INCARNATION OF OUR LORD PARISH

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February 26th - March 5th, 2023

SAT. 2:45PM - 4:00PM - Confessions & Adoration (During Lenten Season)

Vigil – 1st Sunday of Lent

4:15PM - +Helen & Joseph Balshi by Children

SUN. 1st Sunday of Lent

11:00AM - Polish Mass

St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot & Doctor of the Church MON.

8:00AM @ HG - +Carroll Moorhead by Justine Yuhas

TUES. 8:00AM @ HG

THURS. 6:00PM – Polish Stations of the Cross/Confessions

FRI. 7:00PM – Stations of the Cross (English)

SAT. 2:45PM - 4:00PM - Confessions & Adoration

(During Lenten Season)

Vigil – 2nd Sunday of Lent

4:15PM - +Justine Kundek by Family

2nd Sunday of Lent SUN.

11:00AM - Polish Mass

+Irena Lewandowska

SUNDAY COLLECTION 02/19/2023 \$2,093.00 E-Giving - \$373.00 Total - \$2,466.00 THANK YOU!!



Sanctuary Lamp - In Memory of John Vidumsky by Stephanie Turek

Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp - In Memory of John Vidumsky by Rosemarie Csaszar

St. Joseph Lamp - In Memory of John Ferri by Stephanie Turek

2023 Vigil Lamps/Masses - There are Vigil Lamps still available for 2023, but all Saturday Masses for 2023 have been requested!! Please call the rectory during normal business hours for information. Cost is \$10 each.

***Diocesan Information: Youth Protection – 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 Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting – 610-217-5557. Service: If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service @ www.Report BishopAbuse.org or by calling 1-800-276-1562.

Lenten Fasting/Abstinence – Those between the ages of 18-59 years old are to eat only one meatless meal on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday, with only lighter snacks on two other occasions on those particular days. On all other Fridays during Lent, those 14 years old & older are to abstain from eating meat. NOTE: A special dispensation has already been granted by Bishop Schlert for Fri., March 17th to eat meat on St. Patrick's Day, but are then asked to abstain from meat on either Thurs... 3/16 or Sat., 3/18 instead.

Incarnation Senior Group - Our meetings are held every 1st Wednesday of the month @ 12Noon in Labuda Hall! Our next meeting will be this Wed., March 1st, 2023!! New members are always welcome and there's something for everyone to enjoy! Bingo, finger foods, and refreshments are served. Please contact one of our officers if you have any questions. P - Justine Yuhas, VP - Irene Vidumsky, Sec. -Anne Pecsek, T- Mike Vidumsky.

Incarnation Senior Group Easter Holiday Roll Sale – Our Senior Group is now taking orders for Easter holiday rolls. Order forms are available in the church vestibule. Cost is \$17/roll and payment is due at time of order. Deadline to order is Mon., March 13th and pickup date for your orders will be Thurs. March 30th. Thank you, in advance, for your kind participation.

Incarnation Parish Yard Sale – The date for this year's Incarnation Parish Yard Sale will be Fri., 4/28/23 - 4:00PM - 7:00PM, and Sat. 4/29/23 - 9:00AM – 12Noon. The sale will be in Labuda Hall. Start your spring cleaning early!!! Donations can be dropped off in Labuda Hall before/after our weekend Masses. Please place items on the round table near the church tunnel!!

Lenten Reflection sessions using "Eternal Rest"

The faith-sharing opportunity will take place this Lent on 4 Wednesdays starting at 3:30 PM. We will use the video series called "Eternal Rest" to focus on preparing well for our meeting with our Lord face to face. We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet, watch the video and Fr. Andy will lead a faith sharing about the video. We will begin at 3:30 PM on Wednesdays Msgr. Labuda Hall - March 1st, March 15th, March 29th and April 5th.

Confessions and Adoration during Lent:

Saturdays from 2:45 PM – until 4:00 PM in the Church. Special Lenten Confessions and Adoration on Wednesday, March 15th at 6:30 PM

Stations of the Cross during Lent: Thursdays (Polish) 6:00 PM with Confessions Fridays (English) 7:00 PM



Special Earthquake Relief Collection for Turkey & Syria – Incarnation will have a 2nd collection taken next weekend - March 4th & 5th, 2023 to answer the plea from Bishop Schlert to offer financial aid to all those people who have been affected by the disastrous earthquakes that encompassed the countries of Turkey & Syria. Please put your donations in a plain envelope marked for *Earthquake Relief* along w/your name or envelope # in order to receive proper credit. Please be generous and thank you, in advance for your kind cooperation.

2023 Palm Tree Memorial Donation – Once again, we will offer parishioners the chance to participate in our Palm Tree Memorials for Lent, 2023. The donation for palm trees are \$25.00/each and names will appear on an insert placed in our weekly church bulletin. Please contact Beth in our rectory @ 610-866-3391 during normal business hours if you are interested as soon as possible. Your donations/names can be placed in an envelope and marked for Palm Trees and dropped in our weekly collection baskets. **Deadline for donations is TUES., MARCH 21**ST, **2023!!** Thank you for your continued support of this yearly endeavor.

2023 "COOKS W/COLLARS" – WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! Deadline for voting is THIS MON., 2/27/23!! All proceeds from voting & making a donation, (sans credit card fees), GO TO OUR PARISH!! PLEASE NOTE: Online donations MUST BE RECEIVED BY 12MIDNIGHT ON MON., 2/27/23. Donating may be done 2 WAYS: ONLINE W/A CREDIT CARD, OR OFFLINE, BY PLACING A DONATION IN AN ENVELOPE MARKED "COOKS FOR COLLARS" and dropping it in our weekend collection baskets!! Thanks for making Incarnation Parish & Fr. Andy WINNERS!!!

"Mary's Way of the Cross" – Fri., 3/10/2023 @ 7:00PM – This version of the Stations of the Cross focuses on the Passion of Jesus from the perspective of his Blessed Mother, Mary and brings to light her suffering, internal conflict, and quiet acceptance as well as reflecting on Jesus' full humanity & divinity. Through this devotion may we better appreciate what Jesus did for us all and model our lives accordingly. If you're interested in volunteering for this special event, please contact Milissa Bolcar @ 484-666-9887 or email her at milissa.bolcar@messer-us.com.

OPERATION RICE BOWL – **2023** – During the Lenten season, a true disciple adopts a simpler style of eating. We are encouraged to do the same and donate the money saved for the needs of the hungry in our world. Every Sunday during Lent, an envelope is provided in your packets that enable you to place a donation for Rice Bowl on a weekly basis. This Rice Bowl donation is sent to Catholic World Relief for food for the hungry. *Operation Rice Bowl* was originated here in the Allentown Diocese and has since become a nationwide Lenten campaign.

PAG Monthly 50/50 Drawing Reminder - \$5.00/entry, and since this drawing takes place electronically, just make your donation in multiples of \$5.00. Donation envelopes must be received by the **LAST DAY OF EACH MONTH** in order to participate in that current month's drawing.

PAG Upcoming Events – Save the date and stay tuned for more info regarding these future PAG activities/events. (All dates are tentative!)

- Coffee & Donuts Sun., 3/26/23 after a special 8:00AM
- <u>Children's Easter Egg Hunt</u> Sat. 4/1/23 @ 11:00AM (Palm Sunday weekend)
- Incarnation Parish Spring Breakfast Sun., 5/7/23 in Labuda Hall after special 8:00AM Mass
- <u>"Pizza & A Movie Night"</u> Sat., 5/20/23 in Labuda Hall after our 4:15PM Vigil Mass
- Iron Pigs Outing Sun., 7/16/23
- PAG Bingo Buffet Labuda Hall on Sat., 8/19/23 after the 4:15PM Vigil Mass
- Our Lady of Sorrows Reception Sat., 9/16/23 after 4:15PM Mass
- Halupki Take-Out Sale Sat., 10/21/23
- Church Christmas Decorating Sat., 12/2/23
- Parish Christmas Party Fri., 12/29/23