INCARNATION OF OUR LORD PARISH

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August 5th – 13th, 2023

SAT. Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM Vigil - The Transfiguration of the Lord 4:15PM - +Helen Bosak by daughter Sandy Bosak

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Health & God's Blessings on Elizabeth Vresk by Srs. Clare & Clarice Vresk

SUN. The Transfiguration of the Lord 10:00AM - Mass in the Ordinariate Form

SAT. Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM

Vigil – 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:15PM - +Robert Noctor by Family +Thomas Carr by Incarnation Senior Group

SUN. 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00AM – Mass in the Ordinariate Form

> SUNDAY COLLECTION 07/29/23 - \$840.00 E-Giving - \$178.00 Total - \$1,018.00 THANK YOU!!

Sanctuary Lamp - In Memory of Richard "Bucky" Szulborski by Stephanie Turek

Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp - In Memory of Anna Labdik by Stephanie Turek

St. Joseph Lamp - In Memory of Ann Dailey by Sandy Bosak

***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.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.

NOTE: Fr. Andy was informed this year's Mission Co-Op event here @ Incarnation will take place next weekend, August 12th! Please hold onto your Mission Co-Op envelopes until that time, but if you have already returned them, it's been recorded with no problem!! THANK YOU!!

Incarnation Senior Group - Our meetings are held every 1st Wednesday of the month @ 12Noon in Labuda Hall! Our next meeting will be **this Wed.**, **Sept.** 6th, **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.

PRO-IFE

Pray for a new Culture of Life that welcomes children with a self-sacrificing love that says, "This is my body, given for you!"

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 when I return from my pilgrimage to work out any details if access is still needed. THANK YOU FOR YOUR **KINDNESS UNDERSTANDING** DURING **THIS** TRANSITION TO OUR PARISH!!!

2023 BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL -

We continue to move closer to our goal and I would sincerely like to thank you if you've already contributed to this year's campaign, and if not, I ask you to prayerfully consider making your commitment today! With 100% participation of our registered parish families, we can make a major impact on the lives of our own friends, families, and neighbors in need. If you've not made your pledge of support yet, you may return your pledge form to our rectory in our weekend collections or make your gift online. Please remember, every gift, no matter the amount, helps those in need. You can visit the Appeal online @ BecauseWeAreCatholic.org. **God bless you all!!**

St. John Paul II Ordinariate – https://www.sjp2lv.com

Fr. Matthew Hummel & the St. John Paul II Anglican Ordinariate Catholic Community celebrate their Sunday Sacred Liturgy Mass here in English @ Incarnation every Sunday @ 10:00AM. Your church envelopes can be dropped in their collection baskets and they will be given to the rectory.

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! Thank you for your continued support of this activity.



PAG Bingo Buffet – Tickets are now available for our *BINGO BUFFET*, which will be held on **Saturday**, **Aug. 19th**, **2023**. Cost is **\$25.00/person in advance (\$30.00 @ the door)**. Doors open @ 5:15PM after the Vigil Mass & Bingo begins @ 6:15PM. Please see our posters in the church vestibule for more information!! **SEE YOU THERE!!!**

PAG Bingo Buffet – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are in need of voluteers for our Bingo Buffet on Sat., Aug. 19th. We need helpers for preparation/set-up, food servers, and BINGO card/sheet checkers. If you're interested, please call Milissa Bolcar @ 484-666-9887 or by email @ milissa.bolcar@messer-us.com.

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

- Bingo Buffet Sat., Aug. 19th, 2023 @ 5:15PM in LaBuda Hall
- 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
- Incarnation Parish Christmas Party Fri., 12/29/23 (**Tentative Date**)

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 7th, 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!

St. Francis Center for Renewal (Monocacy Manor) "POLKA PICNIC" - SHINE YOUR DANCIN' SHOES & plan to ioin us for our 1st ever POLKA PICNIC, featuring Robbie Lawrence & the Steelworkers Polka Band. The date for this fun event will be on SATURDAY, SEPT. 23rd, 2023 from 2:00PM - 6:00PM. Admission is only \$5.00/person, so come & enjoy an afternoon of polka music, dancing and food! Items on the menu available for purchase include kielbasa w/ or w/o sauerkraut and pierogies. This event is BYOB and will be held on the lawn behind the White House @ Monocacy Manor. Bring a lawn chair, blanket, and anything else you may need for this fun-filled afternoon outdoors! NOTE: In case of inclement weather, the event will move **INDOORS TO MULLEN HALL!!** Tickets can be purchased by phone 610-867-8890 online https://www.stfrancisctr.org/.