## INCARNATION OF OUR LORD PARISH

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December 30th, 2023 – January 7th, 2024



SAT. Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM
Vigil – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, &
Joseph

4:15 PM – Deceased Members of the Novak, Ruvak. & Carbaugh Families

SUN. The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

10:00 AM – Mass in the Ordinariate Form

Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM Vigil – Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother Of God

\*\*Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year\*\*
4:15PM – All Living & Deceased Parishioners



MON. Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God 12:00PM – Mass in the Ordinariate Form

SAT. Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM
Vigil – The Epiphany of the Lord
4:15PM - +Richard "Bucky" Szulborski by
Alfreda Wesolowski

SUN. The Epiphany of the Lord 10:00AM – Mass in the Ordinariate Form SUNDAY COLLECTION

12/23/2023 \$2,946.00 E-Giving: \$143.00 Total - \$3,089.00 THANK YOU!! CHRISTMAS COLLECTION - 2023 \$5,172.00 (To Date)

### **THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMPS**

<u>Sanctuary Lamp</u> – In Memory of Lawrence L. Csaszar by wife Rosemarie

<u>Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp</u> – In Memory of Deceased Members of the Wresics, Markacs, & Cassano Families by Jo Zavecz & Family

<u>St. Joseph Lamp</u> – In Memory of John Zavecz by granddaughter Brenna Zavecz

\*\*\*Diocesan Information: Youth Protection — To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, visit <a href="https://www.allentowndiocese.org">www.allentowndiocese.org</a> and click on "Youth Protection in the upper right-hand corner. <a href="https://commons.org/country-to-the-

**2024 Votive Lamps & Mass Intentions:** Masses and Votive Candles are \$10.00/each. Thank you for your kind cooperation.

Incarnation Church 2023 Contribution Statements – If any of our parishioners would like a copy of their 2023 church contributions, please send a **self-addressed**, **stamped envelope** to the rectory or drop one in our collection baskets on the weekend. <u>DEADLINE FOR 2023 ENVELOPES WILL</u> <u>BE MON.,, JAN. 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2024!!</u>

# Fr. Andy's Corner: Happy New Year!

I pray you all have a wonderful beginning of the New Year! It is our obligation to pray for peace in the world, especially in the war-torn areas of the world like Israel and Palestine, Ukraine and Russia. On this Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, please pray as a family the Holy Rosary for peace!

- Fr. Andy

# 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>

### Make Stewardship Your Resolution in 2024

Making an estate plan is an act of care for yourself, your loved ones, and your community. By creating your plans, you can outline important financial and healthcare decisions for the future, provide for your loved ones, and ultimately, act as a steward of everything God has placed in your care.

Through our new partnership with **FreeWill**, you can start the new year by completing this important act of care. FreeWill is a secure online platform that can walk you through the process of creating your estate plan — 100% free of cost. Please scan the QR code below or visit our website.



#### **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!



**PAG Monthly 50/50 Drawing Reminder -** \$5.00/entry. Since this drawing takes place electronically, please 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 Upcoming Events** – Save the date and stay tuned for more info regarding these future PAG activities/events:

- Removal of Christmas Decorations Sat., 1/13/2024 @ 9:00AM
- 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 this 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.



2024 "RIGHT TO LIFE MARCH" – 2024's National "Right to Life" March in Washington, DC will be held on Fri., Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>, 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.