

*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.*



*O woman,  
great is  
your faith!*

MATTHEW 15:28

*TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*  
*AUGUST 20, 2023*

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, August 19** 5:00 PM **20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)**  
**Is 56:1, 6-7/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28**  
 Antoinette Kelly  
*r/b husband and family*

**Sunday, August 20** 7:00 AM **20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Is 56:1, 6-7/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28**  
 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*

**Monday, August 21** 8:00 AM **Saint Pius X, Pope**  
**Jgs 2:11-19/Mt 19:16-22**  
 William Tucker  
*r/b Sacred Heart Women's Guild*

**Tuesday, August 22** 8:00 AM **The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
**Jgs 6:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30**  
 Frankie Yandrisovitz  
*r/b Monica and Joe Groller*

**Wednesday, August 23** 8:00 AM **Saint Rose of Lima**  
**Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16**  
 Jean Manzo  
*r/b Hillhouse Family*

**Thursday, August 24** 8:00 AM **Saint Bartholomew, Apostle**  
**Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51**  
 Reverend Christopher S. Butera  
*r/b Lay Dominicans*

**Friday, August 25** 8:00 AM **Saint Louis**  
**Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Mt 22:34-40**  
 James Alloggio  
*r/b Ken and MaryJane Pietrzak*

**Saturday, August 26** 5:00 PM **21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)**  
**Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20**  
 Josephine and Stephen Polzer  
*r/b Mike and Patty Peapos*

**Sunday, August 27** 7:00 AM **21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20**  
 Rich and Kathy Schleppey  
*r/b Family*

9:00 AM Anna Milisits  
*r/b daughters*

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  
 August 18 through August 24  
 for the repose of the soul of



**Louis Savarese**  
*r/b wife*

**SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES**

are burning from  
 August 18 through August 24  
 for the repose of the soul of



**Louis Savarese**  
*r/b wife*



**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**

is burning from  
 August 18 through August 24  
 for the repose of the soul of

**Joyce Wunderler**  
*r/b Loretta Mondschein and family*

**THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES**

are burning from  
 August 18 through August 24  
 for the repose of the soul of



**Louis Savarese**  
*r/b wife*

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Roles\*

<p><b>8/26-8/27</b> 5:00 PM 7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM</p>	<p><b>Lectors</b> Richard Brand Bill Wilde Beth Skinner Deb Hayes</p>	<p><b>Deacons/EMHCs</b> Deacon Lewis Ferris Deacon Lewis Ferris Deacon Edward Saukulak Deacon Edward Saukulak</p>	<p><b>Altar Servers</b> John Vallance -- Daniel Holub Peter Vallance</p>
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**20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
AUGUST 20TH**

**First Reading**—Thus says the LORD: Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed. The foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, ministering to him, loving the name of the LORD, and becoming his servants—all who keep the sabbath free from profanation and hold to my covenant, them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. *(Is 56:1, 6-7)*

**Psalm**—“O God, let all the nations praise you!”  
*(Ps 67:2-3, 5,6,8)*

**Second Reading**—Brothers and sisters: I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I glory in my ministry in order to make my race jealous and thus save some of them. For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead? For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable. Just as you once disobeyed God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now disobeyed in order that, by virtue of the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all. *(Rom 11:13-15, 29-32)*

**Gospel**—At that time, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." But Jesus did not say a word in answer to her. Jesus' disciples came and asked him, "Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. *(Mt 15:21-28)*



**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>



**PLEASE PRAY FOR  
THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF  
Helen Catherine Dlugos Dixon,  
mother of Debbie Lack and  
sister to Anne Schweitzer,  
of Sacred Heart Parish**

**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 SACRED HEART PARISH PICNIC PHOTOS**

More pictures from the Picnic! This week, we are spotlighting picnic goers enjoying time together! If you have any pictures you'd like to share, please email them to [office@sacredheartbath.org](mailto:office@sacredheartbath.org)



**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 planning process for 2024!

**Hope to see you there!**



**LAY DOMINICAN CHAPTER MEETING**

The Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic meeting will be held on **Saturday, August 26** from 8 am to 12 pm (noon) in the Father Post Room of the Burkhart Building. Follow us on Facebook at **St. Louis de Montfort-Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic**



**LAY DOMINICAN LIBRARY** will be **OPEN** **September 3rd and 17th** 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

**RCIA**

**THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

† Do you know someone who may be interested in becoming Catholic? Do any of the following situations pertain to you?

† Do you have any non-baptized adults in your family or among your friends?

† Are there any Catholics in your family who have never received their First Communion and Confirmation?

† Are there any inactive, hurt, disillusioned, or fallen away Catholics among your family or friends who have recently expressed any desire or hope of returning to the Catholic Church?

† Would you like to invite anyone who is "Un-Churched" (and not a member of any church) to join Sacred Heart and possibly become Catholic?

† If you have said "Yes" to any of the above questions...Come with your family and friends and discover for yourselves.

† **Classes will be held on Thursday evenings from 6:00-7:30 pm beginning September 21, 2023.**

**To register for RCIA or if you have any questions please call the office at 610-837-7874 or [office@sacredheartbath.org](mailto:office@sacredheartbath.org).**

Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this opportunity!



**WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING**

The next meeting of the Sacred Heart Women's Guild will be **August 28th at 7:00 PM** in the **AUDITORIUM** of the Church. (Please note location change.) All women of the Parish are invited to join and help the Guild in many activities.





**Thursday, August 24 – KofC Yankee Stadium Trip from 9:00am to approx. 7:00pm**  
**Monday, August 28 – Monthly Planning Meeting**  
**7:00pm Burkhart Building and Zoom**  
**Monday, September 11 – Monthly Business Meeting**  
**7:00pm Rosary, 7:30pm Meeting Burkhart Building and Zoom**  
**Sunday September 17 – Our First KofC Breakfast of the year**  
**Friday, September 22 – Iron Pigs Volunteer Opportunity**  
**5:00pm -10:00pm Coca Cola Park**

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**A monthly reflection from Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori: But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, “Lord help me.” He said in reply, “It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters.” (Today's Gospel, Mt 15:25-27) Jesus heals the daughter of a Canaanite woman and speaks of her great faith. Our founder, Blessed Michael McGivney, was an advocate of strong, faith-filled families. Do we share our Catholic faith with our own families and friends, or do we neglect this vital responsibility? May we commit ourselves to building strong families and friendships in faith by our word and deed.**

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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.**



**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).**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST**  
**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>**

**Come and join us in September for the FIRST KNIGHT'S BREAKFAST of the year.**

**Don't feel like making breakfast! The Knights will do all the work. All you have to do is come down to the church auditorium and enjoy a delicious meal of pancakes, eggs, tasty omelets, baked goods and much more.**

**Pass the word along that Sacred Heart Parish's Heavenly Breakfast is BACK!!!**

**Bring your family, friends and your appetite!**

**Watch for more information in the upcoming bulletins.**

**\*ALL ARE WELCOME\***

**See You There!!**

**Your Stewardship Report - August 6**

First Collection	\$9,747	<i>Other collections - from envelopes dated other than August 6</i>
Parish Improvement	\$1,578	
Other Collections	\$742	
Other	\$54	
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$12,121</b>	<i>Other - donations, candles, etc.</i>

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

**Next Week's Collections - August 27**



**First**  
Sunday Collection

**Second**  
None

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**on Thursday, August 24**

**9:00 am (time change)—9:00 pm in Church**

**Confession: 7:00 pm—8:00 pm**



**WEEKLY OFFERING**

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

⇒ **Mail your envelopes to:**

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

⇒ **Online Giving available through Sacred Heart's website at [www.sacredheartbath.org](http://www.sacredheartbath.org). Click on the "Donate" button on the home page below the picture of the altar.**

⇒ **Drop-off your envelopes at our "self-service station" in the Burkhart Building during Parish office hours**

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



**CORAL MIRACLE CHURCH, MAUI, HAWAII**

When you stop at the Wailua overlooks on the road to Hana, you will see a church. This small church is known to locals as Coral Miracle Church. In 1860 residents planned to build a church out of lava rock, but needed a bonding agent. Although coral would serve, harvesting it from the ocean was difficult, dangerous and time-consuming, Fearing that building was not going to commence, a miracle happened. A sudden great storm came and washed a massive amount of coral torn from the reef onto the nearby beach and when the building was finished a second storm washed what coral was left back into the ocean. The official name of the church may have been St. Gabriel's, but it was forever known to the locals as Coral Miracle Church.

"I was blessed to be in this little church. I remember the whole church was adorned with trinkets and flowers in honor of our Blessed Mother. While there, we were amazed when reading on how the church was built with the help of nature and God's Blessing. It breaks my heart to see it gone by fire but I understand it was built with the help of nature and nature took it back. I believe God has blessed all who had the chance to walk into this little church and feel the presence of Our Blessed Mary and God's wondrous gift of nature. The peacefulness of the island was magical but the Coral Miracle Church will always be one of God's miracles..... One I will never forget...." - -Karen Shimko

**PRAYER FOR ALL THOSE SUFFERING IN MAUI, HAWAII**

*Grant them encouragement, strength, fortitude, patience and insight as they struggle with their many losses — material, physical, emotional, and personal — and begin to pick up the pieces and create a new future for themselves, their families, and their community. Be for them a beacon of unwavering hope and confidence that there can and will be a better day. Surround them with your love and the love and compassion of others that they might be sustained in this time of trouble. Please watch over the first responders and all who assist in these devastating disasters. We ask this through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes and in the name of your Son, Jesus and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. AMEN.*

**PRO-LIFE CORNER**

**As a follow-up to my last homily. Please try to take the time to read Pope Paul VI's encyclical *Humanae Vitae*, (Of Human Life). You can access it online or order a copy. It is only 15 pages long, and only takes about 15 minutes to read.**

**If you were not at my last homily, Bishop Schlert sent an email to all of the Priests and Deacons to preach on *Humanae Vitae* to acknowledge its 55th year anniversary. The essence of the encyclical was that Catholics should not use the newly released birth control pill as a means of artificial regulating birth. The Pope outlines the reasons and complexities of his decision.**

**The prophetic nature and accuracy of the encyclical, in view of our present cultural moral confusion, is well worth the read.**

**-- Deacon Lewis Ferris**



**\$\$\$ 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!!!!**



**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!



**REMINDER- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
YANKEE STADIUM TRIP ON AUGUST 24, 2023**

The Knights of Columbus Yankee Stadium trip is fast approaching! 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 at 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.

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

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.

**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 lower-level 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







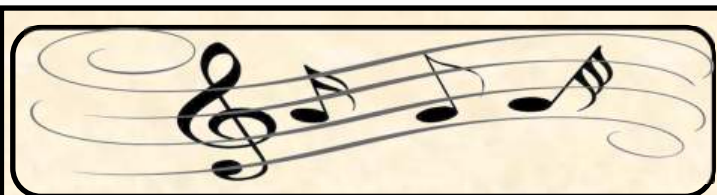
**DIocese of ALLENTOWN**  
**MAKE-A-WILL MONTH**

August is National Make-A-Will Month and a perfect opportunity for our community to steward everything God has blessed us with.

Today, we invite you to set aside time to think through your estate plan and how you can best steward what God has entrusted to you.

To help you with this process, the Diocese of Allentown offers an online estate planning tool you can use to create your will for free online and safeguard all that you love.

Visit [FreeWill.com/AllentownDiocese](http://FreeWill.com/AllentownDiocese) to get started on your will.



**FOR GOD AND COUNTRY CONCERT**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH AT 2:00 PM**  
Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena  
18th Street & Turner Street, Allentown, PA

Join in a medley of patriotic music and songs by the choirs of the Cathedral Parish. Scripture, patriotic readings and reflection.

First responders are welcome and invited to wear their uniforms.



**LOW IMPACT AEROBICS SIGN-UPS**

Looking for a night out with friends? Our instructor, Karen Hoff, is offering 10 weeks of aerobics on **Tuesday nights (6:15 – 7:00 PM)** from September 5 to November 7 with (2) Wednesday classes on Sept. 20 & November 1.

**St. Elizabeth's Parish Hall**  
435 Pershing Blvd., Whitehall  
(Note: No classes on 9/26 & 10/31)

The cost is only \$30.00 per person for the entire 10 weeks.

**This will be 45 minutes of aerobic exercise only.**

Registration deadline is on September 1 or until the maximum number of participants is reached.

Please contact Mary Spieker at the parish office to register 610-266-0695 ext. 208 or [dirreled@sercc.org](mailto:dirreled@sercc.org).

See our website at: [www.sercc.org](http://www.sercc.org).

**Bring a friend!**

**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

**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](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.

**BEGINNER LOW IMPACT**  
**AEROBIC CLASS**

Haven't exercised in a while but ready to ease your way back in? Other classes are not a fit for you?

**EIGHT WEEKS ON TUESDAYS**  
September 5 – October 24 from 5:30-6:00 pm  
(No class on 9/26. One Wednesday make-up class on 9/20.)

**Saint Elizabeth's Parish Hall**  
435 Pershing Blvd., Whitehall, PA

Registration is required. Only \$20.00 for all 8 weeks.

Call or e-mail for more information:  
Mary Spieker at 610-266-0695 -[dirreled@sercc.org](mailto:dirreled@sercc.org).  
See our parish website: [www.sercc.org](http://www.sercc.org)

This 1/2 hour class will help you start the process of getting back to exercise while increasing your flexibility, moves and balance.

Come and check out the class and see if it is a fit for you!

**Bring a friend!**



**PARISH INFORMATION**

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**WELCOME**

We welcome all who join us at our Mass. We encourage you to become an active participant in the life of our Parish. All Catholics who live within our Parish boundaries should register. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

**SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

is given to those who are seriously ill and in danger of death. When there is danger of death, please call the Pastor anytime, day or night.

**GODPARENT/SPONSOR ELIGIBILITY FORMS**

In order to act as a godparent for Baptism or a Sponsor for Confirmation, one must be a Catholic in good standing. Specifically this means Mass attendance every Sunday (Exodus 20:8), striving to live the moral precepts of the Church, and if married, a valid marriage in the Catholic Church.

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

is celebrated on Sunday at Noon. If you are a parishioner and would like to schedule a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office. Prior to the baptism, parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class which is designed to instruct the parents about the teachings of the church regarding Baptism, and to offer assistance in the spiritual preparation for their child's reception of the first of the Sacraments of the Church.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Parishioners who are contemplating the Sacrament of Matrimony should contact the Pastor and mutually agree upon a date at least a year prior to the Wedding. The Church takes the preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony very seriously, and requires completion of the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program six months before the wedding. The normative time for weddings is Saturday between 10:00 AM and 1:30 PM. Weddings are not celebrated on major holidays, nor on the first weekend of June in deference to Ordination of Priests each year at that time. Either the Bride or the Groom must be a practicing member of Sacred Heart Parish in order to request a wedding date.

**COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND**

A Priest or Deacon will visit monthly. Extraordinary Ministers visit those who wish to receive more often. Always notify us about the homebound parishioners who wish to be visited.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

Those who desire entrance into the Catholic Church are warmly welcome through the **RCIA**. Please contact the Pastor for more information.

**CONSOLATION MINISTRY**

The Consolation Ministry Reaches out to families who have experienced the death of a loved one in order to help them prepare for the Funeral Mass and gain an understanding of death as a believing Catholic. For more information on this ministry, please contact Joan West at 610-216-8062.

**PARISH MEMORIALS**

Following the death of a relative or friend, offerings may be made to the Church in loving memory of the deceased. Offerings may specify a particular request or be placed in the Memorial Fund for parish needs.

**VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR**

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited and encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more information about this program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church.

**Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator,**

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC, Direct Telephone  
 Number: 1-800-791-9209

**Secretary for Youth Protection**

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS, Telephone Number: 610-871-5200,  
 Ext. 2204, prusso@allentowndiocese.org

To learn more about the **Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct**, visit [www.allentowndiocese.org](http://www.allentowndiocese.org) and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner.

**COURAGE – Diocesan Help Line:** Father Ezaki at 610-573-7150 or Deacon Christopher May at 484-602-9400.

**CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE**

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