



Incarnation of Our Lord

**A Roman Catholic Parish of the
Diocese of Allentown**

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

“ Many Pasts, ONE United Future. “



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Holy Ghost Church

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*Founded in 1871 as a
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—150th Anniversary —

—Pentecost —2021 —

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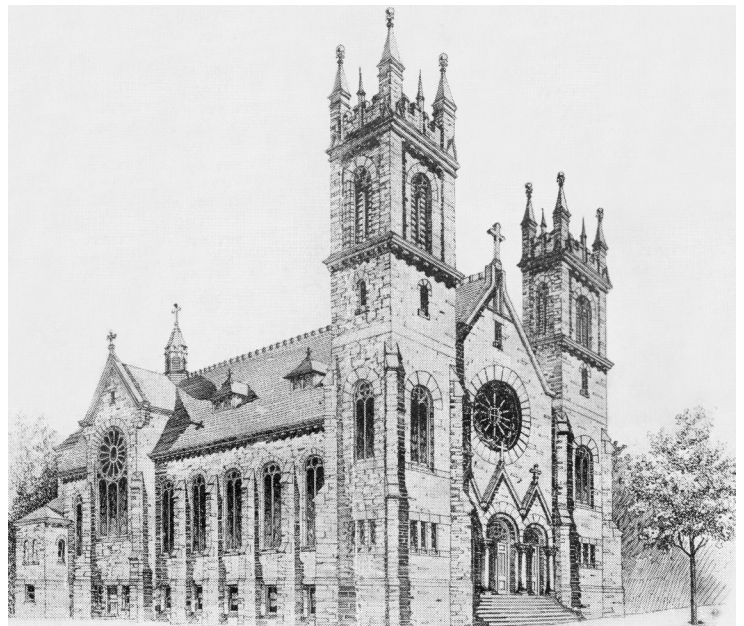
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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My dear parishioners,



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The Christmas season comes to a close with today's Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord. Jesus goes to the Jordan River and approaches John for the rite of baptism. The cleansing water of repentance is not needed by Jesus, but He uses the opportunity to set an example for us to walk the road of repentance. The event at the Jordan is another manifestation of the true identity of Jesus: the Son of God in whom the Father is well pleased. The Spirit appears in the form of a dove to confirm His Divine nature.

Today's celebration allows us to renew our faith in a God, who loves us so much that He comes to live among us. In Christ Jesus, we receive an adoptive sonship and confirmation in the Holy Spirit. Remaining united to Jesus helps us remember the dignity we have received at Baptism. Let us give thanks to God for all the graces we have received during this Christmas season.

Thanks to all who joined together in our liturgical celebrations of these holy days, in person or virtually. Let us join together to walk with Jesus to love and serve.

Be sure that you are in my prayers and remembered at Mass.

Your Pastor & Friend,

Father David Kozak



"When Egyptians performed human sacrifice 5,000 years ago, we were shocked by the practice. When the bible related the story of Herod killing the Holy Innocents 2,000 years ago, we mourned his actions. Today, 56 million abortions are performed worldwide each year and what do we do?"

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 Father Pope Francis Proclaims Holy Year to Saint Joseph

On the 150th anniversary of Bl. Pope Pius XI's proclamation of St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church, a special "Year of Saint Joseph" has been declared from 12/8/20 to 8 December 2021.

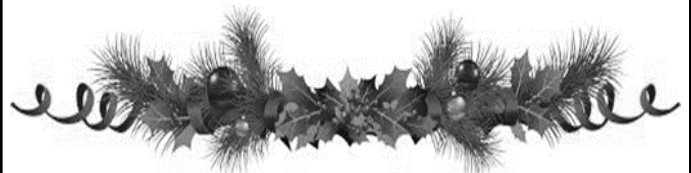
The Apostolic Penitentiary has yet to update their website, nonetheless a Plenary Indulgence is granted under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharist Communion, and prayer according to the intention of the Roman Pontiff) to the faithful who, with no attachment to sins, participate in the special year in the manner prescribed by the same Apostolic Penitentiary.

A PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

From Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter, "Patris corde":

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted His only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*



WELCOME BACK TO CHURCH:

We have missed you! To all those whose friends or family have been affected by COVID19, our prayers are with you as we seek to gradually recover. We continue to rely on the Lord's graces and strength as a faith community, and we ask the continued intercession of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit to guide us on our life's journey.

PLEASE NOTE: THE SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION REMAINS SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

NO ONE SHOULD COME TO PUBLIC MASS IF THERE ARE ANY HEALTH CONCERNS WHATSOEVER.

MASS ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. All attendees MUST wear a FACE MASK.**
- 2. Hand sanitizing stations are at the church entrances for your convenience.**
- 3. Seating is limited and is indicated on the pews themselves. Families may sit together but must be 6 feet apart from others.**
- 4. All are urged to receive Holy Communion in the hand and not on the tongue to avoid saliva contact.**

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: 610-217-5557

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.

(HG) Christmas Ham Raffle Winners:

1-Corky Horvath, 2-Mary Frances Shurtz-Leon, 3-Nancy Kercher, 4-Corey Sands, 5- Celeste Behe 6, Dan Kostelnick, 7-Tessie Flecksteiner, 8-Donald Knoblick, 9-Jean Blaukovitch, 10-Boots Horwath .
Thank you to all who bought and sold tickets. Hopefully, See you on Palm Sunday for coffee Hour with Easter Ham Drawing

S t e w a r d s h i p P r a y e r
My parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. It will be holy, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work. It will be prayerful, if I pray. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will bring others to Mass, if I invite and bring them in. It will be a place of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity and mercy, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things. Therefore, with the help of God, I now dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be. ~ Amen

(INC) Christmas Ham Raffle Winners:

1-Nancy Ruch, 2-Joseph Mosko, 3-Donna Gollie , 4-George Anthony , 5-Terry Balent 6-Rich Strelecki, 7-Dorothy Bickel, 8-John Vidumsky, 9-Bucky Szulborski, 10-Rosemarie Csaszar.
Thank you to all who bought and sold tickets. Hopefully See you on Palm Sunday for coffee Hour with Easter Ham Drawing



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

**Removal of Christmas Decorations –
this Sunday, January 10th, at 12 noon
(following the 11 am Polish Mass.) Masks and
social distancing will be required.**

**Monthly 50/50 Drawing – Reminder – \$5 per
entry, and since this drawing takes place elec-
tronically, 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 Decem-
ber winners - Virginia Carr (\$87.50), Michael
Jablonski (\$52.50), and Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Bol-
car (\$35.00).**

**Stay tuned for communications about a PAG
Meeting in early 2021, where we will hopefully
get back to planning some of our traditional
fellowship activities.**

Incarnation Financials

**Weekly collection for 1/ 3= \$ 1,156.00
plus Online Giving = \$ 228.00
Total = \$ 1,384.00
Can you do more for your Parish?**

Year -End Financial Statements

**Envelope Contribution recording for the giving year
2020 will close on Wednesday, January 13th 2021! Pa-
rishioners have until this time to make up on back
contributions for 2020. After that time all forthcoming
contributions will be credited for 2021. Please drop
a Self-addressed stamped envelope via the
collection or Mail if you wish to receive a con-
tribution statement for the year
2020 NO LATER THAN FEB. 10th.**

Holy Ghost Financials

**Weekly collection for 1/ 3= \$ 1,205.00
plus Online Giving = \$ 165.00
Total = \$ 1,370.00
Can you do more for your Parish?**

Holy Ghost Church—”GRAB N GO ONLY”

DINNER SERIES

**On Saturday nights after 4pm Mass til 6:30
ONLY for TAKE OUT!**

**MUST BE PRE ORDERED –
PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY ORDER**
ALL DINNERS \$12

**NEXT SALE Saturday, February 6th
Order Deadline Monday, February 2nd, 2021**

**Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes,
Vegetable, Salad and Roll**

**Order Forms are around the Church, call the
rectory 610-867-9382 #3. for Ron or Lisa If you
would like to place an Order or volunteer to help
please call Ron or Lisa at the Rectory .**

Food Sales

What: Chicken Noodle Soup and Shoo Fly Pie

When: Jan. 23 & Jan 24.

Pick-up after Masses

**Cost: Chicken Noodle Soup -- \$10 quart
Shoo Fly Pie -- \$7 each (6” pie)**

Order forms for soup and pies available now.

Orders

**must be in no later than
Monday, January 18 (no exceptions)**

What: Sour Cherry Pie (10” pie)

When: Feb. 20th & Feb. 21st.

Pick-up after Masses -

Cost: \$12 each

**Order forms for sour cherry pie
will be available January 30.**

**Orders must be in no later than Mon., Feb.15
If you have any questions, you can contact ei-
ther Kathleen Horwath (Boots) 610-867-4839
or Maureen Dresen 610-866-8351.**

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SATURDAY 4PM (HG) FACEBOOK LIVESTREAM

✘ John Swards by Helen Maurer

(INC) 4:00pm Health & Blessings on John Zakszeski
by Daughter Mary Ann

SUN. January 10th Baptism of the Lord

FACEBOOK LIVESTREAM

(INC) 9am ✘ Health & Blessings on John Vidumsky
on his 90th Birthday by The Family

(HG) 10am ✘ Health & Blessings on Judi Bavaria
by Connie Berry

(INC) 11am- Polish Mass

(HG) 4:00pm—Mass in the Anglican Rite

Mon. Jan. 11th— ORDINARY TIME BEGINS

(HG) 8:00am ✘ George Kostelnik
by John & Jean Knoblauch

Tues. Jan. 12th— Ordinary Time Weekday

(HG) 8:00am ✘ Edward & Mary Shannon by the Family

Wed. Jan. 13th — St. Hilary

(HG) 8:00am ✘ Rev. Clifton E. Bishop, Jr.

Thurs. Jan. 14th—Ordinary Time Weekday

(HG) 8:00am ✘ Mary Sterlein by Catherine Sterlein

Friday, January 15th—Ordinary Time Weekday

(HG) 8:00am ✘ Ann Majerich by Jerry Majerich

SAT. Jan. 16th Anticipated Sunday Mass

4PM (HG) FACEBOOK LIVESTREAM

✘ Barry Parker by Connie Berry

(INC) 4:00pm Helen Bosak by Helen Gierula

SUN. January 17th

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

FACEBOOK LIVESTREAM

(INC) 9am ✘ Deceased Members of the Novak, Ruyak,
& Carbaugh Families

(HG) 10am ✘ Thomas Rock, Sr.

(INC) 11am- Polish Mass

(HG) 4:00pm—Mass in the Anglican Rite

✘ **DEVOTIONAL LAMPS** ✘

\$10 PER WEEK PLEASE CALL EITHER RECTORY

**Devotional Lamps @ Holy Ghost Church
Sanctuary**

Health & Blessings on Judi Bavaria by Connie Berry
Tabernacle (2)

In Memory of ✘ Fr. Francis Straka (Anniv.)
B.V.M.

In Memory of ✘ Ann Majerich by Jerry Majerich
St. Joseph

In Memory of ✘ Andrew Spevak by Wife Mariann
Sacred Heart

Health & Blessings on Jeff Cole
St. Theresa

Health & Blessings on Jane Zakovitch
St. John the Hermit

In Memory of ✘ Buragino, Corroda & Shunk Fams.
St. (Padre) Pio - Our Lady of Pompeii

In Memory of ✘ Anthony Sebastianelli by Family
Infant of Prague - St. John Capistrano

✘ Deceased Members Bechdolt / Boccardi Fams
Our Lady of Fatima

Health & Blessings on Jeff Cole by the Koach's
St. Vincent DePaul Chapel / Tabernacle Lamp

In Memory of ✘ George & Concetta Petito
Rosemarie Petito Hare & Joanne Petito



✘ **Devotional Lamps** ✘

@ Incarnation of Our Lord Church

Sanctuary Lamp

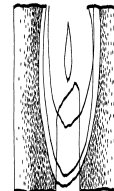
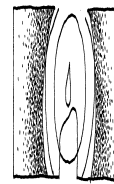
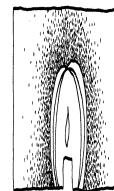
Living & Deceased members of Slovak
Catholic Sokols Assembly #78

BVM Lamp

In Memory of ✘ Anna M. Doddy by Son,
Vincent Doddy

St. Joseph Lamp

Health & Blessings on
Donna & Edward Szczepanski



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