

Our Lady Help of Christians Church

Allentown, Pennsylvania | A 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*
Carol Ann Reinert (SSJ) - *Bookkeeper*

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

M-W 9:30AM-4:30PM
Thursday 10:30AM-2:30PM
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

Pamela Russo, MSW, MS
prusso@allentowndiocese.org
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 & Jude
11AM at Our Lady Help of Christians



Dear Parishioners,

I met last Tuesday with some Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist to review the current guidelines for their ministry. It was an eight-page document from the bishop's office published in 2018. In addition, procedures were discussed and agreement on how to introduce the practice again in our parish. It was decided to have the priest in the middle aisle with both lines alternating receiving Holy Communion from the priest.

A deacon will be placed to the right of the priest four feet away and an Extraordinary Minister to the left of the priest four feet away. In this way parishioners will alternate between the priest and the other minister.

At this time, I will be writing to the Chancery for permission that Jacqueline Aranda, Edward Curran, Diane Gabrielle, Milagros Gonzales, Carol Petroll, Maria Reyes, Barbara Sokolsky, Nioka Vera and Maureen Whitehead be given permission to serve a three-year term as an Extraordinary Minister for our parish. Terms are renewable.

I thank these parishioners for attending this meeting and for being willing to serve in this capacity.

Monsignor Baver



SACRAMENTAL AND PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

In order to receive any Sacraments or sponsor certificates, you must be a REGISTERED PARISHIONER. Please see Monsignor Baver after Mass to register.

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 7439 (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 Baver 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!





8/22 Sunday Offerings: \$2,756
 Maintenance Fund: \$403
 Other 2nd Collections: \$157

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

GOD BLESS YOU ON YOUR BIRTHDAY!

8/30 Marie Peralta, Sharon Bodek

8/31 John D'Annibale

9/1 Fr. George Kochuparambil

9/2 Felix Presinal

PMASS INTENTIONS

AUGUST SUNDAY

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9AM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude

29

11AM †Guy Gillette & Family
 Dolores & Nanette Gillette

†Bill O'Donnell
 R/B Maureen Whitehead

MONDAY

30

8AM – †Dick Perkins
 R/B Sheila Breiffeld

TUESDAY

31

8AM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude

SEPTEMBER WEDNESDAY

01

8AM – †Hector Manuel Quiles
 R/B Lulu Borrero

THURSDAY

02

Mass at SS. Simon & Jude

FRIDAY

03

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT
 8AM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude

SATURDAY

04

5PM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude

SUNDAY

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9AM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude

05

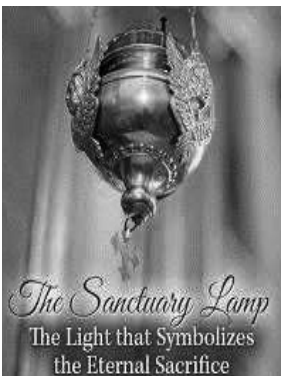
11AM †Janet Garger
 R/B Mike Garger

Birthday * Support ♦ Anniversary ♥ Memorial †



Children's Religious Education
 Our Lady Help of Christians

CCD CLASSES – 7TH AND 8TH GRADE ONLY Tuesday is the last day to register! Please remember to turn in your forms to the Rectory. *First CCD class is Wednesday, 9/15/21 at 6PM in the Chapel (enter through main Church doors)*



AUGUST 29TH – SEPTEMBER 4TH

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BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC 2021 UPDATE

	June	August
Pledges & One Time Gifts:	\$10,678	\$11,353
Amount Collected:	\$9,398	\$10,333
Average Gift:	\$274	\$247
Number of Donors:	39	46
Number of Reg. Families:	346	346
Participation Rate:	11.27%	13.29%

Thank you for your support, it is great to see the increased numbers. If you have not yet made your pledge of support, you can still return your pledge form to the parish or make your gift online. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, please call the parish office or visit the Appeal website at BecauseWeAreCatholic.org.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED SOULS WHO PASSED AWAY IN AUGUST

<u>8/1</u> - Rose Budihas ('08)	<u>8/17</u> - Gloria Ballas ('13)
<u>8/2</u> - Joseph Micklos ('09)	<u>8/18</u> - Helen Neupauer ('03)
<u>8/3</u> - Helen Mrazik ('19)	<u>8/19</u> - Vilma Szep ('08), Carmella Busa ('12), Dolores Keppel ('18)
<u>8/4</u> - Arthur Yohe, Jr. ('10)	<u>8/21</u> - Alred Fritz ('01)
<u>8/5</u> - Bernard Cadden ('88), Thomas Petroll ('08)	<u>8/22</u> - Norma Marth ('13)
<u>8/7</u> - Margaret Sokasits ('17), Joseph Anfuso ('19)	<u>8/23</u> - Dolores Schmidt ('19)
<u>8/8</u> - Gregory Oswald ('89), Thomas Wetherhold ('16)	<u>8/24</u> - Clifford Young ('98), Hilda Moyer ('03), James Zuppert ('13)
<u>8/9</u> - Frank Reisinger ('78)	<u>8/25</u> - Gene Waters ('18)
<u>8/11</u> - Russell Troxel - ('05), Ethel Shiner ('07), Eleanor Wargo ('12), Luke Snell ('14)	<u>8/26</u> - Anna Boyle ('12)
<u>8/12</u> - Luke Snell ('14)	<u>8/27</u> - Joseph Klein ('02)
<u>8/13</u> - Irene Minetola ('05)	<u>8/28</u> - Dorothy Kendra ('15)
<u>8/14</u> - Mary Buchanin ('05), Donald Dougherty ('15)	<u>8/30</u> - Gina Nagle ('18)
<u>8/16</u> - Doris Mae Brezner ('98), Bernadine Potetz ('19)	

Loving God, watch over our children as they begin their new school year. Bless them with joy at seeing friends, excitement at new experiences, and a love of learning.

Guide and protect all who learn, replacing fear with joy, anxiety with peace, and tiredness with energy. Give wisdom, patience, and joy to teachers as they serve their students.

In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.



A BACK-TO-SCHOOL PRAYER

2021 is a new and interesting year of school for our kids and teens. It's easy to get sucked into all the temptations that can be found in school or college. "*Satan is prowling like a lion ready to devour you*" (1 Peter 5:8). But remember who you are. Remember that you wear the name of Christ proudly. Paul wrote in 1 Cor. 11:1 to "*Imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ.*" Remember, our attitude should always imitate Christ's attitude. There will be times where it will be hard to do the right thing and you'll find yourselves between a rock and a hard place struggling with a decision, but just remember "*If God is for us, who can be against us?*" (Rom. 8:31). Remember that you have a family of Christians that are here for you whenever you need them. Don't be afraid to admit you need help. Remember, our parish nurse Jennyfer is here every Wednesday!

God bless all our children and grandchildren!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Congrats to Louis & Kathryn Gabrielle, married 8/28/1992 (St. Ignatius, Maine), and Peter & Carolina Howard Ortiz, married 8/31/2013 (OLHC). We pray that your marriage will continue to be showered with all God's richest blessings!



LABOR DAY MASS WILL BE AT 9AM ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH. Come observe the day and hear some patriotic songs. All are invited to attend and pray for the needs of our country. Please note: our parish office will be closed that day in observance of the holiday.

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.

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You disregard God's commandment
but cling to human tradition."

Mk 7:8

Reading I: Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-8

Observance of the law is an essential condition for the secure possession of the land for God's chosen people. It constitutes their true wisdom. Their God is always near to them.

Reading II: James 1: 17-18, 21b-22, 27

We are to welcome God's word into our hearts. For certain, true religion demands that we do good deeds and not just be passive listeners.

The Gospel: Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The Pharisees act as if they are very concerned with observance of their laws about ritual purity, and Jesus' disciples appear negligent. Jesus warns them about substituting human teaching for divine commands, and using the law to escape from one's obligations.

OTHER NEWS

FROM THE DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN

A community of Catholic women invite all women who are committed to raising awareness and funds to aid non-profit ministries endorsed by the Diocese of Allentown in imitation of the life of St. Catharine of Siena. By joining together in the collective giving and personally selecting the recipient ministries, women will have a personal impact on those among us in need.

Join us for our upcoming "Sip, Savor, and Share" evenings to help unite women from all over the Diocese to support important ministries. Please join us at an information session to enjoy female fellowship and refreshments! The closest session is listed below.

Wednesday, 9/22/21 at Sacred Heart Palmerton | 6:30PM-7:30PM
RSVP to stewardship@allentowndioocese.org

ST. ELIZABETH AEROBICS IS BACK

Low Impact Aerobics—Instructor is Karen Hoff is offering 10 weeks of "distancing" aerobics on Tuesday nights from 6:15-7pm from September 7th to November 17th.
Cost \$25.00 for all 10 weeks. Bring a friend!

Classes are held at St Elizabeth's parish hall, 435 Pershing Blvd, Whitehall.
Registration contact Mary Spieker at the parish office at 610-266-0695 or dirreled@sercc.org. See their website at www.sercc.org. Consider wearing a mask at the door, but masks are not needed for exercise. Deadline Sept 6th.

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#WHATSMYNAME
In Remembrance of Samantha Josephson

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