

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

OUR MISSION

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

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



SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 16, 2022

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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, 2nd Sunday In Ordinary Time (anticipated)
January 15 **Is 62:1-5/1Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11**
 5:00 PM Ronald Landsiedel
r/b Natalie, Cathryn and family

Sunday, 2nd Sunday In Ordinary Time
January 16 **Is 62:1-5/1Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11**
 7:00 AM John and Mary Keglovitz
r/b Keglovitz Family
 9:00 AM Betty Haldaman (anniversary of death)
r/b Haldaman Family
 11:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

Monday, Saint Anthony, Abbot
January 17 **1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22**
 9:00 AM Dorothy Faustner Kay
r/b Jim Kay

Tuesday, Weekday
January 18 **1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28**
 8:00 AM Charlie Fry
r/b Carl and Cathryn Niedzwiecki

Wednesday, Weekday
January 19 **1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6**
 8:00 AM Reverend Christopher S. Butera
r/b Lay Dominicans

Thursday, Saint Fabian, Pope
January 20 **1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12**
 8:00 AM Barb Gardner
r/b Marie Maroski

Friday, Saint Agnes
January 21 **1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19**
 8:00 AM Alphonse, Mary and Mary Louise Yost
r/b Rosanne, Robert and Jayne Yost

Saturday, 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)
January 22 **Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14,27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21**
 5:00 PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

Sunday, 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 23 **Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14,27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21**
 7:00 AM Tom and Agnes Wilde
r/b Bill Wilde
 9:00 AM Gertrude Christy
r/b O'Reilly Family
 11:00 AM Patty Snyder
r/b husband, Gary and family

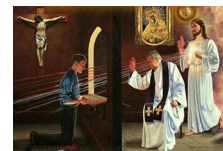
SCHEDULE OF MASSES

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 14 through January 20
 for the repose of the soul of



Betty Haldaman
r/b Haldaman Family

SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES

are burning from
 January 14 through January 20
 for the repose of the soul of



Ronald Landsiedel
r/b Natalie, Cathryn and family

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

is burning from
 January 7 through January 20
 for the repose of the soul of
John Kondikoff
r/b wife, Betty



NEXT EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday, January 20th
6:00 - 9:00 pm in Church
Confession: 7:00-8:00 pm

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Roles*

1/22-1/23

5:00 PM
7:00 AM
9:00 AM
11:00 AM

Lectors

William Doncsecz
Alfred Krantz
Tim Geiger
Christina Gehringer

Deacons/EMHCs

Deacon Lewis Ferris
Deacon Edward Saukulak
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Altar Servers

John Vallance
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Cara Dormarunno
Joshua Maruscak

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>

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF
THE SOULS OF**

**Charles Pammer and Lynn Weimer
of Sacred Heart Parish**

**Dorothy Saukulak,
mother of Deacon Ed Saukulak
of Sacred Heart Parish**

**Richard Jastrzebski, Jr.,
son-in-law of James Quartararo
of Sacred Heart Parish**

**Shirley McElroy,
sister of Jean Pulli of Sacred Heart Parish**

THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES

are burning from
January 14 through January 20
for the repose of the soul of



**Eleanor Donello (13th anniversary of death)
r/b Andrew Donello and family**

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

for the week of
January 14 through January 20
are in memory of

**Walter and Katherine Peppel
r/b Family**



Thank You



Thank you to everyone at
Sacred Heart Parish who gave me cards,
goodies and gifts for Christmas!
I appreciate your generosity
and remembering me at this
special time of the year.

God bless you!
Fr. Luigi Palmieri

ONE LAST GIVING TREE REQUEST!



Have a spare tree?

Moving / downsizing?

Getting a "real" one next year?

Please let us know if you would like to donate a
"gently used" and easy to set up artificial tree!
Working lights are not necessary.

Call Debbie at 484-281-8017.

Thanks for all you do to make this project a
success!

MEMORIAL VOTIVE LAMPS



If you would like to memorialize a candle at the shrine of
the Blessed Mother or Saint Joseph or at the Tabernacle,
please call or visit the parish office during office hours.
Candles burn from Friday through the following
Thursday. A Mass will be said for all the memorialized
intentions.

START THE NEW YEAR WITH PEACE AND HEALING THROUGH THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is one of the
most unique and beautiful aspects of
Catholicism. Jesus Christ, in His abundant love
and mercy, established the Sacrament of
Confession, so that we as sinners can obtain
forgiveness for our sins and reconcile with God
and the Church. The sacrament "washes us
clean," and renews us in Christ.

*"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As
the Father has sent me, even so I send you.' And
when he had said this, he breathed on them, and
said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you
forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you
retain the sins of any, they are retained'" (John
20:21-23).*

If you haven't been to Confession in a while, the
Catholic Church wants to welcome you back,
and invites you to participate in this beautiful
sacrament of healing. Take a step in faith. You'll
be surprised about how free you feel after taking
part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. So many
Catholics describe incredible feelings of peace,
joy, relief, and love that they never expected.
Jesus is calling you to experience His mercy in
this way too.

SAINT ANTHONY, ABBOT FEAST DAY—JANUARY 17TH



St. Anthony of Egypt is the
founder of modern day
monasticism. He sold almost
everything he had, leaving
enough for his younger sister to
live a good life. He went into
the desert and became a
hermit. After many years of
living in solitude, he came
back to provide guidance to a
growing community of
hermits, thus marking the

beginning of modern day monasticism. Many
people sought to hear St. Anthony's spiritual
advice, including Emperor Constantine.

*"Do not be astonished if an emperor writes to us,
for he is a man, but rather: wonder that God wrote
the Law for men, and has spoken to us through his
own Son." (St. Anthony)*



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:

Monday January 24 – Monthly Officers' Meeting

7:00pm – Burkhart Building and Zoom

“All Brothers are invited to attend”

Monday February 14 – Monthly Membership Meeting

7:00pm Rosary; 7:30pm Meeting

Burkhart Building and Zoom

We continue with our Brotherhood's Core Principles: This week we feature UNITY: None of us is as good as all of us. Members of the Knights of Columbus all know that together- we can accomplish far more than any of us individually. So we stick together...we support one another. That doesn't mean that we always agree or that there is never a difference of opinion. It does mean that- as a Knight of Columbus- you can count on the support and encouragement of your brother Knights as you work to make life better in your parish and community.

Did You Know: A 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 Faith in Action Novena for Life program or, if possible the March for Life program.”

For additional information about joining our Council; go to www.KofC14464.org or contact our Grand Knight, Brother Paul Bunting at pwbunting@gmail.com for details.



BIBLE STUDY BURKHART BUILDING OPEN TO ALL

SATURDAYS 10-11:30 AM

January 22 and February 5, 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 the group 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**

NEW AND APPROVED AD TIMES ONLINE



Please consider signing up for the new and improved online version of the AD Times. Doing so will mean you'll get the news faster, and will save the Diocese money on printing and postage.

**Email your name and address to
communication@AllentownDiocese.org**

**and we'll sign you up
for a free email subscription and remove your name
from the mailing list of the printed newspaper.**



PARISH FAMILY OF THE YEAR

**Father Jacob W. Post Council 14464 of the Knights of Columbus is
proud to announce that the
2021 Family of the Year award for Sacred Heart of Jesus parish
has been given to the family of
Ricky and Regina Gower**

**Please join us in congratulating Ricky, Regina and their family for a continuing great job in modeling
Christian values.**



SAINT AGNES **FEAST DAY—JANUARY 21**

Agnes was of a tender age when she was killed. She was just a girl. Tradition says that she was beautiful and wanted to dedicate her virginity to the Lord, despite numerous suitors desirous of her beauty. She was killed, then, both for her faith and for her steadfastness in refusing to violate her vow of chastity. It was a double martyrdom, made all because of her modesty and religion. Agnes preserved her virginity, and gained a martyr's crown.

St. Agnes, help all young people commit themselves to Christ when young, giving Him the most fruitful years of their lives. Inspire them to say "Yes" to God and not just as a "No" to the world. Help both young and old to see that although life is a gift, there are greater things than life, such as God in His glory. Amen

CLOTHING SHED IS NOW OPEN

USED CLOTHING DROP-OFF - OPEN 24-7

Sacred Heart Church upper parking lot

Proceeds to Sacred Heart Church

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

The clothing is sent to people in need both in the US and in third world countries.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ARTICLES OUTSIDE THE BIN. THANK YOU!

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Belts Blankets Clothing Drapes Purses

Sheets Shoes Sneakers Stuffed Animals

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Fabric Scraps Household goods Rags Toys

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: 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!



2021 STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTION

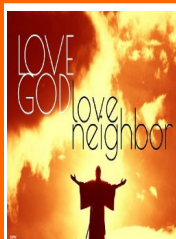


If you would like to receive a statement of your 2021 contributions, please put a note in the Sunday collection basket, and include your envelope number on the request. **Due to the cost of postage, you MUST include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request or pick the statement up in the parish office during regular business hours. No Faxes, please! Statements will be sent in mid-late January 2022.** 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.

BULLETIN PUBLICATION UPDATE

We will be going back to our regular bulletin deadline starting with the January 23rd bulletin. 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.

Deadline for January 23 will be Friday, January 14 by 12:00 pm.



Your Stewardship Report - January 2

First Collection	\$5,859	<i>Other collections</i>
Parish Improvement	\$1,337	<i>- from envelopes</i>
Christmas/Solemnity of Mary	\$2,780	<i>dated other than</i>
Other Collections	\$85	<u>January 2</u>
<u>Other</u>	\$34	<i>Other - donations,</i>
Total Collections	\$10,095	<i>candles, etc.</i>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH**Next Week's Collections - January 23****First**
Sunday Collection**Second**
None**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!**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 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**

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

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.

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!

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**ON****MONDAY, JANUARY 17th****IN OBSERVANCE OF
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY**

PRO-LIFE CORNER

Where have all of the babies gone? Not that long ago, we at Sacred Heart, had two Sundays each month designated for Baptisms. The Deacon would be scheduled for the first Sunday of the month and the pastor would do the third Sunday of the month. And we would always have at least one child to baptize.

We did an analysis at one point a number of years ago and found that we still had the same number of parishioners, but as one person put it, "the babies have disappeared." Maybe it was just the aging of the parish, or the fact that young people are waiting much longer to get married and therefore are having children later in life which will produce fewer children, or maybe something else

The point is that it happened, relatively speaking, suddenly. Having children, reproducing ourselves, has taken a much lower priority in the lives of younger members of our society. Often, I will ask younger couples, in my duties as a Deacon, "what is the most important thing in your life?" They will all answer; "their children", or usually "their child." My answer to them is "than why would you want to limit the most important thing in your life."

Another argument for having fewer children is that the parents think that they can give fewer children more things and better educations etc. When, in fact, the best things their children can have in their lives are brothers and sisters. "Things" wear out, today's education value is questionable, but siblings are forever.

- Deacon Lewis Ferris



2022 ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE St. JANE DE CHANTAL

The 2022 March of Life
will take place on **Friday, January 21st.**

A bus will be departing from St. Jane de Chantal after the 6:30 am Mass and returning in the evening.

**For details call 484-259-7740 or
email americanpatriot@rcn.com.
Reserve your spot now as seating is
limited.**

RETROUVAILLE

Rediscover The 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
February 11-13, 2022 at the
Family Life Center in Malvern, PA**

**For more information, or to register, visit
www.HelpOurMarriage.org or
call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230.
All inquiries are strictly confidential.**

DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE UNBORN JANUARY 22

Mary, Virgin conceived without sin,

We place our unborn children in your loving and tender care.

Mary, Full of Grace,

We ask you to guide us to do the will of the Creator of all Life.

Mary, Protector of the Infant Jesus,

We ask you to protect the most vulnerable among us.

Mary, Mother of Hope,

We lift the challenges and difficulties facing human life to you.

Mary, Spouse of St. Joseph,

We seek your aid for all mothers and fathers so that they may sustain one another as they provide for their families.

Mary, Blessed among women,

We pray that all women will have the courage and support to choose life for their unborn child.

Mary, Help of the Sorrowful,

We pray for those who suffer the grief of an abortion.

Mary, Mother of Mercy,

We ask you to intercede with your son, Jesus, for the forgiveness of sins committed against the Dignity of Human Life.

Mary, Comfort of the Afflicted,

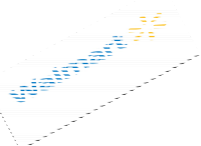
We ask you to tend to those who suffer the grief of the loss of a child.

Mary, Queen of Peace,

We pray for your help so that all people will appreciate the sanctity of human life and will find true peace in lifting up rather than tearing down life.

Mary, our Mother,

Be with us in our outreach for all human life. Amen.



Feed Your Family With Purpose
Sacred Heart Will Earn 5% Every Time 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 gift cards.



GROCERY GIFT CARDS

Ahart's, Giant, Wegmans, Weis, Redner's

OTHER AVAILABLE GIFT CARDS

Sacred Heart can earn up to 16% from the sales of the
 gift cards listed below.



This is a wonderful way to help support your Parish.

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

Available Gift Cards below



(and many more available, not listed...)



Gift Card	Percentage Earned	Denominations	Gift Card	Percentage Earned	Denominations
Apple Store	5%	\$15/\$25	Texas Roadhouse	8%	\$25
Bed, Bath & Beyond	7%	\$25	Buffalo Wild Wings	8%	\$25
Best Buy	4%	\$25	Chili's	11%	\$25
Home Depot	7%	\$25	Red Robin	8%	\$25
Amazon	2%	\$10	Cracker Barrel	8%	\$10
Land's End	15%	\$25	Wendy's	6.5%	\$10
Target	2.5%	\$25	Panera	8%	\$10
Walmart/Sam's	2.5%	\$25	Cabela's	10%	\$25
Pet Smart	5%	\$25	Visa	1.25%	\$50

SUPPORT SACRED HEART CHURCH BY SHOPPING AT AMAZON SMILE

- ⇒ When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon will donate to Sacred Heart Church. Support us every time you shop.
- ⇒ Use this link (smile.amazon.com/ch/24-0799592) when buying on Amazon!
- ⇒ By using our link, Amazon donates a percentage of your total purchase amount to our Parish.

Your donations help us carry out our mission.



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

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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 **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

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