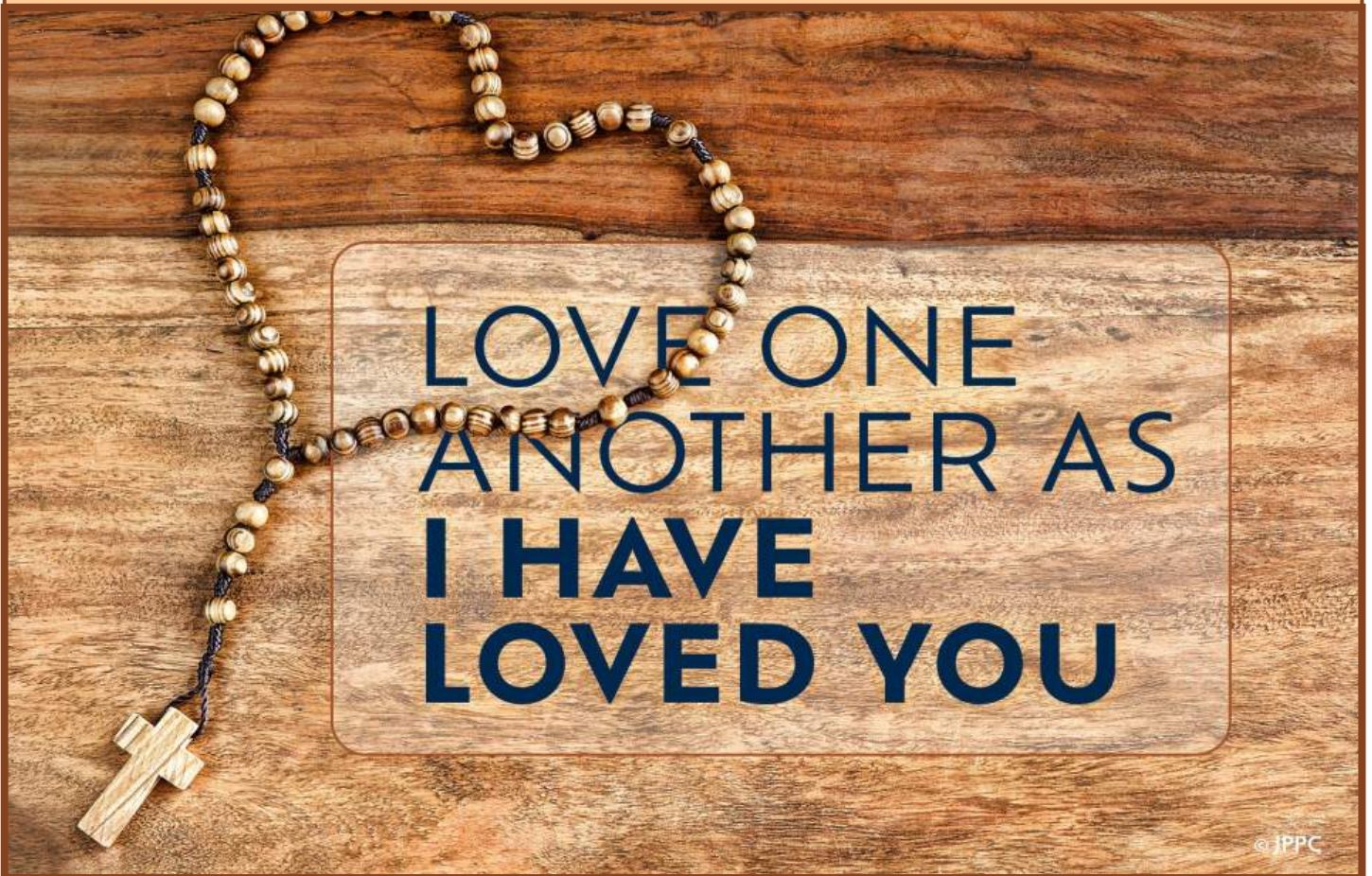


*SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH*  
*117 Washington Street*  
*Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1524*

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.*



*SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER*  
*MAY 5, 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, 6th Sunday of Easter (anticipated)**  
**May 4** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/1 Jn 4:7-10/  
 Jn 15:9-17  
 5:00 PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

**Sunday, 6th Sunday of Easter**  
**May 5** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/1 Jn 4:7-10/  
 Jn 15:9-17  
 7:00 AM Daniel David Kelly (4th anniversary of death)  
*r/b Deborah A. Kelly*  
 9:00 AM Kenneth Mills  
*r/b Anna Mills and family*  
 11:00 AM Daniel and Jean M. Barracato  
*r/b Barracato Family*

**Monday, Easter Weekday**  
**May 6** Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26-16:4a  
 8:00 AM Mildred Pichler  
*r/b daughter and family*

**Tuesday, Easter Weekday**  
**May 7** Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11  
 8:00 AM Louis Zenz (anniversary of death)  
*r/b Kathy, Bobby, and Rosemary*

**Wednesday, Easter Weekday**  
**May 8** Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15  
 8:00 AM James Dotterer  
*r/b sister, Donna Ott*

**Wednesday, Ascension of the Lord (anticipated)**  
**May 8** Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or  
 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20  
 7:00 PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

**Thursday, Ascension of the Lord**  
**May 9** Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or  
 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20  
 8:00 AM Bishop Edward Cullen  
 (1 year anniversary of death)  
 4:30 PM Clare Ritz  
*r/b Thomas and Pina Weber*

**Friday, Saint John of Avila, Priest**  
**May 10** Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23  
 8:00 AM Benefactors of Sacred Heart

**Saturday, 7th Sunday of Easter (anticipated)**  
**May 11** Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/1Jn 4:11-16/  
 Jn 17:11b-19  
 5:00 PM Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gonella (living)  
*r/b Gonella Family*

**Sunday, 7th Sunday of Easter**  
**May 12** Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/1Jn 4:11-16/  
 Jn 17:11b-19  
 7:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart  
 9:00 AM Deceased brothers and sisters  
*r/b Ruth Nafus*  
 11:00 AM Stephen Milisits  
*r/b daughters*

**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  
 May 3 through May 9  
 for the repose of the soul of



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

**SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES**

are burning from  
 May 3 through May 9  
 for the repose of the soul of



**Bill Hayes**  
*r/b Paul Hayes*

**A SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLE**

is burning from  
 May 3 through May 9  
 for the repose of the soul of




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



NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Roles\*

<p><b>5/11 -5/12</b>                  5:00 PM                  7:00 AM                  9:00 AM                  11:00 AM</p>	<p><b>Lectors</b>                  William Doncsez                  Alfred Krantz                  Frank Molchan                  Deb Hayes</p>	<p><b>Deacons/EMHCs</b>                  Deacon Edward Saukulak                  Deacon Lewis Ferris                  Deacon Lewis Ferris                  Deacon Edward Saukulak</p>	<p><b>Altar Servers</b>                  Peter Vallance                  --                  Daniel Holub                  John Vallance</p>
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**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**  
 is burning from  
 May 3 through May 9  
 for the repose of the souls of  
**Daniel and Jean M. Barracato**  
*r/b DeVirgilio Family*





**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>



**PLEASE PRAY FOR**  
**THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF**  
**Frances Butler Hickert**  
 formerly of  
**Sacred Heart Parish**




**There will be NO**  
**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
 on Thursday, May 9th  
 due to the  
**Ascension of the Lord Holy Day**

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR**  
 for the week of  
**May 3rd through May 9th**  
**Dale and Dolla Schrey**  
*in honor of their*  
**50th Wedding Anniversary**



**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.

**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!**

**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!!!!**



*Church Picnic*  
 FOOD, FRIENDS, & FUN




**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!**

**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 **May 14 from 9:30-11 am and from 6-6:30 pm** at St. John's Lutheran Church in Bath. Volunteers are needed on **Friday, May 10 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!**

**CLOTHING SHED**

**USED CLOTHING DROP-OFF - OPEN 24-7**  
 Sacred Heart Church upper parking lot  
 Proceeds to Sacred Heart Church  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

The clothing is sent to people in need both in the US and in third world countries.

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ARTICLES OUTSIDE THE BIN. THANK YOU!**


**ACCEPTABLE ITEMS**

Belts	Blankets	Clothing	Drapes	Purses
Sheets	Shoes	Sneakers	Stuffed Animals	

**UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS**

Fabric Scraps	Household goods	Rags	Toys
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**SACRED HEART PARISH**  
**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!**



**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.







**UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:**

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

**Sunday, May 12 – MOTHER'S DAY (DON'T FORGET!!!)**

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

**Monday, May 20 – Monthly Planning Meeting at 7:00pm Burkhart Building & Zoom**

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**A monthly reflection from Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori “As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and remain in his love...This is my commandment: Love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.” (Jn 15:9-10, 12-13)**


Christ tells us we will remain in his love if we keep his commandments. Saying you love someone can be easy, but it is really our deeds that reveal our love, or lack of it. Christ showed us how to love by his example and by sacrificing his very life for us. To love as Christ commands us to love demands action. **The Letter of James says, “be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves” (1:22).** May each of us commit to keeping the commandments and offering our very selves in service and sacrifice for others.

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**Did You Know: Our Holy Father's Monthly Prayer Intention, “We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.”**

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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**.

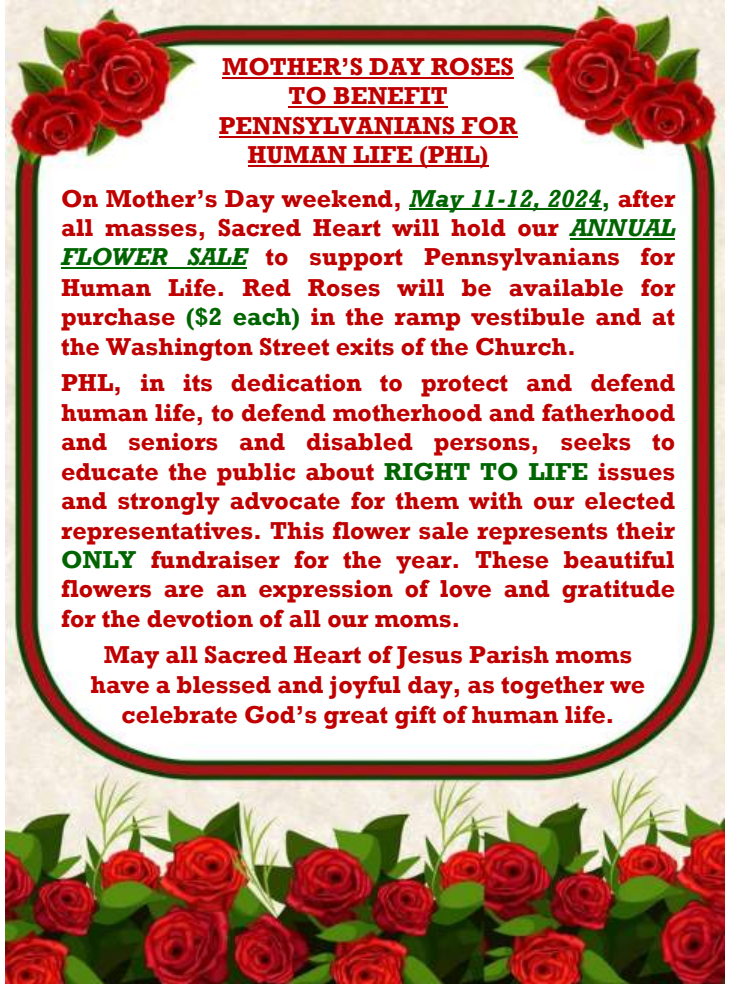
The tickets are located in Section 234 on the Second Deck, which in case of rain, is under cover.

Our Easton Coach bus departs from Sacred Heart Church at 9:00 am, 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.



**MOTHER'S DAY ROSES  
TO BENEFIT  
PENNSYLVANIANS FOR  
HUMAN LIFE (PHL)**

On Mother's Day weekend, **May 11-12, 2024**, after all masses, Sacred Heart will hold our **ANNUAL FLOWER SALE** to support Pennsylvanians for Human Life. Red Roses will be available for purchase (**\$2 each**) in the ramp vestibule and at the Washington Street exits of the Church.

PHL, in its dedication to protect and defend human life, to defend motherhood and fatherhood and seniors and disabled persons, seeks to educate the public about **RIGHT TO LIFE** issues and strongly advocate for them with our elected representatives. This flower sale represents their **ONLY** fundraiser for the year. These beautiful flowers are an expression of love and gratitude for the devotion of all our moms.

May all Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish moms have a blessed and joyful day, as together we celebrate God's great gift of human life.



**SACRED HEART PARISH**  
**FIRST RECONCILIATION AND**  
**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**  
 Please keep our second grade parishioners in your prayers as they prepare to receive First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

First Reconciliation will be on Thursday, May 9th at 5:45 pm and

First Holy Communion will be on Saturday, May 11th at 10:00 am

Our prayers and blessings are with all who are receiving these sacraments this year!

**GOD BLESS!!**



**MARY**  
**MAY CROWNING**  
**SUNDAY, MAY 12TH**  
 AT THE  
 9:00 AM MASS



**MONTH OF MAY**  
**HOLY BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**  
 In this month we honor Mary, the Mother of God. The Lay Dominicans will lead the rosary before all Masses in May.

**PRAYER TO MARY**  
 Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen.


Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed are thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.



**SACRED HEART PARISH WOMEN'S GUILD**  
**"LIVING ROSARY"**  
**Monday, May 13th at 6:00PM**


The Women's Guild will be hosting a Living Rosary for the women of our parish and sodalities from four other parishes in the church followed by a social / dinner in the auditorium. All women of the parish are invited to join us in honoring Our Blessed Mother, Mary.

If you have any questions, please contact Colette Mitch at 610-762-5067.



**LAY DOMINICAN LIBRARY**  
*will be OPEN*  
**May 5th (today!) and May 19th**  
**June 2nd and 16th**  
**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.



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

All are welcome!



**Your Stewardship Report - April 21**

<b>First Collection</b>	\$6,798	<i>Other collections - from envelopes dated other than <b>April 21</b></i>
<b>Other Collections</b>	\$380	
<b>Other</b>	\$30	
<b>Total Collections</b>	\$7,208	<i>Other - donations, candles, etc.</i>

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

**Next Week's Collections - May 12**



**First**  
Sunday Collection

**Second**  
None



**BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL**

The 2024 **Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal** is underway! Many thanks to those who have already made a commitment to the Appeal. The participation of all our parish families makes it possible to serve those in need. Remember every gift counts, no matter how big or small.  
[www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org](http://www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org)  
Thank you!

**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!

**PRO-LIFE CORNER**

Many of you know that I had an overnight conversion, or re-conversion, in my late 20's. I was a pretty active agnostic up to that point. I did get an article on my conversion published in the November, 1977 issue of New Covenant magazine (the most popular Catholic Charismatic publication at the time.) I would be glad to email you a copy if you would like to read it. Just email me: [lferris\\_2000@yahoo.com](mailto:lferris_2000@yahoo.com)

However, before my conversion, I had my mind changed about the abortion issue, from pro to against, after the birth of our second child in 1972. It was simply a matter of observing the undeniable fact that my child was in fact a child the moment it was born. I did need a supernatural revelation to bring me back to Christ, but I did not need a supernatural revelation to figure out that it is wrong to kill a baby in the womb. To quote Horton the Elephant; "A person is a person no matter how small."

-- Deacon Lewis Ferris



**ASCENSION OF THE LORD**  
**Feast Day—May 9th**

Though every aspect of Christ's life is shrouded in mysteries which will only be fully understood by the faithful when they stand before Him and behold the Beatific Vision, today we especially ponder this beautiful and profound mystery of our faith. As we celebrate the Ascension, try to prayerfully meditate upon the perfect unity of Jesus' human and divine natures. Ponder further the truth that because the Son of God is both God and man, and He beholds His Father and the Holy Spirit as both God and man, He invites each of us to begin to share in that glorious vision. Only after we fully die in and with Him and rise to new life in and with Him will we be able to know Him clearly and share in His glorious resurrected and ascended life. Until that moment comes, it's important to ponder that which is incomprehensible. We must know that we do not know, believe what is beyond belief, hope in that which is more than we can understand. God is a mystery; the Ascension is a mystery—but they are mysteries that must be penetrated by prayer. Do so today as we commemorate this holy culmination of the earthly life and mission of Christ.

*Prayer: My Ascended Lord, forty days after You rose from the dead You ascended to the right hand of the Father in Heaven, taking up Your throne from which You pour forth both judgment and mercy. As we honor this great mystery of Your divine and human life, I beg for mercy upon me and upon the whole world. Free us from all sin, and open the floodgates of Your mercy so that all people will share one day, body and soul, in the glory of Your Beatific Vision. Jesus, I trust in You. Amen*

**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!**







**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.**

**MINI-RETREAT**

**SAINT FRANCIS RETREAT HOUSE**

3918 Chipman Rd., Easton, Pa

**Monday Mini-Retreat on May 20th**

*"Synod Listening Sessions: What We Learned" will be the focus of the presentation by Carol Swavely and Joan Hilstolsky at St. Francis Retreat House's (Easton).*

Dinner begins at 6:00 pm followed by the talk from 7:00 to 9:00 pm.

Register at [stfrancisretreathouse.org](http://stfrancisretreathouse.org) (click event tab, then mini-retreats)

Onsite participant's donation is \$40 (registration closes on May 10)  
virtual is \$25 (registration closes on May 15)

**PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF FATIMA  
PARISH VISITATION**

**MAY 27, 2023**

**10 AM-6 PM**

**ST. URSULA'S  
PARISH**

**1300 BROADWAY  
FOUNTAIN HILL**

Contact: 610-867-5122

See full tour schedule at:  
[fatimatourforpeace.com/tours/](http://fatimatourforpeace.com/tours/)



WORLD AMBASSADORS OF FATIMA USA  
Our Lady's Blue Cross



**BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN**

**Daily Masses with Bishop Schlert**

**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**



DIocese of  
**ALLENTOWN**

**WEEKEND RETREAT**

**SAINT FRANCIS RETREAT HOUSE**

3918 Chipman Rd., Easton, Pa

**June 7th and 9th**

**A Heart of Compassion:**

**A Weekend Retreat will be held at  
St. Francis Retreat House, Easton.**

**Journey with Boundless Compassion  
facilitators**

**Joan Doherty, Sr. Meg Cole SSJ,  
and Peg Choinski**

**as they explore various aspects of compassion.**

**Register at [stfrancisretreathouse.org](http://stfrancisretreathouse.org) or  
call 610-258-3053 x0 for more information.**

**STRIDES FOR MOMS**



**5k Walk/Run June 8, 2024**

**Notre Dame High School, Easton, PA**

**To Support**

**Walking With Moms in Need**

**&**

**Our Lady's Helpers**

**To register online:**

**<https://runsignup.com/stridesformoms>**

**Or Register**



**Any questions: [stridesformoms@gmail.com](mailto:stridesformoms@gmail.com)**

**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,  
 Ext. 2204, prusso@allentowndiocese.org

To learn more about the **Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct**, visit [www.allentowndiocese.org](http://www.allentowndiocese.org) and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner.

**COURAGE – Diocesan Help Line:** Father Ezaki at 610-573-7150 or Deacon Christopher May at 484-602-9400.

**CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE**

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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