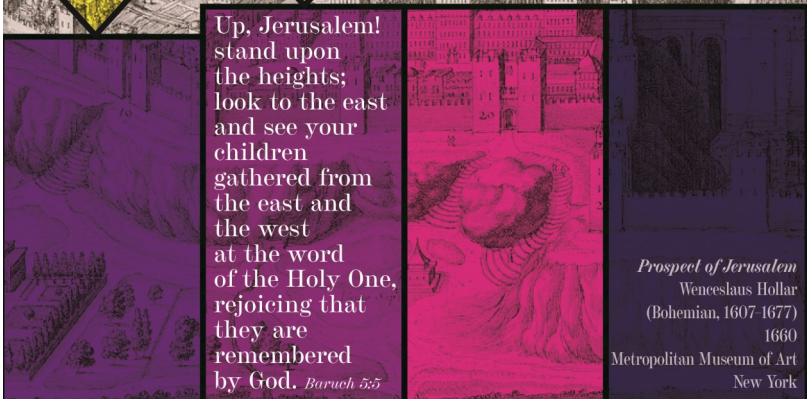
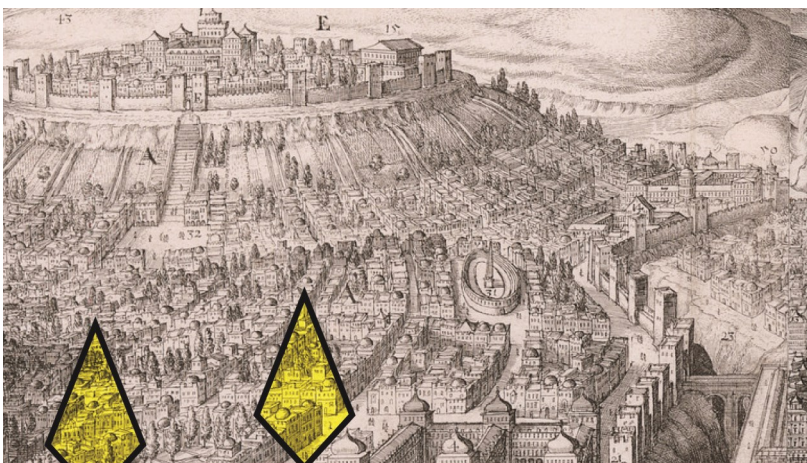


St. Nicholas Catholic Church

1152 Oak Drive
Walnutport, PA 18088

Pastor: Very Rev. Adam C. Sedar, M.A., M.Div.
Administrative Assistant: Deacon Mike Kudla



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Stand on the heights, Jerusalem; see your children rejoicing that they are remembered by God. A merciful and just God leads Israel in joy (Baruch 5:1-9).

Psalms — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126).

Second Reading — May your love increase in knowledge to discern what is valuable that you may be blameless for the day of Christ (Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11).

Gospel — John proclaims a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. All flesh shall see the salvation of God (Luke 3:1-6).

Parish Office and Religious Education:

610-767-3107
E-mail: stnick11@ptd.net

Parish Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday 9 AM - 3 PM

St. John Newman Regional School: (K-8)

610-826-2354

PREP:

Grades K, 1, 2 Sun 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM
Grades 3, 4, 5 Mon 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM
Grades 6, 7, 8 Tues 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM

BVMSN Credit Union:

484-272-2858

Diocesan Safe Environment Coordinator:

Pamela Russo, MSW, MA
Secretary for Youth Protection
610-871-5200, Ext. 2204
prusso@allentowndiocese.org

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:

Wendy Krisak, M.A., NCC
Direct Telephone 800-791-9209

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30 AM
Monday & Thursday: 8:30AM
Tuesday: 6:30 PM (Latin Mass)
Wednesday: 8:30AM & 7:00 PM

Adoration of Most Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday: 9 AM - 6:30 PM
Benediction: 6:30 PM

Confessions:

Saturday: 3:45 PM - 4:20 PM
Tuesday: 5:45 PM - 6:15 PM
(other times by appointment)

A Message from our Pastor:

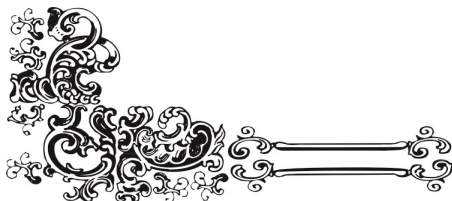


Dear Parishioners,

As we move through this Advent Season the Church focuses our attention more and more on the first coming of Christ into our world at Christmas. To prepare our hearts to receive the Lord, on the Third and Fourth Sundays of Advent we will have adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament in between the 8:30 and 10:30 Masses and I will be available during this time for confession. So, at the end of the 8:30 Mass on these days we will have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a simple reposition of the Blessed Sacrament before the 10:30 Mass. If you come to one of those Masses regularly, please consider staying after the 8:30 or coming earlier to the 10:30 to offer a little extra time in prayer with the Lord. And of course, even if you are a regular at the Saturday 4:30 Mass, you can still stop in for a visit, even if just for a minute, on these Sunday mornings.

Hopefully, this time will be a benefit to your Advent prayer and preparation to celebrate the Lord's Birth this Christmas.

Peace- Father Adam



New Bulletin Contacts & Deadline

You may have noticed our bulletin changes. Our Public Relations Team (Kathy & Trina Marie) is now handling the bulletin and we hope you like it!

Please e-mail bulletin announcements to:
stnickweb@ptd.net

Bulletin Deadline: Mondays 11 AM

One Family Thanksgiving Spirit

Thank you to everyone who donated money or food and provided family names for the "One Family for Thanksgiving". Seven families were able to have a happier Thanksgiving this year because of your generosity.

Scouting

Boys Scouts meet Thursday at 7 PM in the social hall. For more information, please call Mike, 610-824-6556.

Why Scouting? Cub Pack 62 meets Sunday at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center and is open to children in K-5 grade. For more information, call Angel, 484-264-0637.

Christmas Gifts

Once again our Parish will participate in donating Christmas gifts to River Stone Manor personal care. We have a list of 4 women and 4 men to purchase for. If you are able to help please call the Parish office for details.

A BUSY MOTHER

Only after the Last Judgment will Mary get any rest; from now until then, she is much too busy with her children.

—St. John Vianney



Blessed Mother Statue Visitation Program

If you would like to have the Pilgrim Virgin Statue for a week in your home, please call Catherine 484-894-8399 with your requested date for an Anniversary, Birthday, Bereavement date of a loved one, or any date of importance to you.

St. Nicholas Food Pantry

For the next few weeks during renovations, we will be closing the Pantry.



Mass Intentions:

Sat 12/4	4:30 PM	People of the Parish
Sun 12/5	8:30 AM	Mary Gabovitz (Elizabeth and Ronald Steinleitner)
	10:30 AM	Robert Tanczos (Bill and Krista Ambrosino)
Mon 12/6	8:30 AM	Joan Cressman (Carl and Kay Niedzwiecki)
Tues 12/7	6:30 PM	Mann Family (Family)
Wed 12/8	8:30 AM	Catherine Heck (Sue Hankee and Family)
	7:00 PM	Mary Gabovitz (Joe and Peg Heiczinger)
Thu 12/9	8:30 AM	Mike McGonigle (Janice and Bill Tanzola)
Fri 12/10	8:30 AM	No Mass
Sat 12/11	4:30 PM	Dorothy Doyle (Family)
Sun 12/12	8:30 AM	People of the Parish
	10:30 AM	Mike McGonigle (Matt Moditch and Marie Bartos)

We have pews for sale!!

There are two types, our old church pews are for sale at \$100 a section. The extra newer pews are \$150 a section.

We Need Your Help!

If you or you know a parishioner that is homebound or is in or going into in a nursing home or personal care facility, please let us know by calling the Parish Office.

Coming Events:

Confessions Times this week:

Saturday 3:45 - 4:20 PM & Tuesday 5:45 - 6:15 PM

Dec 5:10:30 AM Mass with Bishop Schlert—
Church Dedication

Dec 12: 8 AM - 1 PM All You Can Eat Breakfast

Christmas Mass Schedule

- * Friday, Dec 24: 4:30 PM, 6:30 PM, 10:00 PM
- * Saturday, Dec 25: 9:00 AM (no Sunday Vigil)
- * Sunday, Dec 26: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM

New Year Mass Schedule

- * Friday, Dec 31: 4:30 PM
- * Saturday, Jan 1: 9:00 AM, 4:30 PM (Sunday Vigil)
- * Sunday, Jan 2: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM

Lector Ministry Schedule

	Dec 11-12	Dec 18-19
Sat 4:30 PM	Bill Caserta	Kate Kern
Sun 8:30 AM	Barbara Schmidt	Brian Keefe
Sun 10:30 AM	Sue Hankee	Carl Niedzwiecki

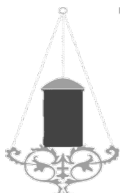


Eucharist Adoration

Thank you for filling times for Wednesday Adoration!

We are still seeking parishioners to sign up and make a commitment to spending time with the Lord. We would like to have several people each hour of the day.

Signup sheets are located in the Portico.



Tabernacle Candle Intentions

To reserve the lamp for a weekly intention, place a \$10 donation in an envelope marked "Candle" Include in the envelope your name (or donor) and your intention.



Altar Wine and Bread

You are able to reserve in your name the Altar wine and Bread used throughout the week for all the Masses. Your name or family name will be published here in the bulletin. Cost will be \$20.

Week of December 5 - 11

The Tabernacle Candle will be lit in Memory of

People of the Parish

The Altar Hosts and Wine Offered in Memory of

People of the Parish

Prayer is Powerful!

Call Dolores 610-767-2013 or e-mail dkine224@gmail.com with your prayer requests or join our Prayer Chain; feel the power and grace of prayer.

We are pleased to announce that our prayer list is now connected with Sacred Heart Church in Palmerton and is on a **Universal Prayer Chain**. This is a HUGE step for us because those on our prayer list will be having prayers said for them all over the world...Praise God!

If you know of someone in the hospital or homebound Please call the parish office, 610-767-3107, so someone can visit them.

Please keep in your prayers our Parishioners who are sick, and those who are waiting for or recovering from surgery.

Also, please pray for our military Men and Women and their families; they give so much so we can enjoy our Freedom!

Don't forget to save your Redner's Tapes!

Drop them in the box in the portico or in the collection basket.

Save your Ink cartridges and save us \$\$\$

Place your used cartridges in the box in the portico and we will turn them in for credit!



Knights of Columbus Council #16656

All You Can Eat Breakfast

\$10 - Age 11 and up / \$6 Ages 6-10 / Under 5 Free

Scrambled Eggs
Pancakes
Sausage
Home Fries
Coffee / Tea / Juice



Made to Order Omelets
Creamed Chip Beef
Ham
Toast

December 12, 2021

8am - 1pm

**St. Nicholas Church
1152 Oak Rd, Walnutport PA**

A portion of the proceeds will benefit:
St. Nicholas Building Fund & Habitat for Humanity



St. Nicholas Council #16656 A Star Award Council has been recognized for their church and community service and outreach programs.

Men that are practicing Catholics and 18 years old are eligible to join.

Call the Parish Office for more information. **To make your registration easier**, you can join the K of C online at kofc.org/JoinUs.

K of C General Business Meeting 2nd Wed @ 6:30 PM,
Officers' Meeting 4th Wed @ 7:30PM.

BVMSN FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Serving the parishioners and families of Assumption BVM and St. Nicholas churches. We offer lower interest rate loans and financial counseling if you want to help clean up your credit. Your money is insured up to \$250,000. For more information, call the credit union at 484-272-2858 or stop by the St. Nicholas Rectory on Monday nights from 7pm-9pm. We are here for you.

Holiday Loan! Available through Jan 31, 2022
\$2,500 for 1 year 5%

Pay off those credit cards with higher rates

Auto Loans – We can refinance your vehicle for you.
New Cars – 1.99% for 5 years, 2.99% for 6 years
Used Cars as low as 1.99% depending on the model year.
Home Equity Loans – as low as 2.49%

Call for details: 484-272-2858

Parish Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

The public praying of the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will be offered on the following days and times. All are welcome and encouraged to join together as a Parish Family in these most beautiful and powerful prayers.

Holy Rosary:

Saturday & Sunday: 30 minutes before Mass

Monday & Thursday: 9AM

Tuesday: 6PM, Wednesday: 1PM, Friday: 3PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet:

Wednesday & Friday: 3PM followed by the Rosary

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. Membership is open to anyone who has the desire to do stop drinking.

AA Group meets 6:30 PM Sunday in the social hall.

LEGACY WALL TILES

There are two ways to help us raise funds through our Legacy Tile program.

The first is by purchasing a tile yourself, in memory of your family or a loved one.

The second is by asking a business to purchase one as a "friend of the parish." Please ask anyone you do business with. The business tiles will be on a separate part of the wall from the family remembrances. Small tiles are \$100 and large ones \$200.

Sign up in the portico or email the Parish Office.

2021 Basket Social Success

As we told you a few weeks ago, the 2021 Basket Social was a true success! The church hall was continually buzzing with people dropping tickets in bags in hopes of winning one of the many baskets or gift cards! Both the kitchen and bake sale areas sold out of their delicious goods early in the day. Overall, the teamwork of the parish ended with a profit of \$12,000 from the money raffle, basket ticket sales, bake sale and kitchen profits and the funds/sponsorship of the First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association. Of course, we are thankful to all the businesses, vendors and the public, but a special thank you goes to YOU, the Parishioners for your overwhelming response in donations and participation! God bless!

ST. NICHOLAS FLOCKNOTE

Flocknote is a service to churches to provide better and faster communication to members.

To sign up by smart phone: Simply text SAINTNICKS to 84576

You will receive a link to add additional information if you choose and to join specific groups with our parish.

To sign up without a smart phone: Login at

<https://StNicholas6.flocknote.com/everyone>.

From there you will be guided through a very simple sign-up process for email.

Catechism In A Year

Would you like to learn more about our faith in only two minutes a day? Join the Flocknote group "Catechism" which started November 22 receiving an email each weekday that will take us through the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church over the next year. It is a simple and great way to learn more about this beautiful faith of ours.



Advent Evening of Music & Prayer

Presented by the Choir of St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church under the direction of Patrick Oswald.

618 Fullerton Avenue, Whitehall, PA

Sunday, December 12 at 5 PM.

Prelude Music begins at 4:30.

Admission is free; a free-will offering will be taken.

COSTA DEL SOL, SPAIN

The Assumption BVM 25th annual trip to sunny Spain. February 5 through March 5, 2022. The package includes almost everything: flights, hotel, meals and more! You won't be disappointed!

Only \$3,649.00 pp/do. Call John 610-767-3036.



The Most Reverend Alfred A. Schlert, D.D. and The Women's Society of Giving warmly invite you to A Special Morning for Women

Peace, Joy... Advent

Rediscovering the peace and joy of Advent that so often gets lost in Christmas to do lists

Saturday, December 11, 2021

St. Mary's Church

14833 Kutztown Road, Kutztown, PA 19530

9:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. presented by Maggie Riggins

11:00 a.m. - Mass celebrated by Bishop Schlert

Kindly respond by emailing

stewardship@allentowndiocese.org or by calling the Office of Stewardship and Development at (800) 831-4443 by December 8th



11th Annual Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass and celebration

When: Friday, December 10th

Time: Mass starts at 6:30 PM

Place: SS Peter and Paul Church

260 N. 3rd, Lehighton

Join us as we once again honor the Patroness of the Americas and remember her message of hope. Father Christopher Zelonis will preside over Mass which will feature live mariachi music.

Refreshments will follow Mass at the school hall. There will be a piñata for the kids! All are welcome.

Volunteers and donations are needed! Questions, call Katya Fitzpatrick at 570-527-0977.

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