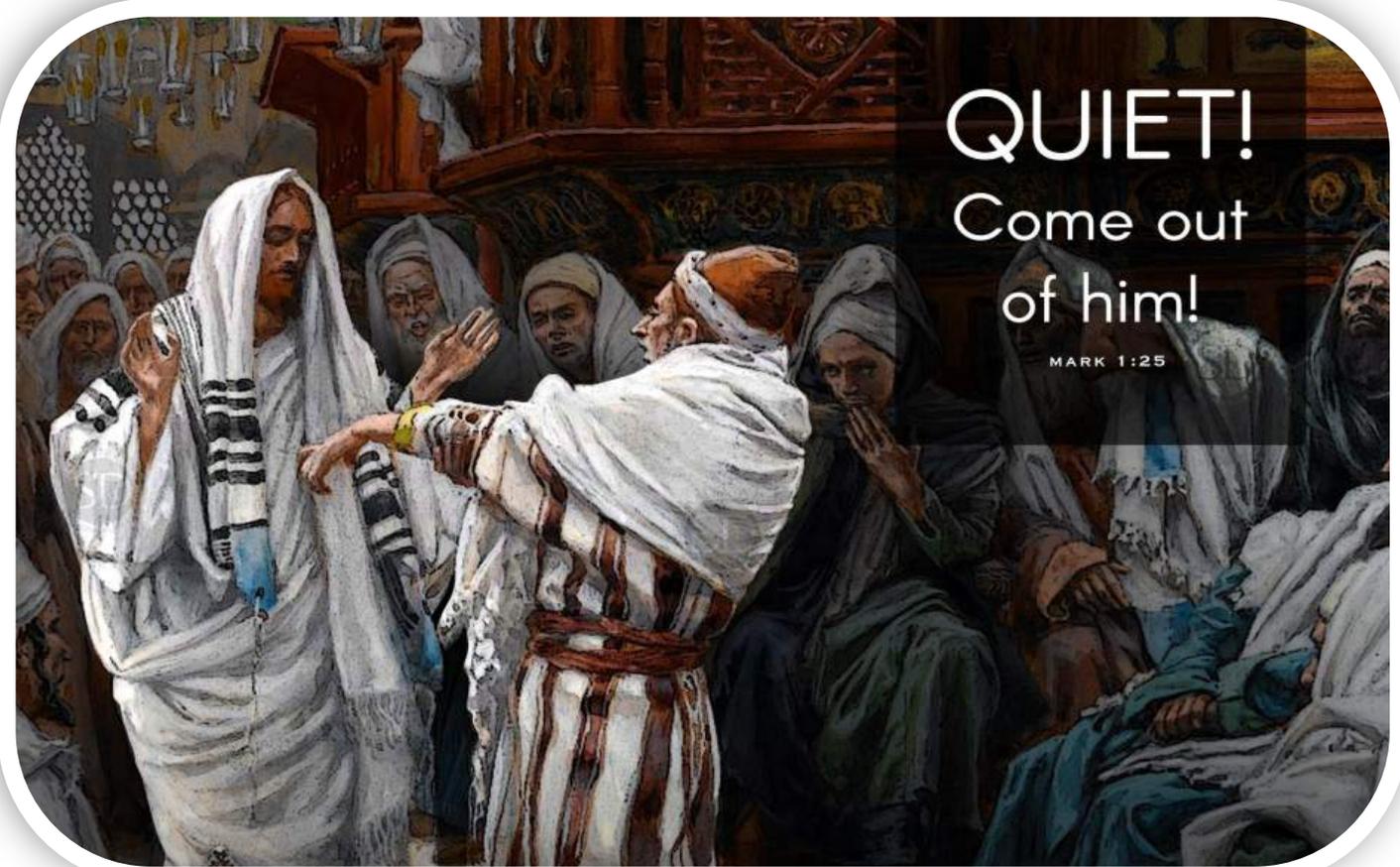


*SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH*  
*117 Washington Street*  
*Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1524*

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.*



*FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*  
*JANUARY 28, 2024*

**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, 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)**  
**January 27** **Dt 18:15-20/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28**  
 5:00 PM Mr. and Mrs. Gasper  
*r/b John M. Gasper*
- Sunday, 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**January 28** **Dt 18:15-20/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28**  
 7:00 AM Stephen J. Gasper  
*r/b Pat and George Gasper*  
 9:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart  
 11:00 AM Marianna Quartararo  
*r/b Quartararo Family*
- Monday, Weekday**  
**January 29** **2 Sm 15:13-14, 30, 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20**  
 8:00 AM Rudy Faustner  
*r/b James Kay*
- Tuesday, Weekday**  
**January 30** **2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/Mk 5:21-43**  
 8:00 AM Anne Schweitzer  
*r/b Sandy Gaspar*
- Wednesday, Saint John Bosco, Priest**  
**January 31** **2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6**  
 8:00 AM Virginia Forest  
*r/b Linda Savarese*
- Thursday, Weekday**  
**February 1** **1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/Mk 6:7-13**  
 8:00 AM Father Stephen Flynn (anniversary of death)
- Friday, The Presentation of the Lord**  
**February 2** **Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40**  
 8:00 AM Those enrolled in Memorial Fund
- Saturday, 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)**  
**February 3** **Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39**  
 5:00 PM John McManus  
*r/b Natalie and Cathryn*
- Sunday, 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**February 4** **Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39**  
 7:00 AM John Fiedor  
*r/b Pat and George Gasper*  
 9:00 AM Agnes Blasko  
*r/b Diane Gasper and family*  
 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  
 January 26 through February 1  
 for the repose of the soul of



**Julia Marasco**  
*r/b Robert and Colleen Bem*

**SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES**

are burning from  
 January 26 through February 1  
 for the repose of the soul of



**Joseph Maroski**  
*r/b Stan and Diane Petko*

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**Thursday, February 1st**

**8:30 am—9:00 pm in Church**

**Confession: 7:00 pm—8:00 pm**



**THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES**

are burning from  
 January 26 through February 1  
 for the repose of the soul of



**Joe Maroski**  
*r/b wife, Marie*

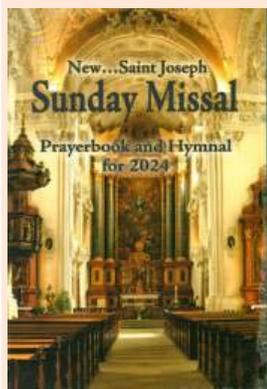
NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Roles\*

<p><b>2/3 -2/4</b> 5:00 PM 7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM</p>	<p><b>Lectors</b> Christina Gehringer Bill Wilde Tim Geiger Tom Weber</p>	<p><b>Deacons/EMHCs</b> Deacon Edward Saukulak Deacon Edward Saukulak Deacon Lewis Ferris Deacon Lewis Ferris</p>	<p><b>Altar Servers</b> Peter Vallance -- Daniel Holub John Vallance</p>
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**UPDATE ON PRINTING THE WEEKLY READINGS IN OUR BULLETIN**

Due to copyright laws and issues impacting the ability of the USCCB to enforce its rights against commercial endeavors that misuse Scripture translations for profit, the USCCB has advised parishes to not reproduce the USCCB Scripture translations in weekly bulletins without purchasing a license. Therefore, we will no longer be



printing the Readings and Responsorial Psalms in our bulletin.

Fortunately, a generous benefactor has provided Sacred Heart over 140 copies of the 2024 Saint Joseph Sunday Missal Prayerbook and Hymnal. The Missals are available to all parishioners. We are happy we are able to provide this so you can follow along with the readings.

There are copies in the ramp entrance vestibule and in the Parish offices. The Missal contains all readings, responsorial psalms, prayers, hymns, devotions and more.

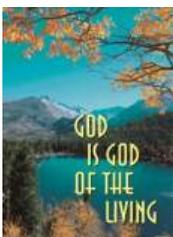
Thanks to the availability of the Missal, we will not be licensing the USCCB scripture translations. Thank you for understanding!

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**



is burning from  
January 26 through February 1  
for the repose of the soul of  
**Eileen Hewson**  
*r/b granddaughter, Sharon*

**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.



**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!**



**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED!**

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



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Do you have a few hours you'd like to give to  
Sacred Heart Parish?  
Looking for something special to do during Lent?  
Interested in learning something new or helping others?  
Volunteer opportunities are available.

**We are in need of volunteers to help with our dinner offerings for Lenten Fridays.  
Please consider giving some time in helping the Knights of Columbus with their delicious  
Lenten fish dinners as well as the community breakfast on March 17th.**

If you are interested in becoming a Sacred Heart volunteer,  
please contact the Parish Office at [office@sacredheartbath.org](mailto:office@sacredheartbath.org) or 610-837-7874.

Remember volunteers are vital in making Sacred Heart Parish the  
wonderful parish it has been for many, many years.

**Volunteers do not necessarily have the TIME; they have the HEART!**



The weather begins to change, calendars continue to turn, Christmas and New Year's celebrations move further behind us and Ash Wednesday is just around the corner.

These are all signs that Lent is drawing near. Lent is one of the five seasons of the Catholic liturgical calendar, along with Advent, Christmas, Easter, and Ordinary Time.

It precedes Easter and is a solemn period centered on prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Lent is associated with the start of the Easter season and springtime, when things start to come back to life.

There is no better time to deepen one's faith than Lent. Renewing and strengthen your faith during this time, can draw us closer to God as we prepare for the joyous celebration of Christ's resurrection at Easter. Take this time to rekindle your love for God. Lent is a wonderful season to reconnect with Jesus which will strengthen our relationship with God.



### WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING

The meeting of the Sacred Heart Women's Guild will be **February 5th at 7:00 PM** in the Fr. Post Room of the Burkhart Building. All women of the Parish are invited to join and help the Guild in many activities.

### LAY DOMINICAN LIBRARY

*will be OPEN*

**February 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. Please no Bibles, Missals or Catechisms. We have an overabundance of these items. 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



### BIBLE STUDY—OPEN TO ALL BURKHART BUILDING

**SATURDAY'S 10:00 AM—11:30 AM**

**Bible Study will be: February 10th & 24th,  
March 9th & 23rd, April 6th & 20th**

We are presently studying all of St. Paul's epistles. 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](mailto:lferris_2000@yahoo.com).



**-UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:**

**Monday, February 12 – Monthly Membership Meeting  
7:00pm Rosary, 7:30pm Meeting Burkhart Building & Zoom  
Sunday, February 18 – 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> degree Exemplification  
Ceremony at 12:30pm Sacred Heart of Jesus Church  
Monday, February 26 – Monthly Planning Meeting  
7:00pm Burkhart Building & Zoom**

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**The end of January begins the planning process for Spring Season Events. Lenten Friday Fish Dinners begin on February 23, continuing on March 8 and concluding on March 22. The Knights are featuring our "FULL MENU BUFFET" from 4:30pm to 7:00pm. Please watch your email and the Church Bulletin for details about our offerings, and PLEASE consider coming out to volunteer your Time and Talents; as always, we can use all the help we can get! In addition to the Fish Dinners, our next and last of the season KofC Breakfast is scheduled for March 17. Your continued attendance and volunteering is necessary to make this a success. Don't forget that all the profits from the Fish Dinners and Breakfasts go to fund our Council's charitable endeavors, so please encourage others to attend.**  
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**Did You Know: A monthly challenge from Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori: "I challenge Brother Knights to spend 10 minutes each day in prayerful silence, contemplating the presence of Jesus and listening for his voice."**  
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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.**

**GET HOOKED ON THE  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
LENTEN FISH DINNER  
"FULL MENU BUFFET"**

***Beginning Friday, February 23rd from  
4:30 pm to 7:00 pm  
in the church auditorium.***

We are casting our lines out for anyone who would like to volunteer. Contact the parish office if you are interested in lending a hand.

**Please check the Sacred Heart website and bulletins for upcoming details.**

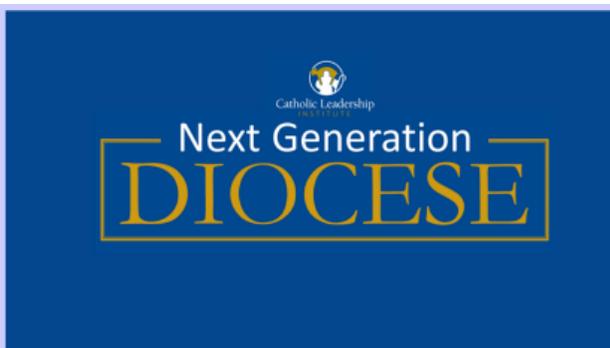
**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!!**

**KICK-OFF  
GERTRUDE HAWK  
EASTER CANDY FUNDRAISER**

**Believe it or not but Easter is just around the corner!**

**Make Easter baskets easy by ordering candy from our Gertrude Hawk Candy fundraiser.**

**SEE FLYER IN TODAY'S BULLETIN FOR MORE DETAILS!  
PICK UP YOUR CATALOG AND ORDER FORM TODAY!**



**SACRED HEART PARISH**  
**PARTICIPATION IN NEXT GENERATION**  
**DIOCESE INITIATIVE!**

The Diocese of Allentown is embarking on an initiative that will invigorate the Church for the future. It has partnered with the Catholic Leadership Institute (CLI), a lay apostolate headquartered just outside of Philadelphia that inspires Catholic leaders to revitalize the Church for a Christ-filled and joy-filled future through a close accompaniment. The Diocese has started implementing CLI's Next Generation Diocese initiative, which will offer support for our Bishop, our priests, and our 78 parishes.

***The first of three phases will begin shortly.***

**Phase one: Take a snapshot of where we are.** This will be done through data collection. Starting on Ash Wednesday, February 14, parishioners will be asked to complete a survey known as the Disciple Maker Index (DMI). It includes questions about parishioners' spiritual growth and engagement with the parish, such as their core beliefs, their relationship and satisfaction with their parish, and their participation in the parish, including Mass, the Sacraments, prayer, and other activities.

The survey will also ask for some demographic information, to determine if there are similarities by age, gender, marital status, etc. – but no personal information, so the survey will remain anonymous.

The online survey will be open throughout the entire season of Lent, ending Wednesday, March 27.

**Phase two: Take the next step in growth.** There will be development of pastoral plans for evangelization and priority plans for the next two to three years, as well as individual growth plans and coaching for priests. A "pastoral plan" is the language used by parishes to explain their vision for implementing evangelization efforts in the future.

**Phase three: See how far we've come.** All parishes will be given the opportunity to retake the DMI in about three years.

***There is no cost to the Diocese or parishes for the initiative. A grant has been provided to CLI for this program.***

Stay tuned for more information and details on this exciting initiative including how you can participate!



**BLESSING OF THROATS**

St. Blaise has been venerated as the patron of those who suffer from diseases of the throat.

**Throats will be blessed after**  
**all weekend Masses -February 3rd and 4th**

***Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, let us ask God***  
***to protect us from afflictions of the throat***  
***and from other illnesses.***

**Saint Blaise:** As we reflect upon stories that have been passed down through the years about Saint Blaise, perhaps the most important story to reflect upon is the story of faith that so many people have had for many centuries in the intercession of Saint Blaise. From the people who might have sought his prayers at the time of his ministry, to those who sought his intercession during the Black Death centuries ago, to the future priestly blessings at Mass using candles to bless throats, God has used Saint Blaise in ways that he could have never foretold. This should reassure us that God wants us to turn to the intercession of the saints for guidance and truth. Though God is always there for us, He often chooses to use His beloved Saints to impart His grace. Take time out of your busy day to reflect upon Saint Blaise and all the Holy saints. Seek out a special patron and learn how they changed the world in which they lived. Read about these wonderful and holy people. Let their stories of faith, love and sacrifice inspire our heart and soul, so that we can become the person God wants us to be.



**THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

**Feast Day—February 2nd**

At the heart of this celebration is the encounter of Simeon and Anna with the Christ Child in the Temple. It is in that holy encounter that Jesus' divinity is manifested by a human prophet for the first time. At His birth, the angels proclaimed His divinity to the shepherds, but in the Temple, Simeon was the first to understand and proclaim Jesus as the Savior of the World. He also prophesied that this salvation would be accomplished by a sword of sorrow that would pierce the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Anna, a prophetess, also came forward and "gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem" (**Luke 2:38**). Thus, these ritual acts were also a moment in which Jesus' divine mission was made manifest to the world.

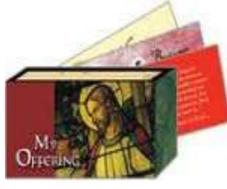
Ponder, today, your soul being the new temple of the Lord, and acknowledge your need to be purified and offered to the Father in Heaven. As Christ continues to enter into the temple of your soul, pray that He will shine forth for others to see so that, like Simeon and Anna, they will encounter our Lord within you.

***Prayer: My saving Lord, Your loving parents offered You to Your Father in the Temple in accordance with the Law You revealed to Moses. In that offering, our souls are purified and we are offered to Your Father with You. I thank You for the gift of salvation and pray that my soul will always radiate Your light as You dwell within me. Jesus, I trust in You. Amen***

<b>Your Stewardship Report - January 14</b>		
First Collection	\$8,835	<i>Other collections - from envelopes dated other than <b>January 14</b></i>
Heat	\$1,508	
Other Collections	\$1,642	
<u>Other</u>	<u>\$38</u>	
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$12,023</b>	<i><b>Other</b> - donations, candles, etc.</i>

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

**Next Week's Collections - February 4**



**First**  
Sunday Collection

**Second**  
Parish Improvement Fund

**"SPECIAL COLLECTION"**

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION**

**THIS SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024**

This week we take up The Catholic Relief Services collection to reveal Christ's love to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection makes grants to six Catholic agencies that provide relief and support for struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters, both here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

**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!

**MASS INTENTIONS CELEBRATED BY**

**REVEREND JEFF WHORTON,**

**ACTIVE DUTY ARMY CHAPLAIN**



**Bernhard Alles**  
r/b *Elfriede Kardos*

**Maddalena DiOdoardo**  
r/b *Mario and Rosalie Marcozzi*

**Andrew Donello**  
r/b *Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Garger*

**Ronald Sarajian**  
r/b *O'Reilly Family*

**Anna Marie Yogerhofer**  
r/b *Diane Gasper*

**PRO-LIFE CORNER**

Planned Parenthood, (better known as Planned "barren-hood," or banned parenthood; terms coined by the late Fr. Paul Marx, head of Human Life International) is now advertising on TV. Maybe you have seen their advertisements? "These are dangerous times" the ad declares in a very serious voice. Woman's right to "reproductive health care" is under attack!

They then show a number of women who have had "harrowing inconveniences" while trying to get "reproductive health care" in the different states that have put through abortion restrictions. Of course, there is no way these advertisements will ever let the word **ABORTION** stand alone. The term "reproductive health care" is so benign sounding.

Anyway, the ad ends by pleading that you send in your hard-earned money to PP so they can continue to slaughter innocent children, and emotionally scar innocent women. It's not bad enough that they get our tax dollars from the Federal Government and have been caught selling aborted baby's organs. By the end of the advertisement, they take it a step further and even refer to their abortions as "health care." All with the soothing sound of music in background.

-- Deacon Lewis Ferris



**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF**

**Benedetta Mirabito**

**of Sacred Heart Parish**

**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 weeks available starting in March 2024 for all candle types. Call or visit the office to schedule. A Mass will be said for all the memorialized intentions.

**GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**

Good Shepherd Catholic School in Northampton will celebrate Catholic Schools Week from **January 28<sup>th</sup> through February 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Join us as we kick-off the week with an **Open House: Sunday, January 28, 9:30 am – 12:00 pm**

Now accepting enrollment for the 2024-25 school year. Grades K-8, Preschool (3 yrs.) and Pre-K (4 yrs.) GSCS now offers an Aquinas Program for students diagnosed with a specific learning disability. **For more information regarding enrollment, or to set up a tour, please call Ms. Erica Nochtan, Advancement Director at 610-262-9171 or email [msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com](mailto:msnochtongscs@goodshepherd-catholic.com).**

CASH BINGO

Food and fun for the whole family!



*Proceeds support Council 4282 charities and initiatives*

Sunday February 4, 2024

Holy Family Parish Center

508 W. Center Street, Nazareth

\$20 per person for all entrants

15 games with plenty of specials

50/50 Raffle

Doors open at 12:00PM

First Game at 12:45PM

**RETROUVAILLE:**

**Rediscover The Love In Your Marriage**



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

**The next program will be held February 16 - 18, 2024 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.**

**For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230.**

**SACRED HEART PARISH**  
**2023 STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTION**



If you would like to receive a statement of your 2023 contributions, please put a note in the Sunday collection basket at church and/or the Parish Office and include your envelope number on the request. All contributions received by Sunday, December 31st will be included on your 2023 Contribution Statement. **Due to the cost of postage, you MUST include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request or pick the statement up in the parish office during regular business hours. Statements will be sent in late January 2024.** We are grateful to all who contributed and especially those who sacrificially supported the parish family of the Sacred Heart of Jesus throughout the year.

**SAINT FRANCIS RETREAT HOUSE**  
**3918 Chipman Rd., Easton, PA 18045**  
**MINI—RETREAT**

**"An Overview of Synod Topics and Participants" will be the focus on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH**

**After the 6:00 pm meal, Fr. Pat McCloskey will present from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.**

**Register at [stfrancisretreathouse.org](http://stfrancisretreathouse.org) (click retreats tab, then dropdown mini-retreats) or call 610-258-3053 ext.0.**

**Onsite participant's donation is \$35 (registration closes on February 9 at 4:00 pm)**

**Virtual is \$20 (registration closes on February 14 at 4:00 pm)**

 **DIocese OF ALLENTOWN**

**DIOCESAN LENTEN RETREAT SERIES**

**Join us for a Lenten retreat series, featuring speakers from our Diocese. The event series is as follows:**

- † Mon, Feb 19 - Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Roseto, Topic "Healing" by Maggie Riggins
- † Mon, Feb 26 - St. Ambrose, Schuylkill Haven, Topic "Presence" by Lillian Fallon
- † Mon, March 4 - St. Catharine of Siena, Reading, Topic "Sacrifice" by Rob Johnson
- † Mon, March 11 - Ss. Peter and Paul, Lehighton, Topic "Meal" by Kristin Osenbach
- † Mon, March 18 - Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, Allentown, Topic "Holy" by Fr. John Trigilio.

**Schedule of the night: 6:30pm-7:30pm Adoration, 7:30pm presentation, 8:00pm refreshments.**

**GROCERY GIFT CARDS**

**Sacred Heart Will Earn 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, Shop Rite**

**OTHER AVAILABLE GIFT CARDS**

**Sacred Heart earns a percentage from sales of the gift cards listed below that we have on hand.**

**Please stop by the lower office in the Burkhart Building (Blue Doors) and check out our supply of cards or pick up a list of available gift cards that can be ordered.**

**For more info: Please email Karen at [kshimko@sacredheartbath.org](mailto:kshimko@sacredheartbath.org) or call 610-837-6391 - Monday through Friday between 8:00 am to 3:00 pm**

**This is a great way to help support our Parish!!!**

Gift Card	Percentage Earned	Denominations	Gift Card	Percentage Earned	Denominations
Apple Store	5%	\$15/\$25	Red Lobster	8%	\$25
Amazon	1.7%	\$25	Texas Roadhouse	8%	\$25
Best Buy	4%	\$25	WaWa	1%	\$25/\$100
Home Depot	7%	\$25	Olive Garden	8%	\$25
Burger King (NEW)	6%	\$10	Panera	8%	\$10
Sheetz	3%	\$25	Shop Rite (NEW)	4%	\$25
Target	2.5%	\$25	McDonalds (NEW)	2%	\$10
Outback/Carrabba's	8%	\$10/\$25	Dunkin Donuts	3%	\$10
Walmart/Sam's	2.5%	\$25	Visa (No Activation Fees)	1.25%	\$25/\$50/\$100

**SACRED HEART PARISH GIFT CARD PROGRAM**

**WHO DOESN'T LOVE GIFT CARDS! GREAT GIFTS YEAR-ROUND!**

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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.

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**GODPARENT/SPONSOR ELIGIBILITY FORMS**

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**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  
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**Secretary for Youth Protection**

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS, Telephone Number: 610-871-5200,  
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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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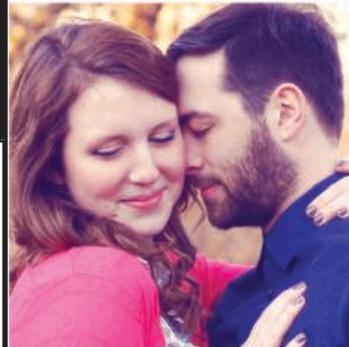
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