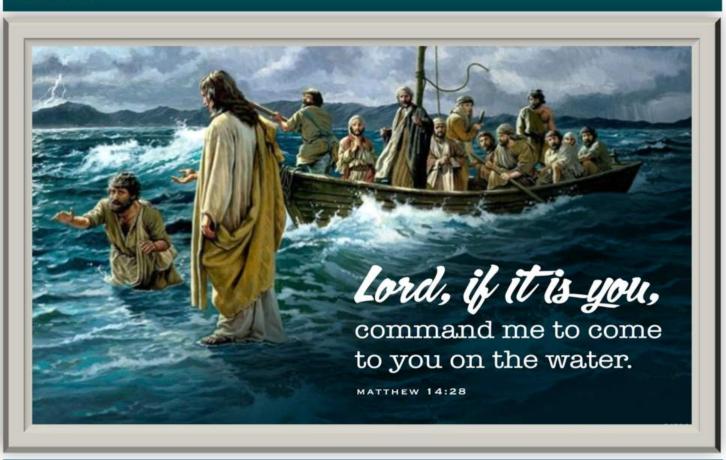
SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH 117 Washington Street Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1524

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.



NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 13, 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 CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE: Telephone: 1-800-276-4562 www.ReportBishopAbuse.org

MASS INTENTIONS

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 (Ziatyk) Wunderler r/b Lisa and Tom MacDonald

Monday, Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest

August 14 Dt 10:12-22/Mt 17:22-27

8:00 AM Richard Bober

r/b Quartararo Family

Monday, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 14 (anticipated)

1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/1 Cor 15:54b-57/

Lk 11:27-28

7:00 PM John C. Volk

r/b wife, Rosemary Volk

Tuesday, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 15 Rv 11:19a; 12-1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/

Lk 1:39-56

8:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

4:30 PM James D. Kohler (14th anniversary of death)

r/b wife, Pat

Wednesday, Saint Stephen of Hungary

August 16 Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20

8:00 AM James Daly

r/b Gerri Nazzaro

Thursday, Weekday

August 17 Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Mt 18:21—19:1

8:00 AM Senator Josh Hawley (living)

r/b John Primi

Friday, Weekday

August 18 Jos 24:1-13/Mt 19:3-12

8:00 AM Louis Savarese

r/b wife

Saturday, 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)

August 19 Is 56:1, 6-7/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

5:00 PM Antoinette Kelly

r/b husband and family

Sunday, 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 20 Is 56:1, 6-7/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

7:00 AM Irene J. Meyers

r/b Rick and Kim Meyers and family

9:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

11:00 AM Annmarie Scholl

r/b sister, Doris



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

on Thursday, August 17 8:30 am—9:00 pm in Church

Confession: 7:00 pm—8:00 pm

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 11 through August 17 for the repose of the soul of



Julia Marasco
r/b Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bem

SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES

are burning from August 11 through August 17 for the repose of the soul of



Phil Dunbar r/b John Dunbar



THE SANCTUARY LAMP

is burning from
August 11 through August 17
for the repose of the soul of

Stephen J. Paukovits r/b Paukovits and Raykos families

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Roles

8/19-8/20	
5:00 PM	
7:00 AM	
9:00 AM	
11:00 AM	
9:00 AM	

<u>Lectors</u> Christina Gehringer Lisa Wilde Barnhorst TBD TBD

Deacons/EMHCs

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

Altar Servers

Peter Vallance

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Daniel Holub

19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 13TH

First Reading—At the mountain of God, Horeb, Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter. Then the LORD said to him, "Go outside and stand on the mountain before the LORD; the LORD will be passing by." A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the LORD—but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake—but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was fire—but the LORD was not in the fire. After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave.

(1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a)

<u>Psalm</u>-"Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation." (Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14)

Second Reading—Brothers and sisters: I speak the truth in Christ, I do not lie; my conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in bearing me witness that I have great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites; theirs the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; theirs the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

(Rom 9:1-5)

Gospel—After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening he was there alone. Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. "It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." (Mt 14:22-33)



PLEASE PRAY FOR
THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF
Graciela Amato,
formerly of Sacred Heart Parish
and Reverend Francis J. Baransky

of the Diocese of Allentown



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!

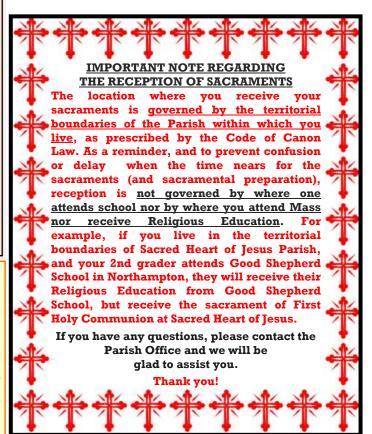
Sacred Heart Live Streaming events found at:

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



OUR PARISH 2023 GRADUATES!

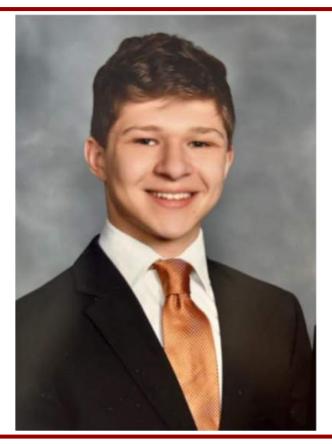
Congratulations to parishioner,

Stefan Gutekunst, (pictured right), son of Marie and Mark Gutekunst.

Stefan graduated from Northampton
High School this Spring. Stefan's future
plans are to complete his private flight
hours and then enroll in Pilot school to
become a commercial pilot.

Congratulations and Best of Luck,
Stefan!







LAY DOMINICAN LIBRARY will be <u>OPEN - August 20th</u> <u>September 3rd and 17th</u> 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 <u>DLtanczos@aol.com</u> or 610-349-7734

MEMORIAL VOTIVE LAMPS



If you would like to memorialize a candle at the shrine of the Blessed Mother or Saint Joseph, at the Tabernacle or the Sanctuary Lamp, please call or visit the parish office during office hours. Candles burn from Friday through the following Thursday. We have open Sanctuary Lamp weeks available during October-December. Call or visit the office to schedule. A Mass will be said for all the memorialized intentions.





ARE YOU A 2023 GRADUATE? FINISHING 8TH 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 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!



KEY FOUND IN SACRED HEART CHURCH

Are you missing a car key fob? One was found in the church the weekend of July 1st and 2nd. 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.

2023 PICNIC WRAP-UP MEETING There will be a meeting for all picnic stand chairpersons on Tuesday, August 22nd at 6:00pm in the Burkhart 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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD BANK DONATION UPDATE

Hope to see you there!

planning process for 2024!

Due to the generosity of our Sacred Heart parishioners and Brother Zachary Richard and family, our Council of the Knights of Columbus delivered 875 pounds of non-perishable items to the Bath Area Food Bank on August 3 bringing our year-to-date total to 1,117 pounds. This was the 2nd donation for the 2023-24 Fraternal Year. Our next donation will be made to the St Vincent dePaul Society Food Bank at St. Paul's Church in Allentown in early September. 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.



SAINT MAXIMILIAN KOLBE Feast Day—August 14th

Saint Maximilian Kolbe was born in 1894 in Poland to a German father and a Polish mother. He was a Polish Catholic priest and Franciscan friar who founded the Militia of Mary Immaculate, a devotional association dedicated to the Virgin Mary. He had a vision of Mary when he was a child, offering him a white crown and a red crown, symbolizing purity and martyrdom. He sheltered refugees and hid 2,000 Jews during WWII. He was arrested by the Nazi and sent to

Auschwitz, where he continued to minister to other prisoners. He volunteered to die in place of a stranger who was selected for starvation by the guards. He was canonized as a martyr by Pope John Paul II in 1982.

REASONS TO VOLUNTEER AT CHURCH

VOLUNTEERING AT YOUR CHURCH

Serving allows us to experience His power firsthand. God has called us to serve Him by serving others. If we do all things with love, serving others is a joyful experience.

SERVICE IS CONTAGIOUS

Volunteering at church is an opportunity for us to share Christ's teachings and become ambassadors for Christ. Seeing you volunteer can encourage others to be a part of this unselfish act of giving up time to help others.

VOLUNTEERING AND SERVING

God places gifts inside each of us, seeds that can grow into skills and abilities for serving others. A seed will only grow into what it was designed to be when it's planted in the right environment. You'll discover your unique contribution when you start serving! There are many reasons why it's important to get involved as a church in community service.

SERVICE HELPS YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

Volunteering at church presents an opportunity to evaluate where you are in your faith. It allows us to rekindle our connection with His word while spreading it to others. Through volunteering, you have the opportunity to become a friend, a teacher, and a student in faith.

SERVICE BRINGS JOY

Uniting for a purpose brings joy not only to those you are serving, but also to you and your brethren. Deepening your connection with fellow members of the church lifts your heart and your spirit in the name of the Lord. Spending time and bonding with our brothers and sisters in Christ is an extension of the faith and happiness we enjoy in Christ Jesus. When we are filled with His joy, we experience His love and become more receptive to His teachings.

WE CAN DO MORE TOGETHER

We are but vessels for God's word. He could have chosen differently, but He decided to use His believers to help spread the Word. On your own, it's harder to plant seeds of faith. Together as a church, our efforts are more successful. Working together, God's people can spread the Gospel effectively.

SERVING IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL

While we joyfully serve Jesus Christ, we often take extraordinary measures to further and deepen our connection with Christ. By committing ourselves to serve others, we show God the love we have for Him. The Bible calls us to "Love your neighbor as yourself." (Matthew 22:39). Volunteering is a wonderful way to enlighten ones soul by giving to others.

YOU ARE NEEDED

Believing that the church doesn't need you will rob you of the joys God designed for you to experience through serving. Take a risk and get involved. God will honor that step of faith and grow it into so much more!

Thank you to all our chairpersons and volunteers who stepped up to make Sacred Heart 2023 Annual Parish Picnic full of fun, music and delicious food. It is your efforts that allows our picnic to continue as it has for many years. You are a great example of what volunteerism is all about! Thank you and God Bless!



-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—5:00pm to 10:00pm - Coca Cola Park
Thursday, August 24 - K of C Yankee Stadium Trip—9:00am to approx. 7:00pm
Monday, August 28 - Monthly Planning Meeting - 7:00pm Burkhart Building and Zoom
Sunday September 17 - Our First K of C Breakfast of the year

A Practical Challenge from Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori: And Mary said: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant." (Lk 1:46-48) Praying together brings families closer to each other. When Mary visits her cousin Elizabeth, the first thing they do is pray: Elizabeth declares a blessing that we repeat every time we say a Hail Mary, and Mary responds with a hymn of praise called the Magnificat. Blessed Michael McGivney whose feast day we celebrate TODAY, came from a prayer family and because of his work to strengthen families, we call him the "apostle of Christian family life." May we seek to make our own homes places of prayer to strengthen our families and draw nearer to God.

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.



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:

<u>Date:</u> Thursday, August 24th for a 1:05 PM game vs the Washington Nationals <u>Departure:</u> 9:00 AM from the Washington St. entrance of Sacred Heart Church

We proceed directly to Yankee Stadium, arriving approximately 11:00 AM 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/ YankeeStadium/Stadium Reference Guide for info on Entry and Carry-in Policy.

Contact Brother Bud Schuster at 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.

Your Stewardship Report - July 30					
First Collection		Other collections -			
Other Collections	\$1,079	from envelopes dated			
<u>Other</u>	\$ <u>18</u>	other than			
		<u>July 30</u>			
Total Collections	\$7,310				
		Other - donations,			
		candles, etc.			



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Feast Day—August 15th

In 1950 Pope Pius XII declared the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of the Church, ex cathedra.

But why is Mary so important to warrant such a special passage into heaven?

The Church teaches that Mary was without sin. She accepted God's will for her life and freely and perfectly obeyed. She served God, and followed her son, Jesus Christ. She was present at his death and resurrection.

As a just reward for her goodness and devotion, she was assumed into heaven where she resides today in the company of God, and all the saints.

Mary, like the saints, can hear our prayers. She has a special connection to Jesus Christ as His mother, and therefore we believe she can intercede for us. There is also substantial evidence that Mary has delivered revelations to people throughout history, and she remains active in our world today. Countless miracles are attributed to her intercession.

The Virgin Mary remains one of the most important figures in the Catholic faith, as well as for most Christians around the world. All people are encouraged to follow her example and to emulate her devotion. Prayers, such as the Hail Mary, and the Hail Holy Queen are constantly recited by Christians, as well as the Rosary, which is a devotional prayer dedicated to Mary and her son, Jesus Christ.

Remember as a mother, Mary gave birth to Our Lord, raised Him, saw Him suffer and die but also witnessed His resurrection. God chose Mary to be the mother to Jesus and was in God's grace from the time of her birth and until her death. Honor her today by saying her prayer the (Hail Mary) and by praying the rosary.

Mary, you are our Mother in Heaven. What a blessed day it was when Jesus took you into Heaven, body and soul, to be with Him. You were crowned Queen of Heaven and earth, a position of love and service to Jesus' Church. At your Assumption, you beheld the face of Your beloved Son once again. Please pray for me, that I, too, may gaze on the glorious face of your Son, my Lord, Jesus Christ, in Heaven one day. May my life be inspired by your holiness, oh Blessed Virgin, my Mother. May your prayers for me and your example of great faithfulness aid and inspire me to holiness in this life so I may be with Jesus in Heaven as you are. May your Assumption remind me of God's love and faithfulness to those who also love Him. May I love Jesus with my whole heart and soul both now and forever. Amen.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH Next Week's Collections - August 20



<u>First</u> Sunday Collection

<u>Second</u> None

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

Despite the semantical gymnastics from the proabortionist, the fact is that abortion is not healthcare. Let's be clear about what it is. It's a procedure that intentionally kills a baby. That is a pretty ugly statement, but unless we are clear about it, we will never be able to deal with it in a rationale way.

There are still many Mass-attending Catholics who think it is all right for them to think, that just because they would never take any part in an abortion, that they can still be "pro-choice." Let us not fool ourselves with the pro-abortionist semantical games. The only real "choice" we have is to be either pro-abortion or anti-abortion. A baby's life may depend on it.

-- Deacon Lewis Ferris

PRAYER FOR LIFE AND DIGNITY

Eternal God, creator and sustainer of life, bless us with the courage to defend all life from conception to natural death. Awaken in every heart reverence for the work of your hands, and renew among your people a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift of life. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen



\$\$\$ SEPTEMBER LOTTERY CALENDARS \$\$\$ - BIGGER CASH WINNERS

<u>UP TO (\$500.00)!!!!</u>

Increased Opportunity to be a WINNER through our Buy 3 for \$25.00 Promotion!



If you are feeling lucky, fill out the return portion with a check or cash to the parish offices, collection lacksquarebasket 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!!!!

CLOTHING SHED

USED CLOTHING DROP-OFF - OPEN 24-7 Sacred Heart Church upper parking lot **Proceeds to Sacred Heart Church** THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

The clothing is sent to people in need both in the US and in third world countries.

.PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ARTICLES **OUTSIDE THE BIN. THANK YOU!**

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS					
Belts	Blankets	Clothing	Drapes	Purses	
Sheets	Shoes	Sneakers	Stuffed Animals		

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Fabric Scraps	Household goods	Rags	Toys
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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.



SACRED HEART PARISH GIFT CARD PROGRAM **AVAILABLE GROCERY GIFT CARDS Sacred Heart Will Earn 4-5%**

Every Time You Grocery Shop

Make grocery shopping more convenient by purchasing gift cards in the lowerlevel parish office: Ahart's, Giant, Wegmans, Weis, Redner's (by order).

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



What a convenient way to help with all your summer gift shopping needs! 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.



We have on hand VISA cards with NO activation fees and Amazon gift cards and many more or you can place an order for gift cards from our extensive retail list.

Please stop in at the lower level of the Burkhart office (BLUE DOORS) between 8:00 am to 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday to get gift cards or place an order!





Questions or to place an order, please call Karen at 610-837-6391



RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Upcoming programs will be held August 18 - 20 and again October 6 - 8 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

<u>HelpOurMarriage.org</u> or call 215-766-3944 or
800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

SAINT MARY'S—BEAT THE HEAT CASH BINGO

122 Union Street, Catasauqua, Pa Sunday, August 20th in the Parish Center

Doors and kitchen open at 11:30 AM
Bingo begins 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 or call 610-264-0332.



ST. JOSEPH IN THE HILLS—RETREAT FOR MEN Malvern Retreat House—Malvern, PA August 25, 26 and 27, 2023

Men in the Diocese of Allentown are invited to a period of refreshment, release, calming, learning, concentrating on the most important gift: your life, a gift from God. The retreat called 'St. Joseph in the Hills' will take place at Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, PA.

The Lehigh Valley men's retreat group, dedicated to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, would like to invite you to experience the same excitement and awe that we feel on our yearly weekend. Learn, reflect, and increase your personal communion with the Lord. Join us on this weekend Friday night to Sunday morning!

To register, contact Anthony Scarselletti of the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Group by phone (610-393-4671) or by email:OLPH.ascarselletti@gmail.com



SACRED HEART PARISH 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.

CHURCH PICNIC SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST RC 3024 S. Ruch St., Whitehall, PA



Our Annual Parish Picnic will be on Sunday, September 3rd from 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM on the parish grounds.

Music provided by The Pennsylvania Villagers from 1:00-4:00 PM and Joyous from 5:00-9:00 PM.

All are invited to join us for delicious foods, including homemade pierogies, children's games, raffles, refreshments, and Bake Sale.

Bring your lawn chair or use our tables and chairs under the tents.

Free Parking. Rain or Shine.

<u>WEDDING</u> 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

Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, Allentown, on Sunday, Sept. 17 at 3 p.m Those couples celebrating 1-5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, and 50-plus years of marriage will receive special recognition.

You can register to attend the Mass by visiting 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
or call 610-289-8900, ext. 2329.

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 <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.

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