



St. Nicholas Catholic Church

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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." - Mk 14:23-25

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — "This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words of his." (Ex 24:8)

Psalm — I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord. (Ps 116)

Second Reading — How much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God. (Heb 9:14)

Gospel — "Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many." (Mk 14:22-24)

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)

Friday: 7:00 AM (Latin Mass with Sacred Heart Devotions following)

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:

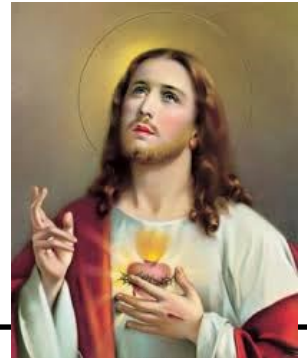


Dear Parishioners,

As we enter the month of June, you may want to consider enthroning an image of the Sacred Heart in your home. It is not only a very laudable practice to have religious images in the home, it is a very real protection against the enemy. In fact, I recommend having a crucifix in every major room. And certainly, no Catholic home should be without some image of our Blessed Mother as well. It is a great comfort and an inspiration to us to be able to look upon holy images. They are reminders of the great works God has accomplished in His saints and what He wants to accomplish in and through us too. We can also be reminded to turn to the saints when we need help. Images of Our Lord call to our minds all that He has done for us in coming to earth to save us. These images can remind us of His love, His compassion, His mighty works and inspire us to call upon Him often and remember that He is always near.

Enthroning an image of the Sacred Heart is also something I would highly recommend. One can simply have an image (statue, icon or picture) of the Sacred Heart blessed by a priest and then place it in a prominent place in the home, while reciting the act of consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. There is also, and I would recommend this, a more formal enthronement ceremony, where the priest comes to the home and leads the prayers and blesses the image, after which the family signs the certificate of enthronement, which can be framed and hung near the image or kept in a special place. To prepare for the formal enthronement, the family should also attend Mass either that day or the Sunday before. The image itself does not have to be large, and can be one of any of the different styles of images of the Sacred Heart. It can be enthroned in any prominent room. The Lord promised us through St. Margaret Mary, whom we discussed in last week's bulletin, that those who enthrone an image of His Sacred Heart would receive countless blessings. This is not superstition, or some simple quid pro quo. The image helps remind us of Our Lord, His sacrifice and His love and it reminds us to repent of sin, seek His grace and so live in His love, uniting our hearts to His. Whether you are a family of many, or just of one, if you would like to have me come and lead the enthronement ceremony in your home, please call and leave me a message and we can set a day and time and help you prepare.

Peace- Father Adam



St. Nicholas



50th ANNIVERSARY UPDATE

The 50th Anniversary Committee met Saturday, May 18 to discuss topics including letters to go out to sponsors, and 50th Anniversary items such as various clothing items, Christmas tree ornaments, and car magnets that will be available for sale to all.

All families and children of the parish are invited to the 50th Anniversary Gala. The event is **business casual** at Woodstone on **November 17, 2024**. Plans are being made for live band entertainment, silent auction, and of course, a delicious dinner. Information on tickets will be available in June.

The next planning meeting will be held on **Saturday, June 22 at 9:30am in the social hall**. Anyone interested in volunteering, please come to the next meeting or sign up in the porticos or email: community@stnicholaswalnutport.org

Counting Our Blessings—Thank You!

5/19	Collection Envelopes	\$4,007.00
	Weekly Budgeted Operational Expenses	\$7,352.00
	Ascension Thursday	\$15.00
	School Support	\$60.00
	Renovation & Preservation	\$150.00

Observances for the week of June 2, 2024

Sunday:	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Monday:	St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs
Wednesday:	St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr
Thursday:	St. Norbert, Bishop
Friday:	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Saturday:	The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Next Sunday:	10th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass Intentions:

Sat 6/1	4:30 PM	People of the Parish
Sun 6/2	8:30 AM	John Kinane (Christopher & Laura Kinane)
	10:30 AM	Tommy Pignataro (Tom & Lisa Pignataro)
Mon 6/3	8:30 AM	St. Nicholas Memorial Society
Tues 6/4	6:30 PM	Mother's Day Intentions
Wed 6/5	8:30 AM	Special Intention (Cindy Saab)
Thu 6/6	8:30 AM	Saab Family (Cindy Saab)
Fri 6/7	7:00 AM	The Priests of the Diocese
Sat 6/8	4:30 PM	Joely Boyle (James Boyle)
Sun 6/9	8:30 AM	People of the Parish
	10:30 AM	Theresa Englestein (Hilda Steirer)

Lector Ministry Schedule

	June 8-9	June 15-16
Sat 4:30 PM	Bill Caserta	Steve Bertalan
Sun 8:30 AM	Barbara Schmidt	Brian Keefe
Sun 10:30 AM	Brianna Pereira	John McRoberts

Miraculous Medal Novena



The prayers of the Miraculous Medal Novena are prayed publicly in our parish every Wednesday after the evening Benediction at 6:30PM. We offer public praying of the Miraculous Medal Novena as a perpetual novena of prayer as a part of the spiritual life of our parish. Please come and join together each Wednesday as we pray this beautiful prayer as a weekly devotion.

St. Monica Ministry Holy Hour

**Every 3rd Wednesday of the Month
6-7PM**

We come together to pray for those who have fallen away from the Faith!



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.

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 2 to 8

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

*Altar Hosts and Wine Offered in Memory of
Wednesday Adorers*

Knights of Columbus



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.

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.

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!

Caring Cardmaking ♥ ♥ ♥

Our card making team at St. Nicks (Caring Cards) is in full swing. If you know of someone who is having surgery, is ill, is homebound or in a nursing home or hospice please contact us with their names and addresses so that we can get a card off to them. We meet the 1st and 3rd Friday of every month at 10:30 in the social hall.

You can contact Pat Hunsicker at (610) 824-4017 or you can text or call cell phone (484) 464-7265. We don't want to miss anyone so please help if you can. Thank you.



Daniel Sight and Sound Bus Trip

BUS Trip – **Sight & Sound Theater** – Featuring **'DANIEL'**, Lancaster PA

Saturday, July 20, 2024

3 pm Showtime

Tickets:

- ♦ Just Show (Self transportation) \$87 per adult; \$42 per child (3-12)
- ♦ Show and Bus* (Bus is not Handicap accessible) \$130 per adult; \$87 for ages 3-12

*Minimum of 30 bus seats need to be purchased in order to run the bus.

Departure Time: 11:15 am Arrive at St Nicholas.
11:30 am Leave St Nicholas Parking Lot -promptly.

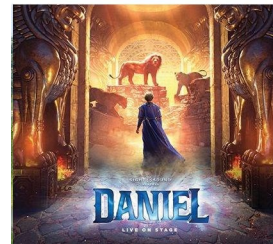
Due to the greater cost of meals on weekends, **we will not be stopping for any meals**. Please pack your meals.

3 pm Show begins (Run time 2hr 30 mins).

6 pm Leave Theater.

8 pm Return to St Nicholas Parking lot.

Online payment option is available on the St. Nicholas web site Events page. Check or Cash Payments: To register, include name, cell #, email address and # of tickets with your cash or check in an envelope placed in the collection basket marked 'Daniel-Sight/Sound'. Checks should be made payable to: St Nicholas Catholic Church. For Questions Contact: Donna DeCesaris Call // Text 610-533-4739 email: community@stnicholaswalnutport.org



Caring Hands Knit-Crochet Group

We create comforting items (prayer shawls, lap robes, cancer hats, preemie & newborn hats and blankets...etc.) to be donated to those in need within our area.



Join us the second and fourth Friday of each month from 10am-12pm in the social hall. Contact: Krista Ambrosino @ 484-597-3685

Please call the parish center office at 610-767-3107 if you would like to suggest the name of someone who would benefit from one of our items.

Alcoholics Anonymous

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.

Come and Get SOAKED!

The North of 50 group will be holding an event at SOAKED Winery on Saturday, June 15 @ 11AM. It will be a self pay event and everyone must provide your own transportation.



Tables will be reserved for St. Nicholas. Sign up sheets are by the doors.

Soaked offers food including pizza, appetizers, and of course wine!

Coffee and Donuts

Come and greet your fellow parishioners the weekend of **June 8 and 9!** Cheese, crackers and wine will be available after 4:30 mass on Saturday and coffee and donuts will be served after 8:30 and 10:30 masses on Sunday.



Sacred Heart of Jesus, Bath Knights of Columbus Council Annual Trip to Yankee Stadium

Sacred Heart of Jesus Annual Bus Trip to Yankee Stadium is Thursday August 22. The game has a 1:05 pm start. Bus departs from Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Bath, at 9:00am, with a return immediately following the game. Cost per person is \$117.00 - includes the bus, game ticket and refreshments provided by Knights of Columbus Council. Reservations: Bud Schuster at bud328@msn.com or (610) 390-8429.

Readings for the week of June 2, 2024

Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 (13)/ Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Monday: 2 Pt 1:2-7/Ps 91:1-2, 14-15b, 15c-16/Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16/Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef/Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Mk 12:28-34

Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Ps 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/ Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37

Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 2:41-51

Next Sunday: Gn 3:9-15/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7bc)/2 Cor 4:13—5:1/Mk 3:20-35



SAVE THE DATE! VOLUNTEER DAYS AT POCONO RACEWAY

July 12-14, (rain date 15)

Come out to enjoy a day (or more) of fun and racing AND help the parish!

Free standing admission to the grandstands as duties permit.

ALL are welcome: individuals, families, relatives, friends. Participants must be 16+.

All earnings will go 50/50 to the parish and our Knights council's charities. We earn \$100 for each person-shift.

Details and sign-up sheets to follow at later date.

Anthony Scarselletti, 610-393-4671, ascarsel@ptd.net

St. Nicholas Food Pantry Is Open

Collections are on the third weekend of the month. If you know of a family or person that can use a hand at this time, let the parish office know.

Boy Scouts

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

Self Defense Seminar at St. Nicholas

**Saturday 29 June
from 10AM-Noon**

In these troubled times, it's more important than ever to develop and sharpen the ability to defend yourself.

In this seminar you will learn:

- Observation Skills To Help Spot & Avoid a Dangerous Situation
- Visual Skills
- Tips for Avoiding a Situation
- What A Would Be Attacker Is Looking For
 - Escaping Skills
 - Development of Your Personal Weapons
 - How to Deal with Certain Threatening Situations

Your instructor will be Kyoshi Jeff Driscoll, an internationally known martial arts teacher with over 30 years experience!

Open to people of all ages and physical ability.

Sign up today for early bird pricing of \$25 per person!

Email- community@stnicholaswalnutport.org

