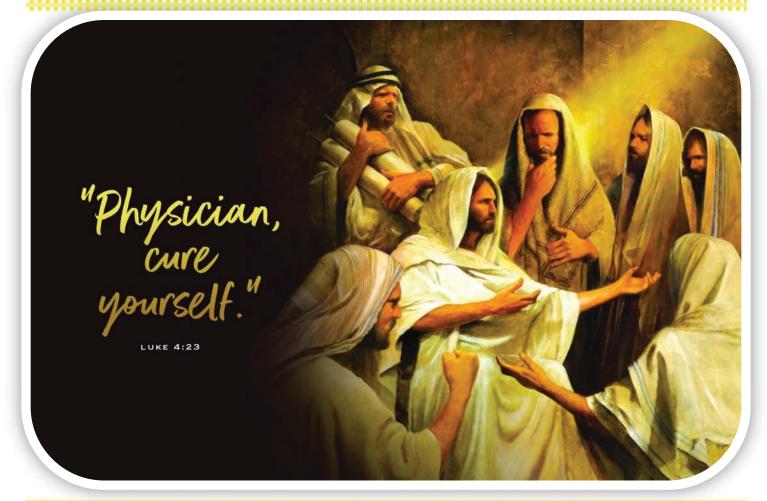
SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHURCH 117 Washington Street Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1524

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.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 30, 2022

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,	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)
January 29	Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Lk 4:21-30
5:00 PM	Deceased members of the Wandler Family
	r/b Ed and Jill Wandler
Sunday,	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 30	Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Lk 4:21-30
7:00 AM	Parishioners of Sacred Heart
9:00 AM	Joyce Olivi
	r/b Rick & Regina Gower and family
11:00 AM	Josephine LaSorsa
	r/b O'Reilly Family
	Saint John Bosco, Priest
	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20
8:00 AM	Mark L. Kuna
	r/b Reverend Christopher S. Butera
	Weekday
	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/Mk 5:21-43
	Father Stephen Flynn (anniversary of death)
	Presentation of the Lord
February 2	Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or
	Lk2:22-32
8:00 AM	Grace Ceraul
	r/b Sandra Tucker, O.P.
Thursday,	Saint Blaise, Bishop
	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12;/Mk 6:7-13
8:00 AM	Jean Wieder
	r/b Rebecca Wieder
Friday,	Weekday
	Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29
	Those enrolled in the Memorial Fund
	5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)
February 5	Is 6:1-2a, 3-8 / 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8,11/
	Lk 5:1-11
5:00 PM	Lawrence Cimino
	r/b Jean and Melina Nye
	5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 6	Is 6:1-2a, 3-8 / 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8,11/
	Lk 5:1-11
7:00 AM	Anne Schweitzer (Mass of Thanksgiving in
	celebration of 100 year Birthday)
	Parishioners of Sacred Heart
11:00 AM	Margaret Zuercher
	r/b Nicole Adams and Anthony Ulecka



THE SANCTUARY LAMP

is burning from

January 21 through February 3

for the repose of the souls of

Charles and Mary Manning

r/b Kathleen and Larry Deibert

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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 January 28 through February 3 for



All living members of the Women's Guild r/b Women's Guild

SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES

are burning from January 28 through February 3 for the repose of the souls of



All deceased members of the Women's Guild r/b Women's Guild

THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES

are burning from January 28 through February 3 for the repose of the soul of



Joe Maroski r/b wife, Marie

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NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical +Roles*

2/5-2/6 5:00 PM	Lectors Joan West	Deacons/EMHCs Deacon Lewis Ferris	Altar Servers Joshua Maruscak
7:00 AM	Lisa Wilde Barnhorst	Deacon Edward Saukulak	
9:00 AM	Beth Skinner	Deacon Edward Saukulak	Mia Arbushites
11:00 AM	Deb Hayes	Deacon Lewis Ferris	Peter Vallance

UPDATED COVID GUIDELINES

EFFECTIVE AUGUST 15, 2021

- In concert with the other Bishops in Pennsylvania, <u>the obligation to attend Mass on</u> <u>weekends and Holy Days returned effective</u> <u>August 15th</u>.
- <u>Effective the week of August 16th, all daily</u> <u>Masses will be held in Church</u>.
- There are no longer any seating or capacity restrictions in the Church. All pews are open again and <u>reservations are no longer needed</u> 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.



BIBLE STUDY BURKHART BUILDING OPEN TO ALL SATURDAYS 10-11:30 AM February 5 and 12

We will finish studying the Gospel of St. Luke and begin studying The Acts of the Apostles. **This is a good time to** *join Bible Study as we start on a new book.* We use Dr. Scott Hahn's Ignatius Catholic Study Bible.

If you are interested in joining the group or have any questions, please contact Deacon Lew Ferris at lferris_2000@yahoo.com

NEXT EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

<u>Thursday, February 3rd</u>

6:00 - 9:00 pm in Church Confession: 7:00-8:00 pm





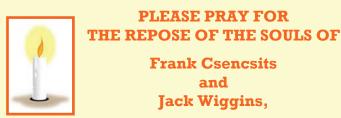
ONLINE MASS

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) <u>Twitter</u>: follow @sacredheartbath (https://twitter.com/sacredheartbath) <u>Periscope</u>: follow @sacredheartbath (https://www.pscp.tv/sacredheartbath/follow) Videos may also be live-streamed on YouTube or uploaded when available: <u>https://www.youtube.com/SacredHeartBath</u>



brothers-in-law of Patty Peapos of Sacred Heart Parish

BLESSING OF THROATS

St. Blaise has been venerated as the patron of those who suffer from diseases of the throat. Throats will be blessed after the 8:00 am Mass on Wednesday, February 2 and a Sunday throat blessing after all weekend Masses February 12 and 13. Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, let us ask God to protect us from afflictions of the throat and from other illnesses.



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UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:

Monday February 14 – Monthly Membership Meeting 7:00pm Rosary; 7:30pm Meeting Burkhart Building and Zoom Monday February 28 – Monthly Officers' Meeting 7:00pm – Burkhart Building and Zoom "All Brothers are invited to attend"

The fourth of the Knights' four core principles is <u>Patriotism.</u> Members of the Knights of Columbus, be they Americans, Canadians, Mexicans, Cubans, Filipinos, Poles, or Dominicans, are patriotic citizens. We are proud of our devotion to God and Country, and believe in standing up for both. Whether it's in public or private, the Knights remind the world that Catholics support their nations and are among the greatest citizens.

Please watch for the announcement of a "Yankee Stadium Trip" in June of this year. The arrangements are in the works and will be finalized soon. Brother Bud Schuster is hard at work to make this happen!

<u>For additional information about joining our Council ; the activities we foster and the sharing of fellowship</u> with millions of Brother Knights; go to www.KofC14464.org or contact our Grand Knight, Paul Bunting at pwbunting@gmail.com for details.



Candidates for the Permanent Diaconate received the Ministry of Lector January 2 during a Liturgy of the Word at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, Allentown, presided over by Bishop Alfred Schlert. Thomas Weber, parishioner from Sacred Heart and member of the Permanent Diaconate class participated in the service.

During the service the candidates knelt before Bishop Schlert and received the Sacred Scriptures into their hands. Those given the Ministry of Lector are entrusted with reading the Sacred Scriptures at Mass, during the Liturgy of the Hours and during other liturgies of the Church. They are also instructed to teach children and adults in the Faith, prepare them to receive the Sacraments worthily, and as instructed by Bishop Schlert, "bring the message of salvation to those who have not yet received it.

The next major step for the candidates will be institution to the Ministry of Acolyte, late next year. Permanent Deacons may baptize, witness marriages, conduct funeral services, and preside at prayer services and devotions. They may also preach at Mass, give instructions to people wishing to become Catholic, be involved in religious education, and conduct marriage and family enrichment programs.

Congratulations Tom!

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<u>THE PRESENTATION OF</u> <u>THE LORD</u> <u>Feast Day—February 2nd</u>

The event is described in the Gospel of Luke (Luke 2:22–40). According to the gospel, Mary and Joseph took the Infant Jesus to

the Temple in Jerusalem forty days (inclusive) after His birth to complete Mary's ritual purification after childbirth, and to perform the redemption of the firstborn son, in obedience to the Torah (Leviticus 12, Exodus 13:12-15, etc.). Luke explicitly says that Joseph and Mary take the option provided for poor people (those who could not afford a lamb; Leviticus 12:8), sacrificing "a pair turtledoves, two young of or pigeons." Leviticus 12:1–4 indicates that this event should take place forty days after birth for a male child, hence the Presentation is celebrated forty days after Christmas.

Candlemas Day is another name for the Feast of the presentation of the Lord. The tradition of blessing candles is associated with this feast. <u>Blessed</u> candles will be available at all Masses the weekend of February 5 and 6.

HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY!



Mrs. Anne Schweitzer, a long-time parishioner at Sacred Heart Parish will be 100 years old on Sunday, February 6th! The 7:00 am Mass that day will be a Mass of Thanksgiving in celebration of her birthday. Please wish Anne a Happy Birthday when you see her! If you would like to send Anne a birthday card to commemorate this milestone, please send to: Anne Schweitzer 255 Hatch Gravel Road Bath. PA 18014

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PRO-LIFE CORNER

Our neighbors to the east, New Jersey, have just recently passed a bill concerning "reproductive health care." Isn't that a much nicer way of describing abortion? Who can be against "reproductive health care?" What does that even mean?

The bottom line of what it means is that the New Jersey pro-abort politicians, including the Catholic governor, are afraid that Roe vs. Wade will be overturned by the Supreme Court in June, and they want to have in place pro-abortion State laws.

It's a very comprehensive legislation that will pretty much assure it is legal to have an abortion at any stage of the pregnancy for any reason. It also allows non-physicians; nurses, midwives etc. to perform the abortion.

The good news in all this, is that the pro-aborts are pretty convinced that Roe vs. Wade will go down in June! Let's hope that their fears are correct. Let's pray that they are correct, and that the lives of many babies will be saved as a result. After all, 6 of the 9 justices are Catholic. Note: Neil Gorsuch, was "raised Catholic but attends an Anglican/Episcopalian Church, he is very anti-abortion while Justice Sotomayor is a baptized Catholic who is totally pro-abortion.

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RETROUVAILLE

<u>Rediscover The</u> Love In Your Marriage

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille

(pronounced Retrovy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises.

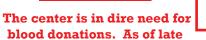
The next program begins the weekend of <u>February 11-13, 2022 at the</u>

Family Life Center in Malvern, PA For more information, or to register, visit <u>www.HelpOurMarriage.org</u> or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230.

All inquiries are strictly confidential.



BLOOD DONATIONS MILLER-KEYSTONE BLOOD CENTER



-Deacon Lew Ferris

January, their current supply is the lowest they've seen in years and they are down to a one day supply for hospital partners and patients. Although they are unable to staff mobile blood drives, please consider donating at one of their local donation enters.

Please go to <u>https://www.giveapint.org</u> for locations and more information. Thank You!



SAINT BLAISE, BISHOP FEAST DAY—FEBRUARY 3

The legend of his life that sprang up in the eighth century tell us that he was born in to a rich and noble family who



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raised him as a Christian. After becoming a bishop, a new persecution of Christians began. He received a message from God to go into the hills to escape persecution. Men hunting in the mountains discovered a cave surrounded by wild animals who were sick. Among them Blaise walked unafraid, curing them of their illnesses. Recognizing Blaise as a bishop, they captured him to take him back for trial. On the way back, he talked a wolf into releasing a pig that belonged to a poor woman. When Blaise was sentenced to be starved to death, the woman, in gratitude, sneaked into the prison with food and candles for him.



Participate in the Synod!

We hope that wherever you are in your relationship with the Lord and the Catholic Church, you will consider participating in the Synod Listening Sessions or complete our online survey.

THE CHURCH IS LISTENING

LGBT Community JAN 27 2022 | 6:30PM | St. Francis Center for Renewal

Young Adults & College Students

FEB 10 2022 | 7:00PM | Holy Ghost Parish, Bethlehem

Parish Listening Sessions

Various Dates | Listing available by county on website



www.allentowndiocese.org/synod

<u>Your Stewardship Report - January 16</u>					
First Collection Facilities Repair Other Collections <u>Other</u>	\$1,254 \$801	Other collections - from envelopes dated other than January 16			
Total Collections	\$9,839	<u>Other</u> - donations, candles, etc.			

SPECIAL COLLECTION THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

The second collection this week is for Catholic Relief Services. The purpose of the relief services is to <u>reveal Christ's love</u> to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

ONLINE GIVING UPDATE

As you may remember, back in the spring of 2020 we implemented a new online giving platform that enabled payment/giving through credit card. Many parishioners remained on the legacy platform and we maintained giving through both platforms for over a year.

If you have any questions about the migration or need any help with the new platform, please call the Parish Office at 610-837-7874.

If you do not give online and would like to set-up an account, visit our website at sacredheartbath.org and click on the red box that says "Donate."

Thank you!



FOOD BANK

The food in the Food Bank bins is donated to St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank, the Bath Area Food bank at St. John's Lutheran Church, and the Cay Galgon Life

Center on a rotating basis. Non-perishables or monetary donations are greatly needed. The next food distribution is <u>February 8th from 9:30-11 am</u> and from 6-7 pm 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!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH

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Next Week's Collections - February 6

<u>First</u> Sunday Collection



<u>Second</u> Parish Improvement

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!

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!

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GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, January 30th through Saturday, February 5th

Good Shepherd Catholic School will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week

To kick off our week, we are offering live tours for families interested in enrolling students in our school.

Tours will begin at 10:30 am and end at 12:30 pm. If you would like to sign up for a tour, please contact Mrs. Tripaldi at 610-262-9171 or mrstripaldigscs@gmail.com. Tours are being offered for students entering Preschool 3, Pre-K 4, and

Kindergarten through grade 8. Spaces are limited for next school year so register early! If you would like to tour but cannot make it that Sunday, please reach out and we can make necessary accommodations.



BEGINNER & INTERMEDIATE/ ADVANCE AEROBICS OFFERED

8 Week or 10 Week Classes

Offered at St. Elizabeth Parish. Whitehall on Tuesday nights from 6:15 - 7:00 PM starting February 22 to April 26, 2022 in St. Elizabeth's parish hall, 435 Pershing Blvd., Whitehall. No Class March 15 & 22, Make-ups on March 9 & 16.

The cost is only \$15.00 or \$25.00 per person for the entire 8 or 10 weeks respectively.

Registration deadline is February 18th

Contact Mary Spieker to register 610-266-0695 or dirreled@sercc.org Bring a friend!



SAINT FRANCIS **RETREAT HOUSE, EASTON** MINI-RETREAT FEBRUARY 14

"Joyful, Upbeat, Deeply Optimistic: Salesian Spirituality for the Journey" is the topic for the **February Mini-Retreat**

Fr. James Greenfield, OSFS, president of DeSales University, will explore the Salesian virtues of humility, gentleness, and simplicity in our everyday lives.

The evening begins with a full meal at 6:00 pm followed by the presentation from 7:00 to 9:00 pm.

> **Donations are \$35 for in-person** \$20 for virtual participation

Please reserve your place at stfrancisretreathouse.org

or call 610-258-3053 x34 by February 6.

GROUNDHOG DAY—February 2nd

It is said that Groundhog Day was first established by Germans in America in 1887 and was actually inspired by Europe's Candlemas, indicating the halfway point between solstice and equinox, during which clergymen would bless the candles they needed for the cold season. (If the candles brought a sunny day, there would be six more weeks of winter; likewise, clouds and rain signified

that winter would end soon.) From there, it expanded onto a hedgehog as a way of predicting the weather. Once German settlers made their way to America, they continued the tradition in PA, but switched GROUNDHOG DAY to a groundhog.



SAINT FRANCIS CENTER FOR RENEWAL — FEBRUARY 2022 PROGRAMS At 395 Bridle Path Rd., Bethlehem, PA 18017

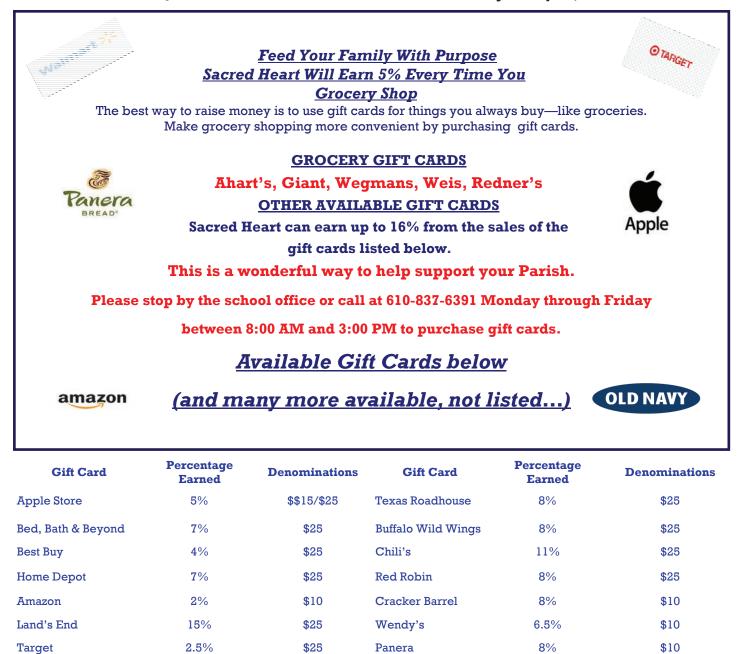
For more information, visit our website at www.stfrancisctr.org or call 610-867-8890.

- Tuesday, February 1: 10am to 12pm, Simply Prayer: Beauty **Ever New**
- Thursday, February 3: 6-7pm, Prayer through Movement
- Friday, February 4- Sunday, February 6: 5:30 pm on Friday to 12 pm on Sunday, Women's Spirituality Weekend: The Most **Powerful Thing a Woman Can Do**
- + Saturday, February 5: 10am to 12 pm, Prayer through Heart and Breath: Meditative Support for Well-Being
- + Thursday, February 10: 6-7 pm, Prayer through Movement
- Thursday, February 17: 6-7 pm, Prayer through Movement
- Thursday, February 24: 6-7 pm, Prayer through Movement
- Saturday, February 26: 9am to 2pm, Prayer though Icons: Windows into Heaven



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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

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DID YOU **FIND S**OMETHING? Please put it in the LOST AND FOUND BOX <u>**Do not**</u> take it to the sacristy

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

PARISH INFORMATION

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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 **<u>RCIA</u>**. 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</u> <u>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 <u>www.ReportBishopAbuse.org</u> or by calling 800-276-1562.

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