



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



✠ ✠ **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** ✠ ✠ **April 16th 2023**

Divine Mercy Sunday



Jesus I Trust In You

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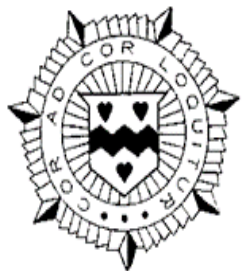
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FROM THE DESK OF Fr. Dave

*My dear brothers and sisters in Christ!
The mercy of God comes to us through the
Easter Mystery of the Passion, Death and
Resurrection of our Savior Jesus. That is
why the Church celebrates Divine Mercy
Sunday on the week after the commemora-
tion of His glorious Triumph. With a firm
faith that mercy is available to ALL, we re-
joice in such a great gift.
We remember that St. John Paul II wrote a
beautiful teaching letter or encyclical enti-
tled REDEMPTOR HOMINIS emphasizing
this great and essential truth of our faith.
This was from the pen of a supreme pastor
of the Church who did not avoid challenging
us all to follow the hard road of Gospel faith-
fulness. Even though our fidelity to Jesus
has hard demands there is still room for
mercy and compassion toward those who
do not fully measure up.
That is why the teaching style of Pope Fran-
cis with its seemingly "easier", "non-
accusatory" approach is in full continuity
with his predecessor's style. In fact, it is
MORE DIFFICULT! It challenges us to show
the same mercy to others which we have re-
ceived! As we continue our Easter celebra-
tion let me thank you sincerely for making
this Holy Week and Easter a time of faith and
devotion for you and your families!*

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

**2023 MASS INTENTIONS -
WE ARE IN NEED OF MASS
INTENTIONS OUR MASS LOG
IS BEING DEPLETED AND WE
NEED INTENTIONS PLEASE.**

**Please call Ron or Lisa at the
Rectory 610-867-9382 #3 with
your Mass and Lamp Requests.**

Parish Financials

Weekly Collection for 4 / 9 = \$ N/A
Online Giving = \$ Due to
Total = \$ Bulletin deadline
CAN YOU DO MORE FOR OUR PARISH???

Upcoming Second Collections

**April 30th Pink Bonus Envelope
May 7th Building & Maintenance and
Mothers Day Envelopes
**May 14th Air Conditioning Maintenance
Envelope
May 18th Ascension of the Lord
May 28th Pink Bonus & Parish Feast Day****

GARAGE SALE

*House Cleaning? Start collecting items for the
parish annual sales. First one is Saturday, May
27th and we can start accepting items now al-
ready. Please call Ron or Lisa at the rectory be-
fore you come to make sure someone is here.*

**The Paschal (Easter) Candle Burns this
Easter Day and Easter Season:**

*In Loving Memory of ✕ Corey Sands by Wife Mary,
Children & Grandchildren*

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreat ~ An intimated spiritu-
al journey for anyone seeking healing after abor-
tion. In a safe, supportive, non-judgmental envi-
ronment 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 for-
giveness. For registration information contact:
Carol Swavely, MA, 1-866-3RACHEL (Toll Free)
or 610-435-1541, ext. 373. You may also email
Carol at carolswavely@ptd.net. The retreat will
be held May 19th – 21st, 2023. Deadline for
Registration is May 12th, 2023.**

SAT., APRIL 15th **Saturday Vigil**

Confessions 3pm til 3:45 pm

4:00 pm ✕ *Deceased Rebelo & Correia Families
by the Family*

SUNDAY April 16TH 2023

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

9:30am ✕ *Joseph R. & Theresa Koach by the Family*

1:30pm Mass in the Ordinariate Form

12:10pm in Packer Church—Lehigh Univ
9:10pm Mass in Packer Church—Lehigh Univ

Mon., Apr. 17th—Easter Weekday

8:00am ✕ *Theresa & Andrew Markacs by The Family*

Tues., Apr. 18th—Easter Weekday

8:00am ✕ *Kelvin Webb by The Family*

LU-6:00pm ✕ *Health & Blessings on Joseph & Barbara
Adamcik*

Wed., Apr. 19th—Easter Weekday

8:00am ✕ *Phillip Sebastianelli by The Family*

Thurs., Apr. 20th—Easter Weekday

8:00am ✕ *Rafaela & Antonio Torres
by James & Margo White*

Fri., Apr. 21st—St. Anselm

8:00am ✕ *Rose & William Dresen by Daughter Maureen*

SAT. APRIL 22nd **Saturday VIGIL**

4:00 pm ✕ *Joseph & Marie Hoch by The Family*

SUNDAY April 23rd 2023
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:30am ✕ *John & Helen Yost
by Daughter Phyllis & Family*

1:30pm Mass in the Ordinariate Form

12:10pm in Packer Church—Lehigh Univ
9:10pm Mass in Packer Church—Lehigh Univ



✕ **DEVOTIONAL LAMPS** ✕

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

Sanctuary

In Memory of ✕ *Carol Mulzet by Husband Joe & Fam.*

Tabernacle (2)

In Memory of ✕ *Joseph R. Koach (33rd Anniv.)*

St. Joseph Altar

In Memory of ✕ *Andrew Spevak by Wife Mariann*

B.V.M Altar

In Memory of ✕ *Gabriella Amato*

Sacred Heart

Health & Blessings on Donald S. Koach

St. Theresa

Special Intention

St. John the Hermit (San Giovanni Eremita)

In Memory of Living ✕ *Deceased Foiano Descendants*

St. (Padre) Pio - Our Lady of Pompeii

Health & Blessings on Correia Family

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*

*******Silence in Church*******

In speaking about silence in the Liturgy and in Church, Pope Francis says that when we don't observe this silence, we "risk neglecting the recollection of the soul."

We "Enter into silence before the Most Blessed Sacrament to speak with and listen to Jesus" whether exposed on the Altar or in the Tabernacle it is meant to remind each of us to create that environment of silence in the sacred place of any Church. When the Most Blessed Sacrament is Exposed on the Altar or not there should be no talking with others because all the attention should be on His Holy Presence.

The purpose is to encourage everyone to enter into the heavenly mysteries that we celebrate and expose us to an encounter with the Living God.



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.*

THANK YOU THANK YOU

===To our Mary's Stations readers: *Becky Pfley, Mary Ellen Lang, Catherine Hageman, Phyllis Hageter, Bette Limpar, Lori Bauer, Margot White, Chioma Chigozie-Okwum, Kerri Spadaccia, Carol Barron, Maggie Picucci, Mary Ann Otto, Irene Magistro, and Sally.* Each reader did an excellent job of sharing the feelings of our Blessed Mother as they read their station;

===To *Dominic Behe* for his guitar and leading us in song; and to our parishioners and friends who attended this special Lenten service. There were more people in attendance this year and we hope to see even more next year.

===To *Jean Blaukovitch* for making the grilled cheese sandwiches for our Poor Man's Supper and to *Boots and Maureen* who served the meal.

===To *Lori Bauer* for putting together this year's Easter Egg Hunt. We had 20 children attend and everyone (including parents and grandparents) had a great time watching these children scoop up more than 250 eggs in maybe 5 minutes or less. Everyone went home with a prize; *Nora and Cecelia Schnalzer* each found 35 eggs and were the grand prize winners.



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 2023 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, April 17th

BINGO

St. Mary's Church, 122 Union Street, Catsauqua will hold its Spring Cash Bingo on NEXT Sunday, April 23rd, in their Parish Center. The cost is \$15 for 15 games, six specials, and a cash jackpot round. Seating is first come/first serve. The kitchen and doors will open at 11:30 AM (providing snacks foods, as well as, hot food). Please no outside snacks or beverages. Bingo begins at 1:00 PM. Additional game sheets and specials will be available for purchase - bring your daubers *no hard boards*. To reserve a table (6-8 people), please contact the Parish Office by phone: 610-264-0332, or email: kim.stmarys122@gmail.com.

Spring on the Farm

10th Anniversary of The Monocacy Farm Project
Join us as we kick off the growing season!

Saturday, May 13

11am - 3pm

395 Bridle Path Road in Bethlehem

Plant Sale, Farm Tours, Raffles,

Vendors & Artisans

More info at MonocacyFarmProject.org

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