



## Mass Intentions

### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 21, 2017

#### Saturday—Jan 21<sup>st</sup> –

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Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Antone Zukowski  
by Wife, Frances

7:00PM – Rev. Joseph James Campion  
by Billie and McCarty Families

#### Sunday – Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> –

8:30AM – Homer Collis  
by Wife Agnes and Family

10:30AM – Richard J. Longenhagen, Sr. (A)  
by Pauline Longenhagen

#### Monday – Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> –The Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of Unborn Children

8:00AM – Rev. John Philip Conte  
by Rev. Eric J. Gruber

#### Tuesday – Jan 24<sup>th</sup> – St Francis de Sales

8:00AM – Martha and Peter Garber  
by Nancy Les and Max Garber Hirsch

##### *Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass*

#### Wednesday – Jan 25<sup>th</sup> – Conversion of St Paul

6:00PM – Richard Pontician, Sr.  
by Dougherty Family

#### Thursday – Jan 26<sup>th</sup> – Ss Timothy and Titus

8:00AM – Sr. Eileen Kantz  
by Pauline's Renew Group

#### Friday – Jan 27<sup>th</sup> – St Angela Merici

8:00AM – Louis A. Yurasits  
by Irene Laubach

#### Saturday—Jan 28<sup>th</sup> – St Thomas Aquinas

8:00AM – All St. John Fisher Parishioners

##### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Joseph Zoeller (A)  
by Kim and Carmella Meyer

7:00PM – Delight M. Casciano  
by Rudolph and Donna Zastko

#### Sunday – Jan 29<sup>th</sup> –

8:30AM – Bernie and Tommy Dougherty  
by Ruthi and Kathleen

10:30AM – Elsie Kroboth (L) Health  
by Daughters

# PASTOR'S CORNER

## A Prayer

God of all the living,  
To Whom all are alive,  
Praise and thanksgiving be yours in our lives!  
Out of nothing You have called us into being  
and knit us in our mothers' wombs. With all  
our ways You are familiar; we cannot escape  
your love for us, save to reject the gift of life  
You are giving us.

We pray You, O Father,  
Wrest the indifference from our minds and  
hearts that causes us to ignore the violence  
done toward human life in the womb and in  
the name of a false mercy in our last days.  
Give us new hearts and new minds, and the  
courage to use them, to reverence our own  
lives in the proper feeding, exercising and  
activities of our bodies and our souls. May  
we celebrate each day as the gift that it is; and  
our every breath as grace.

When we see human lives as statistics, objects  
or tools, shake us, Lord, to correct our vision.  
When we acknowledge the dignity of  
someone only from a distance and not  
personally, wake us, Lord, to love You in  
them. When we are entertained by violence,  
share with us, O Lord, your wounds, that our  
suffering may humanize us once again.

Finally, Lord, free us from the constraints of  
this-worldly concerns, and help us to share  
our gift of human life and divine life for your  
glory and for our salvation. May our own  
helplessness and weakness help us to find  
You in a manger, in a little home in Nazareth,  
on the dusty roads of Galilee, carrying the  
cross through Jerusalem, laid lifeless in the  
tomb, and so come to recognize You with  
Mary Magdelene in the garden of the  
resurrection.



**Pray the Rosary each Sunday**

8:15AM and 10:15AM

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pray for the unborn and their parents,  
Fr. Eric.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection

\$2,785.00



### NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
<b>4:00PM</b>	A.Muschko A.Urban	J.McAllister	C.Molchany
<b>7:00PM</b>	L.Ruda N.Ruda	J.Englert	J.Ottinger
<b>8:30AM</b>	D.Popovic M.Popovic	E.Snyder	C.Hetzel
<b>10:30AM</b>	C.Ritter M.Ritter	K.McCloskey	F.Hutterer



Please remember in your prayers **Helen Sidor**, who passed away and was buried this past week.

May her soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

## SANTA'S WISH-LIST



HO! HO! HO! We would like to thank yet another one of our parishioners for their gift of **\$100.00**, in memory of dad, who would be celebrating his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

# Thank You

Thank you so much for all the cards for my 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday! It brightened my day and filled it with love from all of you.  
Aggie Chabak



In case of bad weather or last minute cancelations, please check our Parish Website at [www.stjohnfisherparish.com](http://www.stjohnfisherparish.com).

## Charismatic Mass of Healing

Holy Ghost Church, 417 Carlton Avenue in Bethlehem will have a Charismatic Mass of Healing and Anointing of the Sick on **Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**. Rev. Clifton E. Bishop, Jr. will be the celebrant and homilist. Adoration and Confessions will be held from 6:00pm to 6:55pm.

## Good Shepherd Catholic School



Catholic Schools Week Open House will be held on **Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, from 10:30am to 12:30pm**.

Good Shepherd is also now enrolling students in Preschool, Pre-K, full day Kindergarten, and Grades 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> for the **2017-2018** school year. Call 610.262.9171 or email [mrspoccia@ptd.net](mailto:mrspoccia@ptd.net) for information.

## Save the Date

**Saturday, April 1, 2017**, will be St. John Fisher's second annual Parish Retreat, and will be held at the St. Michael's Retreat Center on Main Street in Northampton. This retreat is for anyone 18 years and older. More information to follow.

## REDNER'S TAPES

We thank all our parishioners who faithfully do their food shopping at Redner's. By placing your tapes in the collection basket, we have received a check from Redner's in the amount of **\$118.32**. Thank you!

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Will hold its' Tenth Annual Gala, on **Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30pm** at The DeSales University Center, Center Valley. Reverend Monsignor Walter T. Scheaffer, pastor of St. Mary Church, Kutztown, and Anne Jaendl and Jaendl Family Farms, will be honored for their contributions in helping the poor in the Diocese of Allentown. To receive an invitation, become a sponsor or place an ad in the program book, please contact Julie Scheck at 610-871-5200, ext. 216 or [jscheck@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:jscheck@allentowndiocese.org). Information is posted on [www.catholiccharityAD.org](http://www.catholiccharityAD.org).

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## 2016 CONTRIBUTION FORMS

Please fill out this tear-off form to request your 2016 contribution form and place in the collection basket. All forms will be mailed out by the end of January.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ENV # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

## SLOVAK FOUNDATION

It is our privilege to continue to offer St. John Fisher parishioners of Slovak ethnic backgrounds the opportunity to give to the Slovak Federation. It had been the annual custom to hold a collection at St. Andrew's on the feasts of Ss. Cyril and Methodius in February, but this year envelopes for this collection -- benefitting the unifying and promotion of Slovak ethnic identity for second, third, fourth generations and beyond, -- can be picked up at the doors of the Church and deposited in any Sunday collection of January or February.

### Children's Eucharistic Celebration

The next monthly Eucharistic Adoration for children will be hosted at **St. John the Baptist, (Stiles) in Whitehall, on the First Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00pm to 8:00pm.** We will be praying the Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Rosary, which has been approved by the Catholic Church, including an Apostolic blessing from Pope Francis and a special Blessing from Pope John Paul II. We hope to see you there! Parents are also welcome.

### LOW IMPACT AEROBIC CLASS



Looking for a night out with friends? Karen Hoff is offering 8 weeks of aerobics on **Tuesday nights, from March 7<sup>th</sup> to April 25<sup>th</sup>, starting at 6:00pm, in St Elizabeth's parish hall.**

The cost is only \$20.00 per person for **the entire 8 weeks**, which includes 50 minutes of aerobic exercises followed by 30 minutes of toning and floor exercises for all who wish to stay. Just bring a towel or mat for the floor exercises. Feel free to bring light weights as well. **Registration deadline is March 1<sup>st</sup>.** Please contact Mary Spieker at 610-266-0695 or [dirreled@sercc.org](mailto:dirreled@sercc.org). **Bring a friend!**

## ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Thomas, from Aquino, Italy, began studying at the nearby Benedictine abbey at the age of five. Destined by his family for a life as an abbot, at age nineteen, he decided instead to enter the newly formed Order of Preachers. As a Dominican, Thomas distinguished himself first as a student of Albert the Great and later as a master teaching at Paris. His Summa Theologiae is a masterful synthesis of faith and reason, and the classic text for Catholic education, of which Thomas is the patron. Thomas was named the Angelic Doctor in 1567, a title that, according to Pope Benedict XVI, expresses, "the sublimity of his thought and the purity of his life."  
~Magnificat, January, 2017

## FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

### St. John the Baptist Church 924 N. Front St, Allentown

Their all you can eat Spaghetti Dinner will be held on **Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> from 3:00pm to 7:00pm.** Tickets are only \$9.00 a person.

Their Valentine's Sweetheart Dance will be held on **Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> from 7:00pm to 10:00pm.** Tickets are \$5.00 a person, and the kitchen will be open.

Their Meat Bingo will be held on **Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm.** Doors and kitchen open at 12:00 Noon. Questions, call Bill Drost at 610-432-3505.

### Salem UCC, 615 Third St., Catty

Their Soup, Salad and Sweets will be held on **Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am to 2:00pm.** A variety of soups: Ham and Bean, Chili, Beef Vegetable, Chicken Corn Chowder, Chicken Orzo; Salad and Desserts. Take out is available. Any questions, call, 610-264-4091.

Their Mardi Gras Flea Market will be held on **Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 1:00pm.** Join us for food, flea market, basket raffle, fun and games.