

THIRD SUNDAY of LENT

~ March 24, 2019 ~

Eyes on God... My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor. Ps 25 (24): 15-16

Mass Intentions

Monday

7:45 AM Joseph and Sue Sculac by daughter Joann Turocy

Tuesday

7:45 AM John and Helen Price

Wednesday

No Mass

Thursday

No Mass

Friday

7:45 AM Chester and Eva George by Family

Saturday

8:00 AM Dorothy Sobota by son Jack and Family

5:00 PM Frank Clark by Frank and Mary Wiedl

Sunday

8:00 AM Anna Haase by Liz Sherman and Family

9:30 AM Richard Donato by Lena and Edward Appleman

11:00 AM Catherine Nemith by Family

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First Reading: Ex 3: 1-8a, 13-15 ... (The Name of God)
The Lord God calls Moses to lead his people and reveals his name to Moses.

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

Second Reading: 1 Cor 10: 1-6, 10-12... (Shun Overconfidence)
We must remain steadfast in our faith. We cannot become overconfident even though we are the recipients of God's favor and grace.

Gospel: Lk 13: 1-9 ... (Time to Reform)
Jesus tells us to reform and repent. Time will run out, and no one can ever count on another year. Now is the time!

Monday: The Annunciation of the Lord
Is 7: 10-14; 8-10; Ps 40: 7-11; Heb 10: 4-10; Lk 1: 26-38

Tuesday: Lenten Weekday
Dn 3: 25, 34-43; Ps 25: 4bc-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18: 21-35

Wednesday: Lenten Weekday
Dt 4: 1, 5-9; Ps 147: 12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5: 17-19

Thursday: Lenten Weekday
Jer 7: 23-28; Ps 95: 1-2, 6-9; Lk 11: 14-23

Friday: Lenten Weekday
Hos 14: 2-10; Ps 81: 6c-11b, 14, 17; Mk 12: 28-34

Saturday: Lenten Weekday
Hos 6: 1-6; Ps 51: 3-4, 18-21b; Lk 18: 9-14



~ Saturday, Sunday: March 30, March 31 ~

~ ALTAR SERVER ~

5:00 PM J. Herman - C. Williams
8:00 AM V. Dadlani - J. Doncsecz
9:30 AM S. Fleissner - P. Fleissner
11:00 AM L. Colarusso - R. Nowak

~ CANTOR ~

5:00 PM E. Gilkeson
8:00 AM S. Berdux
9:30 AM A. Devaney (Choir Mass)
11:00 AM D. Gaylor

~ LECTOR ~

(Jos 5: 9a, 10-12; Ps 34: 2-7; 2 Cor 5: 17-21)

5:00 PM M. Faccineto
8:00 AM T. Zawadzki
9:30 AM B. Sletvold
11:00 AM S. Stofanak

~ EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION ~

5:00 PM B. and M. Yost - J. Ardinger
8:00 AM R. Fitzpatrick - M. and F. Wiedl
9:30 AM J. Reinhart - D. Dillard - J. Keretz
11:00 AM D. Hughes - M. and J. Jung

~ GREETER ~

5:00 PM M. and F. Wiedl
8:00 AM R. Fitzpatrick
9:30 AM Fleissner Family
11:00 AM D. and T. Gaylor

~ FOOD/GIFT CARD ~

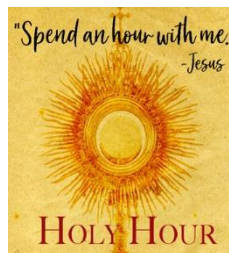
5:00 PM D. Baranowski
8:00 AM K. Lopez - J. Kalata
9:30 AM K. Modic
11:00 AM B. Kincaid

~ MONEY COUNTER ~

B. Fleissner - J. and G. Kilpatrick
D. and B. Podhayny

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.



Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction... After the 11:00 AM Mass TODAY, Sunday, March 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.



*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*

*For All Men and Women in Uniform:*

*Lord God, Almighty Father, creator of mankind and author of peace, we give thanks to you for our brave men and women in uniform. We pray for your love to lead them and your wisdom to guide them each and every day. Amen*

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▶ ▶ ▶ **Calling all Young Adults 21-35! ?'s about the Catholic Faith...** Join us on Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church: Marian Inn, 3219 Santee Rd., Bethlehem, 18020.

If you have questions about the Catholic faith or just simply want to listen, join other young adults and make some friends, while enjoying wine and cheese.

President of DeSales University, Rev. Jim Greenfield, OSFS and Msgr. Edward Sacks, Pastor of OLPH, will give their insight into your questions as well as the Church teachings.

This event is free of charge. Any questions contact Danielle Marino at 610-984-4896. RSVP online on the OLPH website, [www.my-olph.org](http://www.my-olph.org), by **TODAY**.

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*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 Oberholzer, 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, 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, Neal McNulty

**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)

*Water of Eternal Life... For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life. Jn 4: 13-14*



"O Jesus, You chose to die for me. Help me to love You always with all my heart."

~ Fridays during Lent ~

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 6:00 PM**

**Stations of the Cross and Benediction: 7:00 PM**

**Friday, March 29:**

**Stations of the Cross ~ "Today's Disciples"**

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▶ ▶ ▶ **Prime Time Club Meeting** ◀ ◀ ◀

• will be held on Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, at 12:30 PM in the Father King Memorial Hall. We will be entertained by the Parkland Violinists.

• Please note change in time!

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**During the Lenten Season, as we hear our own call to repentance, we will recess from the church in Silence. You are kindly asked to please wait until Father has reached the main vestibule of the church and then recess from the church in a respectful silence. All talking is asked to be kindly reserved for the main vestibule of the church.**



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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).

*\*Announcements for the Easter Bulletin, April 21<sup>st</sup>, are due Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.*

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**Offering Envelopes**



**Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, Weekly Envelope: \$6,800**

*Thank you for your generosity!*

*Your contributions are deeply appreciated*

▶ ▶ ▶ **The 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection during Lent will be for those in need throughout the community. Please place all envelopes in the first Collection.**

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▶ ▶ ▶ **Don't forget: Nut Roll Orders Due with Payment!** Flavors: Nut, Apricot, Prune, Poppy Seed, Seedless Red Raspberry and a New Flavor for Easter: Coconut Cream; \$16 each. **Last call to order: TODAY, Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>.** Pick-up Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, in Father King Memorial Hall from 12 Noon to 4:00 PM. Use door by dumpster in lower parking lot.

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**Trip... Villa Roma Resorts:** Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup>. Three meals daily; shows; bingo; indoor/outdoor swimming pools, DJ for dancing. Cost: \$505pp/single (bus, gratuities, taxes, included). Call Tom at 484-456-6818 or June at 484-767-8669.



**SAVE THE DATE:** "Easter Eggstravaganza!" April 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 – 11:00 AM at Sacred Heart's Father King Hall. All children up to and including 5th grade are invited! We will have a special guest appearance from the Easter Bunny! The Youth Group has planned a morning of fun. We will be hunting for Easter eggs, making Easter crafts, listening to the Easter story, enjoying a snack, dancing to music and more! All of this is free, but you need to make a reservation. Please call the rectory at 610-865-5042, email the rectory at [sacredheartrectory1936@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartrectory1936@gmail.com) or fill in the flyer which can be found in the main vestibule of Church and return it in the collection basket. *Please let us know by Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>.*

▶▶ *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



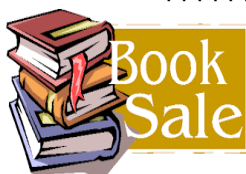
**Sacred Heart's 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Rummage Sale** in the Father King Memorial Hall on Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 PM – 7:00 PM and Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Collecting: Household Goods, Vintage, Etc. **NEW and GENTLY USED** Clothes, Books, and Toys. **ABSOLUTELY NO:** Furniture, Printers, Computers, Electronics, Exercise Equipment, Baby Car Seats, Baby Mattresses, No Shoes, No Boots.

- Drop-off times: 8:30 AM-3:00 PM in the Father King Memorial Hall (use door in lower parking lot-next to dumpster) Tuesdays: 4/02, 4/09, 4/16; Thursdays: 4/04, 4/11, 4/18. Place item/s on stage.
- Drop-off time: 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM in the Father King Memoria Hall (use door in lower parking lot-next to dumpster): Tuesday, 4/16; Thursday, 4/18. Place item/s on stage.
- **Baked Goods are needed...** You can drop off your deeee-licious baked goodies on Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, from 12:00 – 7:00 PM or on Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30 AM – 7:00 PM in the Father King Memorial Hall.
- **Volunteers Are Needed!** If you are interested in volunteering with us, contact us anytime at [ann3010@ptd.net](mailto:ann3010@ptd.net). Volunteers are what make the Rummage Sale Great!
- For additional information contact Ann Squires 570-460-4448.

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▶▶ **Day of Reflection with Fr. Bernard Ezaki:** Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 8:45 AM – 3:00 PM, at St. Francis Center for Renewal, 395 Bridle Path Rd., Bethlehem. **Lessons from the Nursery: What Our Toys Can Teach Us.** Return to the world of childhood to learn spiritual truths about divine patience and humility, reality, the place of possessions, God's generosity and forgiveness, and Christ's atonement. Come as a child of tender age. Leave as a most enlightened sage. For additional information call 610-867-8890. Offering: \$45; deposit: \$20 – includes lunch

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**Knights of Columbus Book Sale** will be open on Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM, in the Father Gilly Hall (in the Church lower parking lot). Your donations help to support local charities! Thank you!



**Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus** will be hosting a **Lenten Fish Dinner:** Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM, in Father King Memorial Hall. Any questions contact Bob Boyer at 610 428-8314. **Menu:** 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; **Take-outs** are available; **Homemade Pierogies** are available for purchase: 3 pierogies for \$2, while they last; **NO Tickets** are necessary; **Enjoy Good Food, Friends & Fellowship!** *Please spread the word! All proceeds of the Knights of Columbus Fundraisers benefit local charities!*

✓✓ **BAKERS ARE NEEDED...** All baked goodies, (to be dessert for the dinner), can be brought to Father King Memorial Hall by 3:00 PM on the Friday's of the Lenten Fish Dinners. All donations are greatly appreciated!

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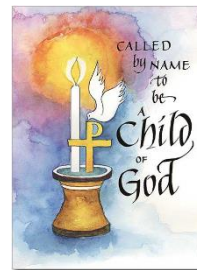


*Parish Upcoming Events*

**March:**

- 23: Last Call: Nut Roll Orders Due with Payment
- 24: Last Call: Nut Roll Orders Due with Payment
- 24: Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction: After 11:00 AM Mass
- 25: CCD: 5:00 PM ~ School
- 26: Choir Rehearsal: 7:00 PM ~ Church
- 27: Sacred Heart Prime Time Club Meeting: 12:30 PM  
~ Father King Hall ~ Note Change in Time ~
- 28: Choir Rehearsal: 7:00 PM ~ Church
- 29: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 6:00 PM
- 29: Stations of the Cross (Today's Disciples) and Benediction: 7:00 PM

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*Just before His ascension, Jesus said, "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age" (Mt 28:19-20).*

**Receiving the Sacrament of Baptism:**

Abigail Joy Bondi  
Parker Matthew Moretz

*May God who brought them to this special day, teach them to live their life with a peaceful heart. May they be blessed with a lifetime of Love, Faith, Hope and Happiness.*

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▶▶ **Lenten Evening for Separated and Divorced...** "God's Mysterious Love," a Lenten evening will be offered Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM at St. Francis Retreat House, 3918 Chipman Rd., Easton. Individuals who are separated or divorced will gain an understanding of the spirituality of suffering, loss and grief. The evening includes time for adoration, a brief presentation and fellowship. The event is **FREE**. To register, visit [www.allentowndiocese.org/separated-divorced](http://www.allentowndiocese.org/separated-divorced). For information, call 610-289-8900 ext. 2028 or email [mff@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:mff@allentowndiocese.org).

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**Family Stations of the Cross...** Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00 PM. You are encouraged to come as a family to a special Stations of the Cross. Together, we journey with Jesus and reflect on his suffering and death. What a great way to continue our journey spiritually through the Season of Lent. Afterwards, all are invited to Fr. King Memorial Hall for an ice cream social.



**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 my wife, Anne Ardinger  
By: husband Jack

✠ In Loving Memory of Jean-Paul O'Connor

✠ In Memory of Neal Lamana  
By: Charlene and Allen Benner

✠ In Memory of Anna Meilinger  
By: Charlene and Allen Benner

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Please join us on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, from 12:30-4:00 PM in the Father King Memorial Hall for a screening of the movie "Sweet Dreams" followed by drumming and an ice cream social hosted by TEACH Rwanda, a local non-profit organization. "Sweet Dreams" is the story of Ingoma Nshya, the first women's drumming troupe in Rwanda, and their effort to open the country's first local ice cream shop, "Sweet Dreams". Following the movie there will be an exciting drumming performance from the "Dharma Drummers," a community drumming circle led by Jo "Bomba" Sieger, and an ice cream social.

Various gift certificates and baskets will be raffled, and handmade crafts from Rwanda will be available for a donation. The suggested donation is \$20 per person for adults and \$10 per person for children and students. Please RSVP to Clare Smith at 610-248-9027 or [cdillard@teachrwanda.org](mailto:cdillard@teachrwanda.org). Reservations are encouraged, but all are welcome to attend the day of the event! "Murakoze cyane!" (Thank you!)

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▶ ▶ You are invited to take a trip back in time for fun, romance and a little "tap dance" as Notre Dame Theatre Company presents "*Thoroughly Modern Millie*" on the Notre Dame Green Pond High School stage, (3417 Church Road ~ Easton, PA 18045), on Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM; Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM; Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 PM. Doors open 30 minutes prior. Tickets may be purchased at [www.showtix4u.com](http://www.showtix4u.com). Adults \$10; Seniors \$8; Students \$6; Under 5 FREE. Questions? call 610-868-1431 or [notredametheatrecompany@ndcrusaders.org](mailto:notredametheatrecompany@ndcrusaders.org)

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**Volunteers are needed to assist with the Three-Day Triduum: Our Lord's Last Supper on Holy Thursday, the Passion and Death of Our Lord on Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday.**

- **Holy Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM...** Members from ANY ministry or organization of the parish for the Entrance Procession and the Procession to the Altar of Repose; Three (3) Presenters of the Holy Oils; 12 Men/Women/Teenagers/Families – for the Washing of the Feet
- **Good Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM...** Three (3) Men to carry the statue of the Crucified Lord
- **Easter Vigil: Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 PM...** Three (3) Women to carry the jars of Holy Water

If interested in being a part of these liturgies, contact Mr. Patrick Sandt: email [SacredHeartMusicMinistry@gmail.com](mailto:SacredHeartMusicMinistry@gmail.com) or the Rectory: 610-865-5042, ext. 4.



**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:

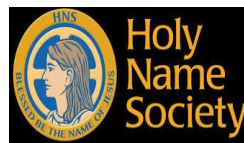
✠ In Memory of Andrew Posivak  
By: Carolyn Bartholomew

✠ In Loving Memory of Anna Meilinger  
By: JoAnn and Jim Lynch  
By: Shirley, Kevin and Kathleen Bolash Family  
By: D. William and Elizabeth Layton  
By: Eileen D. Meilinger  
By: Sue Hoffman

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▶ ▶ **Married Love: Contemplating the Face of Christ...** You and your spouse are invited to a retreat for couples married 1-10 years sponsored by the Office of Marriage and NFP and the Office of Youth, Young Adult and Family Ministry. Couples will see how Jesus shows them the way to a deep committed love for each other through self- sacrifice. The retreat is a special and preparation for Holy Week and will take place on Saturday, April 13, 2019 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at St. Francis Retreat House (3918 Chipman Rd., Easton). The cost is \$30 per couple and includes a light breakfast and lunch. Limited childcare is available onsite. For questions, please call 610-289-8900 extension 2028 .To register, visit [www.allentowndiocese.org/enrich](http://www.allentowndiocese.org/enrich)

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**The Allentown Diocesan Union of Holy Name Societies** will hold their **Annual Day of Recollection TODAY, Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>**, from 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM at Saint John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church, 3024 South

Ruch Street, Whitehall, PA 18052. Beginning with Confession, followed by recitation of the Rosary, Litany's to Our Blessed Lady and the Sacred Heart, Scripture Readings, Gospel and Homily, Stations of the Cross and close with Benediction. All Holy Name members are invited to attend this Lenten Celebration. Come and celebrate as we join in a body with fellow Holy Name members from surrounding Parishes. Lite lunch and beverage with fellowship and meeting in the Parish Hall will follow No cost reservations can be made by calling Joe Paul Jr. at 484-788-9396

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▶ ▶ **Sacred Heart Prime Time Club Pork and Sauerkraut 50/50 Winners:** 1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$80 – Mike Pavuk; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$45 – JoAnne LaBarba; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: \$33 – Regina Fitzpatrick

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**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. 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.

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 through his private email address: [sacredheartbethlehem@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartbethlehem@gmail.com) or at 610-865-5042 (press 3). This will be a strictly and nonjudgmental group. People of all faiths are welcome!