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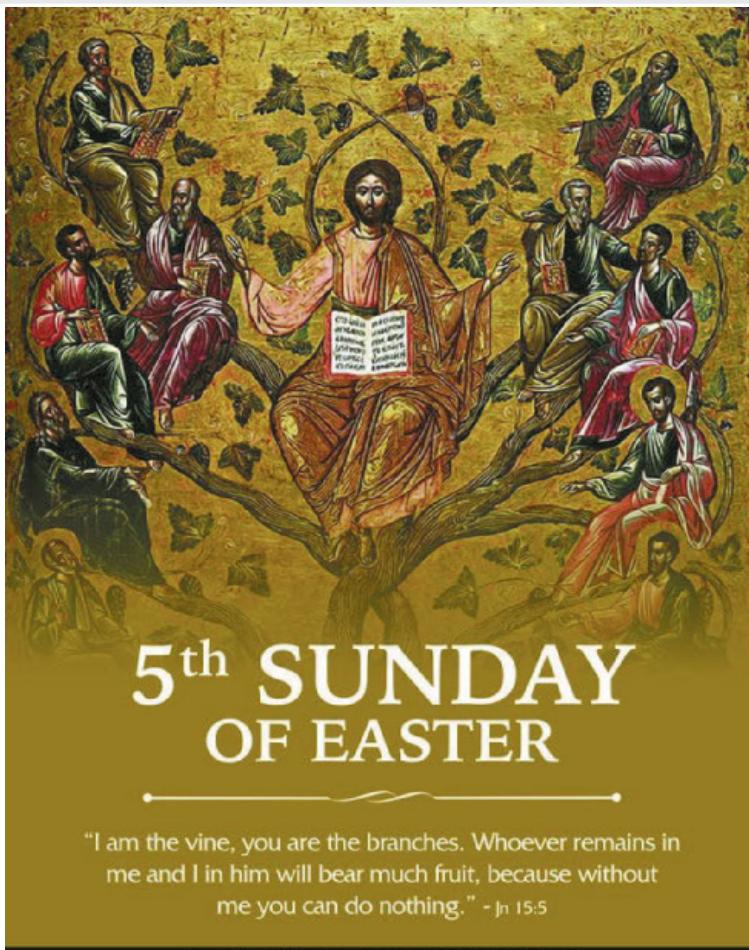
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Rev. Speratus Kamanzi, AJ-Pastor



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### APRIL 28, 2024



"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." - Jn 15:5

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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](mailto: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](mailto: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/](http://www.allentowndiocese.org/)

Please read St. John's current and past bulletins online by just logging on to: [WWW.PARISHESONLINE.CO](http://WWW.PARISHESONLINE.CO)

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR**

Ms. Pamela Russo, M.S.W., M.S.  
610-871-5200 Ext. 2204  
[prusso@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:prusso@allentowndiocese.org)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

**Sunday, April 28, 2024 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
9:00AM +Heavenly Blessings for Jenny  
Fitting by Cheryl Supon

**Monday, April 29, 2024 ~ St. Catherine of Siena**  
8:00AM +James Esposito by M/M Michael  
Dashner

**Tuesday, April 30, 2024 ~ St. Pius V**  
8:00AM +Jan Sninsky by Susan Balas

**Wednesday, May 1, 2024 ~ St. Joseph the Worker**  
8:00AM +James Esposito by Roger & Tina  
Janenko

**Thursday, May 2, 2024 ~ St. Athanasius**  
8:00AM ~ Health & Blessings for Rita Troilo  
By David & Lisa Capece

**Friday, May 3, 2024 ~ Ss. Philip and James**  
8:00AM +Heavenly Birthday for William  
Neupauer by Wife Theresa & Family

**Saturday, May 4, 2024**  
4:00PM +Stephen Szever by Marcia Szever

**Sunday, May 5, 2024 ~ Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
9:00AM ~ Anna Ortiz & Family by Parents M/M  
Martin Skladany

SANCTUARY LIGHT OFFERINGS

\$5 Mary and 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."

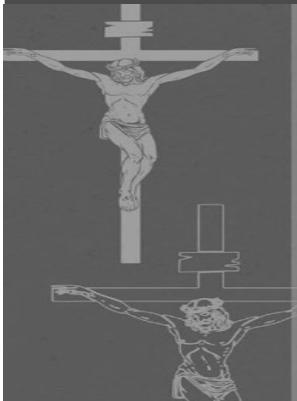
**DO NOT FORGET TO PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING OF THE PARISH**  
Especially those in the hospitals and nursing facilities.  
Also, for those confined to their homes with an illness or disability.

**MASS SCHEDULES:**

8:00AM ~ Daily (Monday to Friday)  
4:00PM ~ Saturday  
9:00AM ~ Sunday  
Vigil 7:00PM & Noon— Holy Days of Obligation

**CONFESIONS:**

Before 8:00AM Mass ~ Monday to Friday or  
Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 PM



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**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**

"I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people."

## ST. JOHN'S PARISH INFORMATION APRIL 28, 2024

### A REPORT ON OUR STEWARDSHIP

TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION	April 21, 2024	July 1, 2023 to Date
	<b>\$2,296</b>	<b>\$150,924</b>



### SIGHT AND SOUND BUS TRIP MAY 15, 2024

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



### COFFEE HOUR

Join us on **Sunday, May 5th** after Mass for coffee and donuts in the Social Hall and enjoy some time with your fellow parishioners. We will be hosting this coffee hour the **first Sunday of each month** so mark your calendar!

### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH 1046 W. Cedar Street, Allentown BASKET RAFFLE MAY 18, 2024 11AM-6PM MAY 19, 2024 - 9AM-2PM

Baskets are all valued at \$50 or more. There will be baskets for every member of your family! There will also be gift cards and adult beverage baskets to bid on. Food will be available for purchase - dine in or take home. Tickets - one sheet for \$10 or 3 sheets for \$20.

### PARISH EVENTS/UPDATES

May 4 - Dance "Chasband" - 7-10PM

### ADULT CONFIRMATION PENTECOST SUNDAY CATHEDRAL OF ST. CATHERINE

Bishop Schlert will celebrate the 11:30AM Mass on Pentecost Sunday, May 19th 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

Bishop Schlert will begin his annual appeal by traveling around to different parishes in the Diocese to celebrate Mass and socialize afterward with those who choose to attend. Here is his schedule:

May 22 - St. Joseph the Worker, Orefield -8:30AM  
September 9 - Our Lady of Mercy, Easton - 8:00AM  
September 12 - Holy Guardian Angels, Reading - 8:00AM  
September 16 - St. Teresa, Mahanoy City - 6:00PM

The 2024 **Because We are Catholic Annual Appeal** is underway! Our parish support is a vital part of this Diocesan-wide effort to serve children and families in our own community and throughout the Diocese of Allentown.

### SACRED HEART CHURCH PRIME TIME CLUB 1817 FIRST ST. BETHLEHEM MOHEGAN SUN CASINO MAY 23, 2024 \$35

Looking for a fun day out with friends? Join us for an exciting trip to Mohegan Sun Casino. Bus leaves the school parking lot at 8:45AM and will depart Mohegan Sun at 4PM. Seats are limited so make your reservation by May 4th. Make checks payable to SH Prime Time Club. Questions call Pat Amato 610-814-2921.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER
May 4, 2024	Jim Talianek	Leon Sostak	
May 5, 2024	Andrea Hajducko	Maria Skladany	Matthew Chateau
May 8, 2024 - 7PM	Rich Gierula	Jim Talianek	
May 9, 2024 - 8AM	MaryJo Rosenberger	Celestine Labram	
May 9, 2024 - 12 Noon	Wanda Lesko	Rose Mrazik	



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