

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHURCH
117 Washington Street
Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1524

OUR MISSION

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish is a defined community of the Roman Catholic Church which seeks, as its ultimate goal, the fullness of the Kingdom of God as proclaimed by our Lord Jesus Christ, and as taught by the authentic teaching authority of the Holy Catholic Church.

We profess unity in belief, worship, and morals with our Holy Father and our Bishop. We seek to provide the fullness of life in the Church through the Sacred Liturgy, prayer, education, religious formation, outreach, and service to our neighbors and each other.



THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
(CHRISTMAS DAY)
DECEMBER 25, 2022

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DIOCESAN SECRETARY FOR YOUTH PROTECTION: Pamela J Russo- **Telephone:** (610) 871-5200, Ext. 2204

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Eve)
December 24 Vigil (anticipated)
Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Act 13:16-17,22-25 or Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25; Night: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/ Lk 2:1-14;
 (CHU) 4:00 PM Joe Maroski
r/b wife, Marie
 (AUD) 4:00 PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart
 7:00 PM Theresa and John McManus
r/b Natalie, Cathryn and family

Sunday, The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)
December 25 *Night: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/ Lk 2:1-14; Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/ Lk2:15-20; Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14*
 7:00 AM Celebrant's Intentions
 9:00 AM Christmas Spiritual Bouquet Intentions
 11:00 AM Robert Sampson
r/b daughter, Ginny Olivi and family

Monday, Saint Stephen
December 26 *Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22*
 9:00 AM Jeanne Lauber
r/b sister

Tuesday, Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist
December 27 *1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8*
 8:00 AM Robert (Bob) Fiorenza
r/b Marie and Richard Brand

Wednesday, The Holy Innocents
December 28 *1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Mt 2:13-18*
 8:00 AM Esther Coyle
r/b sister Diane and family

Thursday, 5th Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
December 29 *1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35*
 8:00 AM Leo Carasiti
r/b Family

Friday, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
December 30 *Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17/ Mt 2:13-15, 19-23*
 8:00 AM Alphonse, Mary and Mary Louise Yost
r/b Rosanne, Robert and Jayne Yost

Saturday, Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God, The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord (anticipated)
December 31 *Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21*
 5:00 PM Wilbur Nye
r/b Jean and Melina Nye

Sunday, Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God, The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord
January 1 *Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21*
 7:00 AM Parishioner of Sacred Heart
 9:00 AM Roman and Jean Pietrzak
r/b Ken and MaryJane Pietrzak
 11:00 AM John Vincenzi
r/b Robert and Helen Vincenzi

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Evening (Vigil): 5:00 PM
Sunday Mass: 7 AM, 9 AM and 11 AM
Weekdays:
 Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM



THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 3:45 – 4:30 pm
Thursday during Adoration at 7:00 pm
Monday through Friday mornings
 7:30 – 7:50 am
 Anytime upon reasonable request



BLESSED MOTHER CANDLES

are burning from
 December 23 through December 29
 for the repose of the souls of



Dallas and Rita Kohler
r/b Schleppey Family

SAINT JOSEPH CANDLES

are burning from
 December 23 through December 29
 for the repose of the souls of



Dallas and Rita Kohler
r/b Family

THE SEVEN DAY ALTAR CANDLES

are burning from
 December 23 through December 29
 for the repose of the soul of



Joe Maroski
r/b wife, Marie

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Roles*

<p>12/31-1/1 5:00 PM 7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM</p>	<p>Lectors William Doncsez Bill Wilde Beth Skinner Christina Gehringer</p>	<p>Deacons/EMHCs Deacon Lewis Ferris Deacon Edward Saukulak Deacon Lewis Ferris Deacon Edward Saukulak</p>	<p>Altar Servers -- -- Daniel Holub --</p>
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**SUNDAY READINGS
DECEMBER 25th**

First Reading -- See, the Lord proclaims to the ends of the earth: say to daughter Zion, your savior comes!
(Is 62:11-12)

Psalm — A light will shine on us this day: the Lord is born for us. *(Ps 97:1,6,11-12)*

Second Reading -- Beloved: When the kindness and generous love of God our savior appeared, not because of any righteous deeds we had done but because of his mercy. *(Ti 3:4-7)*

Gospel — When the angels went away from them to heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go, then, to Bethlehem to see this thing that has taken place which the Lord has made known to us." *(Lk 2:15-20)*

Join us for *Mass!*
Let us gather and celebrate the Mass. Visit our parish Facebook® page!




**ONLINE MASS
WITH FATHER BUTERA**

Please "join" Father Butera online via Facebook as he celebrates daily Mass on Wednesdays in his private chapel. You can view the Mass live on Facebook at 8:00 am or watch a video recording of the Mass at a later time. Look for other updates from Father on Sacred Heart's Facebook page. It is a great way to keep up-to-date with the Parish and current events and to stay connected spiritually through the livestreamed liturgical services!

Sacred Heart Live Streaming events found at:
Facebook: follow @sacredheartofjesusbath (<https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartofjesusbath>)

Twitter: follow @sacredheartbath (<https://twitter.com/sacredheartbath>)

Periscope: follow @sacredheartbath (<https://www.pscp.tv/sacredheartbath/follow>)
Videos may also be live-streamed on YouTube or uploaded when available:

<https://www.youtube.com/SacredHeartBath>



THE SANCTUARY LAMP

is burning from
December 23 through January 5
for the repose of the soul of

Stephen J. Paukovits
r/b Paukovits and Raykos families

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday, December 29
8:30 am - 9:00 pm in Church
Confession: 7:00-8:00 pm



**UPDATE ON ENVELOPES,
CHRISTMAS LETTER AND 2023 CALENDARS**

We have experienced delays with the company who prints and mails our offertory envelopes, including our Christmas letter and schedule of services. The Christmas schedule has been published in the bulletin all month. Apologies for the delays. The 2023 calendars have been ordered and are being printed and mailed. Hopefully, we will have them soon.

Thank you for your patience!

**NOTICE
SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS**

We will continue to offer the opportunity for you to memorialize the candle burning in the Sanctuary Lamp in honor of your loved one(s). ***In 2023, the candle intention will burn for one week, instead of two, from Friday through the following Thursday.*** This is consistent with the timeframe that candle intentions burn at the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph and the tabernacle/altar. Please call the office with any questions or to schedule your candle intentions for 2023. We have intentions available in the 2023 Mass book.

MEMORIAL VOTIVE LAMPS



If you would like to memorialize a candle at the shrine of the Blessed Mother or Saint Joseph or at the Tabernacle, please call or visit the parish office during office hours. Candles burn from Friday through the following Thursday. A Mass will be said for all the memorialized intentions.

CONCECRATION TO THE HOLY FAMILY

On Friday, December 30th, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. At the daily Mass on Friday as well as the Masses on Saturday, Dec. 31st and Sunday, Jan. 1st, we will formally pray to consecrate our families under the protection of the Holy Family. A major aspect of this program is serious and meaningful preparation for at least a week prior to the consecration. Toward this end, the consecration prayer is included at the end of this message. Please use it as part of your family's preparation. Four suggested steps before praying the Consecration to the Holy Family are as follows:

1. Discuss the importance of this consecration as a family and why you are doing it.
2. Each member of your family is encouraged to go to the sacrament of reconciliation.
3. As a family, choose something to fast from. The fast can be for at least a week. As our physical bodies are drawn to things of this world, it is strongly encouraged that you fast from something you would normally do or consume. Fasting helps to discipline our minds and hearts to refrain from secular activities and be more focused on God.
4. Prepare for the commitment you are making. Consecration to the Holy Family is not a single event. You have chosen a way of life for your family. You and your family are consciously choosing to be a beacon of light of God's love through his Church.

At all Masses, concertation prayer cards will be in the pews. After use, please leave them there for use at the next Mass.



CONCERATION PRAYER TO THE HOLY FAMILY

○ Lord Jesus,
you lived in the home of Mary and Joseph in Nazareth.
There you grew in age, wisdom and grace
as you prepared to fulfill your mission
as our Redeemer
We entrust our family to you.

○ Blessed Mary,
you are the Mother of our Savior.
At Nazareth you cared for Jesus
and nurtured him in the peace and joy of your home.
We entrust our family to you.

○ Saint Joseph,
you provided a secure and loving home for Jesus and Mary,
and gave us a model of fatherhood
while showing us the dignity of work.
We entrust our family to you.

Holy Family,
We consecrate ourselves and our family to you.
May we be completely united
in a love that is lasting, faithful
and open to the gift of new life.
Help us to grow in virtue,
to forgive one another from our hearts,
and to live in peace all our days.
Keep us strong in faith, persevering in prayer,
diligent in our work, and generous to those in need.
May our home, O Holy Family,
truly become a domestic church
where we reflect your example in our daily life. Amen.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!



Monday January 9, Membership Meeting – A Night of “Knights”
 7:00pm Rosary; 7:30pm Presentations and Social Hour

Burkhart Bldg. And Zoom

Monday January 23 – Officers' Planning Meeting

7:00pm Burkhart Bldg. And Zoom (All Brothers are Invited)

A reminder of Scholarship Opportunities available to Brother Knights:

- ◆ Thanks to the support of the **COAL** program by our Pennsylvania Knights, the State Council will award **Ten - \$4,000 College Scholarships** to sons and daughters of Brother Knights in 2023. Program applications and instructions for graduates of the 2022-23 high school class are posted on the PA KofC website under the 'Programs' tab at <https://kofcpennsylvania.org/scholarships>. **The deadline for submissions is December 31, 2022.** Applications are now being accepted.
- ◆ The Educational Foundation of the Knights of Columbus will be processing up to fifty (50) \$1,000.00 Knights of Columbus Student Grants paid to the Catholic School Grades 1 through 12 where the Knight of Columbus member's child is enrolled. Applications will be accepted by the Educational Foundation Secretary, if postmarked beginning January 1, 2023. Further information is available at <https://kofcpennsylvania.org/catholic-school-grant>

For additional information about joining our Council; the activities we foster and the sharing of fellowship with millions of Brother Knights; go to www.KofC14464.org or contact our Grand Knight, Paul Bunting at pwbunting@gmail.com for details.

A NIGHT OF “KNIGHTS”
MONDAY, JANUARY 9TH

On Monday, January 9th our Monthly Membership Meeting will become a **Night of “Knights”**

The purpose of this event is to encourage new membership by highlighting what the Knights are all about and the activities in which our Council participates.

We will begin the evening at 7:00pm with a recitation of the Rosary, followed at 7:30pm by a **“short”** review of Council business.

We will continue the evening with informative **“brief”** presentations by Council Officers and Committee Chairpersons highlighting what the Knights are all about, what we do to support Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, and our involvement in community affairs. To wrap up the evening, refreshments will be served, along with time to mingle with Brother Knights.

ALL Men of the Parish are encouraged to attend; wives are also most welcome. This is a time for Brother Knights to re-engage with our Council and for other Catholic Gentlemen to find out if they wish to join in this journey to become stronger **“Catholic Men.”**

The event will be held in the Burkhardt Building.

If you would like to attend or just want information about the event, please RSVP, ANightofKnights@kofc14464.org



THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

Now this is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the Holy Spirit. Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly. Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.” All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: *Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they will name him Emmanuel,*” which means “God is with us.” When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home. He had no relations with her until she bore a son, and he named him Jesus. *(Matthew 2:18-25)*

The birth of Jesus was accepted by both Mary and Joseph. In their faith in God they both did not question the message of the angels that came to them. They both welcomed the glorious birth of Christ our Lord with open arms.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

I read an article recently on a group of activists on a trip to save the lives of pre-born turtles. These baby turtles for whatever reason had no chance of getting out of their eggshells and then out of the sand that their mother had left them in. It had cute little pictures of the little turtles making their way to the ocean after the rescue.

Now, I have no issues with peoples saving turtles, however, for whatever reason these same folks are usually pro-abortion and take strong objection to anyone who tries to save pre-born babies. Years ago, we got a visit from a young woman who had a petition for us to sign to "save the whales." I signed the petition, and then asked her why most animal loving activists seem to be pro-abortion. She responded with: "well nobody is pro-abortion, we are pro-choice."

That was the first time I heard the ludicrous term "pro-choice." Of course, it makes no sense. But it always amazes me how us anti-abortion people fall into the semantical trap of referring to pro-abortionist as "pro-choice." Ask yourself the question: if they, the pro-abortionist, are simply pro-choice, what does that make me?

-- Deacon Lewis Ferris



BIBLE STUDY—OPEN TO ALL
BURKHART BUILDING
SATURDAYS 10:00 AM-11:30 AM
January 7 & 21 and February 4 & 18

We will be continuing our study of St. Paul's first and second letters in the next few sessions using the Ignatius Catholic Study Bible by Dr. Scott Hahn. Please join us. Any questions email: lferris2000@yahoo.com.

EXPLORING THE BIBLE

Do you view the disciples and followers as faithful obedient people who truly understood the purpose of Jesus's time here on earth? When reading stories of them in the bible you discover they had so many diverse personalities and views of what was happening. We hear the Gospels at Mass which should peak our interest to read more about these exceptional people who walked shoulder to shoulder with our Lord. These remarkable people lived with Jesus and the more you find out about them the more you understand how different they approached their faith. Please do not feel as though you need to read this great book from cover to cover. Pick a Gospel and read it as though you are reading a novel. You can easily follow what life was like for Jesus and how these great people handled being in the presence of our beloved Lord. Read about the joy of births, miracles, friendship, fear, anger, sorrow, faith and pure love. There is not another book that compares to the pages of what is written in this wondrous book. Pick it up and read a Gospel and enter God's world.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT
February 10, 11 and 12, 2023

An intimated spiritual journey for anyone seeking healing after abortion. In a safe, supportive, non-judgmental environment you can focus on this painful time in your life and enter into the process of healing. Through scripture readings, guided meditations and activities flowing from the meditations, you can experience God's compassion and forgiveness.

For registration information contact:
Carol Swavely, MA, 1-866-3RACHEL (Toll Free)
or 610-435-1541, ext. 373. You may also email
Carol at carolswavely@ptd.net.
Registration deadline—February 3, 2023

SAVE A LIFE



GIVE BLOOD

MILLER-KEYSTONE BLOOD CENTER
CONSIDER DONATING BLOOD
DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON

Help save a life by donating blood. The center is in need for blood donations especially during the holidays. Please consider giving blood at one of their local donation centers. What a wonderful gift to give at Christmas time by helping someone who is in need.

Please go to <https://www.giveapint.org> for locations and more information.

Thank You!



Dear Lord,

Our hearts are filled with gratitude for the men and women who serve our country, and for the sacrifices their families make so that we can all enjoy the blessing of freedom. We praise you for calling them to help protect us, and for giving them the courage and ability to do their jobs well.

Guide their choices and their actions, Lord. Help them to see you working in their daily lives, whether in the field, at home, or abroad. Surround them with your mighty angels; protect them in your mercy; cover them with your grace.

Guard their hearts while they are far from loved ones, and bless them with moments to cherish when they are together. Hold these families close, Lord. May they look to You for the strength and peace that only You can give. In Jesus Name we pray, Amen.

Your Stewardship Report - December 11		
First Collection	\$6,201	<i>Other collections</i> - from envelopes dated other than December 11
Retired Religious	\$1,277	
Other Collections	\$1,942	
Other	\$20	
Total Collections	\$9,440	<i>Other - dona-</i> <i>tions, candles, etc.</i>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE PARISH

Next Week's Collections - January 1



First
Sunday Collection

Second
Solemnity of Mary and
Parish Improvement

WEEKLY OFFERING

If you are not able to attend Mass, please continue to submit your weekly offering envelopes:

- ⇒ Mail your envelopes to:
Sacred Heart Church
210 E. Northampton Street
Bath, PA 18014
- ⇒ Online Giving available through Sacred Heart's website at www.sacredheartbath.org. Click on the "Donate" button on the home page below the picture of the altar.
- ⇒ Drop-off your envelopes at our "self-service station" in the Burkhart Building during Parish office hours

Thank you for continuing to support Sacred Heart of Jesus parish!

THE RECEPTION OF SACRAMENTS

The location where you receive your sacraments is governed by the territorial boundaries of the Parish within which you live, as prescribed by the Code of Canon Law. As a reminder, and to prevent delay or confusion when the time nears for the sacraments (and sacramental preparation), reception is not governed by where one attends school nor by where you attend Mass nor receive Religious Education. For example, if you live in the territorial boundaries of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, and your 2nd grader attends Good Shepherd School in Northampton, they will receive their Religious Education from Good Shepherd School, but receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion at Sacred Heart. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office and we will be glad to assist you. Thank you!

**WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING
CANCELED**

The Sacred Heart Women's Guild meeting for January 2nd has been canceled.
Wishing you a Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year...

SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH
Bath, PA 18014

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL
Saturday, 24th December 2022
4:00 pm – Parish Auditorium
4:00 pm, 7:00 pm and 12 Midnight – Church

CHRISTMAS DAY
Sunday, 25th December 2022
9:30 am, 11:00 am

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY,
MOTHER OF GOD**
Vigil, Saturday, 31st December, 5:00 pm
Sunday, 1st January 2023
7:00 am, 9:00 am, and 11:00 am

BLESSING OF EPIPHANY WATER
Saturday, 7th January 2023, 4:45 pm,
prior to Vigil Mass



Thank you to all the volunteers in helping put together Sacred Heart's 2nd Annual Shop Stop. Sacred Heart Parish is blessed with people who take time out of their very busy days to get involved in making church activities available to everyone. Jesus once said that he was put on this earth not to be served but to serve. If our Lord felt that way, then we should honor Him in doing the same. Thanks to everyone involved with this Christmas spirit function; it is greatly appreciated.
Merry Christmas and God Bless!



**PARISH OFFICES CLOSED
FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS**

Monday, December 26th closed ALL DAY

Friday, December 30th closed at NOON

**We wish all of you a
VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A BLESSED NEW YEAR!!**

JANUARY LOTTERY CALENDARS

\$10 EACH OR BUY 3 for \$25!!!

Increase your chances by buying **(3) for \$25.00** with the **January Lottery Calendar**? What a great gift/stocking stuffer for Christmas! Remember you can win from **\$25 to \$200 and more!** Lottery calendars will be inserted in the December bulletins. Extra calendars will be available at the rear of the church or in the upper and lower parish offices. This is a fun way to help support our parish!

**GOOD LUCK TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATE IN THE
JANUARY LOTTERY CALENDAR !!!!!**

SACRED HEART GIFT CARD PROGRAM

The holiday's are here!! Please consider buying gift cards from Sacred Heart Parish through the Shopwithscript program. Purchase a Giant, Weis Markets, Wegmans, Redners Markets and Ahart's gift cards for your grocery shopping needs. You can purchase gift cards at the lower level of the Burkhardt office (**BLUE DOORS**) between 8:00 am to 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Karen at 610-837-6391. Thank You!!!!

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Good Shepherd Catholic School is accepting enrollment for the 2023-24 school year for students entering grades K-8, Preschool (3 years old) and Pre-K (4 years old).

For more information regarding enrollment, or to set up a tour please call Mrs. Lauri Tripaldi, Advancement Director at 610-262-9171 or email her at mrstripaldigscs@gmail.com.

We will also host a Catholic Schools Week Open House on Sunday, January 29th from 10 am – noon.

All are welcome to come, tour the school, and register for next school year!

CLOTHING SHED

USED CLOTHING DROP-OFF - OPEN 24-7

Sacred Heart Church upper parking lot

Proceeds to Sacred Heart Church

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

The clothing is sent to people in need both in the

US and in third world countries.

.PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ARTICLES

OUTSIDE THE BIN. THANK YOU!

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Belts Blankets Clothing Drapes Purses

Sheets Shoes Sneakers Stuffed Animals

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Fabric Scraps Household goods Rags Toys

**2022 STATEMENT OF
CONTRIBUTION**



If you would like to receive a statement of your 2022 contributions, please put a note in the Sunday collection basket at church and/or the Parish Office and include your envelope number on the request. All contributions must be received by **Sunday, December 25th** to be included on your 2022 Contribution Statement. Due to the cost of postage, you **MUST** include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request or pick the statement up in the parish office during regular business hours. Statements will be sent in late **January 2023**. We are grateful to all who contributed and especially those who sacrificially supported the parish family of the Sacred Heart of Jesus throughout the year.



NEW AND APPROVED AD TIMES ONLINE

Please consider signing up for the new and improved online version of the AD Times. Doing so will mean you'll get the news faster, and will save the Diocese money on printing and postage.

Email your name and address to communication@AllentownDiocese.org

and we'll sign you up for a free email subscription and remove your name from the mailing list of the printed newspaper.



Time for Christmas shopping!

Scrip gift cards are a wonderful way to purchase gifts as well as give them as gifts.

There is something for everyone!

There are over 750 Gift Card Retailers.

See the full list of stores, restaurants and many more available gift cards on our

Scared Heart Church website.

Stop by the parish office (Lower Level),

Monday-Friday 8:00am-3:00pm

to purchase cards or call 610-837-6391.



Gift Card	Percentage Earned	Denominations	Gift Card	Percentage Earned	Denominations
Apple Store	5%	\$15/\$25	Sheetz	3%	\$25
Bed, Bath & Beyond	7%	\$25	Starbucks	4.5%	\$5/\$10
Best Buy	4%	\$25	Domino's	8%	\$10
Home Depot	7%	\$25	Olive Garden	8%	\$25
Kohl's	4%	\$100	Panera	8%	\$10
Land's End	15%	\$25	Wendy's	6.5%	\$10
Target	2.5%	\$25	Visa	1.25%	\$50/\$25
Walmart/Sam's	2.5%	\$25	Cabela's	10%	\$25
Amazon	1.7%	\$10/\$25	CVS	6%	\$10/\$25

DID YOU LOSE SOMETHING?

Look for it in the LOST AND FOUND BOX or call the office at 610-837-7874



DID YOU FIND SOMETHING?

Please put it in the LOST AND FOUND BOX **Do not** take it to the sacristy

The **Lost and Found Box** is located in the stairwell to the choir loft on the Blessed Mother side of the church.

SUPPORT SACRED HEART CHURCH BY SHOPPING AT AMAZON SMILE

- ⇒ When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon will donate to Sacred Heart Church. Support us every time you shop.
- ⇒ Use this link (smile.amazon.com/ch/24-0799592) when buying on Amazon!
- ⇒ By using our link, Amazon donates a percentage of your total purchase amount to our Parish. **Your donations help us carry out our mission.**



PARISH INFORMATION

SACRED HEART OF JESUS RECTORY
 210 East Northampton St., Bath, PA 18014-1625
PARISH OFFICE - BURKHART BUILDING
 Office Hours - Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 Closed 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

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 shillhouse@sacredheartbath.org

WELCOME

We welcome all who join us at our Mass. We encourage you to become an active participant in the life of our Parish. All Catholics who live within our Parish boundaries should register. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

is given to those who are seriously ill and in danger of death. When there is danger of death, please call the Pastor anytime, day or night.

GODPARENT/SPONSOR ELIGIBILITY FORMS

In order to act as a godparent for Baptism or a Sponsor for Confirmation, one must be a Catholic in good standing. Specifically this means Mass attendance every Sunday (Exodus 20:8), striving to live the moral precepts of the Church, and if married, a valid marriage in the Catholic Church.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

is celebrated on Sunday at Noon. If you are a parishioner and would like to schedule a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office. Prior to the baptism, parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class which is designed to instruct the parents about the teachings of the church regarding Baptism, and to offer assistance in the spiritual preparation for their child's reception of the first of the Sacraments of the Church.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Parishioners who are contemplating the Sacrament of Matrimony should contact the Pastor and mutually agree upon a date at least a year prior to the Wedding. The Church takes the preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony very seriously, and requires completion of the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program six months before the wedding. The normative time for weddings is Saturday between 10:00 AM and 1:30 PM. Weddings are not celebrated on major holidays, nor on the first weekend of June in deference to Ordination of Priests each year at that time. Either the Bride or the Groom must be a practicing member of Sacred Heart Parish in order to request a wedding date.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

A Priest or Deacon will visit monthly. Extraordinary Ministers visit those who wish to receive more often. Always notify us about the homebound parishioners who wish to be visited.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Those who desire entrance into the Catholic Church are warmly welcome through the **RCIA**. Please contact the Pastor for more information.

CONSOLATION MINISTRY

The Consolation Ministry Reaches out to families who have experienced the death of a loved one in order to help them prepare for the Funeral Mass and gain an understanding of death as a believing Catholic. For more information on this ministry, please contact Joan West at 610-216-8062.

PARISH MEMORIALS

Following the death of a relative or friend, offerings may be made to the Church in loving memory of the deceased. Offerings may specify a particular request or be placed in the Memorial Fund for parish needs.

VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited and encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more information about this program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church.

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator,

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC, Direct Telephone
 Number: 1-800-791-9209

Secretary for Youth Protection

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS, Telephone Number: 610-871-5200,
 Ext. 2204, prusso@allentowndiocese.org

To learn more about the **Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct**, visit www.allentowndiocese.org and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner.

COURAGE – Diocesan Help Line: Father Ezaki at 610-573-7150 or Deacon Christopher May at 484-602-9400.

CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 800-276-1562.

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