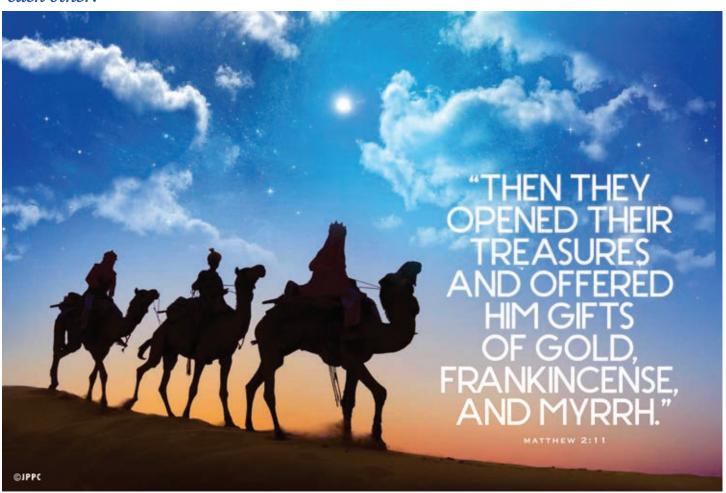
# SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHURCH 117 Washington Street Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1524

#### 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.



# EPIPHANY OF THE LORD JANUARY 3, 2021

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

PRIVATE Masses are Livestreamed only

Saturday, Epiphany of the Lord (anticipated) January 2 Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

5:00 PM William Touey, Sr.

r/b Ann Marie and Greg Thomas

Sunday, Epiphany of the Lord

January 3 Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

7:00 AM Jeffrey Adams

r/b Nicole Adams and Anthony Ulecka

9:00 AM Harvey Beers, Sr.

r/b Rick and Regina Gower and family

11:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart Monday, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

January 4 1 Jn 3:22 - 4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

PRIVATE Robert Loro

r/b Greg and Ann Marie Thomas

Tuesday, Saint John Neumann January 5 1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44

8:00 AM Don Larrabee

r/b Richard and Marie Brand

Wednesday, Saint Andre Bessette January 6 1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52

PRIVATE Lorraine Walker

r/b Nancy Hebert

Thursday, Saint Raymond of Penafort January 7 1 In 4:19 - 5:4/Lk 4:14-22

8:00 AM Carl Evans

r/b Friday morning friends

Friday, Christmas Weekday January 8 1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16

PRIVATE Benefactors and Alumni of SHS

Saturday, Baptism of the Lord (anticipated)
January 9 Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11

5:00 PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

Sunday, Baptism of the Lord

January 10 Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11

7:00 AM Rosa Triscari

r/b John Kovalovsky

9:00 AM Joseph Balik

r/b O'Reilly Family

11:00 AM Harvey Beers, Sr. r/b Gigi Kahler



#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Thursday, January 7 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 25 through January 7

for the repose of the soul of



Kenneth Haldaman, Sr. r/b Cyndy Radcliffe

#### **BLESSED MOTHER CANDLES**

are burning from January 1 through January 7 for the repose of the soul of



Julia Rose Marasco r/b Bem Family

#### SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES

are burning from January 1 through January 7 for the repose of the soul of



Gregory Marasco r/b Bem Family

#### **NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

## Liturgical Roles

1/9-1/10	<u>Lectors</u>	Deacons/EMHCs
5:00PM	Frank Molchan	Deacon Lewis Ferris
7:00AM	Lisa Wilde Barnhorst	Deacon Edward Saukulak
9:00AM	Beth Beers	Deacon Lewis Ferris
11:00AM	Chris Gonella	Deacon Edward Saukulak

# 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 capacity</u>, 8:00 am

#### Weekends:

(limited capacity-<u>reservation required for 5 pm and 9</u> 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



# 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.
- † Our current seating capacity inside the Church at any one time will be limited to 60.
- The 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. 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.

#### 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



#### **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!

## HOMESCHOOL FAMILY VIRTUAL GATHERING

Homeschool Families of the Diocese of Allentown are invited to a "virtual" gathering on Sunday, January 10 at 7:00pm. We will join together in praying the rosary for the needs of the Church, the world, and our families. To participate, please email Father Kevin Bobbin, Homeschool Community Chaplain (kbobbin@allentowndiocese.org) before January 10 to receive the Zoom invitation.

# PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Hilda Alich and Deacon Joseph Godiska of Sacred Heart Parish

and

Gladys Pocta, mother of Judy Palmer of Sacred Heart Parish

### SACRED HEART MEMORIAL FUND



Please consider remembering your loved one in the Sacred Heart Memorial Fund. A donation to the Memorial Fund assists the mission of the parish and benefits the person remembered through the fruits of Holy Mass offered every First Friday. Memorial Fund Remembrance Cards are available in the Parish Office.



#### 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!

Videos may also be live-streamed on YouTube or uploaded when available: (https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UCwF0e0bpyBY5uOMnTETh1wQ)

#### **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.



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS AT SACRED HEART INCLUDE:**

HAPPY AND BLESSED NEW YEAR

Monday, January 11 – Membership Meeting – Zoom Meeting, 7:00pm Rosary, 7:30pm Meeting

The first of the Knights' four core principles is CHARITY. Our Catholic faith teaches us to "Love thy neighbor as thyself." Members of the Knights of Columbus show love for their neighbors by conducting food drives and donating the food to local soup kitchens and food pantries, by volunteering at Special Olympics, and supporting, both spiritually and materially, mothers who choose life for their babies. Knights recognize that our mission, and our faith in God, compels us to action. There is no better way to experience love and compassion than by helping those in need, a call we answer every day.

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Did You Know: The Monthly Challenge from Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori: "I challenge you to take a concrete, tangible action to support the cause for life in your community, by donating money or supplies to a pregnancy resource center, praying outside an abortion facility or joining your parish's pro-life group. Second, I challenge you to participate with your brother Knights in the <u>Faith in Action Novena for Life Program</u> or, if possible the <u>March for Life Program</u>."

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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.

#### **NURSE AIDE/HOUSEKEEPER**

Missionaries of the Sacred Heart is an independent retirement home for priests and brothers. We are looking for a part time Nurse's Aide/Housekeeper to work 8am-2pm every other weekend and Thursday nights from 2pm-8pm. No experience necessary. Competitive pay. Please call Maribeth at 610-282-1415.



BIBLE STUDY - OPEN TO ALL BURKHART BUILDING SATURDAYS 9-10:30AM



We will be finishing the Book of Genesis and starting the Book of Exodus on Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> 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 guestions!

#### **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. Nonperishables or monetary donations are greatly needed. The next food distribution is January 12 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**.



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.

Your Stewardship Report - December 20				
First Collection Christmas Other Collections Other	\$3,405 \$548	Other collections - from envelopes dated other than December 20		
Total Collections	\$10,266	Other - donations, candles, etc.		

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH Next Week's Collections - January 10



#### <u>First</u>

Sunday Collection

<u>Second</u> Heat

#### THE PRO-LIFE CORNER

The following story is a continuation from last week's bulletin article based on the article that I submitted to *The National Catholic Register*, in the August 23 - September 5, 2009 issue, titled, *Think baby positive, not pregnancy negative.* 

At the birth of our first child, Freda contracted kidney disease. Shortly after the birth of our second child, we were strongly advised by our obstetrician-gynecologist that she should be sterilized. Something (an impulse of the Holy Spirit?) told us not to do it.

We went to the first large Catholic Charismatic Renewal conference in 1974 in Atlantic City, NJ, where Freda was "prayed over" for her kidney problems. She experienced a rush of warmth and a sense of healing.

Shortly after that, her kidney doctor told her that her right kidney had compensated and took on the functioning of her non-functioning left kidney. Years later, another ob-gyn told us that they used to think that getting pregnant was bad for a woman's kidney, but they now know that it is not.

I have worked in the medical profession for many years and have often heard the "we used to think, but now know" phrase.

Well, our four children, (and now 12 grandchildren from that 4) who were conceived after the proposed sterilization, certainly are glad that we listened to the teachings of the Church and prompting of the Holy Spirit and not to the physician 30 years ago.

Keep in mind that I am in no way suggesting people do not listen to the sound medical advice they will receive from their physicians most of the time, but only to not listen to advice that clearly goes against what the Church teaches, such as, in our case, sterilization. More to the story in next bulletin.

#### 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 <a href="https://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org">www.ReportBishopAbuse.org</a> or by calling 800-276-1562.

#### **BULLETIN PUBLICATION**

Please deliver your bulletin announcements to the parish office or send an email to

bulletin@sacredheartbath.org by noon on Friday nine days prior to the publication of the bulletin.



#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Your weekly offerings are counted and posted weekly every Monday using Sunday's date, <u>NOT</u> the date on the envelope. If you are turning in more than one First Collection Sunday offering envelope, for your convenience, it is only necessary to include one check for your total donation amount. Thank you!

#### **UPDATE 2021 CALENDARS**

The Sacred Heart of Jesus Religious Calendars we distribute every year to parishioners were delayed in being printed due to the pandemic. Good news, the calendars are now here! Pick up a calendar (one per family) in the ramp entrance to Church or in the drop off/pick up station in the Burkhart Building during parish office hours. Thank you for your patience!





# 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. 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











#### GREAT IDEAS FOR GIFT GIVING AND HELPS SUPPORT OUR PARISH

Sacred Heart can earn up to 16% from the sales of gift cards. This is a wonderful way to help support your Parish while 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	Percentage Earned	Denominations
Amazon	2.25%	\$10
Best Buy	4%	\$25
Barnes & Nobles	8%	\$10
Bed Bath & Beyond	7%	\$25
Kohl's	4%	\$25/\$50/\$100
Dunkin Donuts	3%	\$10
Panera	8%	\$10
Applebee's	8%	\$10 & \$25
Olive Garden	8%	\$10
Walmarts	2.5%	\$25
Target	2.5%	\$25
Clair's	9%	\$10

Gift Card	Percentage Earned	Denominations
CVS	6%	\$10 & \$25
Home Depot	7%	\$25
Lowes	4%	\$25
Old Navy	14%	\$25
L.L. Bean	16%	\$25
Gap	14%	\$25
Walgreens	5%	\$25
Sheetz	3%	\$25
Bath & Body Works	12%	\$10
Macy's	10%	\$25
Boscov's	8%	\$25

#### SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON - FEAST DAY - JANUARY 4

Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton was the first native born American to be canonized by the Catholic Church. Born two years before the American Revolution, Elizabeth grew up in the upper class of New York society. In spite of her high society background, Elizabeth's early life was quiet, simple, and often lonely. As she grew a little older, the Bible was to become her continual instruction, support and comfort - and she would continue to love the Scriptures for the rest of her life.

In 1794, Elizabeth married the wealthy young William Seton, with whom she was deeply in love. The first years of their marriage were happy and prosperous. This time of Elizabeth's life was to be a brief moment of earthly happiness before the many deaths and partings she was to suffer. Within four years, William's father died, leaving the young couple in charge of William's seven half brothers and sisters, as well as the family's importing business.

Events moved quickly from there with devastating effect. Both William's business and health failed. In a attempt to save William's health, the Setons sailed for Italy, where William had business friends. Unfortunately, William died of tuberculosis while in Italy. Elizabeth's one consolation was that he had recently awakened to the things of God.

The many enforced separations from dear ones by death and distance served to draw Elizabeth's heart to God and eternity. The accepting and embracing of God's will - "The Will," as she called it - would be a keynote in her spiritual life.

Elizabeth's deep concern for the spiritual welfare of her family and friends eventually led her into the Catholic Church. In Italy, Elizabeth captivated everyone by her kindness, patience, good sense, wit, and courtesy. During this time Elizabeth became interested in the Catholic Faith and, over a period of months, her Italian friends guided her in Catholic instruction.

Elizabeth's desire for the Bread of Life was to be a strong force leading her to the Catholic Church. Having lost her mother at an early age, Elizabeth felt great comfort in the idea that the Blessed Virgin was truly her mother. She asked the Blessed Virgin to guide her to the True Faith and officially joined the Catholic Church in 1805.

At the suggestion of the president of St. Mary's College in Baltimore, Maryland, Elizabeth started a school in that city. The school had originally been secular but once news of her entrance to Catholicism spread, several girls were removed from her school. It was then Seton, and two other young women who helped her in her work, began plans for a Sisterhood. They established the first free Catholic school in America. When the young community adopted their rule, they made provisions for Elizabeth to continue raising her children.

On March 25, 1809, Elizabeth Seton pronounced her vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience, binding for one year. From that time she was called Mother Seton. Although Mother Seton became afflicted with tuberculosis, she continued to guide her children. The Rule of the Sisterhood was formally ratified in 1812. It was based upon the Rule St. Vincent de Paul had written for his Daughters of Charity in France. By 1818, in addition to their first school, the sisters had established two orphanages and another school. Today, six groups of sisters can trace their origins to Mother Seton's initial foundation.

For the last three years of her life, Elizabeth felt that God was getting ready to call her, and this gave her great joy. Mother Seton died in 1821 at the age of 46, only sixteen years after becoming a Catholic. She was beatified by Pope John XXIII on March 17, 1963 and was canonized on September 14, 1975 by Pope Paul VI.

#### Prayer in Saint Elizabeth's name

Lord God, you blessed Elizabeth Seton with gifts of grace as wife and mother, educator and foundress, so that she might spend her life in service to your people. Through her example and prayers may we learn to express our love for you in love for our fellow men and women. We ask this through Christ our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### PARISH FAMILY OF THE MONTH FOR DECEMBER 2020

Father Jacob W. Post Council 14464 of the Knights of Columbus is pleased to announce that the family of **Thomas & Angelina Bender** has been selected as the parish's **Family of the Month for December 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.



# CATHOLIC CHARITIES ECUMENICAL KITCHEN CONTINUES TO SERVE 'MEALS TO GO'

Catholic Charities purchases food through grants, as well as Second Harvest Food Bank, food drives and personal donations. **Due to insufficient funding, we have suspended serving "Meals To Go" on Saturday.** Usual hours for meals are Friday and Monday, 12-1. Sundays are devoted to meeting the needs of the seniors in the community, with the distribution of food boxes and other programs.

Monetary donations to purchase food are much appreciated. Please make checks payable to "Catholic Charities", memo line "Ecumenical Kitchen", mailed to: Catholic Charities -Attention: Robert Nicolella, 900 S. Woodward Street Allentown, PA 18103.

#### SACRED HEART FLEECE JACKETS FOR SALE!



Looking for a great gift for a friend or a loved one? 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
\$40 each

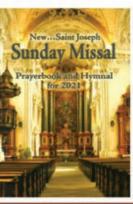
To Order: Please stop by the Parish Office during regular Office Hours (Monday-Friday, 8 am – 4 pm; closed 12-1 for lunch) to pick out your size. Cash or Checks made payable to "Sacred Heart Church"

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.

**Rectory and Parish Office:** 

Phone: 610-837-7874, Fax: 610-837-4570, Email: office@sacredheartbath.org Website: www.sacredheartbath.org Pastor: Rev. Christopher S. Butera, Deacons: Mr. Lewis Ferris, Mr. Edward Saukulak

**Director of Religious Education**: Mr. Thomas Weber 610-837-7841 or dre@sacredheartbath.org

Advancement Director: Mrs. Lisa Beltz
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drobinson@sacredheartbath.org, 610-837-7874

Safe Environment Coordinator: Mrs. Denise Robinson drobinson@sacredheartbath.org, 610-837-7874

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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