

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

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Established December 31, 1906



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 30, 2023



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out." - Jn 10:2-3

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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

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 Thursday -9:00AM—2:00PM. Friday 9-12
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

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, April 30, 2023 ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter
9:00AM ~ **Birthday Blessings and Thanksgiving for Daniel Labram by Wife & Children**

Monday, May 1, 2023 ~ St. Joseph the Worker
8:00AM +**Mikulas Choma by Luboslav Posypanka & Family**

Tuesday, May 2, 2023 ~ St. Athanasius
8:00AM +**Mikulas Choma by M/M Michael Klucar**

Wednesday, May 3, 2023 ~ SS. Philip and James
8:00AM + **William Neupauer by wife, Theresa & Family**

Thursday, May 4, 2023
8:00AM + **Steven Szever by Marcia Szever**

Friday, May 5, 2023
8:00AM +**Mikulas Choma by M/M Stefan Cuchran**

Saturday, May 6, 2023
4:00PM +**Jan Kazimir by M/M Jozef Kazimir**

Sunday, May 7, 2023 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter
9:00AM +**Stanley Fedak by Cheryl Supon**

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



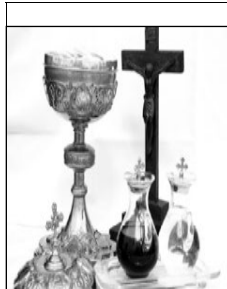
Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service

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 shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.”

A REPORT ON OUR STEWARDSHIP

TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION	April 23, 2023	July 1, 2022 to Date
	\$4,145	\$145,411

RAFFLE CALENDAR WINNERS

- April 16 - Tom May, Jr. #414
- April 17 - Rheta Judd #28
- April 18 - Janet Fandl #47
- April 19 - Ludmila Choma #332
- April 20 - Marek Penxa #33
- April 21 - Richard Solga #379
- April 22 - Kara Priddin #202

Father Kamanzi, A.J.
30th Anniversary Celebration
June 24, 2023
5:30PM
\$13

Come help Father celebrate his Anniversary by joining him for a delicious sit-down chicken dinner. Menu will be: Chicken w/filling, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Corn, Salad, Roll, Dessert and Coffee/Tea.

Tickets are on sale before and after Masses or you can call the Rectory at 610-432-0034 to reserve a seat. No tickets will be sold after June 18th.



SIGHT AND SOUND BUS TRIP
MAY 10, 2023

Bus will depart St. John 's at 8:15AM. Please be here at 8:00AM. Park in row along the cemetery.

PARISH EVENTS/UPDATES

- May 6 - Dance "Chasband" 7-10PM -\$5
- May 9 - Auxiliary Meeting - 7PM
- May 18 - Knitters & Crocheters - 11AM-1PM
- May 21 - Bingo - 1PM Doors open at 12 - last one

ADULT CONFIRMATION
PENTECOST SUNDAY
CATHEDRAL OF ST. CATHERINE

Bishop Schlert will celebrate the 11:30AM Mass on Pentecost Sunday, May 28th at the Cathedral, wherein he will confirm adults of our Diocese. Those to be confirmed are those adults who were baptized in the Roman Catholic Church, received their First Holy Communion, are catechized, but never confirmed. Please contact Father Kamanzi to discuss registration details.

BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC

You are invited to celebrate daily Mass with Bishop Schlert on the following dates:

- Monday, May 8 - Sacred Heart, Bath - 8AM
- Tuesday, May 9 - St. Columbkil, Boyertown - 7PM
- Monday, May 22 - Immaculate Conception, Jim Thorpe -8AM

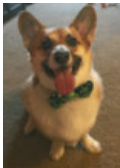
RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

An intimated spiritual journey for anyone seeking healing after abortion. In a safe, supportive, non-judgmental environment you can focus on this painful time in your life and enter into the process of healing. Through scripture readings, guided meditations and activities flowing from the meditations, you can experience God's compassion and forgiveness. For registration information contact: Carol Swavely, MA, 1-866-3RACHEL (toll free) or 610-435-1541, ext. 373. You may also email Carol at carolswavely@ptd.net. The retreat will be held on May 19th -21st, 2023. Deadline for registration is May 12, 2023.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER
May 6, 2023	MaryJo Rosenberger	Rose Mrazik	
May 7, 2023	Lisa Capece	Maria Skladany	



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