

# INCARNATION OF OUR LORD CHURCH

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## April 13<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024

**SAT.** Confessions/Adoration 3:00PM – 4:00PM  
**Vigil – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
4:15PM - +Joseph Kundek by Family  
&  
+Joseph LaBuda by son Raymond &  
Family

**SUN.** **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
10:00AM – Mass in the Ordinariate Form

**SAT.** Confessions/Adoration 3:00PM – 4:00PM  
**Vigil – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
**“Good Shepherd Sunday”**  
4:15PM - +Kelvin Webb by wife Liz Webb  
&  
+Gerald Berger by Cynthia Workman

**SUN.** 10:00AM – Mass in the Ordinariate Form  
**“Good Shepherd Sunday”**

### SUNDAY COLLECTION

4/7/2024

\$2,566.00

E-Giving: \$233.00

Total - \$2,799.00

THANK YOU!!

EASTER COLLECTION 2024

\$4,661.00 (To Date)

### THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMPS

**Sanctuary Lamp** – In Memory of Stephen & Rose Turek by daughter Stephanie Turek

**Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp** – Health & God's Blessings on Francis “Babe” Turek by niece Stephanie Turek

**St. Joseph Lamp** - In Memory of Francis Blonar by son Fran, wife Paulette, & Family

**Lady of the Rosary Lamp** - In Memory of Greg Straka by John, Charles, & Anne Pecsek

**\*\*\*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](http://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.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 1-800-276-1562.

**2024 Votive Lamps & Mass Intentions:** Masses and Votive Candles are \$10.00/each. There are many Votive Lamps and some Masses for 2024 still available throughout the upcoming months. Please contact the rectory to check for available dates. Thank you.

**Incarnation Senior Group** – Our next meeting will be **Wed., May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 @ 12Noon.** 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 Senior Group** – We are planning a bus trip to **Hunterdon Hills Playhouse** in Hampton, NJ on **Wed., Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024** to see **“One Slight Hitch”**. Cost will be **\$125/person** and will include your play ticket, lunch, bus fare, and other amenities. If interested, please contact Jo Zavec (610-867-0260) or Bonnie Zsilavec (610-866-3281) for more info. All are welcome so **COME JOIN US!!!**

**Slovak Catholic Sokols Celebration** - Tickets are now available for a Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner to be held here @ Incarnation Church in LaBuda Hall on **Sun., June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 after a special 2:00PM Mass.** This event is sponsored by the SCS Bethlehem Assembly #78. Tickets are **\$10.00/person** and will be sold at our weekend Masses or at the rectory. Anyone is welcome!!

## Fr. Andy's Corner:

### 2024 "Because We Are Catholic" Annual Appeal:

Dear Friends,

This weekend we kickoff the **2024 Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal** in our parish and throughout our Diocese. In 2024 the Appeal will provide support for evangelization, vocations, Catholic education, Catholic Charities and care for our retired and infirmed priests.

I am so grateful for your continued generosity to this important Diocesan fundraising initiative and ask you to prayerfully consider joining me in making your gift to the Appeal and support these important ministries. Our parish has been asked to raise \$10,567.00. Let's strive for 100% participation from our parish. Together, I believe we can make our goal.

We are stronger together! Together we will make a difference in the lives of many people. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how big or small. To make your gift, please return the pledge form that you will receive in the mail or visit the Appeal's website at [BecauseWeAreCatholic.org](http://BecauseWeAreCatholic.org) or call the Appeal Office at 800-831-4443.

With gratitude,  
Fr. Andy

### 2024 Bach Choir Concert Series

The Bach Choir will be using our own Incarnation Parish as a performance venue for two of its concerts this season again. They will be in concert here in our church on **Fri., May 10th**, and **Friday, May 17th @ 4:00PM**. If any of our parishioners are interested in attending either of the events in our parish, or any Bach Choir event this May, you may purchase tickets at a 50% discount by calling their box office @ 610-866-4382, Ext. 110 or 115, identify yourself as an Incarnation of Our Lord parishioner, and you will receive this discount. All are invited to be a part of this year's concerts.

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

- **Coffee & Donuts** – Sun. 5/5/24 after special 8:00AM Mass (Instead of Spring Breakfast this year)
- **PAG Meeting** – Thurs., 6/6/24 @ 6:30PM in LaBuda Hall
- **Pizza & A Movie Night** – Sat., 6/8/24 after 4:15PM Mass
- **Coffee & Donuts** – Sun., 6/16/24 after special 8:00AM Mass
- **2024 Iron Pigs Outing** – Sun., 6/23/24

**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 March winners: **Mary Demjan (\$96.25)**, **Helen Hahn (\$57.75)**, and **Liz Webb (\$38.50)**. Enjoy your winnings!

**\*\*Special Note re: Fr. Joseph Becker\*\*** - Some of you may have heard that Fr. Becker, who was in residency here for a few years w/ Fr. Dave Kozak, and still comes to Incarnation to assist us w/Masses when needed, has had a fall, hit his head, and is now recuperating @ The Order Of St. Francis DeSales regional headquarters. If you'd like to send him a "GET WELL" card or drop him a line, here is the address: **Fr. Joseph Becker, OSFS; DeSales Center; PO Box 43, Childs, MD, 21916.**

**Incarnation Church 2024 YARD SALE** – Are you cleaning out your basement or housecleaning for Easter? **SAVE YOUR ITEMS** for our Annual Yard Sale here @ Incarnation on **Fri., 4/26/24 from 4PM – 7PM & Sat., 4/27/24 from 9AM – 12Noon!** Donations can be dropped off before or after Masses on the weekend—put them on the round table near the tunnel in LaBuda Hall. Any questions or if you can't bring your items to church, please contact Pat Krycia @ 610-703-0857 and a pick-up can be arranged. **NOTE: We will also have a "Mini Basket Raffle & Bake Sale" at this year's event.** Volunteers are needed to donate baked goods, which can be dropped off in LaBuda Hall on **Fri., 4/26 after 1:00PM or Sat., 4/27 after 8:00AM. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!** Thank you for your continued support from your Parish Financial Committee!

**Knights of Columbus, Trinity Council 313** – Members of the Council will be collecting donations outside our church in support of the **Bethlehem Special Olympics** after Masses **this weekend -April 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>**. Your participation and support would be greatly appreciated. For more information, please contact **Mike Martin @ 610-248-7281.**

**2024 World Day of Prayer for Vocations** – This year's World Day of Prayer for Vocations, also known as "**Good Shepherd Sunday**", will be observed **next Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**. The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to "Pray to the Lord to send laborers into His harvest." (MT 9:38; LK 10:2) Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, or to societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. (Sponsored by the Serra Club of Bethlehem, who encourages everyone to be open to the Lord's call!)

**\*\*PLEASE CONSIDER THE LIVES OF OUR UNBORN CHILDREN WHEN VOTING NEXT TUESDAY, 4/23/24\*\***