# **INCARNATION OF OUR LORD PARISH**

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August 19th - 27th, 2023

- SAT. Confessions 3:00PM 4:00PM
  Vigil 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
  4:15PM Health & God's Blessings on the Pfliegler & Perkins Families by SS. Clare & Clarice Vresk
- SUN. 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00AM – Mass in the Ordinariate Form
- SAT. Confessions 3:00PM 4:00PM Vigil – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:15PM – +Linda Stephan (8<sup>th</sup> Ann.) by Family & +Joseph Raykos by wife Barbara
- **SUN.** 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00AM – Mass in the Ordinariate Form

<u>SUNDAY COLLECTION</u> 08/12/2023 \$569.00 E-Giving - \$278.00 Total - \$847.00 THANK YOU!!



<u>Sanctuary Lamp</u> – In Memory of Francis "Fuzzy" Roseman by Helen Tone

<u>Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp</u> – Living & Deceased Members of the Slovak Catholic Sokols Assembly #78

<u>St. Joseph Lamp</u> - In Memory of Charles, Helen, & Joseph Donches by Family

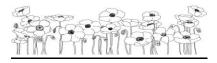
\*\*\*Diocesan Information: Youth Protection – To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, visit www.allentowndiocese.org and click on "Youth Protection in the upper right-hand corner. <u>COURAGE</u> – Diocesan Help Line – 610-217-5557. <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.

**Votive Lamps -** Due to the changes that have taken place at Holy Ghost, our requests for Masses that were already listed to be said there for the remainder of the year were changed, by agreement in most cases, to be replaced by Votive Candles here in our church. However, a few open dates remain here and there. Please contact the rectory for more information. Thank you for your understanding in order to accommodate these adjustments.

## Annual Diocesan Anniversary Mass – SAVE THE DATE

This year's Diocesan Anniversary Mass will be held on Sun., Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 3:00PM in the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, 18<sup>th</sup> & Turner Sts., Allentown, PA. Married couples from across the Diocese are invited to renew their vows and thank God for the gift of the Sacrament of Marriage. Register @ www.allentowndiocese.org/anniversarymass by Mon., Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please feel free to email stewardship@allentowndiocese.org or call 610-866-0581, Ext. 2310.

Incarnation Senior Group – Our meetings are held every 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month @ 12Noon in Labuda Hall! Our next meeting will be Wed., Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>, 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.



# FATHER ANDY'S CORNER:

My Dear Parishioners: I have an update for you all on our rectory! Since no one has been living there lately, I have been trying to find some options for the best use of its living space that would also enable us to use the office space and bring in some extra income for our parish. Recently, our Diocese announced that there would be Catholic FOCUS Missionaries coming into our area to evangelize the Lehigh University students. Fr. Mark Searles, the Chaplain of Lehigh University, approached me about possibly using the living space here at our rectory for these missionaries. We worked out a lease w/the Diocese that two of these missionaries would rent the rooms upstairs in the rectory on a 10-month basis (August, 2023 - May, 2024) and share the downstairs space w/our parish office staff on the days when the rectory has office hours. Rachel Matuszewski & Christine Johnson are the names of the two missionaries who will be staying @ Incarnation Rectory. We ask that you give these faithful young women a warm welcome to our area if you see them-as they will be arriving here at the end of July. The rectory has been re-keyed for their privacy, so anyone who currently has a key to the rectory will need to talk w/me to work out any details if access is still needed. THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS & UNDERSTANDING DURING THIS TRANSITION TO OUR PARISH!!!

PAG Bingo Buffet – *Today, after our 4:15PM Vigil Mass!!* Tickets are still available @ the door for \$30.00. Bingo will begin @ 6:15PM. Please see our posters in the church vestibule for more information!! SEE YOU THERE!!

**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! Thank you for your continued support of this activity.

## St. John Paul II Ordinariate – <u>https://www.sjp2lv.com</u>

**PAG Upcoming Events** – Save the date and stay tuned for more info regarding these future PAG activities/events:

- Bingo Buffet Sat., Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 5:15PM in LaBuda Hall
- Our Lady of Sorrows Reception Sat., 9/16/23 after 4:15PM Mass
- PAG Meeting Wed., Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 6:30PM in LaBuda Hall
- Halupki Take-Out Sale Sat., 10/21/23
- Parish Fall Breakfast Sun., 11/12/23 after a special 8:00AM Mass
- Church Christmas Decorating Sat., 12/2/23
- Incarnation Parish Christmas Party Fri., 12/29/23

**2023** Incarnation Parish Fall Bazaar – Fall is fast approaching and our annual Fall Bazaar is right around the corner. This year's date is Sat., October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 from 12Noon – 7:00PM. Our Incarnation Finance Council is kindly asking for NEW DONATIONS/ITEMS for our Basket Raffle, along with various gift cards, and monetary donations, if possible. Any of these suggestions would be greatly appreciated as well as all different sizes of baskets to create different themes for the raffle. If you have any questions, please contact Pat Krycia @ 610-703-0857 and if needed, please leave a message! Your call will be returned ASAP. Thank you, in advance, for your kind participation and assistance. MORE INFO TO FOLLOW!

Feast of St. Monica Holy Hour & Dinner w/Bishop Schlert – Next Sunday, Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00PM – Bishop Schlert will preside at a Holy Hour for the members of the St. Monica Ministry. This Holy Hour will take place @ the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, 18<sup>th</sup> & Turner Sts., Allentown, PA. A buffet will follow in the parish center. All are welcome to take part in this very special evening of prayer and fellowship. For more info or to register for this event, please email Celeste Behe @ StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com.

#### St. Francis Center for Renewal Upcoming Programs -

**"Simply Prayer" returns** – A new season of Simply Prayer will kick off on Tues., Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 10AM @ our campus @ 395 Bridle Path Rd., Bethlehem, PA. Join Sr. Marguerite Stewart as she presents *Beauty Ever New.* Appreciate the beauty all around us that God gives us during this morning of prayer and sharing. We will also pray for the many partrs of our world suffering from destruction and loss of their beautiful homelands. You may attend in person or online via ZOOM. Free will offerings are accepted. Register by calling us @ 610-867-8890 or online @ www.stfrancisctr.org.

**Polka Picnic @ St. Francis Center for Renewal -** We have rescheduled this event for **Sat., Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 from 2-6PM!** Shine your dancing shoes and join us for our 1<sup>st</sup> ever Polka Picnic, featuring the music of Robbie Lawrence & the Steelworkers Polka Band. This outdoor event features an afternoon of polka music, dancing, and of course, food! Admission is **\$5.00/person.** Food will be available for purchase including kielbasa & pierogies. Also, this event is BYOB and will be held on the lawn behind the White House @ Monocacy Manor. Bring a lawn chair, blanket, & anything else you need for a fun-filled afternoon outdoors! You can get your tickets online @ StFrancisCtr.org or call 610-867-8890.



Pray that all who are pregnant and feel they cannot carry their child will find new strength from the presence of Christ who says, "*BE NOT AFRAID*"!!