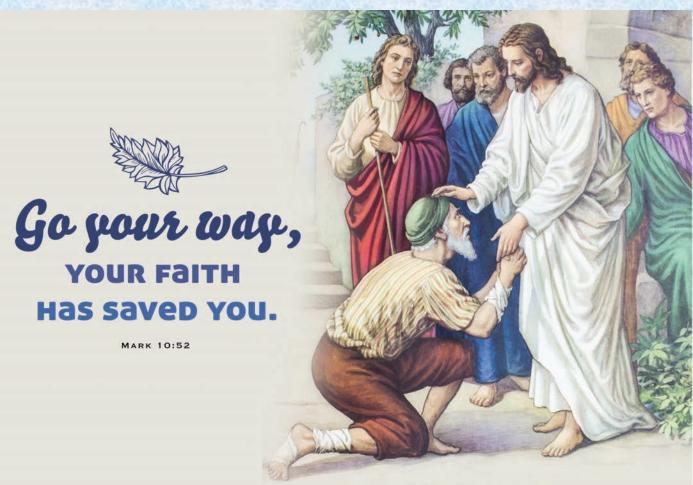
SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHURCH 117 Washington Street Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1524

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.



THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 24, 2021

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

All Masses are now celebrated in the Church!

Saturday, 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time (anticipated)

October 23 Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

5:00 PM Nye Family

r/b Nye Family

Sunday, 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

October 24 Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

7:00 AM Judy and Frank Adamske (living)

r/b Marie and Richard Brand

9:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

11:00 AM Holli Skrapits

r/b Thomas Family

Monday, Weekday

October 25 Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17

8:00 AM Monsignor James McHale (Anniversary of

death)

Tuesday, Weekday

October 26 Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21

8:00 AM Elizabeth Lodeski r/b Robert Lodeski

Wednesday, Weekday

October 27 Rom 8:26-30/Lk 13:22-30

8:00 AM Lou Savarese

r/b wife, Linda

Thursday, Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

October 28 Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16

8:00 AM Antoinette Godiska (living)

r/b Karen Shimko

Friday, Weekday

October 29 Rom 9:1-5/ Lk 14:1-6

8:00 AM Joe Maroski

r/b wife, Marie

Saturday, 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time (anticipated)

October 30 Dt 6:2-6/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

5:00 PM Ramon and Catherine Curiel

r/b daughter Christine and Stephen Nederostek

Sunday, 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time

October 31 Dt 6:2-6/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

7:00 AM Marie Stubits

r/b Marie and Stephen Stubits

9:00 AM Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robinson

r/b family

11:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Evening (Vigil): 5:00 PM Sunday Mass: 7 AM, 9 AM and 11 AM Weekdays:

Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM



THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 3:45 – 4:30 pm

Thursday during Adoration at 7:00 pm
Monday through Friday mornings

7:30 - 7:50 am

Anytime upon reasonable request



BLESSED MOTHER CANDLES

are burning from October 22 through October 28 for the



Living members of the Women's Guild

SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES

are burning from October 22 through October 28 for the repose of the souls of



Deceased members of the Women's Guild r/b Women's Guild



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday, October 28th

6:00 - 9:00 pm in Church

Confessions: 7:00—8:00 p.m.



THE SANCTUARY LAMP

is burning from
October 15 through October 28
for the for the
repose of the soul of

John Volk, Jr.
r/b Kathleen and Larry Deibert

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical +Roles

10/30-10/31 5:00 PM 7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM

Lectors
Tom Rothrock
Bill Wilde
Frank Molchan
Beth Skinner

Deacons/EMHCs

Deacon Lewis Ferris Deacon Edward Saukulak Deacon Lewis Ferris Ken Pietrzak **Altar Servers**

Josh Maruscak

Daniel Holub John Vallance

UPDATED COVID GUIDELINES EFFECTIVE AUGUST 15, 2021

- In concert with the other Bishops in Pennsylvania, the obligation to attend Mass on weekends and Holy Days returned effective August 15th.
- Effective the week of August 16th, all daily Masses will be held in Church.
- There are no longer any seating or capacity restrictions in the Church. All pews are open again and reservations are no longer needed for any Mass!
- Ushers are now required to wear a facemask when greeting parishioners and when taking up the collection. Masks are also required for the priest, deacon or Eucharistic Minister at the distribution of Communion. Face masks are not required for anyone else on diocesan property. Those who wish to continue to wear one are free to do so.
- The Exchange of the Sign of Peace is not permitted.
- With the exception of these items, most other liturgical restrictions are relaxed/eliminated.



ONLINE MASS WITH FATHER BUTERA



Please "join" Father Butera online via Facebook as he celebrates daily Mass on Wednesdays in his private chapel. You can view the Mass live on Facebook at 8:00 am 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:
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/SacredHeartBath



BIBLE STUDY - OPEN TO ALL

BURKHART BUILDING SATURDAYS 10-11:30 AM November 6th & 27th

We will be studying the Gospel according to St. Luke, 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!



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF

Gertrude Christy of Sacred Heart Parish

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR
for the week of
October 22 through October 28
are in memory of
Matthew and Cecelia Pulaski
r/b family

MONDAY MINI-RETREAT, NOVEMBER 22, 6:00 PM ST. FRANCIS RETREAT HOUSE, EASTON, PA

The November Monday mini-retreat will feature Rev. Dr. Tom Licner guiding attendees in the contemplative practice of chanting. Rev. Lichner will share his own chants and his writing process in "Entrust Your Prayer to Chants." Dinner begins at 6:00 pm followed by the presentation from 7:00 to 9:00 pm.

Please **register by November 15** by calling 610-258-3053 x34 or online at stfrancisretreathouse.org.

A donation of \$30 includes the meal and presentation; virtual participation is \$15.



Monday, October 25 – Monthly Officers' Meeting
7:00 pm - All Brothers are invited to attend
Monday, November 8 – Monthly Membership Meeting
7:00 pm Rosary; 7:30 pm Meeting - Both In-Person and Zoom

Did you know: Our Holy Father's Prayer Intention: "We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this."

For additional information about joining our Council; the activities we foster and the sharing of fellowship with millions of Brother Knights; go to www.KofCl4464.org or contact our Grand Knight, Paul Bunting at pwbunting@gmail.com for details.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
CONCERT - FEATURING
THE "SWING TIME DOLLS"

Sunday, November 7, 2021 Roxy Theatre, Northampton Showtime - 1:30 to 3:30 pm

Tickets \$10 (sold at the door)
Benefits military charities of
Knights of Columbus Assembly 3298
For more information
call Ken @ 610-837-1702





CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS
PRESENTATION OF THE VIET NAM
WAR COMMEMORATION PIN

Eligibility: Any honorably discharged U.S. military service member who served from Nov. 1, 1955 to May 15, 1975.

If you are interested in receiving this pin please leave a message at the CWV Post 454 at 610-261-2055

Please give us the following:
Name, phone number, email (if applicable),
branch of service and any questions.

We will contact you with the date, time and details of the presentation ceremony.

THE PRO-LIFE CORNER

In order to give everyone who wants to know what to say to those who have "reasons" for being proabortion, over the next several weeks, we will be looking at the 12 top false pro-abortion claims and the pro-life answers:

#1—The government should stay out of people's private lives. This is a woman's choice, not anyone else's, and a women's rights issue.

Pro-Life answer: Laws often restrict an individual's rights, including the right to hurt another person or infringe upon another's rights. In taking the life of an unborn child, a woman is taking away the most basic of all rights. The right to life.

An unborn child is not part of a woman's body, but a separate, individual human being with its own rights. It is not the mother's property; just as parents are legal guardians of children, but not the children's owners and are not allowed to abuse their children.

- Deacon Ferris



SAINT NICHOLAS CHURCH FALL BASKET SOCIAL

Sunday, November 7, 9 am to 2 pm
4412 Mountain View Drive, Walnutport, PA
Come and Check Out all the Great Chances you have! All Are Welcome!





SEPTEMBER SACRED HEART MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS

In Memory of Diana M. Fields

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Linda Fisher
Larry and Peggy Heckman
Deborah Lodato
Emil Schick and Anne Vaughan Schick
Gerry Urich and Barb Sanchez

In Memory of Rudolph E. Kresh, Jr.

Mark and Donna Tanczos

In Memory of Marie Stubits

Richard and Donna Bealer
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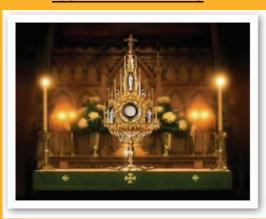
Price: \$16

To order: Call Mary Ann Lilly at 610-837-7908

Deadline: Monday, November 8

Pick up: Saturday, November 20 at the Fire Station

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK FORTY HOURS DEVOTIONS NOVEMBER 14 - 16



Sacred Heart's annual celebration of Forty Hours will take place Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, November 14, 15 and 16. This is a time of grace and blessing for our parish family, and I invite and encourage you to set aside time for adoration while the Blessed Sacrament is exposed. We are privileged to have the Reverend Jeff Whorton, an Active Duty U.S. Army Chaplain, currently stationed at Fort Hood, Texas as our homilist all three evenings.

SACRED HEART — WOMEN'S GUILD PASTIE SALE

The Women's Guild of Sacred Heart Parish is holding a pastie sale. A pastie is a turnover, made with ground beef, chicken or sausage mixed with potatoes, onions are optional. There is also a veggie pastie.

All Pasties Are \$6.50



Orders can be placed by calling Sandy Tucker at 610-751-8369, or Cyndy Radcliffe at 610-759-5225.

Deadline is October 20th

Orders can be picked up on November 3rd from 3:00pm to 5:30pm, at the Burkhart Building

Proceeds benefit the Guild, who in turn supports our Parish.

Your Stewardship Report - October 10						
First Collection Facilities Repair Other Collections Other	\$1,223	Other collections - from envelopes dated other than October 10				
Total Collections	\$11,254	Other - donations, candles, etc.				



2021 WORLD MISSION MONTH

Today is **World Mission Sunday**. The second collection today is for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith and supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions.

Thank you for your generosity!

DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2021

<u>DeSales University Center</u> 2755 Station Ave. Center Valley, PA 18034

7:15 am — Mass in Connelly Chapel (optional) 8:00 - 9:00 am — Registration and Breakfast 9:00 - 1:00 pm — Speakers

> \$25 in-person attendance fee Register by November 5, 2021 Contact Information: Rick Dooley at cfm@allentowndiocese.org



ALLENTOWN DIOCESE CHEW STREET SOUP KITCHEN FALL FESTIVAL

Chew Street Community Center
179 Chew Street, Allentown
Saturday, Oct. 30th from 2-4 pm
bumpkin painting, cotton candy, hea

Popcorn, pumpkin painting, cotton candy, health screening, refreshments & games

Also, donations for children's Christmas gifts are begin accepted now and are greatly appreciated.

Please send monetary Christmas gift donations to Catholic Charities at 900 S. Woodward Street, Allentown PA 18013 and state on the memo line for

"Chew St. Children's Christmas Gifts"
Catholic Charities, Attention: Robert Nicolella

Or contact Edith Burga at the Kitchen at: <u>eburga@allentowndiocese.org</u> or 484-784-8109

God bless you!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH

Next Week's Collections - October 31



<u>First</u> Sunday Collection

> <u>Second</u> None

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
- Online Giving available through Sacred Heart's website at <u>www.sacredheartbath.org</u>. 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

Thank you for continuing to support Sacred Heart of Jesus parish!





"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the radiance of your light shine forever upon them." (cf. 2 Es 2:35).

"To you our praise is due in Zion, O God. To you we pay our vows, you who hear our prayer; to you all flesh will come." (Ps 64:2-3).

Requirements for obtaining a **Plenary Indulgence** on All Souls Day (2 November):

- Piously visit a church to pray for the faithful departed
- Say one "Our Father" and the "Creed" in the visit to the church
- Say one "Our Father" and one "Hail Mary" for the intentions of the Pope
- Worthily receive Holy Communion (ideally on the same day)
- Make a Sacramental Confession within a week of (before or after)
 All Souls Day
- That one be free from all attachment to sin, even venial sin.

Requirements for obtaining a **Plenary Indulgence** from 1 to 8 November:

- Devoutly visit a cemetery and pray for the dead.
- Say one "Our Father" and one "Hail Mary" for the intentions of the Pope
- Worthily receive Holy Communion (ideally on the same day)
- Make a Sacramental Confession within a week of (before or after)
 All Souls Day
- That one be free from all attachment to sin, even venial sin.

The "technical" things on Indulgences (so that we don't fall into error)...from the Handbook of Indulgences, Norms:

- #1. An indulgence is the remission in the eyes of God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose culpable element has already been taken away. The Christian faithful who are rightly disposed and observe the definite, prescribed conditions gain this remission through the effective assistance of the Church, which, as the minister of redemption, authoritatively distributes and applies the treasury of the expiatory works of Christ and the Saints."
- #22. The prescribed work for gaining a plenary indulgence attached to a church or oratory is a devout visit there, which includes the recitation of the Lord's Prayer and the Creed (Pater Noster and Credo), unless otherwise stated in a specific grant."
- #23. 1. Besides the exclusion of all attachment to sin, even venial sin, the requirements for gaining a Plenary Indulgence are the performance of the indulgenced work and fulfillment of three conditions: Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the Pope's intentions.
- 2. Several Plenary Indulgences may be gained on the basis of a single Sacramental Confession; only one may be gained, however, on the basis of a single Eucharistic Communion and prayer for the Pope's intentions.
- 3. The three conditions may be carried out several days preceding or following performance of the prescribed work. But it is more fitting that the Communion and the prayer for the Pope's intentions take place on the day the work is performed.
- 4. If a person is not fully disposed or if the prescribed work and the three mentioned conditions are not fulfilled, the Indulgence will only be partial ..."
- 5. The condition requiring prayer for the Pope's intentions is satisfied by reciting once the Our Father and Hail Mary for his intentions (Pater Noster and Ave Maria); nevertheless all the faithful have the option of reciting any other prayer suited to their own piety and devotion."

From the Handbook of Indulgences, Grants: #67. Visiting a Church or an Oratory on All Souls Day A Plenary Indulgence, which is applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory is granted to the Christian faithful who devoutly visit a church or an oratory on (2 November) All Souls Day.

#13. Visiting a cemetery An indulgence is granted the Christian faithful who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, if only mentally, for the dead, This indulgence is applicable only to the souls in purgatory. This indulgence is a plenary one from 1 through 8 November and can be granted on each one of these days. On the other days of the year this indulgence is a partial one.

RCIA THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

- † Do you know someone who may be interested in becoming Catholic? Do any of the following situations pertain to you?
- † Do you have any non-baptized adults in your family or among your friends?
- † Are there any Catholics in your family who have never received their First Communion and Confirmation?
- † Are there any inactive, hurt, disillusioned, or fallen away Catholics among your family or friends who have recently expressed any desire or hope of returning to the Catholic Church?
- † Would you like to invite anyone who is "Un-Churched" (and not a member of any church) to join Sacred Heart and possibly become Catholic?
- † If you have said "Yes" to any of the above questions...Come with your family and friends and discover for yourselves.
- † RCIA classes will begin at Sacred Heart this Fall. Watch for more information.
- † To register for RCIA or if you have any questions please call the office at 610-837-7874 or email office@sacredheartbath.org.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this opportunity!

WOMEN'S GUILD PARISH ROSARY INVITATION

October is the month of the Rosary and the Women's Guild would like to invite all members of the Sacred Heart Parish community to join the Guild in saying the Rosary on Monday, October 25 at 6:00 PM in the Church.

Please join us!
The rosary will take place instead of the traditional Living Rosary with other Churches.



ALL ARE WELCOME!

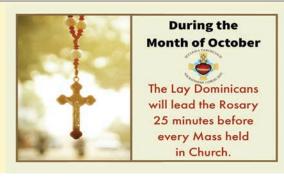


ALL SOULS DAY DEVOTIONS

Please join us for cemetery devotions on **Tuesday, November 2 at 6:00 pm.** We will meet
at the church at 6:00 pm and process to the
cemetery. If you are unable to process to the
cemetery, please meet at the cemetery at 6:00
pm. In case of inclement weather, devotions will
be held in church.

THE RECEPTION OF SACRAMENTS

The location where you receive your sacraments is governed by the territorial boundaries of the Parish within which you live, as prescribed by the Code of Canon Law. As a reminder, and to prevent delay or confusion when the time nears for the sacraments (and sacramental preparation), reception is not governed by where one attends school nor by where you attend Mass nor receive Religious Education. For example, if you live in the territorial boundaries of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, and your 2nd grader attends Good Shepherd School in Northampton, they will receive their Religious Education from Good Shepherd School, but receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion at Sacred Heart. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office and we will be glad to assist you. Thank you!





CONFIRMATION

Tuesday, November 30 4:30 pm

Bishop Schlert will administer the sacrament at Sacred Heart Church.

Please pray for the candidates from our Parish who are preparing for Confirmation.



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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



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Gift Card	Percentage Earned	Denominations	Gift Card	Percentage Earned	Denominations
Barnes & Nobles	8%	\$10	Applebee's	8%	\$25
Bed, Bath & Beyond	7%	\$25	Buffalo Wild Wings	8%	\$25
Best Buy	4%	\$25	Chili's	11%	\$25
Home Depot	7%	\$25	Chipotle	10%	\$25
Kohl's	4%	\$25/\$100	Cracker Barrel	8%	\$10
L.L. Bean	16%	\$25	Domino's Pizza	8%	\$10
Lowes	4%	\$25	Dunkin Donuts	3%	\$10
Target	2.5%	\$25	Olive Garden	8%	\$25
Walmart/Sam's	2.5%	\$25	Panera	8%	\$10
Grocery Stores	5%	\$25/\$50/\$100	Red Lobster	8%	\$25

REAL PRESENCE BOOK STUDY SERIES

You are invited to join Dr. Timothy O'Malley and Fr. Stephen Isaac over the next five weeks for a guided study, as they unpack the content of O'Malley's book and explore the meaning of the Real Presence.



Each Wednesday, beginning September 15th, a part of this series will be shared on the Year of Real Presence website featuring a video interview with Dr. PRESENCE O'Malley and questions for reflection.

SACRED HEART MAINTENANCE POSITION AVAILABLE



Must be reliable, self-directed, and motivated. General custodial. maintenance, grounds keeping, mowing

and snow removal. Electrical and/or mechanical knowledge and experience helpful but not required. If interested, please call the Parish Office to inquire at 610-837-7874.

Resumes may be submitted to parish office at office@sacredheartbath.org.

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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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Email: office@sacredheartbath.org
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office@shschool.us 610-837-6391
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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

<u>COURAGE – Diocesan Help Line:</u> Father Ezaki at 610-573-7150 or Deacon Christopher May at 484-602-9400.

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.

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