

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." - Jn 6:56

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — "He therefore let you be afflicted with hunger, and then fed you with manna, a food unknown to you and your fathers." (Dt 8:3)

Psalm — Praise the Lord, Jerusalem. (Ps 147)

Second Reading — Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf. (1 Cor 10:17)

Gospel — "For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." (Jn 6:55-56)

St. Nicholas Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30 AM

Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday: 8:30 AM

Tuesday: 6:30 PM (Latin Mass)

Adoration of Most Blessed Sacrament:

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

Confessions:

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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.

First, I would like to extend a welcome to Tyler Davis, who has begun his summer seminary internship in our parish. I know it will be great to work with him this summer and you can read his autobiography in this week's bulletin. During his time with us, Tyler will be working with various parish groups and be part of many activities. The summer internships are about the seminarians learning what it is like to live in a parish rectory and be part of parish life in the different communities in our diocese.

Next, I want to offer thanks to everyone who helped with the Spring groundskeeping around the parish property. It really looks beautiful! It was no small task to pull so many weeds and spread all that new mulch. It is so wonderful to see you take such great pride in our parish and come together to make it happen. Many Thanks!

Today, as we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi we are reminded that the Holy Mass together with the Lord's True Presence in the Most Blessed Sacrament is the center of our life. In the opening line of his great encyclical on the Holy Eucharist, Pope St. John Paul II teaches us:

"The Church draws her life from the Eucharist. This truth does not simply express a daily experience of faith, but recapitulates *the heart of the mystery of the Church*. In a variety of ways she joyfully experiences the constant fulfilment of the promise: "Lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age" (*Mt* 28:20), but in the Holy Eucharist, through the changing of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of the Lord, she rejoices in this presence with unique intensity. Ever since Pentecost, when the Church, the People of the New Covenant, began her pilgrim journey towards her heavenly homeland, the Divine Sacrament has continued to mark the passing of her days, filling them with confident hope. The Second Vatican Council rightly proclaimed that the Eucharistic sacrifice is "the source and summit of the Christian life". "For the most holy Eucharist contains the Church's entire spiritual wealth: Christ Himself, our passover and living bread. Through His own flesh, now made living and life-giving by the Holy Spirit, He offers life to men". Consequently, the gaze of the Church is constantly turned to her Lord, present in the Sacrament of the Altar, in which she discovers the full manifestation of His boundless love."

In these few lines, the Holy Father reminds us of so much. Each day, the Church throughout the world, in parish churches and chapels, gathers around the altar of Christ, to gaze with love and wonder upon her Lord and to offer His sacrifice to the Father. As we live this reality out here in our church, we are one with the whole church, the whole Body of Christ, present here on earth, in purgatory and in heaven. Each day, Our Lord offers us the gift of new life in Himself. Each day He brings us hope. Each day He brings us closer to the fulfillment of our pilgrim journey, a journey sustained by the Lord and made with the Lord who is always with us and at the same time, a journey to the Lord, who is Himself, the final destination. May our adoration of the Lord's true Body ad Blood never cease!

Peace- Father Adam

St. Monica Ministry Holy Hour and Training Session

Are you heartbroken because members of your family have left the Church? Join the St. Monica Ministry in petitioning Our Lord to draw back into the fold our loved ones who have strayed, and to give strength and wisdom to those who await their return. Together we will offer our prayers at a Holy Hour offered monthly. Please join us at 6PM on **June 14, 2023** at Saint Theresa Church, Hellertown to pray for your loved ones. No registration required. For more information, visit: www.allentowndiocese.org/stmonicaministry.

Coffee and Donuts

Join your fellow parishioners

this weekend—Coffee and Donuts

will be served after every mass on June 10 and 11.

Lector Ministry Schedule				
	June 17-18	June 24-25		
Sat 4:30 PM	Steve Bertalan	Paul Sparling		
Sun 8:30 AM	Jeanette Noakes	Brian Keefe		
Sun 10:30 AM	Carl Niedzweicki	Brianna Pereira		



Sat 6/10	4:30 PM	Dennis Kuronya (Kuronya Family)
Sun 6/11		Diane Cunningham (Mary Wambold)
	10:30 AM	People of the Parish
Mon 6/12	8:30 AM	Joseph & Sylvia Taddeo (Theresa Taddeo)
Tues 6/13	6:30 PM	Mothers Day Intentions
Wed 6/14	8:30 AM	Charlie Wagner (Gloria Wagner)
Thu 6/15	8:30 AM	Lorraine Oriente (Lisa & Thomas Pignataro)
Fri 6/16	No Mass	
Sat 6/17	4:30 PM	John Gallagher (Lorraine Gallagher)
Sun 6/18		Frank Pecsi (Gay Pecsi) People of the parish

Friday Prayer at St. Nicholas

Fridays, except for solemn feasts, are always days to remember & honor the Lord's suffering and death. One such way is to come together at St. Nicholas Church every Friday at 3PM for the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and praying the sorrowful mysteries of the Holy Rosary.

Parish Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

Holy Rosary: Saturday & Sunday: 30 minutes before Mass. Monday & Thursday: 9AM. Tuesday: 6PM. Wednesday & Fridays: 3PM (immediately after the Chaplet of Divine Mercy).

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Every Wednesday & Friday at 3PM.

Eucharist Adoration

Jesus still waits for us in the tabernacle.
Please spend time with our Lord, in
Eucharistic Adoration.

Eucharistic Adoration is every Wednesday between 8:30AM and 6:30PM.

Adoration is powerful! Thank you to everyone who reaffirmed their commitment to spend at least 30 minutes with the Lord per month! Indeed, we are still seeking new (30-minute) commitments to our monthly Adoration schedule on any given Wednesday of the month (between the hours of

the vestibule.

Observances for the week of June 11, 2023

Sunday: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Tuesday: St. Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of

09:30 to 6:30PM) by signing the clipboards on the table in

the Church

Wednesday: Flag Day

Friday: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday: The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin

Mary

Tabernacle Candle Intentions

To reserve one of the Lamps for a weekly intention, donation is \$10.

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. Donation is \$20.

Blessed Mother or St. Joseph Flowers

Each arrangement is a donation of \$35. Stop by or call the parish office.

Week of June 11 to 17

Tabernacle Candles will be lit in Memory of St. Nicholas Memorial Society Wednesday Adorers

Altar Hosts and Wine Offered in Memory of Wednesday Adorers

Book of Meditations on Art through Scripture

by Diocesan Seminarians

Using their favorite themes in Scripture and prayer, seminarians from the Diocese of Allentown searched their favorite images, picked Scriptures to

pray with, and wrote their own questions for reflection in this book available for sale.

Proceeds from this book will go to support these seminarians as they head towards Ordination, and to encourage us to pray for them.

This is a powerful way to pray with art, along with grow in hope for the future of the Church as you pray through meditations written by soon to be priests!

To Order Go to: https://www.beholdvisiodivina.com/store/p151/Come_and_See%3A_Meditations_through_Art_and_Scripture%3A_Pre-Order.html



Enjoy live plants year-round? Join us for Monthly Madness! Purchase a Dan Schantz card for \$25.00 each (12 garden items redeemable monthly), allowing you to pick up a monthly special + Bonus Coupons from Dan

Schantz Greenhouse on 29th Street in Allentown. The card is good for one year from the month you start. To order go to www.stnicholaswalnutport.org 'events' or

email: fundraising@stnicholaswalnutport.org.

Scholarship Support

This school year is winding down. Perhaps you'd like to contribute toward the Father McElduff scholarship. If so, place your donation in an envelope, mark it scholarship, & place in the collection basket. Thanks so much!

Hi Saint Nicholas Family!

Thank you for the opportunity to be with you and pray with you this summer. A huge thanks to Father Sedar and the parish team here for your warm welcome and hospitality.

COME AND SEE
Meditations through Art and

My name is Tyler Davis, I just finished Theology 1 (halfway through!) at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary. In 3 years, I hope to be ordained a priest. As a recent convert to Catholicism, it is an honor to be studying at seminary, and to grow in the faith with you.

My walk in the Christian faith started as a youth. Raised in a protestant, biblical fundamentalist family, my parents taught me to love and revere scripture. They emphasized the importance of a personal relationship with Jesus. Old Testament passages were etched deep into me.

Throughout High School and later college at DeSales University, my faith waned. Drawn to more attractive worldly allurements, I sought after honor and pleasure. Despite academic proficiency, success on the lacrosse field, and a solid core of friends, my life felt lacking. A certain dryness leading to perpetual anxiety ensued during senior year.

In this final year at DeSales, a professor played a video from Bishop Robert Barron's Word on Fire project. In it, Bishop Barron used the quote from Saint Irenaeus, "the Glory of God is man fully alive." The quote rattled me. In that moment I was convicted because I knew that I was not living to my fullest potential, and that everything I deemed worthy of pursuit in my restless self-seeking was a shadow of the life our Lord wanted for me.

God renewed my trust in him. I began binging Catholic content, inspired by how defensible the Church's doctrines were. My faith finally had a reasonable tradition to stand on. I joined RCIA in 2017 and received the Eucharist for the first time on Pentecost of 2018. Receiving the Body and Blood of our Lord reshaped the trajectory of my life. In spending time in front of the Blessed Sacrament, in prayer, and at Mass, the Lord placed a deep and abiding sense of peace in my heart. This peace inspired me to pursue the priesthood. If the Lord wills it, I would be honored to encourage others in their walk with Christ, proclaim the Gospel well, and give others the same peace he has given me.

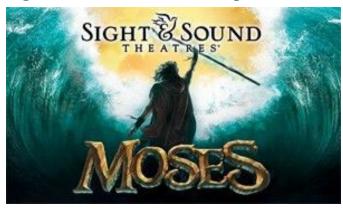
The Allentown Diocese is tasked with forging this vocation. Thank you in advance for helping form me into a priest of Jesus Christ. Thank you for this adventure. Thank you for the chance to be with Christ daily in the chapel. Thank you for this call, and for this mission.

In my free time, I enjoy working out, shooting my bow, fishing, hiking, being with good people, playing frisbee, and preparing and eating healthy foods.

The glory of God is man fully alive! May God bless you and thank you again!

-Tyler Davis

Sight and Sound Theatre Trip



The St. Nicholas Community Core Team is pleased to announce a trip to **Sight and Sound Theatres** presentation of "**Moses**"

Lancaster, PA

Friday, August 18, 2023 — 3:00 pm Show Deadline to Order Tickets — July 2, 2023

Tickets:

- Just Show (Self transportation) \$80 per adult; \$39 ages 3-12
- ◆ Show and Bus (Bus is not Handicap accessible) \$112 per adult; \$71 per child (3-12) #

LUNCH 12 noon Lunch at **Shady Maple Smorgasbord**

- ◆ \$18.00 per person (11-59 yo)
- ◆ 10% off Sr. Discount (60-89) 50% off (90+)
- ♦ 50% off ages 4-10

You can choose not to eat at the Smorgasbord. There is a snack bar and gift shop in the basement of Shady Maple or pack your own lunch. Those who drive themselves may choose to join us for lunch. #

For Questions Contact:

Donna DeCesaris Call/Text 610-533-4739 email community@stnicholaswalnutport.org

Go to the Events Page of the St. Nicholas Website to order your tickets online.

JUNE			
Date	Time	Cleaning Volunteers	
Thurs. 6/15	9:30am	Bill Caserta, Carl Litwin, Tim Gregory	
Thurs. 6/22	5:30pm	Mike & Donna Unger, Giovanna Noto	
Fri. 3/30	9:30am	Terry Rice, Carl Niedzwiecki, Tony Scarselletti	



Wawa 'Shorti' hoagie coupons

are available through the Knights of Columbus

\$5.00 each, any Wawa, no expiration.

Build your hoagie at the kiosk. Before Finish Order, touch "Customize"; touch "Shorti"; finish your order. Present coupon at checkout.

See me after Mass in the hall (8:30 or 10:30, alternating weekends) or contact me directly to arrange a place and time for pickup.

Anthony (Tony) Scarselletti ascarsel@ptd.net or 610-393-4671

Annual Trip to Yankee Stadium

The Sacred Heart Parish Knights of Columbus #14464 announce their Annual

Trip to Yankee Stadium scheduled for Thursday August 24. The game is against the Washington Nationals with a 1:05 pm start. Seats are in Section 234 on the Main level in Left Field. Easton Coach bus departs from Sacred Heart Church, Bath at 9:00am, with a direct return immediately following the game.

Cost per person: \$112.00 (includes bus and game ticket).

This trip tends to fill quickly, so make your reservations now by contacting Brother Bud Schuster at bud328@msn.com or (610) 390-8429.

Holy Family Senior Living Annual Golf Tournament

Monday, June 26, 2023

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: June 10, 2023

WHERE: Southmoore Golf Club

235 Moorestown Road

Bath, PA 18014

TIME: Shotgun Start 8:00 AM

Registration begins at 7:00 AM

TYPE: Four Person Scramble

COST: \$125.00 per golfer

INCLUDES: Green fees, cart, food & refreshments on the course, buffet after golf, grab-n-go breakfast, gift for every golfer, awards reception

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