

# INCARNATION OF OUR LORD CHURCH

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## February 15<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

**SAT.** Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM  
**Vigil – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
4:15PM – +John Ferri by  
Daniel & Helen Bobeck

**SUN.** 10:00AM – **Septuagesima Sunday**  
Mass in the Ordinariate Form

**SAT.** Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM  
**Vigil – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
4:15PM – +Joseph & Helen Balshi by  
Children

**SUN.** 10:00AM – **The Solemnity of the Chair of St. Peter  
The Apostle**  
Mass in the Ordinariate Form

### SUNDAY COLLECTION

2/8/2025 - \$1,078.00

E-Giving - \$220.00

TOTAL: \$1,298.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

### THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMPS

**Sanctuary Lamp** - In Memory of Charles Anderko by wife  
Ann Marie & Family

**Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp** – Mary's Indulgences on Ruth  
Noctor by Family

**St. Joseph Lamp** – In Memory of Anna Zaun by the Mitko  
Family

**Our Lady of the Rosary** – Special Intention

**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](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.

**Incarnation Senior Group – NOTE:** Our next meeting will be held on **Wed., March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 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. Congratulations to our **January winners: Mr. & Mrs. Francis Cott (\$65.00), Mr. & Mrs. George Vincovich (\$39.00), Stephanie Turek (\$26.00).** Enjoy your winnings!

**PAG "Mardi Gras Bingo" – Sun., March 2, 2025.** Tickets are now on sale for this event at our weekend Mass or in the rectory. Cost is **\$20/person or \$25/person @ the door!** Ticket includes 15 regular board games w/cash prizes. Also, Omaha Steaks specials and food/beverages available for additional purchase. Doors open @ 1:00PM w/Bingo beginning @ 2:00PM. **COME JOIN US!!**

### UPCOMING PAG EVENTS

- Coffee & Donuts – Sun., 4/6/2025 after special 8AM Mass
- PAG Meeting – Thurs., 6/12/2025 @ 7:00PM
- Annual Iron Pigs Baseball Outing – 6/22/2025
- Bingo Buffet – Sat., 8/16/2025

## **FR. ANDY'S CORNER:**

**Fr. Andy's Annual Retreat & Formation Days** – This Sunday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> until Sat., March 1<sup>st</sup>, I will be away for some days of continuing formation with the Priests of St. Joseph to grow in our charism of spiritual direction for priests. Then I will enter the silence of my annual retreat and will be returning Sat., March 1<sup>st</sup>. Every year, these days are so important for my own continued conversion and growth, humanly and spiritually. Know that I will be praying for you and your intentions, especially at my daily offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. God bless you all!! *Fr. Andy*

## **Parish Celebration of the Service of the School**

### **Sisters of St. Francis**

The Parishioners of Incarnation of Our Lord Parish cordially invite you to a Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving in honor of the 77 years of dedicated service of the School Sisters of St. Francis to Incarnation of Our Lord/former SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish.

**On Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 at Incarnation of Our Lord Church, our Bishop, Alfred A. Schlert, D.D., Bishop of Allentown, will be the Main Celebrant of our regular 4:15PM Vigil Mass, immediately followed by a Dinner Reception after this Mass in LaBuda Hall @ 5:30PM.**

**Dinner menu: Turkey & Ham, stuffing, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, cranberry sauce, salad w/homemade dressing, dinner rolls, and desserts.**

**Get your tickets by Saturday, March 12, 2025!! Tickets are \$20/person and can be purchased @ the rectory or at our weekend Mass! Call the rectory office @ 610-866-3391 during regular business hours or email us @[iparish@ptd.net](mailto:iparish@ptd.net). **SEATING IS LIMITED!!****

### **Lent is Right Around the Corner!**

**Ash Wednesday is March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025!** The Holy Infancy school children will have Mass -8:30AM Ash Wednesday and all are welcome. We will also have a Mass here @ Incarnation @ 7:00PM in the evening. **A reminder that Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Abstinence from all meat products for those 14 years of age and older, and also Days of Fasting for those 18 years of age thru 60—eating only one full meatless meal and two other small snacks!**

**Stations of the Cross** – Every Friday evening @ 7:00PM beginning March 7<sup>th</sup> throughout the entire Lenten season w/some Adoration and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

**Confessions & Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament** – Begin this holy season with a good confession! Confessions and Adoration each Saturday during Lent from 2:45PM – 4:00PM @ Incarnation.

Also, we will have Confessions & Adoration @ Holy Infancy Monday – Friday – 30 Minutes before every daily Mass.

**Special Day of Adoration** – Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup>! **To enter Lent with more prayer and to make a spiritual bouquet for the Sisters of St. Francis, we will begin @ 9:00AM this day w/a Morning Mass and Solemn Exposition and continue w/Adoration throughout the day until 4:00PM, w/Solemn Benediction after the Holy Rosary, and before the start of our 4:15PM Vigil Mass. NOTE: A “Sign-up Sheet” will be in the vestibule of Incarnation so that all the hours of this Saturday will be filled! A book will also be in the vestibule to write in your spiritual offering in thanksgiving for the service of the Sisters of St. Francis to our Parish Family!**

**Coming Soon!! “What’s On Your Mind?” Question Box** - You are invited to present your questions about the Catholic Faith, or any questions related to the Faith by name or anonymously and place them in a lockable “Question Box” @ the entrance of the Church so that we, your clergy, can help to answer! We want to get in touch more with your real questions and will provide paper and pencils @ the entry of Church, or you can also send emails to the parish or use a QR Code on the side of the box.

Responses to the questions will be made in homilies focusing on those questions or written in a “Did You Know?” section of the bulletin. This idea is based on last year’s survey that showed the **“Opportunity for Growth Around Confidence in the Church’s Teachings.”** Only 47% of respondents stated they strongly agree/agree that my parish equips me to have conversations about my faith w/family members & friends by growing my confidence in the Church’s teachings so I can answer other’s questions.”

**So, PLEASE ASK! What’s on your mind?**

**Oodles of Noodles** - We have delicious homemade noodles for sale – soup and regular sizes – for \$5.00/bag. Order forms are available in the church vestibule! Get them before they’re gone!!

**2025 Spring Yard Sale @ Incarnation** – Our Annual Yard Sale takes place on **Fri., May 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sat., May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025!** Donations will start being accepted soon and updates will be posted in future bulletins! **RESERVE THE DATES!!**

***RESPECT LIFE***