

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH



PARISH INFORMATION

Rev. Msgr. Thomas Koons, Pastor
Mrs. Karen Glose, Director of Music
Mrs. Mary LaBianca, Adult Choir Director
Mr. John-Paul Crescenzo, M.Ed., Principal of Good Shepherd Catholic School

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Ms. Joanne Manning, Parish Secretary
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Masses

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday 8:00, 10:30 a.m.
 Weekdays 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days 7:00 p.m. [Vigil]
 8:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
 or by appointment

Baptism

Every Weekend after Mass on request. Baptismal preparation classes are the first Saturday of every month at 10:00 a.m. in the classrooms above the church. Please call the rectory in advance to schedule class attendance and Baptism.

Sponsors

Parishioners need to meet with Msgr. Koons to determine whether they are eligible to serve as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. Please call the rectory.

Marriage

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance to schedule a wedding. Attendance at diocesan Marriage Preparation Classes is required six months prior to the wedding date, as well as three or four sessions with the priest. Current Baptism and Confirmation certificates are needed for the Catholic parties. In the case of previously existing marriages, a death certificate or declaration of nullity is necessary before another marriage can be considered.

Parish Registration

New parishioners living in the parish boundaries are asked to register at the rectory. Please notify the rectory if you change your address or phone number or move out of the parish.

Communion to the Sick

Communion is taken to the sick after the Sunday Masses and on First Fridays. The Anointing of the Sick is celebrated with individual homebound parishioners on First Fridays several times a year. Please call the rectory to request being included on the homebound Communion list.

Please call the rectory when parishioners are admitted to a local hospital.

Parish Activities/Contacts

Adult Education	Msgr. Koons.....	610-262-2559	Lectors	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559
Adult Prayer Group	Vincent Santucci.....	610-262-8428	Ministry to the Sick	Msgr. Koons.....	610-262-2559
Altar Servers	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559	Music Ministry/Choir	Karen Glose.....	610-691-0525
Baptismal Prep Classes	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559	Nthmp Area Food Bank	Bella Skweir.....	610-262-2673
Blood Drive	Deborah Heckenberger...	610-760-9491	Parish Family Picnic	Msgr. Koons.....	610-262-2559
Chi-Rho Volunteers	Jane Spengler.....	610-262-8138	Persons w/Disabilities Rep.	Susan Parker.....	610-262-7343
Church Cleaning Teams	Barbara Pengitore.....	610-262-3193	Prayer Chain	Priscilla Koch.....	610-428-9053
CYO	Tim Gribb	610-762-9072	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Mary LaBianca.....	610-502-0160
Eucharistic Ministers	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559	Pro-Life Activities	Msgr. Koons.....	610-262-2559
Finance Committee	Drew Maron.....	610-393-9126	Religious Education	Susan Parker.....	610-262-7343
Fund Raising	Barbara Pengitore.....	610-262-3193	RENEW Group	Charlie Walsh.....	610-837-0376
Grocery Certificates	GSCS Office.....	610-262-9171	RCIA	Msgr. Koons.....	610-262-2559
Greeters	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559	Ushers	Michael Sommer.....	610-262-7904
Grief Support	Rosemarie Pengitore.....	484-226-0188	Young at Heart	Anna Hudock.....	610-262-3478
Hospitality Committee	Jane Spengler.....	610-262-8138	Youth Activities	Deborah Heckenberger...	610-760-9491
Knights of Columbus Council #4050.....		484-540-5090			

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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 21, 2018

MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

Oct. 22, Monday	8:00 a.m.	†Hilda Bendekovits	M/M James Bodnar
Oct. 23, Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	†William Birocik	Joan Schramel
Oct. 24, Wednesday		NO MASS	
Oct. 25, Thursday	8:00 a.m.	†James Nicosia	Parents, Joy and Sal
Oct. 26, Friday	8:00 a.m.	†Thomas Marakovits	Wife, Ruth, and Family
Oct. 27, Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Health and Blessing – Cindy and Charlie Walsh on the occasion of their 40 th Wedding Anniversary	Family Family
Oct. 28, Sunday	8:00 a.m.	†Jonathan Keller	
	10:30 a.m.	Living and deceased members of our parish	

Next Week's Schedule:	Lector:	Euch. Min.:	Altar Servers:	Greeters:
Oct. 27, Sat. 4:00 p.m.	C. Fisher	L. Assante	N. Bischof/A. Nederostek	L. Bet/P. Schuler
Oct. 28, Sun. 8:00 a.m.	M. Heist	J. Ciecko	N. Millan	N. Birocik/D. Cesanek
10:30 a.m.	D. Heckenberger	M. Sommer	A. Miletics/G. Miletics	H. Stempo/B. Yezzo

SANCTUARY LIGHTS are burning this week in loving memory and for the pious intention of Thomas Marakovits requested by wife, Ruth, and Family.

PLEASE PRAY for God's blessing and gift of good health for all the sick of our parish. Also remember in your prayers Theresa Hutnick and Edward Crocus, father of Jacqueline Saylor, who died recently.

Good News!

October 21, 2018

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Is 53:10–11; Heb 4:14–16; Mk 10:35–45 or Mk 10:42–45

This work is totally Christ-centered, as is our Scripture passage. He is the dominant subject placed dramatically in the center of Correggio's composition, seated on a throne of clouds. His kingdom is not of the world, and neither are his priorities. "Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all" (Mark 10:44).

Jesus is strongly self-confident in his pose, yet sweet and inviting in his facial features. He is a king and a friend. His upper body is set, but his lower body is actively moving forward with his leg stepping toward us. He sits to receive and rule but is willing to step down and wash the soiled feet of his disciples.

It's good to pause and reflect on this Jesus who calls us to follow him. As a man, he preached like no one before or since. Two millennia later we are still talking about him. He possessed such power and dignity that soldiers sent to arrest him wouldn't dare lay hands on him. Kings (Herod), politicians (Pilate), churchmen (Pharisees), lawyers (scribes), civil servants (tax collectors), simple laborers (apostles), soldiers (at the cross), hardened sinners (prostitutes), and the poor were overcome by his compassion, authority, and character. Religious and pagans, men and women, children and the elderly—all were enraptured by his purpose and passion.

This amazing figure is the one who calls you and loves you! Spend time contemplating the beauty and moral integrity of this Jesus and give thanks that he has set his eyes and heart on you.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Calendar:

Monday - October 22

Weekday

Eph 2:1–10 / Lk 12:13–21

Tuesday - October 23

Weekday

Eph 2:12–22 / Lk 12:35–38

Wednesday - October 24

Weekday

Eph 3:2–12

Lk 12:39–48

Thursday - October 25

Weekday

Eph 3:14–21

Lk 12:49–53

Friday - October 26

Weekday

Eph 4:1–6

Lk 12:54–59

Saturday - October 27

Weekday

Eph 4:7–16

Lk 13:1–9

Sunday - October 28

Thirtieth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Jer 31:7–9

Heb 5:1–6

Mk 10:46–52

- Rel. Ed. Classes** : Sundays, 9:00 - 10:05 a.m.
- Prayer Shawl Meeting** : 3rd Tues. of month @ 10 a.m.
- 7th & 8th Grade Rel. Ed.** : Wednesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- Choir Rehearsal** : Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.
- Adult Gathering** : Thurs., October 25, 8:30 a.m.
- Breakfast** : Sunday, October 28
- Baptismal Preparation Class**: Wed., Nov. 7, 5:30 p.m.
- Donut/Giving Sunday** : Sunday, November 11
- Confirmation** : Tuesday, March 12 at 4:30 p.m.

COMMEMORATION OF ALL SOULS: On **Sunday, November 4 (All Souls' Day) at 12:30 p.m.** at our cemetery, we will have a special prayer service to remember the faithful departed, bless the cemetery, and to read the names of those buried/entombed there this past year.



SUNDAY BREAKFAST: Breakfast will be served after both Masses **next Sunday, October 28.** Please support this fundraising effort of the parish and enjoy a hearty, homemade breakfast with your friends. Menu includes: French toast, pancakes, scrambled eggs or omelet, ham, sausage or bacon, hash browns, toast, juice, coffee, tea. Cost \$7.00 adults/\$3.00 children. **Tickets on sale at the door.** Thank you all for supporting this parish fundraiser.



MEMORIAL FLOWERS: The flowers by the altar this week are in memory of James Nicosia. They were donated by his parents, Joy and Sal Nicosia.

ADULT GATHERING: Our BVM Adult Gathering Group will meet again on Thursdays from October 18 to November 15 at 8:30 am. We will view short videos about our "Catholic Faith" and then have a discussion about the subject presented. Please join us each week in the 5th grade classroom!



SLOVAK KOLACH SALE: Your Christmas Slovak Kolach orders are due by November 25. Please complete the form **in this week's bulletin** (October 20/21) and return it with your payment as soon as possible. **The cost is \$16.00 each.**

Additional order forms will be available in the church vestibule. Order pick up is scheduled for Saturday, December 8 and Sunday, December 9.



CEMETERY VIGIL LIGHTS will be available in the church social hall now thru October 31. We ask a donation of \$2.50 per candle to cover expenses.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

Name _____

Street _____

City _____

Phone No. _____

Check One:

New Registration Change of Address

Moving out of Parish Request Envelopes

Request envelopes (returned home from college)

Please drop in the collection basket or mail to the Rectory

A NIGHT AT THE RACES: The countdown is on for our big Night at the Races Good Shepherd Catholic School fundraiser on November 3! We had a great time last year and are looking to make this year bigger and better with your help. We will be selling tickets before and after all masses next weekend, October 27/28. Stop by and buy your tickets or a horse for the race. Cost is \$20 per ticket. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. Food will be served at 6:30 p.m. Racing begins at 7:00 p.m. You must be 21 years or over for this special event!

HUGE BASKET PARTY: Holy Trinity Church, 4456 Main St., Whitehall will be having a Basket Party with over 300 amazing prizes on **Saturday, October 27, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, October 28, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** Drawing will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday. You do not need to be present to win. Tickets: 25 for a \$5.00 donation and will be on sale at the door. Great homemade food and baked goods will be on sale! Questions or for more information please call 610-262-9315 or 610-533-2794.

MEN'S CONFERENCE: Spiritual Combat: Armed with the Spirit – This year's Diocesan Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, November 3, 2018, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at DeSales University. The day will include keynote addresses, exhibits and a Vigil Mass with The Most Reverend Alfred A. Schlert, Bishop of Allentown. Continental breakfast and lunch are included. General Admission is \$40 and the High School/College rate is \$15. For more information or to register visit www.allentowndiocese.org/mens-conference. Questions can be directed to mensconference@allentowndiocese.org or (610) 289-8900, Ext. 2028.

FLOOD RELIEF COLLECTION: Hurricane Florence has left much devastation in its wake. It will take months, even years, for portions of Georgia and the Carolinas to recover because of damage done to businesses, homes and agriculture. The Gulf Coast and adjacent areas have been affected by Hurricane Michael, which meteorologists have determined to be the most powerful hurricane at the point of landfall to hit the United States in many years. To aid our brothers and sisters in these regions, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has called for a special collection across the U.S., to be taken up on the weekend of **October 27-28**, as authorized by **Bishop Schlert** for our Diocese. We will have a special second collection next weekend, October 27-28.

SAVE ALUMINUM PULLTABS: Save the pull tabs from cans of soda and bring them to the church. Place them in the receptacle in the lobby of the church. Tabs will be taken to the Ronald McDonald House in Philadelphia. The tabs are recycled and generate income to defray the cost of running the Ronald McDonald House, where parents of chronically ill children stay while their children are being treated in nearby hospitals.

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BREAKFAST



Sunday, October 28, 2018



TICKETS WILL BE SOLD
AT THE DOOR ONLY

ADULTS \$7.00

CHILDREN \$3.00

MENU

French Toast

Pancakes

Scrambled Eggs & Hash Brown

Choice of: Sausage, Bacon or Ham

Omelet your way & Hash Brown

Cheese Steak Omelet & Hash Brown

Includes: Juice, Toast, Coffee or Tea