

INCARNATION OF OUR LORD PARISH

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March 18th – 26th, 2023

Fourth
Sunday
in Lent



- SAT.** 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
****Coffee & Donuts after the 11AM
Polish Mass****
- MON** St. Joseph – Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:00AM @ HG
- TUES.** 8:00AM @ HG - +Stephen, Mary, Joseph,
Stephen, Jr., & Anna Vresk by
SS. Clare & Clarice Vresk
- 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 – 5th Sunday of Lent
4:15PM - +Francis Roseman by Annamae Shimko
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- SUN.** 5th Sunday of Lent
****Special 8:00AM Mass @ Incarnation
All Living & Deceased Parishioners
Coffee & Donuts in Labuda Hall after Mass**

11:00AM – Polish Mass - +Waltera Orlowski

SUNDAY COLLECTION

03/12/2023

\$1,489.00

E-Giving - \$278.00

Total - \$1,767.00

THANK YOU!!

Sanctuary Lamp – In Memory of All Deceased
Parishioners of Incarnation Parish

Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp – In Memory of Agnes
Stephan (6th Anniversary) by Family

St. Joseph Lamp – In Memory of Joseph Raykos by
wife Barbara

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

****NOTE**:** We will have a special 8:00AM Mass NEXT
SUNDAY, MARCH 26th, here @ Incarnation Parish to
commemorate our Parish Feast day. All are invited to
attend and COFFEE & DONUTS will be served in Labuda
Hall after that Mass. PLEASE JOIN US!!

Paschal Candle Memorial for 2023 – A very special **THANK
YOU** to the Pecsek family--John, Charles, and Anne—for
sponsoring this year's Incarnation Paschal Candle, which will
burn throughout the Easter season and the upcoming year In
Memory of the Deceased Members of the Pecsek Family.
God bless you all for your sincere generosity! It is greatly
appreciated!!

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.

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

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.

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! ****There are 2 more opportunities to attend this series – Wed., March 29th and Wed., April 5th during Holy Week!****

Operation Rice Bowl for 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!

Readers for Holy Week - 2023: If anyone is interested in helping out during our Holy Week Masses by lecturing for either Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday, please call the rectory @ 610-866-3391 during normal business hours, or use Ext. #3 to leave a message. Thank you for any assistance offered!!!

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

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 also **extend a warm welcome to the Holy Infancy Seniors to join our group!!** 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 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 co-sponsored 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**.

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** – **NEXT SUNDAY, 3/26/23 in Labuda Hall 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**