

MASS INTENTIONS

MASSSES CAN BE SEEN AT SERCC.ORG

MONDAY	NOVEMBER 22
9:00 AM	Raymond Breck
TUESDAY	NOVEMBER 23
9:00 AM	Valeria Koons
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 24
9:00 AM	Kenneth S. Synder
THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 25
6:00 PM	No Adoration
7:00 PM	No Mass
FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 26
9:00 AM	People of the Parish
SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 27
4:30 PM	Harry J. Parker
SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 28
8:00 AM	James Carlisle
10:00 AM	Gloria Smith

OUR PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please remember in your prayers all our parish family and friends who suffer physically, emotionally, or spiritually, especially:

Mike Baran, Margaret Bonenberger, Millie Breck, Jill Brubaker, Sharon Brubaker, Mary Buesgen Signarowitz, Grace Conti, Cindy Cooper, Deb Csorba, Marie Dal Maso, Leo Fisher III, Rick Fitzgerald, Charles Fonzone, Victoria Gaffney, Wayne Glover, Joe Gnall, Robert Hartzell, Ariella Jarrah, Gerald Kratzer, Anna Kaufmann, Phyllis Laky, Lucy Lentini, Jade Madden, Jessica Mankos, Deacon Mike Meder, Amalie Meehan, Kathy Mistsifer, Steve O'Connor, Rich Pastorella, David Perenyi, Ruth Reisinger Bob Sheehan, John Signarowitz, Kathryn Wechsler.

*NOTE: Please call church if you are admitted.

TO THOSE WITH HEALTH CONCERNS



We welcome you to Mass each weekend. If you wish to receive Holy Communion and find it difficult to join the Communion line, please let the ushers know and an Extraordinary Minister will bring communion to you. Low gluten hosts are available; prior to Mass go to the sacristy so the celebrant will know to prepare the host.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Eucharistic Adoration will take place in the Church on Monday before the 9 am Mass and Thursday evening before the 7 pm Mass. Please contact Wendy Ohlsen at 610-248-6648 if you have questions.

MASS INTENTION BOOK

The 2022 Mass intention book will open December 6th. One weekend and two weekday Masses may be scheduled per intention. To schedule an intention; office hours are 9 am to 3 pm. If you are not able to come to the office to schedule your intention, please postal mail your intentions and donation as soon as possible to:
St Elizabeth Church, Attn: Ann Frankl 618 Fullerton Ave, Whitehall 18052

READINGS FOR FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading:	Jeremiah 33: 14 – 16
Responsorial Psalm:	25
Second Reading:	Thessalonians 3: 12 – 4: 2
Gospel:	Luke 21: 25 – 36

Parish Calendar of Regular Events (call for updates)

Adult Choir – Wed (Sept to May) times as scheduled

Baptism Class – contact Deacon Mike Meder

Bible Study – Wednesday 10 am in LMR*

Friendly Visitors – 3rd Thursday (Sept to May) 2 pm LMR*

Men of St. Elizabeth – * (pending)

Our Lady of Knots Novena – Tuesday & Thursday

Parish Breakfast – 2nd Sunday (Nov to April) 8:30 – 11 am Hall

Prayer Shawl – 2nd Wednesday 2 pm LMR* call Carolyn

PREP – Mondays (Sept to April) 6 pm School

RCIA – Tuesdays (Sept to April) 7 pm LMR*

Women's Group – 2nd & 4th Sunday 6 pm LMR*

*LMR = Parish office large meeting room 2nd floor.



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of **Carmela Stephenson** requested by Frankl / Stephenson Families.

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Please pray for those who have died, especially **Barbara Stangl, Joseph Genay, and John J. Kulhamer** (brother of Bob Kulhamer and Rita Kline) who passed away this month. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



ANOINTING MASS

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:8

All who are infirmed, anticipating surgery, or suffering from mental or terminal illness are welcome to attend a special Anointing Mass at St. Elizabeth's on Wednesday, December 1, at 9:00 am. This is a school Mass; however, only our 7th grade students will be staying for the anointing after Mass to help pray for you and assist Father. Parishioners and guests are asked to be seated in the middle sections of the church on the right-hand side if possible. *You will be welcomed by our seventh-grade students. Fr. Stan Moczydlowski will be our celebrant.*



APPRECIATION DINNER FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS



We invite all volunteers to attend the appreciation dinner which will be held on Sunday, December 12th at 6 pm after the Advent Evening of Music and Prayer program presented by the Music Ministry. The Appreciation dinner will be held in the parish hall. Please RSVP to the office rectory by Dec 8th at 610-266-0695.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Because this is the last Sunday of the Church Year and the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, we are asked to reflect on the last things of our lives - our life, death, and the promise of eternal life in the reign of God.

The reign of Christ will include those who feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, give clothes to the naked, visit the sick and imprisoned, and show hospitality to the stranger. This reign of Christ will probably also include all those who have been starving for emotional and spiritual support; starving for acceptance and friendship; starving for forgiveness and understanding. Our support for these would be an effective means of feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, and showing hospitality to the stranger.

The last Sunday of the Church Year is an important time for giving thanks for what we have received throughout this past year and throughout our lives. At the Last Supper, the night before he died, Jesus gave thanks with the first Holy Eucharist. For what can we give thanks this Sunday? Give thanks for the gift of life and the gift of new life in baptism. Give thanks for each of us being unique and special - the very best of God's creation. Give thanks for our families, communities, and friends. Give thanks for the gift of faith by which we are drawn out of darkness into God's marvelous light and eternal life. Give thanks for our calling in life by which we bear fruit. Give thanks for those around us for all who are easy to love, those in need of our love, and even for those not so easy to love. Give thanks for Christ, our loving and merciful sovereign.

Our world is imperfect. We are imperfect. We have to keep moving away from sin. We have to keep working for justice and peace in the world. But the Solemnity of Christ the King means that one day all things will be clear. There will be an end to confusion, hatred, and failure. Life does have a direction, even though we might not always see it. But that direction clearly needs to be towards God.

On this last Sunday of the Church Year, the liturgy and our faith point us to a God who cares, who is Almighty, who is ruler, and who invites us to be part of God's everlasting and majestic reign. We are to lift our eyes to God and see descending an infinite ray of glory on those here on earth. That ray of glory is Jesus Christ. May we always honor our king, listening to the voice of Christ, in our worship and through our service to one another.

God bless you,

Fr. Stan

THINGS TO PONDER...

New Year Resolution

We often begin to consider our plan for the upcoming year just a few days after Christmas. Diet and exercise come to the forefront after just a few days of cookies and eggnog. Just next week, we begin a new year. The first Sunday of Advent is the beginning of the church year. It is not too early to give consideration to what we are about.

Resolution can mean a shift in our intent or behavior. Resolution also is applied to optics ... cameras ... microscopes ... telescopes. Resolution involves refining and clarifying focus. We have been considering over the past few weeks the end times and this week we consider the majesty of Christ the King. Aided by the benefit of hindsight, and illumined by the Light of Christ, let us permit our vision to be corrected.

Let us prepare to enter the new year ... already so close at hand ... with a refined vision ... a view of hope and trust. May we be led by the Holy Spirit to clarify our sight, to purify our hearts and to strengthen our wills to see Our Lord in the poor and suffering, in the marginalized, and to be the light for those with no hope.

PARISH NEWS

GIVE THE GIFT OF A CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Complete or partial sponsorship of a student can make a difference in a student's ability to attend Saint Elizabeth Regional School. Sponsorship opportunities, which combine faith with learning, create a well-rounded and prepared student. As an "**Angel of the Lord Sponsor**," you provide financial support to families who desire the spiritual, moral, and intellectual growth fostered by a Catholic, faith-based school.

Choose from any three levels of support:

- **Phanuel Angel:** Donate Any Amount
- **Seraphim Angel:** Donate a Half Year of Tuition (\$1,775)
- **Uriel Angel:** Donate a Full Year of Tuition (\$3,550)

Send donations to Mrs. Kimberly Kocher, Principal

St. Elizabeth Regional School

431 Pershing Blvd, Whitehall, PA 18052

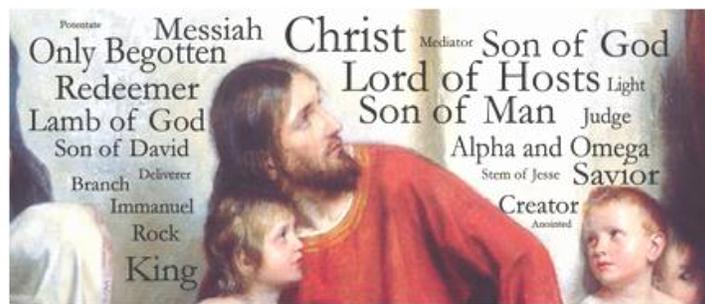
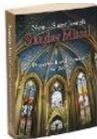
Thanks for your support!

DEALING WITH GRIEF DURING THE HOLIDAYS?

The Grief ministry will have a presentation and discussion on "Renewing Your Spirit" led by Marie Signarovitz on November 23rd from 1:30 to 3:00 pm. Registration is required, please call Marie for more information at 610-434-7009. Face masks are recommended for unvaccinated participants. Water and coffee/tea will be available.

THE NEW ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSALS Are Here!

We will be selling the “most popular” St. Joseph pocket-size Sunday Missals again this year for \$4 each. The print is easy to see, and the missal comes with complete Masses for all the Sundays and Holydays beginning at Advent through the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. It also contains prayers and popular Catholic hymns. **They can be purchased at the parish office and may possibly be sold at one of the weekend Masses while supplies last.**



SAVE THE DATE!

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church invites you to an

*Advent Evening of
Music & Prayer*

presented by the Choir of St. Elizabeth

under the direction of Music Director – Patrick Oswald



Sunday, December 12 at 5 pm
Prelude Music begins at 4:30 pm

Admission is free: *a free-will offering will be taken*

PROTECTING GOD’S CHILDREN WORKSHOP

If you are a volunteer or are considering volunteering and need a Protecting God’s Children Workshop, one is being held here at St. Elizabeth’s on Sunday, November 21st at 6:00 pm in the parish hall. If you would like to attend, please contact Mrs. Mary Spieker at 610-266-0695. Or you can find a listing of all the Protecting God’s Children workshops at <http://www.allentowndiocese.org/>

ADVENT GIVING TREE

The “Advent Giving Tree” is an opportunity to celebrate the Birth of Jesus by giving gifts of baby items to the babies who will be born this coming year. Please choose a gift tag from the tree in the vestibule, purchase the needed item, and bring the UNWRAPPED gift to Church by Sunday, Dec. 19th. Donations to Cay Galgon Life Center and Catholic Charities. Many thanks and blessings for your kind donation to those less fortunate.



POINSETTIAS – THE PERFECT GIFT!

We will be selling single bloom poinsettias for \$4 each this year. They will arrive just in time for a perfect little gift for a neighbor or co-worker! Order forms can be found on the parish website or call Mary Spieker at the parish office to place an order. We will sell red, white, marble and burgundy; all newly grown at Garden City in Catasauqua. Flowers can be sent home with a school student on Friday, December 10 or picked-up at the parish office from 12 – 3 pm. Orders can also be picked up in the **parish hall** on Sun, Dec. 12 from 8:30 – 11:15 am. **Order deadline is November 30.** As always, we appreciate your support!



FRIENDLY VISITORS



Prayerfully consider volunteering to deliver Christmas gifts to our parishioners who live in assisted living and nursing home facilities, and those who are homebound. Gifts can be picked up on Wednesday, December 8 or Thursday, December 9 from 9 am to 3 pm. Please contact Pat at 610-393-8107 if you can offer some of your precious time to deliver these gifts to our shut-ins. Thank you.

MANY THANKS TO OUR BREAKFAST CLUB!

Our parish family enjoyed a hearty breakfast last Sunday thanks to the many volunteers who cooked and served the delicious delights. We wish to thank Tom Amico, the wonderful volunteers and our November breakfast sponsor: Joe and Ann Frankl. Hope to see everyone at our December 12 breakfast!

**CHRISTMAS BABYSITTER EXTRAVAGANZA!****Sunday, December 19th from 6:00 - 8:00 pm**

To give back to the hardworking parents of the parish, our Youth Ministry is giving Mom and Dad the night off! Youth Ministry will be babysitting children ages 4 and up on Sunday, December 19th from 6 – 8 pm in the

Parish Hall for only \$5.00 per child to help pay for supplies. We will have Christmas crafts, scavenger hunt, coloring, group games, and a pretzel and popcorn snack. Electronic flyers will be sent home via e-mail. Please contact Mary Spieker to sign your child(ren) up for babysitting at 610-266-0695 ext. 208 or dirreled@sercc.org.

(Service Hours available for Confirmandi!)

OUR COMMUNITY**It's Almost Christmas at the Cathedral**

Saturday, November 27th 10 am – 6 pm & After Weekend Masses, in the Walson Center: Theme Baskets ~ Cookies by the Pound ~ Craft Tables ~ Fruit & Nut Rolls ~ Stocking Stuffers: Oplatki Wafers, Lottery Calendars, Rosaries, Schantz Greenhouse Coupons, Herbaria Soaps (pre-order only) Gift Cards & More. *Vendor / crafter tables still available.

Sunday, November 28th Christmas Concert (*in Cathedral*): 2:15 pm Organ Preludes ~ 3 pm Choir Concert. After the Concert (Walson Center): Theme Baskets, Baked Goods, Stocking Stuffers & Wine Tasting by Glass or Flights
For more information or questions call – 610 - 433-6461.

Bingo Is Back!

You're invited to Knights of Columbus Bingo at Holy Family Parish Center, 508 W. Center St, Nazareth, on Sunday, Nov 21st. Doors open at noon; first game at 12:45. Games (15) with 4 specials and 2 EXTRA rounds. There will also be a 50/50 and lunch for sale. Fun for all ages! \$20 per person.

Maintenance Position Available

An immediate fulltime opening for a Maintenance Director. Must be reliable, self-directed, and motivated. General custodial, maintenance, grounds keeping, mowing and snow removal. Electrical and/or mechanical knowledge and experience helpful but not required. Please call Sacred Heart Parish Office to inquire at 610-837-7874. Resumes may be submitted to office@sacredheartbath.org.

Christmas Donations Needed

Donations for children's Christmas gifts are begin accepted and are greatly appreciated. Please send monetary donations and state on the memo line for "Chew St. Children's Christmas Gifts" *Catholic Charities, Attention: Robert Nicoletta 900 S. Woodward St Allentown, 18103*. Or contact Edith Burga at: eburga@allentowndiocese.org or 484-784-8109. God bless you!

The Most Reverend Alfred A. Schlert, D.D. and
The Women's Society of Giving warmly invite you
A Special Morning for Women

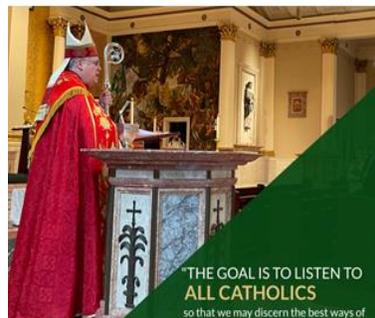
Peace, Joy... Advent

Rediscovering the peace and joy of Advent
that so often gets lost in Christmas to do lists

Saturday, December 11, 2021
St. Mary's Church
14833 Kutztown Road, Kutztown, PA 19530

9:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. - Peace, Joy...Advent presented by Maggie Riggins
11:00 a.m. - Mass celebrated by Bishop Schlert

Kindly respond by emailing
stewardship@allentowndiocese.org,
or by calling the Office of Stewardship
and Development at (800) 831-4443
by December 8th

**Synod: Communion, Participation, Mission**

Bishop Alfred Schlert was joined by dozens of diocesan priests, deacons, religious, and seminarians, along with hundreds of faithful Catholics, to launch the Synod of Bishops at a special Mass at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, Allentown, Sunday (10/17).

Resources can be found on the website at: www.allentowndiocese.org/synod



A letter from our parish Synod representatives has been mailed to your homes. *For more information* please contact:

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