INCARNATION OF OUR LORD PARISH

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March 11th - 19th, 2023

 SAT. 2:45PM – 4:00PM – Confessions & Adoration (During Lenten Season)
Vigil – 3rd Sunday of Lent 4:15PM - +Thomas Zsilavec by Stanley & Pat Krycia

- SUN. 3rd Sunday of Lent 11:00AM – Polish Mass +Kazimierz Dabrowski by Ann Lippencott
- MON 8:00AM @ HG
- TUES. 8:00AM @ HG +Harry Kirk by Bill Kirk
- THURS. 6:00PM Polish Stations of the Cross/Confessions
- FRI. 7:00PM Stations of the Cross (English)
- SAT. 10:30AM St. Joseph's Feast Day Mass @ St. Joseph's Church, 5th St., Bethlehem, PA **THIS IS THE FINAL MASS TO BE SAID @ ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH – ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND!!**

2:45PM – 4:00PM – Confessions & Adoration (During Lenten Season) Vigil – 4th Sunday of Lent 4:15PM - +Maryann Vidumsky by Family

SUN. 4th Sunday of Lent

11:00AM – Polish Mass +Edward & Theresa Szczepanski by Son Edward & daughter Donna

SUNDAY COLLECTION

03/05/2023 \$2,372.00 E-Giving - \$418.00 Total - \$2,790.00 THANK YOU!!

Third Sunday of



<u>Sanctuary Lamp</u> – Living & Deceased Members of Incarnation of Our Lord Parish <u>Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp</u> – Special Intention <u>St. Joseph Lamp</u> – In Memory of John Vidumsky by Bonnie Zsilavec

2023 Vigil Lamps/Masses – There are Vigil Lamps still available for 2023, but <u>all Saturday Masses for 2023</u> <u>have been requested!</u>! 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. <u>COURAGE</u> – Diocesan Help Line – 610-217-5557. <u>Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting</u> <u>Service:</u> 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.

Incarnation Parish Website is up & running – Thank you to the support of Matthew Ziarnik & Mike Martin, along w/information from various sources, we were able to get a new website running again. It's still under construction, but Mike Martin is doing a wonderful job adding information. Mike's a Knight of Columbus and a parishioner of Holy Infancy who kindly offered his services. Please check out the great progress thus far @ www.incarnationofourlord.org.

St. Joseph's Feastday Mass – Sat., 3/18/23 @ 10:30AM @ St. Joseph's Church. This will be the FINAL MASS TO BE SAID IN ST. JOSEPH'S. All are invited to attend this special Mass.

Silence – In speaking about silence in the Liturgy and in Church, Pope Francis says that when we don't observe this silence, we "risk neglecting the recollection of the soul." The sign at the entrance of the church saying "**Enter into silence before the Most Blessed Sacrament to speak with and listen to Jesus**" is meant to remind each of us to create that environment of silence in the sacred place of the Church. When the Most Blessed Sacrament is exposed on the Altar, there should be no talking with others because all the attention is on His Holy Presence. The purpose is to encourage everyone to enter into the heavenly mysteries that we celebrate and dispose us to an encounter with the Living God.

Stations of the Cross during Lent: Thursday evenings in Polish @ 6:00 PM with Confessions & Friday evenings @ 7:00PM in English.

Lenten Reflection sessions using "Eternal Rest": The faithsharing 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.

Lenten Fasting/Abstinence – Those between the ages of <u>18-59 years old</u> are to eat only <u>one meatless meal</u> 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 <u>abstain from eating meat</u>. NOTE: A special dispensation has already been granted by Bishop Schlert for this Friday, March 17th, for St. Patrick's Day to eat meat, but we are then asked to ABSTAIN from meat on either this Thurs., 3/16, or Sat., 3/18, instead.

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. There are also small cardboard "offering boxes" that are available in the church vestibule to use as additional Rice Bowl offerings. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

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!!

PAG/St. VincentDePaul Society Easter Egg Hunt – This cosponsored Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Incarnation Parish church grounds (weather permitting) on Sat., Apr. 1st, 2023 @ 11:00AM. If weather doesn't cooperate, the Egg Hunt will be held in Labuda Hall that morning. Any questions...please contact Tina Richie @ 203-470-2888.

Incarnation Senior Group – Our meetings are held every 1st Wednesday of the month @ 12Noon in Labuda Hall! Our next meeting will be Wed., April 5th, 2023. New members are always welcome and we are also extending a welcome to our Holy Infancy Seniors!! 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.

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 <u>LAST DAY OF EACH MONTH</u> in order to participate in that current month's drawing. Congratulations to our February winners: Justine Yuhas (\$88.75), Barbara Raykos (\$53.25), & Mr. & Mrs. Francis Cott (\$35.50).

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 Mass
- Children's Easter Egg Hunt 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
- "Pizza & A Movie Night" Sat., 5/20/23 in Labuda Hall after our 4:15PM Vigil Mass
- Iron Pigs Outing Sun., 7/16/23

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 21ST, 2023!!** Thank you for your continued support.