

St. Nicholas Catholic Church

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Parish Office and Religious Education:
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Parish Office Hours: Monday: 12 PM – 3 PM
 Tuesday through Thursday 9 AM – 3 PM

Pastor: Rev. Adam C. Sedar, M.A., M.Div.
Administrative Assistant: Gina Smith

St. Nicholas Parish Mission Statement:
 St. Nicholas is a Catholic Parish Church of the Diocese of Allentown that seeks to live the Catholic Faith in love together through our practice of the Sacramental Life, meditating on the Word of God and sharing the joy of the Gospel to our community.

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

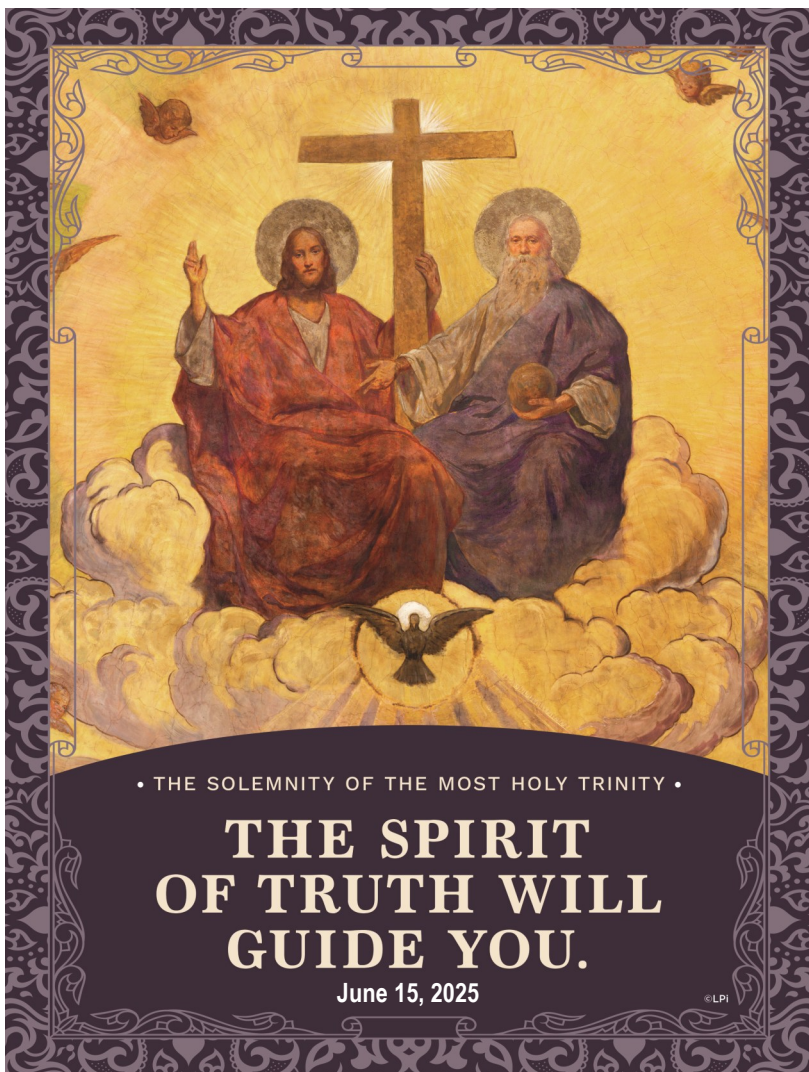
PREP:
 Grades K - 8: 2nd Monday of the month
 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM

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

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service:
 1-800-276-1562 www.ReportBishopAbuse.org



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — "When the Lord established the heavens I was there, when he marked out the vault over the face of the deep; when he made firm the skies above, when he fixed fast the foundations of the earth; (Prv 8:27)

Psalm — O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth! (Ps 8)

Second Reading — Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. (Rom 5:1)

Gospel — Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you." (Jn 16:15)

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,

As I write my final bulletin reflection here at St. Nicholas I want first of all to thank Our Lord and to thank you for these past five years. I have enjoyed being here so very much and all of you and St. Nicholas will always have a special place in my heart. I will pray for you and I ask you to pray for me. We have come a long way these past five years and I am happy to say that St. Nicholas is a parish filled with great faith and much life and vitality. It is also a lot of fun!

My last words of counsel are simple: Keep trusting in the Lord and the intercession of Our Blessed Mother. Commit to being a parish that places Eucharistic Adoration at the center of life. Support your new parish priest and keep moving forward together. Celebrate the past and learn from it but do not live in the past.

Peace- Father Adam

The Sacred Heart of Christ- by Father Richard Neilson

As May leads to and introduces June, so Mary brings us to the love of her Son, the love symbolized by His Sacred Heart.

The Good News of Jesus Christ is a message of love. Saint John in his first epistle tells us, "The man without love has known nothing of God, for God is love." In his great encyclical *Haurietis Aquas*, "You Shall Draw Water," (a quotation from Isaiah), Pope Pius XII wrote, "We do not hesitate to declare that devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is the most effective school of the love of God; the love of God . . . which must be the foundation on which to build the Kingdom of God in the hearts of individuals, families, and nations" (no. 123). Pope Pius XI called it "the synthesis of our whole religion and the norm of a more perfect life." Pope Paul VI in 1965 wrote, "It is *absolutely necessary* that the faithful venerate and honor the Sacred Heart in the expression of their private piety as well as in the services of public cult, because of His fullness we have all received." In 1984, on the feast of the Sacred Heart, Pope John Paul II said, "In the Sacred Heart every treasure of wisdom and knowledge is hidden. In that Divine Heart beats God's infinite love for everyone, for each one of us individually."

We adore the physical Heart of Jesus with that worship we give to God alone because the unique Person whose Heart it is is truly and completely both God and man. That physical Heart, said Pius XII, is a natural sign and symbol of Christ's three-fold boundless love for the human race: human sensible and human spiritual love, and the divine love of the Incarnate Word. In the Old Testament, God is described in human terms, metaphorically; He sees, hears, speaks, is offended, angry, rejoices, etc: Now His own body, the God-man actually sees, hears, speaks, is offended, angry, rejoices, experiences every authentic human feeling. Devotion to the Sacred Heart, then, translates the divine nature into human terms for us so that no longer do our prayers seem to die away into infinite distance: Instead they reach readily the very human Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Caring Hands Knit-Crochet Group

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



Join us the second and fourth Friday of each month from 10am-12pm in the social hall.

If you are interested or have any questions please 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.

Readings for the week of June 15, 2025

Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (2a)/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15
Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4/Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a/Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mt 6:7-15
Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 6:19-23
Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 6:24-34



Mass Intentions:

Sat 6/14	4:30 PM	Charles Wagner (Gloria Wagner)
Sun 6/15	8:30 AM	In Gratitude of Jim Wenner [Clare Walsh Miller (Mercedes Semler, server)]
	10:30 AM	Dennis Kuronya (The Kuronya Family)
Mon 6/16	8:30 AM	Special Intentions (Cindy Saab)
Tues 6/17	6:30 PM	Special Intentions / Anonymous
Wed 6/18	8:30 AM	People of the Parish
Thu 6/19	8:30 AM	Eva Poliquin / JoAnn & Frank Klucsarits
Fri 6/20	No Mass	
Sat 6/21	4:30 PM	Steve Nederostek (Sue & Gene Hankee)
Sun 6/22	8:30 AM	Bill Jenkins (Elaine Jenkins)
	10:30 AM	Thomas Papay Sr. (JoAnne Kochmaruk)

Counting Our Blessings-Thank You!

6/3	Collection Envelopes	\$3,936.00
	Weekly Budgeted Operational Expenses	\$7,352.00
	School	\$178.00
	Ascension	\$404.00

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.



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 15 to 21

Tabernacle Candles will be lit in Memory of Wednesday Adorers

St. Nicholas Memorial Society

Altar Hosts and Wine Offered in Memory of Wednesday Adorers

Summer Calendar of Events

June

14, 15 Farewell gathering for Father Sedar in the Social Hall after all masses

20, 21, 22 Knights of Columbus Pocono Raceway Fundraiser

July

26 Sight and Sound Theater "Noah" (Drive Yourself)

August

3 Parish Picnic – 12:00 to 5:00 pm at Walnutport Canal Pavilion

15 Sight and Sound Theater "Noah" and Shady Maple (Bus Trip)

22 IronPigs Baseball Game – 7:15pm at Iron Pigs Stadium



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; ascarsel@ptd.net



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

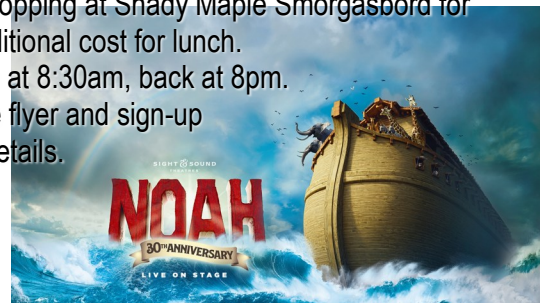
"Noah" Sight & Sound Theater Lancaster

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 sheet for details.



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.

Legacy Wall Tiles Orders Due by 6/30

Help support our preservation and restoration projects by purchasing a tile for yourself, in memory of family or other loved ones, or by asking a business to purchase one as a "friend of the parish" - but please no advertising slogans or phone numbers. Business tiles are in a separate section of the wall.

Small tiles (4x8, 84 characters) are \$100 and large tiles (8x8, 126 char.) are \$200. Forms are available in the porticos or by emailing the office. We need to order tiles in batches of at least 10, so please order and pay by June 30. We might not place another order until next year! If you have any questions, contact Jen Karmonick at 202-669-0836 or jenkarmonick@gmail.com.

MEMORIAL GARDEN PHASE III PAVER SALE

Pavers can now be purchased for permanent placement in Garden, located in church cemetery. Cost: \$125.00 per custom engraved paver. (up to 3 lines, 15 characters per line). Forms available on tables in Church Portico. Can be dropped in collection basket in envelope marked: Memorial Garden. Cash or check to: Kim McGonigle.

Please feel free to take & share forms with anyone who: served in military or knew Mike (Police, Firefighters, DARE students/families, EMS, Lehigh Township citizens, Knights, Church friends, etc.). Garden is Open to the public.

Any Questions please contact Kim: 484-221-1434.



Farewell Announcement for Father Adam

Dear Parish Family,

As many of you may already know, our beloved Father Adam will soon be leaving our parish to begin a new chapter in his ministry. While we are saddened to see him go, we are deeply grateful for the time, guidance, and spiritual leadership he has shared with us.

To honor and thank Father Adam for his dedicated service, we invite everyone to join us after all Masses June 14 and June 15 for a special time and farewell fellowship in the parish hall. This will be a chance for you to personally say goodbye, share memories, and offer your prayers and well-wishes as he prepares for his next assignment at Immaculate Conception BVM Church in Douglassville.

Let us come together in gratitude and love to send Father Adam off with the blessings he has so generously given to us.

With heartfelt thanks,
Cindy Miller



Our
Pastor is
Leaving

Iron Pigs Game

Event Date: August 22, 2025

Event Time: 7:05 game start

Cost: \$13 with \$2 ballpark credit for food or merchandise



Join your fellow parishioners for a fun and relaxing evening at the Iron Pigs Game. Stay and enjoy the Fireworks after the game. 30 seats have been reserved in section 105.

Sign-up sheets are available in the portico after masses. Last day to sign-up is July 20. Contact Carl Litwin at 610-767-2624 email clitwin1@gmail.com

Our Lady of Peace Women Retreat: Sept. 12-14, 2025

Come to Malvern Retreat House to renew and strengthen your relationship with our Lord. Take time to deepen your faith, in the company of other women who seek more from their faith lives. We will share thought provoking conferences to help explore more in our faith. The theme will be "Eucharist: Food for the Journey". We will have Father Mike Davis, rector of Malvern Retreat House, as retreat director. The conferences will be directed in an effort to assist us to grow closer to our Lord. Weekend check-in begins at 5:00 PM and ends after Mass on Sunday morning about 11:00 AM. Please consider the gift of this weekend retreat for yourself and other women in your lives. To register, call 610 644-0400 or go directly to Our Lady Of Peace - 2025 - Malvern Retreat House . Other retreats are available at the calendar tab on the home page: www.malvernretreat.com

For more information, please contact Trina Marie Fixl 570.249.9198



Announcement from The Page Turners Book Club!

After reading "With God in Russia" and "He Leadeth Me", the Page Turners are announcing the rest of 2025 book selections! Get ready for a year filled with intriguing mysteries, timeless classics, and thought-provoking reads. Here's the list of books we'll be diving into:

- ♦ **"The Thursday Murder Club"** by Richard Osman
- ♦ **"The Red Tent"** by Anita Diamant
- ♦ A **C.S. Lewis** book (title to be chosen)
- ♦ **"Unbroken"** by Laura Hillenbrand
- ♦ **"The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde"** by Robert Louis Stevenson & Charles Raymond Macauley
- ♦ A **Stephen King** book (or something spooky for Halloween!)
- ♦ **"A Christmas Carol"** by Charles Dickens

We invite you to join us for a year of great reads and lively discussions! For more information or if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to us at community@stnicholaswalnutport.org.

Boy Scouts

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