

Our Lady Help of Christians Church

We are now twinned with Saints Simon & Jude

A Roman Catholic Parish Community

Rectory:

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Open M/T/Th 10-4:30, Wednesday 9:30-4:30

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PASTOR

Reverend Monsignor William F. Bayer,
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PERMANENT DEACONS

Deacon Reuben H. Hartzell

Deacon Jeffrey R. Trexler,
KCHS, Ph.D., Ch.D.

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

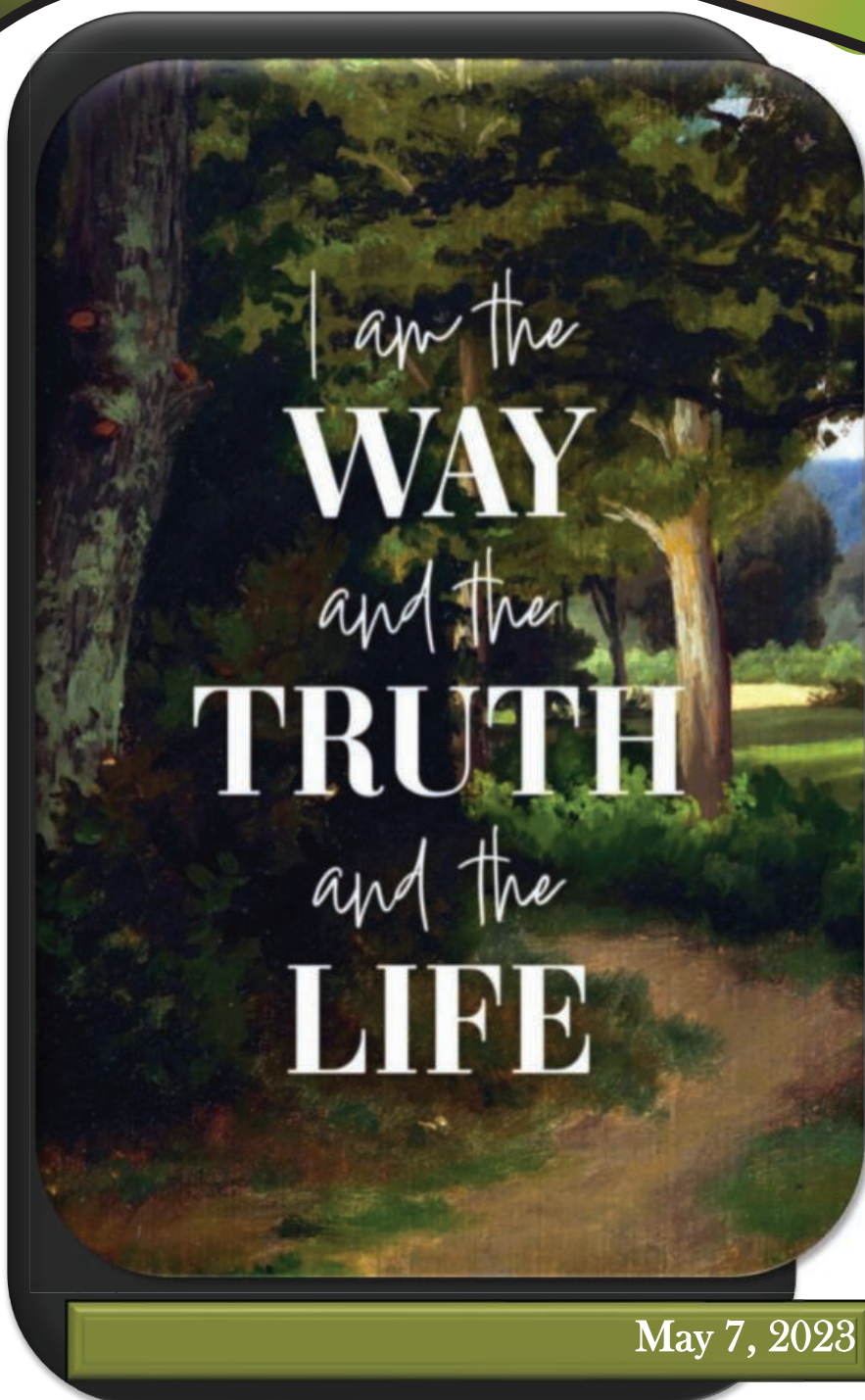
Sunday - 9AM SS&J / 11AM OLHC

VICTIM'S ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

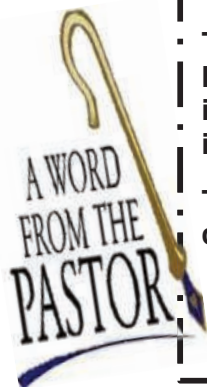
Wendy Krisak, M.A. NCC, LPC
1-800-791-9209 (Direct Line)

SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR

Pamela Russo, MSW, MS
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610-871-5200, Ext 2204



May 7, 2023



Dear Parishioners,

The Fifth Sunday of Easter reminds us that we are a “chosen race, a royal priesthood,” we are called to place our faith and trust in the Spirit of Jesus who guides the community of faith.

Thank you for your continued support of our Building Fund collection. The porch roof has been removed from the second floor of the rectory because of the water damage inside the living room. Now the plan is to replace the porch roof with a new roof to see if that solves the problem. Past patchwork has not alleviated the issue.

The Crowning of Mary will occur next Sunday, May 14th, Mother’s Day. Vera Guzley will do the honors!

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.



You may have gotten our Spring into Action tickets in the Mail. We will also be selling tickets for our “Spring into Action” raffle drawing where a winner will be chosen for both \$25 and \$50 gift card on alternating weeks starting May 14th and ending June 11th. They are \$5 a ticket, buy 5 tickets and get one free! Each week you get the chance to win gift cards from Giant, Redner’s, Wawa, Home Depot and a general VISA card! On the last Sunday, we will “spring” into an additional “summery” grand prize – worth \$125! Check it out in our vestibule!

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

Sunday Offerings, including Second
Collections and Eofferings:

4/30 – \$2,763
Easter – \$5,974

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

From
Sunday
May 7
to

Saturday
May 12
Our
Sanctuary
Lamp Burns

In Memory
Of

Anna Marie
Casciano

and

Helen
Yohe



GOD BLESS YOU ON YOUR BIRTHDAY

5/07 Dave Galbraith

5/08 Anne Ross



The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

We will have Mass on Ascension Thursday,
May 18th, at 9AM at OLHC. At Saints Simon and
Jude, it will be at 12:05PM on Ascension
Thursday, and 6:30PM on the evening before.

PA for Human Life will have Flowers available
for sale after all Masses on Mother's Day
weekend. All donations are used for Pro-life
education--Generation Life speakers, Buses
to the March for Life, Four 40 Days for Life
campaigns, Fair Booth expenses &
brochures, etc. This is their ONLY fundraiser.
Reward every Mom with a beautiful gift and
help save more lives. Thank You.



SUNDAY

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9AM – Mass at Saints Simon & Jude

07

10:40 –
Come
pray the
rosary

11AM – †Richard Shott
R/B Louis & Ellen Shott

†Harley Stewart
R/B Rudy & Esther Györy

MONDAY

8AM – †Bob Whitehead
R/B Maureen Whitehead

08

†Bernadine Potetz
R/B Potetz Family

TUESDAY

09

8AM – Mass at Saints Simon & Jude

WEDNESDAY

10

ST. JOHN OF AVILA

8AM – †José Angel Borrero
R/B Lulu Borrero

THURSDAY

11

8AM – Mass at Saints Simon & Jude

FRIDAY

12

NO 8AM Mass at Saints Simon & Jude

SATURDAY

13

8AM – Mass at Saints Simon & Jude
5PM – Mass at Saints Simon & Jude

SUNDAY

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MOTHER'S DAY

9AM – Mass at Saints Simon & Jude

14

11AM – All Mothers of the Parish
Living or Deceased

Birthday ✱ Support ♦ Anniversary ♥ Memorial †

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Norman & Joan Olsen,
Married 5/7/60 at Sacred Heart Church, Allentown

Eugene & Mary Sebesta,
Married 5/10/58 at Our Lady Help of Christians

John & Marieann Schmitt,
Married 5/12/84 at St. Joseph the Worker, Orefield

We pray that your marriages will continue to be showered with all God's richest blessings!

SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE

Cabbage Takeout

Saturday, May 20th / 4:30 to 6:30 pm pickup
2 homemade cabbage rolls, mashed potatoes, salad, roll & dessert
\$15 – order forms in back of OLHC
Put in our Sunday offertory up to May 14th

Treasures & Treats

Sunday, May 21st / 9 am to 2 pm
Breakfast, Picnic Lunch,
Baked Goods, Nearly New,
Craft Corner, Money Raffle and Basket Raffle

TAI CHI FOR ARTHRITIS IS OFFERED AT LEHIGH COUNTY SENIOR CENTERS BY CERTIFIED INSTRUCTORS

CLASSES ARE FREE!

Tai Chi is a program with gentle movements which can be practiced in both the sitting and standing positions. Medical studies have shown the Tai Chi for Arthritis program to relieve pain for people with arthritis and improve their quality of life, as well as prevent falls for older adults.

NEAREST CLASS – NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN:

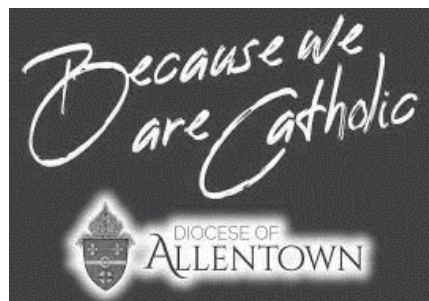
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10AM until 11AM
Call 610-351-1080

Join us for lunch! Call 610-351-1080 by 10:15AM
the day before to make reservations.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED SOULS WHO PASSED AWAY IN MAY

5/1 – Erma Bauer ('03)	5/15 – Michael Spisak ('01), Sidney Harmon ('06) Robert Johnson ('22), Ruth Reisinger ('22)
5/3 – Edward Urban ('09), Robert Helfrich ('10), Mary Hart ('11), Viola Taylor ('12), Thomas Wagner ('16), Anna Bucha ('20)	5/16 – Stanislaw 'Stas' Poplawski ('15), Dolores Harris ('21)
5/4 – Erna Weber ('09)	5/18 – Mary Doklan ('11)
5/5 – Louis Toth ('13), Julius Damweber ('15), Elizabeth 'Betsy' Fry ('18)	5/19 – Morris Nagle ('93), Althea King ('09), Delores Galowitch ('19)
5/7 – Margaret Boyko ('08), Pasquale Lamaestra ('20)	5/20 – Anthony 'Tony' D'Annibale ('20)
5/8 – Stella Notter ('10), Bob Whitehead ('19)	5/27 – Edward Wirth ('07), Mary Flanley ('14)
5/10 – Dolores Shankweiler ('10), Edwin 'Matt' Weber ('15)	5/28 – Catherine Petroll ('17)
5/12 – Mary Hess ('08), Dorothy Sloand ('12)	5/29 – Rosemarie Fritz ('09)
5/13 – Mary Altif ('17)	5/31 – Richard Notter ('03), Joseph Oravec, Sr. ('06)
5/14 – Chester 'Chet' Sikorski ('07)	
5/1 – Erma Bauer ('03)	

2022 BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC APPEAL



BWAC Progress Report for

Monsignor Bayer

Report Date: April 19, 2023

Our Lady Help of Christians, Allentown

Parish Goal:	\$12,319.00
Total Committed:	\$3,284.00
Total Collected:	\$2,784.00
Number of Donors:	30
Average Gift:	\$109.47
# of Registered Families:	203

BWAC Appeal: Diocesan Overview

Total Diocesan Goal:	\$3,800,000.00
Total Committed	\$1,669,542.06
Total Collected	\$1,284,134.06
Number of Donors	5,580
Average Gift	\$295.74
# of Registered Families	93,140

You Are Invited: BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC DAILY MASS

Celebrated by Bishop Schlert

Monday, May 8 – Sacred Heart, Bath – 8 a.m.

Tuesday, May 9 – St. Columbkille, Boyertown – 7 p.m.

Monday, May 22 – Immaculate Conception, Jim Thorpe – 8 a.m.

Thursday, September 14 – St. Clare of Assisi, St. Clair – 9 a.m.

Tuesday, September 19 – Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, Allentown – 8 a.m.

Please RSVP to stewardship@allentowndiocese.org

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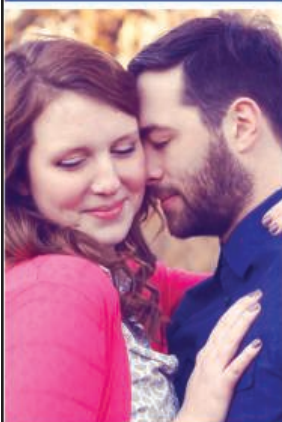
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