

*SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH*  
*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.*

**WERE NOT  
OUR HEARTS  
BURNING  
WITHIN US.**

LUKE 24:32



*THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER*

*APRIL 23, 2023*

**DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR: Ms. Wendy S. Krisak - Direct Telephone: (800) 791-9209**  
**DIOCESAN SECRETARY FOR YOUTH PROTECTION: Pamela J Russo- Telephone: (610) 871-5200, Ext. 2204**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- Saturday, Third Sunday of Easter (anticipated)**  
**April 22** Acts 2:14, 22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35  
 5:00 PM Antoinette Kelly  
*r/b Husband and family*
- Sunday, Third Sunday of Easter**  
**April 23** Acts 2:14, 22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35  
 7:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart  
 9:00 AM Pamela Amato  
*r/b Ralph and Carole Cortazzo*  
 11:00 AM Kenneth Haldaman (anniversary of death)  
*r/b Family*
- Monday, Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest**  
**April 24** Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29  
 8:00 AM Jean and Roman Pietrzak  
*r/b Ken and MaryJane Pietrzak*
- Tuesday, Saint Mark, Evangelist**  
**April 25** 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20  
 8:00 AM Deceased members of the Ruszin Family  
*r/b Marie*
- Wednesday, Easter Weekday**  
**April 26** Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40  
 8:00 AM Julius and Hazel Schrey  
*r/b Dale and Dolla Schrey*
- Thursday, Easter Weekday**  
**April 27** Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51  
 8:00 AM Beverly Martin  
*r/b Debbie and Frank Molchan*
- Friday, Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest**  
**April 28** Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59  
 8:00 AM Edward Cherry, Jr.  
*r/b Mother and family*
- Saturday, 4th Sunday of Easter (anticipated)**  
**April 29** Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10  
 5:00 PM John Dornbach  
*r/b Dornbach and Silfies Families*
- Sunday, 4th Sunday of Easter**  
**April 30** Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10  
 7:00 AM John M. Kovalovsky  
*r/b Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kovalovsky*  
 9:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart  
 11:00 AM Evans and Lecosky Families  
*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  
 April 21 through April 27  
 for the repose of the souls of



**Deceased members of the Ruszin Family**  
*r/b Marie*

**SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES**

are burning from  
 April 21 through April 27  
 for the



**Living members of the Women's Guild**  
*r/b Women's Guild*

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**

is burning from  
 April 21 through April 27  
 for the repose of the soul of

**Christopher Hunsberger**  
*r/b Aunt Mary*



**THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES**

are burning from  
 April 21 through April 27  
 for the repose of the soul of



**Elizabeth Renkiewicz**  
*r/b husband, Anthony and mother, Rose*

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE



<p><b>4/29-4/30</b> 5:00 PM 7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM</p>	<p><b>Lectors</b> Lisa Wilde Barnhorst Tim Geiger Tom Weber Tom Weber</p>	<p><b>Deacons/EMHCs</b> Deacon Edward Saukulak Deacon Lewis Ferris Deacon Lewis Ferris Deacon Edward Saukulak</p>	<p><b>Altar Servers</b> -- -- Caden Kocsis Daniel Holub</p>
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**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**APRIL 23rd**

**First Reading**—Then Peter stood up with Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: “You who are Jews, indeed all of you staying in Jerusalem. Let this be known to you, and listen to my words. You who are Israelites, hear these words.”  
*(Acts 2:14, 22-23)*

**Psalm**—“Lord, you will show us the path of life” *(Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10,11)*

**Second Reading**—Beloved: If you invoke as Father him who judges impartially according to each one’s works, conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning, realizing that you were ransomed from your futile conduct, handed on by your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ as of a spotless unblemished lamb. *(1Pt 1:17-21)*

**Gospel**—That very day, the first day of the week, two of Jesus’ disciples were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. *(Lk 24:13-35)*

Join us for *Mass!*  
Let us gather and celebrate the Mass. Visit our parish Facebook® page!




**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>

**IMPORTANT NOTE REGARDING 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 confusion or delay 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 of Jesus.

If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office and we will be glad to assist you.  
Thank you!



**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

This weekend we kickoff the **2023 Because We are Catholic Annual Appeal** in our parish and throughout our Diocese. The **Because We are Catholic Appeal** is our opportunity as members of the Catholic Community to have an impact on the physical and spiritual lives of our brothers and sisters throughout our Diocese. The Appeal provides support for vital services like **Catholic Charities**, care for our **retired and infirmed priests**, **education of Seminarians and Deacons**, **Catholic schools** and support for our centers for **special learning**. Every year the Appeal challenges us to look outside our parish boundaries to support the universal ministries of our Church. I am so grateful for your continued generosity to this important Diocesan fundraising initiative and ask you to prayerfully consider joining me in making your gift to the Appeal and support these important ministries. Together we will make a difference in the lives of many people. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how big or small. **To make your gift, please return the pledge form that you will receive in the mail, visit the Appeal’s website at [BecauseWeAreCatholic.org](http://BecauseWeAreCatholic.org), or call the Appeal Office at 800-831-4443.**

With gratitude,  
Father Butera

**LENT AND EASTER SEASON  
AT SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

During Lent, Stations of the Cross were often led by our well-trained and devoted Sacristans and Altar Servers (right) as well as our Deacons, Fr. Butera, and our students from Kolbe Academy (below). Stations of the Cross were held two times every week this year, on Thursdays at 12:45 on and Fridays at 7:00 pm and all were well attended.

Our Church was beautiful once again for the sacred liturgies of Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter. Thank you to our Altar Guild and all the volunteers who devote time to making sure our altar and church are taken care of and appropriately adorned.





**-UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:**

**Note: The "Ascension" Cheesecake" Fundraiser has been canceled, due to technical issues with the Pocono Cheesecake Factory**

**Monday, April 24 – Monthly Planning Meeting  
7:00pm Burkhart Building & Zoom**

**Monday, May 8 – Monthly Membership Meeting  
7:00pm Rosary; 7:30pm Meeting, Burkhart Building and Zoom**

**Sunday, May 14 – MOTHER'S DAY**

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**A monthly reflection from Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori: "While he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him." (Lk 24:30-31)**


**On the road to Emmaus, Jesus had been walking and talking with the two disciples all along, but they did not recognize him until he broke bread with them. Do we recognize Jesus in our midst – in the Eucharist, in Scripture, among the poor and those in need, in the face of every person? Do we help others, particularly our friends and family, to do the same?**

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**Did You Know: Our Holy Father's Prayer Intention "We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.**

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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.**



**BASEBALL  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
ANNUAL YANKEE TRIP**  
**Thursday, August 24th  
at Yankee Stadium**

**The baseball Season has begun!  
The Knights celebrate this rite of Spring  
with the announcement of their  
Annual Trip  
to see a Yankees game!**

**Price per person is \$112.00**

**This includes the bus, ticket to the game and  
refreshments provided by our Council.**

**Start time is 1:05 PM, and the opponent is the  
Washington Nationals.**

**Seats are located in  
Section 234 on the Main Level in Left Field**

**We will depart at 9:00 AM from  
Sacred Heart Church with a direct return  
immediately following the game.  
Transportation is provided by Easton Coach.**

**This trip tends to fill up quickly, so make  
your reservations by contacting  
Bud Schuster at 610-390-8429 or email  
[bud328@msn.com](mailto:bud328@msn.com) to reserve your spot.**

**DON'T DELAY!  
JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FUN!!!**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
FOOD BANK DONATION UPDATE**

**Due to the generosity of our Sacred Heart parishioners, our Council of the Knights of Columbus delivered 227 pounds of non-perishable items to the Bath Area Food Bank Thursday April 6. This is the 12th donation for the 2022-23 Fraternal Year, bringing the total year-to-date to 2,585 pounds. Our next donation will be made to the St Vincent dePaul Society Food Bank at St Paul's Church in Allentown in mid-May. Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus rebates \$100, up to \$500 annually, to local Councils for each 1,000 pounds of food delivered. This rebate is then passed on by our Council to the Food Banks; **THANK YOU** for your past donations. The need in our communities is still great with current economic conditions; please continue to support this worthwhile endeavor. *Please check the "Best By" date on all food items before donating, we cannot accept items with a "Best By" date earlier than 2021.***

**CONSIDER DONATING BLOOD  
MILLER-KEYSTONE BLOOD CENTER**

**The center is always in need of blood donations. Please consider giving blood at one of their local donation centers. What a wonderful way to give back to a person in need. This kind act can save yours and many others' lives.**

**Please go to <https://www.giveapint.org> for locations and more information.**

**Thank You!**

**LAY DOMINICAN LIBRARY**  
**AVAILABLE STARTING IN MAY!**

The Lay Fraternity members of St. Louis de Monfort would like to share our Dominican Library with the parishioners of Sacred Heart of Jesus. Father Butera has granted us permission and space within the library located in the lower level of the Church.

Thank you Father Butera!

We will be open the  
**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month from**  
**9:30 AM to 11:00 AM**

Some of the books are well used. We have confidence that you will maintain the book(s) with care. If you don't see something you like, come again. We expect to add to our collection because the love of Study is one of the Four Pillars of our Dominican Spirituality.

**Please note that the books in the children's section of the library are not included and are not to be borrowed at this time.**

We work on the honor system; however, some information will be needed to keep track of the books. Instructions are conveniently listed in the library or ask the volunteer working there for help.

Come check us out!

Our open date is Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>!

If you have questions or concerns, please contact  
 Mrs. Donna Tanczos, OP  
**DLtanczos@aol.com** or 610-349-7734

Thank you!



**SAINT FIDELIS OF SIGMARINGEN, PRIEST**

**Feast Day—Monday, April 24th**

After receiving his doctorate in philosophy and law, Saint Fidelis tutored young boys from noble families. But his heart was with those who were poor. He established himself as a lawyer and took only those cases that upheld the cause of those who were poor and oppressed. Inspired to search for a deeper, more committed life of serving God, Saint Fidelis decided to enter the Franciscans. He distributed his wealth among people in need and made religious vows. He was soon chosen as superior.

While Fidelis was guardian of the monastery, an epidemic broke out in the city, and Fidelis opened up the friary to care for those who were sick. He cured many soldiers staying there. In 1608, Protestantism swept through Switzerland, and because Fidelis was a good preacher, he was sent by the Propagation of the Faith to bring the Swiss people back to unity with the Church of Rome.

It was a dangerous mission. The people in revolt against the Catholic Church hated anyone connected with it. But Fidelis put his life in the hands of God. Outside the church he was surrounded by a crowd led by the preachers who offered to save his life if he would apostatize. Fidelis replied: "I came to extirpate heresy, not to embrace it", whereupon he was struck down by the angry crowd.

History has a way of making us realize that believing in our Lord sometimes has drastic consequences. Most of us have not experienced such harsh consequences but have allowed ourselves to be silenced by some people having negative views on God and faith. Our Lord wants us to have a voice. Remember, His words will never fail us and His words will last for eternity....

**Pro-Life Corner**

Shortly after our "re-conversion" in our late 20's, my wife Freda and I were faced with the decision of having her sterilized because of a medical condition. She had lost the function of one of her kidneys during the pregnancy of our first child. Because of this, the OB-GYN suggested that she be sterilized to avoid any further complications from future pregnancies. Something inside of us, the Holy Spirit maybe, made us refuse this medical advice.

Years later, another doctor, OB-GYB, proclaimed; "Oh we used to think that getting pregnant diminished kidney function, we now know that it improves it." Our subsequent four children, and their subsequent 13 children certainly are happy we didn't listen to the first doctor and instead went by the promptings of the Holy Spirit and by the Catholic Catechism #2297 "Respect for Bodily integrity."

Given that Freda's medical circumstances may have morally justified sterilization at that time, (it would have been borderline), the fact that the medical opinion on the issue changed, was clearly a sign of God's blessing on her courage to continue to bear children. Her kidney function with only the one kidney is normal and healthy to this day.

See the full article on this occurrence published in the "National Catholic Register" August 23-September 5, 2009-"Think Baby-Positive, Not Pregnancy-Negative."

- - Deacon Lewis Ferris



**RACHEL'S VINEYARD MINISTRIES**

**Mariawald Retreat House**  
**Shillington, PA**  
**May 19-21, 2023**

**Rachel's Vineyard Ministries will host a**  
**Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for**  
**Healing after Abortion**

Rachel's Vineyard is an extraordinary opportunity for any person who struggles with emotional and spiritual pain of past abortion(s). The weekend is a unique and effective process designed specifically to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. Rachel's Vineyard is a "therapy for the soul" which combines a unique and creative process for psychological and spiritual healing. The retreat will also be offered in the Spanish language the same weekend.

For more information, please call Carol at  
 610-435-1541, ext. 373 or go to  
**www.rachelsvineyard.org**.

To register, call 610-435-1541, ext. 373 or  
 email **carolswavely@ptd.net**

All requests are strictly confidential.

<b>Your Stewardship Report - April 9</b>		
First Collection	\$7,528	<i>Other collections - from envelopes dated other than April 9</i>
Easter	\$18,107	
Other Collections	\$2,153	
Other	\$48	
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$27,836</b>	<i>Other - donations, candles, etc.</i>

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH**

**Next Week's Collections - April 30**



**First**  
Sunday Collection

**Second**  
Mother's Day Remembrance



**MARCH 2023**  
**SACRED HEART**  
**MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS**

**In Memory of**

**Charles & Rose Carbaugh,**

**Francis & Ellen Phillips,**

**Frederick & Irene Shaffer,**

**Oswald & Helen Traeger, and**

**Thomas W.J. Traeger**

*r/b Karen and Russell Shaffer*

**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.**

**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 hours

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

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**



**Thursday, April 27**

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

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

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



**Thomas Fiorini**

*r/b Anne and Ron Teel*

**John Kovalovsky**

*r/b Debra Kolpach*

**Charles Pammer**

*r/b Anthony and Anne Lang*

**DOMINICAN CHAPTER MEETING**



The Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic meeting will be held on

**Saturday, April 29th from 8 am to 12 pm noon)**

**in the Father Post Room of the Burkhart Building**



**BIBLE STUDY—OPEN TO ALL**  
**BURKHART BUILDING**

**SATURDAY 10:00 AM—11:30 AM**  
**May 6th and 20th and June 3rd and 17th**

We will continue to work our way through St. Paul's epistles. Currently we are studying 2Corinthians from the St. Ignatius Catholic Study Bible, by Scott Hahn. Please join us. If you have any questions, email: [lferris\\_2000@yahoo.com](mailto:lferris_2000@yahoo.com).



**\$\$\$ MAY LOTTERY CALENDARS \$\$\$  
 BIGGER CASH WINNERS UP TO (\$500.00)  
 Increased Opportunity to be a WINNER  
 through our "Buy 3 for \$25.00" Promotion!**



*Take a chance to win from \$50 up to \$500 on our May Lottery Calendar.*

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 April 30th. Extra calendars are available in parish offices and church vestibule. This is a fun way to help support our parish.

Guess What? We had 2 winners in our March lottery calendar.  
 Winners won \$150.00 and \$50.00. Congratulations to both lucky winners!!!

**YOU CAN BE THE NEXT TO WIN!!!!**

**JUST A REMINDER!!  
 PAPER ORDERS DUE ON APRIL 23RD  
 ONLINE ORDERS DUE BY APRIL 25TH**

**HAPPY SPRING FUNDRAISER!  
 SACRED HEART PARISH, BATH, PA**

With the onset of Spring and **Mother's Day**, we are offering a great and easy way to help you shop for flowers, gardening ideas, gifts and other spring merchandise....all while supporting Sacred Heart Parish!

The Happy Spring program is a fun and convenient way to buy gifts for that special mother, grandmother, aunt or sister on Mother's Day! And don't forget to order something for yourself! Sacred Heart will receive **40-50% profit** with this exciting **NEW fundraiser!**

It's easy to participate! Just pick up a catalog with order form or order online from our website. Catalogs and order forms will be available in the church vestibule, parish and lower level offices in Burkhart Building. Make gardening, shopping and gift giving easy!

Or go online at [supportmyschool.org](http://supportmyschool.org) click Shop Now. Student ID Code: 8376391

**Questions? Please call  
 Karen at 610-837-6391.**



**SAVE THE DATE!  
 SHC ANNUAL PICNIC 2023  
 IS COMING SOON!**

Summer fun is just around the corner!  
**Mark your calendars for  
 Friday, July 14 and Saturday, July 15  
 (and select activities on Sunday, the 16<sup>th</sup>)**  
 There will be **LIVE BANDS**,  
 food trucks, as well as some of  
 your favorite traditional foods on  
 Friday and Saturday!  
**Bring the kids to enjoy family  
 fun and games!**  
**The Dunk Tank will be back!**  
**Just like last year, our popular  
 Yard Sale and Tricky Tray Basket  
 auction will also be held picnic  
 weekend.**  
**Stay tuned for more details and  
 chances to volunteer in the upcoming  
 bulletins and online.**  
**Can't wait to see all of you soon!**  
**COME JOIN IN THE  
 SUMMER FUN!!!!**

**GOLF OUTING**

**Ancient Order of HIBERNIANS**

**Irish - Catholic - American**

**Tir na n'Og—Division 1, Lehigh County, PA**

**KOLBE ACADEMY GOLF FORE HOPE**

Join us as we raise funds and awareness to combat adolescent addiction.

**MAY 12th, 2023—\$125 per player—9:00 AM Shotgun Start**

**Scramble Format - Lunch on the turn with Dinner & Awards directly afterwards**

**Green Pond Country Club 3604 Farmersville Rd., Bethlehem, PA 18020**

**Come and have lots of FUN! Register Today at: [wildaoh.com/events](http://wildaoh.com/events)**







**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 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](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
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

**NOTICE FOR MAY BULLETINS**

**John Patrick Publishing has issued a notice that their company is relocating. Due to this move, they informed us there will be schedule changes during the month of May and a shortened time for our bulletin submission beginning with the May 7th bulletin through May 28th 2023. Please send any articles for publication in the bulletin as far in advance as possible. We will do our best to get the article in an upcoming bulletin. Thank you for understanding!**

DID YOU LOSE SOMETHING?

Look for it in the LOST AND FOUND BOX or call the office at 610-837-7874



DID YOU FIND SOMETHING?

Please put it in the LOST AND FOUND BOX  
**Do not** take it to the sacristy

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

**PARISH INFORMATION**

**SACRED HEART OF JESUS RECTORY**  
 210 East Northampton St., Bath, PA 18014-1625  
**PARISH OFFICE - BURKHART BUILDING**  
 Office Hours - Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
 Closed 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

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**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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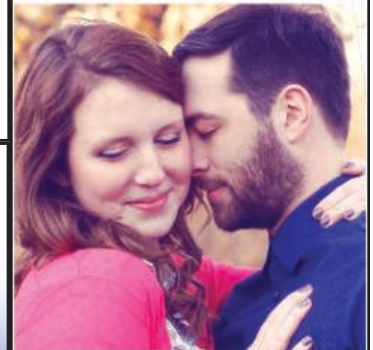


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