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.



SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 12, 2023

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

Saturday, 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)

February 11 Sir 15:15-20/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or

Mt 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

5:00 PM John McManus

r/b daughter, Natalie and Schuster Family

Sunday, 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 12 Sir 15:15-20/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or

Mt 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

7:00 AM Eugene Flynn

r/b Knights of Columbus Council #14464

9:00 AM Angel and Maureen Aviles (living)

r/b Margaret Kraus

11:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

Monday, Weekday

February 13 Gn 4:1-15,25/Mk 8:11-13

8:00 AM Raymond Friend

r/b Jeanette and family

Tuesday, Saints Cyril and Methodius, Bishop

February 14 Gn 6:5-8; 7:15, 10/Mk 8:14-21

8:00 AM Antoinette Godiska

r/b Sacred Heart Women's Guild

Wednesday, Weekday February 15 Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Mk 8:22-26

8:00 AM Anthony Liberto

r/b wife Florence, Rick and Regina Gower

and family

Thursday, Weekday

February 16 Gn 9:1-13/Mk 8:27-33

8:00 AM Ronald Hess

r/b Klardie Family

Friday, Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

February 17 Gn 11:1-9/Mk 8:34-9:1

8:00 AM Carl Blair Smith

r/b Maureen and Joe

Saturday, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)

February 18 Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

5:00 PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

Sunday, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19 Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

7:00 AM Catherine and Stephen Gasper

r/b George Gasper

9:00 AM Stanislaw Godek

r/b Maria Godek and Katrina Kudla

11:00 AM Albert Cascasan

r/b Stephen and Christine Nederostek

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

is burning from

February 10 through February 16

for

Mick and Ginny Olivi (50th Wedding Anniversary) r/b 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 February 10 through February 16 for the repose of the soul of



Graziano Bellifemine r/b DeVirgilio Family

SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES

are burning from February 10 through February 16 for the repose of the soul of



Stanislaw Godek r/b Maria Godek and Katrina Kudla

THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES

are burning from February 10 through February 16 for the repose of the souls of



Charles and Mary Manning r/b Kathleen and Larry Deibert

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical + Roles

2/18-2/19	Lectors
5:00 PM	Joan West
7:00 AM	Alfred Krantz
9:00 AM	Beth Beers
11:00 AM	Deb Hayes
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Deacons/EMHCs

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

Altar Servers

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John Vallance

- -

SUNDAY READINGS FEBRUARY 12TH

<u>First Reading</u>— If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will save you; if you trust in God, you too shall live; he has set before you fire and water to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand. (Sir 15:15-20)

<u>Psalm</u> — "Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!" (Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34)

Second Reading— Brothers and sisters: We speak a wisdom to those who are mature, not a wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age who are passing away. (1 Cor 2:6-10)

Gospel— Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. (Mt 5:17-37)



IANUARY

SACRED HEART MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS

In Memory of Bill Baker

Bob and Mary Lou Ross

In Memory of Jerome Boyer
Richard and Joan Krablin

In Memory of David J. Eckel

Russell and Karen Shaffer Wachholz Family

In Memory of Beverly Martin

Thomas and Mary Toczek

SACRED HEART MEMORIAL FUND

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



ONLINE MASS WITH FATHER BUTERA



Please "join" Father Butera online via Facebook as he celebrates daily Mass on 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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023. During this holy season, we're encouraged to repent of our sinfulness, to seek the Lord's forgiveness in the sacrament of reconciliation, and to grow closer to him through prayer and fasting. What is happening in our lives is mirrored in the Church: music is subdued, alleluia is not said or sung, and the use of flowers is not permitted. Many of you kindly arrange for flowers in memory of your loved ones. We will welcome that loving gesture after Easter.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday, February 16 8:30 am - 9:00 pm in Church Confession: 7:00-8:00 pm



ASPIRING PERMANENT DEACONS TAKE NEXT STEP IN THEIR FORMATION

On Saturday, January 28, seventeen Candidates for the Permanent Diaconate from the Diocese of Allentown were instituted as Acolytes. Tom Weber, parishioner and Director of Religious Education here at Sacred Heart of Jesus is one of the Candidates who was instituted an Acolyte. Tom is pictured above to the right and behind Bishop Schlert. This Ministry is an important part of the journey toward the Order of Deacon. Acolytes are instituted for service at the Altar and assist the Priest and Deacon by preparing the Altar and sacred vessels, distribute the Eucharist to the faithful, bring the Blessed Sacrament to the sick and infirmed, and purify vessels used for the celebration of Holy Mass.

We congratulate and continue to pray for Tom as he continues his journey to permanent Deacon!

<u>VALENTINE'S DAY—February 14th</u> Bible Verses And Quotes From Saints Explaining "LOVE"

"So faith, hope, love remains, these three; but the greatest of these is love." I Corinthians 13:13

"We become what we love and who we love shapes what we become. If we love things, we become a thing. If we love nothing, we become nothing. Imitation is not a literal mimicking of Christ, rather it means becoming the image of the beloved, an image disclosed through transformation. This means we are to become vessels of God's compassionate love for others." St. Clare of Assisi

"Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also must love one another. No one has ever seen God. Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us, and his love is brought to perfection in us."

1 John 4:7-12

"We can cure physical diseases with medicine but the only cure for loneliness, despair, and hopelessness is love. There are many in the world who are dying for a piece of bread but there are many more who are dying for a little love. Let us not be satisfied with just giving money. Money is not enough, money can be got, but they need your hearts to love them. So spread love everywhere you go." St. Mother Teresa

"For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8: 38-39

"Spread love everywhere you go: first of all in your own house. Give love to your children, to your wife or husband, to a next door neighbor... Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness; kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile, kindness in your warm greeting."

St. Mother Teresa



UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:

Monday, February 13 – Membership Meeting 7:00pm Rosary; 7:30pm Meeting, Burkhart Bldg. & Zoom Friday, February 24 – Lenten Friday Fish Dinner 4:30pm – 7:00pm Monday, February 27 – Officers' Planning Meeting 7:00pm Burkhart Bldg. & Zoom

We continue with brief synopses of <u>INTO THE BREACH</u> videos which seek to answer the question of what it means to be a man in today's world:

- † Brotherhood Man was not meant to "go it alone" but to be in communion with others. It is important to build closer relationships with other men. <u>Master Sergeant Sompaul Vorapanich</u> shares lessons on the importance of Brotherhood.

<u>Don't Forget</u>: To volunteer at the upcoming Friday Lenten Fish Dinners (February 24, March 3 and 31). All Brother Knights, their families and <u>ALL</u> Parishioners are invited to participate. Details on helping to follow.

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 or contact our Grand Knight, Brother Paul Bunting at pwbunting@gmail.com for details.



BECOME A VOLUNTEER!

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the TIME: they have the HEART!"

Do you have a few hours you'd like to give to Sacred Heart Parish? Looking for something to do in your spare time? We are starting to plan for our Annual Picnic in July and there are many volunteer opportunities available for planning work done now. Lead a sub-committee or give a few hours to research vendors, call for sponsors, etc. We will find something that fits your interests and skills. If you are able to help out, please contact the Parish Office at office@sacredheartbath.org or 610-837-7874.

Remember volunteers are vital in making Sacred Heart Parish the wonderful parish it has been for many, many years!



PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Monday, February 20st
in observance of
Presidents' Day

PRO-LIFE CORNER

Where were you when Roe vs. Wade was repealed? I was on a golf course. I, as I am sure others around my age, remember where I was when John F. Kennedy was shot and when the twin towers were attacked.

The announcement that abortion was not a constitutional right was both stunning and obvious. Abortion is mentioned nowhere in the constitution. Even though it took almost 50 years for the supreme court to have a sufficient number of justices with enough common sense and courage to reverse it.

-- Deacon Lewis Ferris

DESIGNED WITH PURPOSE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT, BALLY, PA February 19, 2023 – 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

All single, engaged, or married couples 21+ are invited to learn more and ask questions about Fertility Awareness & Natural Family Planning (NFP), the science that supports it, and why the Church teaches NFP is morally acceptable.

Please join us for this free event. Refreshments will be served.

Registration required by February 10th Registration is helpful to planning.

For questions or more information contact: Kristin Osenbach, at 610-866-0581 ext. 2035 or kosenbach@allentowndiocese.org

COMMISSION FOR MEN LENTEN MORNING OF REFLECTION

St. Ignatius Loyola
Sinking Springs, Reading PA
February 25, 2023—8:00 am to Noon

What does it mean to be a man? Challenge your understanding of manhood and become the best version of yourself. Join us as we explore what it means to die to ourselves and rise to new heights of strength, virtue, and purpose.

You will leave this event feeling invigorated and renewed, ready to take on the world with the power of the Cross behind you.

For more information and to register, please visit

www.menaliveinchrist.org/events

SPIRITUALITY SATURDAY SATURDAY, MARCH 4TH

St. Francis Retreat House, 3918 Chipman Rd., Easton

Joan Doherty, well-known speaker and marriage and family therapist, will present "Compassion and Suffering"

Light breakfast at 8:30 am
Presentation from 9:00 to 11:30 am

Donations are \$20 for on-site participants.

Register at 610-258-3053 x10 or stfrancisretreathouse.org

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY—Prayer February 12th

We thank you, O God, for the Love You have implanted in our hearts. May it always inspire us to be kind in our words, considerate of feeling, and concerned for each other's needs and wishes. Help us to be of one spirit and of one mind and value each other above ourselves. Help us to be understanding and forgiving of human weaknesses and failings. Show us how to follow your example and set aside our selfishness and pride and humbly serve each other. Increase our faith and trust in You and may Your love guide our life. Bless our Marriage O God, with Peace and Happiness, and make our love fruitful for Your glory and our Joy both here and in eternity. Amen



BIBLE STUDY—OPEN TO ALL BURKHART BUILDING SATURDAYS 10:00 AM-11:30 AM February 18, March 4 & 18, April 1 & 15, May 6 & 20

We will be studying the letters of St. Paul using the Ignatius Catholic Study Bible by Dr. Scott Hahn. Please join us. Any questions email: lferris_2000@yahoo.com.

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 February 14 from 9:30-11 am and from 6-7 pm at St. John's Lutheran Church in Bath. Volunteers are needed on Friday, February 10 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 - January 29						
First Collection Other Collections	1	Other collections - from envelopes dated				
Other Collections Other	\$62	other than				
Total Collections	\$8,873	January 29				
Catholic Relief	\$1,315	Other - donations, candles, etc.				
Services						

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH Next Week's Collections - February 19



First Sunday Collection

Second

Catholic Home Missions Appeal

SPECIAL COLLECTION CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH, 2023

Next week we will take up the <u>Catholic Home Missions</u> \Rightarrow Mail your envelopes to: Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

MASS INTENTIONS CELEBRATED BY REVEREND JEFF WHORTON **ACTIVE DUTY ARMY CHAPLAIN**



Charles Pammer (2)

r/b Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Garger and Mr. and Mrs. (late) Donald Wunderler

Alesandro Gladeo

r/b Elfriede Kardos

Patricia Groff

r/b Padula Family

Toyce Wunderler (2)

r/b John Fiedor and John Hesch

Toni Godiska (2)

r/b Ron and Lucy Silfies and the Shimko Family

Ronald Jankowski (2)

r/b Rick & Regina Gower and family and Knights of Columbus Council #14464

John Kovalovsky (2)

r/b Steve, Maria and Katie Kresge and Ronald and Rosemarie Garger

WEEKLY OFFERING

If you are not able to attend Mass, please continue to submit your weekly offering envelopes:

Sacred Heart Church 210 E. Northampton Street Bath, PA 18014

- \Rightarrow Online Giving available through Sacred $oldsymbol{f I}$ 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!

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!

SAVE THE DATES DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN - UPCOMING EVENTS!

Sunday, February 19, 2023 **Designed with Purpose** Fertility Event, St. Thomas More, Allentown



Thursday, February 23, 2023 Theology on Tap Hops at Paddock, Allentown





\$\$\$ MARCH LOTTERY CALENDARS \$\$\$ BIGGER CASH PRIZES UP TO (\$500)

More Opportunities To Win!
Buy or Order \$200 of Gift Cards
by Feb. 28th and get (1) FREE lottery calendar
OR

(Buy 3 for \$25.00)



<u>Take a chance to win from \$50 up to \$500 on our March Lottery Calendar</u>. If you are feeling lucky, fill out the return portion with a check or cash to the parish offices, collection basket or by mail before February 28th. Extra calendars are available in parish offices and church vestibule. Stop by the parish office (lower level) for gift cards that are on hand or check out the many available cards to order. This is a fun way to help support our parish.

GOOD LUCK!!!!!!



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST (STILES) TRICKY TRAY

Saturday, February 18th 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M



St. John the Baptist Church, Whitehall, will sponsor their 17th Annual Tricky Tray/Basket Social. Ticket entries one day only! Tickets can be purchased at the door.

There will be a special raffle for big-ticket items. You do not have to be present to win.

Plenty of parking behind the hall. Kitchen will be open for take-out!

Winners will be called and can pick up baskets Sunday, February 19th, between 2:00 and 4:00 P.M. at the hall.

Any questions, please call 610-262-2260



BULLETIN PUBLICATION

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



SAVE THE DATE BETHLEHEM CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL GOLDEN GALA



Saturday, March 25th, starting at 6:00 pm For Information: GoldenGala23.givesmart.com

Questions or more information, Contact Sarah Lumi at 610-866-0791 ext.323 or slumi@bechi.org



8 WEEK LOW IMPACT AEROBICS BEGINNERS

With Karen Hoff St. Elizabeth's Parish Hall 435 Pershing Blvd. Whitehall, PA

30 minutes Beginner Low Impact Aerobics for ages 13 and older.

February 21 to April 11, 2023

No Class March 21—instead on March 22

<u>Tuesdays at 5:30 pm—6:00 pm</u> Cost - \$15 for all eight weeks!

Registration Deadline – February 20 OR once class limit is reached.

Please bring bottled water and towel, if needed.

For more information and registration form please call: Mary Spieker (610-266-0695 ext. 208) or Email: dirreled@sercc.org



10 WEEK AEROBICS INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED

With Karen Hoff
St. Elizabeth's Parish Hall
435 Pershing Blvd. Whitehall, PA

45 minute Low Impact Aerobics for ages 13 and older.

February 21 to April 25, 2023

No class March 21—instead on March 22

Tuesdays at 6:15 pm—7:00 pm Cost - \$25 for all ten weeks!

Registration Deadline -February 20 OR once class limit is reached.

Please bring bottled water and towel, if needed.

For more information and registration form please call: Mary Spieker (610-266-0695 ext. 208) or Email: dirreled@sercc.org

<u>SACRED HEART PARISH GIFT CARD PROGRAM</u>

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 Burkhart 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 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



Gift Card	Percentage Earned	Denominations	Gift Card	Percentage Earned	Denominations
Apple Store	5%	\$15/\$25	Applebee's	8%	\$25
Bath & Body Works	12%	\$25	Texas Roadhouse	8%	\$25
Best Buy	4%	\$25	Domino's	8%	\$10
Home Depot	7%	\$25	Olive Garden	8%	\$25
Kohl's	4%	\$25/\$100	Panera	8%	\$10
Sheetz	3%	\$25	Wendy's	6.5%	\$10
Target	2.5%	\$25	Visa	1.25%	\$25
Walmart/Sam's	2.5%	\$25	Boscov's	8%	\$25
Outback/Carrabba's	8%	\$10/\$25	Old Navy/Gap	14%	\$25

 ${\tt DID\ YOU\ LOSE\ SOMETHING?}$

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) 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

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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 <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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