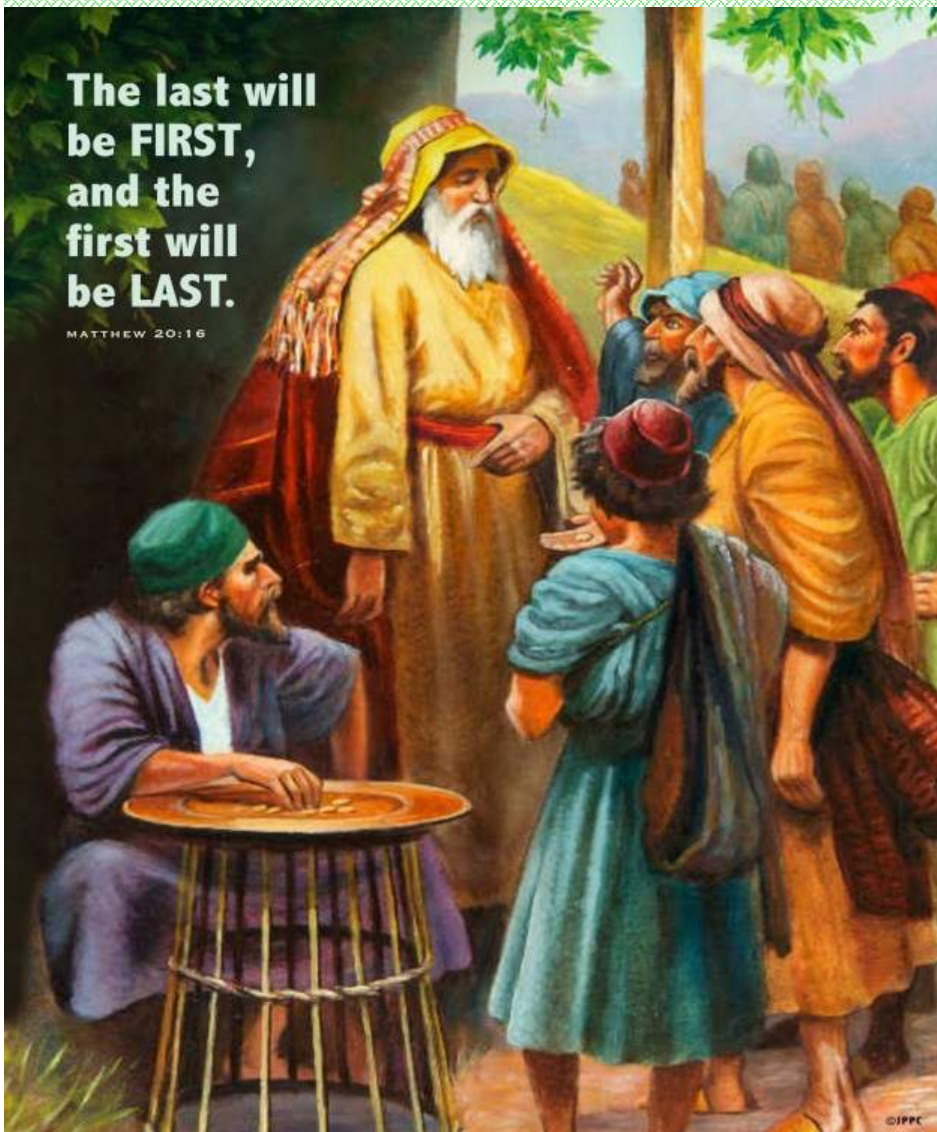


SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH
117 Washington Street
Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1524

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-FIFTH

SUNDAY

IN

ORDINARY

TIME

SEPTEMBER 24,

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)
September 23 **Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a**
 5:00 PM Ken Heckman
r/b wife Rosanne, sons Rick and Todd

Sunday, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 24 **Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a**
 7:00 AM Sylvie Frances Koempel (living)
r/b godfather, Robert Quartararo
 9:00 AM Giuseppe Romeo
r/b Benedetta, Tina and Rose Mirabito
 11:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

Monday, Weekday
September 25 **Ezr 1:1-6/Lk 8:16-18**
 8:00 AM Frank Blasko
r/b Louise Ifkovits and family

Tuesday, Saints Cosmas and Damian
September 26 **Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Lk 8:19-21**
 8:00 AM Blair Bernhardt
r/b Denise LePage

Wednesday, Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest
September 27 **Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6**
 8:00 AM Mrs. Okhee Lee
r/b Gonella Family

Thursday, Saint Wenceslaus
September 28 **Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9**
 8:00 AM Arquimidez Collazo
r/b Annette Strubbe and Michael Rosario

Friday, Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels
September 29 **Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Jn 1:47-51**
 8:00 AM Dorothy Artinger
r/b Rose Zastko and family

Saturday, 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)
September 30 **Ez 18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32**
 5:00 PM Father Joseph Reilly (anniversary of death)

Sunday, Ez 18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32
October 1 **26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 7:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart
 9:00 AM Ignatius Klepeis
r/b Marty and Louise Klepeis
 11:00 AM Mary Thomas
r/b Mariann, Crystal, Jennifer and Anthony Ulecka

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
 September 22 through September 28
 for



Anita Harris (living) and family
r/b Kathleen

SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES

are burning from
 September 22 through September 28
 for the repose of the soul of



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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

on Thursday, September 28
8:30 am—9:00 pm in Church
Confession: 7:00 pm—8:00 pm



THE SANCTUARY LAMP

is burning from
 September 22 through September 28
 for the repose of the souls of

Toni and Joe Godiska
r/b Karen and Mike Shimko



NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Roles*

<p>9/30-10/1 5:00 PM 7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM</p>	<p>Lectors Christina Gehringer Alfred Krantz Beth Skinner Deb Hayes</p>	<p>Deacons/EMHCs Deacon Edward Saukulak Deacon Edward Saukulak Deacon Lewis Ferris Deacon Lewis Ferris</p>	<p>Altar Servers Peter Vallance -- Daniel Holub John Vallance</p>
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25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 24th

First Reading—Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near. Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked his thoughts; let him turn to the LORD for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts. (*Is 55:6-9*)

Psalm—"The Lord is near to all who call upon him."
(*Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18*)

Second Reading—Brothers and sisters: Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. If I go on living in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. And I do not know which I shall choose. I am caught between the two. I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit. Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ. (*Phil 1:20c-24, 27a*)

Gospel—Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.' So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise."
(*Mt 20:1-16a*)



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!

BAPTISM

We are happy to welcome
Ruthann Marie Robertson,
daughter of
Erik and Sara Robertson
who began to share in the life
of Jesus through the
Sacrament of Baptism.




Congratulations
John and Diane Flynn
 of Sacred Heart Parish
 who will be celebrating their
50th Wedding Anniversary
 on September 29th



DOMINICAN CHAPTER MEETING
 The Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic
 meeting will be held on Saturday,
September 30th from 8 am to 12 pm (noon)
 in the Father Post Room of the Burkhart Building.

LAY DOMINICAN LIBRARY
will be OPEN
October 1st and October 15th
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
 or 610-349-7734

BATH AREA COMMUNITY CHORUS
CHRISTMAS PROGRAM REHEARSALS
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

First rehearsal will be Sunday, September 24th at
 7:00 pm in St. John's Lutheran Church,
 206 E. Main St, Bath, PA

Rehearsals will last about 1 ½ hours.

Please contact **Sharon Schrantz** at 610-837-1555
 for all other rehearsal dates or any questions you may
 have regarding the Christmas program.

We welcome anyone with a desire to
 sing and have fun.

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.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this opportunity!



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.



SACRED HEART PARISH
LIFE CHAIN
SUNDAY—OCTOBER 1st, 2023

LIFE CHAIN: On Sunday, October 1st, Sacred Heart parishioners and the Knights of Columbus, will have the opportunity to participate with thousands of other parishes and organizations in a nationwide effort to demonstrate against abortion.

The **LIFE CHAIN** is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals praying the Rosary for our nation and for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that abortion kills children and that the Church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death.

We will meet at the corner of
Washington Street and Northampton Street at 12:15pm.
Please join this prayer event to express our values and faith.



MARCH FOR LIFE - HARRISBURG

Please mark your calendars for
the third annual

Pennsylvania March for Life

in our state capital on **Monday, October 16th.**

Arrangements are underway for a bus. More information will be provided when plans are complete. Stay tuned!

BIBLE STUDY—OPEN TO ALL

BURKHART BUILDING

SATURDAY'S 10:00 AM—11:30 AM
Oct. 7th and 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

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY PRAYER - September 24th

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help them, and all priests, to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

When is the right time to stand up for life? I say, any time the opportunity presents itself. It is not good to forcefully bring up abortion or euthanasia issues, but when they do come up naturally, we must speak up. Keep in mind that most folks we encounter are only hearing the pro-abortion/euthanasia side of the story. It may very well be that they have never heard an intelligent defense of human life's sanctity at all stages of life, from conception until natural death.

Engage the topic gracefully and compassionately. It is not an easy issue to discuss, but do not compromise with the Church's teachings. Remember it is not just your opinion but that of 2000 years of Church doctrine. Even the pagans before Christianity knew that both abortion and euthanasia were morally repellent as stated clearly in the Hippocratic Oath.

On last year's parish trip to Yankee Stadium, a natural discussion at the front of the bus started about abortion. One of the guests of one of our parishioners stated that she was an escort, for woman seeking an abortion at Planned Parenthood clinics. She seemed very comfortable with that decision. Father Butera, who happened to be sitting across from her, spoke to her with great clarity and patience, explaining the Church's teachings on abortion. Not sure if he convinced that woman of anything, but he sure impressed my 16-year-old grandson who was listening to the entire conversation.

-- Deacon Lewis Ferris



-UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:

**Monday, September 25 – Installation of Officers
7:00pm All Members Invited**

**Sunday, October 1 – Annual Life Chain Observance
12:30pm Meet at the Church entrance**

**Sunday, October 8 / October 28 - Baby Bottle Drive
Benefiting Cay Galgon Life House**

**Saturday, October 21 – Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup
7:30am Meet-up in the Lower Church Lot**

Sunday, November 5 – FOOTBALL CRAZR CONTEST BEGINS! (See article below for details.)

**Over the next 2 weeks we'll explore additional
"Habits of Highly Effective Fathers"**

Here is the an additional way to give your family the greatest gift:

† **Monitor your children's friends**-Get to know your children's friends, or at least try to determine whether their influence is good or bad. No child is going to be perfect, so avoid being too scrupulous. If a friend is a thorn in the growth of your child's faith, talk about it with your child and give him the opportunity to set a higher example for his friend. If it still continues, talk to his friend about what you expect if the relationship is to continue. With older children, appeal to their values and concepts of right and wrong.

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 or contact our Grand Knight, Brother Paul Bunting at 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.



**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 17th 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 "KOFK/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

GOOD LUCK!



Your Stewardship Report - September 10		
First Collection	\$8,512	<i>Other collections - from envelopes dated other than</i>
Other Collections	\$180	
Other	\$46	
Total Collections	\$8,738	September 10
Maui Fire Victims	\$2,206	<i>Other - donations, candles, etc.</i>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH

Next Week's Collections - October 1




First
Sunday Collection

Second
Parish Improvement

SAINTS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL
ARCHANGELS

Feast Day—September 29th



The three Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael are the only angels named in Sacred Scripture and all three have important roles in the history of salvation.

Saint Michael is the "Prince of the Heavenly Host"

The leader of all the angels. His name is Hebrew for "Who is like God?" and was the battle cry of the good angels against Lucifer and his followers when they rebelled against God. He is mentioned four times in the Bible, in (**Daniel 10 and 12**), in the letter of (**Jude**), and in (**Revelation**). Michael, whose forces cast down Lucifer and the evil spirits into Hell, is invoked for protection against Satan and all evil. Pope Leo XIII, in 1899, having had a prophetic vision of the evil that would be inflicted upon the Church and the world in the 20th century, instituted a prayer asking for Saint Michael's protection to be said at the end of every Mass.

"I am Gabriel, who stands before God." (Luke 1, 19)

Saint Gabriel, whose name means "God's strength," is mentioned four times in the Bible. Most significant are Gabriel's two mentions in the New Testament: to announce the birth of John the Baptist to his father Zacharias, and the at Incarnation of the Word in the womb of Mary. Christian tradition suggests that it is he who appeared to St. Joseph and to the shepherds, and also that it was he who "strengthened" Jesus during his agony in the garden of Gethsemane.

"I am the angel Raphael, one of the seven, who stand before the Lord." (Tob 12:15)

Saint Raphael, whose name means "God has healed" because of his healing of Tobias' blindness in the Book of Tobit. Tobit is the only book in which he is mentioned. His office is generally accepted by tradition to be that of healing and acts of mercy. Raphael is also identified with the angel who descended upon the pond and bestowed healing powers upon it so that the first to enter it after it moved would be healed of whatever infirmity he was suffering.

Open your bible and learn more about these Great Archangels.

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. 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!



ST. FRANCIS
CENTER FOR RENEWAL

SAINT FRANCIS RETREAT HOUSE
3918 Chipman Rd., Easton, PA
October 6th to 8th

Franciscan Fr. Greg Friedman, author, poet, Holy Land guide, educator, will offer a weekend retreat, "Pope Francis' Encyclical Fratelli Tutti Through Franciscan Eyes"

Register at www.stfrancisretreathouse.org or 610-838-1048 prior to September 25, 4:00 pm, for onsite participation or September 29, 4:00 pm, for virtual.

Donation requested is \$285 per person, \$550 per married couple onsite, or \$80 virtual participation.

Private room with bath, 6 meals, and materials are included.



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.

**WOMEN'S GUILD
PASTIE SALE**

**If you don't feel like cooking,
order one or more of these
delicious pasties.**

**Orders for these flavorful pasties will be
taken now through October 4th,
the deadline.**

**Pasties are 12 oz. turnovers that are filled
with beef, chicken, sausage, or veggies.
All contain potatoes and onions.
Beef has a choice of no onions.**

COST IS \$7.50

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

**To place orders, call
Sandy Tucker at 610-751-8369 or
Cyndy Radcliffe at 610-762-1986**

**Make sure you order some of
these tasty pasties !!**

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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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



SAINT ROCCO'S CHURCH—6658 School Street, Martins Creek
PRAY FOR AMERICAN 2023 ROSARY RALLY

Every year around this time, our women's group, the Altar & Rosary have a Rosary Rally.

This year it will be on Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 12:00 noon.

As we approach the Feast of Saint Anne, Mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary, it is more important than ever that we provide a powerful message of faith and goodness to our families, communities and Nation. We live amidst some of the greatest crises in human history. Values are unsettled, norms are broken. Mental, moral and social anarchy reigns supreme. Praying the Rosary for America campaign: As human efforts fail to solve America's key problems, we turn to God through His Holy Mother, asking his urgent help.

Every year around this time, our women's group, the Altar & Rosary stand on the corner where the stop light is in Martins Creek, we have a Pray the Rosary sign and we pray the Rosary out in the open so that the traffic can see us and hear us. This Rosary Rally is planned by the group "America Needs Fatima" and this is done throughout the world on this date. If you have questions, please call 610-258-9059 or email stucco@enter.net.

All are welcome to join us in Martins Creek! Hope to see you then!

SAINT NICHOLAS CHURCH BREAKFAST

1152 Oak Road, Walnutport, PA

Sunday, September 24, 2023 at 8:00am – 12:30pm

Knights of Columbus Council #16656 will be having an

All You Can Eat Breakfast in St Nicholas Social Hall

\$10.00 Ages 11 and up/\$6.00 Ages 6-10/Under 5 Free

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

Tropicana Casino on the Boardwalk

Wednesday, October 4

The bus leaves St. Paul's parking lot
(3rd and Susquehanna St, Allentown)
at 8:00 am and returns at 7:30 pm.

Cost is \$45 per person which includes bus ride
and \$20 slots cash.

Contact: Dave at 484-695-6477
or at dlbucs@yahoo.com for more information.



FALL BAZAAR & POLKA MASS

Incarnation of Our Lord Parish
617 Pierce Street, Bethlehem, PA

Saturday, October 7, 2023

Bazaar runs 12 pm–7pm, Polka Mass 4:15pm, led by
The Changing Times & Tatra Slovak Folk Group.

Tricky Tray, Fantastic Foods, Bake Sale, 50/50 Drawing

Information: 610-866-3391—Parking: Laufer Street Lot;
Jackson & Buchanan Lot; On-Street



NOTRE DAME OF BETHLEHEM
WOMEN'S RETREAT—VIRGO POTENTISSIMA
VIRGIN MOST POWERFUL

October 7, 2023, 8:00am – 2:00pm

Notre Dame Church

Spiritual Director/Speaker: Father Bernard Ezaki

Retreat Includes: Mass, Rosary,
Adoration/Reconciliation, Talks/Reflections, Break
and Music/Singing. Refreshments and Lite Lunch

For assistance with retreat fees, to register

or any questions, please contact

Michele Moser at 610-882-4387 or

mkelech@msn.com

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE
MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Oktoberfest – October 8, 12:00-5:00 pm

Reading Liederkrantz

143 Spook Lane, Reading PA 19606

Enjoy an authentic German Oktoberfest at
the #1 Oktoberfest in the U.S.!

Live Music and Dancing with the Josef Kroboth Band
from 1:00pm—4:00pm

\$20 entrance fee online or at door
(\$10 under 10-17—under 10 free)

An outdoor celebration in a scenic, accessible grove
with pavilion seating, open-air first-come seating
and scattered heaters, if needed.

Authentic German Food and Beer ordered by guests at
cash/credit food and beverage stands
(see menu options online).

To purchase tickets, sponsor or donate, visit

www.mscreading.org; or email
cwhitmoyer@mscreading.org.



St. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH FALL FESTIVAL
AND TRICKY TRAYS

Saturday, October 14 and Sunday, October 15, 2023

St. John the Baptist Church Social Hall
924 N. Front Street, Allentown PA 18102



Tricky Tray – Autumn Basket Social

Saturday 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

No live drawing – winners will be notified by phone.

“Super Prizes” 1 ticket (26 chances) for \$10.00
or buy 2 and get one FREE.

and for our Regular baskets get 1 ticket (26 chances)
for \$5.00 and buy 4 and get one FREE.

Questions? Office (610-432-0034) during regular hours
or email stjohnbaptistpa@gmail.com.

Ethnic Foods: Halupkie, Pierogies and Halusky!
Church made baked goods

Available HOT or COLD for TAKE OUT or EAT IN.

PARISH INFORMATION

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 210 East Northampton St., Bath, PA 18014-1625
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 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 **Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct**, visit 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.

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