# 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.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 30, 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, 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

Monday, Saint Joseph the Worker

May 1 Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:11-18 8:00 AM Mr. and Mrs. Frank Takatch

8:00 AM Mr. and Mrs. Frank Takatch r/b Lucas Family

Tuesday, Saint Athanasius, Bishop

May 2 Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30

8:00 AM Ronald Jankowski r/b Schuster Family

Wednesday, Saints Philip and James, Apostles

May 3 1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14

8:00 AM Martin Dobis r/b Beers Family

Thursday, Easter Weekday

May 4 Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20

8:00 AM Daniel David Kelly (3rd anniversary of death) r/b wife, Deborah A. Kelly

Friday, Easter Weekday

May 5 Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6

8:00 AM Those enrolled in Memorial Fund

Saturday, 5th Sunday of Easter (anticipated)
May 6 Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

5:00 PM Daniel and Jean M. Barracato

r/b Barracato Family

Sunday, 5th Sunday of Easter

May 7 Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

7:00 AM Kenneth Mills

r/b Anna Mills and family

9:00 AM Mildred Pichler

r/b daughter and family

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 April 28 through May 4 for the repose of the souls of



Deceased members of the Haldaman Family

r/b Cyndy Radcliffe

#### SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES

are burning from April 28 through May 4 for the repose of the souls of



Deceased members of the Haldaman Family r/b Cyndy Radcliffe

#### THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES

are burning from April 28 through May 4 for the repose of the soul of



**Kenneth Haldaman** 

r/b Family



#### THE SANCTUARY LAMP

is burning from
April 28 through May 4
for the repose of the souls of

Joseph and Anna Mae Rothmeyer r/b Deb and Paul Hayes

#### **NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

## Liturgical + Roles

5/6-5/7	
5:00 PM	
7:00 AM	
9:00 AM	
11:00 AM	

#### **Lectors**

Joan West Christina Gehringer Frank Molchan Joan West

#### Deacons/EMHCs

Deacon Lewis Ferris
Deacon Edward Saukulak
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#### Altar Servers

Peter Vallance

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Daniel Holub

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# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 30th

<u>First Reading</u>—Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: "Let the whole house of Israel know for certain that God has made both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." (Acts 2:14a, 36-41)

<u>Psalm</u>—"The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want." (Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b4, 5,6)

<u>Second Reading</u>—Beloved: If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example that you should follow in his footsteps. He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth. (1 Pt 2:20b-25)

<u>Gospel</u>—Jesus said: Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate but climbs over elsewhere is a thief and a robber. But whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. (In 10:1-10)



# 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



#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Thursday, May 4

8:30 am - 9:00 pm in Church

Confession: 7:00-8:00 pm



#### **YOU ARE INVITED!**

BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC KICK-OFF MASS

WITH BISHOP SCHLERT

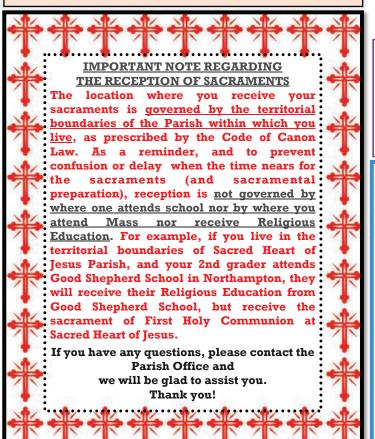
AT SACRED HEART OF JESUS!

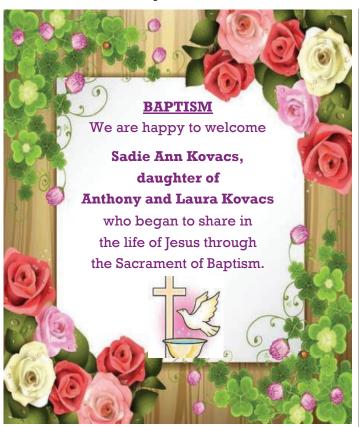
#### MONDAY, MAY 8TH

Bishop Schlert will celebrate daily Mass at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church as part of the kick-off to this year's Because We Are Catholic appeal.

Please join us for the 8:00 am Mass.

A small reception will follow in the Auditorium.





#### SACRED HEART PARISH FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



Please keep our second grade parishioners in your prayers as they prepare to receive First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. First Reconciliation will be on Thursday, May 11th and First Holy Communion will be Saturday, May 13th at 10:00 am.

Our prayers and blessings are with you! GOD BLESS!!

#### ADULT CONFIRMATION AT THE CATHEDRAL PENTECOST SUNDAY, MAY 28th, 2023

Bishop Schlert will celebrate the 11:30 A.M. Mass on Pentecost Sunday at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, Allentown

Wherein he will confirm adults of our Diocese. Those to be confirmed are those adults who were baptized in the Roman Catholic Church, received their First Holy Communion, are catechized, but never confirmed.

> Please contact your local pastor to discuss registration details.

#### 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 1st and 3rd 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 FIRST 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

See you there! Thank you!

#### MONTH OF MAY DEDICATED TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER

Our Immaculate Mary, Dear Mother, Consoler, I take refuge in your most lovable • Heart with all the trust of which I am • capable. You shall be the dearest object of • my love and veneration. From you, the Dispenser of heavenly treasures, I shall

always seek Peace in my troubles, Light in my doubts, • Defense in my dangers, Help in my needs. Be therefore, ● my Refuge, my Strength, my Consolation O Mary Consoler. At the hour of my death, graciously receive the last beats of my heart, and obtain for me a place in that heavenly country, where as one, all hearts shall praise • forever the Sacred Heart of Jesus, with your most sweet • • Immaculate Heart, O Mary, my Mother, Consoler of the • • Afflicted, pray for us, who have recourse to you. Amen.

#### **FOOD BANK**

The food in the Food Bank bins is donated to St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank and the Bath Area Food bank at St. John's Lutheran Church on a rotating basis. Non-perishables or monetary donations are greatly needed. The next food



distribution is May 9 from 9:30-11 am and from 6-7 pm at St. John's Lutheran Church in Bath. Volunteers are needed on Friday, May 5 beginning at 9:00 am to help pack the groceries for Tuesday pick up. Volunteers are now needed on the Friday before distribution. Access is at the rear of the church; food will be brought to you.

Thank you for your donations!



#### -UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:

"Ascension" Cheesecake Fundraiser has been canceled, due to technical issues at the Pocono Cheesecake Factory

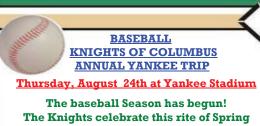
Monday, May 8 – Monthly Membership Meeting
7:00pm Rosary; 7:30pm Meeting, Burkhart Building and Zoom
Saturday, May 13 – God's Precious Infants Prayer Pilgrimage
8:00am Mass at Notre Dame Church Bethlehem, PA
Sunday, May 14 – MOTHER'S DAY

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A practical challenge from Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori: "This month remind yourself and others – particularly your family and those closest to you – that Christ is present by speaking about your faith in everyday conversation (perhaps simply by thanking God for some blessing he has bestowed)."

Did You Know: Our Holy Father's Prayer Intention "We pray for the spread of peace and nonviolence, by decreasing the use of weapons by states and citizens.

For additional information about joining our Council; the activities we foster and the sharing of fellowship with millions of Brother Knights; go to www.KofCl4464.org or contact our Grand Knight, Brother Paul Bunting at pwbunting@gmail.com for details.



with the announcement of their Annual Trip to see a Yankees game!

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.

Price per person is \$112.00

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

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 to reserve your spot.

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

# WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING ANNUAL BINGO



The meeting of the Sacred Heart Women's Guild will be our annual "Bingo," held on <u>Monday, May 1st at 7:00 PM</u> in the Fr. Post Room of the Burkhart Building. <u>Please bring a \$10.00 wrapped gift to be used as a prize</u>. All women of the Parish are invited to join and help the Guild in their many activities.

# SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER Feast Day—May 1st int Joseph is a man of great spiri

"Saint Joseph is a man of great spirit. He is great in faith, not because he speaks his own words, but above all because he listens to the

words of the Living God. He listens in silence. And his heart ceaselessly perseveres in the readiness to accept the Truth contained in the word of the Living God," Pope John Paul II had once said.

There is very little about the life of Joseph in Scripture but still, we know that he was the chaste husband of Mary, the foster father of Jesus, a carpenter and a man who was not wealthy. We also know that he came from the royal lineage of King David.

We can see from his actions in scripture that Joseph was a compassionate man, and obedient to the will of God. He also loved Mary and Jesus and wanted to protect and provide for them.

Since Joseph does not appear in Jesus' public life, at his death, or resurrection, many historians believe Joseph had probably died before Jesus entered public ministry.

What a wonderful role model for all men to follow. St. Joseph was the perfect example of what it means to be a father, husband and a believer in God's words.



# **\$\$ MAY LOTTERY CALENDARS \$\$\$**BIGGER CASH WINNERS UP TO (\$500.00)

<u>Increased Opportunity to be a WINNER</u> 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!!!!

# 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

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!!!!

#### **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!

# Belts Blankets Clothing Drapes Purses Sheets Shoes Sneakers Stuffed Animals

#### **UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS**

Fabric Scraps	Household goods	Rags	Toys
	goods	J.	,

#### **GIFT CARDS—GREAT GIFTS YEAR-ROUND!**

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, BRIDAL & BABY SHOWERS, OR JUST TO SAY THANK YOU

What a great gift to give for Mother's Day. Buy gift cards at Sacred Heart Parish for yourself or someone you know through our Shopwithscript program. You can purchase Giant, Weis, Wegmans, and Ahart's gift cards for your grocery shopping needs.

Please stop in at the lower level of the Burkhart office (BLUE DOORS) between 8:00 am to 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday and see the many available gift cards.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call 610-837-6391.

Your Stewardship Report - April 16						
First Collection	\$7,802	Other collections -				
Other Collections	\$1,135	from envelopes dated				
<u>Other</u>	<u>\$25</u>	other than				
		April 16				
Total Collections	\$8,962	_				
		Other - donations,				
		candles, etc.				



PLEASE PRAY FOR
THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF
Barbara Tuhy,
sister of Nancy and Bob Wilkin
of Sacred Heart Parish

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



#### Thomas Fiorini (2)

r/b Stiner and Sharon Pieri and Anne and Ron Teel

#### **Joyce Wunderler**

r/b John Kovalovsky (late) and family



# 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.

#### NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER Thursday, May 4, 2023

But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees o secret will repay you. In praying, do not babble like the pagans, who think that they will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them. Your Father know what you need before you ask him. (Matthew 6:6-8)

Saying the Lord's Prayer with a true heart is our way of speaking to our Lord. His heart is always open to whomever believes in Him. He hears all of our prayers.

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH Next Week's Collections - May 7



#### <u>First</u> Sunday Collection

<u>Second</u> Parish Improvement

#### **WEEKLY OFFERING**

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

 $\Rightarrow$  Mail your envelopes to:

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

- Online Giving available through Sacred Heart's website at <u>www.sacredheartbath.org</u>. Click on the "Donate" button on the home page below the picture of the altar.
- Drop-off your envelopes at our "self-service station" in the Burkhart Building during Parish office hours

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

#### PRO-LIFE CORNER

We ran a series of articles dealing with the 1968, encyclical of Pope Paul VI, "Humanae Vitae" (Of Human Life) about a year ago. In essence this encyclical refused to allow Catholics to use the newly developed birth control pill. Unfortunately, this document has been widely ignored by most Catholic couples, and even worse, by many Catholic clergymen.

The consequences of the rejection of Humanae Vitae, has been profound. The Pope even predicted what would happen if rejected. In the document, page 9, #17; "...Let them first consider how easily this course of action could open wide the way for marital infidelity and a general lowering of moral standards." Another effect that gives cause for alarm is that a man who grows accustomed to the use of contraceptive methods may forget the reverence due to a woman..."

Of course, the term "contraceptive mentality" has also led to the general public being more open to abortion, and euthanasia, as the sacredness of human life was lessened. Remember this was written in 1968, a number of years before Roe vs. Wade. The encyclical is only 17 pages long and written very clearly. You can get a copy online.

- - Deacon Lewis Ferris



#### SAINT MONICA MINISTRY HOLY HOUR

Please join us at 6 PM on May 10, 2023 at

Saint Theresa Church, Hellertown

to pray for your loved ones.

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.

No registration required.

For more information, visit:

www.allentowndiocese.org/stmonicaministry



#### RACHEL'S VINEYARD MINISTRIES

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

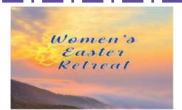
Rachel's Vineyard Ministries will host a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for Healing after Abortion

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.



# WOMEN'S EASTER RETREAT SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH HALL, FRACKVILLE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2023 6:00pm—8:00PM

Sponsored by the Commission for Women, all women are invited for an evening of Mass, Adoration, and reflection during the Easter season.

Come and join us for Mass, Adoration, talks, and refreshments.

To register for this free event go to https://forms.gle/sfSWbN5EsUwyxFUr7.

Questions: Contact Kristin Osenbach at kosenbach@allentowndiocese.org or call 610-866-0581, ext. 2035



#### **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.



#### **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



## <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



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	Subway	4.5%	\$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 <u>May 7th bulletin through May 28th 2023</u>. 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?

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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.

#### **Rectory and Parish Office:**

Phone: 610-837-7874, Fax: 610-837-4570,
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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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#### **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.

COURAGE - Diocesan Help Line: 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 <a href="https://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org">www.ReportBishopAbuse.org</a> or by calling 800-276-1562.

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