

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

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Established December 31, 1906



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 22, 2023



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come after me, and I will make you fishers
of men." - Mt 4:19

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: Active parish membership is both necessary and helpful to all involved when seeking sponsorship certificates, Marriage or Baptism preparations. Please call the rectory at 610.432.0034 or email stjohnbaptistpa@gmail.com to register or to report address or phone number changes.

MARRIAGE: Engaged couples must contact a priest at least 6 months in advance of the requested wedding date in order to make proper arrangements for the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program.

BAPTISM: Parents please email the Rectory Office at stjohnbaptistpa@gmail.com 3-4 months prior to expected birth of your child to register for the Baptism and Baptism Prep Class.

HOSPITAL VISITS: Please have someone notify the Rectory when you or a family member is hospitalized.

PAST PASTORS:

Rev. Msgr. Robert F. Kozel

Rev. Dominik P. Kalata

Very Rev. Dr. Robert B. Kosek, C.R.S.P. (Barnabite)

Rev. Gregory R. Karpyn

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday -9:00AM—2:00PM

Office Closed - Saturday, Sunday, Holy Day and Holidays

DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN:

Please visit website at www.allentowndiocese.org/

Please read St. John's current and past bulletins online by just logging on to: WWW.PARISHESONLINE.COM

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VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC

To speak directly to the V.A. Coordinator please call:

DIRECT LINE ~ 1-800-791-9209

SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR

Ms. Pamela Russo, M.S.W., M.S.

610-871-5200 Ext. 2204

prusso@allentowndiocese.org

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 22, 2023 ~Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 +**Maria Kolesar** by *M/M Villiam Choma*

Monday, January 23, 2023

8:00AM +**Margaret Fetchko** by *Kevie Niland*

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 ~ St. Francis de Sales

8:00AM +**Margaret Fetchko** by *Kevie Niland*

Wednesday, January 25, 2023 ~ Conversion of St. Paul

8:00AM + **Margaret Fetchko** by *Kevie Niland*

Thursday, January 26, 2023 ~ St. Timothy

8:00AM +**Margaret Fetchko** by *Kevie Niland*

Friday, January 27, 2023 ~ St. Angela Merici

8:00AM +**Margaret Fetchko** by *Kevie Niland*

Saturday, January 28, 2023 St. Thomas Aquinas

4:00PM ~ **Health & Blessings for Lisa & David Capece on their 40th Wedding Anniversary** By *Children*

Sunday, January 29, 2023 ~ Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00AM **Health & Blessings for Francis Lagbo & Family** by *Labram Family*

SANCTUARY LIGHT OFFERINGS

\$5 Mary & Stephen Panik by *Children*

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Family of St. John the Baptist Catholic Community called by God and redeemed by Jesus Christ to be holy through the celebration of Mass and the Sacraments; to be faithful through Prayer, Scripture and Worship; to be Ministers and Witnesses with our Time, Talent, and Treasure; seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in all things as we move forward on our journey to Eternity.”

DO NOT FORGET TO PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING OF THE PARISH
Especially those in the hospitals and nursing facilities. Also, for those confined to their homes with an illness or disability.

MASS SCHEDULES:

8:00AM ~ Daily (Monday to Friday)

4:00PM ~ Saturday

9:00AM ~ Sunday

Vigil 7:00PM & Noon— Holy Days of Obligation

CONFESSIONS:

Before 8:00AM Mass ~ Monday to Friday or

Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 PM



Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 1-800-276-1562

PARISH STAFF

PASTOR: *Rev. Speratus Kamanzi, AJ*

BUSINESS MANAGER: *Karen Feiller*

SECRETARY: *Mrs. Pat Noga*

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY: *Mrs. Lisa Capece*

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON: *Miss Amy Zvitkovitz*

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT: *Mr. William Drost*

WELCOMING MINISTRY: *Mrs. Pat Noga*

SEXTON: *Judith Smith*

LECTOR COORDINATOR & SAFE

ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR: *Mrs. Michele Mrazik Grasso*

WE WELCOME ALL VISITORS TO OUR CELEBRATION



While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Catholics, our non-Catholic guests are welcome to receive a blessing from the priest or deacon during Communion. Join the Communion line with your arms crossed over your chest to receive your blessing. **GOD BLESS!**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

“The Lord is my light and my salvation.”

A REPORT ON OUR STEWARDSHIP

TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION	January 15, 2023	July 1, 2022 to Date
	\$3,563	\$98,967

**GIFT CARD RAFFLE CALENDAR
APRIL 2023
\$10**

St. John's is again sponsoring a gift card raffle calendar for the month of April. We will only have 500 numbered calendars available. A number will be drawn each day during the month of April and winners will be notified. Prizes will be mailed to the winners or can be picked up in the Rectory. Only the numbers that are purchased will be available for the drawing. Calendars will be available for sale beginning February 5th.

If you wish to donate a gift card for this calendar, you can drop it in the basket at Mass or at the Rectory before February 5th. The money raised will be used for any unforeseen

\$100 Donation by **David & Lisa Capece** on the occasion of their 40th Wedding Anniversary. May God continue to bless you with many more happy, healthy years.

**HELPER'S PILGRIMAGE
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2023**

Please join the Helpers of God's Precious Infants at a Prayer Pilgrimage for the unborn and all those involved in abortion. The pilgrimage begins with Mass at 8:00AM at Notre Dame Church of Bethlehem, 1861 Catasauqua Rd. and continues with the Rosary at the abortion facility located at 31 South Commerce Way in the Bethlehem Industrial Park. The Mission: That through prayer, peaceful presence, and fasting we may be God's instruments in the salvation of souls, so that innocent lives will be saved from abortion. Be part of the call to bring God's everlasting, unconditional love to those involved in abortion that their hearts may be converted and receive God's gift of life with joy.

PARISH EVENTS/UPDATES

February 4 - Dance "Chasband" 7-10PM
February 7- Auxiliary Meeting - 7 PM
February 16 - Knitters & Crocheters - 11AM-1PM
February 19 - Bingo - Doors open at 12PM. Bingo

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

If you need a financial statement for 2022 tax purposes please contact the office between 9AM and 2PM at 610-432-0034 or email stjohnbaptistpa@gmail.com before January 22nd and a copy will be mailed to you.



**MAY 10, 2023
"MOSES"**

We have filled our bus. If you signed up, please remember to submit your \$50 deposit, with the balance of \$65 due by March 9th. We received some unfortunate news that the restaurant, Hershey Farms had a fire so we will be going to Bird in Hand Restaurant.

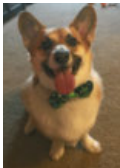
**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST (STILES)
TRICKY TRAY
3120 CHESTNUT ST., WHITEHALL
Saturday, February 18, 2023
9:00AM-7:00PM**

St. John the Baptist Church, Whitehall, will sponsor their 17th Annual Tricky Tray/Basket Social. **Ticket entries are one day only.** Tickets can be purchased at the door. There will be a special raffle for big-ticket items. Plenty of parking behind the hall. You do not have to be present to win. Kitchen will be open for take-out. Winners will be called and can pick up baskets on Sunday February 19th, between 2:00PM and 4:00PM at the hall. Any questions, please call 610-262-2260.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER
January 28, 2023	Jim Talianek	Leon Sostak	
January 29, 2023	Andrea Hajducko	Michele Grasso	



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