

# INCARNATION OF OUR LORD CHURCH

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## April 5<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**SAT.** Confessions & Adoration – 2:45PM – 4:00PM

**Vigil – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**

4:15PM – +Elizabeth Shebay by Joan Balik

**SUN.** 8:00AM – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

All Living & Deceased Parishioners of  
Incarnation Church

**\*\*PAG Coffee & Donuts after Mass\*\***

10:00AM – **Lent V**

Mass in the Ordinariate Form

**FRI.** 7:00PM – **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**w/ADORATION & BENEDICTION**

**SAT.** Confessions & Adoration – 2:45PM – 4:00PM

**Vigil – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

4:15PM – All Parishioners

**SUN.** 10:00AM – **Palm Sunday**

Mass in the Ordinariate Form

## SUNDAY COLLECTION

3/30/2025

\$998.00

E-Giving - \$445.00

TOTAL: \$1,443.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

## THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMPS

**Sanctuary Lamp** - In Memory of Geraldo & Raphael  
Cassano by Granddaughter Jo Zavec

**Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp** – Mary's Indulgences on R.  
Jean Noctor by Family

## VOTIVE LAMPS – CONT'D

**St. Joseph Lamp** – God's Blessings on Janet Lehman by  
Nancy Hutt

**Our Lady of the Rosary** – In Memory of John Lehman, Jr.  
by Nancy Hutt

**Infant of Prague** – In Memory of John Lehman, Jr. by Jo  
Zavec

**\*\*\*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** – Our next meeting will be held  
**Wed., May 7<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.

**Incarnation Senior Group Easter Holiday Roll Sale - Order  
pick-up THIS THURSDAY, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025 FROM 9:30AM –  
11:00AM IN LABUDA HALL!** Thank you 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!

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of  
**Lent**  
We prepare

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

**Stations of the Cross Every Friday** starting at 7:00 PM during Lent with some Adoration and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

**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!

### **"What's on your mind?" - Question box!**

Keep asking your questions!! We want to get in touch more with your real questions and there are paper and pencils at entry of Church or you can also send emails to the parish.

**Question:** Who are the "side kicks" of the four statues on either side of the sanctuary?

**Answer:** *The Four Evangelists — Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John — are traditionally represented by*

*specific symbols because of both theological and historical associations. Each symbol corresponds to unique aspects of their Gospel writing, the content of their works, and even*

*ancient iconography. Here's why each of the Evangelists is represented by these images:*

*1. Matthew – Winged man or Angel*

*The symbol represents both the human aspect of Jesus and the divine message delivered through the Gospel. The Gospel begins with the human genealogy of Jesus.*

*2. Mark – The Lion*

*The lion symbolizes Mark because his Gospel begins with the voice of John the Baptist crying out in the wilderness, likened to a roaring lion.*

*3. Luke – The Ox or Bull*

*Luke's Gospel begins with a focus on sacrifice, particularly the story of Zechariah offering sacrifices in the temple (Luke 1). The ox is traditionally associated with sacrifice and service.*

*Luke's Gospel is known for emphasizing the compassion, humanity, and the sacrificial aspect of Jesus life.*

*4. John – The Eagle*

*In the prologue to his Gospel, John reflects on the concept of the Word, the Word of God, capable of dispelling darkness. It was believed that the eagle could stare at the sun without being blinded, and for this reason, Saint John, who sought to gaze deeply into God, was attributed this symbol.*

### **Are there any Gardeners in the house??**

Sr. Regina used to be the Gardener of our parish grounds. If there are any gardeners interested in taking over the care of the parish garden between the rectory and the convent, please contact Fr. Andy. Thank you!

**Incarnation Annual Yard Sale** – Our Spring Yard Sale will take place on Memorial Weekend this year – **Fri., May 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sat., May 24<sup>th</sup>.** Please look for future information regarding the start of donations and event set-up activities. Mark your calendars and thank you, in advance, for all your support to make this a fantastic event!

**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.

Save the date and stay tuned for more information about these other upcoming PAG activities/events (all dates tentative):

#### **UPCOMING PAG EVENTS**

- **Coffee & Donuts – Next Sunday, 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**

**A Desert Experience @ Monccocacy Manor** – You're invited to attend "A Desert Experience" on Tues., Apr. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 from 9:30AM – 1:30PM in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room in Monccocay Manor, 395 Bridle Path Rd., Bethlehem, PA. Presenter is Sr. Marie Therese Sherwood, OSF. You may register online @ [www.SchoolSistersOsf.org](http://www.SchoolSistersOsf.org) or by phone @ 610-867-8890. Cost is \$35/person & light lunch will be provided. NOTE: Participants are asked to bring their Bibles, journals, or notebooks.

**Knights of Columbus** – The Knights of Columbus, Trinity Council 313 will be collecting in support of the **Bethlehem Special Olympics** after each Mass **THIS WEEKEND - April 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025.** You can also easily donate using your credit or debit card by visiting our website. Thank you, in advance, for your support!

**Lenten Mission @ Holy Family, Nazareth, PA** - Holy Family Parish, 410 W. Center St., Nazareth, PA is holding a "Lenten Mission" on **Mon, 4/7, Tues., 4/8, and Wed., 4/9/2025 @ 7:00PM each evening.** Fr. Allen Hoffa will share his theme, *The Pathway to Hope: Living in the Father, Son, & Holy Spirit!* All are welcome to join us each night for his enlightening Lenten message.

**Knights of Columbus "Night @ the Ball Park"** – You are invited to join the Knights of Columbus #313 for their **Night @ the Ball Park w/the Iron Pigs on Thurs., 5/22/2025 @ Coca Cola Park.** Cost is \$30 for a 2-hour picnic buffet in the Patio area. For reservations, please contact Chip Walakovits @ [whochip@ptd.net](mailto:whochip@ptd.net), or text him @ 610-739-5653! Food available starting @ 6:00PM w/game time @ 6:45PM.

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