

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. (Acts 10:38)

Psalm — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. (Ps 118)

Second Reading — If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col 3:1)

Gospel — So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." (Jn 20:2)

St. Nicholas Catholic Church

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday 9 AM - 3 PM

St. John Newman Regional School: (K-8) 610-826-2354

PREP:

Grades K - 8: 2nd Monday of the month 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:

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Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service:

1-800-276-1562 www.ReportBishopAbuse.org

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:

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,

My prayers and best wishes to you and your loved ones for a very happy and holy Easter! May this season of joy bring to all of you the peace of Our Risen Lord.

At this time I also want to express my thanks to so many of you who share your time and give of yourselves in such generous service of the Lord here in our parish. I am personally very grateful for all you do and pray the Lord to watch over and care for you always.

Peace- Father Adam

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 27 APRIL 2025

2:30 PM Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament with confession available **3PM** Divine Mercy Devotion and Benediction

From Homily of St. John Paul II for the Feast of Divine Mercy.

The Heart of Christ! His "Sacred Heart" has given men everything: redemption, salvation, sanctification. St Faustina Kowalska saw coming from this Heart that was overflowing with generous love, two rays of light which illuminated the world. "The two rays", according to what Jesus himself told her, "represent the blood and the water" (*Diary*, p. 132). The blood recalls the sacrifice of Golgotha and the mystery of the Eucharist; the water, according to the rich symbolism of the Evangelist John, makes us think of Baptism and the Gift of the Holy Spirit (cf. Jn 3:5; 4:14).

Through the mystery of this wounded heart, the restorative tide of God's merciful love continues to spread over the men and women of our time. Here alone can those who long for true and lasting happiness find its secret.

"Jesus, I trust in you". This prayer, dear to so many of the devout, clearly expresses the attitude with which we too would like to abandon ourselves trustfully in your hands, O Lord, our only Saviour.

You are burning with the desire to be loved and those in tune with the sentiments of your heart learn how to build the new civilization of love. A simple act of abandonment is enough to overcome the barriers of darkness and sorrow, of doubt and desperation. The rays of your divine mercy restore hope, in a special way, to those who feel overwhelmed by the burden of sin.

Mary, Mother of Mercy, help us always to have this trust in your Son, our Redeemer. Help us too, St Faustina, whom we remember today with special affection. Fixing our weak gaze on the divine Saviour's face, we would like to repeat with you: "Jesus, I trust in you". Now and for ever. Amen.

Ink Cartridges & Redner's Tapes

Save us \$\$\$! Place your used cartridges in the box in the portico and drop Redners Tapes in the box in the portico or in the collection basket. We will turn them in for credit!

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.

Plant & Book Swap

The North of 50 group will hold a "Plant & Book Swap" on April 28, at 1 PM in the social hall. Bring a book & or plant, take a book or plant! Light refreshments will be served, feel free to bring something to share!

Contact:

Ann Orsul<mark>ak 610 3</mark>92 1092 or Lisa Pignataro 610 737 4716

Pennsylvanians for Human Life

On April 24, Pennsylvanians for Human Life Bethlehem/ Easton will have its Chapter Meeting 6:30pm at St. Anne's, Bethlehem. All are welcome to attend to learn about what our organization and enjoy fellowship.

Sal Rizzo Chapter President

Pennsylvanians For Human Life, P. O. Box 3113 Bethlehem, PA 18017 www.BethlehemEastonProlife.org

Mass Intentions:

Sat 4/19	8:00 PM	Special Intentions
Sun 4/20	8:30 AM	People of the Parish
	10:30 AM	Special Intentions
Mon 4/21	8:30 AM	Rachael Boyer (Regina Hesch)
Tues 4/22	6:30 PM	In Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered (The Semler Family)
Wed 4/23	8:30 AM	Geraldine Haines (Sharleene Solomon)
Thu 4/24	8:30 AM	Tommy Pignataro (Tom & Lisa Pignataro)
Fri 4/25	No Mass	757
Sat 4/26	4:30 PM	John Karmonick (Mary Louise Trexler)
Sun 4/27	8:30 AM	Gerry Haines (George & Clare Miller)
	10:30 AM	Ethel Lakovitz (Kuronya Family)

<u>Correction:</u> The Mass on April 7, 2025 was said for Arthur Runquist by The Sparling Family, not the Semler Family. Thank you!

Counting Our Blessings-Thank You! 4/6 Collection Envelopes \$5,022.00

Weekly Budgeted Operational

 Expenses
 \$7,352.00

 Rice Bowl
 \$295.00

 Easter
 \$400.00

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.

Paschal Candle

Pascal Candle was donated by Dave & Mary FeKula for the Good Health of The FeKula Family



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 April 20 to 26

Tabernacle Candles will be lit in Memory of

Stasia Lukasik "Baba" (her Loving family) Stasia Lukasik "Baba" (her Loving family)

Altar Hosts and Wine Offered in Memory of Wednesday Adorers

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!

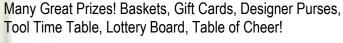
If you know of someone in the hospital or homebound Please call the parish office,610-767-3107, so someone can visit them.

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!

Marian catholic high school Blue & Gold Club 2025 Basket Auction

FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 5-8PM SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 10AM-4PM LAKESIDE BALLROOM & WINERY 40 CRYSTAL LANE

BARNESVILLE, PA 18214



Delicious food and baked goods available for purchase! MEGA PRIZES VALUED AT \$300+

TICKETS: \$5/sheet and each sheet include THREE chances to win!

Advance tickets for the Mega Prizes may be purchased through the school at 570-467-3335 or by contacting Maria McGinley at 484-629-4997.

Rosary Leaders Wanted

Would you prayerfully consider joining our ministry to lead the rosary 1x per month before Saturday 4:30 Mass or Sunday 8:30 or 10:30 Masses?

Call or text Michele at 484-695-8407

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.

Pocono NASCAR Race Weekend

June 20-22 (rain date Mon 23)

Volunteers Needed! Come join us! We get \$100/person/day! Signup sheet and information flyers are on the table in the portico. Questions? Call the parish office, 610-767-3107 or Tony Scarselletti 610-393-4671;

St. Nicholas' Pilgrimage to the National Centre for Padre Pio

A special Parish event at the National Centre for Padre
Pio in Barto, PA, will be
held Saturday, April 26, 2025. I

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sheet for details.

held Saturday, April 26, 2025. Father Adam will celebrate Mass in Our Lady of Grace Chapel, starting promptly at 11:30 AM. Immediately after mass the itinerary includes: Veneration of the Relic Glove of Padre Pio and Selfguided tour of the Exposition of Relics of Saints and Martyrs (starts at noon) and the Museum in the Cultural Center. The Exposition of Relics is only available from April 23 to May1. Pavillion is available for those who wish to bring a lunch. Own transportation. Centre closes at 4:30 PM. Please sign up in the portico or email: community@stnicholaswalnutport.org.

"Noah" Sight & Sound Theater Lancaster

Join us and journey with Noah as he builds the ark and faces the great flood in this larger-than-life production that brings the Bible's beloved story to life. Get your tickets now and be part of this extraordinary experience. Two dates: Saturday, July 26 at 3pm (tickets only and drive yourself) \$87.00 for adult, \$42.00 for child- Due by 6/8/25

or Friday, August 15 at 3pm bus trip (transportation and show). Limited number of tickets. Bus and Show Ticket for 8/15/25 - \$130.00 for adult, \$85.00 for child – Due by 6/29/25. Stopping at Shady Maple Smorgasbord for lunch. Additional cost for lunch. Bus leaves at 8:30am, back at 8pm.

Please see flyer and sign-up

Calling ALL Preschoolers

SJNRS in Slatington has begun a Preschool for ages 3-5. It's an extremely flexible program with 2-5 days/week, & 1/2 or full day programs. There is flex admission during the school year. The program focuses on gross/fine motor skill development, social skills, religion, and handson learning for academics. Call the school @ 610-767-2935 for more information.

Fr. McElduff Scholarship

The Fr. McElduff Scholarship is available to all students entering grades
Preschool through grade 9, attending a Catholic school.
Download the form from the St. Nicholas website. Once the form is completed, return it to the Parish Office. The form must be completed and returned no later than May 15, 2025.

Something Soothing

Interested in Herbal Remedies, Essential Oils, soothing Herbal Teas, and Herbal Skincare?

Join us on Saturday morning, May 10, 2025, from 10:30am until

12 noon for a Presentation and Demonstration by Vanessa Sabatine, owner of Herbs to Your Success, a health and wellness spa located at 64 South Main Street, Nazareth, PA. Vanessa will speak on these topics, demonstrate how to make your own herbal tea, and answer any questions. Come and learn something new!

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Knights of Columbus Council #16656

All You Can Eat Breakfast

\$10 - Age 11 and up = \$6 Age 6-10 = Under 6 Free

Pancakes
Sausage
Home Fries
Coffee/Tea/Juice



Made to order Omelets
Creamed Chip Beef
Ham
Toast

Sunday, April 27, 2025 8am - 12:00pm

In the St. Nicholas Social Hall

A Portion of the Proceeds will benefit St Nicholas Parish Building Fund and Habitat for Humanity.

Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother

Our Bible Study began February 27th and continues every other Thursday until June 5, 2025. This is an extraordinary pilgrimage that reveals Mary's unique role in God's kingdom and in our lives. Filmed on location in the Holy Land, this Bible Study places you in the

midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys ... and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her Son, Jesus. Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever. Mary will become a part of your daily life, and in your daily life, you will become more like Christ.

Join us for this 8-week video study program. We meet every other week from 6:30PM to 8:15PM for an engaging video presentation by Edward Sri, followed by a lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, call or text Gene Ballas at 610-533-1617 and/or geneballas@msn.com. We hope you will join us!

Fun Plant & Sip Event

Join us for our Plant & Sip event, where you can unwind, have fun, and let your inner gardener shine on Tuesday, May 13 from 6:00 to 7:30pm!

Bring your container and choose between planting a flower or tomato

plant. Flower cost is \$25. Tomato Plant is \$15.

Sip & relax while you get your hands dirty and embrace your creativity. Meet in the Church parking lot.

RSVP by signing up in the Portico. Any questions, please contact Deborah Fritz at 610-463-6093 or Crystal Zambelli at 610-554-3845 or email community@stnicholaswalnutport.org

