

*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.*

i will lay down  
**MY LIFE**  
for the sheep

JOHN 10:15



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*FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER*  
*APRIL 21, 2024*

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**CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE:** Telephone: 1-800-276-4562 [www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org)

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- Saturday, 4th Sunday of Easter (anticipated)**  
**April 20** Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18  
 5:00 PM Antoinette Kelly  
*r/b Husband and Family*
- Sunday, 4th Sunday of Easter**  
**April 21** Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18  
 7:00 AM Catharine Lauber  
*r/b Anne LaBar*  
 9:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart  
 11:00 AM Evans and Lecoskey Families  
*r/b Evans Family*
- Monday, Easter Weekday**  
**April 22** Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10  
 8:00 AM Benedetta Mirabito  
*r/b Holub Family*
- Tuesday, Saint Adalbert, Bishop**  
**April 23** Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30  
 8:00 AM Jeanette and Frank Dorner  
*r/b son, Jason*
- Wednesday, Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest**  
**April 24** Acts 12:24-13:5a/Jn 12:44-50  
 8:00 AM Jean and Roman Pietrzak  
*r/b Ken and MaryJane Pietrzak*
- Thursday, Saint Mark, Evangelist**  
**April 25** 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20  
 8:00 AM Deceased parents and siblings  
 of Ruszin Family  
*r/b Marie*
- Friday, Easter Weekday**  
**April 26** Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6  
 8:00 AM Jean and Mike Schmalzer (living)  
 (50th Wedding Anniversary)  
*r/b Family*
- Saturday, 5th Sunday of Easter (anticipated)**  
**April 27** Acts 9:26-31/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8  
 5:00 PM Nye Family  
*r/b Jean and Melina Nye*
- Sunday, 5th Sunday of Easter**  
**April 28** Acts 9:26-31/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8  
 7:00 AM Andrew Donello  
*r/b Anthony and Betsy Kovalovsky*  
 9:00 AM Kenneth Haldaman  
*r/b 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 7:00-8:00 pm  
**Monday through Friday mornings**  
 7:30 – 7:50 am  
 Anytime upon reasonable request



**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLES**

are burning from  
 April 19 through April 25  
 for the repose of the souls of



**Ann and John Stampfel**  
*r/b Pat Kohler*

**SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES**

are burning from  
 April 19 through April 25  
 for the repose of the soul of



**Joseph Marasco**  
*r/b Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bem*

**THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES**

are burning from  
 April 19 through April 25  
 for the repose of the souls of



**Deceased parents and siblings of  
 Ruszin Family**  
*r/b Marie*



**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**

is burning from  
 April 19 through April 25  
 for the repose of the soul of

**Christopher Hunsberger**  
*r/b Aunt Mary*

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Roles\*

<p><b>4/27 -4/28</b>                  5:00 PM                  7:00 AM                  9:00 AM                  11:00 AM</p>	<p><b>Lectors</b>                  Christina Gehringer                  William Doncsecz                  Beth Skinner                  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                  --                  --                  --</p>
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**MARCH 2024**  
**SACRED HEART**  
**MEMORIAL FUND**  
**DONATIONS**

**In Memory of Donald Solomon**

- Francis and Mary Cerino
- Janice and Michael Fetchko
- Jay H. Gilbert and Family
- Greg and Linda Heffner
- John and Jennifer Maruscak & Family
- Curt and Carol Morgan
- Richard and Mary Ann Regits
- Donna Richie
- Jerome M. Sefcik
- Eugene Smicker
- Stephen and Donna Smicker
- Adam Stahler
- Ginny, Adam, Travis, and Heather Stahler
- Michele Still
- Carol Szoke

**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.**



**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!**



**SACRED HEART PARISH FUNDRAISER**  
**Contribute Your Time and Talents!**

We are gearing up for our parish's single largest Fundraiser....our **Annual Picnic!** We are always looking for new ways to solicit businesses and individuals for donations, especially those beyond our already generous parishioner base. If you have time, talent or ideas, please share with the Picnic Committee. Becoming involved in the Picnic planning is a great way to meet parishioners, have fun and help support Sacred Heart Parish.

**Call the parish office at 610-837-7874 to find out more or to offer your help.**

**Thank you!**

**\$\$ MAY LOTTERY CALENDARS \$\$**

**BIGGER CASH WINNERS**  
**CHANCES UP TO (\$500.00)**

**Opportunity To Be A Spring Winner**  
**\$10.00 each or Buy 3 for \$25.00**

**Take a chance to win from \$50 up to \$500 on our May Lottery Calendar!**

If you are feeling lucky, fill out the return portion with a check or cash to the parish offices, collection basket or by mail before April 30th. Extra calendars are available in parish offices and church vestibule. This is a fun way to help support our parish.



**Guess What? We had a \$100.00 winner in our March lottery calendar.**  
**Congratulations to this lucky participant !!!!**  
**YOU CAN BE THE NEXT ONE TO WIN!!!!**



**BAKE SALE - THIS WEEKEND!**

**Women's Guild Bake Sale**  
 Saturday, April 20th and  
 Sunday, April 21st



**in the ramp area before and after all Masses.**  
**Thank you to all who bake and those who support the Women's Guild!**

**LAY DOMINICAN LIBRARY**  
*will be OPEN*

**April 21st, May 5th and 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 or 610-349-7734.



**DOMINICAN CHAPTER MEETING**

The Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic meeting will be held on Saturday, **April 27th from 8 am to 12 pm (noon)** in the Fr. Post Room, Burkhart Building

**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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**UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:**

**Monday, April 22 – Monthly Planning Meeting  
7:00pm Burkhart Building & Zoom**

**Tuesday, April 23 – Volunteer Opportunity – Iron Pigs  
4:30pm to 9:30pm Coca Cola Park**

**Sunday, May 5 – KofC Exemplification at 12:30pm Sacred Heart of Jesus Church**

**Monday, May 13 – Membership Meeting  
7:00pm Rosary, 7:30pm Meeting Burkhart Building & Zoom**

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**The Iron Pigs Baseball Season is upon us. Our Council, along with other non-profit organizations, will be volunteering at the Food/Drink Stands for four games over the course of the season; our Council will receive \$12.00 for each hour volunteered. Last year members of our Council worked three games, the proceeds of which benefited our charitable causes AND a good time was had by all! The first opportunity is THIS TUESDAY April 23. Please contact Brother Bud Schuster at [bud328@msn.com](mailto:bud328@msn.com) or (610) 390-8429 for information and to sign up to work.**

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**Did You Know: Keeping in the baseball frame of mind, we announce our 2024 Council's Outing to Yankee Stadium on Thursday August 22. Please see the article below in today's Bulletin for information on joining us at this event.**

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**For additional information about joining our Council; the activities we foster and the sharing of fellowship with millions of Brother Knights; go to [www.KofC14464.org](http://www.KofC14464.org) or contact our Grand Knight, Brother Paul Bunting at [pwbunting@gmail.com](mailto:pwbunting@gmail.com) for details.**



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
ANNUAL TRIP TO YANKEE STADIUM  
Thursday, August 22, 2024**

The 2024 Baseball Season has begun, and the Knights celebrate this rite of Spring with the announcement of their Annual Trip to Yankee Stadium.

The game against the Yankees vs Cleveland Guardians has a 1:05 pm start.

The tickets are located in Section 234 on the Second Deck, which in case of rain, is under cover.

Our Easton Coach bus departs from Sacred Heart Church at 9:00am, with a direct return immediately following the game.

**Cost per person is \$117.00** which includes the bus, ticket to the game and refreshments provided by our Council.

Tickets are already being sold to prior attendees, so book your seat soon!

Reservations are available by contacting Brother Bud Schuster at [bud328@msn.com](mailto:bud328@msn.com) or (610) 390-8429.



**SAVE THE DATE!  
SHC ANNUAL PICNIC 2024  
IS COMING SOON!**

Summer fun is just around the corner!

Mark your calendars for Friday, July 12 and Saturday, July 13 (and select activities on Sunday, July 14)

There will be LIVE BANDS, food trucks, as well as some of your favorite traditional foods on Friday and Saturday!

Bring the kids to enjoy family fun and games!

Just like last year, our popular Yard Sale and Tricky Tray Basket auction will also be held picnic weekend.

Stay tuned for more details and chances to volunteer in the upcoming bulletins and online. Can't wait to see all of you soon!

**COME JOIN IN THE SUMMER FUN!!!!**



**BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL**

The 2024 **Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal** is underway! Our parish support is a vital part of this Diocesan-wide effort to serve children and families in our own community and throughout the Diocese of Allentown.

Donate today at  
[www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org](http://www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org).  
 Thank you!

**BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN**

**Daily Masses with Bishop Schlert**



**Thursday, April 25**

**Sacred Heart, Palmerton—8:30 am**

**Wednesday, May 22**

**St. Joseph the Worker, Orefield - 8:30 am**

**Monday, September 9**

**Our Lady of Mercy, Easton - 8:00 am**

**Thursday, September 12**

**Holy Guardian Angels, Reading - 8:00 am**

**Monday, September 16**

**St. Teresa of Calcutta, Mahanoy City - 6:00 pm**



**SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST**

**Feast Day April 25th**

*St. Mark was a missionary with Paul and Barnabas, who was Mark's relative. Mark journeyed with both Barnabas and Paul on their first missionary trip, which was to Antioch in present-day Turkey. However, Mark left them when they arrived at Pamphylia and returned alone to Jerusalem.*

*As Paul and Barnabas prepared to set out on their second missionary journey, Barnabas lobbied Paul to give Mark another chance due to Mark's earlier departure from their first mission. However, Paul refused to allow Mark to rejoin them. This drove a wedge between them and they separated. Barnabas sailed to Cyprus with Mark and Paul traveled with Silas to Syria and Cilicia. This disagreement with Paul did not last and the Scripture suggests Mark remained a valuable associate of Paul and he specifically asks for Mark when he is in prison in Rome.*

*The New Testament also implies that Mark had a close friendship with Peter. In a passage from the Book of Acts, we learn that Peter immediately visited the house of Mark's mother in Jerusalem upon escaping prison. Scripture also suggests that Mark was a companion, disciple and interpreter for Peter. In fact, Peter even refers to greetings from "as does Mark, my son" (1 Peter 5:13).*

*His Gospel was written for Roman Gentile converts. Perhaps for this reason, Mark rarely quotes the Old Testament and takes special care to explain Jewish customs, rites and words. While it presents the life of Christ chronologically, Mark goes to great pains to highlight the emotions and feelings of both Christ and those who hear him.*



**SACRED HEART PARISH**

**Donated Gift**



**"Luisa Piccarreta and the Divine Will—Teachings of Jesus"**

**Two anonymous parishioner families wanted to donate a copy of this book to all parishioners of Sacred Heart of Jesus.**

**Pick up your copy from the table in the ramp vestibule entrance.**

**Enjoy reading it!**

**MEN'S RETREAT GROUP**

**MALVERN RETREAT HOUSE**

The Mid-May Group will be celebrating its 102nd consecutive retreat at St. Joseph's-in-the-Hills, the Malvern Retreat House, which may be the longest-sustained retreat group in the US. Mid-May will be celebrating our weekend with a group from the Diocese of Wilmington, Delaware: the Archbishop Fitzmaurice Group, which also has been together for over 80 years.

**Our retreat weekend event is May 17th – 19th, 2024 (Pentecost weekend). The retreat is open to the men of the diocese, along with their sons, grandsons, brothers, cousins, and friends.**

Contact John Graham: [jgraham9008@outlook.com](mailto:jgraham9008@outlook.com)

Here are some of the retreat weekend highlights:

- Friday night Concelebrated Mass, led by the **Most Reverend William Koenig**, Bishop of Wilmington, along with **Rev. Msgr. Steven Hurley**—Vicar General for the Bishop, and our Retreat Director, the **Rev. Douglas McKay**—Rector of Malvern Retreat House;
- Friday's Mass will also feature a **Fourth Degree Color Corp**;
- Three-time Grammy nominee **Marty Rotella** leads our Music Ministry;
- Saturday Guest Speaker TBA; and
- The new Shrine for Blessed Carlos Acutis has been completed in Lower McShain (Blessed Carlos' cause is ongoing)
- The familiar list of **Spiritual Exercises**, with outdoor Stations of the Cross, Rosary Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Grotto, Reconciliation Services, Private Adorations, and daily Mass.



**BULLETIN PUBLICATION**

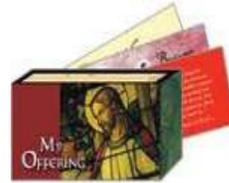
**Please deliver your bulletin announcements to the parish office or send an email to [bulletin@sacredheartbath.org](mailto:bulletin@sacredheartbath.org) by noon on Friday nine days prior to the publication of the bulletin.**

**Your Stewardship Report - April 7**

First Collection	\$10,458	<i>Other collections - from envelopes dated other than April 7</i>
Parish Improvement	\$1,798	
Other Collections	\$2,050	
Other	\$56	
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$14,362</b>	<i>Other - donations, candles, etc.</i>

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

**Next Week's Collections - April 28**



**First**  
Sunday Collection

**Second**  
Mother's Day Remembrance



**PLEASE PRAY FOR  
THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF  
John S. Polzer,  
brother of Patty Peapos  
of Sacred Heart Parish**

**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!



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION  
THURSDAY, April 25th  
8:30 am—9:00 pm in Church  
Confession: 7:00 pm—8:00 pm**

**PRO-LIFE CORNER**

A recent Supreme court decision to let the abortion pill, that allows Mifepristone to continue to be mailed to women wanting to use it for an abortion stay legal, was very disappointing. A follow-up article in the National Right to Life newsletter pointed out that the court did not take into account the testimony of pro-life doctors who have experienced some of the results of these self-medicated abortions.

Many of these women, the statistics would indicate 3% to 5%, end up in the emergency room with mostly severe bleeding complications. Many of them need surgery to complete the abortion, (which almost forces pro-life doctors to take part in this "procedure," even if it is against their consciences). Others come to the ER with symptoms of retaining certain parts of the aborted baby or the placenta, which again may require surgery.

This is a very disappointing conclusion by the Supreme Court to the pro-life movement. In addition to being what would seem to be a very poor medical decision for the women who are being sold on the "safety" of the abortion pill. Especially in that being pregnant is not a disease. Incidentally, the cost of the abortion pills on average is above \$500 without insurance coverage. Always follow the money trail.

-- Deacon Lewis Ferris

**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 for all candle types. Call or visit the office to schedule. A Mass will be said for all the memorialized intentions.

**BIBLE STUDY—OPEN TO ALL  
BURKHART BUILDING  
SATURDAY'S 10:00 AM—11:30 AM  
May 4th & 18th**



We will start the study of "The Revelation to Saint John." We use Dr. Scott Hahn's "Ignatius Catholic Study Bible RSV" as our guide. Our meetings are casual, and your participation is strictly voluntary. Our goal is to grow in the knowledge of the Word of God, apply it to our lives, and grow in relationship to one another, while having fun at the same time.

Any questions, email Deacon Lewis Ferris  
at: [lferris\\_2000@yahoo.com](mailto:lferris_2000@yahoo.com)  
All are welcome!

**SACRED HEART PARISH GIFT CARD PROGRAM**

**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, ShopRite**

**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!!!**

**For full list of available gift cards for ordering go to:**

**[www.sacredheartbath.org](http://www.sacredheartbath.org)**



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

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

**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 a bridal registry? Just stop in and we can order that special gift card!**

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



**EUCCHARISTIC PREACHER**

**Holy Guardian Angels Parish**  
**3121 Kutztown Rd, Reading, PA 19605**  
**April 28th and 29th**

**Eucharistic Preacher, Fr. Patrick Baikauskas**

Join us for a special Diocesan event, featuring Fr. Patrick Baikauskas, who is an Eucharistic Preacher. He is a Dominican Friar and Director of the Center for Community Engagement and Evangelization at the Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis, MO.

**He will be speaking on the Eucharist as "A Mystery to be Believed, Celebrated, & Lived."**

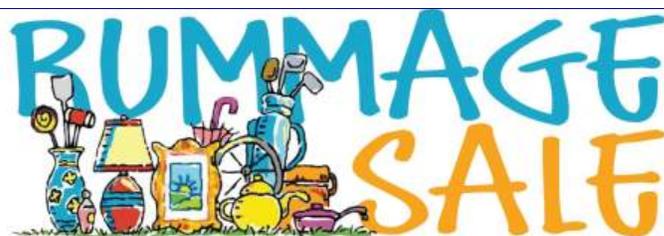
During his visit to the Lehigh Valley, Fr. Baikauskas will be at Holy Guardian Angels on **April 28th from 6:30-8pm.**

**This event is for teens. Register for teen event here: [allentowndiocese.flocknote.com/signup/157772](http://allentowndiocese.flocknote.com/signup/157772)**

**The second event will take place on April 29th from 6-8pm, also at Holy Guardian Angels.**

This event is for the general public. Each event will have adoration before Fr. Baikauskas' presentation.

**Register for event here: [allentowndiocese.flocknote.com/signup/157078](http://allentowndiocese.flocknote.com/signup/157078)**



**RUMMAGE SALE**

**Holy Family Parish Center**  
**508 W. Center Street, Nazareth**  
**Fri.-Sun., April 26, 27, 28. 8AM-2PM.**  
**Large variety of items.**  
**Something for everyone!**

**ST. JOHN'S FLOWER POWER DANCE**

**St. John the Baptist Church Social Hall**  
**924 N. Front Street Allentown PA 18102**  
**Saturday May 4, 2024**

**WE'RE BACK AND BETTER THAN EVER!!!!!!!**



**Oldies Dance**

**Featuring CHASBAND**

**\$5.00 per person – BYOB – Kitchen Open**  
**Dance from 7:00 – 10:00 – Doors open 6:30**  
**Questions Call Bill Drost 610-432-3505**



**ADULT CONFIRMATION AT THE CATHEDRAL ON PENTECOST SUNDAY**

**Bishop Schlert will celebrate the 11:30 A.M. Mass on Pentecost Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, Allentown**

**The Bishop will confirm adults of our Diocese at this Mass. Those to be confirmed are adults who were baptized in the Roman Catholic Church, received their First Holy Communion, are catechized, but never confirmed.**

**Please contact the parish office with any questions or to discuss registration details.**



**MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR HOMESCHOOLING COMMUNITY**

**Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, Allentown, PA**

**Wednesday, May 22, 2024 at 6:30 PM**

**All homeschooling families are invited to an end of the year Mass of Thanksgiving for the Homeschooling Community with Bishop Schlert.**

**Mass will feature a special blessing for those graduating High School. A reception with light refreshments will follow in the lower level.**

**Registration required by May 5.**

**Register: [allentowndiocese.flocknote.com/signup/152553](http://allentowndiocese.flocknote.com/signup/152553)**

**Questions? Contact Kristin Osenbach, [kosenbach@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:kosenbach@allentowndiocese.org)**



**HOLY FAMILY SENIOR LIVING GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**The 20th Annual Golf Tournament will be held on**

**Friday, June 14th, 2024 at the Southmoore Golf Club at 8am.**

**To register go to [www.holyfamilysl.org/golf](http://www.holyfamilysl.org/golf).**  
**For more information or questions please contact Michele Millikin at [mmullikin@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:mmullikin@allentowndiocese.org) or 610-871-5200 ext. 2282**

**JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY**  
**Tuesday, March 25 - Saturday, April 3 2025**  
**Pilgrimage to Italy with Bishop Schlert**

**Reservations are now open for the Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Italy with Bishop Schlert & Father Hoffa. The first Diocese of Allentown International Pilgrimage will "Follow the Footsteps of Saints Peter and Paul" through Florence, Assisi, and Rome.**

**To sign up for the Jubilee Year Pilgrimage, please contact Father Allen Hoffa directly at [ahoffa@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:ahoffa@allentowndiocese.org) or 610-921-2729, ext. 2205.**



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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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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  
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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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