean up, digging foundations, snow removal, assisting with burials and entombment. Must operate small tractor, small truck and lawn mower. Valid driver's license required, as position is also responsible for snow removal. Must be capable of heavy lifting and working in all weather elements. On the job training provided with promotion possibilities. High School diploma/GED required. Excellent benefits include health, dental, vacation, etc.

Please email: resumes@allentowndiocese.org OR fax to 610-439-7693.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

ADVENT WREATHS BLESSING

Saturday, 28th November 2020

Sunday, 29th November 2020

At all Masses

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Tuesday, 8th December 2020

7:00 pm (Monday, 7th December),

8:00 am and 4:30 pm

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY BLESSING

Saturday, 12th December 2020

Sunday, 13th December 2020

At all Masses

CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL

Thursday, 24th December 2020

2:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm, 8:00 pm and 10:30 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY

Friday, 25th December 2020

9:30 am, 11:00 am

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Friday, 1st January 2021

4:30 pm (Thursday, 31st December),

9:00 am and 11:00 am

BLESSING OF EPIPHANY WATER

Saturday, 2nd January 2021, prior to 5:00 pm Mass

Covid Restrictions--Due to seating capacity limits, **reservations are required** for attendance at all Masses. Please call the Parish office at 610-837-7874. Face masks are required inside the Church. We will start taking reservations for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses on **December 14.**

THE PRO-LIFE CORNER

A number of years ago, I read an article by a Msgr. Charles Pope entitled, "Good Times for Dogs, not so Good for Babies." The sense of the article was that an increasing number of young women were deciding against having children, and were opting to having "hand bagged size canines" instead. Where these women got the idea that they had to have dogs, instead of babies, or could only have one or the other the article doesn't say. He proclaimed that the next generation of youngsters should be called "Generation Rex."

There are a number of reasons why the birthrate has dramatically declined in our society: artificial birth control, abortion, divorce, acceptance of homosexual relationships, degrading traditional marriage, focus on self and materialism. All of these issues lead to NO HUMAN LIFE. And who hates human life? The Devil. The Satanic false gods of the Old Testament almost all demanded the sacrifice of children on their altars.

A few years ago we did an analysis of our parish's members to see what the future looked like for our school, and why the numbers were decreasing year after year. It turned out that we had the same number of families, but that "the babies had disappeared." And it happened in a relatively short period of time.

Next week we will take a closer look at where this unnatural aversion to the most natural event we humans experience came from.

- Deacon Lew Ferris

THE GIVING TREES ARE HERE!

We have 2 trees this year: One in the church and one in the Burkhart Building. This will enable parishioners who do not feel safe coming to Mass, but do come in to the Burkhart Building to pick up a bulletin or drop off their envelopes, to participate.

Take a tag!

Many of our tags may be for gift cards this year (many gift cards will be available through the parish office).

Give virtually!

Our parishioners have generously donated many wonderful gifts to Valley Youth House over the years. We would love to continue to help them in the important work that they do.

Due to the current pandemic, VYH needs to limit direct contact, but will gratefully accept donations in the following way: Donations of any size can be made through their website at: **ValleyYouthHouse.org/Donate (Fund Designation: Holiday Gift Drive)**

All gifts are due back under the trees by Sunday, December 13!



Thank you for considering participation in the Giving Tree!

HOMESCHOOL MASS

Homeschool Families of the Diocese of Allentown are invited to an "Advent virtual gathering" on **Sunday, December 13 at 7:00pm**. We will join together for prayer, a short talk, and an opportunity for discussion. If you like to participate, please email Father Kevin Bobbin, (kbobbin@allentowndiocese.org) before December 13 to receive the Zoom invitation.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, December 8 at Noon for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Due to the generosity of a kind donor, Sacred Heart is able to offer the St. Joseph Sunday Missal to our Parishioners for the 2021 Liturgical year!



You can bring your missal with you each week to follow along with the readings and prayers.

Thank you to our benefactor for providing this great resource to our parish family!

Please pick up your missal from an usher before or after Mass.

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

The Knights of Columbus Sacred Heart Council is moving forward with assembling 5 Christmas Food Baskets for families in need within our Parish. With the changes in Mass attendance and Knights of Columbus activities, it has become more difficult to acquire the supplies needed to fill them. With this in mind, we are scheduling drop-off times and locations for items during the month of December.

On Saturday December 12, we will be in the lower church parking from 8:00am to 10:00am to accept your donation of canned foods, baking supplies, cereals and other food items to completely fill the baskets. You may also bring items to the drop-off area in the Burkhart Building during parish office hours. If you are unable to make these times and locations, but still wish to contribute, please contact Bob Wilkin at nancinator@aol.com or (610) 746-4211 to make other arrangements.

In addition, if you are aware of a family in need and who would be willing to accept this gift from the Knights, please let Bob Wilkin know. Thank you for your continued support of this worthwhile project.

DID YOU LOSE SOMETHING?

Look for it in the LOST AND FOUND BOX or call the office at 610-837-7874

**DID YOU FIND SOMETHING?**

Please put it in the LOST AND FOUND BOX

The **Lost and Found Box** is located in the stairwell to the choir loft on the Blessed Mother side of the church.

PARISH INFORMATION**SACRED HEART OF JESUS RECTORY**

210 East Northampton St., Bath, PA 18014-1625

PARISH OFFICE - BURKHART BUILDING

Office Hours - Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Closed 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

Rectory and Parish Office:

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Email: office@sacredheartbath.org

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Mrs. Denise Robinson :

drobinson@sacredheartbath.org, 610-837-7874

Safe Environment Coordinator: Mrs. Denise Robinson

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Youth Ministry: Mrs. Sharon Hillhouse

shillhouse@sacredheartbath.org

WELCOME

We welcome all who join us at our Mass. We encourage you to become an active participant in the life of our Parish. All Catholics who live within our Parish boundaries should register. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

is given to those who are seriously ill and in danger of death. When there is danger of death, please call the Pastor anytime, day or night.

GODPARENT/SPONSOR ELIGIBILITY FORMS

In order to act as a godparent for Baptism or a Sponsor for Confirmation, one must be a Catholic in good standing. Specifically this means Mass attendance every Sunday (Exodus 20:8), striving to live the moral precepts of the Church, and if married, a valid marriage in the Catholic Church.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Parishioners who are contemplating the Sacrament of Matrimony should contact the Pastor and mutually agree upon a date at least a year prior to the Wedding. The Church takes the preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony very seriously, and requires completion of the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program six months before the wedding. The normative time for weddings is Saturday between 10:00 AM and 1:30 PM. Weddings are not celebrated on major holidays, nor on the first weekend of June in deference to Ordination of Priests each year at that time. Either the Bride or the Groom must be a practicing member of Sacred Heart Parish in order to request a wedding date.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

A Priest or Deacon will visit monthly. Extraordinary Ministers visit those who wish to receive more often. Always notify us about the homebound parishioners who wish to be visited.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

is celebrated on Sunday at Noon. If you are a parishioner and would like to schedule a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office. Prior to the baptism, parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class which is designed to instruct the parents about the teachings of the church regarding Baptism, and to offer assistance in the spiritual preparation for their child's reception of the first of the Sacraments of the Church.

PARISH MEMORIALS

Following the death of a relative or friend, offerings may be made to the Church in loving memory of the deceased. Offerings may specify a particular request or be placed in the Memorial Fund for parish needs.

PARISH PRE-SCHOOL

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Pre-School offers 3-year old and 4-year old programs. Please contact the parish office at 610-837-7874 for more info or a personal tour.

CONSOLATION MINISTRY

The Consolation Ministry Reaches out to families who have experienced the death of a loved one in order to help them prepare for the Funeral Mass and gain an understanding of death as a believing Catholic. For more information on this ministry, please contact Joan West at 610-216-8062.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Those who desire entrance into the Catholic Church are warmly welcome through the **RCIA**. Please contact the Pastor for more information.



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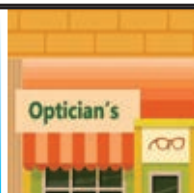
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