



Our Lady Help of Christians Church

We are now twinned with Saints Simon & Jude

A Roman Catholic Parish Community

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RECTORY STAFF

Elaine Mitchell,
Bulletin/Parish Secretary

Charles A. Green, M.A.,
Bookkeeper

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday – Wednesday

8AM at Our Lady Help of Christians

Tuesday - Thursday

8AM at Saints Simon & Jude

Friday or Saturday

8AM (Alternating) at Saints Simon & Jude

Call 610-866-5582 x7 weekly to check

Saturday - 5PM Saints Simon & Jude

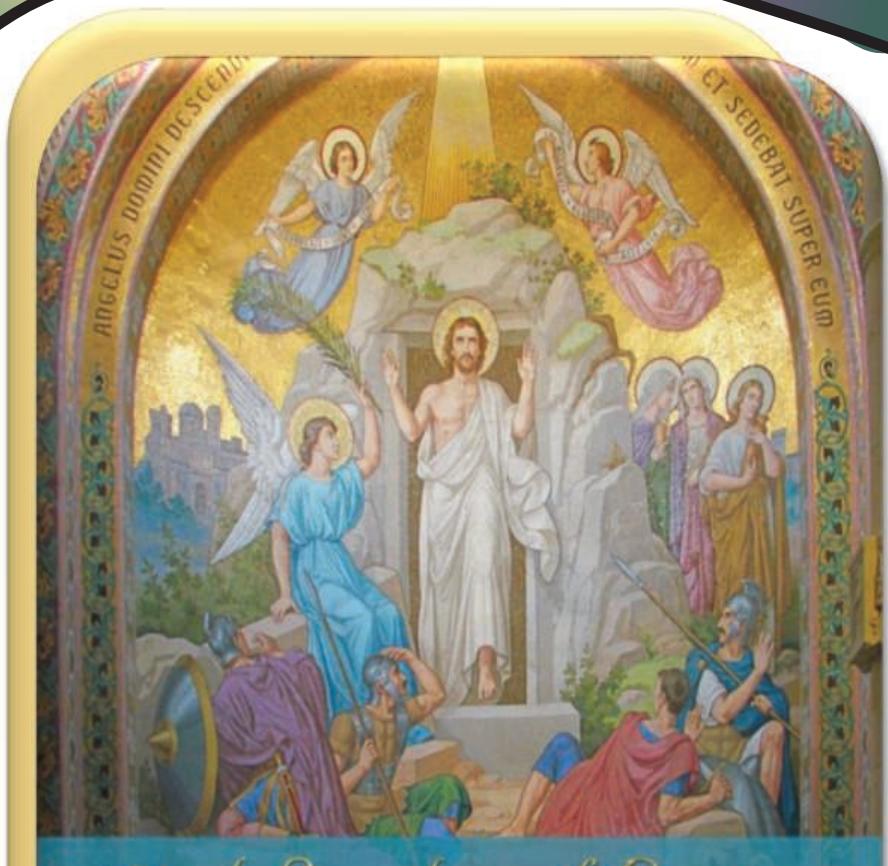
Sunday - 9AM SS&J / 11AM OLHC

VICTIM'S ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

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3rd Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2023

Dear Parishioners,

The Third Sunday of Easter reminds us that we have been delivered from the power of sin. We recognize Jesus in the breaking of the bread, the one whom God raised from the dead and who now sits at the right hand of the Father.

The April 13th issue of the AD. Times on page seven (7) reminds us of the Easter Triumph over Death. My article highlights the feast of the Resurrection as the high point of the Christian year. May the Lord walk with us closely in this time of Easter as we memorialize those buried and entombed in Catholic cemeteries, as well as those buried at sea.

Monsignor Baver



SACRAMENTAL AND PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

In order to receive any Sacraments or sponsor certificates, you must be a REGISTERED PARISHIONER. Please see Monsignor Baver after Mass to register.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Confession is every Saturday from 4PM to 4:45PM at Saints Simon and Jude Church in Bethlehem.

SACRAMENT TO THE HOMEBOUND/SICK

Communion calls are typically done the first week of the month. Notify the rectory when a parishioner is in the hospital or ill at home to receive the Eucharist and Anointing of the Sick or be listed on our Communion calls.

CERTIFICATES OF ELIGIBILITY

If you need a Certificate of Eligibility for Baptism or to be a Confirmation sponsor, please see Monsignor Baver after Mass.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

For registered parishioners, preparation should begin one year, but no less than six months, prior to the proposed date of marriage.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are held for registered parishioners following the 11AM Mass. Parents should see Monsignor Baver after Mass.

CEMETERIES

To arrange a Christian burial, please contact the following cemeteries:

Holy Savior Cemetery: 610-866-2372 X1
Resurrection Cemetery: 610-395-3819 X1

LEGACY

Gifts provided through wills and personal trusts can make such a difference in the continued operation of our Parish, enabling a donor to make contributions that may not have been possible during their lifetime. If you value the continuity as well as the mission of OLHC, please consider this.



We made \$415.80 from the clothing drive and collected 2,079 pounds of clothing. Hopefully, we will do better in the fall! Thank you to all who participated and thank you to our bag carriers – Maureen Whitehead and her three nephews, Danny, Connor & Sean O'Donnell, Joe Oravec and Rosanne Venditto! And to our parish secretary Elaine Mitchell for carrying all those bags in!

"For God loves a cheerful giver."
2 Corinthians 9:7



Sunday Offerings, including Second Collections and Eofferings:

4/16 – \$2,667
Easter – \$5,924

Thank you to those who always "catch up" with their weekly envelopes. We are grateful for every gift received by the faithful.

From
Sunday
April 23
to
Saturday
April 29
Our
Sanctuary
Lamp Burns



In Memory
Of
**Jesse
Lawman**
Requested
by
**Kathryn
Evans**

GOD BLESS YOU ON YOUR BIRTHDAY

- 4/23 Maria Mesen
4/25 Heather Schmidt
4/26 Dorothy Wask (98!)
Stanley Poplawski
4/29 Stella Poplawski



Mother's Day Services

SEEDS OF A MOTHER'S LOVE

At the May 14th service, your mothers will be included in the Mass intention and General Intercessions. Collection envelopes will be displayed near the altar. Also, our bulletin will feature all the names submitted on the envelopes. Envelopes not returned by Monday, May 8 will not be included in the Bulletin but any envelopes returned after then will be included in the Mass Intentions and display.



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SUNDAY

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

9AM – Mass at Saints Simon & Jude

23

11AM – †Chris Johnson
R/B Cynthia Johnson

MONDAY

24

8AM – †People of the Parish

TUESDAY

25

8AM – Mass at Saints Simon & Jude

WEDNESDAY

26

8AM – †Linda Mulicka & Susan Kosalko
R/B Dorothy Wask

THURSDAY

27

8AM – Mass at Saints Simon & Jude

FRIDAY

28

NO 8AM Mass at Saints Simon & Jude

SATURDAY

29

NO 8AM – Mass at Saints Simon & Jude
5PM – Mass at Saints Simon & Jude

SUNDAY

30

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
World Day of Prayer for Vocations
9AM – Mass at Saints Simon & Jude

11AM – †Marie Hopper
R/B Rosanne Venditto

Birthday * Support ♦ Anniversary ♥ Memorial †



The LORD HAS TRULY BEEN RAISED

LUKE 24:34

St. Francis Center for Renewal invites you to raise anchor and join in the celebration of their 13th annual Gala & Silent Auction: "Cruising" to Mexico. The celebration is set for 7-9:30 PM on Saturday, May 6 at Mullen Hall in Bethlehem, PA. For more information & to purchase tickets, please visit their website at <https://www.stfrancisctr.org/2023-gala-silent-auction> or call at 610-867-8890.

Sacred Heart Parish Knights of Columbus #14464

Annual Trip to Yankee Stadium

The 2023 Baseball Season has begun; the Yankees Home Opener was Thursday March 30. The Sacred Heart Parish Knights of Columbus #14464 celebrate this rite of Spring with the announcement of their Annual Trip to Yankee Stadium scheduled for Thursday August 24. The game against the Washington Nationals has a 1:05 pm start. Seats are located in Section 234 on the Main level in Left Field. Easton Coach bus departs from Sacred Heart Church, Bath, PA at 9:00am, with a direct return immediately following the game.

Cost per person is \$112.00 (includes bus and ticket to the game). This trip tends to fill quickly, so make your reservations now by contacting Brother Bud Schuster at bud328@msn.com or (610) 390-8429.

In the Diocese of Allentown, Pennsylvania, Celeste Behe, who home-schooled her nine grown children, created the diocesan St. Monica Ministry, which began in January of this year. The St. Monica Ministry offers prayerful support to families and friends of loved ones who have fallen away. It is open to both men and women and not only parents of prodigal children. There is a support-group aspect through fellowship after Holy Hours and monthly prayer meetings. When Behe's son broke away, she and her husband did not know any other parents of prodigals.

The St. Monica Ministry came about when Bishop Alfred Schlert of the Allentown Diocese asked her to facilitate an event for families in the diocese that were praying for fallen-away loved ones. Every month on the second Wednesday evening is a Holy Hour with a priest, during which all are invited to place lighted candles of petition before the Blessed Sacrament. There is fellowship afterward. The ministry also holds two monthly meetings, where they share resources, recite the Rosary and talk about their struggles and their hope. There is also a book discussion, which currently is about Brandon Vogt's *Return*.

For more information, visit the website at AllentownDiocese.org/stmonicaministry or sign up for the newsletter by emailing StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com. You can also contact Behe at that same email address to request her as a speaker on this topic.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED SOULS WHO PASSED AWAY IN APRIL

4/1 – Guy Gillette ('03), Stephen Kuchera ('06), William Racosky ('07), Verne Bray ('12)	4/17 - Joseph 'Curly' Psarsky ('17), Donald Bittenbender ('16)
4/3 – Ernest Schwab ('08), Joseph Lewis ('16), Marian 'Grace' Royer ('22)	4/18 – Sonia Aviles ('19)
4/4 – George Szep ('98)	4/19 – Gordon Shea, Sr. ('06)
4/5 – Andrew 'Bumper' Robb ('21)	4/20 – William Hoffner ('95), Albert Parry ('11), Neil Wirth ('18)
4/7 – Susan Kosalko ('12), Gertrude Walter ('16)	4/21 – Michael Buchanan ('09)
4/8 – Mary Micklos ('99), Geza 'Reds' Borath ('08)	4/22 – Marie Occelletto ('04), Jeffrey Maurer ('05), Arnold 'Chooch' Follweiler ('11), Matthew 'Mike' Celia ('16)
4/10 – Charles 'Bucky' Boyle ('06), Helen Janscak ('07), Teresa Novatnak ('12), Rose Povalac ('15)	4/23 – Florence Snell ('16)
4/11 – Rudolph Potetz ('97), Elizabeth 'Elsie' Pavlick ('18)	4/24 – Anita Hershman ('05), Luke Schnabel ('10)
4/14 – James Haggerty ('14)	4/26 – George Hornak ('02), Margaret Kushner ('06), Lawrence Drybola ('09), Mary Best ('10), Margaret 'Marjie' Booros ('17)
4/15 – Eva Kern ('08), Maria Andreas ('18), Mary Waters ('19)	4/27 – John 'Ducky' Muscovitch ('00), Elizabeth Osinkosky ('06), Viola Voyden ('11)
4/16 – William Tramontano ('09)	4/28 – Helen Rizzotto ('13)



As the Easter season came around, our Church needed a little extra help to make it look as beautiful as possible. It was then that Dan and Heather Schmidt stepped in and lent their expertise to ensure that our Church was adorned with stunning yellow and white flowers. Their last-minute help truly made a difference and helped to make the Easter service a memorable one for all who attended. It is with great gratitude that we thank Dan and Heather for their hard work and dedication to our Church community. Their generosity and kindness will not be forgotten and we are truly blessed to have individuals like them in our midst.

As we look ahead to the upcoming Christmas season, we are in search of volunteers to form a decorating committee. This important endeavor is not only a way to beautify our Church, but it is also an opportunity to come together and celebrate the spirit of the holiday season. If you have a talent for decorating, or if you simply have the desire to help, we encourage you to consider joining our decorating committee. We welcome volunteers of all skill levels and backgrounds, and if you have talented friends, please bring them along as well!

To express your interest in volunteering, please send an email to the rectory at ourladyhlp@aol.com. We would be thrilled to have you on board and to work together to create a beautiful and memorable Christmas service.

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