

# INCARNATION OF OUR LORD CHURCH

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## February 1<sup>st</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025

SAT. Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM

Vigil – The Presentation of The Lord

4:15PM – +John Vidumsky by  
Barbara Raykos

SUN. 10:00AM – The Presentation of The Lord

Mass in the Ordinate Form

SAT. Confessions – 3:00PM – 4:00PM

Vigil – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:15PM – +Anna Zaun by Helen Fabian

SUN. 10:00AM – Epiphany V

Mass in the Ordinate Form

## SUNDAY COLLECTION

1/25/2025

Regular - \$940.00

E-Giving - \$595.00

TOTAL: \$1,535.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

## THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMPS

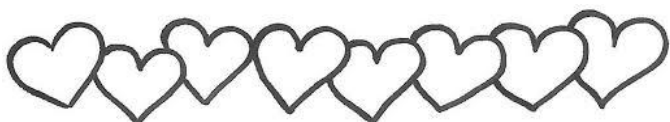
Sanctuary Lamp - In Memory of Joseph Zelko by daughter  
Rosemarie Csaszar

Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp – In Memory of Margaret A.  
Dias by Jo Zavec

St. Joseph Lamp – Poor Souls in Purgatory

Our Lady of the Rosary – Mary's Indulgences on Ruth  
Noctor by Family

Infant of Prague – Special Intentions



\*\*\*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.allentowndioocese.org](http://www.allentowndioocese.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 regular meeting will be held on **Wed., Feb. 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.

Mardi Gras Bingo Tickets – Tickets are now available for our Mardi Gras Bingo event in LaBuda Hall on **Sun., March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025.** Cost is \$20/person in advance, or \$25/person @ the door! Tickets include 15 regular Bingo board games w/cash prizes. Omaha Steaks specials & food and drinks will also be available for separate purchase. Doors open @ **1:00PM and Bingo begins @ 2:00PM! COME JOIN US!!** Stay tuned for more info about volunteer opportunities. Save the dates below for these upcoming PAG Activities:

- PAG Coffee & Donuts on Sun., 4/6/25 in LaBuda Hall after a special 8:00AM Sunday Mass
- Annual Iron Pigs Outing @ Coca Cola Park – Sun., 6/22/2025
- Bingo Buffet on Sat., 8/16/2025 after the 4:15PM Mass

## FR. ANDY'S CORNER:

### **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 placed in a lockable Question Box at 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 at 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 question 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 Church's Teachings. Only 47%** of respondents stated they strongly agree/agree that my parish equips me to have conversations about my faith with family and 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?"



### **"We are HIS"!!**

Catholic school students throughout the Diocese of Allentown will express their love of Catholic education with dancing and singing to their favorite songs in the third annual "Make a Joyful Noise" competition, which kicks off Sunday, Jan. 26 and runs through Sunday, Feb 23.

This year there is another wonderful, original song composed and produced by Elvin Garcia and his wife, our Principal Jeanne Negron-Garcia, "We are HIS" (Holy Infancy School)! You are going to love it along with beautiful images of all our school activities throughout the last year!

On the competition's website, [www.weloveourcatholicschools.com](http://www.weloveourcatholicschools.com), each school has a fundraising page where anyone can watch a video, cast a vote for their favorite video, and donate to the school until Feb. 23. **Vote for Holy Infancy School! Thank you for your generosity!!**

## 2024 Incarnation Parishioner Contribution

**Statements** – Any parishioner who would like to have a copy of their 2024 Envelope Contributions are asked to send in a **stamped/self-addressed envelope** to the rectory, or drop one in our weekly collection baskets. Thank you for your kind assistance!

**A Simple Act of Care for 2025** – As we pause and reflect on our blessings after the holiday season and look to a busy winter season ahead, the Diocese of Allentown invites you to show simple acts of care to yourself, your loved ones, and even to your parish by **creating your Will**. In thanks for your support, the Diocese partners with **FreeWill** so you can make a will and find peace-of-mind in the year ahead. It's completely FREE to use and takes as little as 20 minutes to complete. Please visit <https://allentowndiocese.my.giftlegacy.org/> to get started and help out your family for the future.

### **Retrouvaille: Rediscover The Love In Your Marriage** –

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced *Retro-vy*). If you know of anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this along! Couples learn to build better communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties, or crises. The next program will be held **Fri., Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> – Sun., Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.** For more information, or to register for this event, please visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call **215-766-3944** or **1-800-470-2230**. All inquiries are strictly confidential!

**Pennsylvanians for Human Life:** Please mark your calendars for the next meeting scheduled for the PA for Human Life local chapter. Meeting will be held on **Thurs., Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 6:30PM @ St. Anne's, Bethlehem, PA.** All are welcome to attend and to learn about what our organization does and enjoy fellowship!



**RESPECT LIFE**

### **The Matter of Life:**

The debate is NOT pro-choice vs. pro-life. The debate is about one question: **Is the newborn one of us? If the unborn is NOT a human being**, then no justification for abortion is necessary. **If the newborn IS a human being**, then no justification for abortion is adequate!

*From the film: THE MATTER OF LIFE*