

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.



Remain IN ME
AND I IN YOU

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 18, 2024

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)
August 17 Prv 9:1-6/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58
 5:00 PM Antoinette Kelly
r/b husband and family

Sunday, 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 18 Prv 9:1-6/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58
 7:00 AM Kovalovsky and Donello Families
r/b Kovalovsky Family
 9:00 AM Irene Meyers
r/b Rick and Kim Meyers and family
 11:00 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

Monday, Saint John Eudes, Priest
August 19 Ez 24:15-23/Mt 19:16-22
 8:00 AM Dorothea Hickey
r/b Terence and Roz O'Reilly

Tuesday, Saint Bernard, Abbot
August 20 Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30
 8:00 AM Bill Kilcommons
r/b Amos and Anne Eslieb

Wednesday, Saint Pius X, Pope
August 21 Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16
 8:00 AM Christopher Macsisak
r/b Ken and Annette Longley

Thursday, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
August 22 Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14
 8:00 AM Robert Sampson
r/b daughter, Ginny Olivi and family

Friday, Saint Rose of Lima
August 23 Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40
 8:00 AM Larry and Barb Hafner (living)
r/b Joe and Zondra

Saturday, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (anticipated)
August 24 Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69
 5:00 PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

Sunday, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 25 Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69
 7:00 AM Louise Gigi Kahler
r/b Pat and George Gasper
 9:00 AM Anna Millisits
r/b daughters
 11:00 AM Josephine and Stephen Polzer
r/b Mike and Patty Peapos

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
 August 16 through August 22
 for the repose of the soul of



Natalie Landsiedel
r/b Wachholz Family

SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES

are burning from
 August 16 through August 22
 for the repose of the soul of



Phil Dunbar
r/b John Dunbar

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

is burning from
 August 16 through August 22
 for the repose of the soul of

Irene Meyers
r/b Rick and Kim Meyers and family



THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES

are burning from
 August 16 through August 22
 for the repose of the soul of



Nicholas and Mildred Volk
r/b Betty Kondikoff

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Roles⁺**8/24 - 8/25**

5:00 PM
7:00 AM
9:00 AM
11:00 AM

Lectors

William Donsecz
Lisa Wilde Barnhorst
Christina Gehringer
Tim Geiger

Deacons/EMHCs

Deacon Lewis Ferris
Deacon Edward Saukulak
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Deacon Lewis Ferris

Altar Servers

Peter Vallance
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Daniel Holub



**2024 SACRED HEART OF JESUS
CONFIRMATION
PARENT'S MEETING**

**Thursday, August 29, 2024 in
Sacred Heart Church Auditorium
at 6:00 PM**

Parents of children receiving Confirmation at Sacred Heart this Fall are asked to attend a parent meeting with Fr. Butera and Director of Religious Education, Mr. Tom Weber.



**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>



**INTERESTED IN SERVING
IN A MINISTRY
AT SACRED HEART?**

Have you ever thought about serving as a **Lector** at Sacred Heart? What about being an **Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion**?

Both of these roles are a very important part of the Mass and every parish is enriched through their dedication and service. We will be setting up training sessions for both of these Ministries sometime in **September**.

If you are interested or would like to learn more about these opportunities, please call

**Kathleen at the Parish Office
at 610-837-7874.**

Thank you for your consideration!

**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!

WELCOME

Sacred Heart of Jesus would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new parishioner:

Jeffrey Browne

We hope he will feel at home in our parish!





2024 SACRED HEART PARISH PICNIC PHOTOS

*Our picnic was once again full of
FAMILY, FOOD, AND FUN!
This week's photos will focus on FUN!*





**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:

Thursday, August 22 – Brother Knights Volunteer at the Iron Pigs

5:00pm – 9:30pm Coca Cola Park

Monday, August 26 – Monthly Planning Meeting

7:00pm Burkhart Building & Zoom

Monday, September 9 – Monthly Membership Meeting

7:00pm Rosary, 7:30pm Meeting Burkhart Building & Zoom

A monthly reflection from Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori: But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." (Mt 15:25-27) Jesus heals the daughter of a Canaanite woman and speaks of her great faith. Our founder, Blessed Michael J. McGivney, was an advocate of strong, faith-filled families. Do we share our Catholic faith with our own families and friends, or do we neglect this vital responsibility? May we commit ourselves to building strong families and friendships in faith by our word and deed.

Did You Know: A prayer intention of our Holy Father, "We pray for small and medium-sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crises, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities."

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 or contact our Grand Knight, Brother Robert Quartararo at paladinuslucis@live.com.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**ANNUAL TRIP TO
YANKEE STADIUM**



The 2024 Baseball Season is well underway, and the Yankees are in a close battle for First Place in the American League East. Driven by this and the success of our prior trips to Yankee Stadium, the bus trip on **Thursday, August 22 is a SELLOUT.**

We have established a Wait List in the event that any of the ticket holders aren't able to attend. To place your name on the list, please contact **Brother Bud Schuster at bud328@msn.com or (610) 390-7429.**

Just as a reminder, the game is against the Cleveland Guardians with a 1:05 pm start.

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

The 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

This includes the bus, ticket to the game, and refreshments provided by our Council.



**THE LAY FRATERNITIES OF
ST. DOMINIC ADVANCEMENTS**

The Fraternity members of St Louis de Monfort would like to congratulate the Lay Dominicans who were advanced as follows:

Mrs. Colleen Daley, OP was officially received to the local Dominican Lay Fraternity of St. Dominic Religious Order. She was received by Mrs. Donna Tanczos, OP, fraternity president, on March 2, 2024 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Lancaster, PA during our Region 4 Spring Meeting. After going through the Postulancy Formation Program for six months, she began the Novitiate Program and hopes to start her Temporary Promise next year.

Mr. Anthony Marchetta, OP made his Temporary Promise within Holy Mass on August 3rd, 2024 at the St. Francis Retreat House in Easton, PA. He will continue in his discernment of a Lay Dominican vocation for the next 3 years when he will make his Perpetual Promise.

Let us pray for them for the grace of fidelity and perseverance to their Lay Dominican vocation.

If you would like to know more about the Lay Dominicans, please contact Donna Tanczos at 610-349-7731 or send your inquiries to DLTanczos@aol.com.

Feel free to visit our Dominican website: www.LayDominicans.org

Your Stewardship Report - August 4

First Collection	\$8,175	<i>Other collections -</i>
Parish Improvement	\$1,924	<i>from envelopes dated</i>
Other Collections	\$183	<i>other than</i>
<u>Other</u>	<u>\$35</u>	<u>August 4</u>
Total Collections	\$10,317	<i>Other - donations,</i>
		<i>candles, etc.</i>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH**Next Week's Collections - August 25**

First
Sunday Collection

Second
None

SPECIAL COLLECTION
NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
August 17 - 18, 2024

This week there will be a special collection to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the First Mass offered at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC. His Excellency Bishop Alfred A. Schlert has authorized a special collection to be taken up in the Diocese of Allentown. This collection will be part of a larger fundraising endeavor to pay for the Shrine Infrastructure Renewal that will begin in 2024. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

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. Click on the "Support our Parish..." button on the home page.

⇒ 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!



PLEASE PRAY FOR
THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF
Charles Trinkle
of Sacred Heart Parish



There will be
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
on Thursday, August 22nd
8:30 am—9:00 pm in Church
Confession: 7:00 pm—8:00 pm

THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Feast Day—August 22nd

As we honor the Queen of Heaven today, ponder the Church's ever-deepening understanding of her role. As the Church has increased its comprehension of Mary's exalted role through the centuries, so we must individually make this discovery throughout our lives. Turn to her, seek her prayers, rely upon her intercession, and honor her as your mother and your queen.

Prayer: Mother and Queen of Heaven, this day I run to you as a child with confidence and trust. You are the glorious Queen Mother, reigning over all of your children with love and mercy. Please pray for me, and bestow upon me all that I need. I open my heart to the grace of your Son, which you are entrusted to dispense. Make me holy and free from sin, so you can present me spotless and pure to your beloved Son, the King of the Universe. Queen of Heaven, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You. Amen

PRO-LIFE CORNER

Say good-bye to the English. Apparently Great Britain is considering changing their laws that outlaw "assisted suicide." Presently a doctor can be jailed for up to 14 years if caught assisting a patient to commit suicide. However, a new bill is being proposed to change that law. The new bill is defined as: "Assisted Dying for terminally adult patients who have less than 6 months to live." Notice they do not like the term "suicide."

All of these compromises start out sounding relatively reasonable, although still morally wrong. Notice that it's just for adults with a terminal illness who have only 6 months to live. Canada, which started out with similar restrictions, is now at a point where the patient can get assistance in killing themselves even if they just have an "incurable" disease, not just a terminal condition.

In addition, euthanasia for patients with dementia is now legal in Canada, as well as Belgium, Colombia, Luxembourg and the Netherlands. Of course, the natural question would be, "How does someone with dementia decide that they want to commit suicide?" Also, ten states in the United States allow some form of euthanasia. It's a slippery slope, folks!

-- 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. A Mass will be said for all the memorialized intentions.



SACRED HEART PARISH BIBLE STUDY (Summer Break)

We are taking a summer break from the Scripture study and, God willing, will reconvene our study on September 28th. We were able to complete all of St. Paul's epistles and St. John's Book of Revelations during the past sessions.

Please pray about joining us in the Fall as we began a new session. In fact, we will be studying the Book of Genesis, where it all begins. I will also give a teaching on "What Catholics believe about the Bible" and a timeline from "Genesis to Revelation." We use Dr. Scott Hahn's Ignatius Catholic Study Bible, which has extensive notes as a guideline. Contact me with any questions: lferris_2000@yahoo.com. "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ." St. Jerome

ARE YOU A 2024 GRADUATE

FROM 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!

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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WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING

Womens' Guild meeting will be on
August 26th at 7:00 PM

in the Fr. Post Room of the Burkhardt Building. Women of the Parish are invited to join this organization to help us continue our many endeavors within the Sacred Heart Parish.

SACRED HEART PARISH—PICNIC LOST AND FOUND

The following items were found
on the Picnic Grounds during picnic weekend:

- Cane with silver handle
- Multiple pairs of sunglasses
- Saturn car key
- Gray, hooded zip sweatshirt

If you think any of these items may be yours, please stop by or call the Parish Office at 610-837-7874.

SACRED HEART PARISH ANGEL WALK MEMORIAL YARD SIGNS

If you purchased an Angel Walk Memorial and would like the Yard Sign honoring your loved one, you may pick it up at our parish office during regular office hours—Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

SEPTEMBER

\$\$ LOTTERY CALENDARS \$\$

BIGGER CASH WINNERS

CHANCES UP TO (\$500.00)

Opportunity To Be A Winner

\$10.00 each or Buy 3 for \$25.00

**Take a chance to win from
\$50 up to \$500 on our**

September 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 **August 31st**. Extra calendars are available in parish offices and church vestibule. This is a fun way to help support our parish.

**Guess What? We had (4) winners
in the May lottery calendar
with wins totaling \$355.00.**

**Congratulations to our
lucky participants !!!!**

**\$\$ YOU CAN BE THE
NEXT WINNER \$\$
GOOD LUCK!!**



MASS FOR THE MEMORIAL OF ST. MONICA

Bishop Alfred Schlert will celebrate a Mass for the Memorial of St. Monica at 6:00pm on

Tuesday, August 27,

St. Theresa Church, 1408 Easton Road, Hellertown.

Please join us as we pray for the return to the Church of our fallen-away loved ones. Mass will be followed by a buffet dinner in Friendship Hall.

Tickets for the dinner are \$7 per person.

R.S.V.P. at stmonicaministry27@gmail.com

This special evening of prayer and fellowship is being sponsored by the St. Monica Ministry.

ST. JOHN'S THE BAPTIST RC CHURCH**ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC**

3024 S Ruch St. Whitehall (Stiles)

Sunday, September 1st from 1PM to 9PM

On the parish grounds

Music provided by

The Pennsylvania Villagers 1-4PM and Joyous 5-9PM.

All are invited to join us for delicious foods, including homemade pierogies, children's games, raffles, refreshments, bake Sale and Tricky Tray. Bring your lawn chair or use our tables and chairs under the tents. Free Parking. Rain or Shine.

THE BIRTHDAY OF THE BLESSED MARY

Sunday, September 8 at 3pm.

Location: Assumption BVM Parish,

4101 Old Bethlehem Pike, Bethlehem, PA 18015.

Father Keaton Eidle will offer a reflection and lead a discussion on Marian apparitions around the world. The lecture will be followed by a pizza reception in the parish's Jubilee Center.

There is no cost to attend, but registration is required.

<https://allentowndiocese.flocknote.com/signup/173140>

**DAILY MASSES WITH BISHOP SCHLERT**

Monday, September 9th

Our Lady of Mercy, Easton - 8:00 am

Thursday, September 12th

Holy Guardian Angels, Reading - 8:00 am

Monday, September 16th

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

**MATT MAHER CONCERT**

Hosted by United Hearts Life Mission

September 15, 2024 at 7:00 pm—Notre Dame High School

United Hearts Life Mission is hosting a concert with nine-time Grammy nominee and three-time GMA Dove Award winner MATT MAHER. Matt's number one hits include "Lord, I Need You", and "Your Grace is Enough." All proceeds benefit the non-profit United Hearts Life Mission which provides life affirming OBGYN care to women in the Lehigh Valley.

Buy tickets at itickets.com/events/47.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena

Sunday, September 22, 2024

Doors will open at 2:00 PM for 3:00 PM Mass

Married couples from across the Diocese are invited to renew their vows and thank God for the gift of the Sacrament of Marriage during the Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass. The Mass, celebrated by Bishop Albert Schlert.

Please visit the following link to register and for more info: <https://www.allentowndiocese.org>. Contact Rhady Tulloch, Director of Marriage and Family Life, with questions: rtulloch@allentowndiocese.org.

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL CENTRE FOR PADRE PIO**

Local diocesan pilgrimages will take place in September of 2024 at the

National Centre for Padre Pio in Barto, PA.

The theme for the pilgrimages is: "My Heart - A Pilgrimage to the Heart of Jesus." The days will include Mass with Bishop Schlert, exciting keynote speakers, Adoration, Confession, interactive activities, and an outdoor Eucharistic Procession in the tranquil setting of The Centre for Padre Pio. Pilgrims are invited to experience the Presence of God through the intercession of Padre Pio at The Centre. No registration is required. Email: pilgrimage@allentowndiocese.org with questions or call 610-921-2729, ext. 2205.

- High School Pilgrimage, Thursday, September 19, 2024.
- Pilgrimage in English, Friday, September 20, 2024.
- Pilgrimage in Spanish, Saturday, September 28, 2024.

MISSIONARIES OF THE SACRED HEART ANNUAL GOLF BENEFIT

The Missionaries of the Sacred Heart annual Golf Benefit will be held on September 13th, Whitetail Golf Club in Bath PA.

The fee is \$120 and includes 18 holes of golf.



At the beginning of the tournament coffee, donuts, and soft pretzels will be provided. Lunch hot off the grill and refreshments will be served on the course. Immediately following the golf tournament, Cocktails, Hors d'oeuvres and a Steak Dinner will be held at the Holy Family Parish Center in Nazareth, PA. The benefit of the golf outing will help pay for the care of our MSC retired Priests and Brothers. Thanks to persons and organizations like yours, we were able to raise \$13,000 last year. We hope that you can help us in this year's effort. Can't golf but want to support the retired MSC Priests and Brothers? Make a donation in any amount you choose. It is greatly appreciated. Any entry form can be obtained by going to www.misacor-usa.org and click on news and events. Email us at: msccvsecl@gmail.com. For more information call Sacred Heart Villa (610) 282-1415 or Gene Keppel (610) 746-4237.

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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 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 or by calling 800-276-1562.

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Text MALLORYSARMY to 22828 to get started. Message and data rates may apply. 

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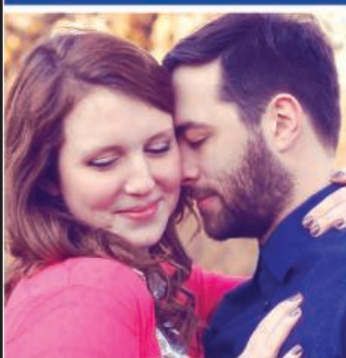
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