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Diocese of Allentown

*Founded in 2008 as a merger of Slovak, Hungarian, Windish, Polish and Italian Parishes*

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# Masses and Devotional Candles

**Sat. Feb. 11th—Vigil Mass**

**(HG) 4PM** ✕ Michael Heyer by his Parents  
✕ Michael Roma, Sr. by Nancy Roma

**SUN. February 12th—6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**8 AM (INC)** ✕ John & Anna Lehman by Children John  
Jr. & Janet Lehman  
**10 AM (H.G.)** ✕ Poor Souls

**(P.C.) 12:10pm** ✕ Intention of the Celebrant  
**(P.C.) 9:10pm** ✕ Intention of the Celebrant

**Mon. Feb. 13th — Ordinary Time Weekday**  
**8AM** ✕ Helen Kostelnik by Rev. Clifton Bishop

**Tues. Feb. 14th — Sts. Cyril & Methodius**  
**8AM** ✕ Stephen Vresk, Jr. by sisters  
Clare & Clarice Vresk

**Thurs. Feb. 16th—Ordinary Time Weekday**  
**8AM** ✕ Bernard Salabsky

**Fri. Feb. 17th—The Seven Holy Founders  
of the Servite Order**  
**12 NOON** ✕ Fr. Francis Straka  
by Ed & Dolores Judd

**SAT. February 18th — Vigil Mass**

**Confessions 3-3:45pm**

**3:35pm Rosary for Vocations & Prayer List Intentions**

**(HG) 4PM** ✕ Poor Souls  
✕ Cynthia Bednar by Frances Sefranek

**SUN. February 19th—7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**8 AM (INC)** ✕ Charles Anderko  
by wife Ann Marie & Family

**10 AM (H.G.)** ✕ James Blaukovitch (2nd Anniv.) by  
Wife Jean, Children & Grandchildren

**(P.C.) 12:10pm** ✕ Intention of the Celebrant

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**Devotional Lamps @ Holy Ghost Church  
Sanctuary -**

**In Memory of** ✕ Nicholas & Margaret Markowitz  
By Daughter Diane Markowitz

**Tabernacle (2) -**

**In Memory of** ✕ Fr. Francis Straka  
**B.V.M. -**

**In Memory of** ✕ Robert Flecksteiner, Sr.  
By Wife Barbara & Family

**St. Joseph -**

**In Memory of** ✕ Charles Konkolics by  
Ricker & Quigley Families

**Sacred Heart -**

**Health & Blessings** Linda Brown

**St. Theresa -**

**Health / Blessings on** Msgr. Alfred A. Schlert

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

**Health & Blessings on** Yolanda Buttillo

**Infant of Prague - St. John Capistrano**

**In Memory of** ✕ Deceased members

Boccardi & Bechdolt Families

**Pieta (2)**

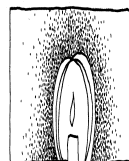
**In Memory of** ✕ Viktor Perevezentseva



**St. Vincent DePaul Chapel / Tabernacle Lamp**

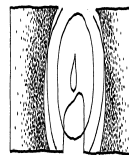
To the Holy Spirit to send us a new Bishop

**Devotional Lamps @ Incarnation Church**



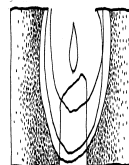
**Sanctuary Lamp**

**In Memory of** ✕ The Deceased Members  
of the Fabian Family by Helen Fabian



**Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp -**

**In Memory of** ✕ Maryann Kloo by sister &  
brother-in-law Barbara & Joseph Raykos



**St. Joseph Lamp-**

**In Memory of** ✕ Stephen Pecsek  
By Allison Bazeka Eckhardt

**Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:**

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**ST. VINCENT DePaul SOCIETY**  
**NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**FOOD PANTRY:** On Jan. 28th we served 44 guest families at our food pantry. Our next food pantry will be held on Saturday, 2/25. Personal items such as shampoo, toothpaste and toilet paper are needed.  
Thank you for your generous support!

**MARDI GRAS BINGO:** SUNDAY, FEB. 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 in LABUDA HALL. Tickets are \$20 in advance (\$25 @ the door on Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>) and can be purchased @ our weekend Masses @ both Holy Ghost & Incarnation Parishes. Tickets are also available @ the church rectory during regular business hours. Price includes 15 games w/cash prizes. (Must be 18 years of age or older!) **NOTE:** Vera Bradley/Coach handbag specials, Tricky Tray, & food will be available for separate purchase.

**ELDER CARE:** Caring for an elder parent 24/7/365 can be stressful. If you're the primary caretaker of a senior parishioner and need time to: run errands, go out for dinner with your spouse, have some "me" time, etc, our volunteers will Elder-Sit. Please contact the rectory for referral to our Parishioner Program!

**NOTE:** If you're a parishioner who could use assistance due to infirmity or, if you find yourself in a difficult financial situation, please contact the rectory for referral to our PARISHIONER PROGRAM!!

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

**(H.G.) "Oodles of Noodles "**

Noodles will be made on & February 27th, March 13th & 27th, April 10th & 24th @ 8:30am after 8am Mass in Billinger Hall. Volunteers and Donations of Flour and Eggs are always greatly appreciated.

**\* \* \* \* PLEASE NOTE \* \* \* \***

Please note that from NOW until Holy Thursday the Sign of Peace and reception of the Precious Blood from the Chalice have been suspended. This is due to the recent flu breakout.



**Sunday Collections - Feb. 5th**

"Our giving to the Church is a tangible way to say thank you to God." Please remember that our parish-  
es continue all year long, 24/7/365. We are both struggling to meet funding for our operating bills and ministry needs. Holy Ghost pays its current bills except for assessments, and Incarnation draws heavily from Savings to meet its operational expenses. Please, I ask you, be generous and help us maintain the level of doing that we are presently at! Thank you so much for whatever you can give.



**(H.G.)—\$ 2,994.00 (Inc.)-\$2039.00**

**WELCOME!**

We welcome all who join us at our Masses. We encourage all Catholics to become an active participant in the life of our Parish Families. Please call either Rectory for more information.

**Holy Ghost Social Committee News**  
**and Upcoming Events:**

**19th Annual St. Joseph's Day Dinner**  
**Saturday March 18th**

**Annual Poor Mans Supper and Mary's Stations** Wed. April 5th 6:00pm Supper -

**Good Friday Fish Dinner**  
**Friday APRIL 14TH Following the 3pm Service .**

**(HG) DONOR NEEDED**

If there is a Family or Families interested in dedicating the Paschal Candle to burn in Memory of loved one or ones or a Special An-niv. Etc...During the entire Easter Season and at Funerals and Baptisms for the rest of the Liturgical Church Year ( Easter 2017 to Easter 2018). Please call Ron at the Rectory 610-867-9382 ext #3 to do so ASAP. 227

### FROM THE PASTORS DESK,

*My dear friends,*

Here I am at Mass, worshipping, praying even singing the hymns. Boy, that shows I am a good Catholic. Does it?

The ideal expressed in this gospel reading today reminds us that external religious observance, though certainly important, will never suffice to make us authentic followers of Christ. It is relatively easy to observe rituals and to affirm doctrines but, unfortunately, such observance can easily co-exist with an interior attitude that is judgmental and unforgiving. As the gospel today reminds us, reconciliation with the alienated people in our lives (and often families) is more important than meticulous, or even scrupulous, religious observance.

What is required then is an interior conversion that recognizes one's own shortcomings and is thus prepared to allow others to be imperfect also. What is most important, however, is an attitude of loving kindness that enables us to notice how others are hurting and which gladly reaches out to them, not because they deserve our help, but simply because they are in need and our hearts are sensitive to the fact. To love in this way is to be a child of that God who certainly loves us more than we deserve. As such, we will also be true followers of Jesus as we make his love present in our world.

You and I are truly loved more than we deserve when we go beyond what is needed. May we constantly have that attitude loving kindness to all.

God bless you!

*Fr. Cliff*

### (INC) P.A.G. NEWS

Monthly 50/50 Drawing - Reminder - \$5 per entry, and since this drawing takes place electronically, just make your donation in multiples of \$5. Donation envelopes must be received by the last day of the month. Thank you for your support.

Noodle-Making will take place on February 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, and 23 at 8:00am in Labuda Hall. New volunteers are welcome. Please contact Marie Bolcar ([610-866-0363](tel:610-866-0363)) for more information.

• Congratulations to the officers newly elected to two-year terms at the January 25 meeting: Milissa Bolcar (President) and Pamela Turek (Treasurer). We are still looking for parishioners to serve as Vice President and Secretary, and elections for these roles will occur at the next PAG meeting at 7pm on Wednesday, March 15.

• Mark your calendars for these other upcoming events, and stay tuned for more information about tickets/reservations and volunteer opportunities:

• \*\*\* Coffee & Donuts - March 26, May 28.

• \*\*\* Feast Day Dinner - Saturday, March 25, after the 4pm Mass.

• \*\*\* Iron Pigs Outing - Sunday, April 23, 1:35pm, PenTeleData Party Porch 1, \$37.

• \*\*\* Bingo Buffet - Saturday, July 15, after the 4pm Mass.

• \*\*\* Putt U Mini Golf Family Outing - Wednesday, August 2.

### Sympathy of the Parish



Is extended to the Family of the late +Katherine M. Yawney, Who died and was buried last Saturday with a Mass of Christian Burial. To her daughter, Maxine Ripper, and remaining family members, our sincerest sympathy and promise of prayers for her soul. May she rest in peace!

# SENIORS

## **(H.G.) "Prime Time Seniors"**

Meetings—Monday February 20th

@1pm in Billinger Hall

MONTHLY CASINO TRIPS -

Wednesday—March 8th

Wednesday April 12th

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 - 610-868-7940.

## F. Y. I. OTHER PLANNED TRIPS .....

At American Music Mark your calendars:

5/24/17 "Legends" Dinner—Bird in Hand

12/6/17 Christmas Show -Dinner -PI & Fancy

## **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 at 12 noon. 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 -Wed. March 1st @ 12 noon.**

## **2017 CATHOLIC CHARITIES GALA**

*Our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala will be held on SUNDAY, MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 @ 5:30PM @ THE DESALES UNIVERSITY CENTER, CENTER VALLEY, PA.*

*Rev. Msgr. Walter T. Scheaffer, Pastor of St. Mary's Church, Kutztown, Anne Jaindl, & Jaindl Family Farms will be honored for their contributions in helping the poor in the Diocese of Allentown. To receive an invitation, become a sponsor, or place an ad in our program book, please contact: Julie Scheck @ 610-871-5200, Ext. 216 or email [jscheck@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:jscheck@allentowndiocese.org). More information is posted on [www.catholiccharityAD.org](http://www.catholiccharityAD.org).*

**FASNACHT ORDERS:** "clipable coupon" is listed below for anyone interested in ordering "Fasnachts". Proceeds from this sale will help benefit Incarnation Parish St. Vincent de Paul Society. Orders may be placed in our weekly collection. Deadline is Sun., Feb. 19th, w/pick on Sun., Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, from 12Noon - 4:00PM in Incarnation's LaBuda Hall during the Mardi Gras Bingo.

## **PLEASE CLIP OUT AND PUT IN BASKET**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please drop your order in the collection basket  
by Sunday, 2/19

Variety	½ Dozen (\$4.80)	Dozen (\$9.60)	Total
Cream Filled			
Jelly Filled			
Glazed			
Plain			

## **St. Joseph's Windish Church**

**All are welcome to attend the Annual Feast Day Celebration on Saturday March 18TH AT A 10:30am Mass in the Church at @ 417 East 5th Street in South Bethlehem. All Are Welcome!**



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