

# INCARNATION OF OUR LORD CHURCH

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## March 15<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

- 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 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent**  
4:15PM – +Thomas Zsilavec by Janice & Nicholas Kavounas
- SUN.** 10:00AM – **Lent II**  
Mass in the Ordinariate Form
- FRI.** 7:00PM – Stations of the Cross w/Adoration and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament
- SAT.** Confessions & Adoration – 2:45PM – 4:00PM  
**Vigil – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent**  
**\*\*Special Mass w/Most Rev. Alfred A. Schlert, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of the Diocese of Allentown\*\***  
4:15PM – Honorary Mass for the School Sisters of St. Francis  
+Mary Molnar by daughter Maryann Sysak & Family
- SUN.** 10:00AM – **Lent III**  
Mass in the Ordinariate Form

## SUNDAY COLLECTION

3/08/2025

\$2,148.00

E-Giving - \$520.00

TOTAL: \$2,668.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

## THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMPS

**Sanctuary Lamp** - Good Health & God's Blessings on Helen Gierula (102<sup>nd</sup> Birthday) by Sandy Bosak  
**Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp** – In Memory of Agnes Stephan by Family  
**St. Joseph Lamp** – In Memory of Stephen “Hips” Pecsek (35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) by children John, Chaz, and Anne Pecsek  
**Our Lady of the Rosary** – Mary's Indulgences on R. Jean Noctor by Family  
**Infant of Prague** – Special Intention

**\*\*\*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., April 2<sup>nd</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 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 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025 w/pick-up Thurs., April 10<sup>th</sup>, 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!

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

### **Parish Celebration of the Service of the School**

#### **Sisters of St. Francis**

**LAST CHANCE to get your Dinner Tickets today after Mass! Dinner tickets are \$20.00 and can be purchased after Mass!!!**

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 22<sup>nd</sup>, 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.

**\*\*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 NEXT SATURDAY, MARCH 22<sup>nd</sup>, FROM 9:00AM – 1:30PM!!**

**Please offer your Spiritual Bouquet:** There are blank papers at the entryway of the church to write in your message of spiritual offering (Masses, Rosaries, Holy Hours, Sacrifices, etc.) in thanksgiving for the service of the School Sisters of St. Francis to our Parish Family! You can leave the completed papers in the box at the entrance of Church.

#### **LENT**

**Stations of the Cross** – 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.

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

**Mark your Calendars for the Special "Mary Stations of the Cross" on April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM**

**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.

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!

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

Keep asking your questions!! We received some last week and will answer them as quickly as possible. The Question Box is in the church vestibule. We want to get in touch more with your real questions and there are paper and pencils at the entryway of the church or you can also send emails to the parish.

#### **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!

**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** – 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

**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!

#### **SS. Cyril & Methodius Cemetery SPRING CLEAN-UP 2025**

This year's deadline is **Mon., March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025!** If anyone has any winter gravesite decorations that are still in our parish cemetery, please make every effort to remove anything that you don't want thrown away! Fr. Andy would like to make sure our cemetery is prepared for the spring and ready for the Easter season. THANK YOU for your kind attention to this matter!

**Knights of Columbus** – The Knights of Columbus, Trinity Council 313 will be collecting in support of the **Bethlehem Special Olympics** after each Mass during the weekend of **April 5<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!

***Respect Life!! Abortions destroy families, and thereby, a nation!!!***