

INCARNATION OF OUR LORD CHURCH

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****Incarnation Parish Rectory Office Hours – Mondays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, 9:00AM – 1:00PM****

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April 12th – 20th, 2025



SAT. Confessions/Adoration 2:45PM – 4:00PM
Vigil – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
4:15PM – All Parishioners

SUN. **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**
10:00AM – Mass in Ordinate Form



THURS. **HOLY THURSDAY**
"In Remembrance of Me"
5:00PM – Mass in Ordinate Form
7:00PM – Mass of the Lord's Supper (INC)
All Parishioners

FRI. **GOOD FRIDAY – THE PASSION OF THE LORD**
12:00Noon – Good Friday Adoration of the Cross
(Ordinaries)
3:00PM – Liturgy of The Lord's Passion
w/Communion

SAT. **BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS – 12 NOON**
****Both Incarnation & Holy Infancy Churches**



SAT. **SOLEMN EASTER VIGIL**
8:00PM – All Living & Deceased Parishioners



SUN. **EASTER SUNDAY**
8:00AM – Mass @ Incarnation Parish
All Living & Deceased Parishioners
10:00AM – Mass in the Ordinate Form

SUNDAY COLLECTION

4/05/2025

\$1,701.00

E-Giving - \$260.00

TOTAL: \$1,961.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

*****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., May 7th, 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.

THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMPS

Sanctuary Lamp - In Memory of Stephen & Rose Turek by daughter Stephanie Turek

Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp - In Memory of Justine & Walter Edelman by daughter Sharon Vincovich, husband George, & Family

St. Joseph Lamp - Living & Deceased Members of the Slovak Catholic Sokols #78

Our Lady of the Rosary - Mary's Indulgences on R. Jean Noctor by Family

Infant of Prague - In Memory of Michael Balog by Jo-Jo Zavec

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!

FR. ANDY'S CORNER:

What is Palm Sunday?

Every day of Holy Week is one step on a spiritual pilgrimage, and Palm Sunday is the day that pilgrimage begins.

Palm Sunday takes place one week before Easter and commemorates Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Catholics carry blessed palm branches into church, symbolizing the crowd's welcoming gesture as Jesus rode into the city on a donkey. The Gospel readings recount the story of Jesus' death and Passion, inviting us to reflect on his sacrificial love and the profound significance of Holy Week. You can reflect on this passage by reading the Gospel of Mark Chapter 11, verses 1-11.

How to Observe Palm Sunday

Celebrating Palm Sunday begins with a uniquely powerful experience of Mass. This particular Mass includes two incredible readings from the Gospels. As Mass begins, we hear the account of Jesus triumphantly entering Jerusalem on a donkey and being praised by massive crowds. It is a special opportunity to begin a spiritual pilgrimage toward Easter.

Then, during the Liturgy of the Word, we dive into the entire Passion account. Many parishes present this account in an interactive format: the priest reads Jesus' lines, lectors narrate and read the parts of many characters, and everyone in the pews reads the part of the crowd. As you listen, place yourself there in the story. Imagine the sights and sounds. Who do you resonate with? What words or phrases stick out to you? It is a particularly long reading, so try to focus on the one thing God is trying to say to you.

At Palm Sunday Mass, you'll also receive blessed palm branches. Many people keep these palm branches all year, using them as a religious decoration in their home or weaving them into a cross shape. Since palm branches are a blessed item, they should not be thrown in the trash. If you do not want to keep your branch, you can return it to the church where it will be burned for ashes the following Ash Wednesday!

The Last Days: The Passion and Death of Jesus the Christ with Jonathan Roumie (made before the Chosen Series)

"The Last Days: The Passion and Death of Jesus the Christ" is a filmed presentation of a live theatrical production that movingly recreates the final days of Jesus' earthly ministry. Produced by G.K. Chesterton Entertainment
TO SIGN UP:

- 1) Go to www.formed.org/signup
- 2) Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization"
- 3) Search for "Holy Infancy Church and School"
- 4) Enter your Full Name and Email address
- 5) Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED
- 6) Download the FORMED.org App so you can watch it on your Smart TV or Device

<https://watch.formed.org/this-week-on-formed/videos/the-last-days-the-passion-and-death-of-jesus-the-christ>

CRS (Catholic Relief Service) Rice Bowl Boxes: When you hand in your Rice Bowl Donations, we ask that you count your change and convert it to dollars and place in an envelope with your name and information on it! Thank you!

Incarnation Annual Yard Sale - Our Spring Yard Sale will take place on Memorial Weekend this year - **Fri., May 23rd and Sat., May 24th**. **NOTE: We are now accepting yard sale donations!!** Your donations can be brought to the church basement before Mass and placed on the table marked 'YARD SALE'!! **Do not bring bedding, clothing, TVs, computer monitors, or books!!!** Thank you for your assistance to help to make this year's Yard Sale a great success!!

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 MARCH WINNERS: Stephen & Jean Barron (\$96.25), Justine Yuhas (\$57.75), & Charmaine Brown (\$38.50). Enjoy your winnings! Save the date and stay tuned for more information about these other upcoming PAG activities/events (all dates tentative):

UPCOMING PAG EVENTS

- **PAG Meeting - Thurs., 6/12/2025 @ 7:00PM**
- **Annual Iron Pigs Baseball Outing - 6/22/2025**
- **Bingo Buffet - Sat., 8/16/2025**

PA For Human Life Local Chapter Meeting - All are invited to attend our Chapter Meeting on **Thurs., April 24th, 2025 @ 6:30PM @ St. Anne's Church, Bethlehem, PA!** Come learn about what our organization does and enjoy good fellowship!

Knights of Columbus @ Coca Cola Park - Join KOC #313 for a night out w/the Iron Pigs on **Thurs., May 22nd, 2025!** Cost is \$30/person for a 2-hr. picnic buffet in the Patio area. Contact Chip Walakovits @ whochip@ptd.net. Food @ 6PM, game time is 6:45PM!