

EIGHTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

~ March 3, 2019 ~

God Our Protector... The Lord became my protector. He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me.

Ps 18 (17): 19-20

Mass Intentions

Monday

7:45 AM Sacred Heart Memorial Society

Tuesday

No Mass

Wednesday

6:30 AM Joseph Saraceno by son Anthony and Family

8:45 AM Thomas Fox by Regina Fitzpatrick

7:00 PM Kristin Kramer by Sacred Heart Music Ministry

Thursday

No Mass

Friday

7:45 AM Priscilla Keretz by Bob Boyer Family

Saturday

8:00 AM Frank Clark by Jim Foerst

5:00 PM Peter A. Lamana by Michael and Allison Sobota & Family

Sunday

8:00 AM Peter L. Pagats by Linda and Jay Ragan

9:30 AM Sacred Heart Holy Name Society

11:00 AM Girl Scout Sunday

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First Reading: Sir 27: 4-7 ... (Revealing Speech)

The saga indicates that our speech reveals what we really are. In this way, he anticipates the Gospel maxim: "From the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks" (Lk 6: 45).

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 92... (Thanksgiving of the Just)

"Lord, it is good to give thanks to you."

Second Reading: 1 Cor 15: 54-58 ... (Victory through Christ)

The Risen Christ is the source of our new life that will produce in us all its fruits at the time of our resurrection. We must never stop working toward that goal.

Gospel: Lk 6: 39-45 ... (The Heart Speaks)

We must receive the Word of God with complete openness. Only then can we draw from our hearts words that will lead others to Christ.

Monday: Weekday; St. Casimir

Sir 17: 20-24; Ps 32: 1-2, 5-7; Mk 10: 17-27

Tuesday: Weekday

Sir 35: 1-12; Ps 50: 5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10: 28-31

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday

Jl 2: 12-18; Ps 51: 3-6b, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5: 20-6: 2; Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Thursday after Ash Wednesday, Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs.... Dt 30: 15-20; Ps 1: 1-4, 6; Lk 9: 22-25

Friday: Friday after Ash Wednesday; St. John of God, Religious

Is 58: 1-9a; Ps 51: 3-6b, 18-19; Mt 9: 14-15

Saturday: Saturday after Ash Wednesday; St. Frances of Rome, Religious...

Is 58: 9b-14; Ps 86: 1-6; Lk 5: 27-52



~ Ash Wednesday, March 6 ~

~ ALTAR SERVER ~

8:45 AM L. Colarusso

7:00 PM J. Herman - L. Skrincosky

~ CANTOR ~

8:45 AM P. Sandt

7:00 PM J. Mertus (Choir Mass)

~ LECTOR ~

(Jl 2: 12-18; Ps 51: 3-6b, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5: 20-6: 2)

6:30 AM

8:45 AM J. Crosson

7:00 PM D. Dolan

~ Saturday, Sunday: March 9, March 10~

~ ALTAR SERVER ~

5:00 PM A. Guth - M. Cooper

8:00 AM K. Marakovits - T. Carnes

9:30 AM S. Fleissner - P. Fleissner

11:00 AM J. Guzzo - D. Guzzo

~ CANTOR ~

5:00 PM E. Gilkeson

8:00 AM J. Mertus

9:30 AM J. McKeon (Choir Mass)

11:00 AM N. Acevedo

~ LECTOR ~

(Dt 26: 4-10; Ps 91: 1-2, 10-15; Rom 10: 8-13)

5:00 PM B. Slavoski

8:00 AM A. Giudice-Squires

9:30 AM K. Donato

11:00 AM B. Kincaid

~ EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS of COMMUNION ~

5:00 PM M. Kluk - M. Witcoskie - A. and C. Benner

8:00 AM G. Mayrosh - R. Pavelko

9:30 AM T. Fitzpatrick - P. Donlan - E. Melendez

11:00 AM G. and M. Harmanos - R. Jacobs

~ GREETER ~

5:00 PM C. and A. Benner

8:00 AM P. Vuchko

9:30 AM R. Hojnoski

11:00 AM M. Miranda

~ FOOD/GIFT CARD ~

5:00 PM D. Baranowski

8:00 AM E. Lee

9:30 AM K. Modic

11:00 AM J. Jung

~ MONEY COUNTER ~

R. Ding - B. Ganssle

R. Hensel - M. Herman - C. Stemrich



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 6th, 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.

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.



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.



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, 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

March:

- 6: *Ash Wednesday:*
~ Mass and Ashes: 6:30 AM, 8:45 AM, and 7:00 PM ~
- 7: *Choir Rehearsal:* 7:00 PM ~ Church
- 8: *Sacred Heart K of C Fish Dinner:* 4:30-7:00 PM
~ Fr. King Memorial Hall ~
- 8: *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:* 6:00 PM
- 8: *Stations of the Cross (St. Alphonsus Version); Benediction:* 7:00 PM
- 9: *Sacrament of First Penance:* 9:30 AM ~ Church
- 9: *Knights of Columbus "5th Sunday Rosary":* Before 5:00 PM Mass
- 10: *Knights of Columbus "5th Sunday Rosary":* Before All Masses
- 10: *Sacred Heart Holy Name Society Mass at 9:30 AM*
~ Meeting will follow in School Meeting Room ~
- 10: *Anointing of the Sick:* Right after 11:00 AM Mass ~ Church
- 10: *Youth Group Meeting:* 7:00 PM ~ School Meeting Room
- 11: *CCD ~ 5:00 PM ~ School*
- 12: *Cantor Rehearsal:* 7:00 PM ~ Church
- 13: *Sacred Heart Prime Time Meeting:* 1:00 PM
~ Father King Memorial Hall ~
- 14: *Sacred Heart Prime Time Shawl Ministry:* 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM
~ Father King Memorial Hall ~
- 14: *Choir Rehearsal:* 7:00 PM ~ Church
- 15: *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:* 6:00 PM
- 15: *Stations of the Cross (For Vocations) and Benediction:* 7:00 PM

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Offering Envelopes



Sunday, February 17th, Weekly Envelope: \$7,100.

Thank you for your generosity!
Your contributions are deeply appreciated.

✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ The 2nd Collection during Lent will be for those in need throughout the community. Please place all envelopes in the first Collection.

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Christ's Presence... Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, says the Lord. Mt 28: 20



Wednesday, March 6th, is Ash Wednesday.

Mass and Ashes will be offered at:
6:30 AM, 8:45 AM, and 7:00 PM.

*"Remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return."*

Gn 3: 19

We are baptized Christians, blessed with the gift of the Holy Spirit. Lent is a time for the purifying, fiery love of the Holy Spirit. The ashes we receive symbolize that love.

Our Lenten Obligation:

Church law considers every Friday and the season of Lent as penitential days and times. The practice of penance is a part of our faith and Christian life. When we do penance, we imitate Jesus, who himself recommended it as necessary to his followers, and gave them the example of his prayer and fasting. The Lenten obligation, as determined for Catholics in the United States by our bishops, requires that fasting be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The law of abstinence is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

Lenten Prayer... God of all people, we offer you our Lenten journey. May we learn to walk as one human family, remembering in a special way those who are poorest and most in need. Bless our prayers, our fasting and our Lenten gifts. Through these actions, we show our love for your Son, Jesus, and answer your call to love one another. Amen



Fridays during Lent: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 6:00 PM.

Stations of the Cross and Benediction will follow, at 7:00 PM.

"O Jesus, I repent for having offended You. Grant me forgiveness of all my sins."

▶▶ 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



Holy Name Society Fellowship Breakfast Update.... On behalf of my brothers of the Sacred Heart Holy Name Society, I want to thank all the Parishioners, their families and friends who attended our Fellowship Breakfast on Super Bowl Sunday, 03 February

2019. It was a huge success! We realize we could not do it without your active participation! A special shout out to those who were not able to stay for the food but provided a donation anyway. We have two of these events each year and whatever financial resources received are used for the betterment of our Sacred Heart Church Community.

Again, thanks for your continued support!

Alex Dezubay

President of the Sacred Heart Holy Name Society.



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

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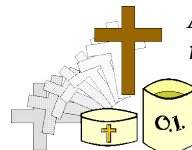
Sacred Heart Parish Council Members:

Father Bob, Deacon Hugh Carlin, Deacon Joe Juhasz, Patrick Sandt, Angie Carlin, Debbie Hartman, Kristen Herman, Jean Kalata, Theresa O'Brien, Ilona Romanell, Francesca Sette, Maryann Skrincosky, Bob Boyer, Bill Ganssle, Bob Sletvold, Frank Wiedl, Bob Yost, and Tony Zawadzki.

An important aspect of the Pastoral Council is to be your voice in the parish. Please feel free to express your suggestions, insights, and observations to any of the council members who will bring them to the next meeting for discussion and consideration by the entire council.

"Your Voice Matters!": Sacred Heart Parish Suggestion Box... Sacred Heart Parish Council wants to hear from you! In the main vestibule of Church can be found a suggestion box, on behalf of the Parish Council, to hear your ideas and opinions. Should you have a suggestion, you are kindly asked to submit one of the forms found on the side of the box and your suggestion will be reviewed and discussed at the Parish Council meetings. This is a wonderful way we can hear from you, the parishioner, in ways we as a parish community can continue to grow and build.

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Anointing of the Sick will be immediately following the 11:00 AM Mass on Sunday, March 10th. Anyone facing surgery, battling long term illness, or just feeling down mentally or emotionally due to illness or age, can now readily receive the beautiful Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. As always, family and friends are always welcome!

Sacrament of Anointing



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
- For the Health and Well-Being of Carol Jacob
By: Hank and Rita Straub

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

▶▶▶ Bulletin Announcements ◀◀◀

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



Sacred Heart Youth Group: Inviting all 7th – 12th graders! Please join us on Sunday, March 10th from 7:00 – 8:30 PM in the Sacred Heart School Meeting Room. If you have any questions, please email Deacon Hugh and Angie Carlin at angie@thecarlins.net or call them at 610-861-8262.

Tired of winter? Wishing it were spring? SHAKE OFF THOSE WINTER "BLAHS" and put the freshness of romance back into your relationship on a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**. For information go to www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org or call 1-732-904-9636

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



All are welcome to attend celebration of **St. Joseph Feast Day "Polka" Mass** at 10:30 am on Saturday, March 23rd at St. Joseph's Slovenian/Windish (105-year-old Romanesque) Church located at 417 East 5th Street in Bethlehem. siosephbethlehempa.com In 2008, several of our European churches in South Side Bethlehem

closed. We invite all Catholics especially those past parishioners of closed South Side Bethlehem churches an opportunity to re-unite in attending this 11th Anniversary Mass.

▶▶▶ The **Ladies Auxiliary for Holy Family Manor** are happy to **announce their Annual Spring Sale!** Join us on Sunday, 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: Barbara and Thomas Bishop & Family

✠ In Memory of Anna Meilinger
By: Jack and Jean Kalata

▶▶▶ 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, 9:30 AM; ●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.



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":
Tomislav Basic
Anna "Smitty" Meilinger

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.

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

▶▶▶ 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!



Sacred Heart 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. Any questions contact Bob Boyer @ 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!

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

All proceeds of the **Knights of Columbus Fundraisers** benefit local charities!