

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH



PARISH INFORMATION

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Masses

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00, 10:30 a.m.
Monday & Friday 8:00 a.m.
Tue., Wed. & Thu. 7:00 a.m.

Holy Days 7:00 p.m. [Vigil]
6:45 a.m.; 8:00 a.m.

Confessions

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

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 are always welcome and are asked to register at the rectory. Please notify the rectory if you change your address, phone number, or move out of the parish.

Communion to the Sick

Communion is taken to the sick after the Sunday Masses and during the month. The Anointing of the Sick is celebrated with individual homebound parishioners several times a year or at your request. 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.

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 23/24, 2021**

Daily Masses

Oct. 25, Monday	8:00 a.m. †Frank Kedl	Son, Frank, and Family
Oct. 26, Tuesday	7:00 a.m. †Thomas Marakovits	Wife, Ruth
Oct. 27, Wednesday	7:00 a.m. †Dorothy Schisler	Son, Art
Oct. 28, Thursday	7:00 a.m. †Joseph and Mary Myirski	Family
Oct. 29, Friday	8:00 a.m. †John and Mary Wanisko	John and Elizabeth Kuchera
Oct. 30, Saturday	4:00 p.m. †Nicola Mancino	Daughter, Luisa Assante and Family
Oct. 31, Sunday	8:00 a.m. Living and deceased parishioners	
	10:30 a.m. †Raymond Doiron	Bella and Mike Skweir

Next Week's Schedule:

Oct. 30, Sat. 4:00 p.m.
Oct. 31, Sun. 8:00 a.m.
 10:30 a.m.

Lector:

Mary Ellen Schwartz
Marge Heist
Deb Heckenberger

Euch. Min.:

Conrad Marth
Joseph Ciecko
Joy Nicosia

Altar Servers:

Anthony Colandrea
Samuel Kroll
Ava Miletics

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

Please pray for God's blessings and the gift of good health for the sick people of our parish. Also remember in your prayers Ernest Cser, brother of Joseph Cser, who died recently.

Good News!

October 24, 2021
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Jer 31:7–9; Heb 5:1–6; Mk 10:46–52

After the previous Sunday's focus on suffering, today's readings depict excitement. Refugees are coming home. They had been locked away and now they are free. These were vulnerable people that others did not value. Now they are going home. They have been gathered in God's embrace. Who wouldn't rejoice?

The Gospel tells of one man who is blind and begging. However, his blindness did not prevent him from seeing. He seems to have known who Jesus was and that Jesus could help him. And so, he cries out, "Have pity on me" (Mark 10:47). This man was begging outside of the city. Because of his blindness, he was shunned and rendered unemployable. All that was left for him was to beg—and beg he did. Not for money, but for sight. Jesus very clearly tells him that his faith saved him. Only then was the man healed. He had believed that Jesus has the power of new life. Like the people in the first reading, he was given a chance for a new life. No longer was he an outcast; he could now join the community. No longer was he confined to begging. He could now flourish in life.

These are not merely awe-inspiring stories. As disciples we have been called to continue Jesus' ministry in our lives—to embrace those who are lost and help them find the warmth and security of home. We are called to help those struggling with life's hardships to see the compassion of Jesus.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Calendar

Monday – October 25

Weekday
Rom 8:12–17 / Lk 13:10–17

Tuesday – October 26

Weekday
Rom 8:18–25
Lk 13:18–21

Wednesday – October 27

Weekday
Rom 8:26–30 / Lk 13:22–30

Thursday – October 28

Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles
Eph 2:19–22
Lk 6:12–16

Friday – October 29

Weekday
Rom 9:1–5
Lk 14:1–6

Saturday – October 30

Weekday
Rom 11:1–2a, 11–12, 25–29
Lk 14:1, 7–11

Sunday – October 31

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 6:2–6
Heb 7:23–28
Mk 12:28b–34

Rel. Ed. Classes Sundays, 9:00 – 10:05 a.m.
7th & 8th Grade Rel. Ed. .. Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
First Friday Adoration.... after 8:00 Mass
Prayer Shawl Meeting.... 3rd Tues. of month @ 10 a.m.
Adoration..... Wednesdays after Mass
Choir Rehearsal..... Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.
Cemetery Blessing Sun., October 31, 12:00 p.m.



Commemoration Of All Souls: Next Sunday, **October 31, at 12:00 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.

Slovak Kolach Sale: Your Christmas Slovak Kolach orders are due by November 28. Please complete the form 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 11 and Sunday, December 12.



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.

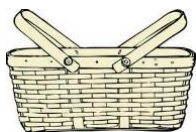


Filling Sale: Need any Filling for Thanksgiving?? Assumption B.V.M. Fund Raising Committee will be selling 2lb containers for \$9.00 each. Deadline for orders

will be Sunday, November 7. Pick up will be on Tuesday, November 23. Please call Jane Spengler at 610-262-8138 to order or for more information.

Volunteers are needed to help prepare the filling. On Sunday, November 21, 3:00 p.m.; Monday, November 22 at 9:00 a.m. and Tuesday, November 23 at 8:00 a.m. Please call Jane Spengler at 610-262-8138 for more information.

Cemetery Vigil Lights will be available in the church social hall next weekend. We ask a donation of \$2.50 per candle to cover expenses.



Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 4456 Main St., Whitehall, will hold their annual **Basket Party** this weekend, Saturday, **October 23** from **10am-7pm** and Sunday, **October 24** from **8am-1pm.**

Tickets - 25 for \$5 on sale at the door. Homemade food and baked goods will be on sale for Take Out **only.** Only committee members will be present for the drawing. Winners will be called and prizes will be available for pickup Sunday (October 24) evening and Monday (October 25) afternoon.



The Northampton Area Food Bank is looking for donations of Turkeys to distribute to needy families for Thanksgiving. Anyone interested in donating a turkey is asked to call the

church rectory between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Monday - Friday at 610-262-2559. Also, needed to complete the Thanksgiving dinners are: canned cranberry sauce, Stove Top Stuffing, canned green beans and canned or boxed potatoes.

St. Elizabeth Credit Union – Hiring part-time position, 20-25 hours per week, including Friday evening until 6:30. Must be able to maintain strict confidentiality and have general computer knowledge – Word & Excel helpful. Accounting/bookkeeping, financial and customer service experience a plus. Send resume to office@stelizcu.net or call 610-262-3772.

VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

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. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church.

Victim Assistance Coordinator
 DIRECT TELEPHONE NUMBER
 1-800-791-9209

Email: victimsassistance@allentowndiocese.org

To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, please visit www.allentowndiocese.org and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner of the page.

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Holy Trinity Catholic Church

4456 Main St. Whitehall, PA (Egypt)

Call 610-262-9315 or 610-533-2794 for information

Directions to Holy Trinity: Take MacArthur Rd (145 N) to light at Rt 329.
Take left at Rt 329 to the next light. Holy Trinity is on the left.

Saturday, October 23

10 AM to 7 PM

Sunday, October 24

8 AM to 1 PM

Tickets: 25 for \$5.00, on sale at door.

****Only basket party committee may be present for drawing****

Prizes will be available for pickup Sunday evening and
Monday afternoon. Winners will be called.

Great homemade food and baked goods on sale!

****TAKE OUT ONLY****

We will follow CDC guidelines at the time of the event.

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Sunday, November 14, 2021



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Northampton, PA 18067
610-262-2559

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Forms are included in the Sunday Bulletin.

Place your order WITH PAYMENT in the Sunday Collection or drop off at the Rectory.

IMPORTANT:

Deadline for Orders: Sunday, November 28

Pick-up: After Mass in Church Social Hall:

Saturday December 11

Sunday December 12

THANK YOU

