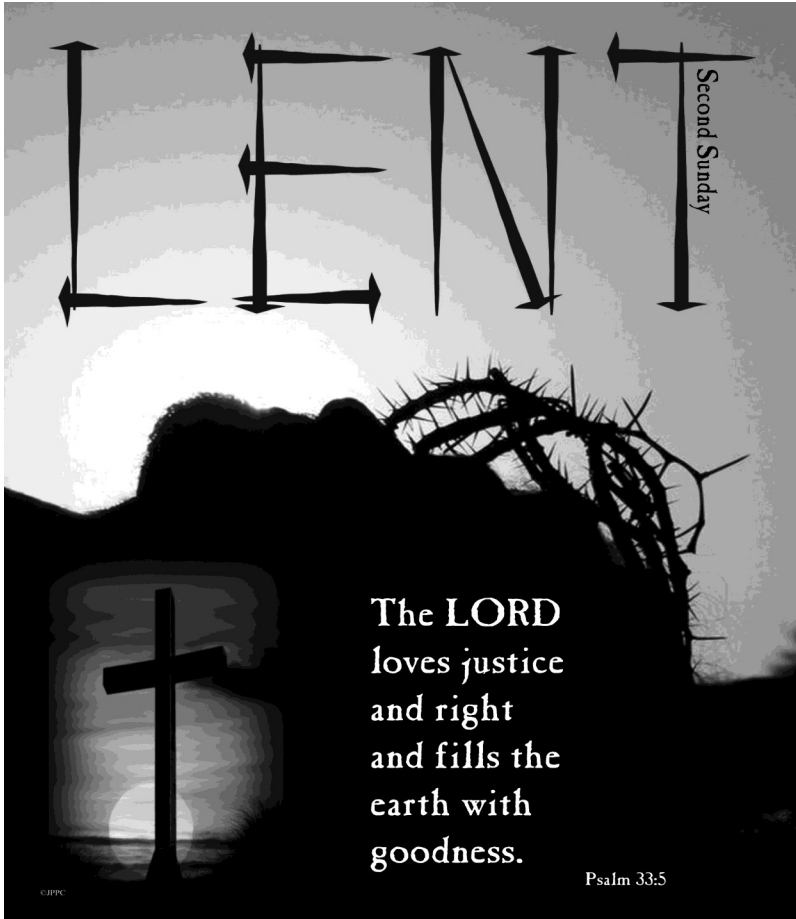




Holy Ghost Catholic Church
 A Roman Catholic Parish of the
 Diocese of Allentown
 Founded in 1871 as a German Ethnic Parish



2nd Sunday of Lent ✠ ✠ ✠ **March 5th 2023**



The LORD
 loves justice
 and right
 and fills the
 earth with
 goodness.

Psalm 33:5

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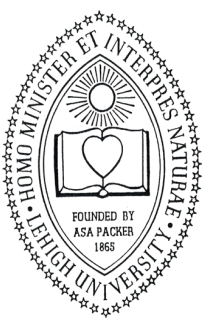
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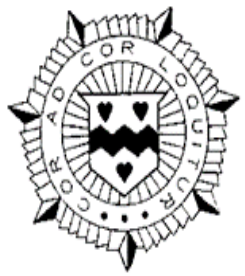
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FROM THE DESK OF Fr. Dave

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ! God has something important to say to us on this Second Week of Lent: "You are my beloved son/daughter, in you I am well pleased!" We might become discouraged and despondent with all the self examination we must make during this holy season. In order to prevent this, we focus on the lesson Jesus teaches in today's Gospel reading. Before His passion, Jesus allows His disciples to see His divine glory on the mountain top. The Father's voice affirms His dignity and approval of Jesus. Even though we have many faults and sins, we do retain our Baptismal dignity as children of God. In Christ we are His beloved sons and daughters! That is a fundamental truth of our faith! We need to believe that before we undertake the difficult "examination of conscience" of Lent. Let us prepare for the sacrament of Penance with a firm conviction in our Father's acceptance and mercy. Our Lenten journey of conversion is really a return to the dignity we all have in Christ Jesus. See you In Confession!

*Your pastor and friend,
Fr. David J. Kozak*

VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED

To assist with the Altar Pieces used during Mass, mainly to do ironing at home. Please call Ron at the Rectory. 610-867-9382 #3



Parish Financials

Weekly Collection for 2 / 26 = \$ 1,674.56

Online Giving = \$ 320.00

Total = \$ 1,994.56 *Thank You!*

CAN YOU DO MORE FOR OUR PARISH???

Upcoming Second Collections

Mar. 5th– Building & Maintenance Envelope

Mar. 12th– Rice Bowl Envelope

Mar. 19th– Easter Flower Envelope

Mar. 26th– Pink Bonus 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!

Jesus taught us to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, comfort the sick; and that the poor in spirit are blessed. Catholic Charities' Mission is to provide compassionate services with respect for all human life. During this Lenten season, please consider becoming part of this Mission by supporting the annual Gala. For details, visit our website at [https://](https://www.catholiccharitiesad.org/gala/)

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Or contact Julie Scheck at

jscheck@allentowndiocese.org,

610-435-1541, ext. 342 or 610-871-5200, ext. 2216.

CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS

Don't forget to change your clocks before you go to bed NEXT SATURDAY NIGHT March 4th That way you won't be late to join us for Mass!



SAT., March 4th **Saturday Vigil**

Confessions 3pm til 3:45 pm

4:00 pm ✕ Robert Flecksteiner (14th Anniv.)
by Wife Barbara & Family

SUNDAY March 5th 2023

Second Sunday of Lent

9:30am ✕ Frances Blaukovitch (3rd Anniv.)
By Daughter in Law Jean Blaukovitch & Family

1:30pm Mass in the Ordinariate Form

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



Mon., March 6th—Lenten Weekday

8:00am ✕ Stephen Morecz

Tues., March 7th —Ss. Perpetua & Felicity

8:00am ✕ Mary Chesnavage
LU-6:00pm ✕ Elizabeth Meunier by Ray & Sue Glemser

Wed., March 8th—St. John of God

8:00am ✕ Francis Pacello by Margot & Stephen Baratta

Thurs., March 9th — St. Frances of Rome

8:00am ✕ Living & Deceased Members of the Panas
Family by Margot Baratta

Fri., March 10th - Adoration 9:00am til

**11:30am Stations of the Cross followed by
Mass** ✕ Corey Sands by Al & Rosemarie Schadle

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

Confessions 3pm til 3:45 pm

4:00 pm ✕ John & Helen Yost
by daughter Phyllis & Family

SUNDAY March 12th 2023

Third Sunday of Lent

9:30am ✕ Deceased Rebelo & Correia Families
by The Family

1:30pm Mass in the Ordinariate Form

Lehigh University—Packer Church
12:10pm & 9:10pm No Masses—Spring Break

✕ **DEVOTIONAL LAMPS** ✕

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

Sanctuary

In Memory of ✕ Joseph Yost
by daughter Diane & Richard Beil

Tabernacle (2)

In Memory of ✕ Corey Sands by Thelma Mork

St. Joseph Altar

In Memory of ✕ Andrew Spevak by Wife Mariann

B.V.M Altar

Satamati, Eftehia, George & Paraskevi,
& Parents & Siblings

Sacred Heart

Andrew & Mary, Kosta & Frangoula
& Parents & Siblings

St. Theresa

John George, Manoli, Harriet, Katerina, George,
John, Stella, & Parents & Friends

St. John the Hermit (San Giovanni Eremita)

Mark & Family

St. (Padre) Pio - Our Lady of Pompeii

Health & Blessings on Donald S. Koach

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: March 8, @HOLY GHOST, 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.

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 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.*

Annual OPERATION RICE BOWL

During Lent a true disciple adopts a simpler style of eating. We are encouraged to do that and donate the money saved for the needs of the hungry in the world.

Every Sunday during Lent you will be able to place your sacrificial offerings in special collection envelopes sent to your homes with your regular Collection envelopes. They are sent to Catholic World Relief for food for the hungry. Operation Rice Bowl was established here in our own Diocese of Allentown and has become a Nation-Wide Campaign.

DONORS NEEDED PLEASE - Memorials

Palm Trees are Available for Memorializing for the Easter Season in BOTH Churches – Palm Cost \$25ea. The Names will appear in the Bulletin! If Interested please contact the Rectory as soon as possible please. Donations and Memorial names may be dropped in the collection basket anytime deadline SUNDAY, March 26th!

Special Collection—

The Catholic Bishops have asked all churches in the United States to take an extraordinary second collection for the Catastrophic loss of lives and devastation in the countries of Turkey & Syria following the large earthquakes and aftershocks. We will take up this collection NEXT weekend March 11th & 12th. We ask that you put your donations in an envelope marked for this purpose and put it in the collection that weekend to receive proper credit. Please be generous.

Catholic Charities 50/50 Raffle

tickets are selling fast and the jackpot is growing! Get yours before they're gone! Have you reserved your spot yet for the 15th Annual Gala? This year's Gala Honorees are Rev. John M. Gibbons and Paul & Patty Huck. Join us Sunday, March 12 at DeSales University. You will not want to miss this year's "celebrity" auctioneers!! For details, visit our website at <https://www.catholiccharitiesad.org/gala/> Or contact Julie Scheck at jscheck@allentowndioocese.org, 610-435-1541, ext. 342 or 610-871-5200, ext. 2216.

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 NEW officers are:

Carol Barron, President;

Sue Grady, Vice President;

Phyllis Hageter, Secretary and

Jean Blaukovitch, Treasurer.

Refreshments are served at each meeting.

NEXT MEETING

THIS MONDAY, March 6th —Bingo

Mark Your Calendars

The annual St. Joseph's Dinner will be held on Sat, Mar. 25th, 5pm - 7 PM in the parish social hall. Cost \$12 Adults, \$6 Children, \$8 Lehigh Students. It is an Italian buffet dinner. Tickets are on sale after all Masses. Questions and Reservations call 610-248-5303.

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., Mar. 10th Tavern Battered Cod \$15, Fri., Mar. 17th St. Patrick's Day Stuffed Flounder w Crab or Corn Beef & Cabbage—\$17 for either one. Fri., March 24th Tavern Battered Cod \$15 Fri., March 31st Crab Patties \$15 Must Order Monday before. For Orders and Info. Call 610-867-9382 #3 Order Forms next to the Church Bulletins.

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