# INCARNATION OF OUR LORD PARISH

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# December 16th - 25th, 2023

**SAT.** Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM Vigil – 3rd Sunday of Advent 4:15 PM – +Joseph Kundek by Family +Joseph Holub by Justine Yuhas

SUN. 3rd Sunday of Advent 10:00 AM – Mass in the Ordinariate Form

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SUN. Christmas Music Prelude – 3:45 – 4:15PM Vigil – The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Eve) 4:15PM - All Living & Deceased Parishioners

> 7:00PM - Mass in the Ordinariate Form for Vigil of The Nativity of Our Lord

# MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

MON. The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day) Christmas Music Prelude 7:45 - 8:00AM 8:00AM - All Living & Deceased Parishioners

## **SUNDAY COLLECTION**

12/9/23 - \$2,123.00 E-Giving: \$193.00 Total - \$2,316.00 THANK YOU!!

## THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMPS

Sanctuary Lamp - In Memory of Joseph Raykos by wife Barbara

Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp - In Memory of Margaret LaBuda by son Raymond LaBuda & Family St. Joseph Lamp - In Memory of Walter Polonski 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. **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.

2024 Votive Lamps & Mass Intentions: The 2024 Mass Intention/Votive Lamp Book is open. We have added the Our Lady of the Rosary and Infant of Prague Vigil Lamps to help with your requests. Masses and Votive Candles are \$10.00/each. Thank you for your kind cooperation.

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.



## FR. ANDY'S CORNER:

## Formed.org for Incarnation also!

After speaking with the people at the Augustinian Institute, they have decided that since I am the pastor of both parishes, to allow Incarnation Parish to also use the Formed.org account that Holy Infancy has access to! So I want to encourage everyone to access this wonderful resource that has movies about the saints, Bible studies, audio books, talks, and wonderful programs available for kids, youth, and adults. There's also an APP for it.

#### TO SIGN UP:

- 1) Go to www.formed.org/signup
- 2) Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization"
- 3) Search for "Holy Infancy Church and School"
- 4) Enter your Full Name and Email address
- 5) Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED
- 6) Download the FORMED.org App so you can watch it on your Smart TV or Device

If anyone needs help, just ask Deacon Tony or myself after Mass! Let's grow in our understanding of the deepest meaning of Christmas! Go on to Formed.org and watch these and other programs for all ages that are dedicated to forming us in the Catholic Faith, Jesus' way for us to deeper relationship in His Church, and receiving the salvation He came to give us! Take advantage of this great opportunity and talk about it with other parishioners!

For example: Watch the Movie – "Mary of Nazareth" – Enjoy! <a href="https://watch.formed.org/advent-week-4/videos/mary-of-nazareth">https://watch.formed.org/advent-week-4/videos/mary-of-nazareth</a>

#### Advent Reflection Series

We will <u>not</u> have a meeting next Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. We will pick up again in Lent. Blessed rest of our advent!

## **New Online Giving Opportunity**

Incarnation of our Lord Parish is now able to offer another Online Giving opportunity for parishioners which we hope is easier for those who prefer to donate electronically. This new method offered by the diocese allows us to receive donations with a lower service fee than our current method through Parish Soft. Those using Parish Soft can continue to do so. But if you are open to switch, please do so since every little bit helps. Online Giving is a secure and personalized way to support our parish.

You can sign up for Online Giving by visiting the Parish website <a href="https://incarnationofourlord.org">https://incarnationofourlord.org</a> or by scanning the QR code.

For any questions, contact the rectory: (610) 866-3391 or email <a href="mailto:iparish@ptd.net">iparish@ptd.net</a>. As always, thank you for your generous support!

## Have you made your will yet?

The Diocese of Allentown has partnered w/FreeWill, <a href="https://www.freewill.com/AllentownDiocese">https://www.freewill.com/AllentownDiocese</a>, a simple, secure and confidential online tool which makes it possible for individuals to prepare their own wills FOR FREE! The tool includes an optional step for individuals interested in creating a charitable bequest for their parish, Catholic school, or other ministries of their choice. It will be a great blessing for our loved ones if we prepare for our departure from this world by taking a moment to make a plan for our estate.

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

- Incarnation Parish Christmas Party Fri., 12/29/23
- PAG Meeting Thurs., 1/18/2024 @ 6:30PM in LaBuda Hall
- Coffee & Donuts Sun., 4/7/24 after special 8:00AM Mass
- 2024 Iron Pigs Outing Sun., 6/23/24

Incarnation Senior Group – Our next meeting will be held Wed., Jan. 3rd, 2024 @ 12Noon in LaBuda Hall! New members are always welcome and we also extend a warm welcome to any Holy Infancy Seniors who would like 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.



Incarnation PAG Annual Christmas Party – Tickets are now available at our weekend Masses and at the rectory for this year's Parish Christmas Party. Date will be Fri., Dec. 29th @ 5:30PM. Cost is \$20.00/person. There will be a catered buffet menu which includes appetizers; chicken marsala, crab cakes, and baked ziti. Several sides will be available along w/assorted desserts & beverages. We will have games, music, and other surprises for all!!! Everyone is invited to participate, including Holy Infancy, Holy Ghost, and St. John Paul II Ordinariate members. NOTE!! DEADLINE TO BUY TICKETS IS THIS MONDAY, DEC. 18TH!!

#### Carols & Candlelight – St. Francis Center for Renewal

Share a special Sunday w/St. Francis Center for Renewal, the School Sisters of St. Francis, and a soul-stirring Christmas choir under the direction of Charles Briggs. *Carols & Candlelight* is set for **this Sunday**, **Dec. 17**th, @2:00PM in the Monocacy Manor White House Chapel. **No RSVP necessary!!!** 

2024 "RIGHT TO LIFE MARCH" – 2024's National "Right to Life" March in Washington, DC will be held on Fri., Jan. 19th, 2024. Our Diocese will once again run a bus to Washington for those who want to participate in this very important event! Bus departs from St. Jane Frances De Chantal Church in Easton, PA @ 7:00AM. Cost is \$20/person to be paid in advance to hold your seat. For more info and to reserve your seat, please contact Andrew @ 484-259-7740 or go to americanpatriot@rcn.com.

RESPECT LIFE!!