

4th Sunday of Advent/CHRISTMAS 2020 ✠December 20th



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.”



**Rectory: 617 Pierce St
Bethlehem, PA 18015 -3427
Office Phone: 610-866-3391 #3
Fax: 610-866-6490**

LaBuda Hall: 610-866-3644

**Bulletin Info to : inchgbulletin@gmail.com
Parish / Secretary - Email: iparish@ptd.net**

Website: Incarnationofourlord.com

**Like us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/
Incarnation Parish](http://www.facebook.com/IncarnationParish)**



Rev. David J. Kozak, Pastor - Email: dkozak@allentowndiocese.org

Deacon Steve Gorbos—sgorbos@allentowndiocese.org

Mr. Ronald J. Koach, Jr. - Parish Life Collaborator—rkoach@allentowndiocese.org

Mrs. Elizabeth Perkins—Secretary

Mr. Dennis Reichard—Finance

Mrs. Lisa Benedek—Safe Environment Coordinator, Office Assistant

Lehigh University - Catholic Campus Ministry – Newman Center

The Newman Center is Located at the Holy Ghost Parish Complex

Phone 610-758-4148 ✠ Mass Hotline 610-758-4659 ✠ E-mail innew@lehigh.edu

Magdalene Riggins—Director, Lehigh Catholic Campus Ministry

Mr. Ronald J. Koach, Jr., Coordinator, LU Catholic Campus Ministry— rjk5@lehigh.edu

Rev. Daniel Kravatz, Rev. Giuseppe Esposito, Pastoral Assistance



© J.S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Holy Ghost Church

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

**Founded in 1871 as a
German Ethnic Parish**

—150th Anniversary—

—Pentecost—2021—

Rectory: 417 Carlton Avenue

Bethlehem, PA 18015 -1535

Office Phone: 610-867-9382 #3

Fax: 610-867-6839

Billinger Hall 610-691-0210

Bulletin Info to : inchgbulletin@gmail.com

Parish / Office—Email: hghostchurch@gmail.com

Website: <http://www.holyghost-church.org/>

Like us on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/hghostchurch



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My dear parishioners,

Let me take this opportunity to share Christmas greetings and best wishes of health and happiness to you and all those you love. I especially think of the ill, aged, and weak who are home bound. Your way of celebrating this Holy Season will surely be different this year but the presence of the new-born King is still assured to faithful Christians. Do not think that we commemorate the Savior's birth only once a year on December 24/25. Every time we hear the Angelus Bell of our Church ringing, we lift our hearts and minds in thanksgiving to Jesus who came to live among us. Six in the morning, at noontime, and at six in the evening are the traditional times we say this beautiful prayer. The Opening prayer at the Eucharistic liturgy for the fourth Sunday of Advent is the same prayer we use for the Angelus.

The Angelus Prayer

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace,

The Lord is with Thee;

Blessed art thou among women,

And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,

Pray for us sinners,

Now and at the hour of our death. Amen

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it done to me according to thy word.

Hail Mary. . .

V. And the Word was made flesh.

R. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary. . .

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Let us Pray,

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Let us revive this wonderful traditional prayer and pray it not only at Christmas, but every day to remember the goodness of a Savior who comes to save us.

Choicest blessings from our newborn Savior to all of you,

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.*

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.

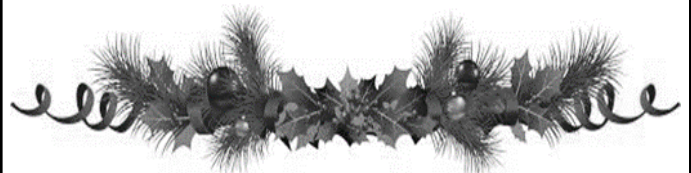
The Apostolic Penitentiary has yet to update their website, nonetheless a Plenary Indulgence is granted under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharist Communion, and prayer according to the intention of the Roman Pontiff) to the faithful who, with no attachment to sins, participate in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

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

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

PLEASE NOTE THESE MASS TIMES ARE TENTATIVE! IF THERE ARE ANY CHANGES DUE TO THE CORONA VIRUS PANDEMIC WE WILL SEND A NOTIFICATION WITH CHANGES!!!

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.....

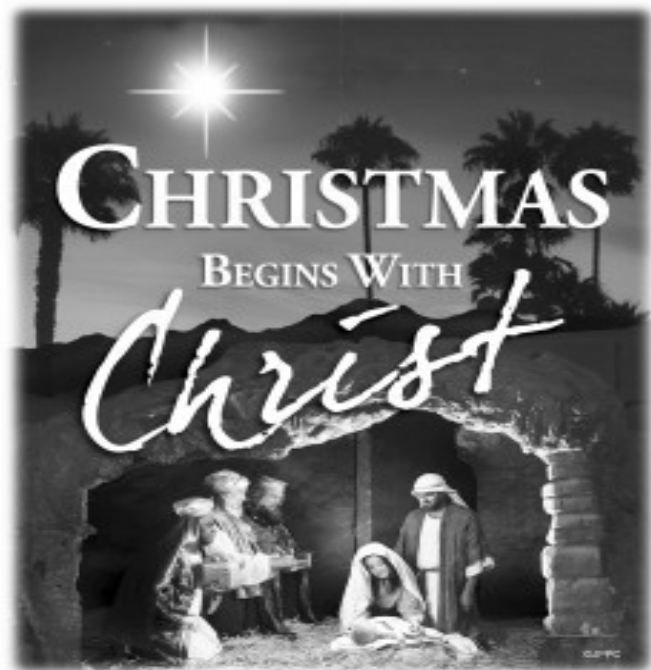
Monthly 50/50 Drawing – Reminder – \$5 per entry, and since this drawing takes place electronically, just make your donation in multiples of \$5. Donation envelopes must be received by the last day of the month. Thank you for your support. Congratulations to our November winners – Mr. & Mrs. George Vincovich (\$87.50), Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Mingora (\$52.50), and Anna Polonski (\$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.

(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!!



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, January 9th

Order Deadline Monday, January 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.

Year -End Financial Statements

Envelope Contribution recording for the giving year 2020 will close on Wednesday, January 13th 2021! Parishioners 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 contribution statement for the year 2020 NO LATER THAN FEB. 10th.

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



Mon. Dec. 21st—St. Peter Canisius
(HG) 8:00am ✘ John Schedler by Gene Smolick

Tues. Dec. 22nd— Late Advent Weekday
(HG) 8:00am ✘ Wojciech Waskiewicz
by Dorota & Krzysztof Sikoroski



Wed. Dec. 23rd — St. John of Kanty
(HG) 8:00am ✘ Elena Maria & Francesco Lopiccilo
& Salvatore Argento by Lorenzo & Marianna Lopiccilo

Thurs. Dec. 24th— Christmas Eve
BOTH CHURCHES

3:30pm - (HG) Charles & Rose Konkolics
by The Rickey & Quigley Families
3:30pm - (INC) Living & Deceased Parishioners
(Live Stream to Parish Facebook Page)
5:30pm - (HG) Living & Deceased Parishioners
(HG) Live Stream to Parish Facebook Page
(INC) Living & Deceased Parishioners

(HG)7:30pm - ANGLICAN RITE MASS

(INC)10:00pm - POLISH MASS

Christmas Day Friday, December 25th
(INC) 9:00am Living & Deceased Parishioners

(HG)10:00am Stephen C. & Elizabeth Copek
by Daughter Stephanie & Dan Le
(HG) Live Stream to Parish Facebook Page

(INC)11:00am Polish Mass

SAT. Dec. 26th Anticipated Sunday Mass

4PM (HG) FACEBOOK LIVESTREAM

✘ John Repasch by The Family

(INC) 4:00pm ✘ Mary Szulborski by Carl & Nancy Hutt

SUN. December 27th

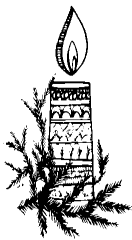
Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

FACEBOOK LIVESTREAM

(INC) 9am ✘ Edward & Theresa Szczepanski
by Children Edward & Donna

(HG) 10am ✘ Maryann Rich
by Daughter Krissy Rich-Ruth & Family

(INC) 11am Polish Mass
(HG) 5:00pm—Mass in the Anglican Rite



© I. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

✘ **DEVOTIONAL LAMPS** ✘

\$10 PER WEEK PLEASE CALL EITHER RECTORY

Devotional Lamps @ Holy Ghost Church
Sanctuary

In Memory of ✘ John J. Damhosl Sr. by Family
Tabernacle (2)

In Memory of ✘ Sterlein & Bedics Families by Marie S
B.V.M.

Health & Blessings on Gloria Szakos by Sandy
St. Joseph

In Memory of ✘ Andrew Spevak by Wife Mariann
Sacred Heart

In Memory of ✘ William Szakos by Wife Gloria
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

In Memory of ✘ Sadie & Sidney Hoffman by Gloria
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 ✘ Agnes & Henry Lipsky
by The Family

BVM Lamp

In Memory of ✘ Raymond Lipsky
by Wife Carol & Family

St. Joseph Lamp

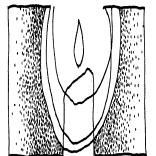
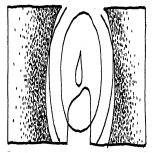
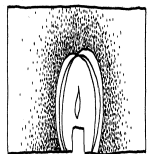
In Memory of ✘ Deceased Members of the
Bosak Family by Sandy Bosak

Infant of Prague

In Memory of ✘ Vincent Doddy Jr.
by Son Vincent Doddy III

Tabernacle Lamps

In Memory of ✘ Deceased Members of the
Kropinicki Family by Sandy Bosak



© I. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

#0227

Holy Ghost and Incarnation of Our Lord Parishes
c/o 417 Carlton Avenue
Bethlehem, PA . 18015

Telephone
610-867-9382

Contact Person:
Ron Koach
Software
MS Publisher 2007
Adobe Acrobat 7.0
Windows XP Professional

Printer
HP Color Laser Jet CP 1518ni

Transmission Time
Wednesdays 10:30AM

Sunday Date of Publication
12/20/20

Number of Pages Sent
1 through 6

Special Instructions
350 Copies Please!