

*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.*



**RISE**  
**AND DO**  
**NOT BE**  
**AFRAID.**

MATTHEW 17:7

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*TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD*  
*AUGUST 6, 2023*

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, Transfiguration of the Lord (anticipated)**  
**August 5 Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9**  
 5:00 PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

**Sunday, Transfiguration of the Lord**  
**August 6 Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9**  
 7:00 AM Barbara Tuhy  
*r/b Rick and Regina Gower and family*

9:00 AM John Trinkle  
*r/b Loretta Mondschein*

11:00 AM Mary and Leo Carasiti  
*r/b Family*

**Monday, Saint Sixtus II, Pope**  
**August 7 Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21**  
 8:00 AM Anthony Liberto  
*r/b wife, Florence, Rick and Regina Gower and family*

**Tuesday, Saint Dominic**  
**August 8 Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14**  
 8:00 AM Living members of the Lay Dominicans  
*r/b Lay Dominicans*

**Wednesday, Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross**  
**August 9 Nm 13:1-2,25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/ Mt 15:21-28**  
 8:00 AM Carl Evans  
*r/b Connie*

**Thursday, Saint Lawrence, Deacon**  
**August 10 2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26**  
 8:00 AM Ronald Matyas  
*r/b wife, Vivian and family*

**Friday, Saint Clare**  
**August 11 Dt 4:32-40/Mt 16:24-28**  
 8:00 AM Benefactors of Sacred Heart

**Saturday, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)**  
**August 12 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33**  
 5:00 PM Nye Family  
*r/b Family*

**Sunday, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**August 13 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33**  
 7:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart  
 9:00 AM Stephen J. Paukovits  
*r/b Paukovits and Raykos families*  
 11:00 AM Joyce and Denise Wunderler (Ziatyk)  
*r/b Lisa and Tom MacDonald*

**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  
 August 4 through August 10  
 for the repose of the soul of



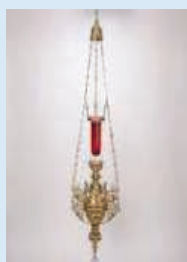
**Donna Lesko**  
*r/b James Lesko*

**SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES**

are burning from  
 August 4 through August 10  
 for the



**Holy Souls in Purgatory**  
*r/b Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bem*



**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**

is burning from  
 August 4 through August 10  
 for the repose of the soul of  
**Peggy Hoff**  
*r/b daughter, Sharon Hillhouse*

**THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES**

are burning from  
 August 4 through August 10  
 for the repose of the soul of



**Carl Evans**  
*r/b Connie*

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE



<p><b>8/12-8/13</b> 5:00 PM 7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM</p>	<p><b>Lectors</b> Richard Brand William Doncsecz Tim Geiger Tom Weber</p>	<p><b>Deacons/EMHCs</b> Deacon Lewis Ferris Deacon Edward Saukulak Deacon Edward Saukulak Deacon Lewis Ferris</p>	<p><b>Altar Servers</b> Peter Vallance -- Daniel Holub --</p>
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**TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**  
**AUGUST 6TH**

**First Reading**—As I watched: Thrones were set up and the Ancient One took his throne. His clothing was bright as snow, and the hair on his head as white as wool; his throne was flames of fire, with wheels of burning fire. A surging stream of fire flowed out from where he sat; Thousands upon thousands were ministering to him, and myriads upon myriads attended him. The court was convened and the books were opened. As the visions during the night continued, I saw: One like a Son of man coming, on the clouds of heaven...*(Dn 7:9-10, 13-14)*

**Psalms**—“The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth. *(Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9)*

**Second Reading**—Beloved: We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that unique declaration came to him from the majestic glory, "This is my Son, my beloved, with whom I am well pleased." *(2 Pt 1:16-19)*

**Gospel**—Jesus took Peter, James, and his brother, John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." *(Mt 17:1-9)*



**ONLINE MASS**  
**WITH FATHER BUTERA**

Please “join” Father Butera online via Facebook as he celebrates Mass on select days in his private chapel. You can view the Mass live on Facebook or watch a video recording of the Mass at a later time. Look for publicized online Mass times and 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**  
on Thursday, August 10  
8:30 am—9:00 pm in Church  
Confession: 7:00 pm—8:00 pm



**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!**

**2023 PICNIC WRAP-UP MEETING**  
There will be a meeting for all picnic stand chairpersons on **Tuesday, August 22nd at 6:00pm** in the Burkhardt building. All stand chairs or their representatives are requested to attend. Any interested parishioners are also invited.  
**The purpose of the meeting is to discuss those items that worked well relative to this year’s picnic, and the items we may need to work on for next year, as we start the planning process for 2024!**  
**Hope to see you there!**

**2023 SACRED HEART PARISH PICNIC PHOTOS**

Over the next few weeks, we will be sharing pictures from our 2023 picnic. This week, we are spotlighting two picnic favorites—our food and music! If you have any pictures you'd like to share, please email them to [office@sacredheartbath.org](mailto:office@sacredheartbath.org)





**Pictured on page 4: John with a taco from Geaker's! Also 2 other food trucks—Mattie's Strudel and Mon and Mel's Sweet Scoops. Word on the street was that waiting in line for ice cream was worth it!**

**Pictured above: Volunteers from our food stand selling all your favorite food items!**

**Pictured right and below: Our Saturday night band, "Flirtin with the Mob" played for 3 hours and entertained all!**





**-UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:**

**Monday, August 14 – Monthly Membership Meeting**

**7:00pm Rosary, 7:30pm Meeting Burkhart Building and Zoom**

**Thursday, August 17 – Volunteer at Iron Pigs Game at 5:00pm to 10:00pm – Coca Cola Park**

**Thursday, August 24 – KofC Yankee Stadium Trip at 9:00am to approx. 7:00pm**

**Monday, August 28 – Monthly Planning Meeting at 7:00pm Burkhart Building and Zoom**

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**A Practical Challenge from Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:** This month, I challenge you to pray every day as an individual or a family, asking for the intercession of Blessed Michael McGivney to live in a more prayful home, perhaps using the prayer for his canonization. The canonization prayer link at the KofC website is: <https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/faith-in-action-programs/faith/rosary-program/10115-mcgivney-card.pdf>

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**Did You Know:** That by volunteering at the Iron Pigs games you are not only benefiting the fans at the games, but more importantly, our Council's charitable efforts. For each hour worked by Brother Knights, their families and Parishioners, our Council receives \$12.00 per hour which goes directly to the Council for our charitable works. **Please contact Brother Bud Schuster at [bud328@msn.com](mailto:bud328@msn.com) for information and to volunteer.**

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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.**



**YANKEE STADIUM TRIP UPDATE,**  
**AUGUST 24, 2023**

The Knights of Columbus Yankee Stadium trip is fast approaching! There are still a few seats available, get them before they're gone. The particulars are:

**Date: Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup> for a 1:05 PM game vs the Washington Nationals**

**Departure: 9:00am from the Washington St. entrance of Sacred Heart Church**

We proceed directly to Yankee Stadium, arriving **approximately 11:00am** for entrance into the stadium. Before the game you can tour the stadium, visit the Yankee Museum or Monument Park to see the plaques of famous Yankee greats of their storied past.

**Cost: \$112.00 Per Person**

**All outstanding money is due by August 12th, 2023.**

**Return: Immediately after the game with NO dinner stop.**

Beer, soda, water and snacks will be provided on the bus, courtesy of Fr. Jacob W. Post K of C Council 14464.

Yankee Memorabilia Raffles, a 50/50, and the Run Pool will all take place on the bus trip.

Test your Yankee Trivia knowledge and challenge Father Butera and Deacon Lew with some challenging Yankee questions. Come join us for a day of fellowship and Yankee Baseball in the "Home That Ruth Built."

**Please check [mlb.com/teams/NYYankees/](http://mlb.com/teams/NYYankees/) YankeeStadium/Stadium Reference Guide for info on Entry and Carry-in Policy.**

**Contact Brother Bud Schuster at [bud328@msn.com](mailto:bud328@msn.com) or 610-390-8429 with any questions.**



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**BUS EXCURSION**  
**SIGHT AND SOUND THEATER**  
**LANCASTER, PA**

**Saturday, December 30, 2023**

The Fr. Jacob W. Post Council of Sacred Heart Church is conducting a Bus Trip to see:

**"Miracle of Christmas Live on Stage"**

The performance is at 11:00am, with the bus departing Sacred Heart Church at 8:00am.

After the show, there will be a meal stop in Lancaster; location to be determined (please note that the cost of the meal is NOT included in the price of the ticket).

**Cost of the trip is \$130.00 for Adults and \$85.00 for Children 3-12**

which includes admission to the show and the transportation provided by Easton Coach.

We have reserved a block of 55 tickets; we expect they will sell out quickly so reserve your seat early! Payment is due 2 weeks after your reservation is placed.

**For reservations or questions, please contact Brother Bud Schuster at 610-390-8429 or [bud328@msn.com](mailto:bud328@msn.com).**

<b>Your Stewardship Report - July 23</b>		
First Collection	\$6,817	<i>Other collections - from envelopes dated other than July 23</i>
Air Conditioning	\$1,477	
Other Collections	\$114	
<u>Other</u>	<u>\$35</u>	
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$8,443</b>	<i>Other - donations, candles, etc.</i>


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

**Next Week's Collections - August 13**



**First**  
Sunday Collection

**Second**  
Mission Co-Op



**BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL**

As of July 25th, **115** Sacred Heart of Jesus parishioners have contributed **\$29,013** to the 2023 Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal. This represents **9.3%** of our total number of registered families. With 100% participation, we can make a major impact on the lives of friends, families, and neighbors in need. If you have not made your pledge of support, you may return your pledge form to the parish office or make your gift online. Remember, every gift counts, no gift is too small. Every dollar helps those in need. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, please call the parish office or visit the Appeal website at [BecauseWeAreCatholic.org](http://BecauseWeAreCatholic.org).

**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 Burkhardt Building during Parish office hours

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



**JULY 2023**  
**SACRED HEART**  
**MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS**

**In Memory of Frank Blasko**

**The Blasko Family**  
**Pam Hartzell**  
**Edward and Caroline Klepeisz**  
**Thomas and Catherine Klepeisz**

**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.


**PRO-LIFE CORNER**

The State of Iowa passed a "heartbeat" law, which states that abortion is illegal once a baby's heartbeat is heard. Of course, there are the usual rational exceptions for ectopic pregnancies etc. No woman will lose their life because of this law.

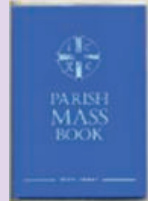
A Federal judge challenged the law once it was signed by Iowa's pro-life governor. So much for the "pro-choice" crowd. Once something is done that goes against what the pro-aborts would choose, that concept gets discarded. The majority of the people of Iowa want their babies respected and protected.

Anyway, this judge only has the power to hold back the law for a short period of time. Then the little six-week-old babies in Iowa will be allowed to grow and prosper just as someone let that judge grow and prosper when he was six weeks old. After all, "a person is a person no matter how small." Horton Hears a Who!

-- Deacon Lewis Ferris



**PLEASE PRAY FOR**  
**THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF**  
**Dorothy Artinger and**  
**Anna Marie Yagerhofer**  
**both of Sacred Heart Parish**



**OPENING OF THE MASS BOOK**

We will begin scheduling Masses for 2024 on **Wednesday, August 9th** in the Burkhardt Building beginning at 8:30 AM until noon.

**Four Masses scheduled at Sacred Heart will be the limit again this year.**



### TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Feast Day– August 6th

Undoubtedly, the purpose of the transfiguration of Christ into at least a part of His heavenly glory was so that the “inner circle” of His disciples could gain a greater understanding of who Jesus was. Christ underwent a dramatic change in

appearance in order that the disciples could behold Him in His glory. The disciples, who had only known Him in His human body, now had a greater realization of the deity of Christ, though they could not fully comprehend it. Peter, James and John were chosen to witness this event but they did not understand and were confused of what just happened. It was later that they truly comprehended who and why Jesus was here on earth and what He was here to accomplish. This gave them the reassurance they needed after hearing the shocking news of His coming death.

Symbolically, the appearance of Moses and Elijah represented the Law and the Prophets. But God’s voice from heaven – “Listen to Him!” - clearly showed that the Law and the Prophets must give way to Jesus. The One who is the new and living way is replacing the old – He is the fulfillment of the Law and the countless prophecies in the Old Testament. Also, in His glorified form they saw a preview of His coming glorification and enthronement as King of kings and Lord of lords.

You can read about this amazing event in the gospels according to Matthew chapter 17:1-13, Luke chapter 9:28-36 and 2 Peter chapter 1:16-21. The disciples, after seeing such a wondrous vision, still questioned Jesus about what they just saw and heard. Are we like Peter, James and John who question our Lord when we don’t understand when things happen in life? Know that God will always give us an answer, we just need to listen.

*“Heavenly Father, whose beloved Son stood on the mountain dazzling white in the radiance of your glory: in the midst of our fears and uncertainties, direct our hearts to hear the words of Him in whom your soul delights.”*

### LAY DOMINICAN LIBRARY

will be **OPEN** on only one weekend in  
August—August 20th—from  
9:30 AM to 11:00 AM



Some of the books are well used so please maintain the book(s) with care. If you don’t see something you like, please feel free to come back again.

We work on the honor system but 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!

If you have questions or concerns, please contact  
Mrs. Donna Tanczos, OP [DLtanczos@aol.com](mailto:DLtanczos@aol.com)  
or 610-349-7734

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD BANK DONATION UPDATE

Due to the generosity of our **Sacred Heart parishioners**, our Council of the Knights of Columbus delivered **242 pounds** of non-perishable items to the St Vincent de Paul Food Bank at St. Paul's Allentown on July 26. This is the 1st donation for the 2023-24 Fraternal Year. Our next donation will be made to the Bath Area Food Bank in early August. 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 2022.



### 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 **August 8 from 9:30-11 am and from 6-6:30 pm** at St. John’s Lutheran Church in Bath. Volunteers are needed on **Friday, August 4 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!**

### FALL ENROLLMENT FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Currently Open for Children from 1<sup>st</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Classes start Tuesday, September 12th

Registration forms can be obtained from the parish website under “Parish Life” and “Religious Education” or by emailing Mr. Thomas Weber at [dre@sacredheartbath.org](mailto:dre@sacredheartbath.org).

Please complete and return all new and re-registration forms to [dre@sacredheartbath.org](mailto:dre@sacredheartbath.org) by August 6th.

Cost per child after July 5th will be \$95.00.

**For more information, please contact Tom Weber at [dre@sacredheartbath.org](mailto:dre@sacredheartbath.org).**

### KEY FOUND IN SACRED HEART CHURCH

Are you missing a car key fob? One was found in the church the weekend of July 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you think it may be yours, please call the Parish Office at 610-837-7874 or stop in during office hours to claim it.



**\$\$\$ SEPTEMBER 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 September 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 **August 31st**. 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 May lottery calendar. Winners won \$150.00 and \$50.00. Congratulations to both lucky winners!!!! YOU CAN BE THE NEXT TO WIN!!!!**



**RETROUVAILLE:**

**REDISCOVER THE LOVE  
IN YOUR MARRIAGE**

Upcoming programs will be held  
August 18 - 20 and again October 6 - 8, 2023  
at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises.

For more information, or to register, visit  
[HelpOurMarriage.org](http://HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or  
800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Married couples from across the Diocese are invited to renew their vows and thank God for the gift of the Sacrament of Marriage during the annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the

**Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, Allentown,  
to be celebrated Sunday, Sept. 17 at 3 p.m.**

You can register to attend the Mass by visiting  
[allentowndiocese.org/anniversarymass](http://allentowndiocese.org/anniversarymass)

See AD Today and the AD Times for more information as the date gets closer.

**Deadline to register is Monday, Sept. 4.**

If you have questions, email  
[ltavarez@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:ltavarez@allentowndiocese.org)  
or call 610-289-8900, ext. 2329.

**ARE YOU A 2023 GRADUATE?  
FINISHING 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE,  
HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE?**

We would like to spotlight and recognize our parish's 2023 graduates. If any parishioner graduate would like to share their accomplishment in a future bulletin, please send a photo to [office@sacredheartbath.org](mailto:office@sacredheartbath.org) along with the graduate's name, school and future plans as applicable. Congratulations and many blessings to all 2023 graduates as they complete an important milestone and move on to new adventures and opportunities!

**GIFT CARDS—GREAT GIFTS YEAR-ROUND!  
GRADUATIONS, BRIDAL SHOWERS, WEDDINGS,  
BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, BABY SHOWERS,  
OR JUST TO SAY THANK YOU!!**

What a great gift to give for Graduations or Weddings. Buy gift cards at Sacred Heart Parish for yourself or someone you know through our Shopwithscript program. Sacred Heart receives a percentage of all sales.

Need a special gift card for a bridal registry? Come in and check out our list and we will gladly order the cards for you. We have on hand VISA cards with NO activation fees and Amazon gift cards. You can't go wrong with either of these cards as gifts.

Please stop in at the lower level of the Burkhart office (BLUE DOORS) between 8:00 am to 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday and see the many available gift cards or call to order your specialty cards.

If you would like to order cards or have questions, please call 610-837-6391.

**SAINT MARY'S—BEAT THE HEAT CASH BINGO**

122 Union Street, Catasauqua, Pa

**Sunday, August 20th in the Parish Center**

The doors and kitchen will open at 11:30 AM and Bingo will begin at 1:00 PM . \$15 includes 15 games, six specials, and a jackpot round. Our kitchen will sell hot favorites, as well as, bagged snacks so please no outside foods or beverages (with the exception of BYOB)

Additional game sheets and specials will be available for purchase - bring your daubers \*no hard boards\*

To reserve a table, please email the Parish Office at [kim.stmarys122@gmail.com](mailto:kim.stmarys122@gmail.com) or call 610-264-0332.

**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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 shillhouse@sacredheartbath.org

**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**

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at [www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 800-276-1562.

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