

3rd Sunday of Advent



December 13th



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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—Pentecost—2021—

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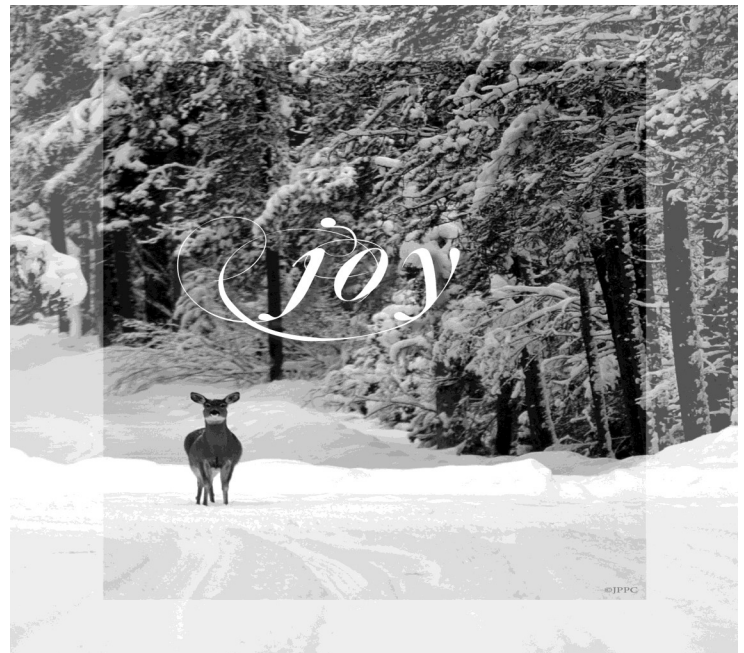
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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

*My dear parishioners,
Traditionally, the third Sunday of Advent is called "Gaudete" or Rejoice! Sunday. It will take an extra effort to inject a joyful attitude into this Christmas season. Or maybe not.*



We must share Jesus concept of joy. Jesus promised us a joy unlike that of this world. A joy that is based on the love of our heavenly Father who loved us so much that

He sent His Son into our world. He came to experience our entire human reality, except for sin. Jesus knew pain, sadness, and to carry the burdens of the sick and the weak.

Isaiah the prophet shares the joy of salvation proclaiming, "I rejoice heartily in the Lord, in my God is the joy of my soul." Our Blessed Lady exults in God our Savior. Her great hymn of praise, the Magnificat is prayed every day at vespers. We must rejoice with her because we have an Immaculate Mother interceding for us before God.

Our goal in celebrating this Christmas festival is found in today's opening prayer, "celebrate them with solemn worship and glad rejoicing." It is a challenge to do this this year 2020. With God's grace we can overcome the doubt and despair that the world offers. If our Christmas celebration depends on material things and superficial frivolity, we will be disappointed. If it is anchored in the certainty of god's love we can rejoice with all the angels and saints in singing the praises of our newborn Savior. May that be the Christmas gift our parish receives in this most challenging of years.

Be sure you will be in my prayers and remembered at my Masses.

Sincerely yours in Christ ,

Father David Kozak



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.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES Giving Tree

Items being accepted are: Diapers, wipes, new clothing, towels, blankets, and Gift Cards, to: Walmart, Target, and the various Grocery Stores. Gift Cards are the preferred option for all concerned because of Covid restrictions. We are accepting items up to Christmas time. Please drop off items anytime or thru the Collection or Mail.

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS

THIS TUESDAY 12/ 15TH AT (HG)

6-7pm ADORATION

WITH CONFESSIONS

THIS FRIDAY 12/ 18TH AT (INC)

6-7pm ADORATION

WITH CONFESSIONS

***PLEASE COME AND GO ANYTIME
DURING THESE TIMES.***

ALL ARE WELCOME!

THANK YOU!

(HG) Thank you to those who volunteered to make our first "Grab n Go Dinners" a success, Seminarian Alex Brown, Louise Rothrock, Lisa Benedek, & Ron Koach we served 49 dinners and made a Profit of \$379.00. Volunteers needed for the next one in January. Call Ron Koach at the Rectory if ya wanna Lend a helping hand, it is greatly appreciated.

BEST WISHES AND BLESSINGS

(INC) Parishioner Margaret Korpics celebrated her 100th birthday on Wednesday, December 9. She currently resides at Country Meadows in Bethlehem Township.

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

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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.

CHRISTMAS 2020 SCHEDULE

Thursday, December 24th Christmas Eve

BOTH CHURCHES

3:30pm - Christmas Eve Mass

(HG) ST. NICHOLAS VISIT

(3:30pm—INC Live Stream to Parish Facebook Page)

5:30pm - Christmas Eve Mass

(HG) ST. NICHOLAS VISIT

(5:30pm—HG Live Stream to Parish Facebook Page)

(HG)7:30pm - ANGLICAN RITE

Mass of Christmas

(INC)10:00pm - POLISH MASS

Christmas Day ✠ Friday, December 25th

(INC) 9:00am Mass of Christmas

(HG)10:00am Mass of Christmas

(HG) Live Stream to Parish Facebook Page)

(INC)11:00am Polish Mass

Thurs., Dec. 31st New Year's Eve Mass

BOTH CHURCHES

4:00pm- New Year's Eve Mass

(HG 4pm Live Stream to Parish Facebook Page)

Fri., Jan. 1st – 2021 ✠ New Year's Day

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

New Year's Day

(INC) Mass 9:00am

(9am Live Stream to Parish Facebook Page)

(HG) MASS 10:00am

(INC)11:00am Polish Mass

(HG) MASS 12 Noon—ANGLICAN

We are offering a second Mass on Christmas Eve - Please note the Churches is marked for CDC regulations and Social distancing. You could be turned away if we are over capacity.

(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.

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.

(INC) CHRISTMAS MASSES FOR 2020:

Due to the current surge of COVID-19, Incarnation Parish will have two Christmas Eve Masses this year, one @ 3:30PM and the second @ 5:30PM, and one Mass on Christmas Day @ 9:00AM.

It was decided that it would be prudent to request parishioners choose which Mass they want to attend and make reservations to help protect against overcrowding spread of the virus. With that in mind, please contact the rectory and leave your name, phone #, which Mass you will be attending, and the # of people who will be present for that Mass. This was a difficult decision to make, but it was done so that all our parishioners and their families will be kept safe. Your cooperation & understanding is greatly appreciated!!

Incarnation of Our Lord Financials

Weekly collection for 12 / 06 = \$ 1,195.00
plus Online Giving = \$ 368.00
Total = \$ 1,563.00

Can you do more for your Parish?

(INC) Thank you to all that have supported our Gertrude Hawk Candy Sale & Holiday Bake Sale.

Holy Ghost Church—”GRAB N GO ONLY”

DINNER Series

On Saturday nights after 4pm Mass til 6:30 ON-LY for TAKE OUT!

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

NEXT SALE Saturday, Jan. 9th

Order Deadline Monday, Jan. 4th 2021

**Chicken Paprikash, over egg noodles,
Vegetable, Rye Bread,**

Order Forms are around the Church and in your newsletters. also call the rectory 610-867-9382 #3. for Ron or Lisa.

If you would like to volunteer to help please call Ron or Lisa at the Rectory.

Holy Ghost Financials

Weekly collection for 12/ 6 = \$ 2,806.00 plus
Online Giving = \$ 450.00
Total = \$ 3,256..00

Can you do more for your Parish?

(HG) SECOND COLLECTIONS

**Christmas Flowers—anytime
THIS WEEKEND**

Retired Religious - Dec. 12th - 13th

HOLY GHOST BUS TRIPS

Mark your calendars. June 2, 2021
The Show “Esther “ Sight N Sound,
Lancaster, Pa. Price TBA Any Questions call
“Boots” Horwath 610-867-4839

(HG) Thank you to all that have supported our Holiday Bake Sale. Pickup for the Sale is THIS Weekend Sat., Dec. 12th & Sun. Dec. 13th after Masses in Billinger Hall. Masks & Social distancing are required.

4PM (HG) FACEBOOK LIVESTREAM

✘ *Migueline Soto-Cintron by Connie Berry*
(INC) 4:00pm ✘ Elizabeth "Betty" Dugas by Joseph & Margaret Plessl

SUN. December 13th

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FACEBOOK LIVESTREAM

(INC) 9am ✘ Joann Zaun by Tina Richie
(HG) 10am ✘ Walter Blaukovitch by Daughter in law Jean & Family
(INC) 11am- Polish Mass
(HG) 5:00pm—Mass in the Anglican Rite

Mon. Dec. 14th—St. John of the Cross

(HG) 8:00am ✘ Millie Horoshock by Pat Krycia

Tues. Dec. 15th — Late Advent Weekday

(HG) 8:00am ✘ Margaret Ferri by Ann Petrilla
(HG) 6-7pm ADORATION WITH CONFESSIONS

Wed. Dec. 16th — Late Advent Weekday

(HG) 8:00am ✘ Alice Friedman

Thurs. Dec. 17th — Late Advent Weekday

(HG) 8:00am ✘ Joseph Kutzera by Wife Sophie & Family

Fri. Dec. 18th — Late Advent Weekday

(HG) 8:00am ✘ Andrew S. Zonay III by Catherine Sterlain
(INC) 6-7pm ADORATION WITH CONFESSIONS



SAT. Dec. 19th Anticipated Sunday Mass

4PM (HG) FACEBOOK LIVESTREAM ROSARY 3:35pm
✘ William, Margaret & Kenneth Lopoczyk by Sandy Sule

(INC) 4:00pm ✘ Theresa Doncsecz by Charles & Kathleen Babich

SUN. December 20th

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FACEBOOK LIVESTREAM

(INC) 9am ✘ Health & Blessings on Maryann Vidumsky by Husband John & Family

(HG) 10am ✘ Salvatore Crisci by Lisa Villani & Family
(INC) 11am- Polish Mass

(HG) 5:00pm—Mass in the Anglican Rite

✘ **DEVOTIONAL LAMPS** ✘

\$10 PER WEEK PLEASE CALL EITHER RECTORY

Devotional Lamps @ Holy Ghost Church Sanctuary

In Memory of ✘ Deceased Dresen & McFadden Families by Maureen Dresen

Tabernacle (2)

Continued Blessings on Jane Zakovitch by Pat Nochton

B.V.M.

Health & Blessings on—Francisco Matta & Sister St. Joseph

In Memory of ✘ Andrew Spevak by Wife Mariann Sacred Heart

In Memory of ✘ Deceased Trotsky / Thesli Families 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 ✘ Deceased Ninfo /Schiavone Families Infant of Prague - St. John Capistrano

✘ *Deceased Members Bechdolt / Boccardi Fams Our Lady of Fatima*

Health & Blessings on George D. Petito 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

In Memory of ✘ Deceased Members of the Raykos Family by Sister in law Barbara Raykos

BVM Lamp

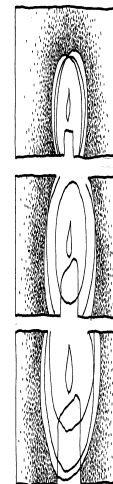
Living & Deceased Members of Slovak Catholic Sokols Assembly #78

St. Joseph Lamp

In Memory of ✘ Deceased Pastors of St. Cyril & Methodius Parish

Infant of Prague

In Memory of ✘ Deceased Shupp Family



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