

SEVENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

~February 24, 2019~

God's Merciful Love... O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me. Ps 13 (12): 6

Mass Intentions

- Monday*  
7:45 AM David Doncsecz by Jim and Sean
- Tuesday*  
7:45 AM Joseph Forte by Zulmira Guerreiro
- Wednesday*  
7:45 AM Kristen Kramer by Mary Ann Skrincosky
- Thursday*  
No Mass
- Friday*  
7:45 AM Michael and Mary Yawney Daughter
- Saturday*  
No Daily Mass  
5:00 PM In Loving Memory of Aunt Toni Koperna by Jim and Lisa Lamana-Lauer
- Sunday*  
8:00 AM Priscilla Keretz by Family  
9:30 AM Frank Helme by Fleissner Family  
11:00 AM John H. Lynch by Deb and Bob Boyer



**First Reading:** 1 Sm 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 ... (David Spares Saul) King Saul has condemned David and is trying to capture him. David has the opportunity to kill Saul but refuses to harm the king because Saul is anointed by the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 103... (The Lord's Mercy) "The Lord is kind and merciful."

**Second Reading:** 1 Cor 15: 45-49 ... (Grace Builds on Nature) Grace builds on nature. In Christ we are formed in the spiritual order.

**Gospel:** Lk 6: 27-38 ... (Love for Enemies) The supernatural virtues go beyond the natural virtues which even sinners practice.

- Monday:* Weekday  
Sir 1: 1-10; Ps 93: 1-2, 5; Mk 9: 14-29
- Tuesday:* Weekday  
Sir 2: 1-11; Ps 37: 3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9: 30-37
- Wednesday:* Weekday  
Sir 4: 11-19; Ps 119: 165, 168, 171-172, 174-175; Mk 9: 38-40
- Thursday:* Weekday  
Sir 5: 1-8; Ps 1: 1-4, 6; Mk 9: 41-50
- Friday:* Weekday  
Sir 6: 5-17; Ps 119: 12, 16, 18, 27, 34-35; Mk 10: 1-12
- Saturday:* Weekday; BVM on Saturday  
Sir 17: 1-15; Ps 103: 13-18; Mk 10: 13-16



~ Saturday, Sunday: March 2, March 3~

~ ALTAR SERVER ~

- 5:00 PM J. Herman - C. Williams
- 8:00 AM V. Dadlani - J. Doncsecz
- 9:30 AM L. Skrincosky - A. Harper
- 11:00 AM L. Colarusso - R. Nowak

~ CANTOR ~

- 5:00 PM T. Zawadzki
- 8:00 AM S. Berdux
- 9:30 AM M. Skrincosky (Choir Mass)
- 11:00 AM M. Krupka

~ LECTOR ~

(Sir 27: 4-7; Ps 92: 2-3, 13-16; 1 Cor 15: 54-58)

- 5:00 PM R. Fleissner
- 8:00 AM C. Bachman
- 9:30 AM A. Dezubay
- 11:00 AM S. Stofanak

~ EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS of COMMUNION ~

- 5:00 PM B. Kincaid
- 8:00 AM J. and J. Kilpatrick - S. Walkiewicz
- 9:30 AM B. Kern - R. DelVecchio
- 11:00 AM D. and T. Gaylor - S. Rodriguez

~ GREETER ~

- 5:00 PM M. Forte
- 8:00 AM M. and F. Wiedl
- 9:30 AM Sieto Family
- 11:00 AM A. and J. Nguyen

~ FOOD/GIFT CARD ~

- 5:00 PM D. Scanlon
- 8:00 AM J. Kalata - R. Mikulski
- 9:30 AM J. Keretz
- 11:00 AM B. Kincaid

~ MONEY COUNTER ~

- M. Juhasz - J. Mitch
- R. Schaefer - V. Schwarz

**Prayer for Our Priests**

*Eternal God, please bless our priests, who represent you on this earth. Make them more greatly aware of the grace that you pour out through them when they minister the sacraments and help them to fall more deeply in love with you after each and every Mass that they celebrate. Please strengthen our priests, who shepherd your flock, when they are in doubt of their faith, that they may be examples of your Truth and guide us always on the path to you. We ask these things of you our Eternal Priest. Amen.*



**A time of war, and a time of peace: We pray for those that serve in our military:**

Michael O'Donnell; Jarrett Buchanan; Blair Holva; Nick Massari; John Flannigan; Joe Owens; Rob McGuire; Joseph Salmento; David Principato; David Colarusso, Jr.; Paul K. Browne, II; Anthony T. Browne; LCpl Timothy F. Cassidy; Mark McNulty, Jr.; Josh Brueningsen; Sgt. Jared Steirer; Senior Chief Ian Hudak

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care all the men and women in uniform that serve our communities and nation at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace, strengthen them in their trials and temptations, give them courage to face the perils which beset them, and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Home of the Free because of the Brave... Thank you!!*

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▶ ▶ ▶ As part of its response to the clergy sexual abuse crisis, the Diocese of Allentown will invite Catholics from throughout the Diocese to attend discussions, moderated by fellow parishioners, designed to encourage reflection and healing.

"We want people to express their thoughts, their feelings and their concerns about clergy sexual abuse in the prayerful comfort of their own parish environment," said Bishop Alfred Schlert. The program will be available in both English and Spanish.

"My hope is that those who choose to attend these small-group discussions will find them helpful and will use them as part of the process of healing," Bishop Schlert said. "This is an opportunity for all of us to prayerfully reflect on scripture, on the clergy sexual abuse crisis, and on our path forward as a Roman Catholic Family of Faith."

The program, called *Healing Our Church*, is being designed by *RENEW International*, a nonprofit organization that provides Catholic ministry services throughout the world. Bishop Schlert encouraged *RENEW* to develop the program for use in the Diocese of Allentown and elsewhere. The weekly discussions will take place during the six weeks of Lent, a traditional time of deep reflection before Easter. Lent begins Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, Ash Wednesday.

If anyone would be interested in being a group leader or group couple, please let Fr. Bob know. Training will be provided by the Diocese.

▶▶ *Sacred Heart Gift/Food Card List* ◀◀

**Grocery Stores:** Giant: \$25, 50, 100; Height's Market: \$20; Redner's Market: \$20, 50; Shop Rite: \$25, 100; Valley Farm Market: \$25, 50, 100; Weis Market: \$50

**Retail:** Amazon: \$25; Barnes & Noble: \$10, 25; Bath & Body: \$10; Bed, Bath & Beyond: \$25; Boscov's: \$25; Dick's Sporting Goods: \$25; Home Depot: \$25, 100; Kohl's: \$25, 100; Lowe's: \$25, 100; Michael's: \$25; Regal: \$25; Staples: \$25; Target: \$25; TJ Maxx: \$25; Walmart (can also be used at Sam's Club): \$25, 100; WaWa \$25

**Restaurants:** Applebee's: \$25; Cracker Barrel: \$10; Darden: \$25; Outback: \$25; Panera: \$10; Red Robin: \$25; Ruby Tuesday: \$25; Starbucks: \$10; Texas Roadhouse: \$25; TGIF: \$25

▶ ▶ ▶ We will be collecting the following items to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters... soaps, shampoo, body wash, razors, toothpaste and toothbrushes, deodorant, sanitizers, hand wipes.

Please place the items in the two blue containers in the main vestibule. There is a small and large container. Both are marked "TOILETRIES".

Thank you for your continued support in helping others!



*Please pray for our sick, for all those homebound, in the hospital or nursing homes and especially those who care for them. We also ask prayers for those not listed and those we are not aware of that are ill.*

Donna Miller, Joan Szemenyei, Joseph Ludrof, Susan G. Tinschmidt, David Cap, Lisa Dreher, A.J. Shuck, M. and D. Shuck, Anthony Viera, Bev Russell, Hank Straub, Albina DaSilva, Andrew Filbert, Christopher Brennan, Bill White, Jessica Hewitt, Joan Raymond, John and Charlotte Rzepiela, Lori Watts, Jacob Jarvis, James and Janet DeVaney, Beth Coleman, Mary Saraceno-Wright, Dorothea Saraceno-Atherholt, Alice Bennett, Mary Lou Schuler, Joe Field, Louis A. Gray, Gail Schneider, Molly Weidemoyer, James Lankford, Karen Hegedus, Patrick McBride, Jane Schreiber, Ron and Irene Rutkowski, Jamie Heston, Terry Macripo, Patrice Schwartzman, Leona Oberholtzer, Colleen Pinzon, Ronald Mitch, Sanford Kravett, Jack Herczeg, Grandson, Pat Moulton, Sheri Radzelovage, Janet Zambo, Geza Vegh, Loretta Scurato, Theresa Mitchell, Emerson Davenport, Gina Teel, Nonna Frances, Charlotte Gazzana, Russell Gazzana, Rebecca Wasniewski, Larry Muzyka, Heather Mowery, Corporal Seth Kelly, Teresa Yatko, Fritz and Pat Warminsky, Carmela Azzolina, Walter Fry, JoAnn Connors, Mary Hasenecz, Frank Donchez, Carol Jacob, Manny and Dorothy Martinez, Ann Lester, Kathleen Angelozzi, Dorothy Fekula, Emma Fogel, Irene Nagy, Jackie Swartley, Bobby Ricks, George Treisner, Paul Micci, Mike Podhayny, Janice Mitchell, John Witmer

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*Parish Upcoming Events*

**February:**

- 23: *Prime Time "Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner" Tickets will be Sold ~ Before and After 5:00 PM Mass: Main Vestibule ~*
- 24: *Prime Time "Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner" Tickets will be Sold ~ Before and After all Masses: Main Vestibule ~*
- 24: *Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction: After 11:00 AM Mass*
- 27: *Sacred Heart Prime Time Meeting: 1:00 PM ~ Father King Memorial Hall ~*
- 28: *Choir Rehearsal: 7:00 PM ~ Church*

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**Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, Weekly Envelope: \$6,400**

**Thank you for your generosity!**

**Your contributions are deeply appreciated.**

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*The St. Vincent de Paul Society of Incarnation of Our Lord Parish, Bethlehem, is sponsoring its sixth annual "Mardi Gras Bingo" on Sunday, March 3rd. This fundraising event will be held in the LaBuda Social Hall in the church basement (Incarnation LaBuda Hall -*

*617 Pierce Street, Bethlehem, PA 18015). Doors will open at 12:00 pm, and bingo will start at 2:00 pm. Adults 18 and over; Ticket Donation: \$20 advance/\$25 at the door. The ticket price includes 15 bingo cash prize games (on boards). Advance tickets are available from the rectory (610-866-3391) or at weekend Masses: Saturday – 4:20 PM; Sunday: 8:00 AM Available for purchase: 5 Specials (sheets/papers) – Prizes: Designer Bags.*

*There will be Special Games, Food, and a Tricky Tray Raffle.*

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▶ ▶ ▶ **Bulletin Announcements** ◀ ◀ ◀

Deliver to the Rectory office or email to [sacredheartrectory1936@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartrectory1936@gmail.com) by 12 noon on Thursday (that is, ten days prior to the publication of the bulletin).



**Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction...** After the 11:00 AM Mass TODAY, Sunday, February 24, 2019, Sacred Heart will be having a Holy Hour with the Blessed Sacrament upon the Altar. The **Holy Hour** will come to a close at 1:00 PM with simple mid-day **Prayer and Benediction**. Please plan on spending this quiet time in Prayer and Adoration with Jesus Christ.

► **AFIRE** (Active Faith Implementing Relief in the Epidemic) ◀

Father Bob has met and spoke with family and friends to hear how isolated, alone and embarrassed family and friends feel when dealing with an addiction of a loved one. Addiction is extremely hurtful and not a subject matter that is discussed openly, which allows Moms, Dads, Spouses, Siblings, and other family and friends to suffer in silence.

His experiences have moved him to prayerfully consider how he could help those suffering from an addiction of any kind. To have a program where people can come together and feel safe and comfortable to share their pains, suffering, hopelessness, and embarrassment, with each other in a nonjudgmental environment. No one can truly understand what it is like to have a family member or friend who has an addiction until that experience comes into a family's life.

The Holy Spirit brought a program to his attention called **AFIRE**. This program is a faith-based movement designed to bring healing, hope, resources, advocacy and transformational action to families and communities struggling with addiction. No one will be expected to participate in any way they don't feel comfortable. Some may want to share their experience. Others may just want to gather and pray.

Here, at Sacred Heart, we will start first with the healing and hope aspect. As the group gathers to support one another, we may expand to include the other aspects of the **AFIRE** program.

If you, or anyone you know, have a family member or friend that is caught up in any kind of addiction and you would like to gather to meet others who understand the roller coaster of emotions that comes when addiction enters a family, please contact Fr. Bob at 610-865-5042, press 3, or through his private email address [sacredheartbethlehem@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartbethlehem@gmail.com). This will be a strictly and nonjudgmental group.

People of all faiths are welcome!

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+++++ **Knights of Columbus Basketball Free Throw**

**Championship...** All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate. The competition will be jointly sponsored by our parish Knights of Columbus Council, Assumption BVM, Sacred Heart (Bath), Saint Anne's, Saint Theresa, Saint John Vienne (Saint Joseph's Parish) Councils. The competition will be held TODAY, Sunday evening February 24<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 PM at St. Anne's School Gym, Bethlehem PA 18017.

Registration will be held on the day of the event, beginning at 5:00 PM. The District Competition will also be held that day immediately following the local contests. There is no charge to participate. A birth certificate for proof of age is required. Entry forms may be picked up in the vestibule of the Church.

The **Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship** is held annually, with winners progressing through local, district, regional, and state competitions. All boys and girls 9 to 14 years old are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age/gender divisions. Last year more than 120,000 sharpshooters participated in over 3,600 local competitions. For more information, contact Bernie Mikulski at 610-691-6054, Sacred Heart Council 15682.

**Diocesan Victim Assistance Co-ordinator:**

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak M.A., NCC, LPC;  
Direct Telephone (NOT CONFIDENTIAL): 1-800-791-9209

**Diocesan Safe Environment Co-ordinator:**

Sister Meg Cole, S.S.J., MS, LMFT; Telephone: 610-332-0442 ext 2019

**Diocese of Allentown Protection of Youth Policy:**

[www.allentowndiocese.org](http://www.allentowndiocese.org)

**Prayer for More Vocations:** O Holy Spirit, Spirit of wisdom and divine love, impart Your knowledge, understanding, and counsel to youth that they may know the vocation wherein they can best serve God. Give them courage and strength to follow God's holy will. Guide their uncertain steps, strengthen their resolutions, shield their chastity, fashion their minds, conquer their hearts, and lead them to the vineyards where they will labor in God's holy service. Amen.

► ► ► **Spiritual Training: Prayer, Fasting & Almsgiving** –

The Diocesan Commission for Men is offering a men's Lenten morning of reflection on Saturday, March 9, 2019, at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena in Allentown. Refreshments will be offered beginning at 8:30 AM in the Parish Activity Center. Presentations by the Most Reverend Alfred A. Schlert and Rev. Bernard Ezaki will begin in the Cathedral at 9:15 AM, ending by 11:30 AM. The Sacrament of Confession will be offered as well. To register for this free offering visit [www.allentowndiocese.org/cfm-spirituality](http://www.allentowndiocese.org/cfm-spirituality)

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**Prayer Shawl Ministry...** The Sacred Heart Prime Time Shawl Ministry meets on the second Thursday of the month in the Father King Memorial Hall from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. We would like to expand our group and anyone who likes to knit or crochet is invited to join us. If you

prefer, you can also knit or crochet at home. Our blessed prayer shawls are available for anyone who would be in need of one. The handmade shawls are a visible symbol of our prayers for those who may be comforted by them. The person does not have to be a member of Sacred Heart Parish to receive one. Beautiful knitted and crocheted baby sets are also available for a small donation. If anyone is interested in a shawl or one of the baby items, or for more information on this ministry, please call Jean Kalata at 610-867-0700.

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► ► ► Please keep the students of our Sacred Heart Parish Community in your thoughts and prayers as they prepare to celebrate and receive the beautiful sacraments of healing and imitation:

- **The Sacrament of First Penance:**  
Saturday, March 9th, 2019; 9:30 AM; Church
- **The Sacrament of Confirmation:**  
Tuesday, March 19th, 2019, combined with St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish (Hellertown) and St. Ursula (Fountain Hill); will be held at St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish; 4:30 PM
- **The Sacrament of First Communion:**  
Saturday, May 4th, 2019; 10:00 AM Mass; Church

+++++ **Prime Time Club** will meet on Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 PM in the Father King Memorial Hall. Entertainment will be Joe Vitale.

- ● **Prime Time Club** will be selling pork and sauerkraut tickets and 50/50 tickets before and after Masses

TODAY, February 23/24. Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner will be held on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, in the Father King Memorial Hall.





**Sanctuary Lights...** Candles can be lit for 7 days (Saturday to Saturday) on the High Altar of the Tabernacle, Blessed Mother Altar, St. Joseph Altar, St. Anthony, St. Jude, and Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Sanctuary Candles can be lit for any intention, death remembrance or anniversary, birthday, wedding anniversary, thanksgiving for blessings from God, for those who are ill or having surgery, or any special intentions which someone would like special prayers for. To have one of these Sanctuary Lights lit, drop a little note in the collection basket marked "Sanctuary Lights". A donation of \$12.00 is asked. The intention will appear in bulletin, unless directed not to.

**Blessed Mother Altar:**

➤ **For Healing of Body, Spirit, Soul, Mind and Heart of my Adult Child**

✠ **In Loving Memory of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Eternal Life for my Husband, Tom George**  
By: wife Pat

✠ **In Loving Memory my Wife, Anne Ardinger**  
By: husband Jack

✠ **For the Happy Repose of the Soul of Neal Lamana**  
By: Joanne

Week of February 17

**St. Anthony:**

➤ **With Grateful Appreciation and Thanksgiving for Answering My tPrayer of Petition**

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▶ ▶ ▶ **CYO Track & Field...** Any parish member, girl or boy, in grades 1 thru 8, not attending a Catholic Grade School and is interested in Track & Field, should contact Tony Karwacki at 610-691-0063. Practice will start in mid-March and Meets will be held on Saturdays. Season runs thru to mid-May.

**Sacred Heart Church 2018 Contribution Statement... Please make your request: "2018 CONTRIBUTION" on FRONT of your weekly contribution envelope.**

▶ ▶ ▶ **Sacred Heart Parish, Bethlehem Township, Knights of Columbus** will host 3 Lenten Fish Dinners on: March 8, March 22 and April 5 from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM, in Fr. King Memorial Hall, 1809 First St. Bethlehem PA 18020. The dinner includes baked and/or breaded fish, mac'n cheese, vegetable, roasted potato wedges, clam chowder, coleslaw, stewed tomatoes, dinner roll, dessert, hot coffee, hot or iced tea and lemonade. The cost is: Adults: \$10; Children 6 to 12: \$5; and under 6: Free. Homemade Pierogies will also be available @ 3 for \$2 while they last! All profit supports local charities. Please join us for good food and fellowship. Any questions, please contact Bob Boyer @ 610 428-8314.

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**Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner...** Sunday, March 3, 2019 in the Father King Memorial Hall. Hosted by Sacred Heart Prime Time Club. Menu: Pork, Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, Applesauce, Corn, Desserts and Beverage; Adults: \$10; Children under 12: \$5; Tickets must be purchased in advance; Take-outs available

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▶ ▶ ▶ The **Ladies Auxiliary for Holy Family Manor** are happy to **announce their Annual Spring Sale!** Join us on April 14th between 9:00 am -3:00 pm in the Holy Family Manor lobby to purchase your Easter flowers, beautiful jewelry and Father Tony's delicious handmade chocolate treats. Father Tony's chocolate Easter Bunnies sell out every year so be sure to stop by early! All proceeds will benefit our resident's needs at Holy Family Manor.



**Sacred Heart Memorial Society...**

Those who are enrolled in the Memorial Society will have their names written in a special book. The Memorial Book will be on display by the St. Joseph Altar. An intention will also be included in the Sunday petitions for those enrolled in the Memorial Society. All donations from the Sacred Heart Memorial Society will be used for the purchasing of items needed to celebrate the Sacraments.

Suggested offering is \$20.00. A contribution to the Sacred Heart Memorial Society has been made:

✠ **In Memory of Neal Lamana**

By: Richard Harold and Family

By: Liz and Dan Schoenauer

By: Armando and Chee-Chee Villani

✠ **In Loving Memory of Peggy and Joe Valek**

By: daughter Maryjean and husband Bill Haberl

✠ **In Loving Memory of Rose and "Wits" Haberl**

By: son Bill and wife Maryjean Haberl

✠ **In Loving Memory of Neal A. Lamana**

By: Jack and Jeanne Sobota

By: Michael and Allison Sobota

By: Jonathan Sobota

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There is an appointed time for everything, and a time for every affair under the heavens: Ecc 3

"A time to weep, mourn and die":

William Duane

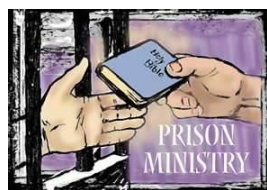
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*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let the perpetual light shine upon them. And may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

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▶ ▶ ▶ **First Saturday, March 2, 2019 - Free Retreat at the Blue Army Shrine** 674 Mt. View Rd. East, Asbury, NJ 08802; 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 pm-"Heart of Mary - Hope for the World, Uncovering the Fatima Message." All welcome to the studio audience free retreat which will be filmed with Fr. Hugh Gillespie, SMM. Fr. Hugh will be presenting the final two talks in our Fatima series: Reparation for sinners and the charism of St. Jacinta, and Consecration to Mary as lived by Servant of God Sister Lucia. 11:30 a.m.: Rosary; 15-minute meditation; confessions; 12:00 Noon: Mass; 12:30-1:30: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; 1:30-3:30: Fatima talks. Light refreshments will be served. Free event, but please RSVP to: [dorothy@bluearmy.com](mailto:dorothy@bluearmy.com) or 908-689-1700 x 224

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**Diocese of Allentown Prison Ministry Workshop...**

Are you currently volunteering in Catholic Prison Ministry or have a desire to volunteer? Join us on Saturday, March 23, 2019 for a morning workshop from 8:30 am - NOON at St. Joseph the

Worker, Orefield. The morning will begin with Mass at 8:30 am with the workshop to follow in the Parish Center. The workshop will feature talks and discussion designed to assist those in Catholic Prison Ministry. Featured speakers are: Rev. Jason Stokes, Rev. Daniel Basile, Ms. Wendy Krisak. To register for this FREE workshop, visit [www.allentowndiocese.org/prisonministry](http://www.allentowndiocese.org/prisonministry). Questions may be directed to [cle@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:cle@allentowndiocese.org) or call 610-289-8900 ext. 2021.