



**Holy Ghost Catholic Church**  
 A Roman Catholic Parish of the  
 Diocese of Allentown  
*Founded in 1871 as a German Ethnic Parish*



**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time      ✂   ✂   ✂      February 5th**



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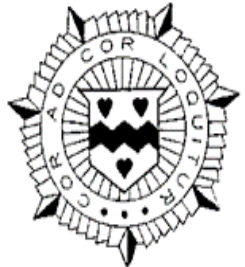
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## **FROM THE DESK OF Fr. Dave**

*My dear brothers and sisters in Christ!*

*At our baptism, a flame was lit from the Easter Candle and presented to our parents/godparents with the words, "Receive the Light of Christ!" Next an important exhortation was given to keep the flame burning until the coming of Jesus at the end of time.*

*Jesus tells us in today's Gospel reading that the flame of faith is given to us to enlighten the world. Christ shining in our midst gives us guidance in a world filled with darkness. We allow Jesus to shine through us when we grow closer to Him and imitate His charity toward all. "It is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness" is a principle we must adopt if we are to be truly Jesus' disciples. Being salt of the earth and light of the world means allowing Jesus to work in us and through us. May His grace allow that to happen. It can happen if we allow the presence of Jesus to grow in our hearts.*

*Yours in Christ,  
Your pastor and friend,  
Fr. David J. Kozak*

## **Bereavement Ministry**

*Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? If you have lost a loved one through death and feel you need support on your grief journey, our parish grief ministry is here to offer support and assistance in your time of sorrow. If you need to talk or know someone who needs support, please call: (484) 274-6073 and speak to Madeline Gardner RN—Coordinator. Come let us walk this "sacred journey" with you.*

## **Parish Financials**

*Weekly Collection for 1 / 29 = \$ 1,567.78*

*Online Giving = \$ 330.00*

**Total** = \$ 1,897.78      *Thank You!*

**CAN YOU DO MORE FOR OUR PARISH???**

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## **CHRISTMAS 2022 COLLECTION**

**To date \$9.075.00**

**THANK YOU** for your generosity!

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## **Upcoming Second Collections**

**Feb. 5th—Building & Maintenance**

**Feb. 12th—Snow Removal**

**Feb. 19th- Catholic Home Missions Envelope**

**Feb. 22nd—Ash Wednesday**

**Feb 26th— Pink Bonus Collection Envelope**

**Operation Rice Bowl**

**\*\*\*Please note the second collection every weekend during Lent is for Operation Rice Bowl. Please throw all other envelopes in at Offertory Time.**



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## **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat**

*An intimate 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 or (610) 435-1541 X 373. You may also email Carol at carolswavely@ptd.net. The retreat will be held Feb. 10, 11 & 12, 2023. Deadline for registration is Feb. 3, 2023*

**SAT., February 4th** **Saturday VIGIL**

Confessions 3pm til 3:45 pm  
4:00 pm ✕ Patricia Petito by Connie Berry

**SUNDAY February 5th 2023**  
**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9:30am** ✕ James Blaukovitch (8th Anniv.)  
by Wife Jean & Family

1:30pm Mass in the Ordinariate Form

Lehigh University—Packer Church  
12:10pm & 9:10pm Masses

**Mon., Feb. 6th—St. Paul Miki & Companions**

8:00am ✕ Peg Daniels by Sr. Roseann Velas

**Tues., Feb. 7th —Ordinary Time Weekday**

8:00am ✕ Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI  
by the Sisters of St. Francis  
LU-6:00pm ✕ Maria Vui Tran

**Wed., Feb. 8th —St. Jerome Emiliani**

St. Josephine Bakhita  
8:00am ✕ Harry Kirk by Margot Baratta

**Thurs., Feb. 9th- Ordinary Time Weekday**

8:00am ✕ Jean Stoll by the Family

**Fri., Feb. 10th — St. Scholastica**

8:00am ✕ Health & Blessings on Joe Purdue  
by Margot Baratta

**SAT., February 11th** **Saturday Vigil**

4:00 pm ✕ Veronica Stull by Ed & Brian Ruth

**SUNDAY February 12th 2023**

**Six Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9:30am** ✕ Matthew Carr by Ray & Sue Glemser

1:30pm Mass in the Ordinariate Form

Lehigh University—Packer Church  
12:10pm & 9:10pm Masses

**Please bear in mind that when the weather is bad, and you don't make it to Mass, our bills still do go on, the same as yours do! Please place your offerings in the next week's collection or Mail them to the Rectory. Thank You!!!**

✕ **DEVOTIONAL LAMPS** ✕

\$10 PER WEEK PLEASE CALL  
the RECTORY to reserve yours

**Sanctuary**

In Memory of ✕ Anna & Harry Sigley, Sr  
by Daughter Dolores Judd

**Tabernacle (2)**

Health & Blessings on Boots Horwath

**St. Joseph Altar**

In Memory of ✕ Andrew Spevak by Wife Mariann

**B.V.M Altar**

In Memory of ✕ Veronica Stull by the Family

**Sacred Heart**

Special Intention

**St. Theresa**

Health & Blessings on Rachel Horwath

**St. John the Hermit (San Giovanni Eremita)**

In Memory of ✕ Buragino, Corroda & Shunk Families

**St. (Padre) Pio - Our Lady of Pompeii**

In Memory of ✕ Thomas Fiorini

**Infant of Prague - St. John Capistrano**

Deceased Members Bechdolt / Boccardi Fams

**Pieta**

In Memory of ✕ Alexander & Elizabeth Trotsky

**Our Lady of Fatima**

In Memory of ✕ George & Concetta Petito,  
Rosemarie Petito Hare & Joanne Petito

**St. Monica Ministry**

Are you heartbroken because members of your family have left the church? Join the St. Monica Ministry in petitioning Our Lord to draw back into the fold our loved ones who have strayed and to give strength and wisdom to those who await their return. Together we will offer our prayers at a Holy Hour offered monthly at St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish, 1408 Easton Rd., Hellertown. Please join us to pray for your loved ones at 6pm on the second Wednesday of each month: Feb. 8, March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, Aug. 9, Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8 and Dec. 13. No registration is required. For more info or updates on this ministry, email Celeste Behe at [StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com](mailto:StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com).

**OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:** "THE MISSION OF HOLY GHOST PARISH IS TO SHARE THE GOSPEL OF JESUS AND TO LIVE HIS MESSAGE OF FAITH, LOVE AND FORGIVENESS, WE SHARE THIS NOT ONLY WITHIN OUR PARISH FAMILY BUT ALSO IN THE LIVES OF ALL WE TOUCH. TO THIS END WE PLACE OURSELVES UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND PRAY FOR GUIDANCE TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY."

**DO YOU ATTEND MASS HERE—BUT HAVEN'T REGISTERED YET? IT'S VERY EASY..... AND YOU ARE MOST WELCOME HERE WITH US!**

We encourage all Catholics to become active participants in the life of our Holy Ghost Parish Family.  
Please call the Rectory 867-9382 EXT. #3 for more information.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP- "All Are Welcome"**

Is Usually determined in Our Parish by these five things :

1. You have completed the official parish registration form,
2. You attend liturgies regularly on Sunday as well as Holydays.
3. You support our parish family with prayer.
4. You show an interest in the life and activities of our parish community, sharing time and talent when able to do so.
5. You support the parish financially as best you can through the use of contribution envelopes. Etc..ON LINE GIVING PLEASE GO TO THE PARISH WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO.

This is why there are problems at the time of Baptisms, Weddings, Other Sacramental events, Letters of Eligibility for the Sacraments, Parochial Schools and Belonging to various Groups and Organizations of the Parish.

**Baptisms** — For infant Baptism, parents must be registered and active members of the parish for at least six months. Parents need to call their Parish Offices to make an appointment to arrange for Baptisms. All Catholic godparents must be practicing their faith. (Non-Catholic godparents must be Christians, actively practicing their faith.) Please call the Rectory for additional information.

**CCD** — All Children grades 1—8 in Public School MUST register. All the Sacraments are to be received in the Parish Church you are Members of. All are Welcome! CCD every Wednesday night 6:15-7:30pm at St. Ursulas upper School. Contact Anne Korves , Coordinator 610-570- 7414 Classes started September 21st

**RCIA** — Any adult interested in becoming a Roman Catholic must go through the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, when available. Please call the Rectory for additional information.

**Marriages** — Diocesan Policies for Marriage Couples should inform the parish of their plans to wed, and schedule a meeting with the priest as soon as they are engaged.

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**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](http://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](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling (800) 276-1562.

### Theology on Tap

Young adults (ages 21-40) in the Diocese of Allentown are invited to come pour out the spirit and enjoy an evening of fellowship, libations, and reflections on living the Catholic faith. This is a free event and no RSVP is required. You pay for your own refreshments. Join us at Hops at the Paddock (1945 Columbia Street, Allentown) on February 23, 2023 at 7:00PM.

### Oodles of Noodles

will be made Mon.,  
Feb. 13th and Feb. 27th after  
the 8am Mass in Billinger Hall,  
Volunteers Needed.

### CCD NEWS 2023

Classes are held 6:15-7:30 pm in the Upper School Hall, unless noted, at St. Ursula's.  
Wed. Feb 8: CCD Class – Parents Meeting for First Reconciliation and First Holy Eucharist Students – All other classes meet as usual.

Anne Korves, CCD Coordinator:  
(610) 570-7414

### COFFEE & DONUTS SUNDAYS JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP AF-

TER THE 9:30AM MASS ON  
THE SUNDAYS BELOW.

February -19th - Mardi Gras

March -19th

April 2nd—Palm Sunday  
(ham drawing)

May 28th—PENTECOST

June 25th

July 16th

### Prime Time Seniors Group

*PRIME TIME SENIORS meet on the first and third Monday of each month. Anyone age 55 and older is eligible to join. Dues are \$10 per year.*

The 2022 officers are:

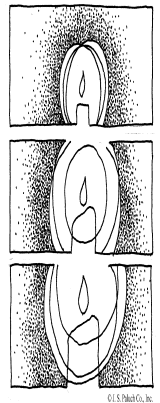
*Jean Blaukovitch, President;  
Carol Barron, Vice President;  
Phyllis Hager, Secretary and  
Sue Grady, Treasurer.*

Refreshments are served at each meeting.

NEXT MEETING

THIS MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6th —

**DONOR NEEDED** *If there is a Family interested in dedicating the Paschal Candle to burn in Memory of loved one or ones or a Special Anniv. Etc...During the entire Easter Season and at Funerals and Baptisms for the rest of the Liturgical Church Year (Easter 2023 to Easter 2024). Please call Ron or Lisa at the Rectory ASAP.*



### LENTEN "Grab N Go"

#### FISH DINNERS -

All FRIDAYS during Lent, 4-5:30pm  
Must Order Monday before. Most dinners \$15.00 unless otherwise noted, all dinners include sides.

Fri. Feb 24<sup>th</sup> – Crab Patties \$15,

Fri. Mar. 3<sup>rd</sup> Breaded Haddock \$15,

Fri. Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>, Tavern Battered Cod \$15,

Fri. Mar. 17<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Day

Stuffed Flounder and Corn Beef N Cab-  
bage- both \$17.

Fri. March 24<sup>th</sup> Tavern Battered Cod \$15,

Fri. March 31<sup>st</sup> Crab Patties \$15, Must

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Info. Call 610-867-9382 #3 Also, Order

Forms next to the Church Bulletins.

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