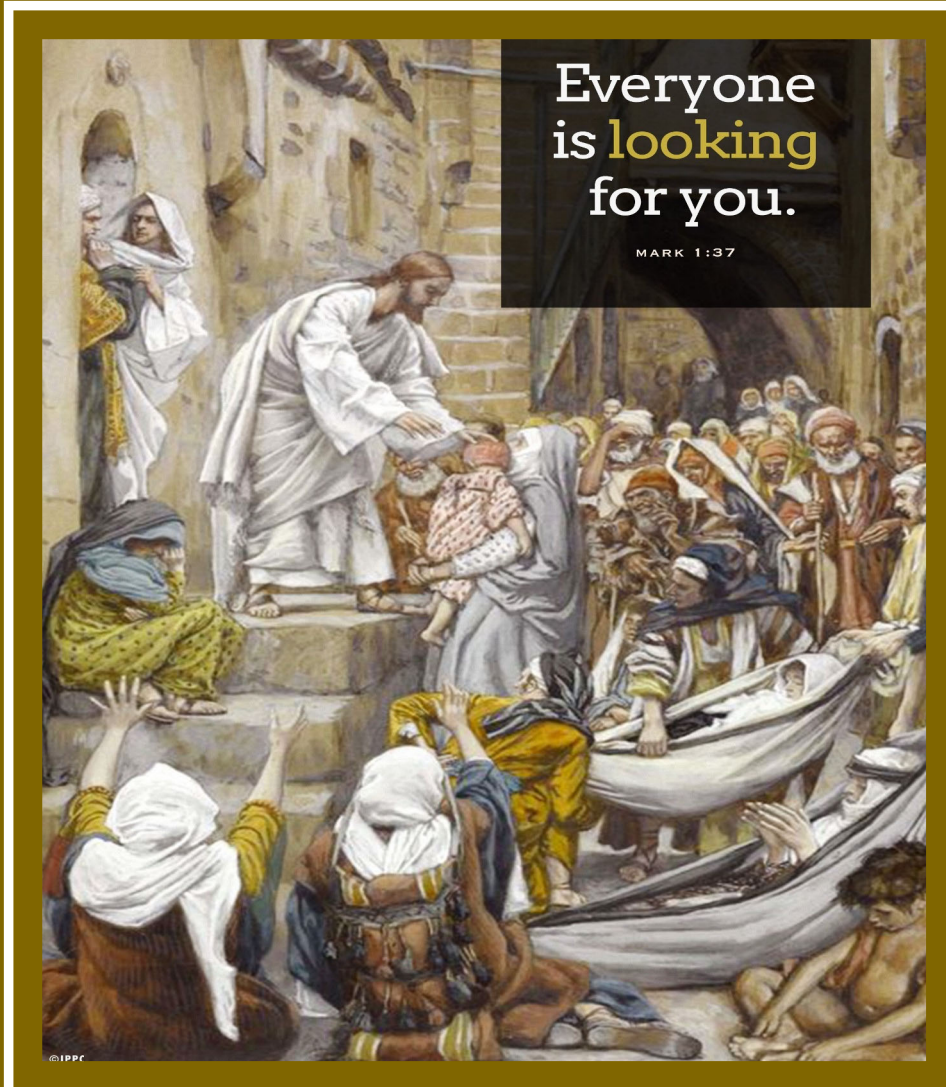


*SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH*  
*117 Washington Street*  
*Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1524*

*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.*



*FIFTH*  
*SUNDAY*  
*IN*  
*ORDINARY*  
*TIME*  
*FEBRUARY 4,*  
*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, 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
- Monday, Saint Agatha**  
**February 5** **1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Mk 6:53-56**  
 8:00 AM Angela Joan Albano  
*r/b Terence and Roz O'Reilly*
- Tuesday, Saint Paul Miki and Companions**  
**February 6** **1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13**  
 8:00 AM Anne Schweitzer  
*r/b Sacred Heart Women's Guild*
- Wednesday, Weekday**  
**February 7** **1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23**  
 8:00 AM Beverly Porter  
*r/b Richard and Marie Brand*
- Thursday, Saint Josephine Bakhita**  
**February 8** **1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30**  
 8:00 AM Reverend Christopher S. Butera  
*r/b Lay Dominicans*
- Friday, Weekday**  
**February 9** **1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37**  
 8:00 AM Benefactors of Sacred Heart
- Saturday, 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)**  
**February 10** **Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor 10:31-11/1 Mk 1:40-45**  
 5:00 PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart
- Sunday, 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**February 11** **Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor 10:31-11/1 Mk 1:40-45**  
 7:00 AM Anne Schweitzer  
*r/b Ron and Lucy Silfies*  
 9:00 AM Kathleen Klug  
*r/b Jean Pulli and Gordon Cumberland*  
 11:00 AM Petko Family Members  
*r/b Stan and Diane Petko*

**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  
 February 2 through February 8  
 for the repose of the soul of



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

**SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES**

are burning from  
 February 2 through February 8  
 for the repose of the soul of



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

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**

is burning from  
 February 2 through February 8  
 for the repose of the soul of

**Constance Wheary**  
*r/b Family*



**THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES**

are burning from  
 February 2 through February 8  
 for the repose of the souls of



**Deceased members of the Godiska Family**  
*r/b Cyndy Radcliffe*

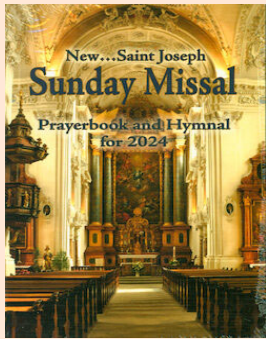
NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Roles<sup>+</sup>

<p><b>2/10 - 2/11</b>                  5:00 PM                  7:00 AM                  9:00 AM                  11:00 AM</p>	<p><b>Lectors</b>                  Christina Gehringer                  William Doncsecz                  Frank Molchan                  Tim Geiger</p>	<p><b>Deacons/EMHCs</b>                  Deacon Lewis Ferris                  Deacon Lewis Ferris                  Deacon Edward Saukulak                  Deacon Edward Saukulak</p>	<p><b>Altar Servers</b>                  Peter Vallance                  --                  Daniel Holub                  --</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!



**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>

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14th, 2024. During this holy season, we're encouraged to repent of our sinfulness, to seek the Lord's forgiveness in the sacrament of reconciliation, and to grow closer to him through prayer and fasting. What is happening in our lives is mirrored in the Church: music is subdued, alleluia is not said or sung, and the use of flowers is not permitted. Many of you kindly arrange for flowers in memory of your loved ones. We will welcome that loving gesture after Easter.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Thursday, February 8th

8:30 am—9:00 pm in Church

Confession: 7:00 pm—8:00 pm



**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!

**GERTRUDE HAWK**  
**DELICIOUS EASTER CANDY**  
**FUNDRAISER**

**SACRED HEART PARISH**  
**"GERTRUDE HAWK"**  
**EASTER CANDY FUNDRAISER**

Order forms and catalogs are available in the Church vestibule or the parish offices or you can order online by clicking the link from our parish website.

**Paper orders must be in by Monday, February 12th!**

Proceeds benefit Sacred Heart Parish.

Drop off your order to the parish offices or put in collection basket.

Any questions, please call Karen at 610-837-6391



**SACRED HEART PARISH GIFT CARD PROGRAM**

**WHO DOESN'T LOVE GIFT CARDS FOR "EASTER" OR ALL YEAR-ROUND!**

**GREAT FOR HOLIDAY GIVING OR BRIDAL SHOWERS, WEDDINGS, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, BABY SHOWERS, OR JUST TO SAY THANK YOU!!**

What a great gift to give for any occasions. Buy gift cards at Sacred Heart Parish for yourself or someone you know through our Shopwithscript program. Need a special gift card for any special occasion? Just stop in and we can order that unique gift card!

We have on hand **VISA** cards with **NO activation fees!**

**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 all of the gift cards that we have on hand and those we can order for you.

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!!!**



**BAKE SALE**  
**NEXT WEEKEND!**  
**Women's Guild**  
**Bake Sale**

Saturday, February 10 & Sunday, February 11 in the ramp area before and after all Masses. Thank you to all who bake and those who support the Women's Guild!



**-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**  
**Friday, February 23 – Lenten Friday Fish Dinner  
4:30pm – 7:00pm, Church Auditorium**  
**Monday, February 26 – Monthly Planning Meeting  
7:00pm Burkhart Building & Zoom**

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Inspired by the Apostolic Exhortation for Catholic men, **INTO THE BREACH** is a 12-episode video series produced by the Knights of Columbus that seeks to answer the question of what it means to be a man and how to live as a man in today's world. Available on the **Knights of Columbus website [kofc.org/en/](http://kofc.org/en/)**, each episode focuses on a different aspect of authentic Catholic masculinity. Only 12 minutes long, each episode tells the personal story of a man who has deeply experienced the individual topic in his own life.

**Over the next few weeks, we will feature a brief synopsis of each of the episodes; we begin with:**

† **Masculinity - The Church is facing a “man crisis”. Men are made for greatness. “Authentic masculinity” means to live for excellence. Mike Phelan explains how he discovered the nature of true masculinity and how to live it.**

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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  
4:30 pm to 7:00 pm  
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!!!!**

**MATEYS PIZZA FUNDRAISER**

**During Lent we will be taking weekly orders for our annual Matey’s Pizza Fundraiser.**

**This scrumptious convenient (‘all assembled’) 12” frozen pizza will make dinner easy.**

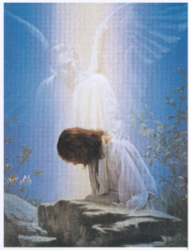
**Four varieties plus gluten free pizzas will be offered.**

**All proceeds will go to help support Sacred Heart Parish.**

**(See this week’s flyer for more information and order form)**

**And stay tuned for EXCITING news on our weekly Friday Lenten dinner offerings!**

**PIZZA**



**DECEMBER 2023**  
**SACRED HEART**  
**MEMORIAL FUND**  
**DONATIONS**

**In Memory of Tom Gillich**

Linda Savarese

**In Memory of:**

**Margaret H. Hoff,**

**Evelyn and Leo Hoff, Raymond L. Hoff**

**Ernest and Mae Florant, Mary Hewson,**

**Eileen Hewson, George Hewson and**

**Nora Hewson**

r/b Sharon Hillhouse

**In Memory of:**

**Ricardo, M. Orogo, Cristina C. Orogo,**

**Marlene Orogo-Douglas,**

**William C. Orogo and Abraham C. Orogo**

r/b Evelyn Orogo

**In Memory of Anne Schweitzer**

Sandra Gaspar

Stephen and Barbara Raykos

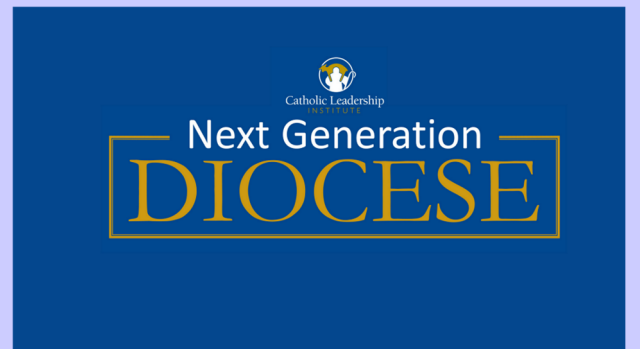
Bob and Mary Lou Ross

Linda Savarese

**SACRED HEART MEMORIAL FUND**

Please consider remembering your loved one in the Sacred Heart Memorial Fund. A donation to the Memorial Fund assists the mission of the parish and benefits the person remembered through the fruits of Holy Mass offered every First Friday.

**Memorial Fund Remembrance Cards are available in the Parish Office.**



**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!

<u>Your Stewardship Report - January 21</u>		
First Collection	\$6,623	<i>Other collections - from envelopes dated other than <b>January 21</b></i>
Facilities Repair	\$1,253	
Other Collections	\$771	
Other	\$30	
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$8,677</b>	<i>Other - donations, candles, etc.</i>

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

**Next Week's Collections - February 11**



**First**  
Sunday Collection

**Second**  
None

**“SPECIAL COLLECTION”**

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION**

**THANK YOU!**

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for revealing Christ's love to those who are poor and marginalized around the world.

We collected **\$1,386** last week for this cause. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit [www.usccb.org/nationalcollections](http://www.usccb.org/nationalcollections) for more information.

**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**



Rosa Alles  
*r/b Elfriede Kardos*

Maddalena DiOdoardo  
*r/b Rick and Regina Gower and family*

Andrew Donello  
*r/b Dennis and Tiffany Morykan*

William McGill  
*r/b O'Reilly Family*


Anna Marie Yogerhofer  
*r/b Mary Ann Dancho*

**PRO-LIFE CORNER**

The counsel of Catholic Bishops once again affirmed by a vote of 87% that abortion is the primary issue when voting for any candidate in the upcoming elections. What can be more important than the taking of innocent human life? Clearly breaking one of the ten commandments.

Not only is the obvious humanitarian interest taken into consideration, but also the fact that it is a mortal sin and could involve the risk of eternal damnation for those who are willingly participating in the act of the elective abortion. Why wasn't the vote 100%? Good question.

**-- Deacon Lewis Ferris**



**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF**

**James Dotterer,**

**brother of Donna Ott**

**of Sacred Heart Parish**

**WORLD DAY OF THE SICK—February 11th**

**Prayer for the Sick and Suffering**

Lord, we lift up to you those who are sick and suffering. We ask that you would give them the strength to endure their illness, and that you would bring them healing, restoration and relief from their pain. May they feel your presence with them, and may they be comforted by your love with peace and rest. We pray that you will strengthen them in body, mind, and spirit, and that they will be restored to health. Amen.

**2024 LENTEN EMBER DAYS****Wednesday, February 21st****Friday, February 23rd and Saturday, February 24th**

Celebrate Lenten Ember Days for the Season as a sign of reparation and healing for the Church. Ember Days are quarterly observances with 3 days set aside to pray in gratitude for the blessings of the season and human labor, to thank God publicly. There are 12 Ember Days in all.

Holy Mother church provides many opportunities to refresh and renew. The Lenten Ember Days blend with the season of Lent, providing reminders to continue and persevere in the spirit of conversion and penance. The fasting and abstinence would follow the current laws of the Church, with abstaining being from all meat, and fasting would be one full meal a day, with the allowance of two smaller meals that do not equal the main meal, and no eating between meals.

The Church no longer regularly ordains priests during the Quarterly Ember Days, but traditionally this is a special time, particularly Ember Saturday, to pray for priests and for seminarians.

**THANK YOU FOR OUR SACRED HEART PARISH USED CLOTHING DONATIONS!**

Can you believe that during calendar year 2023, we collected just over **22 TONS** of clothing/textiles at our Used Clothing drop-off shed? Wow, that is a lot! We receive money from the company that collects the clothing based on the weight of the acceptable donations. In 2023, Sacred Heart parish earned **\$3,544** from these donations, slightly lower than 2022.

The proceeds from our clothing bin continue as a steady source of income and are used to offset our monthly operating expenses/bills. Please make sure you continue to drop off only acceptable items. If you have any questions about what is acceptable, please refer to the bulletin list or call the parish office. Also be advised that if you or someone you know are in need of used clothing, you should not take items out of the shed. Please call the office if you are in need.

**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. **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 were printed and sent last week to those who requested one. Please call the office if you have not received yours.**

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.

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY—February 11th  
MARRIAGE PRAYER**

*Lord help us to remember when we first met and the strong love that grew between us.  
Help us love in practical ways so that nothing can divide us.  
May our words be kind and our thoughts gracious.  
May we remain humble enough to ask for forgiveness and wise enough to freely give it.  
Dear Lord, we put our marriage into your hands. Amen*

**WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING**

The meeting of the Sacred Heart Women's Guild will be held on Monday, **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.

**FOOD BANK**

The food in the Food Bank bins is donated to St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank and the Bath Area Food bank at St. John's Lutheran Church on a rotating basis. Non-perishables or monetary donations are greatly needed. The next food distribution is **February 13th from 9:30-11 am and from 6-6:30 pm** at St. John's Lutheran Church in Bath. **Volunteers are needed on Friday, February 9th beginning at 9:00 am** to help pack the groceries for Tuesday pick up. Volunteers are now needed on the Friday before distribution. Access is at the rear of the church; food will be brought to you. Thank you for your donations!

**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).**







**ST. MARY'S CHURCH**  
**122 Union Street, Catasauqua**



St. Mary's is holding an  
**Ash Wednesday**  
**BAKED ZITI DINNER GRAB N' GO**

Choose from either cheese ziti or  
 cheese and veggie ziti.  
 Individual meals will be cold, in a foil tray  
 ready for your oven.  
 Entrees come with a side salad with your  
 choice of dressing:  
 Ranch, Creamy Caesar, or Golden Italian.

**Individual Cheese Ziti is \$12.**  
**Individual Cheese & Veggie Ziti is \$13.00.**

Orders and payment are due no later than  
**Sunday, February 11th, and**  
 may be picked up following Ash Wednesday Services  
 at 8:00 AM, Noon, and 7:00 PM  
 (3:00 to 5:00 PM pick-up also available).

Please email orders (specifying preferences and  
 quantity) to [kim.stmarys122@gmail.com](mailto:kim.stmarys122@gmail.com) or  
 call 610-264-0332 with any questions.

**SAINT THERESA CHURCH, HELLERTOWN**  
**St. Monica Ministry Holy Hour of Petition and Hope**


**Will take place at St. Theresa Church, Hellertown.**  
**Beginning at 6:00pm on Tuesday, February 13.**

Rev. Stephan Isaac, Parochial Vicar at St. Catharine of  
 Siena, Allentown, will lead us in prayer for our fallen-  
 away loved ones.

All are warmly invited, and no registration is required.  
 A St. Monica Ministry meeting and book discussion will  
 take place in the parish hall immediately following the  
 Holy Hour.

**All are welcome to attend the meeting; it is not  
 necessary for one to have read the book beforehand.**

For more information,  
 please email [StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com](mailto:StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com)



**MEN'S LENTEN  
 MORNING RETREAT**  
**ST. JANE DE CHANTAL CHURCH**  
**4049 Hartley Ave., Easton, PA**  
**March 2nd at 9:00 AM**

The Allentown Diocese's Men's Commission  
 invites the men in the Diocese to attend  
 their Lenten morning retreat.  
 This year, the theme is "Brothers In Prayer."  
 The retreat will feature Bishop Alfred Schlert, Father Alex  
 Brown, and Father Keith Laskowski.  
 The morning will include Mass, talks, and confession.  
 Register at: [www.MenAliveInChrist.org/events](http://www.MenAliveInChrist.org/events)



**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.

**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)



**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.**

**PARISH INFORMATION**

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**WELCOME**

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

**SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

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

**GODPARENT/SPONSOR ELIGIBILITY FORMS**

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

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

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

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

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

**COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND**

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

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

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

**CONSOLATION MINISTRY**

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

**PARISH MEMORIALS**

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

**VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR**

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

**Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator,**

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

**Secretary for Youth Protection**

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

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at [www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 800-276-1562.

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