INCARNATION OF OUR LORD PARISH

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April 22nd - 30th, 2023

- SAT. Confessions 3:00PM 4:00PM
 Vigil 3rd Sunday of Easter
 4:15PM +Henry & Agnes Lipsky by Family
 & +John Demyan by Family
- SUN. 3rd Sunday of Easter 11:00AM – Polish Mass +Zofia Waldemar Skowronski
- MON. 8:00AM @ HG +Macial Matos by Sr. Roseann Velas
- TUES. 8:00AM @ HG +Harry Kirk by Bill Kirk
- SAT. Confessions 3:00PM 4:00PM
 Vigil 4th Sunday of Easter
 4:15PM +William & +Barbara Rider by Family
- SUN. 4th Sunday of Easter 11:00AM – Polish Mass +Kazimierza i Wojciecha Kozikowskich

<u>SUNDAY COLLECTION</u> 04/16/23 \$1,081.00 E-Giving - \$213.00 Total - \$1,294.00 2023Easter Collection (TO DATE) -\$4,933.33 THANK YOU!!

<u>Sanctuary Lamp</u> – Living & Deceased Members of the Slovak Catholic Sokols Assemby #78 <u>Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp</u> – In Memory of Irene Toth by son Leonard & wife Kathleen <u>St. Joseph Lamp</u> – In Memory of Jean Libricz by Family **2023 Vigil Lamps/Masses** – There are Vigil Lamps still available for 2023, but <u>all Saturday Masses for 2023 have</u> <u>been requested!</u>! Please call the rectory during normal business hours for information. Cost is \$10 each.

***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. <u>COURAGE</u> – Diocesan Help Line – 610-217-5557. <u>Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting</u> <u>Service:</u> 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.



Incarnation Parish Website is up & running – Thank you to the support of Matthew Ziarnik & Mike Martin, along w/information from various sources, we were able to get a new website running again. It's still under construction, but Mike Martin is doing a wonderful job adding information. Mike's a Knight of Columbus and a parishioner of Holy Infancy who kindly offered his services. Please check out the great progress thus far @ www.incarnationofourlord.org.

A Message from Fr. Andy – The Knights of Columbus, Trinity Council 313 will be collecting outside our local parishes in support of the <u>Bethlehem Special Olympics</u> after Masses **next weekend**, Sat. & Sun., April 29th & 30th. You can also easily donate using your credit or debit card by visiting their website using the QR code provided there. For additional info, please contact Mike Martin @ 610-248-7281. Thanks, in advance, for your support!!

Fr. Andy's Corner:

BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLICS!!

Dear Friends:

We are kicking off the 2023 Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal in our parish and throughout our Diocese. We join our Catholic brothers and sisters throughout our Diocese to provide support for vital services like Catholic Charities, care for our retired and infirmed priests, education of Seminarians and Deacons, Catholic schools, and support for our centers for special learning. Every year the Appeal challenges us to look outside our parish boundaries to support the universal ministries of our Church. 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. 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 you will receive in the mail or visit the Appeal's website at BecauseWeAreCatholic.org, or call the Appeal Office @ 1-800-831-4443.

Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Andy

Incarnation Parish Yard Sale – Our annual Incarnation Parish Yard Sale will be held **next Fri.**, **4/28/23** - **4:00PM** -**7:00PM**, **and next Sat. 4/29/23** - **9:00AM** – **12Noon**. The sale will be in Labuda Hall. Donations can be dropped off in Labuda Hall before/after our weekend Masses. Please place items on the round table near the church tunnel!!

CALLING ALL BAKERS - In conjuntion with our Spring Yard Sale, we will be having a Bake Sale as well. Baked goods can be dropped off in Labuda Hall after 12Noon this Fri., April 28th. The Yard Sale begins Friday afternoon from 4:00PM – 7:00PM & also on Sat., April 29th, from 9:00AM – 12Noon. <u>NOTE</u>: Saturday, the 29th, is "FILL A BAG" Sale Day!! Please consider helping out with this endeavor to help make our Yard Sale a success!! The Incarnation Parish Finance Committee thanks you, in advance, for your kind participation and assistance!

PAG Spring Parish Breakfast – Tickets are still available for our Parish Spring Breakfast on **Sun.**, **5/7/23**, **immediately following a special 8:00AM Mass**. Tickets are **\$8.00/person** and can be purchased at our weekend Masses or @ the rectory during normal busines hours. All are invited! **PAG Monthly 50/50 Drawing Reminder -** \$5.00/entry, and since this drawing takes place electronically, just 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.

PAG Pierogi Sale – Homemade by our partners at the Polish American Citizens' Society of Allentown, of which many of our Polish congregation here @ Incarnation are members. Order forms are in the bulletin and also available in the church vestibule. Pierogi orders are due by Mon., 5/1/23 and pick-up of your orders will be on Sat., 5/13/23 in Labuda Hall from 3PM – 6PM.

PAG Upcoming Events – Save the date and stay tuned for more info regarding these future PAG activities/events. (All dates tentative!)

- Incarnation Parish Spring Breakfast Sun., 5/7/23 in Labuda Hall after special 8:00AM Mass
- Pierogi Sale 5/13/23 (Order Forms in bulletin and church vestibules)
- "Pizza & A Movie Night" Sat., 5/20/23 in Labuda Hall after our 4:15PM Vigil Mass
- Iron Pigs Outing Sun., 7/16/23
- Bingo Buffet Sat., 8/19/23 after 4:15PM Mass

Incarnation Senior Group – Our meetings are held every 1st Wednesday of the month @ 12Noon in Labuda Hall! Our next meeting will be Wed., May 3rd, 2023. New members are always welcome and we also extend a warm welcome to the Holy Infancy Seniors 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. P – Justine Yuhas, VP – Irene Vidumsky, Sec. – Anne Pecsek, T- Mike Vidumsky.

THANK YOU MESSAGE – The Incarnation Parish Choir would like to say a very special **"THANK YOU"** to **Susan Vitez** for donating two flower arrangements to the Incarnation Music Ministry. Her thoughtfulness and kindness is greatly appreciated. *Make a joyful noise unto the Lord...Psalm 100*

2023 "World Day of Prayer" – This year's "World Day of Prayer" will be observed **next Sunday**, April **30**th. It is also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday". The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to "pray to the Lord to help in sending 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, deaconate, religious life, or to societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. The Serra Club of the Lehigh Valley encourages everyone to be open to the Lord's call.

RESPECT ALL LIFE AT ALL TIMES!!