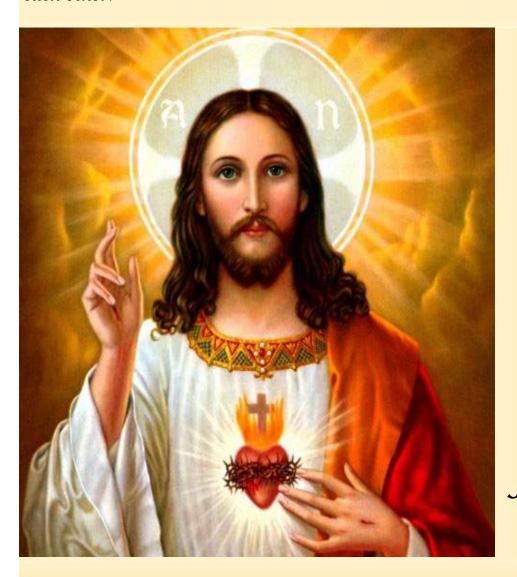
SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH 117 Washington Street Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1524

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.



THE MOST

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OF

JESUS

JUNE 9, 2024

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (anticipated)

June 8 Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn

19:31-37

5:00 PM Stephen Gasper

r/b Joe and Marie Herschman

Sunday, Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

June 9 Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn

19:31-37

7:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

9:00 AM Phil Dunbar

r/b John Dunbar

11:00 AM Oliver Klitsch

r/b John Hricko and Family

Monday, Weekday

June 10 1 Kgs 17:1-6/Mt 5:1-12

8:00 AM Francesco and Angela DeSimone

r/b Pina and Tom Weber

Tuesday, Saint Barnabas, Apostle

June 11 Acts 11:21b-26; 12:1-3/Mt 5:13-16

8:00 AM Father Charles Marciano

(anniversary of death)

Wednesday, Weekday

June 12 1 Kgs 18:20-39/Mt 5:17-19

8:00 AM Gregory Ulecka

r/b Nicole Adams and Anthony Ulecka

Thursday, Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest

June 13 1 Kgs 18:41-46/Mt 5:20-26

8:00 AM Nicholas and Yolanda Parillo

r/b Ken and MaryJane Pietrzak

Friday, Weekday

June 14 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Mt 5:27-32

8:00 AM Benefactors of Sacred Heart

Saturday, 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)

June 15 Ez 17:22-24/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

5:00 PM Mary Ann Donello Guynn

r/b husband, Ron

Sunday, 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 16 Ez 17:22-24/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

7:00 AM Stephen J. Paukovits

r/b Paukovits and Raykos families

9:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

11:00 AM Augustus Mondschein

r/b Loretta and family

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 June 7 through June 13 for the repose of the soul of



Janet Matsko
r/b Kathy Smiley

SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES

are burning from June 7 through June 13 for the repose of the soul of



Connie Wheary
r/b Family

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

is burning from

June 7 through June 13 for the repose of the souls of

Dora and John Volk

r/b Larry and Kathy Deibert

THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES

are burning from
June 7 through June 13
for the repose of the soul of



Connie Wheary r/b Family



NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Roles

6/15 -6/16
5:00 PM
7:00 AM
9:00 AM
11:00 AM

Lectors William Doncsecz Alfred Krantz Beth Beers Frank Molchan

Deacons/EMHCs

Deacon Lewis Ferris Tom Toczek Tom Weber Deacon Lewis Ferris

<u> Altar Servers</u>

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Daniel Holub Peter Vallance

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS



Celebrated on the third Friday after. Pentecost, the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus recognizes Jesus' great love for us as symbolized by His heart. The devotion began in the 1670s, when Jesus appeared multiple times to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, a Visitation nun in France.

Through these visions, He told her how He wished to be honored with the symbol of His heart, asking for the faithful to make amends for any wrongdoing they had done, frequently take Communion, and observe the Holy Hour. In 1856, the devotion was added to the church calendar by Pope Pius IX.

Parishes are permitted to move the feast of their patron to a Sunday, so that the entire congregation may celebrate the feast.

We will observe the Feast of the

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus at all

weekend Masses on

June 8th and 9th.

Prayer of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Merciful Jesus, I consecrate myself today and always to Your Most Sacred Heart, Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

I implore, that I may ever love You, more and more, Most
Sacred Heart of Jesus, I trust in You!

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us! Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, I believe in Your love for me, Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like

Your heart. Amen

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.



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:

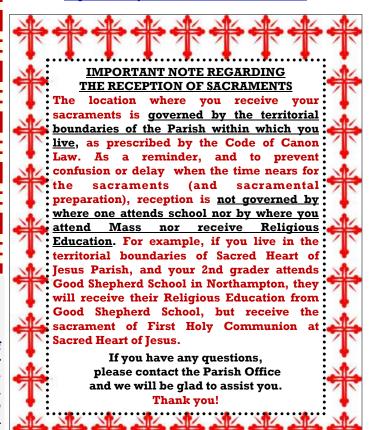
<u>Facebook</u>: follow @sacredheartofjesusbath (https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartofjesusbath)

<u>Twitter</u>: follow @sacredheartbath (https://twitter.com/sacredheartbath)

<u>Periscope</u>: 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







SACRED HEART ANNUAL PICNIC COUNTDOWN



Our parish's annual picnic will be here in 27 days and counting down!!

Mark your calendars for
Friday, July 12 and Saturday, July 13
(Tricky Tray and Yard Sale Friday,
Saturday AND Sunday, July 14)

We are hoping to make this the most enjoyable and, hopefully, the most profitable of the picnics to date. We look forward to seeing you there and ask that you spread the word to all with whom you come in contact.

Volunteers will be needed! Teenagers, especially those in need of service hours, are encouraged to consider volunteering and help make this picnic a success.

GRAND PRIZE DRAWING \$20 TICKETS were mailed last week. Please contact the office if you haven't received yours!

It is never too early to make a <u>donation</u> to help offset the fixed expenses associated with the operation of the picnic. Call the parish office at 610-837-7874 for more information.

Please keep in mind help will be needed for set-up and the after picnic clean-up. It would be greatly appreciated if you can lend a helping hand with these annual picnic tasks.



COME JOIN THE FUN SEE YOU THERE!









SACRED HEART PARISH ANNUAL PICNIC 2024 WISH LIST

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- Good Weather!
- Yard Sale Donations—drop-offs begin this week!
- Sponsors for our \$20 Ticket
 Raffle drawing (amounts \$100 to \$5,000)
- Tricky Tray Baskets!

Call the Parish Office at 610-837-7874 with questions or for more information.

SACRED HEART ANNUAL PICNIC

GREAT NEWS!!!

EARLY BIRD DRAWINGS ARE BACK!!!

WITH MORE CHANCES TO WIN

All \$20 tickets returned by the Friday before each drawing date are eligible to win during the three Sundays leading up to the picnic.

June 23th, 30th, and July 7th

Winners will be drawn following the 9:00 or 11:00 am Mass in the Scout Room*

This year we will have (4) winners each week!!

First prize — \$200 cash Second prize — \$100 cash Third prize — \$100 cash Fourth prize — \$100 cash

All winners are still eligible for the weekly drawings and Grand Prize drawing on Saturday, July 13th

Buy your \$20 tickets early!

*You do not need to be present to win!



Our Annual Picnic yard sale is in need of donations! We are accepting all unused or lightly used household items.

STARTING ON MONDAY, JUNE 10TH

FINAL DROP OFF DATE IS JULY 10TH

PLEASE NOTE - WE <u>DO NOT ACCEPT</u> VHS TAPES, TELEVISIONS, COMPUTERS, COMPUTER TOWERS OR MONITORS, PRINTERS

WE DO ACCEPT- NEW CLOTHING WITH TAGS ATTACHED

Drop-off your items to the "Scout Room" (enter through Church parking lot south side door by the Rosary Garden down to Church basement)

Mondays: 12:30 pm—2:30 pm and 6-8 pm Wednesdays: 12:30 pm—2:30 pm and 6-8 pm Fridays: 11:00 am—1:30 pm and 6-8 pm

Please contact Mary at 484-821-6637

for any questions or to make arrangements for drop-off times outside of posted hours.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

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PICNIC STAND CHAIR PERSONS NEEDED

We are in need of help for our Picnic Parking. Parking at the picnic is one of the most important aspects of the weekend because it provides safety to all our patrons—those driving and parking in the picnic field, as well as pedestrians, especially during peak times.

Responsibilities include soliciting volunteers and assisting with traffic flow and directions on both nights of the picnic! Please contact Beth Beers at 484-547-9449 or the Parish Office if interested or with any questions.

We are also in need of a chair person to coordinate the Volunteer Sign-ups. If you have strong organizational skills and a good network with other parishioners and/or school aged kids in need of service hours, you are perfect for the job!

Please contact the Parish Office if interested or with any questions.



We are looking for basket donations, gift cards, individual items or even the good old green stuff." We are trying to put a grand prize together with monetary donations. Baskets and other items may be dropped off to the lower level parish office in the Burkhart Building (blue doors) between

8 am and 3 pm, Monday-Friday. Please write your name on the baskets. iny questions, or need any ideas, please call the parish office 610-837-7874.



SACRED HEART PARISH ANNUAL PICNIC

Cake and Coffee Stand **Donations Requested** The Cake and Coffee stand is in

need of your home baked goods for this year's picnic! This year the Coffee Stand will be using a Kuerig coffee machine. Donations for K-cup pods would be greatly appreciated.

> All donations can be dropped off at the Cake and Coffee stand each evening of the picnic.

> > Friday-July 12 and Saturday-July 13

Please consider donating a tasty treat and a box of coffee K-cups.

Thank you in advance for your support!



UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:

Monday, June 10 – Monthly Membership Meeting 7:00pm Rosary; 7:30pm Meeting Burkhart Building & Zoom Friday, June 21 – Council Outing – Iron Pigs Baseball Game 7:05pm Coca Cola Park; Fireworks Night

Monday, June 24 – Monthly Planning Meeting at 7:00pm Burkhart Building & Zoom
Monday, July 8 – Monthly Membership Meeting
7:00pm Rosary; 7:30pm Meeting Burkhart Building & Zoom

A monthly reflection from our Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori: "No one knows the Son except for the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him." (Mt 11:27) Have you ever known a man who was just like his father-who not only looked like him, but also acted, spoke and thought like him? Jesus is the very image of his Father and reveals the Father to us. By striving to know God the Son more intimately-through prayer, the Mass, the sacraments and Scripture-we also come to know God the Father more intimately. May we better understand the Father's love for us and model our own fatherhood after his.

A monthly challenge from Supreme Chaplain William E. Lori. "This month, I challenge you to share your faith and beliefs in at least one conversation with your children or friends.

For additional information about joining our Council; the activities we foster and the sharing of fellowship with millions of Brother Knights; go to www.KofCl4464.org or contact our Grand Knight, Brother Paul Bunting at pwbunting@gmail.com for details.

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

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 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 or (610) 390-8429.





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD BANK DONATION UPDATE

Due to the generosity of our **Sacred Heart** parishioners, our Council of the Knights of Columbus delivered 182 pounds of nonperishable items to the St Vincent dePaul Bank on May 31, bringing our year-to-date total to 3,451 pounds. This was the 13th donation for the 2023-24 Fraternal Year. Our next donation will be made to the Bath Area Food Bank. Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus rebates \$100, up to \$500 annually, to local Councils for each 1,000 pounds of food delivered. This rebate is then passed on by our Council to the Food Banks; THANK YOU for your past donations. The need our communities is still great with current economic conditions; please continue to support this worthwhile endeavor.

Please check the "Best By" date on all food items before donating; we cannot accept items with a "Best By" date earlier than 2023. candles, etc.

Your Stewardship Report - May 26First Collection\$7,218Other collections - from envelopes datedFather's Day\$1,614from envelopes datedOther Collections\$867other thanOther\$30May 26Total Collections\$9,729Other - donations.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH Next Week's Collections - June 16



<u>First</u> Sunday Collection

> <u>Second</u> None

BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC

As of May 20, Sacred Heart of Jesus parishioners have contributed \$20,610 to the 2024 Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal from 82 donors. This represents 6.6% of our total number of registered families. With 100% participation, we can make a major impact on the lives of friends, families, and neighbors in need. If you have not made your pledge of support, you may return your pledge form to the parish office or make your gift online. Remember, every gift counts, no gift is too small. Every dollar helps those in need.

If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, please call the parish office or visit then Appeal website at www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org.



There will be

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

on Thursday, June 13th 8:30 am—9:00 pm in Church Confession: 7:00 pm—8:00 pm



IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Feast Day—June 8th

The Immaculate Heart of Mary signifies, first of all, the great purity and love of the heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary for God.

This purity is manifested in her "Yes" to the Father at the Incarnation, Her love for, and cooperation with, the Incarnate Son in His redemptive mission, and her docility to the Holy Spirit, enabling her to remain free of the stain of personal sin throughout her life.

The aim of the devotion is to unite mankind to God through Mary's heart, and this process involves the ideas of consecration and reparation. A person is consecrated to Mary's Immaculate Heart as a way of being completely devoted to God. This involves a total gift of self, something only ultimately possible with reference to God; but Mary is our intermediary in this process of consecration.

Mary's Immaculate Heart, therefore, points us to her profound interior life, where she experienced both joys and sorrows, yet remained faithful, as we, too, are called to do.

WEEKLY OFFERING

If you are not able to attend Mass, please continue to submit your weekly offering envelopes:

 \Rightarrow Mail your envelopes to:

Sacred Heart Church 210 E. Northampton Street Bath, PA 18014

- ⇒ Online Giving available through Sacred Heart's website at <u>www.sacredheartbath.org</u>. 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

May 26th was the feast day of St. Pope Paul VI. It is hard to read or hear his name without thinking of his famous (infamous to some) encyclical "Humanae Vitae," (Of Human Life). This short, (16 pages) brilliant prophetic work is continuing to be largely ignored by the Church. He wrote in response to the development and marketing of the "birth control pill."

Bishop Schlert sent an article from The Wall Street Journal a few years back that told of a Catholic convert who was convinced of the true nature of the Catholic faith by reading Humanae Vitae. She calls herself "a Catholic two-percenter: one of those few American Catholic women who have never used contraception."

Some of the points she quotes from the encyclical, which impressed her before her conversion include: "Married love, Pope Paul VI wrote, is a compound of sense and spirit." He added: "It is a love which is total-that very special form of personal friendship in which husband and wife generously share everything." "A man who grows accustomed to the use of contraceptive methods may forget the reverence due to a woman."

It's a short work you can find it on-line, look it up and read it, if you dare. The Catholic Church, to the frustration of many, including many Catholics, will never alter the teachings put forth in Humanae Vitae.

-- Deacon Lewis Ferris



FALL ENROLLMENT FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Currently Open for Children in 1st- 8th Grade

Registration forms can be obtained from the parish website under "Parish Life" and

"Religious Education" or by emailing Mr. Thomas
Weber at dre@sacredheartbath.org

Please complete and return all new and re-registration forms to

dre@sacredheartbath.org by August 5th.

Registration form and check if returned by July

10th is \$85.00 per child.

Cost per child after July 10th is \$95.00.

Fall Classes begin on Monday, September 9.

For those interested in assisting by being a catechist or aid, please prayerfully consider giving your time to help foster the faith to the children of our parish. For more information, please contact Tom Weber at dre@sacredheartbath.org.



ARE YOU A 2024 GRADUATE? FINISHING 8TH GRADE, HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE?

We would like to spotlight and recognize our parish's 2024 graduates. If any parishioner graduate would like to share their accomplishment in a future bulletin, please send a photo to office@sacredheartbath.org along with the graduate's name, school and future plans.

Congratulations and many blessings to all 2024 graduates as they complete an important milestone and move on to new adventures and opportunities!

LAY DOMINICAN LIBRARY NOW CLOSED

Unfortunately, the Dominican Library has been closed due to a lack of interest/patrons. We thank those parishioners who visited the library and especially those who helped get the library up and running!

Thank you to Fr. Butera for the opportunity given to our fraternity. If you borrowed a book and haven't returned it, please accept it as our gift to you!



BIBLE STUDY—OPEN TO ALL BURKHART BUILDING



SATURDAY 10:00 AM—11:30 AM

<u>June 15th</u>—Last Bible Study before Summer Break!
We will return in September!

We are studying "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!





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 <u>June 11 from 9:30-11 am and from 6-6:30 pm</u> at St. John's Lutheran Church in Bath. Volunteers are needed on <u>Friday</u>, <u>June 7 beginning at 9:00 am</u> to help pack the groceries for Tuesday pick up. Volunteers are needed on the Friday before distribution. Access is at the rear of the church.

Thank you for your donations and for your help!



BULLETIN PUBLICATION

Please deliver your bulletin
announcements to the parish office or
send an email to
bulletin@sacredheartbath.org
by noon on Friday nine days
prior to the publication

of the bulletin.

WILL ESTATE PLANNING TOOL Allentown Diocese

Making an estate plan is an act of care for yourself, your loved ones, and your community. By creating your plans, you can outline important financial and healthcare decisions for the future, provide for your loved ones, and ultimately, act as a steward of everything God has placed in your care.

Through our new partnership with **FreeWill**, you can start the new year by completing this important act of care. **FreeWill** is a secure online platform that can walk you through the process of creating your estate plan — 100% free of cost.

To get started, visit: FreeWill.com/AllentownDiocese



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.

For more information or questions please contact Michele Millikin at mmullikin@allentowndiocese.org or 610-871-5200 ext. 2282

HOLY FAMILY PARISH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CASH BINGO

Proceeds support Council 4282 charities and initiatives

Sunday June 23, 2024
Holy Family Parish Center
508 W. Center Street, Nazareth
\$20 per person for all entrants
15 games with plenty of specials
50/50 Raffle

Doors open at 12:00 PM First Game at 12:45 PM

FOOD AND FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!!



ADORATION AND APOLOGETICS

St. Monica Ministry Holy Hour of Petition and Hope

St. Theresa Church (1408 Easton Road, Hellertown)
Tuesday, June 11, 6:00 pm

We will pray before the Blessed Sacrament for a return to the Church of our fallen-away loved ones.

Immediately following the Holy Hour, Dr. Michael Behe will give a presentation entitled, "Science as the Handmaid of Faith: How Nature Points Insistently to God." Dr. Behe will clearly and engagingly present the amazing evidence for an Intelligent Designer and will follow up his talk with a question-and-answer session.

The presentation will take place in Friendship Hall. Refreshments will be served.

All are warmly invited to take part in this evening of adoration and apologetics. Please register by emailing stmonicaministry27@gmail.com



ST. MARY'S CHURCH ANNUAL BLOCK PARTY

122 Union St., Catasauqua

Annual Block Party Thursday, June 20th from 6:00 to 9:00 Friday, June 21st from 6:00 to 10:00 Saturday, June 22nd from 5:00 to 10:00

Come out and enjoy Children's Games, Bingo in the air-conditioned Parish Hall, Basket Raffles, and a Bake Sale.

Your favorite foods will be available as well: Steak/Cheese Steak Sandwiches, Sausage Sandwiches, Turkey BBQ, Cabbage & Noodles, Potato Pancakes, Funnel-Cake, and more.

Feel free to bring your own chair and find a spot in the grass lot to enjoy some great food, cold beer/soda, and music all three nights by D.H. Productions, DJ's for All Occasions.

This is event is rain or shine. For more information please contact the Parish Office at 610-264-0332 or by email kim.stmarys122@gmail.com.

You may also visit our website: annunciationbym.net.

CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION

Meeting Announcement—June 15, 2024, at 9:15AM St. Joseph the Worker Parish Center

June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart. Did you know, the most significant source for the devotion to the Sacred Heart in the form it is known today was Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647–1690), a nun of the Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary, who claimed to have received apparitions of Jesus Christ in the Burgundian French village of Paray-le-Monial, the first on 27 December 1673, the feast of Saint John the Evangelist, and the final one 18 months later, revealing the form of the devotion, the chief features being reception of Holy Communion on the First Friday of each month, Eucharistic adoration during a "Holy hour" on Thursdays, and the celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart. This is a great topic to discuss when "Passing on the Faith" to our grandchildren. Come to our meeting to learn more.

Join us for the next meeting of the Catholic Grandparents Association where we pray for our children and grandchildren and where we share with others our traditions and learn about theirs. We are currently reviewing chapters of the book "Return" to get a better understanding of how to bring our children and grandchildren back to the faith. Our meetings are always full of great stories and ideas on how to share the wealth of Our Faith. This is how we accomplish our mission as Grandparents. Remember, you do not have to be a member to come to the meetings!

PARISH INFORMATION

SACRED HEART OF JESUS RECTORY
210 East Northampton St., Bath, PA 18014-1625
PARISH OFFICE - BURKHART BUILDING

Office Hours - Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

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Deacons: Mr. Lewis Ferris, Mr. Edward Saukulak
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Youth Ministry: Mrs. Sharon Hillhouse
shillhouse@sacredheartbath.org

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 <u>Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs</u>, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, visit <u>www.allentowndiocese.org</u> and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner.

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

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