

# 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  
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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**  
**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 13/14, 2021**

**Daily Masses**

Nov. 15, Monday	8:00 a.m.	†Members of Our Memorial Fund	
Nov. 16, Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	†John Rossi	Thomas and Barbara Bandle
Nov. 17, Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	†Anna Hartzell	M/M Frank Marano
Nov. 18, Thursday	7:00 a.m.	†Anna Rodick	Daughter, Rita Pavlick, and Family
Nov. 19, Friday	8:00 a.m.	†Gloria Wyckoff	Bennett Family
Nov. 20, Saturday	4:00 p.m.	†Paul Kovach, Sr.	Family
Nov. 21, Sunday	8:00 a.m.	†Marco Rossini	Family
	10:30 a.m.	Living and deceased parishioners	

**Next Week's Schedule: Lector:**

Nov. 20, Sat. 4:00 p.m. Susan Parker

Nov. 21, Sun. 8:00 a.m. Thomas Kovalchik  
 10:30 a.m. Edward Hozza

**Euch. Min.:**

Luisa Assante

Conrad Marth  
 Joy Nicosia

**Altar Servers:**

Andrew Nederostek

Samuel Kroll  
 Gerald Miletics

**Sanctuary Lights** are burning this week in loving memory and for the pious intention of Paul Kovach, Sr. requested by Family.

**Please pray** for God's blessings and the gift of good health for the sick people of our parish.

# Good News!

November 14, 2021

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)  
 Dn 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

**I**n Those Days...This phrase is frequently found in the writings of the prophets. While it sometimes points to a future time of peace and happiness, it often portends imminent fear and trembling, as it does in today's readings. Both Daniel and Jesus speak of the suffering that will precede the end of the world. This suffering is often called the "birth pangs of the Messiah" (Matthew 24:8; Mark 13:8; John 16:21). This apt metaphor includes both life-threatening distress and wondrous joy over new birth. Pain and subsequent happiness are both described in today's readings.

The author of Daniel may be referring to the end of the whole world but is probably also presenting that in terms of the end of his own world, which would have included the suffering and even death of Jews who remained faithful under persecution. Some interpreters suggest Jesus is speaking similarly. That is, he is using a familiar figure of speech that characterizes suffering as birth pangs. According to this metaphor, there might be terrible suffering, but at the end there is utter happiness.

Both Daniel and Jesus seek to encourage their hearers to remain faithful even in the face of torment, for new life can come out of such suffering. This is a message we all need to hear. Suffering is a reality in every life. How do we endure it? Does it sour us, break us down? Or do we come out of it new people, more sensitive and understanding? It is up to us.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

## Calendar

**Monday – November 15**

Weekday

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63  
 Lk 18:35-43

**Tuesday – November 16**

Weekday

2 Mc 6:18-31  
 Lk 19:1-10

**Wednesday – November 17**

St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31  
 Lk 19:11-28

**Thursday – November 18**

Weekday

1 Mc 2:15-29  
 Lk 19:41-44

**Friday – November 19**

Weekday

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59  
 Lk 19:45-48

**Saturday – November 20**

Weekday

1 Mc 6:1-13  
 Lk 20:27-40

**Sunday – November 21**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Dn 7:13-14  
 Rv 1:5-8

Jn 18:33b-37

**Rel. Ed. Classes** ..... Sundays, 9:00 – 10:05 a.m.  
**7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Rel. Ed.** .. Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
**First Friday Adoration....** after 8:00 Mass  
**Prayer Shawl Meeting....** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues. of month @ 10 a.m.  
**Adoration.....** Wednesdays after Mass  
**Choir Rehearsal.....** Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.

**Baptism:** The parish community joyfully welcomes Lucille Rose Sauerzopf, daughter of Ross and Kaitlin Sauerzopf, who was Baptized into our faith this past Sunday. We will pray that she will continue to grow in the grace and love of God our Father.



**Memorial Flowers:** The flowers by the altar this week are in memory of Leonard Fry. They were donated by his wife, Ann.

### Filling Sale

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 peeling potatoes on Friday, November 19 at 8:30 a.m. Bring your favorite peeler.**

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.



**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.



**Stocking Stuffer:** Need a stocking stuffer? Or just a little something to add to a gift for that special person? The Parish Fund Raising Committee is sponsoring a monthly lottery calendar for January 2022. The calendars are \$5 each and the winners are based on the **evening daily** Pennsylvania Lottery number. Calendars will be on sale before Mass the weekends of November 20/21, November 27/28, December 4/5, 11/12 and 18/19. Calendars must be purchased prior to January 1, 2022.



**Remember the Needy:** Please take a tag from the "Giving Tree" which is located in the Church vestibule starting this weekend, November 13/14. The tags list items needed by the Catholic Charities Office to care for the needs of babies and their families. **Please place your unwrapped gifts under the tree by December 10** and we will take them to the Catholic Charities office.

**Local Poverty Relief Collection:** The annual collection diocesan poverty relief collection will be taken up **this weekend, November 13/14.** The collection is used to support local groups and organizations that assist the poor here in the diocese. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. There is an envelope in your packet for this special collection.



**Good Shepherd Catholic School** will hold a Fall Open House on Saturday, November 20th from 10am - 11am. Tours will be arranged for families interested in Preschool (3 years old), Pre-K (4 years old) and Kindergarten. For more information, please call the school at 610-262-9171 or email Mrs. Tripaldi at [mrstripaldigscs@gmail.com](mailto:mrstripaldigscs@gmail.com).

**Diocesan Men's Conference:** Register today to see Jess Romero, The Catholic Man Show and David Abel *at I Am The Bread of Live – Believe and Receive*, the 10th annual Allentown Diocese Men's Conference on Saturday, November 20, 2021 at DeSales University. Registration is \$25 per person. Register at [www.MenAliveInChrist.org](http://www.MenAliveInChrist.org) **Registration Deadline is today, November 14.**

**Redner's Save-A-Tape Program:** Please keep saving your Redner's Save-A-Tape Receipts by using your Save-A-Tape Card. If you don't have one, just ask the cashier during your next shopping trip. Our church receives 1% for items you purchase, just by turning in your receipts. **So far this year we have received \$2,480.38. Just think, that's almost \$2,500.00** received from pieces of paper you would normally throw in the garbage. Please place your **full receipts** in the containers located in the church vestibule. **We need the WHOLE receipt**, not just the bottom portion of the receipt. **See the letter from Redner's Markets, Inc. posted on the bulletin boards for more information.** Thank You!

**Home Aide available:** Woman available and seeking to assist with elderly (65+) in home: light cleaning, errands, laundry, transport to doctors, cooking. Call 267-374-1812. References available. \$20.00/hr.

**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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TO SIGN UP  
FOR A TIME SLOT  
OR JUST DROP IN!**

Meet our Principal and Administrators.  
Tour with our Student Ambassadors.  
Learn about our clubs and activities.

*Please contact Mrs. Meskill, our  
Admissions Director, at [cmeskill@acchs.info](mailto:cmeskill@acchs.info)  
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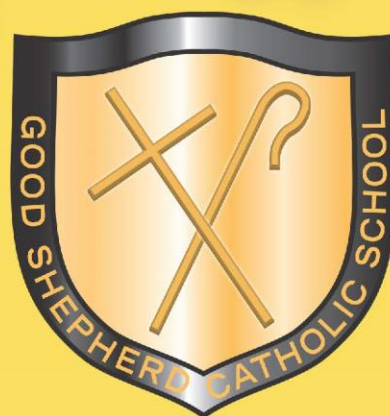
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**ENROLL TODAY FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR!**

# GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## Open House



NOVEMBER 20TH, 2021  
10AM - 11AM

Come learn more about our highly regarded Preschool, Pre-K, and Kindergarten programs at Good Shepherd Catholic School!

- Meet our caring & dedicated faculty & staff
- Walk through our classrooms and hear more about both our Full & Half day programs
- Register and secure your child's spot for next school year!

1300 Newport Ave.  
Northampton, PA 18067

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MRSTRIPALDIGSCS@GMAIL.COM  
610-262-9171

[www.goodshepherd-catholic.com](http://www.goodshepherd-catholic.com)



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church  
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610-262-2559

# 2021 Hand Rolled Slovak Kolach Sale

**Apple**  
**Apricot**  
**Coconut Cream**  
**English Walnut**  
**Lekvar (Prune)**  
**Poppy Seed**  
**Pumpkin Cheese**  
**Seedless Red Raspberry**

**\$16.00 each**

Baked and prepared by Country Cottage Bake Shop Tamaqua, PA 18252

*Forms are included in the Sunday Bulletin.*

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

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## **IMPORTANT:**

**Deadline for Orders: Sunday, November 28**

**Pick-up: After Mass in Church Social Hall:**

**Saturday December 11**

**Sunday December 12**

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*THANK YOU*

# 2021 CHRISTMAS FUND RAISING: HAND ROLLED SLOVAK KOLACH ORDER FORM

Assumption BVM Church, Northampton

**\$16.00 each (PAYMENT WITH ORDER)**

**AP = Apple**

**A = Apricot**

**CC = Coconut Cream**

**N = English Walnut**

**L = Lekvar (prune)**

**P = Poppy Seed**

**PC = Pumpkin Cheese**

**R = Red Raspberry**

**SELLER (NAME and PHONE NUMBER):**

**Quantity each**

Name	Phone Number	AP	A	CC	N	L	P	PC	R	Total	Cash	Check number & date
		Apple	Apricot									

**DEADLINE FOR ORDERS: Sunday, November 28th**

**AP      A      CC      N      L      P      PC      R      Total**

**PICK-UP: Saturday, December 11th and Sunday, December 12th**