

INCARNATION OF OUR LORD CHURCH

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March 8th – 16th, 2025

SAT. Confessions & Adoration – 2:45PM – 4:00PM
Vigil – 1st Sunday of Lent
4:15PM – +Vincent Doddy by son Vincent III
&
+Agnes Stephan (8th Anniversary)
By Family

SUN. 10:00AM – **Lent I**
Mass in the Ordinariate Form

FRI. 7:00PM – Stations of the Cross w/Adoration and
Benediction of the Most Blessed
Sacrament

SAT. 9:00AM – For All Parishioners
**Immediately following this Mass, Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament will take place from 9:30AM –
3:30PM**

Confessions & Adoration – 2:45PM – 4:00PM
Vigil – 2nd Sunday of Lent
4:15PM – +Thomas Zsilavec by Janice &
Nicholas Kavounas

SUN. 10:00AM – **Lent II**
Mass in the Ordinariate Form

SUNDAY COLLECTION

3/01/2025

\$1,438.00

E-Giving - \$485.00

TOTAL: \$1,923.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMPS

Sanctuary Lamp - In Memory of Jacqueline Kostelnick by
Rosemarie Cszaszar

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

St. Joseph Lamp – In Memory of Joseph Sennetti by Connie
Libricz

Our Lady of the Rosary – Poor Souls in Purgatory

Infant of Prague – All Deceased Parishioners of Incarnation of
Our Lord Church

*****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.

Incarnation Senior Group – Our next meeting will be held **Wed.,
April 2nd, 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.

Incarnation Senior Group Easter Holiday Roll Sale - Order forms
are available in the church vestibule for this year's Easter Roll Sale.
Rolls are made by *Country Cottage Bakery* in Tamaqua, PA. Order
deadline is **Thurs., March 27th, 2025 w/pick-up Thurs., April 10th,
2025.** Cost is \$18/roll and **PAYMENT IS DUE W/YOUR ORDERS!!!**
Thank you, in advance, for your kind support! Any questions, call Jo
Zavec @ 610-867-0260.

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!

****LENT – PRAYER & SACRIFICE****

FR. ANDY'S CORNER:
TODAY IS SAFE HAVEN SUNDAY

As you work hard to create safe havens for your children and spouse, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) and our Diocese of Allentown wish to bring one particular issue to your attention. It's not easy to discuss, but it's important. That issue is pornography. Pornography is hurting many people, including marriages and families, singles, priests and religious, and even children. It hurts the healthy process of vocational discernment for our young people. Pornography use impacts the relationships of children with their parents, husbands with their wives (and vice versa), the pastor with his community, and most importantly, our relationship with our Lord.

In November of 2015, the USCCB released a pastoral response to pornography, called *Create in Me a Clean Heart*. In the statement, the USCCB speaks directly to parents about being proactive about the issue of pornography in the life of the home with their children and together as a married couple to ensure the home keeps its status as a safe haven for all.

<https://www.usccb.org/cleanheart>

The Bishops state, "The use of pornography by anyone in the home deprives the home of its role as a safe haven and has negative effects throughout a family's life and across generations.

Thus, today throughout our Diocese of Allentown, we are celebrating the first annual Safe Haven Sunday with the theme "Equipping the Family, Safeguarding Children." This awareness effort is meant to draw our attention as a community to the seriousness of the issue of pornography and to recommit ourselves to take steps to ensure our homes are safe havens for all.

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 22nd, 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 THIS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12TH!!** 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. **SEATING IS LIMITED!!**

****SPECIAL NOTE**:** Although we will provide a special cake for dessert, we are also asking people to bring some baked goods to share! **PLEASE DROP OFF YOUR BAKED GOODS SATURDAY, MARCH 22nd, FROM 9:00AM – 1:30PM!!**

LENT

Stations of the Cross - Every Friday during Lent starting March 7th @ 7:00PM w/some Adoration & Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Stations of the Cross is a powerful way to contemplate, and enter into, the mystery of Jesus' gift of himself to us. It involves my senses, my experience, and my emotions. The more I experience the love of Jesus for me, the more I will be grateful! Deep gratitude leads to real generosity and a desire to love as I have been loved.

Abstinence! Every Friday of Lent, Catholics do not eat meat as a communal sacrifice.

Confessions & Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament during Lent – Begin this holy season with a good confession! Confessions & Adoration – Saturdays 2:45PM – 4:00PM @ Incarnation Church. Monday to Friday: 30 minutes before every daily Mass @ Holy Infancy Church.

Special Day of Adoration: Saturday, March 15th, 2025. To enter Lent with more prayer and to make a spiritual bouquet for the Sisters of St. Francis, we will begin @ 9:00AM with a morning Mass and Solemn Exposition and continue with Adoration throughout the day until 4:00PM with Solemn Benediction after the Holy Rosary, and before the 4:15PM Vigil Mass. We will have a sign-up sheet in the entryway so that all the hours of the day will be covered. Also, a book will be in the entryway of the church to write in your spiritual offering in thanksgiving for the service of the Sisters of St. Francis to our Parish Family.

CRS (Catholic Relief Services) Rice Bowl Boxes: Please pick up your family's box at the entrance of the church and use the instructions to help you grow in union with Jesus through sacrifice for the needs of our less fortunate brothers and sisters in the world!

PAG "Mardi Gras Bingo" – "THANK YOU" A very special THANK YOU to everyone who helped make this event a success—all the volunteers and all who attended! It was a lovely afternoon of fun and fellowship.

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

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 February's winners: Mr. & Mrs. William Pfliegler (\$68.75), Sr. Clarice Vresk (\$41.25), & Barbara Raykos (\$27.50). Enjoy your winnings!

RESPECT LIFE