

Our Lady Help of Christians

Allentown, Pennsylvania | Roman Catholic Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

We are now twinned with Saints Simon & Jude

SERVED BY

Reverend Monsignor William F. Baver,
Th.M., M. Div., CCCE, KCHS

PERMANENT DEACONS

Deacon Reuben H. Hartzell
Deacon Jeffrey R. Trexler,
KCHS, Ph.D., Ch.D.

RECTORY STAFF

Elaine Mitchell - *Bulletin/Parish Secretary*
Ed Hudak - *Financial Secretary*

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

M-W 9:30AM-4:30PM
Mask is required if not vaccinated

After 4:30 or in an emergency
call 610-866-5582

VICTIM'S ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

Wendy Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC
1-800-791-9209
(Direct Line)

SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR

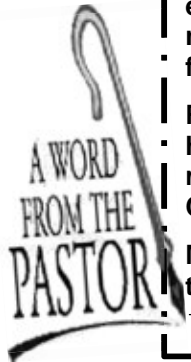
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610-871-5200, Ext 2204

There is a link to the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People on the Diocese website at www.allentowndiocese.org.

MASSES (AT OLHC AND SSJ)

Monday - Wednesday - 8AM at OLHC
Tuesday - Thursday - 8AM at SS. Simon & Jude
Friday or Saturday - 8AM (Alternating)
Call 610-866-5582 X7 weekly to check

Saturday - 5PM at SS. Simon & Jude
Sunday - 9AM at SS. Simon & June
11AM at OLHC



Dear Parishioner,

Our first, most cherished liberty as Americans is religious freedom. It is the first freedom enumerated in the first Amendment. It is the foundation of all our freedoms, for if Americans are not free in their consciences, in their religious faith, in their corporal works of mercy, then all our freedoms are fragile.

Recently the church in Philadelphia was supported by the Supreme Court to again be funded to have adopted children placed in families of their choosing, a right previously revoked. Jesus was rejected by the people who knew him best. They found him too much for them. Isn't he the Carpenters son?

May the Holy Spirit that came upon the church at Pentecost and on us at our Confirmation recall that the fire of the Holy Spirit is still burning as we minister to our neighbor the Christian message.

Monsignor Bayer



SACRAMENTAL AND PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

In order to receive any Sacraments or sponsor certificates, you must be a REGISTERED PARISHIONER. Please see Monsignor Bayer after Mass to register and he will be happy to set you up!

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Confession is every Saturday from 4PM to 4:45PM at Saints Simon and Jude Church in Bethlehem.

SACRAMENT TO THE HOMEBOUND/SICK

First Friday Communion calls are done the first week of the month. Notify the Rectory when a parishioner is in the hospital or ill at home to receive the Eucharist and Anointing of the Sick, or be listed on our First Friday Communion Calls.

AMAZON SMILES AND VENMO

Please look for us as *Our Lady Help of Christians Church* (make sure it says "Allentown, PA") and set us as your charity under smile.amazon.com. For Venmo (online payment), we are OlhcAllentown-Church, four digits 1870 (if it's your first payment).

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

For registered parishioners, preparation should begin one year, but no less than six months, prior to the proposed date of marriage.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are held for registered parishioners following the 11AM Mass. Parents should see Monsignor Bayer after Mass.

CEMETERIES

To arrange a Christian burial, please contact the following cemeteries:

Holy Savior Cemetery: 610-866-2372 X1
Resurrection Cemetery: 610-395-3819 X1

LEGACY

Gifts provided through wills and personal trusts can make such a difference in the continued operation of our Parish. These gifts enable a donor to make contributions that may not have been possible during their lifetime. If you value the continuity as well as the mission of OLHC, please consider this. Thank you!






6/27 Sunday Offerings: \$2,650
 Peter Pence: \$386
 Other 2nd Collections: \$213

Thank you for your continued support and generosity as it is critical to our Church.

GOD BLESS YOU ON YOUR BIRTHDAY!	
7/4	Debra Schmidt
7/5	Sister Charlene (92!), Sheila Breitfeld, Bernadette Potetz, Robert Royer
7/7	Lorenzo Urena
7/9	Art Breitfeld

PMASS INTENTIONS

JULY	SUNDAY
04	HAPPY 4 TH OF JULY 9AM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude
	 11AM Mass at OLHC †OLHC Memorial Fund
MONDAY	
05	ST. ANTHONY ZACCARIA †Bernadine & Rudolph Potetz R/B Bernadette Potetz
	†Rose Venditto R/B Rosanne Venditto
TUESDAY	
06	ST. MARIA GORETTI 8AM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude
	WEDNESDAY
07	8AM – †Rick Sokolsky R/B Barb Sokolsky
	†Bob Whitehead R/B Mary Ann Novatnack
JULY	THURSDAY
08	8AM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude
	FRIDAY
09	8AM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude
	SATURDAY
10	ST. THOMAS APOSTLE 5PM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude
	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
11	9AM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude
	11AM Mass at OLHC †John Schrei R/B Jack Schrei



JULY 4TH – JULY 10TH

The Candle Burns in Loving Memory of:

VITTORIO LONARDO

Requested by: Family

The Sanctuary Lamp
The Light that Symbolizes the Eternal Sacrifice

TRICKY TRAYS UPDATE

We have great news...we made a profit of \$6,300. This has been one of our most successful fundraisers to date...more than our last carnival! Thank you to our core group of volunteers that always help out at our events (you know who you are!). Thank you to everyone who came and purchased tickets and food. And congrats to our winners!

Our next fundraiser will be our Summer Sizzler, which will be mailed out in July. We hope to have a similar success. Thanks in advance for your participation!

Birthday * Support ♦ Anniversary ♥ Memorial †




We are holding an information session on July 8th at 6PM (in the Church) for parents interested in CCD for their children in Grades 1 through 8. Please pick up a purple registration form in the back of the Church and bring to the session on the 8th. Thank you!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED SOULS WHO PASSED AWAY IN JULY

<u>7/1</u> – Anthony Bucha ('70), Annemarie Pavlinsky ('00), Walter Brezner, Jr. ('00), Anna Eberhardt ('17), Elaine Emmerich ('20)	<u>7/18</u> – Richard King ('05), Virginia Hart ('14)
<u>7/2</u> – Helen Eberhardt ('14)	<u>7/19</u> – Anna-Mae Acquisto ('19)
<u>7/4</u> – JoAnn Marchand ('13)	<u>7/20</u> – Anthony Venditto ('00)
<u>7/5</u> – Ada Riedy ('13)	<u>7/21</u> – Edna Almond ('07)
<u>7/7</u> – Mary Duffy ('01), Marthanna Zeppenfelt ('14), Peter Noga ('15)	<u>7/22</u> – Edward Murphy ('10), John “Hap” Jurasits ('10)
<u>7/8</u> – William Waschitsch ('04), Eleanor Maruschak ('07)	<u>7/23</u> – Marjorie Weber
<u>7/10</u> – Kenneth Zweifel ('98), John Vastysyak ('99)	<u>7/24</u> – Barbara Schaeffer ('08)
<u>7/11</u> – Margaret Yankeh ('06)	<u>7/27</u> – Raymond Solt ('12)
<u>7/12</u> – Richard Bartynski, Sr. ('95)	<u>7/28</u> – Angela Staub ('07), Nancy Smolick ('20)
<u>7/16</u> – Dorothy Bushner ('14)	<u>7/31</u> – Rosemarie Piplitsch ('07), Mary Ann Detweiler ('14), Louise Christof ('20)
<u>7/17</u> – Mary Katkowski ('06)	

	<p>SMILE.AMAZON.COM</p> <p>Support Our Lady Help of Christians Church by shopping at AmazonSmile.</p> <p>When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon will donate to Our Lady Help of Christians Church. Support us every time you shop.</p>	<p>OLHC Parishioners: To date (January to March 2021), we only have nine friends and parishioners subscribed to us at Amazon Smile, and have earned only \$12.06. Please, try and help us by going to smile.amazon.com and selecting Our Lady Help of Christians (make sure it says Allentown). We would appreciate the support!</p>
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	<p>The Fourth of July—also known as Independence Day or July 4th—has been a Federal Holiday in the United States since 1941, but the tradition of Independence Day celebrations goes back to the 18th century and the American Revolution.</p> <p>On July 2nd, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence, and two days later, delegates from the 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence, a historic document drafted by Thomas Jefferson. From 1776 to the present day, July 4th has been celebrated as the birth of American Independence.</p> <p>LET'S NEVER FORGET THIS: FREEDOM, INDEPENDENCE! KEEP IT AND TREASURE IT! GOD BLESS AMERICA!</p>
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Our Parish Nurse Jennyfer works with the homeless at the Ripple Community Center in Allentown. The Center serves adults who are experiencing homelessness, who are living with mental illness, who have experienced significant trauma, or have other conditions or experiences that can leave them isolated and alone. Some of these adults live in the woods in Allentown. Jennyfer is looking for tents or tarp to help cover them. If you have any of these, please drop off at the Rectory (you can drop off on the back porch after hours, just mark “Jennyfer” on it).

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or call 800-276-1562.

Reading I: Ezekiel 2: 2-5

God charges Ezekiel with a mission to speak the Word to a people so hardened in disobedience that they will not listen. Worse, they will oppose him. Still Ezekiel must proclaim the sacred Word.

Reading II: 2 Corinthians 12: 7-10

St. Paul speaks of a “thorn” in his flesh, given him to keep him grounded despite the many revelations given him. He humbly boasts of his weaknesses because they show Christ’s power at work in him.

The Gospel: Mark 6: 1-6a

Here we have Jesus rejected even by His own people. That had to sting. Scholars tell us that when the people called Him “the Son of Mary” that could have been an insult, because in those days Jews were usually known by their father’s name, in “Son of Joseph.”

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Our eyes are
fixed on the
LORD,
pleading for
his mercy.



GOSPEL

He was
amazed
at their lack
of faith.

OTHER NEWS

ST. MARY’S CHURCH IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE "OUR BLOCK PARTY IS BACK"!

Please join us Thursday, July 15th, Friday, July 16th, and Saturday, July 17th from 6:00 to 10:00 PM. As always, we will feature our homemade foods such as steak sandwiches, pierogies, halupki, potato pancakes, cabbage & noodles, and more. Play Bingo each night in our air-conditioned Parish Hall. Your favorite adult and children’s games are back as well. New this year, we will be honoring our Hometown Heroes. Each night volunteers from the Catsauqua Fire and Police Departments will be present with a piece of their emergency equipment. We will hold a 50/50 Raffle each night with all proceeds being donated to their respective departments. The Fire Police will assist you with parking on Race Street and help you safely across to come up to our church. D.H. Productions will entertain you all night long with your favorites and some games to get all involved. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office at 610-264-0332 or email kim.stmarys122@gmail.com. You may also visit our Parish Website at annunciationbvm.net. 122 Union Street, Catsauqua

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Bookkeeper: Part-Time Position, 29 hours per week, 12 month position - Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, processing a bi-weekly payroll, processing payment for requisitions and purchase orders, overseeing tuition collection process and assisting in the development of the school budget.

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