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.



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 13, 2020

DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR: Ms. Wendy S. Krisak - <u>Direct</u> 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, 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 (91st 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 Toczek Family

11:00 AM William Ripper

r/b Augello Family

Monday, Saint John of the Cross

December 14 Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/ Mt 21:23-27

PRIVATE Paul Cox

r/b Karen Messaros

Tuesday, Advent Weekday

December 15 Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/ Mt 21:28-32

8:00 AM Therese Lynch

r/b Stephen and Christine Nederostek

Wednesday, Advent Weekday

December 16 Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25;/ Lk 7:18B-23

PRIVATE Sara Coolidge

r/b Thomas Family

Thursday, Late Advent Weekday

December 17 Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17

8:00 AM Irene Meyers

r/b Mary K. Martinez

Friday, Late Advent Weekday

December 18 Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25

PRIVATE Ed Serensits

r/b Joe and Marie Herschman

Saturday, Fourth Sunday of Advent (anticipated)

December 19 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8-16/ Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

5:00 PM Wilber Nye

r/b Nye Family

Sunday, Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 20 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8-16/ Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

7:00 AM Ken Heckman

r/b wife, Rosanne and sons, Rick and Todd

9:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

11:00 AM Mary Linck

r/b Charles Linck



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday, December 17 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: <u>Livestream</u> private Mass only: 8:00 am on Monday and Wednesday. 8:30 am on Friday
Tuesday and Thursday: <u>In-person.</u> 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

December 11 through December 24

for the repose of the souls of the

Deceased parents,

family and friends

of Steve and Lucille Sismanovich

r/b Steve and Lucille Sismanovich



BLESSED MOTHER CANDLES

are burning from

December 11 through December 17

for the repose of the souls of



Holy Souls in Purgatory

SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES

are burning from

December 11 through December 17

for the repose of the soul of



Louis Savarese r/b wife, Linda and family

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Roles

12/19-12/20 5:00pm 7:00am

9:00am

11:00am

<u>Lectors</u> William Doncsecz

Bill Wilde Frank Molchan Deb Hayes

Deacons/EMHCs

Deacon Saukulak Deacon Saukulak Deacon Ferris 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 7am, 9 am, 11am
There will continue to be <u>limited seating capacity</u> 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: <u>Livestream private Mass only</u>, 8:00 am on Mon & Wed, 8:30 am on Fri

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

Weekends:

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

Saturday Vigil: 5 pm **Sunday Mass:** 7am, 9 am, 11am

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

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.

2021 CALENDARS

The Sacred Heart of Jesus Religious Calendars we distribute every year to parishioners are ordered, however our publisher is experiencing delays due to the pandemic. They are still waiting on a ship date; we hope they will come before 2021 starts! We will keep you posted. Thank you for your patience.

WEEKLY OFFERING

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

 \Rightarrow 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!

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

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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



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 Live Streaming events found at:

<u>Facebook</u>: follow @sacredheartofjesusbath (https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartofjesusbath)

<u>Twitter</u>: 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

John Ozdinec and Rose Miller, both of Sacred Heart Parish





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 the food bins at the ramp entrance of Church through December 18th. You may also bring them to the Church Envelope Collection Area of the Burkhart Building. If you know of a family in need and would accept a basket, please contact Brother Bob Wilkin at nancinator @aol.com.

A Monthly Reflection of Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori: "St. Teresa of Calcutta observed that in the poor we can see Christ in a distressing disguise. Quite frankly, it can be difficult to see Christ in some of those who suffer. But we, by virtue of our baptism, are Christians on a mission: We are called not to ignore those who suffer, but to attend to their spiritual and physical needs. May we, my brother Knights, strive to recognize the face of Christ-however obscured it may seem-in the faces of the poor and suffering around us and respond to them with Christ's love and compassion.

Did You Know: For any Brother Knights that have a senior in high school this year, please go to the link below for information on the \$3,000 Scholarships that the State Council is providing.

http://www.pakofc.us/scholarship/docs/2021statescholfly.pdf

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.

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.

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



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 Iferris_2000@yahoo.com if you are interested in joining the group or have any questions!



Your Stewardship Report - November 29				
First Collection Christmas Flowers Thanksgiving Other Collections Other	\$1,125 \$841	Other collections - from envelopes dated other than November 29		
Total Collections	\$7,754	Other - donations, candles, etc.		

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH Next Week's Collections - December 20



<u>First</u>

Sunday Collection

<u>Second</u> None

RETIRED RELIGIOUS COLLECTION

Support aging religious. Our second collection today is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little or no pay. Today, religious communities often do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps provide medication, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders. Please be generous.

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.



FOOD BANK DONATION UPDATE

On Friday, December 4, our parish's council of the Knights of Columbus delivered 308 pounds of items to the Bath Area Food Bank, thanks to your generosity.

This brings the total number of pounds donated for the fraternal year, (July 1, 2020 – June 20, 2021), to 1,393 pounds. The next delivery of donated items will be made, once the bins are full, to St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank at St. Paul's Church in Allentown. The Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus donates \$100, (up to \$500 annually), to local councils for each 1,000 pounds of items delivered to local food banks.

Thank you for your past donations and please continue to donate, if you are able, since there continues to be a very great need from local families especially in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Please check the "best buy" dates as items with a "best buy" date before 2019 will not be accepted.

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 <u>Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs</u>, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, visit <u>www.allentowndiocese.org</u> 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.



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 have established drop-off locations for items during the month of December.

Donations of canned foods, baking supplies, cereals and other food items to completely fill the baskets may be dropped off in the Burkhart Building or in the Food Bin at the ramp entrance of Church. If you are unable to make use of these 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.



<u>Feed Your Family With Purpose</u> <u>Sacred Heart Will Earn 5% Everytime You Grocery Shop</u>

The best way to raise money is to use gift cards for things you always buy—like groceries. The holiday season is here! 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











REDNER'S MARKETS



AHART'S MARKET



Gift cards are always a great idea for Christmas Gift Giving

Sacred Heart can earn up to 14% from the sale of specialty store gift cards.

Gift Cards are now available from Macy's and Boscovs; we earn close to 10% on both!

GREAT IDEAS FOR GIFT GIVING AND HELPS SUPPORT OUR PARISH 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

Monday, December 14 for the December 27 bulletin

Friday, December 18 for the January 3 bulletin



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

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 on Thursday, 31st December 9:00 am and 11:00 am on Friday, 1st January

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.



Yearbooks are a way to create memories. There are a few extra 2019-20 Sacred Heart School yearbooks for sale. The cost for a school yearbook is \$20.00. Please call 610-837-6391 Monday through Friday between 8:00am - 3:00pm if you are interested in purchasing a copy.

CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY FAMILY

On the weekend of December 26th and 27th, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. At all Masses, we will formally pray to consecrate our families under the protection of the Holy Family. A major aspect of this program is a serious and meaningful preparation for at least a week prior to the consecration. Toward this end, the consecration prayer is included at the end of this message. Please use it as part of your family's preparation. Four suggested steps before praying the Consecration to the Holy Family are as follows:

- † Discuss the importance of this consecration as a family and why you are doing it.
- † Each member of your family is encouraged to go to the sacrament of reconciliation.
- † As a family, choose something to fast from. The fast can be for at least a week. As our physical bodies are drawn to things of this world, it is strongly encouraged that you fast from something you would normally do or consume. Fasting helps to discipline our minds and hearts to refrain from secular activities and be more focused on God.
- † Prepare for the commitment you are making. Consecration to the Holy Family is not a single event. You have chosen a way of life for your family. You and your family are consciously choosing to be a beacon of light of God's love through His Church.

On the weekend of December 26th and 27th, consecration prayer cards will also be distributed by the ushers. After praying the consecration, please take these cards home with you for use throughout the year.



PRAYER FOR THE CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY FAMILY

O Lord Jesus, you lived in the home of Mary and Joseph in Nazareth. There you grew in age, wisdom and grace as you prepared to fulfill your mission as our Redeemer.

We entrust our family to you.

O Blessed Mary, you are the Mother of our Savior. At Nazareth you cared for Jesus and nurtured him in the peace and joy of your home.

We entrust our family to you.

O Saint Joseph, you provided a secure and loving home for Jesus and Mary, and gave us a model of fatherhood, while showing us the dignity of work.

We entrust our family to you.

Holy Family, we consecrate ourselves and our family to you. May we be completely united in a love that is lasting, faithful and hope to the gift of new life. Help us to grow in virtue, to forgive one another from our hearts, and to live in peace all our days. Keep us strong in faith, persevering in prayer, diligent in our work, and generous toward those in need. May our home, O Holy Family, truly become a domestic church where we reflect your example in our daily life. Amen.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!

Giving Tree Deadline

This year's gifts will benefit Valley Youth House, Cay Galgon Life House (formerly Mary's Shelter), Turning Point of the Lehigh Valley, and Sacred Heart parishioners who are homebound.

Any **gift cards** that were purchased can be put in a marked or gift-tagged envelope with the name of the agency on it, and placed in the collection basket <u>OR</u> in the designated box near the tree in the Burkhart Building.

Any other gifts can be placed under either tree.

Deadline to return gifts is this weekend December 13!

Thank you for all you do to bless others!

Wishing you a healthy, safe and Merry Christmas!



SACRED HEART FLEECE JACKETS FOR SALE!



Looking for a great gift for a friend or a loved one for Christmas? We got you covered! Keep them warm and looking stylish with a Sacred Heart fleece while also supporting Sacred Heart Parish.

Full-zip fleece jacket embroidered with Sacred Heart's logo! Navy blue with bright blue contrast piping.

Sizes available:
Adult Women: XS-SM-MED-LG-XL
Adult Men: MED-LG-XL-2XL
\$40 each

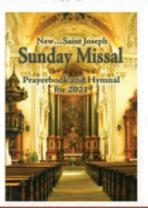
To Order: Please stop by the Parish Office during regular Office Hours (Monday-Friday, 8 am – 4 pm; closed 12-1 for lunch) to pick out your size. Cash or Checks made payable to "Sacred Heart Church"

Thank you for your support!



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.

2020 STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTION

If you would like to receive a statement of your 2020 contributions, please put a note in the Sunday collection basket, and include your envelope number on the request. Due to the cost of postage, you MUST include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request or pick the statement up in the parish office during



regular business hours. No Faxes, please! Statements will be sent in mid-January 2021. We are grateful to all who contributed and especially those who sacrificially supported the parish family of the Sacred Heart of Jesus throughout the year.

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 **Do not** take it to the sacristy

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.

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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.

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