



Holy Ghost Catholic Church
 A Roman Catholic Parish of the
 Diocese of Allentown
Founded in 1871 as a German Ethnic Parish



✠ ✠ **5th Sunday of Easter** ✠ ✠ **May 7th 2023**



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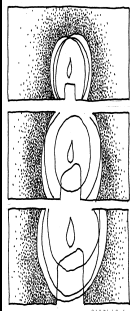
FROM THE DESK OF Fr. Dave

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ!

The Risen Jesus has chosen US to do a special service for the world. It is to daily witness to God's power and love in our lives. Telling others about how we have been blessed by His grace brings others to Jesus. This is the greatest service anyone can do. Some of us do this as ordained ministers- priests and deacons. Today's first reading recounts the institution of of the order of Deacons in the early Church. It still is a God-send for the community of believers today. The hand of charity and compassion. The voice of truth in preaching and teaching the gospel. Humble service to the needy among us. These are all signs and hallmarks of the presence of the Spirit among us. We praise God for this abundant grace given to His Church! Jesus said ;"Whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father." NO ONE in the Church is exempt from doing the works of God in a coordinated effort with the ordained ministers (priests and deacons). Maybe all you can do is give prayerful support to parish efforts at renewal. Others are materially blessed and are able to financially support our efforts. Yet others can "roll up their sleeves" and personally join in doing the works of the Lord on a daily basis. I strongly urge you to use the gifts the Lord has given to you in humble service to the community of faith. Be sure that the Risen Savior is not stingy and will provide the time and energy that you need to effective servants.

Be sure of my prayers as I look to you to help me in serving God's people.

*Your pastor and friend,
Fr. David J. Kozak*



**The Paschal (Easter) Candle Burns this Easter Season:
In Loving Memory of ✠ Corey Sands by Wife Mary, Children & Grandchildren**

Parish Financials

Weekly Collection for 4 / 30 = \$ NOT
Online Giving = \$ AVAILABLE
Total = \$ PRINTER RELOCATING
CAN YOU DO MORE FOR OUR PARISH???

Upcoming Second Collections
May 14th—Air Conditioning Maintenance Envelope
May 18th—Ascension of the Lord
May 28th—Pink Bonus & Parish Feast Day

BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC!!

Dear Friends:

We are kicking off the 2023 Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal in our parish and throughout our Diocese. We join our Catholic brothers and sisters throughout our Diocese to provide support for vital services like Catholic

Charities, care for our retired and infirmed priests, education of Seminarians and Deacons, Catholic schools, and support for our centers for special learning. Every year the Appeal

challenges us to look outside our parish boundaries to support the universal ministries of our Church. I am so grateful for your continued generosity to this important Diocesan fundraising

initiative and ask you to prayerfully consider joining me in making your gift to the Appeal and support these important ministries. Together we will make a difference in the lives of many people. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how big or small. To make your gift, please return the pledge form you will receive in the mail or visit the Appeal's website at BecauseWeAreCatholic.org, or call the Appeal Office @ 1-800- 831-4443.

*Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Dave*

ASCENSION THURSDAY
THURSDAY- MAY 18TH
ALL CATHOLICS MUST
ATTEND MASS
5/18—8AM & 6PM

SAT., May 6th **Saturday Vigil**

Confessions 3pm til 3:45 pm

4:00 pm ✂ **Helen Yost by Daughter Phyllis & Family**

SUNDAY May 7th 2023
Fifth SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:30am ✂ **Kate Cuppi by Mary Frances Schurtz-Leon**

12:10pm Last Lehigh Mass @ Holy Ghost
followed by end of the year Luncheon

1:30pm Mass in the Ordinariate Form

Mon., May 8th—Easter Weekday

8:00am ✂ **Andrew & Theresa Markacs by the Family**

Tues., May 9th—Easter Weekday

8:00am ✂ **Special Intention—Boots Horwath**

Wed., May 10th— St. John of Avila

8:00am ✂ **Health & Blessings on Debbie Beach & Family**
by Joe Adamcik & Family

Thurs., May 11th—Easter Weekday

8:00am ✂ **Jean & James Stoll by the Family**

Fri., May 12th—Sts. Nereus & Achilleus

8:00am ✂ **Angelo Gorevich by Steven Sell**
Health & Blessings on Antonio & Maria Vidal
on their 35th Wedding Anniversary

SAT. May 13th

Saturday VIGIL

4:00 pm ✂ **MOTHERS DAY INTENTIONS**

SUNDAY May 14th 2023
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MOTHERS DAY

9:30am ✂ **MOTHERS DAY INTENTIONS**

1:30pm Mass in the Ordinariate Form



✂ **DEVOTIONAL LAMPS** ✂

\$10 PER WEEK PLEASE CALL
the RECTORY to reserve yours

Sanctuary

In Memory of ✂ **Rev. Frederick J. Przydzial**

Tabernacle (2)

In Memory of ✂ **Rev. Joseph M. Pugliese**

St. Joseph Altar

In Memory of ✂ **Andrew Spevak by Wife Mariann**

B.V.M Altar

In Memory of ✂ **Rev. Msgr. Paul J. Firczak**

Sacred Heart

Health & Blessings on Donald S. Koach

St. Theresa

Special Intention

St. John the Hermit (San Giovanni Eremita)

In Memory of Living & Deceased Foiano Descendants

St. (Padre) Pio - Our Lady of Pompeii

In Memory of ✂ **Richard F. Simmers, Jr by R. Koach**

Infant of Prague - St. John Capistrano

Deceased Members Bechdolt / Boccardi Fams

Pieta

In Memory of ✂ **Alexander & Elizabeth Trotsky**

Our Lady of Fatima

In Memory of ✂ **George & Concetta Petito,**

Rosemarie Petito Hare & Joanne Petito

*******Silence in Church*******

In speaking about silence in the Liturgy and in Church, Pope Francis says that when we don't observe this silence, we "risk neglecting the recollection of the soul."

We "Enter into silence before the Most Blessed Sacrament to speak with and listen to Jesus" whether exposed on the Altar or in the Tabernacle it is meant to remind each of us to create that environment of silence in the sacred place of any Church. When the Most Blessed Sacrament is Exposed on the Altar or not there should be no talking with others because all the attention should be on His Holy Presence.

The purpose is to encourage everyone to enter into the heavenly mysteries that we celebrate and expose us to an encounter with the Living God.



OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: *“THE MISSION OF HOLY GHOST PARISH IS TO SHARE THE GOSPEL OF JESUS AND TO LIVE HIS MESSAGE OF FAITH, LOVE AND FORGIVENESS, WE SHARE THIS NOT ONLY WITHIN OUR PARISH FAMILY BUT ALSO IN THE LIVES OF ALL WE TOUCH. TO THIS END WE PLACE OURSELVES UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND PRAY FOR GUIDANCE TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.”*

DO YOU ATTEND MASS HERE—BUT HAVEN'T REGISTERED YET? IT'S VERY EASY..... AND YOU ARE MOST WELCOME HERE WITH US!

We encourage all Catholics to become active participants in the life of our Holy Ghost Parish Family. Please call the Rectory 867-9382 EXT. #3 for more information.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP- “All Are Welcome”

Is Usually determined in Our Parish by these five things :

- 1. You have completed the official parish registration form,*
- 2. You attend liturgies regularly on Sunday as well as Holydays.*
- 3. You support our parish family with prayer.*
- 4. You show an interest in the life and activities of our parish community, sharing time and talent when able to do so.*
- 5. You support the parish financially as best you can through the use of contribution envelopes. Etc..ON LINE GIVING PLEASE GO TO THE PARISH WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO.*

This is why there are problems at the time of Baptisms, Weddings, Other Sacramental events, Letters of Eligibility for the Sacraments, Parochial Schools and Belonging to various Groups and Organizations of the Parish.

Baptisms — *For infant Baptism, parents must be registered and active members of the parish for at least six months. Parents need to call their Parish Offices to make an appointment to arrange for Baptisms. All Catholic godparents must be practicing their faith. (Non-Catholic godparents must be Christians, actively practicing their faith.) Please call the Rectory for additional information.*

CCD — *All Children grades 1—8 in Public School MUST register. All the Sacraments are to be received in the Parish Church you are Members of. All are Welcome! CCD every Wednesday night 6:15-7:30pm at St. Ursulas upper School. Contact Anne Korves , Coordinator 610-570- 7414 Classes started September 21st*

RCIA — *Any adult interested in becoming a Roman Catholic must go through the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, when available. Please call the Rectory for additional information.*

Marriages — *Diocesan Policies for Marriage Couples should inform the parish of their plans to wed, and schedule a meeting with the priest as soon as they are engaged.*

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Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator *Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC,*
Direct Telephone Number: 1-800-791-9209

Secretary for Youth Protection *Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS Telephone Number: 610-871-5200, Ext. 2204*
prusso@allentowndiocese.org To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, visit www.allentowndiocese.org and click on “Youth Protection” in the upper right-hand corner.

COURAGE — *Diocesan Help Line: 610-217-5557*

CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE *If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling (800) 276-1562.*

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

We will resume the practice of the recitation of the Holy Rosary every Saturday at 3:35pm. COME HONOR OUR BLESSED VIRGIN MARY DURING MAY AND PRAY FOR OUR PARISH AND AN INCREASE OF VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD.

GARAGE SALE

House Cleaning? We are collecting items for the parish annual sales. OUR First one is Saturday, May 27th 9am—1pm and we are accepting items now. Please call Ron or Lisa at the rectory before you come to make sure someone is here or John Bauer 484-767-3898 or Lori Bauer 610-691-6762

Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal

Many thanks to those who have made a pledge to the Because We Are Catholic Annual Appel. Making a six month pledge to the Appeal allows you to maximize the amount that you may give by making monthly payments. Remember, every gift count, no matter how big or small. Your generosity supports children and families in our own community and throughout the Diocese of Allentown. You can make your gift online at BecauseWeAreCatholic.org.

Thank You!

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"BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC"

Parish Goal:	\$ 7,469.00
Committed:	\$ 2,570.00
Total Collected:	\$ 2,170.00
Number of Donors:	22
Average Gift:	\$ 116.82
# of Registered Families:	306

PLEASE HELP US MAKE OUR GOAL AGAIN THIS YEAR!

Prime Time Seniors Group

PRIME TIME SENIORS meet on the first and third Monday of each month. Anyone age 55 and older is eligible to join.

Dues are \$10 per year.

The 2023 NEW officers are:

Carol Barron, President;

Sue Grady, Vice President;

Phyllis Hageter, Secretary and

Jean Blaukovitch, Treasurer.

Refreshments are served at each meeting.

NEXT MEETING

MONDAY, May 8th



SENIORS TRIPS

Wednesday, May 24th

ATLANTIC CITY RESORTS

LEAVE HOLY GHOST 8:45AM

Cost \$37.00 rebate \$15

MYSTERY TRIP

WEDNESDAY OCT. 18TH

ANNUAL

CHRISTMAS SHOW

FRIDAY DECEMBER 15TH

COFFEE & DONUTS SUNDAYS

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP

AFTER THE 9:30AM MASS ON

THE SUNDAYS BELOW.

May 14th—May Crowning

May 28th—PENTECOST -

- OUR PARISH FEASTDAY -

June 25th

July 16th

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