### INCARNATION OF OUR LORD PARISH

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#### January 13th - 21st, 2024

SAT. Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM Vigil – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:15PM - +Anna M. Doddy by son Vincent Doddy +Gerald Berger by Cynthia Workman

SUN. **Epiphany II** 10:00AM – Mass in the Ordinariate Form

SAT. Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM Vigil – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:15PM - +Barbara Shook by Denise Robinson

SUN. **Epiphany III** 10:00AM – Mass in the Ordinariate Form

SUNDAY COLLECTION

1/6/2024 \$1,009.00 E-Giving: \$233.00 Total - \$1.385.00 THANK YOU!! CHRISTMAS COLLECTION - 2023 \$9,128.99(To Date)

### THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMPS

Sanctuary Lamp - In Memory of Stephen Pecsek by siblings John, Chaz, and Annie Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp - In Memory of Julia Pfliegler by son William, wife Ethel, & Family St. Joseph Lamp - In Memory of Living & Deceased Parishioners of Incarnation Parish



\*\*\*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.

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. **DEADLINE FOR 2023 ENVELOPES IS** MON.,, JAN. 15<sup>™</sup>, 2024!!

Incarnation Senior Group - Our next meeting will be Wed., Feb. 7th, 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.

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. Congratulations to our December winners - Mary Ann Kelemen (\$75.00), Stephanie Turek (\$45.00), & Tina Richie (\$30.00)!

## Fr. Andy's Corner:



**Starting January 12!** 

Our wonderful Halupki makers and Fr. Andy will represent Incarnation of Our Lord Parish in COOKS WITH COLLARS, an online cooking competition to raise funds for parishes and Catholic Charities in the Diocese of Allentown. Visit <a href="https://www.cookswithcollars.com">www.cookswithcollars.com</a> to see your favorite parishioners and priests from around the Diocese creating delicious kitchen concoctions. Vote early and vote often (deadline February 12) for our Diocesan top chef! All voting proceeds benefit our parish projects. Thanks for making your sacrifices to make Incarnation Parish a winner!

#### **Eucharistic Revival – Jesus as the Center of our lives!**

As you may know, the USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) have been promoting a Eucharistic Revival, over a three-year period. Bishop Schlert anticipated this in our Diocese with the Year of the Real Presence the year before. To continue deepening our focus of responding with love to Jesus, Love Incarnate in the Holy Eucharist, I spoke with our Parish Pastoral Council and our Finance Council about going back to using the Original Tabernacle that has always been at the center of Incarnation Church High Altar. Many Churches in our Diocese are returning the Tabernacles to the Center of the church again. I am currently looking into the possibility of another Catholic Church that is interested in purchasing our Tabernacle on the right side. We will continue to look at how to reuse that space. All in our Councils were in favor of this move, which I propose to start on February 14th, Ash Wednesday. I will explain more as we get closer.

Also, the two Angels mounted on the walls were starting to lean due to a weak connection to the wall and so we had them taken down this week to investigate. It would not be easy to place them back up again. Since they were not original to our Church, after discussion with our Pastoral Council, I decided not to replace them.

## <u>USCCB National Eucharistic Revival with Bishop Cozzens.</u> <u>Enjoy!</u>

Since, Lent is just a month away, I wanted to ask you to consider spending some extra time reflecting on the Holy Eucharist. We will have Adoration before Saturday Mass during Confessions from 3:00-4:00 PM. We will also have some time to reflect on a Lenten Series called "Presence" on Formed.org.

Until that time, I encourage you to go onto Formed and look at the information and videos about the National Eucharistic Revival with Bishop Cozzens.

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

https://watch.formed.org/videos/chapter-1-introduction

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

- Removal of Christmas Decorations SUN., 1/14/24 @ 1:00PM
- PAG Meeting This 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

\*\*In regards to our PAG meeting this Wed., 1/18, topics will include recap of our recent past activities & planning for upcoming 2024 events. We'll also review pix from activities over the past year. ALL ARE WELCOME!!

2024 "RIGHT TO LIFE MARCH" – 2024's National "Right to Life" March in Washington, DC will be held this 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.

**Retrouvaille:** Rediscover the love in your marriage! Couples learn to build communication skills and increase intimacy. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises that may occur in daily life. Our next program will be held Fri., 2/16/24 – Sun., 2/18/24 @ the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more info, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential!

# PRO-LIFE

Sanctity of Human Life Month – January has been set aside as Sanctity of Human Life Month – a time to reflect on the sacredness of EACH HUMAN LIFE that comes into being, from conception to life's natural end. Every human being must be given the reverence that is due them!