

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 9th-2nd Sunday of Advent
7:30 A.M. CLARA & PATRICK RAZZANO—Mary Ann & Jerry Razzano
9:30 A.M. DONALD WARNER—The Wagner Family
11:00 A.M. PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES

Monday, December 10th
8:00 A.M. HENRIETTA DLUGOSZ—The Wagner Family

Tuesday, December 11th-St. Damasus
8:00 A.M. THE MCCARTHY FAMILY—Mary E. Tiehl

Wednesday, December 12th-Our Lady of Gradalupe
8:30 A.M. CHRISTINE MASLAR—The Coleman Girls
LIVING & DECEASED MOTHERS
Please Note Time Change

Thursday, December 13th-St. Lucy
8:00 A.M. LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DUDA & SEARFOSS FAMILIES—Dr. & Mrs. Andrew M. Duda

Friday, December 14th-St. John of the Cross
8:00 A.M. WILLIAM A. KOS—Scott & Susie Kos

Saturday, December 15th
5:00 P.M. BETH MORELLI—Jim & Dottie Kase

Sunday, December- 3rd Sunday of Advent
7:30 A.M. FRED & HELEN GENTILE—Kathleen Pallette
9:30 A.M. PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
11:00 A.M. RICHARD McLAUGHLIN

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Christians believe in the person Jesus, the Christ, the son of the Living God. Jesus walked this earth, breathed the air, enjoyed the sunshine, had meaningful relationships, and ultimately suffered death at the hands of the state. His story really happened: it is not myth, make believe, or something we simply tell children so they will be nice to one another.

Luke is an evangelist who gives us the details, which allow scholars to situate the life of Jesus in a historical context. The names of civil and religious leaders like Tiberius, Pontius Pilate, Herod, Philip, and others throughout the gospel are known by ancient pagan sources as well. They form something of an anchor or peg upon which to hang a timeline for Jesus and His ministry. In the language of another gospel, this is the story of the Word made flesh in a given time and place.

Jesus lived in a province ruled by Rome and was executed by that ruling power. Though put to death by the state He was raised up by God, giving us the Paschal mystery. On this Second Sunday of Advent we pause to reflect on Jesus' historical circumstances and our own, knowing that death is not the end.

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SACRED HEART PARISH CHILDREN, GRADES K-6

Come and sing along with the Sacred Heart Parish Children's Christmas Eve Choir! Practices will be held in the Church, 2 to 3 PM on Sundays, December 9, 16 and 23. This special choir will perform on Christmas Eve before 5 PM Mass. Participants must make every effort to attend each practice! No registration necessary. For more information, or if you are interested in helping, please contact Rose Kennedy at (215) 292-4985 or rosekennedy@gmail.com.

Next Sunday's Readings:

Zephaniah 3:14-18a; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:10-18

ALTAR SERVER'S SCHEDULE

December 10th through December 12th
8:00 A.M. Angelina Chi, Kylie Weiger

December 13th through December 14th
8:00 A.M. John Maurer, Jackson Gasperack

December 15th/16th 3rd Sunday of Advent
5:00 P.M. Andrew & John Maurer, Kylie Weiger
7:30 A.M. Grace Gleason, Analisa Ortiz, Harper Ostrich
9:30 A.M. The Gasperack Family
11:00 A.M. Sofia & Amelia Woytovich, Christine Yu

† MEMORIAL SOCIETY†

The following has been enrolled in Sacred Heart's Memorial Society:

By: Elizabeth M. Batdorf
Dr. & Mrs. Robert Sutherland

CANDLE OFFERINGS

Blessed Virgin Mary—In Memory of:

Gia Fawn
Poor Souls in Purgatory
Special Intention our Parents & Family—The O'Rourke Family

Special Intention Shannon—Grammy

St. Joseph—In Memory of:

Elizabeth M. Batdorf—The Batdorf Family
Special Intention our Parents & Family—The O'Rourke Family
Sanctity of Fatherhood
Special Intention Robert Stricek—Grandma

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED

Christian *Thomas* Changco
Angelina *Cecilia* Chi
Andrew *Francis* Delp
William *Francis* Delp
Kennedy *Peregrine* Eberhart
Andrew *Michael* Eisenhower
John *Peter* Gartner
Jackson *Anthony* Gasperack
Anna *Colette* Huber
Avery *Guadalupe* Jackson
Ava *Ava* Kusmierz
John *Sebastian* Maurer
Elizabeth *Francis* McCann
Sofia *Cecilia* Merolla
Christian *Bartholomew* Quintana
Emma *Elizabeth* Seifert
Jada *Elizabeth* Smart
George *Benedict* Wachana
Pacen *Louis* Ziegler



Natividad *Ives* Torres
Kylie *Francis* Weiger

THE GIVING TREE

The "Giving Tree" project for 2018 is underway. Our parish family is asked to share in the "spirit of giving" that Christmas brings, to help Lifeline of Berks County to replenish their pantry which serves mothers, babies, and their families throughout the coming year. Consider how you can share your joy in this Holy season. Please choose a tag containing a needed baby item from the "Giving Tree". Bring the new, unwrapped, item and place it around the tree. Your generous donation will be sent to Lifeline at the end of the Advent season.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

This Week In Our Parish

Monday, December 10th
 7:30 A.M. Recitation of the Rosary
Monday through Friday
 8:30 A.M. Fatima/Novena Rosary Group—Bornemann
 7:00 P.M. SVDP—Wachter
 7:00 P.M. Classical Choir Rehearsal—Church
Tuesday, December 11th
 8:30 A.M. Adoration Begins—Chapel
 5:00 P.M. Legion of Mary—Bornemann
 10:00 P.M. Adoration Ends—Chapel
Wednesday, December 12th
 9:30 A.M. Bible-Sharing—Bornemann
 7:00 P.M. RCIA—Bornemann
 7:00 P.M. Baptism Class—Wachter
 7:30 P.M. Contemporary Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, December 13th
 1:00 P.M. Knitters & Crocheters—Bornemann
 1:15 P.M. SHS Christmas Program—Church
 6:30 P.M. Serra Club—Chapel
 7:00 A.M. W.I.N.E.—Wachter
Sunday, December 16th
 10:00 A.M. Coffee & Donuts—Wachter
 1:00 P.M. Third Order Carmelites—Chapel & Wachter

COFFEE & DONUTS

Please join us in the Wachter Room for fellowship, coffee, juice, and donuts on Sunday, December 16th, following the 9:30 and 11 AM Masses.

2019 CALENDARS

Kuhn Funeral Home has once again provided us with beautiful calendars for 2019. The calendars are in the bulletin racks in the narthex of the Church for your convenience. Please be courteous and take no more than needed per family.

CONFESSIONS

December 17th—6:45 to 7:15 PM at Holy Rosary
 December 18th—6:30 to 8 PM Sacred Heart

Journey on a 10 Day Pilgrimage with Sacred Heart Parish to Portugal and Spain

Visiting Lisbon, Santeram, Fatima, Coimbra, Porto, Braga, Pontevedra and Santiago de Compostela. Departing October 10th and returning October 19th. Price is \$2,999 per person based on two people in a room. Included in the price: Roundtrip Air from Newark, Superior 3 and 4 star hotels, portorage for one suitcase, breakfast and dinner daily, Wine Tasting in Porto, tour Escort from beginning to end, Deluxe Motor Coach and Driver, Local Guides where needed. All sightseeing and entrance fees as per itinerary, Daily Mass, All overseas transfers airports and hotels and All Assistance at overseas airports and hotels. \$100 Discount if deposit received before January 10, 2019. If that date is missed \$50 discount if deposit received before March 15, 2019. Please contact Bonnie at the rectory for a brochure and more information.

LET US PRAY

In your charity, please pray for the priests of our diocese, and in particular this week, remember:

- ✠ 10 December—Very Rev. Richard W. Kennedy
- ✠ 11 December—Rev. Martin F. Kern
- ✠ 12 December—Rev. Wayne E. Killian
- ✠ 13 December—Rev. Msgr. Nevin J. Klinger
- ✠ 14 December—Rev. G. Jose Kochuparambil
- ✠ 15 December—Rev. Msgr. Thomas P. Koons
- ✠ 16 December—Very Rev. Dr. Robert B. Kosek

DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS

We are looking for parishioners—young and old, male and female—to assist in decorating the Church for Christmas. We will decorate on Wednesday, December 19th and Thursday, December 20th beginning at 10 AM. Adorning the Church is a wonderful way to help prepare to celebrate the Lord's birth. Please consider giving us your time. Call the rectory (610) 372-4010 to let us know if you can help.

CHRISTMAS VESPERS

Berks Catholic invites you to celebrate the Birth of our Savior Jesus Christ with our Christmas Vesper Prayer Service celebrated Sunday, December 16th at 4 PM here at Sacred Heart Church. Admission is Free and open to the public.

SAINTS SHOOT OUT FOR BOYS AND GIRLS GRADES K THROUGH 8

Will be held on Thursday, December 27th, 8:30 AM to 12 Noon at Berks Catholic High School. Offensive moves for guards and forwards, dribbling moves, shooting, shooting off the dribble, shooting off the pass, and shoot out contest. Please visit www.berkscatholic.org for the registration form.

SACRED HEART CENTENNIAL ORNAMENT

Created by Tom Pollard Designs celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Sacred Heart Church is available for sale at the Rectory during normal business hours for a special discounted rate of 15.00 each. Perfect for your Christmas tree or as a gift!

Parish Website: shrcparish.org
 School Website: sacredheartreading.com
 Diocesan Website: allentowndiocese.org

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Dec. 15/16	Celebrant	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Extraordinary Ministers
5:00 P.M.	Msgr. DeSantis	Terry Vogel	Sr. Danielle Marie/Terry Vogel	Karen Minteer
7:30 A.M.	Msgr. DeSantis	Vince Moffit	Jo Quaglia	
9:30 A.M.	Fr. Hutta	Mike Gallagher/Lou Sutherland	Bill Fatora/Jack Gruber	Lou Sutherland
11:00 A.M.	Fr. Hutta	Ralph & Margaret Hueske	Ralph & Margaret Hueske	