

*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.*



*THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD*  
*JANUARY 8, 2023*

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**DIOCESAN SECRETARY FOR YOUTH PROTECTION:** Pamela J Russo- Telephone: (610) 871-5200, Ext. 2204

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, The Epiphany of the Lord (anticipated)**

**January 7** **Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12**

5:00 PM James M. Kohler  
r/b Marie Maroski

**Sunday, The Epiphany of the Lord**

**January 8** **Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12**

7:00 AM Joyce Wunderler  
r/b LaBar Family  
9:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart  
11:00 AM Tomasz Kudla  
r/b Katrina and Timothy Kudla

**Monday, The Baptism of the Lord**

**January 9** **Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17**

8:00 AM Anna Manning  
r/b Sacred Heart Women's Guild

**Tuesday, Weekday (1st Week of Ordinary Time)**

**January 10** **Heb 2:5-12/Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6, 2:5-12/  
Mk 1:14-20, 1:21-28**

8:00 AM Charles Pammer  
r/b Weed Family

**Wednesday, Weekday**

**January 11** **Heb 2:14-18/Mk 1:29-39**

8:00 AM Anna M. Manning  
r/b Carolyn Toner

**Thursday, Weekday**

**January 12** **Heb 3:7-14/Mk 1:40-45**

8:00 AM Irene R. Ehrgott  
r/b Reverend Christopher S. Butera

**Friday, Saint Hilary, Bishop**

**January 13** **Heb 4:1-5, 11/Mk 2:1-12**

8:00 AM Benefactors of Sacred Heart

**Saturday, 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time (anticipated)**

**January 14** **Is 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34**

5:00 PM Eugene Flynn  
r/b Quartararo Family

**Sunday, 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**January 15** **Is 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34**

7:00 AM Anna Manning  
r/b George Gasper  
9:00 AM Ronald Landsiedel  
r/b Natalie and Cathryn  
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

January 6 through January 12  
for the repose of the soul of



**Julia Marasco**

**r/b Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bern**

**SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES**

are burning from

January 6 through January 12  
for the repose of the soul of



**Dave Eckel**

**r/b John, Kathleen, Simon  
and Alex Wachholz**

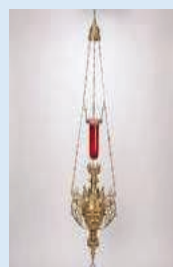
**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**

is burning from

January 6 through January 12  
for the repose of the soul of

**Ronald Landsiedel**

**r/b Natalie and Cathryn**



**PLEASE PRAY FOR  
THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF  
Antoinette Tallarico,  
mother of Chris Tallarico of  
Sacred Heart Parish  
and  
Marie Yeager  
of Sacred Heart Parish**





## NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

## Liturgical Roles\*

**1/14-1/15**

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

**Lectors**

Joan West  
Bill Wilde  
Frank Molchan  
Tom Weber

**Deacons/EMHCs**

Deacon Lewis Ferris  
Deacon Edward Saukulak  
Deacon Edward Saukulak  
Deacon Lewis Ferris

**Altar Servers**

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Daniel Holub  
Caden Kocsis

**SUNDAY READINGS****JANUARY 8TH**

**First Reading** -- Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (*Is 60:1-6*)

**Psalm** — "Lord, every nation on earth will adore you." (*Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13*)

**Second Reading** -- Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. (*Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6*)

**Gospel** — When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (*Mt 2:1-12*)

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD****Feast Day—January 9th**

*At Jesus baptism **God the Father** spoke from heaven, God the Son was baptized, and God the **Holy Spirit** descended on Jesus like a dove.*

Jesus was sinless; he did not need cleansing. No, the act of baptism was part of Christ's mission in coming to earth. Like previous priests of God — Moses, Nehemiah, and Daniel — Jesus was confessing sin on behalf of the people of the world. Likewise, he was endorsing John's ministry of baptism.

Jesus' baptism was unique. It was different from the "baptism of repentance" that John had been performing. It was not a "Christian baptism" as we experience today. Christ's baptism was a step of obedience at the beginning of his public ministry to identify himself with John's message of repentance and the revival movement it had begun.

By submitting to the waters of baptism, Jesus linked himself with those who were coming to John and repenting. He was setting an example for all of his followers as well.

Jesus baptism was also part of his preparation for Satan's temptation in the wilderness. Baptism was a foreshadowing of Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. And lastly, Jesus was announcing the beginning of his ministry on earth.

John had devoted his life to preparing for the arrival of Jesus. He had focused all of his energy on this moment. His heart was set on obedience. Yet, the very first thing Jesus asked him to do, John resisted.

John resisted because he felt unqualified, unworthy to do what Jesus had asked. **Do you feel inadequate to fulfill your mission from God?** John felt unworthy even to unfasten the shoes of Jesus, yet Jesus said John was the greatest of all prophets (Luke 7:28). **How many times do we hear the word of God and question the message sent to us. Don't let your feelings of inadequacy hold you back from listening to God's words and your appointed mission.**

**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>

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**Thursday, January 12**

**8:30 am - 9:00 pm in Church**

**Confession: 7:00-8:00 pm**

**NOTICE****SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS**

We will continue to offer the opportunity for you to memorialize the candle burning in the Sanctuary Lamp in honor of your loved one(s). **In 2023, the candle intention will burn for one week, instead of two, from Friday through the following Thursday.** This is consistent with the timeframe that candle intentions burn at the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph and the tabernacle/altar. Please call the office with any questions or to schedule your candle intentions for 2023. We have many candle intentions available in the 2023 Mass book.



## **EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**JANUARY 6, 2023**

*As with the Three Kings, Pope Francis said, “the experience of God does not block us, but frees us; it does not imprison us, but puts us back on our way, returning us to the usual places of our existence. The places are the same but, after the encounter with Christ, we are not the same as before.”*

*To worship like the Magi did, is “to bring gold to the Lord and to tell him that nothing is more precious than He is. To offer Him incense and to tell Him that only in union with Him can our lives rise up to heaven. To present Him with myrrh, balm for the bruised and wounded, and to promise Him that we will aid our marginalized and suffering neighbors in whom He Himself is present,” the pope said.*

*Like the Magi, Christians discover the meaning of their life’s journey in worshipping the Lord and it brings them great joy.*

## **EPIPHANY TRADITIONS**

It is traditional for parish priests to bless water on Epiphany, which is used for the blessing of homes that day. Chalk for each family is also blessed so that they may mark the names of the three Magi over their doors, as a witness of their faith and protection against evil.

**Father Butera will bless water and chalk for Epiphany on Sunday, January 15th at 8:45 am prior to the 9:00 am Mass.**

With chalk, families write an inscription on the lintel above the front door. The series of numbers, letters, and crosses changes only slightly from year to year. For example, at the start of the year 2023, the line will read as follows:

**20+C+M+B+23**

The four digits designating the New Year appear at the beginning and end of the line. Because Epiphany comes so near the beginning of the New Year, the numbers represent an annual renewal of God’s blessing.

The letters have two meanings. They are the initials of the traditional names of the Magi: Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar. They also abbreviate the Latin words “*Christus mansionem benedicat.*” “May Christ bless the house.” The letters recall the day on which the inscription is made, as well as the purpose of blessing.

The crosses represent Christ, whom we invoke, and the saintliness of the magi. The inscription is made above the front door, so that all who enter and depart this year may enjoy God’s blessing. The month of January still bears the name of the Roman god Janus, the doorkeeper of heaven and patron of the beginning and end of things. This blessing adds a Christian dimension to the traditional observance of the first month. The inscription is made of chalk, a product of clay, which recalls the human nature taken by God’s Eternal Word in this holy season.



### UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:

**Monday, January 9- Membership Meeting – A Night of “Knights”**

**7:00pm Rosary; 7:30pm Presentations and Social Hour  
Burkhardt Bldg. And Zoom**

**Sunday, January 15 – K of C Breakfast  
7:00am to 11:00am Church Auditorium**

**Monday, January 23 – Officers' Planning Meeting**

**7:00pm Burkhardt Bldg. And Zoom (All Brothers are Invited)**

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### **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.

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**Did You Know:** Our Holy Father's Prayer Intention: “We pray that volunteer nonprofit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

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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](http://www.KofC14464.org) or contact our Grand Knight, Brother Paul Bunting at [pwbunting@gmail.com](mailto:pwbunting@gmail.com) for details.**

### **A NIGHT OF “KNIGHTS” MONDAY, JANUARY 9TH**

**On Monday, January 9th our  
Monthly Membership Meeting will become a  
Night of “Knights”**

**The purpose of this event is to encourage new  
membership by highlighting what the Knights are all  
about and the activities in which  
our Council participates.**

**We will begin the evening at  
7:00pm with a recitation of the Rosary, followed  
at 7:30pm by a “short” review of Council business.**

**We will continue the evening with informative “brief”  
presentations by Council Officers and Committee  
Chairpersons highlighting what the Knights are all  
about, what we do to support Sacred Heart of Jesus  
Parish, and our involvement in community affairs. To  
wrap up the evening, refreshments will be served, along  
with time to mingle with Brother Knights.**

**ALL Men of the Parish are encouraged to attend; wives  
are also most welcome. This is a time for Brother  
Knights to re-engage with our Council and for other  
Catholic Gentlemen to find out if they wish to join in  
this journey to become stronger “Catholic Men.”**

**The event will be held in the Burkhardt Building.**

**If you would like to attend or just want  
information about the event, please RSVP,**

**[ANightofKnights@kofc14464.org](mailto:ANightofKnights@kofc14464.org)**

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMORIAL SERVICE Monday, January 9th Burkhardt Building**

Knights of Columbus “Night of Knights”  
meeting will have a memorial service in the  
Burkhardt Building on Monday January 9<sup>th</sup>  
immediately following the recitation of the  
7:00 pm Rosary. There will be a short  
memorial service at 7:30 pm honoring the  
following Brother Knights who have died  
since our council was formed 15 years ago:

**John M. Dilli  
Carl Evans  
Charles F. Fry  
Deacon Joseph F. Godiska  
Ronald D. Jankowski  
James S. Meyers  
Arthur J. Mulligan  
Robert J. Renode  
Frank E. Stokes  
Michael J. Zastko**

**All surviving spouses and/or family  
members are cordially  
invited to attend.**



**PRO-LIFE CORNER**

During this Christmas season let us contemplate this reading from St. Luke's gospel, Ch. 2, vs. 41, "And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the child leaped in her womb." The "child," not a non-descript blob of cells, reacted to the presence of divinity, Jesus Christ, son of God, in the room with him.

He, John, in his mother Elizabeth's womb, leaped with joy. It was his unique body that leaped. His response was in his control, not in the control of his mother. As Catholics we believe in the inerrancy of scripture, because the Holy Spirit as the author of scripture is incapable of error.

The term of the pro-abortionist, "my body, my choice" is biologically inaccurate. Not your body, not your choice. It's God's choice. No human being is born by accident. Each and every one of us is unique and is God's choice, God's perfect idea.

-- Deacon Lewis Ferris

**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.

**BIBLE STUDY—OPEN TO ALL  
BURKHART BUILDING  
SATURDAYS 10:00 AM-11:30 AM  
January 21 and February 4 & 18**



We are resuming our study of St. Paul's first and second letters to the Corinthians, using the Ignatius Catholic Study Bible by Dr. Scott Hahn. Please join us. Any questions email: lferris\_2000@yahoo.com.

**BULLETIN PUBLICATION**

Please deliver your bulletin announcements to the parish office or send an email to [bulletin@sacredheartbath.org](mailto:bulletin@sacredheartbath.org) by noon on Friday nine days prior to the publication of the bulletin.



**RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT**

**February 10, 11 and 12, 2023**

An intimate spiritual journey for anyone seeking healing after abortion. In a safe, supportive, non-judgmental environment you can focus on this painful time in your life and enter into the process of healing. Through scripture readings, guided meditations and activities flowing from the meditations, you can experience God's compassion and forgiveness.

**For registration information contact:**

**Carol Swavely, MA, 1-866-3RACHEL (Toll Free)  
or 610-435-1541, ext. 373. You may also email  
Carol at [carolswavely@ptd.net](mailto:carolswavely@ptd.net).**

**Registration deadline—February 3, 2023**

**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 **January 10 from 9:30-11 am and from 6-7 pm** at St. John's Lutheran Church in Bath. Volunteers are needed on **Friday, January 6 beginning at 9:00 am** to help pack the groceries for Tuesday pick up. Volunteers are now needed on the Friday before distribution instead of the Monday before distribution. Access is at the rear of the church; food will be brought to you.

**Thank you for your donations!**

**Your Stewardship Report - December 25**

First Collection	\$12,689	<i>Other collections -</i>
Christmas	\$17,490	<i>from envelopes dated</i>
Other Collections	\$325	<i>other than</i>
Other	\$38	<b>December 25</b>
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$30,542</b>	<i>Other - donations,</i>
		<i>candles, etc.</i>

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH**  
**Next Week's Collections - January 15****First**  
Sunday Collection**Second**  
Facilities Repair**HELP NEEDED WITH  
UN-DECORATING**Christmas Decorations  
will be taken down and stored.**Sunday afternoon, January 8th,  
beginning at 12:30 pm.**The more volunteers,  
the less time it will take.Your help will be most welcome.  
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](http://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 hoursThank 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!

**PARISH OFFICES  
WILL BE CLOSED  
MONDAY, JANUARY 16th  
IN OBSERVANCE  
OF  
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.  
DAY**

**2022 STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTION**

If you would like to receive a statement of your 2022 contributions, please put a note in the Sunday collection basket at church and/or the Parish Office and include your envelope number on the request. All contributions must be received by Sunday, December 25th to be included on your 2022 Contribution Statement. 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. Statements will be sent in late January 2023. 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.





### **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](mailto: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.

### **SAINT MONICA MINISTRY HOLY HOUR SAINT THERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS PARISH**

**1408 Easton Road, Hellertown  
January 11, 2023 at 6:00 PM**

Are you heartbroken because members of your family have left the Church?

Join the St. Monica Ministry in petitioning Our Lord to draw back into the fold our loved ones who have strayed, and to give strength and wisdom to those who await their return.

Together we will offer our prayers at a Holy Hour offered monthly at St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish.

Please join us to pray for your loved ones.  
No registration required

### **MID-LIFE LIVING FOR CHRIST EVENT SAINT CHRISTOPHER CATHOLIC NEWMAN CENTER 15207 KUTZTOWN ROAD, KUTZTOWN**

**January 12, 2023 at 6:30PM**

No registration required.

(Join us as we gather in the New Year )

"Mid-Life Living for Christ" is a once a month gathering for those who are aged 40+ and are interested in growing in their relationship with Jesus and His Church through community building, prayer, and Scripture reflection.



### **DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN HOMESCHOOL FAMILIES VIRTUAL MEETING JANUARY 18TH FROM 7:00 PM TO 8:00 PM**

There is a Homeschool Ministry in the Diocese of Allentown and we want to hear from you! Father Bobbin is hosting an informational Zoom call to discuss the homeschool ministry and look for feedback on how the Diocese can best support Homeschooling parents and students.

To obtain the Zoom link to join the call, please email Kristin Osenbach at [kosenbach@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:kosenbach@allentowndiocese.org)

### **CLOTHING SHED**

#### **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 GIFT CARD PROGRAM**

Please continue to buy your gift cards from Sacred Heart Parish through the Shopwithscript program. Purchase a Giant, Weis Markets, Wegmans, Redners Markets and Ahart's gift cards for your grocery shopping needs! You can purchase gift cards at the lower level of the Burkhart office (**BLUE DOORS**) between 8:00 am to 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Karen at 610-837-6391.

**Thank You for supporting Sacred Heart!**

### **LEGACY WRITING WORKSHOP HOLY FAMILY MANOR, BETHLEHEM JANUARY 27, 2023**

Join us for a free workshop to learn how you can create your own legacy letter to share with loved ones. A legacy letter - also known as an ethical will - is a way to share love, wisdom, life lessons, and faith from one generation to the next.

**Lunch will be provided at no cost.**

**Register to attend by emailing:**

**[stewardship@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:stewardship@allentowndiocese.org)**





## **SACRED HEART PARISH GIFT CARD PROGRAM**

### **GROCERY GIFT CARDS**

**Sacred Heart Will Earn 5% Every Time You Grocery Shop**

**Make grocery shopping more convenient by purchasing gift cards in the lower-level parish office: Ahart's, Giant, Wegmans, Weis, Redner's**



### **OTHER AVAILABLE GIFT CARDS**

**Sacred Heart can earn up to 16% from sales of the gift cards listed below that we have on hand.**



**Please stop by the lower office in the Burkhardt Building (Blue Doors) and check out our supply of cards or pick up a list of available gift cards that can be ordered.**

**For more info: Please email Karen at [kshimko@sacredheartbath.org](mailto:kshimko@sacredheartbath.org) or call 610-837-6391 - Monday through Friday between 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.**

**This is a great way to help support our Parish!!!**

**For full list of available gift cards for ordering go to: [www.sacredheartbath.org](http://www.sacredheartbath.org)**



Gift Card	Percentage Earned	Denominations	Gift Card	Percentage Earned	Denominations
Apple Store	5%	\$15/\$25	Applebee's	8%	\$25
Bed, Bath & Beyond	7%	\$25	Texas Roadhouse	8%	\$25
Best Buy	4%	\$25	Domino's	8%	\$10
Home Depot	7%	\$25	Olive Garden	8%	\$25
Kohl's	4%	\$100	Panera	8%	\$10
Sheetz	3%	\$25	Wendy's	6.5%	\$10
Target	2.5%	\$25	Visa	1.25%	\$50/\$25
Walmart/Sam's	2.5%	\$25	Boscov's	8%	\$25
Amazon	1.7%	\$10/\$25	CVS	6%	\$10/\$25

#### **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.

#### **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](https://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.**



**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 Accounts:** Mrs. Sharon Hillhouse**Administrative Assistant:** Mrs. Kathleen Wachholz**Outreach & Advancement Office:** Ms. Karen Shimko

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**Director of Religious Education:** Mr. Thomas Weber

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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

**Secretary for Youth Protection**

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS, Telephone Number: 610-871-5200,  
Ext. 2204, prusso@allentowndiocese.org

To learn more about the **Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs**, **Sexual Abuse Policy**, and **Code of Conduct**, visit [www.allentowndiocese.org](http://www.allentowndiocese.org) and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner.

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

**CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE**

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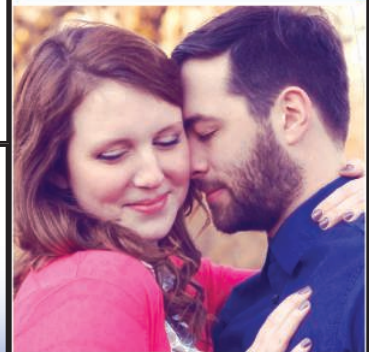
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