

INCARNATION OF OUR LORD CHURCH

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December 7th – 15th, 2024

- SAT.** Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM
Vigil – 2nd Sunday of Advent
4:15PM – +William, +Margaret, & +James
Yenca by John, David, &
Kenneth Stofanak
&
+Thomas Zsilavec by
Sam & Tina Richie
- SUN.** 10:00AM – **Advent II**
Mass in the Ordinariate Form
- MON.** **The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Holy Infancy Church
7:30AM – English
12:15PM - English

Incarnation of Our Lord Church
8:30AM – HI School Mass (All are invited)
7:00PM – All Parishioners

5:00PM – Mass in the Ordinariate Form
- WED.** 6:30PM – **Confessions/Adoration @ Incarnation**
(4 Priests will be available for Confessions)
- SAT.** Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM
Vigil – 3rd Sunday of Advent
4:15PM – +John Ferri by Justine Wesnak
&
+John Vidumsky by Susan Vitez
- SUN.** 10:00AM – **Advent III**
Mass in the Ordinariate Form

SUNDAY COLLECTION

11/30/2024

\$1,862.00

E-Giving: \$600.00

Total: \$2,462.00

THANK YOU!

THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMPS

Sanctuary Lamp - All Deceased Parishioners of Incarnation Church

Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp – In Memory of Mary Cech by John, David, & Kenneth Stofanak

St. Joseph Lamp – In Memory of Sam Alonge by John, David, & Kenneth Stofanak

Our Lady of the Rosary Lamp – In Memory of Anne Labdik by Family

Infant of Prague – Poor Souls in Purgatory

***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.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 1-800-276-1562.

2025 "Workbook for Lectors" – Copies are available in the Sacristy for all Incarnation Lector volunteers. Feel free to pick up your copy after our weekend Vigil Mass & "THANK YOU" & God bless you for your kind service throughout the year!!



FR. ANDY'S CORNER:

Advent Adoration and Confessions for both Incarnation & Holy Infancy Parishes

On Wednesday, December 11th @ 6:30PM @ Incarnation Church, 617 Pierce St., we will have 4 priests available for confessions to help us be reconciled with Our Lord who is with us now and is preparing us for His second coming! Come to worship Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament and make a good confession in preparation for the coming of Jesus at Christmas!

The School Sisters of St. Francis & Incarnation Convent

After many years of wonderful service to our parish family and the South Side of Bethlehem, the School Sisters of St. Francis will be moving out of the convent @ Incarnation Parish at the end of December. Sr. Roseann will be going to live and serve in St. Matthias Parish in New Jersey and Sr. Regina will be going to live and serve at Monocacy Manor Convent on Bridle Path Rd. in Bethlehem.

To celebrate their loving service to our community, we want to thank God for the Sisters with a Mass of Thanksgiving and a celebration close to the Parish Feast Day of the Annunciation. For that reason, our Bishop, Most Reverend Alfred A. Schlert, will celebrate the regular Saturday evening 4:15PM Mass on March 22nd, 2025, with a reception to follow Mass. More information about the celebration will come in the new year.

At this time, there are no set future plans for the use of the convent, but we are looking into different possibilities and will let you know as plans develop. Please thank the Sisters when you see them and pray for them in this time of transition.

Invite One Back This Advent

In this Year of Parish Revival, like the Good Shepherd, let's call those who belong to our parish family home as a part of the **Invite One Back** initiative. This campaign begins now in anticipation of the upcoming Year of Mission, when the wider Church will be sent out to win new souls for Christ. Returning members to the fold will set the groundwork for this new missionary chapter. To do that, we all need to invite back everyone not in our pews in a way that makes sure they feel seen and desired as an individual member of our parish family. Whom are you called to invite home? <https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/invite-one-back>.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception – Mon. 12/9/2024

Due to the 2nd Sunday of Advent falling on December 8th, the holy day is transferred to Monday, December 9th! All Catholics have the obligation to attend Mass on Monday for this Solemnity. Please see the holy day schedule below:

Incarnation Church

8:30AM English School Mass – Open to all

7:00PM English

Holy Infancy Church

7:30AM – English

12:15PM – English

7:00PM – Spanish/Portuguese

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.

- **2024 Incarnation Christmas Party – Sat., 12/28/24 after the 4:15PM Vigil Mass**
- **Christmas Decoration Removal – Sun., 1/12/2025 @1:00PM**
- **PAG Meeting – Thurs., 1/16/25**
- **Return of MARDI GRAS BINGO – Sun., 3/2/25**
- **Bingo Buffet – Sat., 8/16/25**

Incarnation Senior Group – NOTE: Our next regular meeting will be held on **Wed., Jan. 8th, 2025!** 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 Incarnation Christmas Party – Our annual Christmas Party will be held on **Sat., Dec. 28th, 2024 after our 4:15PM Vigil Mass.** Tickets are \$20/person and will be available soon. The catered "Buffet Menu" includes: appetizers, salmon, lasagna, & chicken Cordon Bleu entrees, along w/assorted sides, desserts, and beverages. Also, games, music, & other surprises! All are welcome, including members of Holy Infancy, Holy Ghost, and the St. John Paul II congregations. Deadline for ticket sales will be **Sat., Dec. 21st!!**

St. Monica Ministry Holy Hour – The next Holy Hour of Petition & Hope will take place on **Tues., Dec. 10th, 2025 @ 6:00PM, St. Theresa's R.C. Church, Hellertown, PA.** All are invited to bring their petitions before the Most Blessed Sacrament, invoking the particular intercession of St. Monica for their fallen-away loved ones. In this Advent season of hope, let us gather and pray with renewed trust in Our Lord's mercy! For more info, go to StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com.

O Antiphons @ Monocacy Manor – Come celebrate the O Antiphons w/us here in the White House Chapel @ Monocacy Manor, **next Sunday, Dec. 15th 3:00PM – 4:00PM.** This service includes procession of emblems, Scripture readings, sung responses, & some short reflections. Each family attending receives a packet w/O Antiphon symbols & verses to be offered with **The Magnificat** each day Dec. 17th – 23rd. Come join us!!

2025 Right for Life March – Attend the 2025 National Right for Life March in Washington, DC on **Friday, Jan. 24th, 2025.** A bus will be leaving from St. Jane Frances de Chantal in Easton, PA @ 7:30AM and return around 8:30PM Friday evening. There is a "passenger donation" for the bus driver of \$20.00/person. For more info, please email andrewazan3rd@rcn.com or call (484)259-7740.

