

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHURCH

117 Washington Street
Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1625



RECTORY

210 East Northampton Street
Bath, Pennsylvania 18014-1625

PARISH INFORMATION:

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Mr. Lewis Ferris, Deacon

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Mrs. Margaret Sansonetti, Parish Secretary

Mrs. Rose Prentice,

Parish Safe Environment Coordinator

Director of Religious Education

Mrs. Donna Blaszka, M.S., M.A., School Principal

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Diocesan Safe Environment Coordinator

Telephone: 610-289-8900, Ext. 222

COURAGE – Diocesan Help Line: 610-217-5557

SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

Saturday Evening Vigil: 4:30 PM and 6:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 6:45 AM, 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Holyday Vigil: 4:30 PM

Holyday: 7:00 AM, 10:30 AM and 7:00 PM

Weekdays: Please refer to current Mass Schedule inside.

DEVOTIONS:

Rosary: Monday through Friday – 7:15 AM

First Friday: Benediction and Sacred Heart Novena

After morning Mass – **September – June**

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

Saturday: 3:15 PM – 4:00 PM

Thursday prior to First Friday: 5:30 PM – 6:00 PM;

September – June

Anytime upon reasonable request

WELCOME: We welcome all who join us at our Mass. We encourage you to become an active participant in the life of our Parish. All Catholics who live within our Parish boundaries should register. Please call the Rectory Office for more information.

PARISH SCHOOL: Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish School is a fully-accredited Pre-Kindergarten, Elementary and Middle school of the Diocese of Allentown. Moral development, proper study skills, and strength of character are integrated into our academic plan. Registration for all grades is ongoing. Please contact the school office for more info or a personal tour.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM is celebrated the first and third Sunday of each month at Noon. If you are a parishioner and would like to schedule a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office. Prior to the baptism, parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class which is designed to instruct the parents about the teachings of the church regarding Baptism, and to offer assistance in the spiritual preparation for their child's reception of the first of the Sacraments of the Church. In order to be a Godparent, one must be a practicing Catholic and must obtain a Certificate of Eligibility from his or her Pastor verifying their status as practicing Catholics.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): Those who desire entrance into the Catholic Church are warmly welcome through the RCIA. Please contact the Pastor for more information.

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Parishioners who are contemplating the Sacrament of Matrimony must contact the Pastor and mutually agree upon a date at least six months prior to the Wedding. The Church takes the preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony very seriously, and requires participation in the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Dialogues as well as regular meetings with the Priest. The normative time for weddings is Saturday between 10:00 AM and 1:30 PM. Weddings are not celebrated on major holidays, nor on the first weekend of June in deference to Ordination of Priests each year at that time. Either the Bride or the Groom must be a practicing member of Sacred Heart Parish in order to request a wedding date.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: A Priest or Deacon will visit monthly. Extraordinary Ministers visit those who wish to receive more often. Always notify us about the homebound parishioners who wish to be visited.

THE SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK is given to those who are seriously ill and in danger of death. When there is danger of death, please call the Pastor anytime, day or night.

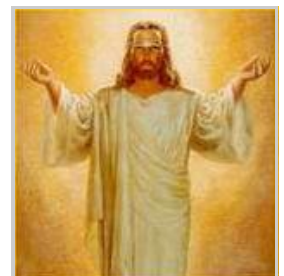
PARISH MEMORIALS: Following the death of a relative or friend, offerings may be made to the Church in loving memory of the deceased. Offerings may specify a particular request or be placed in the Memorial Fund for parish needs.

CHILDCARE DURING MASS is available for infants through preschool each Sunday during the 9:30 AM Mass in the Kindergarten room (in the school – use the rear stairs). Registration is not needed. Walk-ins are welcome!

First Sunday of Advent November 28, 2010

**"You . . . must be prepared,
for at an hour you do not
expect, the Son of Man will
come."**

— Matthew 24:44





MASSSES & MORNING PRAYER:

Sunday, November 28—FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 6:45 AM Tom & Agnes Wilde
Requested by the Family
- 8:00 AM Richard M. Meyers
Requested by Irene & Family
- 9:30 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church
- 11:00 AM Juan Claudio
Requested by the Family

Monday, November 29 – Advent Weekday

- 7:30 AM Lauds (Morning Prayer)
- 8:00 AM Holy Mass - George Kohutka
Requested by Chuck & Sue Albert & Family

Tuesday, November 30 — St. Andrew

- 7:30 AM Lauds (Morning Prayer)
- 8:00 AM Holy Mass - Jessie Kocher
Requested by Elsie & Alan

Wednesday, December 1 — Advent Weekday

- 7:30 AM Lauds (Morning Prayer)
- 8:00 AM Holy Mass - Kenneth Curto
Requested by the Ken & Mary Jane Pietrzak

Thursday, December 2— Advent Weekday

- 7:30 AM Lauds (Morning Prayer)
- 8:00 AM Holy Mass - Mary Votrol
Requested by Betty Haldaman

Friday, December 3— St. Francis Xavier

- 8:00 AM Lauds (Morning Prayer)
- 8:30 AM Holy Mass - Those enrolled in the Memorial Fund

Saturday, December 4— SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT VIGIL

- 4:30 PM Jean Jordan
Requested by Marie & Joseph Maroski
- 6:00 PM Mary & Michael Kolessar
Requested by Michael & Irene Kolessar

Sunday, December 5—SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 6:45 AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church
- 8:00 AM Walter, Goldie, & Michele Sterner
Requested by Judy Conover & Family
- 9:30 AM Steven & Anna Milisits
Requested by the Children
- 11:00 AM Maria & Vincenzo Fantozzi
Requested by David & Marisa & Family



SUNDAY READINGS:

First Reading — All the peoples shall stream toward the Lord's house (Isaiah 2:1-5).

Psalm — Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord (Psalm 122).

Second Reading — It is the hour to cast off the dark and clothe ourselves in the light (Romans 13:11-14).

Gospel — Stay awake! Be prepared! The Son of Man will come when you least expect (Matthew 24:37-44).



READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

- Monday:** Is 4:2-6; Mt 8:5-11
- Tuesday:** Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
- Wednesday:** Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37
- Thursday:** Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27
- Friday:** Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31
- Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8
- Sunday:** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

THE SANCTUARY LAMP is burning from November 19th through December 2nd in honor of



Caroline Merlino

Requested by Dominic Merlino

THE ST. JOSEPH CANDLES are burning from November 26th through December 2nd in memory of



Richard M. Meyers

Requested by Irene & Family

7-DAY ALTAR CANDLES are burning from November 28th through December 4th in memory of



Pasqualina & Aramdo DiOdoardo
Requested by David & Marisa & Family

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR HOSPITALIZED.



CHRISTMAS SPIRITUAL BOUQUET CARDS

Christmas spiritual bouquet cards are available during Advent after all Masses. A donation of **\$10.00 per card is suggested**. The **4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass in Church** will be offered for all those to whom you send a card and there will be a remembrance at all Masses throughout the Christmas Season. All donations will go to Sacred Heart Church Saint Vincent de Paul Society. **Please place all donations in the collection basket or drop off at the rectory.**

ABORTION HELP HOTLINE

Need healing from a past abortion experience? Call **1-866-3Rachel**, the confidential Project Rachel Hotline, for compassionate post-abortion counseling.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HAPPY REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF PETER DONELLO, brother of Andy Donello of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish .

PRAYER CORNER

For young women in crisis pregnancy: that they may receive loving support and guidance, and consolation from our Blessed Mother.



Liturgical Roles*

12/4- 12/5	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	MUSIC	ALTAR SERVERS
4:30 PM		Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday,		
6:00 PM		the bulletin was due to the publisher		
6:45 AM		before this data was available. Please sign		
8:00 AM		on to the MSP website to see if you are		
9:30 AM		scheduled for the weekend of December		
11:00 AM		4th and 5th.		

WEEKDAY SERVERS: November 29th: K. Stokes

December 6th: C. Anani

WOMEN'S GUILD CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Women's Guild Christmas Party will be **December 6th at 6:00 p.m.** at Gaetano's - Southmoore Golf Club. The dinner will be a buffet of roast beef, roast chicken with side dishes. **The cost is \$13.00 per person.** Please bring a \$5.00 wrapped gift for exchange. **Call 610-837-6623 for reservations by Nov 29th.**

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Monday, December 6th
6:00 - 9:00 p.m. in Church
Confessions start at 7:00 p.m.

"Take some time away and spend it with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament."

Your Stewardship Report

November 14th

Weekly Budget *	\$9,412
Sunday Envelope	\$9,097
Loose	\$439
Fuel and Utilities	\$2,303
Monthly Dues	\$115
Insurance	\$32
Christmas	\$20
Other **	\$135

Total Weekly Collection	\$12,141
Surplus (Deficit)	\$2,729

Received through November 14	\$197,635
Budget through November 14	\$188,240
Surplus (Deficit)	\$9,395

* Does not include Religious Ed and Pre-school
 ** Unspecified collections, donations, candles, flowers, etc.

Special Collection - none this week

Monthly Mortgage Payment on land	\$6,039
Building Fund Collection for November	\$3,077
Surplus (Deficit)	(-\$2,962)

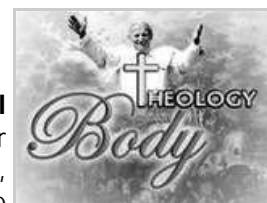


2010 STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTION

If you would like to receive a statement of your 2010 contributions, please put a note in the Sunday collection basket. Please put your envelope number on the request. **Due to the cost of postage, you MUST include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request or pick the statement up in the rectory office during regular business hours.** We are grateful to all who contributed and especially those who sacrificially supported the parish family of the Sacred Heart of Jesus throughout the year.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY LECTURE

The Reverend Father Joel Kiefer will be the guest speaker at Our Lady of Lebanon Church, Easton, about the Theology of the Body of Pope John Paul II (Introduction & Overview) on **Thursday, December 9 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** This is an open invitation to all our friends who are looking to deepen their faith. Please bring a friend with you. You will enjoy the lecture. Coffee & refreshments will be available. To help the kitchen staff to prepare for the event, kindly register by emailing us the names and number of the people who will attend at: **2ourladyoflebanon@gmail.com.**



PARISH ACTIVITIES

	Day	Time	Place
Adult Choir Rehearsal	Tues	6:30 p.m.	Church
Cub Pack 43	Tues	6:30 p.m.	Auditorium
Boy Scout Troop 43	Tues	6:30 p.m.	Scout Rm.
RCIA	Tues	7:00 p.m.	Burkhart
Credit Union	T/Th	6 - 8 p.m.	Burkhart
Children's Choir Rehearsal	Wed	3:00 p.m.	Church
Scripture and Prayer Group	Wed	9:00 a.m.	Burkhart
Ensemble Rehearsal	Wed	7:00 p.m.	Church

KEEP UP TO DATE WITH PARISH ACTIVITIES !
VISIT OUR ON-LINE CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT:
www.sacredheartchurch.com

Brace yourself! If we take in what the Holy Father is saying in his **Theology of the Body**, we will never view ourselves, view others, view the Church, the Sacraments, grace, God, heaven, marriage, the celibate vocation...we will never view the world the same way again.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRIESTS FOR LIFE

Health care reform should not include coverage for abortion on demand. Please communicate with Congress and join our National Prayer Campaign. For more information, see www.PrayerCampaign.org. At PriestsForLife.org/legislation you will also find frequent updates on the goings-on of our government in relation to the Health Care Bill. Please keep yourself informed.

PARISH EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

Contact the Parish Employment Assistance group today if you are out of work, in need of job search help/skills, or looking for an employee. The group serves to help parishioners who are out of work or just in need of some help during difficult times. Meetings are scheduled and held as needed. For more information or to receive a packet containing multiple valuable resources, contact **Frank Hesch** at **610-462-0697** or frank.hesch@yahoo.com.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS

In addition to the normally scheduled Saturday afternoon confessions Monsignor Nave and visiting priests will be available to hear confessions on **Monday, December 20th** at **6:30 p.m.** Please consider attending in preparation for birth of Christ.

BULLETIN PUBLICATION

Please deliver your bulletin announcements to the Rectory Office or send an email to Stephanie at: shornpharmd@yahoo.com by noon on the **Friday 9 days prior** to the publication date.

'TIS THE SEASON TO MAIL CHRISTMAS CARDS

We will be selling Sacred Heart of Jesus Christmas Cards along with a beautiful Sacred Heart pen for **\$6.00 for both**. These cards were sold a few years ago and featured our beautiful altar at Christmas time. Please call the rectory to place your orders at **610-837-7874**.

BULLETIN BOARDS

Please check out our church bulletin boards. There are two in the front ramp area of the church, one of which is for Sacred Heart School news, and two in the back of the church. They are extensions of the articles found in the Sunday bulletin and have additional news and events that are not able to fit in the bulletin.



Paper orders for **January's** Market Day are due **December 22nd**. Online orders are due **December 28th**. Our code is #20848. The pick-up date is **January 3rd** at 5 p.m. in the auditorium.



GIVING TREE

If you are looking for a way to get in the holiday spirit, please take a tag from one of our Giving Trees. Please, wrap the gift (unless otherwise noted), place the ornament tag securely on the outside of the gift for easy identification, and put the gift under the tree. **Envelopes containing gift certificates** or checks should be placed in the collection basket with the ornament tag attached securely to the outside of the envelope. **The deadline to return gifts is December 12th**. The gifts that you so generously donate are distributed to various causes including Catholic Charities (Babies, Foster Care, & Ecumenical Kitchen), Valley Youth House, and Habitat for Humanity. We also distribute gifts to our parishioners in nursing homes and our shut-ins. **It is extremely important** that, if you take a tag from the tree, especially for a foster child or for a gift card for groceries for our homebound parishioners, to return the gift. If you have taken an ornament from the tree and have misplaced it or cannot purchase the gift, please call Marge at 610-837-7874.



ONLINE GIVING

If you would like to make your contributions to the parish by means of automated withdrawal, then online giving is for you!

Online giving is now available by signing onto <https://www.myowngiving.com/Default.aspx?cid=168>

Sign onto the website and follow the directions to register. Once registered you will receive an email to activate your account. Once your account is activated you can sign on and begin making your contributions. The website provides an *Online Giving Users Guide*. It is very easy to use, but if you are familiar with online banking you will be able to navigate the web site without using the Guide. If you have any questions please call Marge at the rectory, at 610-837-7874.

ADVENT: A TIME OF PREPARATION

The word Advent is from the Latin *adventus* for "coming" and is associated with the four weeks of preparation for Christmas. Advent always contains four Sundays, beginning on the Sunday nearest the feast of St. Andrew the Apostle (November 30), and continuing until December 24. It blends together a penitential spirit, very similar to Lent, a liturgical theme of preparation for the Second and Final Coming of the Lord, called the Parousia, and a joyful theme of getting ready for the Bethlehem event.

Since the 900s Advent has been considered the beginning of the Church year. This does not mean that Advent is the most important time of the year. Easter has always had this honor.



The traditional color of Advent is purple or violet which symbolizes the penitential spirit. Religious traditions associated with Advent express all these themes.

HOLIDAY TRICKY TRAY AUCTION

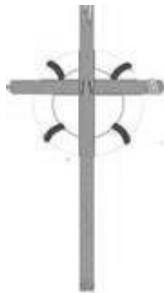
Sacred Heart Church in Bethlehem will be hosting a Holiday Tricky Tray Auction on **Saturday, December 4 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday, December 5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.** in the Father King Memorial Hall, 1817 1st St., Bethlehem. Drawing will begin at 3 p.m. Sunday, December 5. Delicious homemade food and baked goods will be available! Tickets of 25 tickets per sheet will be sold for \$5 at the door. Call **610-865-5042** for more info.

SHS CHRISTMAS SALE

Sacred Heart School is hosting a Vendor and Craft Christmas Sale on **Saturday, December 11** in the auditorium from **3 p.m. to 8 p.m.** It will be the perfect time to finish up (or start) your holiday shopping! All proceeds benefit the school. Stop by before or after Masses, or just come and shop! **Gift wrapping is available, too!** Call **Susan Bostian at 610-417-2448** for more information.

MARRIAGE HELP

Retrouvaille, a Catholic based program to help marriages that are stressed or in trouble, has helped countless married couples in all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. Retrouvaille can help your marriage, too. The next program will be held at St. Joseph in the Hills Malvern Retreat Center, Malvern, PA on **February 11-13, 2011**. All calls are confidential. For more information call **1-800-470-2230** or visit the web site at **www.HelpOurMarriage.com**.

**JINGLE ALL THE WAY!**

Our Lady Help of Christians, Hanover Avenue & North Jasper Streets in Allentown, will be auctioning Tricky Trays on Saturday, **December 4 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday, December 5 from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.** Great food is available for purchase all weekend. Tickets are \$5 a sheet. Buy 4 sheets—get one sheet free! Drawing on Sunday night at 6 p.m. Don't forget to bring a friend!

**BE A MAN:
THE MAN GOD CREATED YOU TO
BE!**

On **Saturday, December 4th from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** Fr. Larry Richards will be coming to St. Joseph the Work in Orefield to present a Men's Conference. The theme is from his new book "Be a Man!" the man God created you to be. **Bishop John O. Barres will celebrate Mass** and be the Homilist. To register you may visit the website at **www.stjw.org** or place name and address along with \$10 in the mail. Participants bring a bag lunch. Beverages will be provided. **For more information please call 610-395-4110 or 484-788-2243.**

WORLD YOUTH DAY

The next World Youth Day will take place in **Madrid, Spain from August 14th-22nd, 2011**. Young adults ages **18-35** are invited to join the Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry and young adults from around the globe in a multicultural celebration of the Catholic faith. More information is available at **www.liveyour-faith.org** or by calling **Melissa at 570-277-0123**. All inclusive: **\$2,098 from New York City.**

SPONSORS NEEDED

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Allentown needs families, businesses, or groups to sponsor a child or family with Christmas gifts, toys, or food baskets. Please contact **Rob Nicolella at 610-435-1542, ext. 308** or email **RNicolella@allentowndiocese.org**.

ADOPTIVE FAMILIES NEEDED

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Allentown is accepting inquiries from married couples interested in domestic infant and/or international adoption. Please contact **Patricia Reusch at 610-435-1542, ext. 325** or email **preusch@allentowndiocese.org**.

DOLL HOUSE RAFFLE

St. Francis Retreat Center will be holding a raffle for a doll house which is four feet tall with front porches, an open back to and furniture for each room, and a family of four. **Tickets are 3 for \$5 and 7 for \$10.** Call **610-258-3053 ext. 24** to purchase tickets or for more information. **Drawing is December 10.**

USED TOY AND CHILDREN'S CLOTHING SALE

The 8th Annual Gently Used Toy and Children's Clothing Sale will be held in the basement of Holy Family Church, 430 W. Center St., Nazareth on the following dates: Friday, Dec. 3 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 4 from 9 a.m. to noon and following the 5 p.m. Mass; Sunday, Dec. 5 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Drop off times for donations are Wednesday, Dec. 1 from 2:30 to 5 p.m. and Thursday, Dec. 2 from 9:34 to 10:45 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m. as well as Friday and Saturday during the sale, OR call Kathi at 610-330-9339. We are also accepting gently used Christmas outfits and children's coats, boots, hats, & gloves (in good condition, please). Proceeds benefit Holy Family's Social Outreach Services program. Please look through your children's that are in good condition and consider donating them to a worthy cause.

HOMEMADE HALUPKI SALE

St. Mary's Church, 122 Union Street, Catasauqua will be holding a Homemade Halupki Sale. What better than a night off cooking during the hectic holiday season. For only \$2.50 each you can enjoy a delicious homemade halupki. If you buy four you get one free. **The deadline for orders is Sunday, December 5th. Pick up in the Parish Hall on Friday, December 10th from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m.** If you would like to place an order, please call the church office at **610-264-0332**, by email at kim.bil@verizon.net, or by mail with payment to St. Mary's Church, 122 Union Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032.

CHRISTMAS COAT COLLECTION

The Ice Cream Lab, Rt. 145, Lehigh Plaza I, Walnutport, is sponsoring its Annual Christmas Coat Collection now through December 31. Drop off any unwanted coat or jacket (in clean and good condition) from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily and **receive a \$1 Gift Certificate for each coat or jacket donated!**

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

As you recall the people who have most shaped your life, you may remember the sister who prepared you for First Holy Communion or the brother who coached your high school basketball team. Never counting the cost, these religious shared with you love, faith, and a belief in all that you could be—choosing to invest in your future rather than their own. Today, these sisters and brothers may be elderly or infirm. Today, they likely receive an average Social Security benefit of just over \$4,500 annually. Today, they need you. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.retiredreligious.org or call (202) 541-3215.

**FOOD BANK**

The food in our Food Bank bins is donated to Catholic Charities in Allentown and St. John's Lutheran Church in Bath on a rotating basis. Food is distributed at St. John's Lutheran Church every **second Tuesday** of the month from 10-11 a.m. **Non-perishables** or **monetary donations** are greatly needed. Thank you for your continued support.

THE STORY OF THE JESSE TREE

Jesse was the father of the great King David of the Old Testament. He is often looked upon as the first person in the genealogy of Jesus.

In Church art a design developed showing the relationship of Jesus with Jesse and other biblical personages. This design showed a branched tree growing from a reclining figure of Jesse. The various branches had pictures of other Old and New Testament figures who were ancestors of Jesus. At the top of the tree were figures of Mary and Jesus. This design was used mostly in stained glass windows in some of the great medieval cathedrals of Europe. The Cathedral of Chartres (which was dedicated in 1260) has a particularly beautiful Jesse Tree window.

Another development in religious art during the Middle Ages was that of Mystery Plays--drama that depicted various Bible stories or lives of Saints and Martyrs. These plays were performed in churches as part of the liturgical celebrations. One such play was based on the Bible account of the fall of Adam and Eve. The "Tree of Life" used during the play was decorated with apples. (Quite possibly this is also the forerunner of our own Christmas tree.)

Combining the two ideas of the stained glass Jesse Tree window and the Tree of Life from the Mystery Play we come up with our Jesse Tree Advent project. This custom has been used for years to help Christians to prepare for Christmas.

—www.catholicculture.org

**TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY**

There will be a tree lighting and caroling at the gazebo by the Kreidersville Covered Bridge, 100 Covered Bridge Rd., Northampton, on Sunday, December 12 from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. (rain date December 13). **Hot chocolate and cookies will be served free.** There will also be a surprise visitor and a Crayola Gift Basket Raffle!

At the end of our life, we shall all be judged by charity.

GIFT CARDS

When you purchase gift cards, such as Giant, Kohl's, Redners, Weis, Aharts, or any of the many clothing or restaurant stores that can be ordered **and** you designate your percentage to be applied to the Building Fund, **you can take a tax deduction for 2010**. As of the 2010 tax year, you can now take a charitable deduction for your percentage that was applied to the Building Fund. You do not need to do anything; you will see the percentage on your year-end statement. This **DOES NOT** apply to school families that have the percentage applied to their Mandatory Fundraising accounts as this is not a donation, but part of your school fees. So purchase your gift cards today and have the added bonus of receiving a tax deduction for the percentage earned.

The remaining order dates for 2010 – 2011 are as follows:

<u>Order Date</u>	<u>Pickup/Delivery Date</u>
December 6, 2010	December 10, 2010
December 10, 2010	December 17, 2010 (est.)
April 8, 2011	April 15, 2011

Order forms are located in the ramp area. Giant, Kohl's, Redners, Weis, and Aharts can be purchased in the rectory any weekday from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

SACRED HEART PARISH PRESCHOOL

On-going Registration for the 2010-2011 School Year
STARTING SOON: Four Year Old Program:

Monday - Friday, 8:30 - 11 a.m.

Three-Year Old Program:

Tuesday and Thursday, 12:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Please call **610-837-6391** for more information, to schedule a tour, or to register.

JESUS

Jesus means in Hebrew: "God saves." At the annunciation, the angel Gabriel gave him the name Jesus as his proper name, which expresses both his identity and his mission. Since God alone can forgive sins, it is God who, in Jesus his eternal Son made man, "will save his people from their sins". In Jesus, God recapitulates all of his history of salvation on behalf of men.

In the history of salvation God was not content to deliver Israel "out of the house of bondage" by bringing them out of Egypt. He also saves them from their sin. Because sin is always an offence against God, only he can forgive it. For this reason Israel, becoming more and more aware of the universality of sin, will no longer be able to seek salvation except by invoking the name of the Redeemer God.

—CCC 430-431

SACRED HEART SCHOOL NEWS



CONGRATULATIONS TO:

FIRST QUARTER HONOR ROLL STUDENTS

FIRST HONORS

Christian Anani, Jennifer Anani, Joshua Bell, Lauren Biege, Hannah Bond, Kira Bond, Jonathan Decker, Emma Gehringer, Cole Karam, Morgan Keim, Dominic LaCava, James Miller, Jessica Omick, Christiana Rizzo, Lauren Schuster, Andrew Shaffer, Naomi Snyder, Sherina Suthakar, Richard Turnbach, Simon Wachholz, Elena Wachter, Joseph Wetzel, Hope Wolbach

SECOND HONORS

Lillyanna Allison, Madison Cobb, Alexa D'Ambrosio, Andrew Franklin, Ryan Johnson, Luke Karam, Caisey Kroschwitz, Madison Macknis, Hannah Marino, Colleen O'Reilly, Jeffrey Talipan, Shannon Thomas, Lee Todora, Tyler Yany, Joseph Young, Montana Youssef

SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Sacred Heart School offers a full day kindergarten, and grades one through eight. Call **610-837-6391** for information, and to schedule a personal tour.

CHRIST

The word "Christ" comes from the Greek translation of the Hebrew *Messiah*, which means "anointed". It became the name proper to Jesus only because he accomplished perfectly the divine mission that "Christ" signifies. In effect, in Israel those consecrated to God for a mission that he gave were anointed in his name. This was the case for kings, for priests and, in rare instances, for prophets. This had to be the case all the more so for the



Messiah whom God would send to inaugurate his kingdom definitively. It was necessary that the Messiah be anointed by the Spirit of the Lord at once as king and priest, and also as prophet. Jesus fulfilled the messianic hope of Israel in his threefold office of priest, prophet and king.

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