

**Holy Ghost Church**  
**A Roman Catholic Parish of the**  
**Diocese of Allentown**  
 Founded in 1871 as a  
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# Masses and Devotional Candles

## Our Week of Grace and Prayer

**MON. Mar. 7th—Sts. Felicity & Perpetua**  
8:00AM + Stephan Tokar  
by Mr. & Mrs. William Yenca  
7:00pm (HG) Mass of Healing & Anointing

**TUES. Mar. 8th—St. John of God**  
8:00AM + Joseph Cavote  
by David & Pamela Turek & Family

**WED. Mar. 9th—St. Frances of Rome**  
8:00AM—Communion Service with Deacon Steve

**THURS. Mar. 10th—Lenten Weekday**  
8:00AM + Robert & Michael Ormiston  
by Adelaide Ortwein

**FRI. Mar. 11th—Lenten Weekday**  
(H.G.) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Begins  
9am— 11:35am Stations of the Cross  
followed by Mass  
+ Dino P. Cantelmi, Sr. by Pina Covino  
7PM (INC) Stations of the Cross

**SAT. Mar. 12th —Vigil – 5th Sunday of Lent**  
3pm-4pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
3-3:45pm Confessions  
3:35pm Recitation of the Rosary for Vocations and  
Prayer List Intentions  
(H.G.)4:00 PM + Dino P. Cantelmi, Sr.  
By Anna Marie Sorrentino  
Deceased Members of the +John & Josephine Ezar  
Family by Margaret Carnihan



Turn clocks ahead 1 Hour —  
"SPRING AHEAD"

**SUN. March 13th—5th Sunday of  
Lent**

8:00AM (INC) + Helen Kaspersn Balshi by Niece  
Ruth Ann Kaspersn  
10:00AM(H.G.) + Mary Stoll by Jean Stoll



## Devotional Lamps @ Holy Ghost Church Sanctuary -

Health & Blessings on Elmer & Linda Brown  
on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

### Tabernacle (2) -

In Memory of +Julia & Charles Sterlein

### B.V.M. -

Special Intention

### St. Joseph -

In Memory of +Dino P. Cantelmi, Sr.

### Sacred Heart -

In Memory of Msgr. Reginald S. Billinger

### St. Theresa -

Special Intention

### St. (Padre) Pio - Our Lady of Pompeii

Deceased Members—Schiavone Family

### Infant of Prague - St. John Capistrano

In Memory of +Deceased members

Boccardi & Bechdolt Families

### Pieta (2)

In Memory of +Alexander & Elizabeth Trotsky

## St. Vincent DePaul Chapel / Tabernacle Lamp

In Memory of +George & Concetta Petito

## Devotional Lamps @ Incarnation Church

### Sanctuary Lamp -

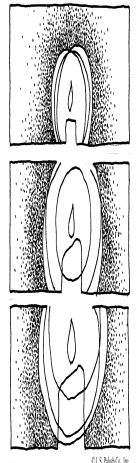
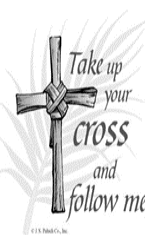
In Memory of + Patricia Sterner  
by mother Theresa Thoder

### Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp -

In Memory of +Andrew & Theresa Markacs  
by Josephine Zavec

### St. Joseph Lamp—

In Memory of + James R. Ford  
by Daughter Marie Clemens



Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:  
Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC  
Direct Telephone: 1-800-791-9209

Diocesan Safe Environment Coordinator:  
Sister Meg Cole, S.S.J.  
Telephone: 610-332-0442 ext. 19

(H.G.) "Oodles of Noodles" Noodles will be made on Monday March 14th after the 8am Mass in Billinger Hall. Volunteers are needed.

(INC) Noodle Makers—TUESDAY & THURSDAY MORNINGS @ 8:00AM IN LABUDA HALL. Noodle orders are now being accepted. Noodles are \$4.00/bag with a LIMIT OF 4 BAGS/ORDER!! Order forms are in the church vestibules. Monetary donations would be greatly appreciated to help purchase supplies for noodles.

(H.G.) DONORS NEEDED PLEASE - Memorials Palm Trees are Available for Memorializing for the Easter Season in the Church – Palm Cost \$20Ea. The Names will appear in the Bulletin! If Interested please contact Ron at the Rectory 610-867-9382 as soon as possible!

(H.G.) Annual St. Joseph's Day - Dinner Saturday March 12th - Mass 4pm followed by "All you can Eat" Italian Buffet In Msgr. Billinger Hall til 6pm Cost \$10.00 per person. Children under 6 FREE Please call Al & Rosemarie Schadl at 610-865-1285 or Lori Bauer @ 610-691-6762 and Tickets are available at the weekend masses.



**ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS**

**FOOD PANTRY:** Our next food pantry will be Sat., March 26<sup>th</sup> from 10AM – 12Noon.

**SCRAP METAL COLLECTION:** EARTH DAY, Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016. If you have items to donate and need a "pick-up", please contact Ruth Herman.

Any questions or comments please contact Ruth Herman @ [rmh1330@aol.com](mailto:rmh1330@aol.com) or call 484-239-0243.

**Sunday Collections - February 21st**

We thank you for your generous contributions to our weekly collections. We need the weekly offerings to help us do what we do! God

Bless!

(INC.) - \$ 2,251.00

(H.G.) - \$ 2,032.00



(H.G.) Poor Mans Supper and Mary's Stations  
Wed. March 16th 6:00pm Supper - in Msgr. Billinger Hall. Free will offering . 7:00pm - Mary's Stations in the Church followed with Benediction.

(H.G.) Good Friday Fish Dinner  
Friday MARCH 25TH Following the 3pm Service from 4:30pm to 6:30pm in Msgr. Billinger Hall. Cost. \$10. Children's Platters available also @ \$5. Please call Al & Rosemarie Schadl at 610-865-1285 . Tickets available next weekend at the weekend Masses.

**February March 6th 2016**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

***"Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come."*** — 2 Corinthians 5:17

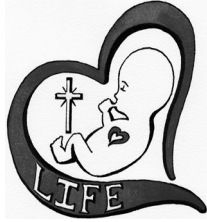
**St. Elizabeth's/Whitehall, PA**

**Parish Mission** – welcomes Fr. Angelus Shaughnessy, OFM, Cap to preside over our 4-day event, beginning Sun., March 13<sup>th</sup> thru Wed., March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Our theme is *When the Lord Comes Again, Will He Find Any Faith on Earth?* Sessions begin @ 7:00PM each evening. Every evening has its own topic. Morning Mass will be said on Mon., Tues., & Wed., @ 9AM in St. Joseph's Chapel with Confessions heard after Mass; in the afternoons from 3-5PM; and after each evening session. Refreshments and fellowship follow each evening session in the Parish Hall. Also, Fr. Angelus' books, videos, and other items will be on sale each evening. Invite someone to join you; bring a friend!



**Spiritual Adoption Novena -**  
**MONTH TWO**

Your spiritually adopted baby has been quite active during the past month. Your baby is already 10,000 times larger than at conception and has the foundations for a brain, spinal cord, and nervous system. The heart began to beat on the 21<sup>st</sup> day and is pumping blood through the circulatory system. Your baby is most vulnerable to being aborted this month. Pray that the Lord of Life might move the heart of the baby's Mom to give this baby the most precious gift of all...the gift of life!



# SENIORS

## Holy Ghost Prime Time Seniors

Next Meeting TOMORROW

March 7th Guest Speaker

Officer DeFrank from the BPD

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND !**

MONTHLY CASINO TRIPS -

WEDNESDAY—April 13th

WEDNESDAY—May 11th

leave Holy Ghost 10:30am for Mohegan  
Sun. Cost: \$23 refund of \$25 and \$5 in  
Food Coupon. For Casino info. & Reservations Call:

“Boots” Horwath - 610-867-4839  
or Gloria Szakos - 868-7940.

## Incarnation Parish Senior Group -

New members are invited to our join our Senior Group . Our meetings are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month in LaBuda Hall from 1:00 – 4:00PM. Finger foods are served and BINGO is played @ every meeting. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact John Vidumsky @ 610-868-6320, Mike Vidumsky @ 610-530-1528, or Barbara Raykos @ 610-867-0774. Hope to see you there!!! Next meeting Wednesday March 2nd, @ 1PM.

All Are Welcome!

## A SUNDAY FOR REJOICING

Today's Gospel story of the prodigal son is a favorite of many. We can identify with all the major figures and their crisscross of emotions. The father's initial grief over his young son's avarice is turned to relief at his return. The son's grief over his loss of fortune, family, and friends is turned to delirious joy at the sight of his father.

We understand the eldest son's bewilderment over his father's generosity. For the older son, virtue seems not to be its own reward. For all his honorable toil and loyalty, there seems to be no celebration. The father, however, is prodigal in his forgiveness and mercy. He expects the same generosity from his older son. He wants all to rejoice when the lost one is found.

This is a Sunday for rejoicing. It's time to pause, consider, and encourage one another. We are the prodigal children heading home. We are the elder siblings waiting with the eager Father, who scans the horizon. In Christ Jesus we are reconciled to the Father and one another. In his death and resurrection we have passed over. We are a new creation. In this we rejoice.

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**SPECIAL NOTE FROM FR. CLIFF:** If you're interested in receiving our weekly parish bulletin via email, please contact Incarnation Parish @ [iparish@ptd.net](mailto:iparish@ptd.net) or Holy Ghost Parish @ [hghostchurch@gmail.com](mailto:hghostchurch@gmail.com) with your name & email address and we'll make sure to send it out to you!!

**2016 Masses & Vigil Lamps - Holy Ghost and Incarnation Parish's 2016 Mass & Candle Requests--** Please contact the rectory for your memorial Masses and Candles during regular office hours, Mon. – Fri., 8:30AM – 3:30PM. Cost of a Mass/Candle is\$10/for each.

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**(HG) ANNUAL EASTER HAM RAFFLE, COFFEE AND DONUTS AND EASTER CANDY**  
Palm Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup> after the 10am Mass in Billinger Hall. 10 Hams will be raffled off. Extra tickets are available in the church entrances next to the Church Bulletins or Billinger Hall that morning. Also Coffee and Donuts will be served and Homemade Easter Candy will be available.

## FROM THE PASTORS DESK

*My Dear Parishioners and Friends,*

*March is upon us! We are all familiar with the term March Madness, and this March we get to see the original March Madness, when an innocent man was betrayed, arrested, condemned, and crucified for a crime (sin) He did not commit. No, He didn't commit the crimes against him, we did, and we still do. But, at the end of March we will see the Victory as this Man dies on the cross but does not stay dead, He rises from the dead to give you and I new life. The celebration of that spurs us on to finish, and maybe strengthen, our Lenten promises!*

*Now, this week and next week (March 12<sup>th</sup>) our 4 PM Mass will be at Holy Ghost. But on Palm Sunday (March 19<sup>th</sup>) and Holy Saturday (March 26<sup>th</sup>) there will be Masses in BOTH Holy Ghost and Incarnation of Our Lord. Then, on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, the 4 PM Saturday Mass moves to Incarnation of Our Lord until October 1<sup>st</sup>.*

*Next weekend I am away in Ohio giving a Retreat. On Saturday, the 12<sup>th</sup>, I encourage all of you to join in the St. Joseph's Day Dinner at Holy Ghost. Just call the Numbers listed in this bulletin for reservations—The Shadl's and the Bauers. I won't be here physically, but know that I will be here in spirit. Then, on the Feast itself, March 19<sup>th</sup>, gather with me at St. Joseph's Church on east 5th street for the celebration of their Patronal Feast. Mass is at 10:30 AM. Due to repairs and what not, this is the first time I get to celebrate their Feast Day Mass. I'm really looking forward to it, and invite all parishioners to join with me as we celebrate the Patron of the Universal Church. God bless! Pray for my retreatants next weekend. A Blessed Lent to you all!*

*Fr Cliff*



**CHARISMATIC Mass of Healing & Anointing**  
**THIS MONDAY 3/7/16 at 7pm**  
**@ Holy Ghost Church**  
**All are Welcome!**

## INCARNATION PAG INFORMATION

**MARCH PAG MEETING**—Next meeting will be on Wed., March 30<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00PM in LaBuda Hall. New members are always welcome!!

**Monthly Drawing** – The extra “white” PAG envelope included in the new envelope packet is for a monthly 50/50 drawing. For each envelope w/ a \$5.00 donation, you will receive one entry into that month's drawing. If you'd like to put in additional envelopes, you can pick them up in the church vestibules. We will have 3 prizes: 25%, 15%, and 10% of the proceeds.

We Congratulate the Winners for last month: The Joseph Ruch family, the John Roncolato Family and the John Holland family. Total given out was \$217.55 which meant PAG also received that amount in it's fund. Congratulations to our winners, to the rest of you, good luck this month!

**Easter Holiday Roll Sale** – Order forms are available in the vestibules of both Incarnation & Holy Ghost parishes. Cost is \$15/roll. Deadline to order is this Sun., March 6<sup>th</sup>, with order pick-up on Sat., March 19<sup>th</sup> from 9 – 11AM @ the lower door of the school building near the rectory.

**Parish Feast Day Dinner** – Tickets are now being sold for our Parish Feast Day Dinner in LaBuda Hall on Sat., April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 after the 4:00PM Mass. Cost is \$15/adults & \$7.50/children under 10 yrs. of age. Tickets can also be purchased in the rectory during normal business hours.

**Iron Pigs Baseball Outing 2016** – SAVE THE DATE!! SUNDAY, MAY 22<sup>ND</sup>. More detailed info will follow shortly!!



### **(H.G.) Upcoming Bus trips**

**Tuesday May 24<sup>th</sup> Sight and Sound “SAMPSON”**

Depart 8am Show 11am Return 5:30pm Lunch 2pm

Fulton Steam Boat Inn Show, Lunch and Gratuities

\$88.00 **Wednesday July 22 TH—AMERICAN MUSIC**

**THEATRE “The Crooners”** Leave 10:15am Show

3:00pm Return 7:00pm Lunch 12:30pm at Bird in Hand

Show, Lunch and Gratuities \$83.00 For info and reservations call: Boots Horwath 610-867-4839 or Gloria

Szakos - 868-7940.