

The Baptism of the Lord



January 13, 2019

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY [12]

5:00pm +Anne Grape by the Grape Family

SUNDAY [13]

8:00am +Angeline Cali by the Family

9:30am Living and deceased of the Daughters of Mary Sodality

11:00am Living and deceased members of the parish

MONDAY [14]

8:00am +Angeline Cali by sister, Anna

TUESDAY [15]

8:00am +Jeanette Williams by Michael & Karin Curcio & fam

WEDNESDAY [16]

NO MASS

THURSDAY [17]

8:00am +Christina Ouellette by Betty Schott

FRIDAY [18]

8:00am +Minnie Thomas by Slate Belt Young at Heart
10:45am Children's Mass. All are welcome.

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SATURDAY [19]

5:00pm +Richard Boris by Charleen, Donald & Ashley Hutchison

SUNDAY [20]

8:00am Living and deceased members of the parish

9:30am +William Costello by the Hall Family

11:00am +Jack Gaudioso by Susan & Lawrence Kluge ("+" before name indicates person deceased)

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday (Today) [13]

Donut Sunday (ch. hall)

8:30-9:15am CCD (ICS)

6:15-7:45pm Confirmation class (8th gr.) Level II (ch. hall)

Wednesday [16]

7:30pm Choir practice

Thursday [17]

8:40am NO Bible study (ch. hall)

1:00pm Young at Heart (ch. hall)

7:00pm Rosary

7:00pm Baptism class (ch. hall)

Sunday (next) [20]

Food ministry collection

8:30-9:15am CCD (ICS)

6:15-7:45pm Confirmation class (8th gr.) Level II (ch. hall)

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NEXT WEEK'S MASS – (January 19/20)

READINGS: 1006

HYMNS: 507, 659, 830, 522

Altar Servers: For next weekend, (January 19/20)

5:00pm-Hunter Weaver, Kaitlyn Winchilla

8:00am-Gavin Tucker, Ava Conte

9:30am- Olivia Apostol, Julia Garver

11:00am-Addison Manning, Logan Pysher

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE:

****Bulletin Deadline-** all announcements should be in writing or email to donnam1@rcn.com by Tuesday noon.

****If you need to drop something off at the rectory,** either ring the bell or place it in the drop-off box that is to the left of the front door. Please do not put it in the mailbox.

****If you are moving out of the area please call the rectory so that we may remove you from the records. If you are moving and staying in the area please call with your new address. Thank you.**

Announcements

During School Days (Monday-Friday)

ONE WAY

The Church Main Entrance Driveway is now a ONE WAY Entrance. Exit is at the far-end of the parking lot to Babbitt Avenue. This is to ensure safety for all of our school children at Immaculate Conception School. Thank you for your help and cooperation.

Next weekend we will be collecting food for the ministry. Suggested items are pasta and sauces, cereal, rice, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, condiments, boxed foods, canned pastas, soups, vegetables and fruits, paper products, personal care items, and cleaning items. Also needed are Giant gift cards to assist the Ministry in buying items need for the food bags. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. If you or someone you know needs assistance you may register at the ministry on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays from 9am – 10am.

Pro Life

*Life, especially human life, belongs to God; whoever attacks human life attacks God's own self.
- Saint Pope John Paul II
May we all cherish life born and unborn!*

For anyone wanting to have a baby baptized in the near future, Deacon Fred will hold an informative, required meeting by first time parents, Thursday, February 7th at 7:00pm in the Church Hall. Please call the rectory to register.



Did you know that the

Mediterranean Diet has

been ranked the best diet in 2019 by US World &

News Digest? The diet with an emphasis on fruit, vegetable, whole grains, and the use of olive oil and red wine is noted for the easiest to follow, long term weight loss, and a reduction in heart disease, cancer and diabetic complications.

SAVE THE DATE! The Keystone Miller Blood Mobile will be here Sunday, February 17th for our annual blood drive. See Giveapint.org for more general info regarding donating.

BINGO is held at Immaculate Conception School gymnasium every Sunday. Doors open at 11 and the game begins at 1. Progressive jackpots. Food and drinks available for purchase.

ICS is still collecting Weis receipts for a 1% rebate fundraiser. Thanks to all who have dropped off your receipts in the basket in the Gathering Space. **2018 receipts will be accepted ONLY until January 31, 2019.** They will start accepting **2019 receipts beginning on February 1st.** Please don't cut off the logo on top, or the date (the bottom part can be cut off). Please save and hand in your receipts from your holiday food shopping. Thank you from ICS!!

Immaculate Conception School (ICS) will commence **Catholic Schools' Week on Sun., Jan. 27th** by celebrating Holy Mass at 9:30am. The Children's Choir will sing at this Mass. Following Mass, ICS will hold its **Open House from 11am to 3:30pm.** Families are invited to tour the school, as well as speak with teachers

and parents. Info. packets will be available. **Now accepting enrollment for grades Pre-K through 8th grade.** We offer an early registration discount of \$50, \$1,500 Transfer Grant & Transportation. For more info call the school office at 610-863-4816.

BECAHI OPEN HOUSE - Thursday, January 31st from 6-8pm. Come see our campus, meet our teachers, visit the coaches corner and enjoy a student-led tour. Financial aid counseling and transportation information will also be available. For a personal tour, contact Cristin Eick, Director of Admissions at ceick@becahi.org or 610-866-0791 ext. 313.

Becahi Girls Basketball Youth Night - Friday, January 18th, 6:30pm. All participating youth are invited to attend the game for FREE and join us for a wonderful Friday night of basketball, competition and fun. We want all of our youth to experience what game day looks and feels like behind the scenes for a Lady Hawks Varsity basketball game. Immediately following the game all youth will join the team at mid court. Post-game celebration includes music, cupcakes and pictures and autographs from the team. This promises to be a fantastic night of basketball fun! Contact gbasketball@becahi.org for more information.

Father DeNisco Council 3862 of the Knights of Columbus to Sponsor Youth Free Throw Championship~All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The local competition will be held on **Friday, January 25 at Immaculate Conception School, Pen Argyl, gymnasium at 7:00PM.** In the event of inclement weather, a snow date is set for **Friday, February 1.** The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district, and jurisdictional competitions. All boys and girls

ages 9 to 14 are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions. **Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent at time of competition.** Contact: **Scott Moyer – 484-547-6247** or at smoyer@nazarethasd.org for additional information.

\$\$\$\$Fund Raising\$\$\$\$

Please consider purchasing Weis and Giant Gift Cards.

You do not lose a penny of purchasing power and the church receives 5% profit. Gift Cards are available every weekend in the Gathering Space.

Congratulations to the **ICS Sisters**, winners of the "200 Club" on January 5, 2019

ARE YOU WORN OUT FROM THE



Diocese of Allentown

HOLIDAYS? WHY NOT GIVE YOURSELVES A GET-AWAY WEEKEND! Meals prepared! Time away from it all! A **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER** weekend will offer you a chance to talk to and listen to that special someone who loves you. For information about call 1-732-904-9636 or visit www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org.

Victim Assistance
The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited and encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more information about this program at www.allentowndiocese.org/.
The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church.
Victim Assistance Coordinator
DIRECT TELEPHONE NUMBER
(800) 791-9209



The Memorial Society is an opportunity to have your departed loved ones prayed for once a month in a Mass. The next **Mass for members of the Memorial Society** will be **Sunday, January 27, 2019 at 8:00am.** Once enrolled, those in the Memorial Society will be prayed for each month during my tenure here, and need not be re-enrolled again. Recent enrollee: **Steven Kerbacher** by Craig & Philomena Reduzzi, **Dominic Abruzzese** by Katherine Schott, **June Sabatino** by Katherine Schott, **Dominic Abruzzese** by Anna Stocker

Please pray for the sick...
Mary Detzi, Greg Kennedy, Ryan Savage, Francis Kale, Christopher Graham

This week we specifically thank **The Café on Broadway** for being a bulletin sponsor. The Café is owned and operated by the McGarry family who are practicing members of the faith and parish and also wonderful cooks.

If you have registered in the parish, you also should have received a survey the purpose of which is to give us feedback on parish life. That letter also includes a census information section which will enable us to update our parish information. Please be diligent in filling this out since some of our information is dated and hence inaccurate. **I ask you especially to indicate where you were married if such pertains to you.** Many of those who returned the forms have not indicated where they were married. Such information will be kept confidential and not accessible to anyone outside our rectory offices. You can return

these forms by way of the collection basket or mail. Thanks to everyone who is co-operating with these efforts to better the parish. We have received a good number of responses in these last few weeks.

We will be **taking down the Christmas decorations this Saturday January 19th at 9:00 a.m.** Please come and help so that the job can get done quickly.

Our collection for last week \$6602 was the plate collection with \$253 coming in from other sources. The total was \$6855. I sincerely thank everyone who supports the parish in these difficult times. The Christmas collection to date has totaled a helpful \$20,170. I sincerely thank everyone who donated to help us reach this amount. It will help us meet the needs of the parish as we begin the new year.