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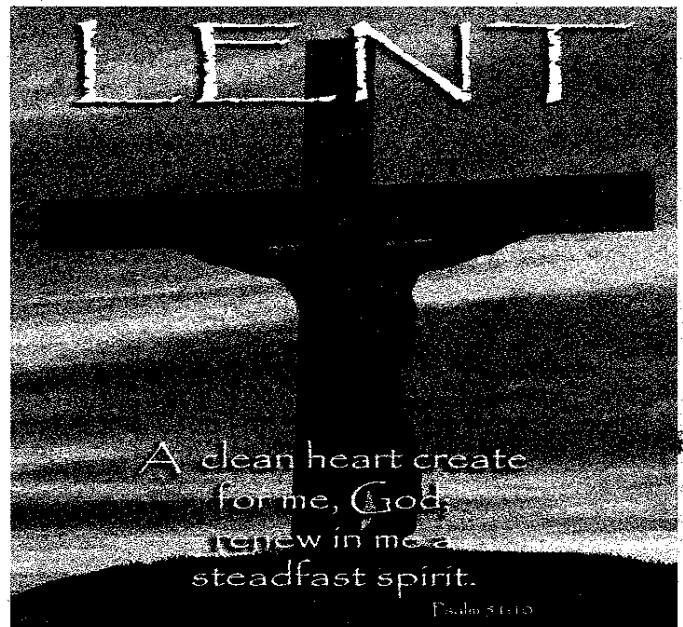
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Psalm 51:10



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FROM THE Desk of Fr. Dave

My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

"The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter."

This should be our response to all the marvelous things Jesus has done for us. Just as the healed leper in today's gospel could not hold in the joy of the good news of His mercy; our gratitude should well up in our hearts-spontaneously. If not, pray for the gift of gratitude.

"How can I keep from singing!" is the title of an old hymn. Also, Mary sings her continuous hymn of praise called the Magnificat. "The Almighty has done great things for me and Holy is His name!" Witnessing our thanks to God is a most effective form of evangelizing. It includes communicating to others the great things that Jesus has done for me; another day of life, my family, my job, my home, the faith community in my parish. A gratitude list often written down in a journal could help me be a more effective evangelizer. If it is difficult to find things for which I am grateful, I can use this as a new discipline during Lent which begins this Wednesday. Faithful expressions of gratitude from the heart can be a great Lenten practice.

Let us all support one another on the journey to new life in the Resurrection!

Fr. David

FYI.....Passion Reflection.....Plan on joining Fr. Dave and Deacon Steve in a reflection on our Lord's Passion. The Price he paid for our salvation. It will be held on the Fridays of Lent after Stations in LaBuda Hall at Incarnation of Our Lord Church. Spread the Word.....Bring a friend... ANYONE IS WELCOME to join us!

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

(INC) Parish Activities Group

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. Congratulations to our December winners - Mr. & Mrs. Michael In-drisek (\$110.00), Mary Ann Kelemen (\$66.00), and Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Zsilavec (\$44.00).

Homemade Noodles - Noodle-making resumes on Tuesday & Thursday mornings at 8am, starting on February 13. Once sufficient inventory is generated, we will let you know when orders will be accepted.

Save the date and stay tuned for more information about these other upcoming events:

- **Coffee & Donuts - Sundays after the 8am Mass - 2/25/18, 3/25/18, 4/22/18, 5/27/18.**
- **Lenten Soup Supper - Friday, 2/23/18, 6pm.**
- **Parish Feast Day Dinner - Saturday, 4/7/18, 5pm.**
- **Annual Iron Pigs Game - Sunday, 4/29/18.**
- **Parish Breakfast - Sunday, 5/6/18.**
- **Bingo Buffet - Saturday, 7/14/18.**

Incarnation Financials

Weekly collection for 2/4 = \$ 1808.00

Number of envelopes used = 117

Can you do more for God ?

***** ON LINE GIVING *****

On another point some of you have been waiting for: Holy Ghost and Incarnation Parishes now provide Online Giving— a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donation. Getting started is easy—just visit our website, on the front page of your bulletin, and click our Online Giving link. When you participate, your gift will be securely transferred directly into the parish bank account. And you won't have to remember to write a check or stop by the ATM on Sundays!



ST. VINCENT DePaul SOCIETY

News and Upcoming Events:

Our next food pantry will be held on Saturday, 2/24 at 10:00am. Please let Ruth know if you are available to help out.

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 or call 484-239-0243.

MARDI GRAS BINGO: TODAY SUNDAY, FEB.

11TH, 2018 in LABUDA HALL. Tickets are \$20 in advance (\$25 @ the door on Feb. 11th) and can be purchased @ our weekend Masses @ Incarnation Church. Price includes



15 games with cash prizes. (Must be 18 years of age or older!)

NOTE: Coach handbag specials, Tricky Tray, & food will be available for separate purchase.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Saturday March 17th at Holy Infancy School 4th and Webster Streets. Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner and Oldies Dance. Dinner 5:30—7:15pm \$20 Donation and Dance \$13 with Music by DJ Jimmy Kelly from 7:30-11:30pm Raffles will be held as well as Door Prizes. \$30.00 Donation for Both Dinner and Dance. Sponsored and Benefit for Knights of Columbus Trinity Council 313 of Bethlehem. Call Angel Rivera For tickets and reservations @ 484-242-1059. Are Welcome for Good Fun and A Fun Night. Spread the Word. All Are Welcome!



Holy Ghost Parish Financials

Weekly collection for 1/28 = \$ 2,251.00

Number of envelopes used = 112

Can you do more for God ?

Masses & Vigil Lamps @ Holy Ghost and Incarnation Parishes Please contact the Rectories

Masses are \$10/for each. Devotional Candles are \$10. Please NOTE: Mass & Lamp Requests for 2018 can be made NOW. Please do not be disappointed if a particular date is taken!

*** * * * PLEASE NOTE * * * ***

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

HOSPITALIZATION

Like most institutions today, because of new confidentiality laws, St. Luke's University Network, Lehigh Valley Health Network, and Coordinated Health Hospital no longer voluntarily inform us that you are a patient in one of their facilities. We do attempt to call, but may miss you.

If you, or a loved one, are a patient in one of these health care centers or even a Nursing Home Facility, please call the rectory and leave a Fr. Dave message. Make sure the hospital lists you correctly for either parish. Thank You.

ATTENTION———BOTH PARISHES BULLETIN INFO. SUBMISSIONS

All Parish organizations and others submitting info for the parish bulletin, please take note: ALL BULLETIN ARTICLES MUST BE SUBMITTED TO:

InchGBulletin@gmail.com

By MONDAY 10am of the week of.

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

by Thursday week of - by Noon - Please.

SENIORS

(H.G.) "Prime Time Seniors"

Meetings:

NEXT Monday February 19th @ 1pm BINGO

MONTHLY CASINO TRIPS -

Wednesday, February 14th

Wednesday, March 14th

Leave HG CHURCH 10:30am for Mohegan

Sun. Cost: \$25

Slot Play \$25 and \$5 in Food Coupon.

For Casino info. & Reservations Call:

"Boots" Horwath - 610-867-4839

or Gloria Szakos - 610-868-7940.

Bus Trip to Sight and Sound to see the

Show "JESUS" Wednesday May 30th

Cost : \$100 and includes Bus, Show, Lunch
at Bird n Hand & Gratuity.

Please Call Boots Horvath @610-867-4839.

Payment Plan is Available.

Also Mark your Calendars for the

Christmas Show at American Music Theatre.

Tuesday, December 18th, Details to follow.

Incarnation Parish Senior Group -

New members are invited to our join our Senior Group. Our meetings are held on the 1st 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 7th—12 noon

All Are Welcome!



Holy Ghost—Social Committee News

SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING

THIS MONDAY February 12th at 6:30pm in Billinger Hall. We will be laying out the our plans for the year. New Faces are always welcome! Please join us!

(HG) NOODLE MAKING

"Oodles of Noodles" will be made on the following dates—Monday February 12th & Monday February 26th after the 8am Mass. Volunteers always welcome. Donations of Eggs and Flour always graciously Accepted.

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

SPRING FLING BAZAAR!

Sunday, March 11th, 8:00AM to 3:00 PM

St. Paul Parish Center

219 W. Susquehanna St., Allentown

Vendors, Crafts, Raffles, Food & More!

Vendors/Crafters Needed -

Email sprccbulletin@rcn.com for a registration form.

Any questions, please contact Patty Ickes

at sprccbulletin@rcn.com or myself

at lmyles@aol.com or 610-554-1960.

40 Days for Life Announcement

The 40 Days for Life Prayer Campaign will start on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14th and continue through March 25th, at the Allentown Planned Parenthood (abortion facility), 29 N. 9th St., Allentown, PA. Join us, Monday through Saturday, 7am-6pm.

When prayer volunteers are praying the no show rate for abortions can jump as high as 75%! For more information, or to be paired with a prayer partner, call Maryanne at 610-570-2347.

Masses and Devotional Candles

Mon. Feb. 12th — Ordinary Time Weekday
 (HG) 8AM ✕ Mary Marich
 by Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Gawlick

Tues. Feb. 13th — Ordinary Time Weekday
 (HG) 8AM ✕ Paul Horvath by a Friend



Wed. Feb. 14th — ASH WEDNESDAY

INC 8:00am Barbara Herman
 By Dave & Pamela Turek

HG 8:00am Health & Blessings on
 Robert Reinhart
 by Steve & Angie Horvath

12:10pm Packer Church—Lehigh Univ.

5:10pm Packer Church Lehigh U.—Inter Faith Service
 HG 7:00pm—Scripture Service

INC 7:00pm Living & Deceased Parishioners

9:10pm Packer Church—Lehigh U.—Scripture Service

Thurs. Feb. 15th— after Ash Wednesday
 (HG) 8AM ✕ Bernard Salabsky

Fri. Feb. 16th—after Ash Wednesday
 Adoration 9am til 11:30am Stations of the
 Cross followed by Mass in HG Church.
 ✕ Joseph Hock by Wife Marie



February 17th ————— Vigil Mass

(HG) 3pm—3:45pm—Confessions

3:35pm—Rosary for Vocations and Prayer Intentions

(HG) 4:00pm ✕ Theodore "Ted" Kovach
 by Holy Ghost Prime Time Seniors

(INC) 5:30pm ✕ Stephen Pescek by
 Marge Brozman & Family

SUN. Feb. 18th 1st Sunday of Lent

8:00AM (INC) ✕ Charles Anderko (10th Anniv)
 by Wife Ann Marie and Children

10:00AM(HG) ✕ James J. Blaukovitch (3rd Anniv.) by
 Wife Jean, Children and Families

12:10pm Mass—Packer Church—Lehigh U.

9:10pm Mass—Packer Church—Lehigh U.

Devotional Lamps @ Holy Ghost Church
 Sanctuary -

In Memory of ✕ Nicholas & Margaret Markowitz
 Tabernacle (2) -

In Memory of ✕ Nicholas & Margaret Markowitz
 B.V.M. -

Health & Blessings on Rose Marie Brugger
 St. Joseph -

Health & Blessings on Arlyce Kusler by Mom Margie
 Sacred Heart—



Health & Blessings on Jeff & Charlotte Cole
 St. Theresa -

Prayer Intentions

St. (Padre) Pio - Our Lady of Pompeii

In Memory of ✕ Deceased Ninfo/Schiavone Fams.
 Infant of Prague - St. John Capistrano

In Memory of ✕ Deceased Boccardi/Bechdolt Fams.
 Pieta—(2)

In Memory of ✕ Alexander & Elizabeth Trotsky

St. Vincent DePaul Chapel / Tabernacle Lamp
 In Memory of ✕ George & Concetta Petito

Devotional Lamps

@ Incarnation of Our Lord Church
 Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory ✕ Carol Balog by Husband Mike

Tabernacle Lamps

Health & Blessings on
 the School Sisters of St. Francis



Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp -

In Memory of ✕ Maryann Kloof

by Sister Barbara Raykos & Husband Joseph

St. Joseph Lamp

Living & Deceased Members of Assembly #78
 of the Slovak Catholic Sokols

Infant of Prague Lamp-

In Memory of ✕ John R. & Dolores E. Shupp Family

Our Lady of the Rosary Lamps-

In Memory ✕ Vincent P. Seaman

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:

Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC

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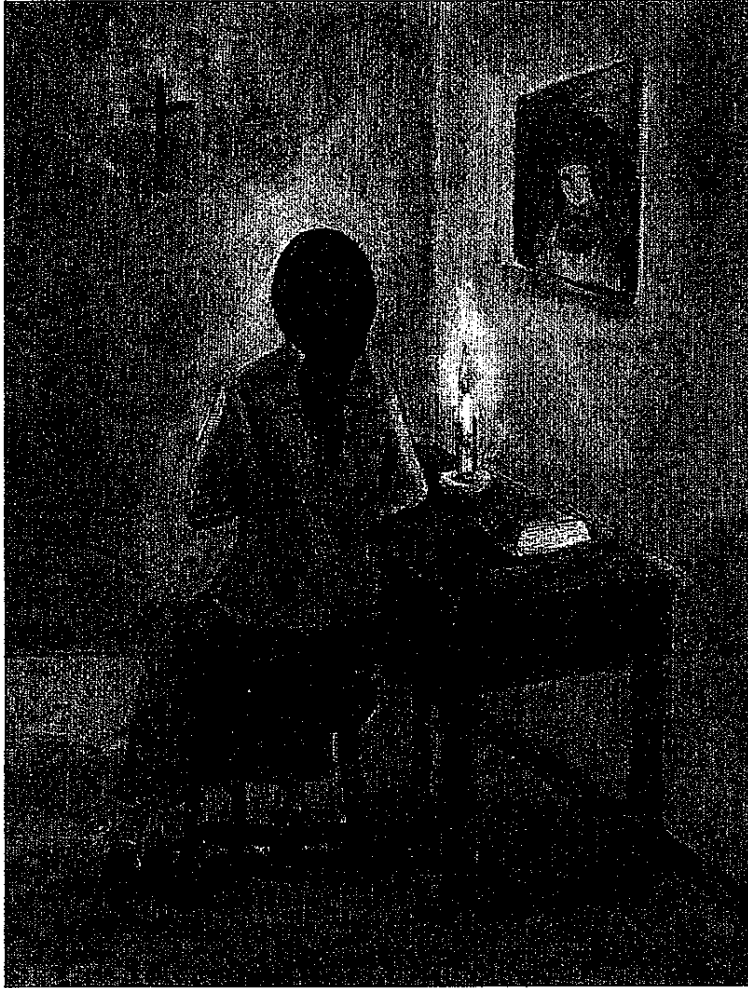


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ASH WEDNESDAY



In this Time

O God of mercy,
who is slow to anger and rich
in kindness,
grant us, as we begin our Lenten journey,
contrite hearts that long
for reconciliation
and steadfast spirits that proclaim
your love.

In this acceptable time,
soften our calloused hearts,
watch over us, and keep us from all sin.

In this season of repentance,
help us turn toward the light of your
Son, Jesus Christ,

and away from selfish ambition.

In this period of renewal,
open our ears to hear your voice,
which calls us out of darkness,
so that with clean hearts we can forever
proclaim your praise.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

Sin Is Tricky

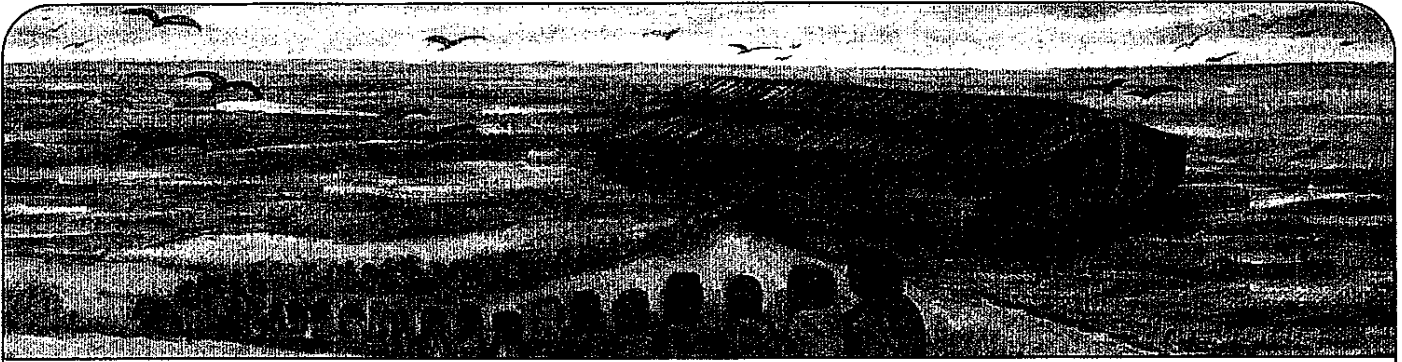


Today's Readings: Joel 2:12–18; Psalm 51:3–4, 5–6ab, 12–13, 14 and 17; 2 Corinthians 5:20–6:2; Matthew 6:1–6, 16–18. The Lenten season calls us to slow down and consider the areas in our life that need healing and transformation. This retreat-like time is an intense period for prayer and cleaning the “garbage” from our hearts. With the elect, those who are preparing for the sacraments of initiation, we take this time to discern what is sinful in our lives and name the good God is working within us. Sin is tricky and tends to grab hold of us and become habit. Sin begins to blind us from God’s love.

In this season, we must examine each area of our life to uncover the darkness of sin. Take heed of the prophet Joel’s words. He calls us to repent and return to the Lord.

Repentance leads to conversion, which requires discipline, perseverance, and practice. The three disciplines of the Lenten season—prayer, fasting, and almsgiving—help us open ourselves to God’s goodness and strengthen us for a mission united to Christ. During these forty days, allow these disciplines to become habits that replace sin, move you to reflect on your life in Christ, and immerse you in the Paschal Mystery.

In the Gospel, Jesus instructs us not to publicly flaunt how we pray, fast, or give alms. As you meditate on the words of the psalm, think about what you might give up (fast), how you might pray, and where or to what you might give alms as a way of deeply entering the season of Lent and purifying your heart.



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, February 12

Perseverance

In the opening of his letter, St. James' describes himself as "servant of God" and his audience as the "twelve tribes in the Dispersion." From this greeting, we know that he is writing to a dispersed community. James tells us that the testing of faith produces perseverance. When has your faith been tested? It can be all too easy to grow weary with testing, but prayer can help strengthen us to live more faithfully. Approaching Lent, create a prayer plan to guide you this season. *Today's Readings: James 1:1–11; Psalm 119:67, 71, 72, 75, 76; Mark 8:11–13.*

Tuesday, February 13

Temptation

Have you ever blamed God for tempting you? James teaches us that it is not God who tempts us but that our desires lure us from the light. Once you identify the temptations in your life, offer them in prayer and allow them to be transformed for building up the Kingdom of God. The Eucharist and prayer will help us persevere in the faith and reject temptations. Today, make note of any temptations, even those you might present to another. *Today's Readings: James 1:12–18; Psalm 94:12–13a, 14–15, 18–19; Mark 8:14–21.*

Wednesday, February 14

Ash Wednesday

One way to pay attention to the spiritual life during Lent is to spend time with images found in the day's readings. Set aside time to read and be silent with today's psalm, paying particular attention to the first stanza. What images, questions, or thoughts arise? As you are signed with ashes today, commit yourself to spending more time with the day's readings and heeding Christ's call to conversion. *Today's Readings: Joel 2:12–18; Psalm 51:3–4, 5–6ab, 12–13, 14 and 17; 2 Corinthians 5:20–6:2; Matthew 6:1–6, 16–18.*

Thursday, February 15

Life and Death

Moses' words are a powerful reminder that God is life. Our readings invite us to deny ourselves, take up the cross, and follow. By doing this, we say yes to the law of God's love and therefore choose the path of life. When we give ourselves to Christ and strive to follow him in every way, life is radically different from what the world presents. As a family, make paper crosses and place them as a centerpiece for prayer during this season. Take time to talk about each day's Gospel. *Today's Readings: Deuteronomy 30:15–20; Psalm 1:1–2, 3, 4 and 6; Luke 9:22–25.*

Friday, February 16

Fasting

Do you fast only because the Church has told you to do so? Isaiah's words strongly urge us against empty fasting or ritual. For Isaiah, fasting is intimately connected to the good of the community, especially the poor and suffering. Does our fasting lead us to contemplate the mystery of Christ and our call to accompany the most vulnerable and ignored in our society? This practice is intended to purify and change us; it is intended to help strengthen us for the mission. Could your family unite in a practice of fasting as a prayer for the poor and suffering? *Today's Readings: Isaiah 58:1–9a; Psalm 51:3–4, 5–6ab, 18–19; Matthew 9:14–15.*

Saturday, February 17

Justice

The First Reading continues where the reading from Isaiah left off yesterday. Isaiah's message is one of justice. The community has a responsibility to care for the poor and suffering. When we walk in the ways of the Lord, our hearts yearn to serve our neighbors. When Jesus calls us to take up the cross, it's not just a burden, but the sign of hope and resurrection. Who in your community needs to be fed, clothed, and sheltered? At the end of this week, take a moment for an Ignatian examen. *Today's Readings: Isaiah 58:9b–14; Psalm 86:1–2, 3–4, 5–6; Luke 5:27–32.*





40 DAYS FOR LIFE

WHAT IS 40 DAYS FOR LIFE?

WHO ARE WE PRAYING FOR?

WHY HOLD A VIGIL OUTSIDE OF AN ABORTION FACILITY?

NOW 2 PRAYER CAMPAIGNS WORKING TOWARD SAVING THE LIVES OF THE UNBORN!

SPRING 2018
FEBRUARY 14TH - MARCH 25TH

The idea of 40 days of prayer and fasting tracks Biblical history, where God used 40-day periods to transform individuals, communities — and the entire world. From Noah in the flood to Moses on the mountain to the disciples after Christ's resurrection, it is clear that God sees the transformative value of His people accepting and meeting a 40-day challenge. In our age we seek God's favor to turn hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life, thus bringing an end to abortion in America.

Abortion has many victims: We pray for the mothers who have the abortion, others involved in the decision, the babies who lose their lives, the workers at the abortion facility, and the abortionist. We also pray that the entire Body of Christ will join together in prayer around the common goal of defending the least of our brethren.

It is a prayerful, visible witness to the abortion facility's *patients, employees, and the local community that what may be legal, is not moral.* Allowing a local abortion facility to conduct business unanswered has consequences for your neighborhood, your friends, your family, and for you, as we are all called to defend our brother and God's law.

How has God responded when communities pull out all the stops and unite together for 40 days to end the violence of abortion?

So far, since 2007 the participants of 40 Days For Life have witnessed countless blessings from God:

- Reports document 13,998 lives that have been spared from abortion, and those are just the ones we know about
- 170 abortion workers have quit their jobs and walked away from the abortion industry
- 94 abortion facilities completely shut down following local 40 Days For Life campaigns

To sign up: To pray at either prayer vigil email the following information to schedule40dfl@gmail.com:
Date, time, church affiliation eg. Monday, 1:00-2:00 St Thomas More.
Your vigil hour will be listed by church affiliation not by your name

Contacts: **Allentown:** Planned Parenthood
Coordinator: Maryanne 610-570-2347
www.40daysforlife.com/allentown

Bethlehem: AWC
Coordinator: Theresa 610-704-6935
www.40daysforlife.com/bethlehem

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Pray to End Abortion

<p>Allentown Prayer Vigil Abortion "Clinic" Planned Parenthood 29 North 9th Street, Allentown 18101 Coordinator: Maryanne 610-570-2347</p> <p>Parking on the Street \$2 per hour OR Contact Maryanne for FREE PARKING</p>  <p>Public Sidewalk ONLY- not on P.P. property</p>	<p>Bethlehem Prayer Vigil Abortion "Clinic" (AWC) 31 South Commerce Way, Bethlehem 18017 Coordinator: Theresa 610-704-6935 Theresa4597@hotmail.com</p> <p>DIRECTIONS: Rte 22 to Rte 512 N /Right Turn on Highland / Third Left on Courtnay /Right Turn on S. Commerce Way. For Parking go to 9 South Commerce Way and park in the spaces farthest from the entrance.</p>  <p>Stand within 10' of the curb</p>
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Things you should know before arrival:

- ♦ 70% of women are not making this "choice", but rather are being **pressured** to abort their child.
- ♦ 75% The **no-show rate for abortion appointments** can be as high as 75% when people are peacefully praying outside.

OUR MISSION is to pray for God's intercession for the conversion of hearts and minds to welcome our new unborn, unrepeatable, irreplaceable brothers and sisters into this world. We pray that our peaceful and loving presence will be a sign to the women entering for an abortion that they are not alone; we will help with whatever the Mom needs to save and care for her baby, and help her. By accepting help for her child, the mother helps herself by preventing a lifetime of regret, and physical, psychological and spiritual pain and suffering.

OUR VIGIL GOAL: To have at least 2 people praying per hour at each vigil site (Allentown, Bethlehem).

- ♦ The first step is to contact the coordinator for the Prayer Vigil you plan to attend.
Allentown call Maryanne 610-570-2347 or Bethlehem call Theresa 610-704-6935.
- ♦ After that initial contact, sign up to pray at the vigil by emailing the Prayer site, Date, Time, & Church affiliation to schedule40dfl@gmail.com. (e.g. Allentown PP, Thurs. February 15th, 3-4 PM, St Thomas More, or Bethlehem AWC, Tues. March 6th, 2-3 PM, St Anne Bethlehem.)
- ♦ In the effort to achieve a constant prayer vigil, we ask that you inform the 40DFL team in advance, however, if that isn't possible, we ask that you still let us know afterwards. We keep track of all vigil hours. The majority of vigil volunteers pray the rosary or other prayers. While holding a "40 Days for Life/ Pray to End Abortion" sign is encouraged, it is not required. Your peaceful prayerful presence is the most important thing you can do. You may see sidewalk counselors engage women entering the center. Do not feel you are expected to do this. However, if a woman entering the abortion facility approaches you looking for help, we have included phone numbers at the bottom of this page for you to call. Please stand in the designated locations. (See the captions of the pictures above for each location.)

Direct women seeking help to one of the following places:

24 Hour Hotlines:

Birthright Int'l:
1-800-550-4900

Heartbeat Int'l/OptionLine:
1-800-712-Help (4357)

Pro-Life Doctor

(610) 820-0575
Dr. Maryanne Freeman
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Catholic Charities

610-435-1541 Allentown (900 S Woodward St. 18103) M-F 8:30-4:30

Birthright

610-327-2626 Pottstown (327 King St.) M-F 10-3 Tuesday 6-7 PM

Bright Hope

(Care Net)

610-821-4000