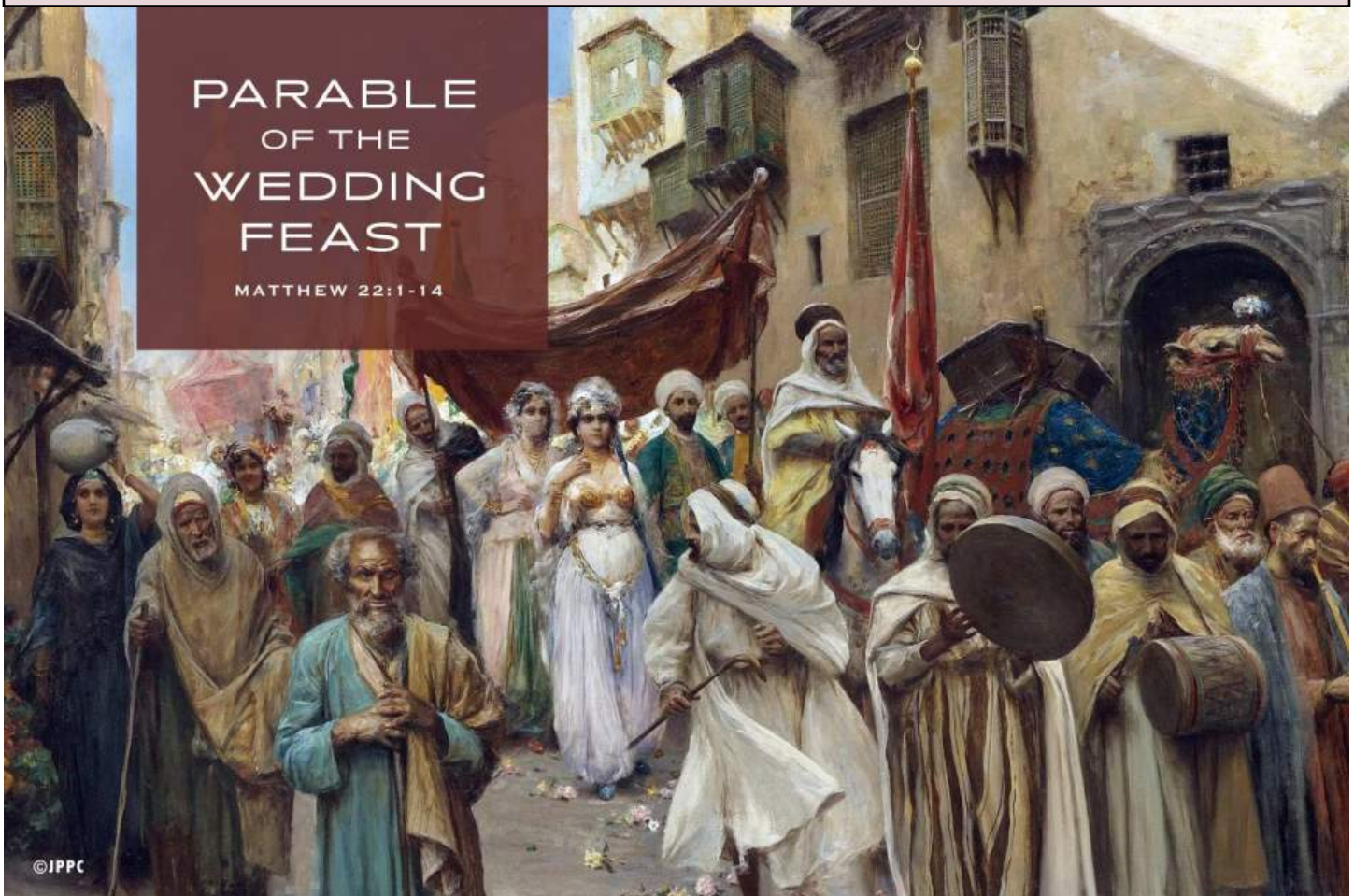


*SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH*  
*117 Washington Street*  
*Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1524*

*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.*



*TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*  
*OCTOBER 15, 2023*

**DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR: Ms. Wendy S. Krisak - Direct Telephone: (800) 791-9209**  
**DIOCESAN SECRETARY FOR YOUTH PROTECTION: Pamela J Russo- Telephone: (610) 871-5200, Ext. 2204**  
**CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE: Telephone: 1-800-276-4562 [www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org)**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)**  
**October 14** **Is 25:6-10a/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or Mt 22:1-10**  
 5:00 PM Peggy Hoff  
*r/b Sharon Hillhouse*

**Sunday, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**October 15** **Is 25:6-10a/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or Mt 22:1-10**  
 7:00 AM Alfred A. Schlert, Sr.  
*r/b Reverend Christopher S. Butera*  
 9:00 AM Gary Mills  
*r/b Anna Mills and family*  
 11:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

**Monday, Saint Hedwig**  
**October 16** **Rom 1:1-7/Lk 11:29-32**  
 8:00 AM Reverend Christopher S. Butera (birthday)  
*r/b Parishioners of Sacred Heart*

**Tuesday, Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop**  
**October 17** **Rom 1:16-25/Lk 11:37-41**  
 8:00 AM Helen Catherine Dlugos Dixon  
*r/b Sandra Gaspar*

**Wednesday, Saint Luke, Evangelist**  
**October 18** **2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9**  
 8:00 AM Dorothy Artinger  
*r/b Marie Werkheiser and family*

**Thursday, Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests**  
**October 19** **Rom 3:21-30/Lk 11:47-54**  
 8:00 AM Edward Klos  
*r/b Terence and Roz O'Reilly*

**Friday, Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest**  
**October 20** **Rom 4:1-8/Lk 12:1-7**  
 8:00 AM Graciela Amato  
*r/b Paulette Weber*

**Saturday, 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time (anticipated)**  
**October 21** **Is 45:1, 4-6/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21**  
 5:00 PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

**Sunday, 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time**  
**October 22** **Is 45:1, 4-6/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21**  
 7:00 AM Anna Marie Yagerhofer  
*r/b Barbara and Stephen Raykos*  
 9:00 AM Annette O'Donnell  
*r/b Rich and Eileen Badesso*  
 11:00 AM Joseph Lehman  
*r/b Mike and Pat Peapos*

**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  
 October 13 through October 19  
 for the repose of the soul of



**Marie Ann Fleck**  
*r/b Jean Pulli and sons*

**SAINT JOSEPH CANDLE**

is burning from  
 October 13 through October 19  
 for the repose of the soul of



**Gary Mills**  
*r/b Anna Mills and family*

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**on Thursday, October 19**  
**8:30 am—9:00 pm in Church**  
**Confession: 7:00 pm—8:00 pm**



**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**

is burning from  
 October 13 through October 19  
 for the repose of the souls of  
**Mary and Stephen Paukovits (grandparents)**  
*r/b Barbara and Stephen Raykos*



NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE



<p><b>10/21-10/22</b> 5:00 PM 7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM</p>	<p><b>Lectors</b> Joan West William Doncsecz Beth Beers Tom Weber</p>	<p><b>Deacons/EMHCs</b> Deacon Lewis Ferris Deacon Edward Saukulak Deacon Lewis Ferris Deacon Edward Saukulak</p>	<p><b>Altar Servers</b> -- -- Daniel Holub John Vallance</p>
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**28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**October 15th**

**First Reading**—On this mountain the LORD of hosts will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich food and pure, choice wines. On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples, the web that is woven over all nations; he will destroy death forever. The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from every face; the reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth; for the LORD has spoken. On that day it will be said: "Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us! This is the LORD for whom we looked; let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!" For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain. *(Is 25:6-10a)*

**Psalm**—"I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life." *(Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6)*

**Second Reading**—Brothers and sisters: I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me. Still, it was kind of you to share in my distress. My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father, glory forever and ever. Amen.

*(Phil 4:12-14, 19-20)*

**Gospel**—Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come. A second time he sent other servants, saying, "Tell those invited: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast." Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business. The rest laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged and sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, "The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find." The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests. *(Mt 22:1-14) or (Mt 22:1-10)*



**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>

**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!



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF Kathleen Glancy Klug, daughter of James Glancy of Sacred Heart Parish**

**BLESSING OF THE PETS**

Several parishioners brought their pets to Sacred Heart Church on Wednesday, October 4th for a special blessing from Father Butera in celebration of the feast day of Saint Francis of Assisi.





**-UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:**

**Continuing through Sunday, October 28 - Baby Bottle Drive  
Benefiting Cay Galgon Life House**

**Monday, October 16 – Pennsylvania March for Life  
For details see article on page 6 in this Bulletin**

**Monday, October 23 – Monthly Planning Meeting  
7:00pm – Burkhart Building & Zoom**

**Saturday, October 28–Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup (Revised Date!)  
7:30am – Meet-up in the Lower Church Lot**

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Following the success of its video series **Into the Breach**, our Order has made a sequel about what is perhaps the most important issue of our day. “Sister Lucia (of Fatima) said that the decisive battle between Christ and Satan would be over marriage. But she also said to be not afraid-Our Lady has already crushed the serpent’s head.”

With that in mind, a new KofC video series has launched, one that seeks to illuminate the truth and beauty of the Church’s teachings on marriage and family and inspire Catholics to live them in the modern world. Look for episodes of **Into the Breach: The Mission of the Family** at [kofc.org/missionofthefamily](http://kofc.org/missionofthefamily).

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**A Prayer Intention of our Holy Father:** “We pray the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.”

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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**

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

**“Miracle of Christmas Live on Stage”**

**Performance at 11:00am**

**Bus departing Sacred Heart Church at 8:00am**

**After the show, there will be a stop at  
Bird-in-Hand Family Restaurant (Smorgasbord)  
in Lancaster at 2:30pm.**

**Cost of the trip: \$155.00 for Adults  
\$100.00 for Children 8-12  
\$97 for Children 4-7**

**This includes admission to the show, dining 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  
FOOTBALL CRAZR CONTEST IS BACK!**

**A new NFL season is upon us, and with the  
new season comes the sale of**

**Football Crazr Sweepstakes Tickets**

**in support of Pennsylvania Knights of Columbus.**

**This yearly contest pays \$3,000 in weekly winners,  
\$30,000 for the last 10 weekends of the NFL season,  
starting with the games of November 5. Here's how it  
works: each ticket has four random teams each week,  
team combinations are new for each of the 10 weeks.  
To see if you've won, simply total the points scored by  
your four teams; that's your weekly score. Monetary  
prizes are paid for the highest point total of the week  
through the 17<sup>th</sup> highest and also for the eight lowest  
point totals. Prizes range from \$400 for the highest total  
to \$30 for the eight lowest totals.**

**Tickets are \$10 each**

**To order, place your check payable to “KofC #14464”  
in the Collection Basket in an envelope marked  
“KOFC/CRAZR”**

**Please include a stamped, self addressed envelope. If  
you prefer, you may also send your ticket request to:**

**Bud Schuster, 4555 Fir Drive Nazareth, PA 18064**

**Please remember to include a stamped,  
self addressed envelope.**

**Orders must be received by October 18,**

**no exceptions. Questions may be  
addressed to: [bud328@msn.com](mailto:bud328@msn.com)**

**GOOD LUCK!**



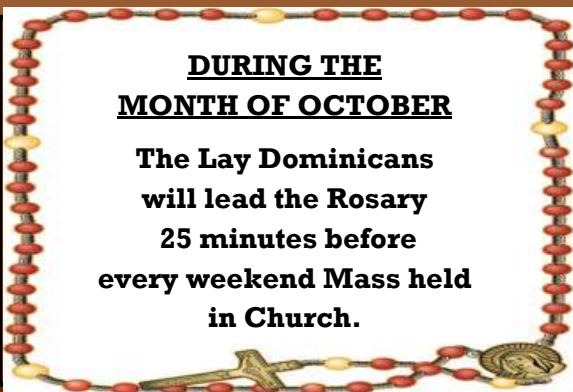
**ALL SOULS DAY DEVOTIONS**



Please join us for Cemetery Devotions on **Thursday, November 2nd at 6:00 pm.** We will meet at the church at 6:00 pm and process to the cemetery. If you are unable to process to the cemetery, please meet at the cemetery by 6:15 pm. In case of inclement weather, devotions will be held in church.

**DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER**

The Lay Dominicans will lead the Rosary 25 minutes before every weekend Mass held in Church.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BABY BOTTLE DRIVE**

**OCTOBER 7TH THRU OCTOBER 29TH**

Sacred Heart Church and the Knights of Columbus are again sponsoring a baby bottle drive during the month of OCTOBER to support the **Cay Galgon Center (formerly known as Mary's Shelter)** in Bethlehem. Sacred Heart parish has been a major contributor to the Center for the past 10 years. The purpose of the shelter is to provide temporary housing to pregnant women who chose **LIFE** for their babies despite facing challenges such as lack of financial or family support. In addition, the shelter provides pre-natal health and parenting classes, job training, continuing education, and general life-skills guidance.

**If you didn't get your bottle last weekend, it's not too late! Bottles are available in the ramp entrance of the church and will be collected on the weekend of October 28th and October 29th.**

The Center will need increased financial support since Governor Shapiro has cut all funding to the **REAL ALTERNATIVES** program in next year's budget which supports centers such as **Cay Galgon.**

Parishioners are asked to fill the bottles with spare coins, cash, or tax-deductible checks (made out to - **Cay Galgon Life House**). Your generous support is greatly needed and deeply appreciated.

**PRO-LIFE CORNER**

Where have all of the Frenchmen gone? Pope Francis recently made a visit to France and met with their Catholic leader. France is in the process of proposing legislature that would legalize euthanasia throughout the country. Interestingly enough, they postponed the legislation during the Pope's visit. I wonder why? Our Pope, who speaks very directly on many issues, when asked by reporters what he thought about this, answered "You don't play with life."

He said there is a sense of "false compassion" that seems to believe that all pain must be avoided at all costs. He has also called euthanasia a "sin against God." He recommended one of our, (my wife and I) favorite books, written in 1907, by Father Robert Hugh Benson, "Lord of the World." It is a short Science Fiction novel and a very easy read; get a copy; you'll enjoy it!  
**-- Deacon Lewis Ferris**



**MARCH FOR LIFE - HARRISBURG**

**Monday, October 16th**

**3rd Annual Pennsylvania March for Life**

**A bus will leave from Sacred Heart School Bethlehem, 1814 Second Street, Bethlehem at 7:15 AM.**

There will be a stop in Hamburg to hear Mass by Bishop Schlert with Catholic high schools in attendance.

We will arrive in Harrisburg for speeches and participate in a march around the capital (about 1 mile).

**Cost is \$15 Per Rider**

**(Make checks payable to Sacred Heart Bethlehem)**

Some donuts and coffee may be available.

Lunch/dinner- Kindly pack brown bag with drinks.

A rest stop will be made on the way back.

**Anticipated return will be around 4:00 PM**

For Reservations please call **Richard Brand** at 914-588-1830.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN**

**SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup> - NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>**

**Women's Center**

**31 South Commerce Way, Bethlehem**

**Please pray for the unborn.**

**If you cannot pray at the Women's Center, please set aside time to pray in church.**

**If you have any questions, please contact Theresa Shemanski at 610-704-6935.**



**BIBLE STUDY—OPEN TO ALL**

**BURKHART BUILDING**

**SATURDAY'S 10:00 AM—11:30 AM**

**Oct 21st, Nov. 4th and 18th**



We are continuing to study St. Paul's epistles. The coming study is on St. Paul's letter to the Philippians. We use Dr. Scott Hahn's Ignatius Catholic Study Bible.

**All are welcome. Please join us. Any questions contact Deacon Lewis Ferris at lferris\_2000@yahoo.com.**

**Your Stewardship Report - October 1**

First Collection	\$7,950	<i>Other collections - from envelopes dated other than <b>October 1</b></i>
Parish Improvement	\$1,736	
Other Collections	\$430	
Other	\$33	
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$10,149</b>	<i>Other - donations, candles, etc.</i>

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH**  
**Next Week's Collections - October 22**



**First**  
 Sunday Collection  
**Second**  
 World Mission Sunday



**GOD'S INTERVENTION**

Divine intervention is, simply put, God intervening in the affairs of the world. Divine intervention can be God causing something to happen or God preventing something from happening. Atheists, agnostics, and deists can find alternate explanations for even the most clearly miraculous events. Some believers see examples of divine intervention everywhere, interpreting seemingly random unexplained events as clear instruction from God to go one direction instead of another. So, does God intervene in the affairs of the world? If so, are there any undeniable examples of this divine intervention? Has God left any fingerprints on His handiwork? The answer to that is Yes!

You can read about God's interventions in the Old and New Testament in the bible. From parting the Red Sea, Noah, Moses, the birth of Jesus and many more. The pages are filled with God's intervention and He still intervenes in our lives today.

For us it starts with our prayers. It can be small like helping us cope with a difficult person. Praying for an answer to a question of (Why?). Asking for healing for someone who is suffering physically or mentally. Praying for someone who has fallen spiritually and the need to forgive.

**Could the answers or intervention be:**

- † Knowing and accepting the change has to come from you to change how you cope with difficulty people.
- † The answer to the question (Why?), is coming to you from an unexpected person with open arms.
- † People who are put in your path like doctors, nurses and staff to help with physical and mental healing or talking to someone who believes in God to help with spiritual guidance.
- † Hearing someone or yourself saying "I am so Sorry" and truly understanding what those words mean.

Prayer is the start of finding the answers from Our Lord and by listening to him, He is then intervening in our lives. God our father will never turn away from anyone who believes in Him. Reach out and trust in Him...

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Our father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.*

**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!**

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR**  
 for the week of  
**October 13 through October 19**  
 for  
**Matthew and Cecelia Pulaski**  
*r/b Family*



**CONFIRMATION**  
**Wednesday, November 29**  
**at 4:30 pm**  
**Bishop Schlert will administer the sacrament of Confirmation at Sacred Heart Church. Please pray for the candidates from our Parish who are preparing for Confirmation.**

**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 candle intention weeks available during November and December. Call or visit the office to schedule. A Mass will be said for all the memorialized intentions.**



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


**More Opportunities To Be A Winner—Buy 3 for \$25.00**  
Take a chance to win from \$50 up to \$500  
on our November 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 October 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 (5) winners in our September lottery calendar.**  
Winners won from \$55.00 up to \$200.00. Congratulations to ALL lucky winners!!!!  
**YOU CAN BE THE NEXT TO WIN!!!!**



**LAY DOMINICAN LIBRARY**  
*will be OPEN*  
**November 5th & 19th**  
**from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM**



If you don't see something you like, please feel free to come back again. If you have religious resources/items to donate, feel free to drop them off in the Library on these dates/hours.

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 at [DLtanczos@aol.com](mailto:DLtanczos@aol.com) or 610-349-7734

**WOMEN'S GUILD BAKE SALE**  
 Saturday, October 14th and  
 Sunday, October 15th  
 in the ramp area before and after all Masses.

Thank you to all who bake and those who support the Women's Guild!



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**FOOD BANK DONATION UPDATE**

Due to the generosity of our Sacred Heart parishioners, our Council of the Knights of Columbus delivered **203 pounds** of non-perishable items to the Bath Area Food Bank on October 5, bringing our year-to-date total to **1,847 pounds**. This was the 4th donation for the 2023-24 Fraternal Year. Our next donation will be made to the St. Vincent De Paul Food Bank in early November. 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.*

**BULLETIN PUBLICATION**

Please deliver your bulletin announcements to the parish office or send an email to [bulletin@sacredheartbath.org](mailto:bulletin@sacredheartbath.org) by **NOON on Friday nine days** prior to the publication of the bulletin.



**WOMEN'S GUILD PASTIE SALE**



**Pick-up on Wednesday, October 18th**  
**Burkhart Building from 3:00pm to 5:00pm**

Any questions please call:

Sandy Tucker at 610-751-8369  
**DELICIOUS PASTIES!!**





Cyndy Radcliffe at 610-762-1986  
**GREAT MEALS!!**





**BASKET PALOOZA**

St Nicholas Church  
4412 W Mountain View Dr (Rt 946)  
Walnutport PA

**TONS OF BASKETS & GIFT CARDS TO WIN**

**Sunday  
November 5, 2023**

All are Welcome

9 AM - 2 PM  
KITCHEN OPEN & BAKE SALE  
*Take-Out available*

For more information  
e: [fundraising@stnicholaswalnutport.org](mailto:fundraising@stnicholaswalnutport.org)

Check our Events page at  
[www.stnicholaswalnutport.org](http://www.stnicholaswalnutport.org)

Small Game Chance License #22-00241




**SAINT MARY'S CHURCH**  
122 Union St., Catasauqua  
**7th Annual Oktoberfest  
on Parish Grounds**  
**Saturday, October 21st**

**From 11:00 to 3:00 PM**  
come visit local vendors and community organizations. **Cornhole Tournament at 12:00 noon.** St. Mary's will be selling hot dogs, hamburgers, pierogies, fries, beer, soda, and water.

4:00 PM will be our German Mass with a Polka Flair featuring Robbie Lawrence and the Steelworkers Band with our Parish Choir.

5:00 to 9:00 PM Robbie and his band will be on stage in our Parish Center with the Church selling German foods: schnitzel, spaetzle, brats, Oktoberfest beers, and more. There is no entrance fee. No outside food/drinks please.

**If interested in the cornhole tournament please email the Parish Office at [kim.stmarys122@gmail.com](mailto:kim.stmarys122@gmail.com) or call 610-264-0332.**



**ST. FRANCIS RETREAT HOUSE**  
**3918 Chipman Rd. Easton, PA**  
**MONDAY MINI-RETREAT—October 23, 2023**


Kim Fiorentino, Secretariat for Administration in the Diocese of Allentown, will present "Working in the Kingdom." She will reflect on her personal faith journey as she grew in learning the importance of a mature relationship with the Lord and in her understanding of our Catholic faith as her professional career moved from Washington, DC, to working for the Church, then coming home to Allentown.

**Dinner begins at 6:00 pm; the presentation is from 7:00 – 9:00 pm.**

**In-person participation is \$35; registration deadline was October 13 at 4:00 pm.**

**Virtual participation is \$20; deadline is October 18 at 4:00.**

To sign up call 610-258-3053, ext. 0, or on When/Now at [stfrancisretreathouse.org](http://stfrancisretreathouse.org).




**ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH**  
**1879 Applewood Drive, Orefield, PA**  
**OKTOBERFEST**  
**October 21, 2023 - 6:00 to 10:00 pm**

Please join us for an evening of fun while supporting Our Lady's Helpers mobile ultrasound unit. Hosted by The Defenders of Life of St. Joseph the Worker Parish.

Enjoy traditional Oktoberfest food, apple cider, cash bar (beer & wine), live music by the MountainXpress Band, dancing, stein holding contest, and raffle items.

**Tickets: \$65.00/person Cash Beer (beer & wine)**

**Email [OurLadysHelpers@proton.me](mailto:OurLadysHelpers@proton.me) to purchase tickets**




**OCTOBER BONANZA BINGO!!!**

**St. John the Baptist Church Social Hall - 924 N. Front Street Allentown PA 18102**  
**Sunday, October 22, 2023**

**We really hope to see you this month! Delicious food, good times, great people!**  
**Regular bingo and all the specials will still have CASH prizes. \$15.00 for 20 Games, 6 Specials and Lucky 7!**

**Doors and Kitchen Open at NOON, Bingo begins at 1:00 PM**  
**First come – first served seating. Bring your daubers – NO HARDBOARDS**  
**Questions? Call Bill Drost 610-432-3505**



**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.  
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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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