

Welcome to the Church of Saint Richard of Chichester

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February 28, 2021 Second Sunday of Lent

The parish plans to continue live-stream and recording Sunday, Holy Days, and other special liturgies on the parish's YouTube channel as indicated by the “*” in the weekly liturgy schedule.

Parish YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5YO_SqC1KeZsyFiO4vpw3Q

Mon. 3/1, 8:00am—Lenten Weekday
Leo Drosdak by Mary Helen Rehatchek

Tues. 3/2, 8:00am—Lenten Weekday
Helen Krutsick by Donna & Dave Kost

Wed. 3/3, 8:00am—Lenten Weekday;
St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin (USA)
Ronald Rang by Jack & Helen McBrearty

Thurs. 3/4, 6:00pm—Lenten Weekday;
St. Casimir
Ray Dunsavage by wife Helen

Fri. 3/5
8:00am, Lenten Weekday
Members of the Purgatorial Society
6:00 pm, Stations of the Cross

Sat. 3/6
Confessions @ 3:30pm
Vigil Mass @ 4:00pm
People of the Parish

***Sun. 3/7, 3rd Sunday of Lent**
Mass @ 8:30am
(Also continued to be Live-Streamed)
Kathryn Evans by Sandy Syzdek

Sun. 3/7
Mass @ 10:30am
Tommy Peca by Peca Family

Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptisms are usually celebrated after the 10:30am Sunday Mass. Parents need to be registered parishioners and attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. At least one Godparent must be a practicing Catholic for a valid reception of Baptism and also obtain a Certificate of Eligibility from their parish.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays @ 3:30pm in the vestibule or call the rectory to schedule an appointment.

Parish Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday ~ 9:00am—12:00noon

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:
Ms. Wendy S. Krisak (800) 791-9209
victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org

Diocesan Secretary for :
Youth Protection & Catholic Human Services
Office of Safe Environment
P.O. Box F
Allentown, PA 18105-1538
(610) 871-5200 ext. 2204
prusso@allentowndiocese.org

Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements should be made at least one year prior to the proposed wedding date to begin pre-nuptial instructions before making any arrangements. Please call the parish office for more information and schedule an appointment with the Pastor.

Sponsor Eligibility:

Certificates of Eligibility for Baptism and Confirmation require the sponsor to be a registered & active member of the parish. Please call the parish office to schedule an appointment with the Pastor.

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service:
If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service @ www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 800-276-1562.

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited & encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more info about this program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church. To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, & Code of Conduct, please visit www.allentowndiocese.org & click on “Youth Protection” in the upper right hand corner of the page.



Dear Parish Family,

How quickly time has past. It seems that not too long ago we began celebrating the season of Ordinary Time after the end of Christmas Season. Now Lent recently has begun and this Sunday is the Second Sunday of Lent.

As the Church celebrates the liturgical seasons, “Holy Mother Church believes that she should celebrate the saving work of her divine Spouse in a sacred commemoration on certain days throughout the course of the year...In the course of the year moreover, she unfolds the whole mystery of Christ... Thus recalling the mysteries of the redemption, she opens up to the faithful the riches of her Lord’s powers and merits, so that these are in some way made present at every age; the faithful lay hold of them and are filled with saving grace.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1163; *Sacrosanctum Concilium* 102)

Lent is a liturgical season for us, as Christians, to seek Christ’s mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, pray, fast and give alms, the latter of which includes continued growth in our practice of the Corporal Works of Mercy and Spiritual Works of Mercy (see list below to share with your family).

By the grace of God may all of our parish family have a blessed and fruitful Lent as we prepare, as members of the Body of Christ, to celebrate the Paschal Mystery of our Lord at the Paschal *Triduum* and by the grace of God be renewed as faithful holy disciples of Christ.

May God bless you and keep you,
+ Rev. Eric Tolentino

The Seven Corporal Works of Mercy

1. Feed the hungry.
2. Give drink to the thirsty.
3. Clothe the naked.
4. Shelter the homeless.
5. Visit the sick.
6. Visit the imprisoned.
7. Bury the dead.

The Seven Spiritual Works of Mercy

1. Counsel the doubtful.
2. Instruct the ignorant.
3. Admonish sinners.
4. Comfort the afflicted.
5. Forgive Offenses.
6. Bear wrongs patiently.
7. Pray for the living and the dead.

Readings for Sunday Mass, March 7th:

Ex 20:1-17 or Ex 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11;
1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

Responsorial Psalm:

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

Sunday Collection: Regular: \$2,474 ~ Candles: \$32

Second Collections:

3/7, 3/14, 3/21, and 3/28 ~ Operation Rice Bowl

2020 Contribution Statements: Anyone wanting to receive a copy of their 2020 Contribution Statement for tax preparation can call the office and leave your name, number, and a brief message.

2021 Offering Envelopes: The remaining offering envelopes were mailed. If you did not receive yours, please call the parish office. Thank you.

Parish Drop Boxes: There are 2 drop boxes located on the Parish Rectory porch. The larger box is for anything that comes directly to the office, the smaller box will be for all fundraising returns. Both these boxes are marked accordingly and locked and will be opened by office personnel. Thank you.

2021 Mass Intention Book: Due to the ongoing COVID19 pandemic procedures and restrictions, the 2021 Mass Book opening will be done by the fully completed request form (1 request per form). The office will try to accommodate your first choices, however; if there are any questions or concerns, the office will contact you. The request forms are located in the church on the table as you enter or on the parish website.

Please note: We are not permitted to accept more than one intention per Mass. Also, some dates are reserved for specific parish intentions, this includes the Saturday Vigil Mass, (for example: People of the Parish).

Mass requests may be submitted in the following ways:
1. Drop your Mass Intention Request form in an envelope marked "Attn: Secretary/Mass Requests" in the collection basket, rectory porch drop box or the mail OR 2. email to strichard@frontiernet.net (please include Mass Requests in the subject line).

Religious Education:

CCD/Prep classes will resume in-person instruction.
Masks must be worn.

- ☐ Grades 5 through 7
Sunday, February 28th @ 6:00 pm in the hall
- ☐ Grades 1 through 4
Sunday, March 7th @ 9:30 am in the hall

Update—Fish/Crab Cake Dinner:

Due to the unpredictable weather, our annual Crab/Fish Dinner **has been rescheduled to Friday, March 19th** from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Dinners and 50/50 chances are still available for purchase. If you have any questions, please contact Joann @ (570) 640-1034. Thank you.

Easter Egg Hunt: Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held Sunday March 28th, starting at 12pm. This is for ages 2 (walking) to 12. It is imperative to sign up as your family will be given a time slot. There will be 3 separate hunt sections and families will hunt in a section. Every family/group will be separated from each other. Prizes and a visit (socially distanced accordingly) from our special guest will be outside. Prizes and donations for the egg hunt would be greatly appreciated. If you are able and willing to donate, to sign up or have any questions, please contact Krissy Wonsock at (732)687-0433 or via Facebook messenger. Masks must be worn.

Late Night Lent: Hosted by Maggie Riggins, Director of the Office of Young Adult and Campus Evangelization, each Wednesday evening in Lent will include Lenten reflections, small group discussions, and appearances by special guests who will share their Lenten journey. Links to join the Zoom event will be posted and shared on the Diocese of Allentown Facebook page under Events.

Commission for Men Monthly Rosary: The Commission for Men will be hosting a monthly rosary for men and their families every 3rd Wednesday at 7:00pm. Join us to pray for peace in our nation and in our world, for an end to the coronavirus pandemic, and for an increase in vocations to religious life and priesthood – in our Diocese and throughout the Church. For more information and to pray the next rosary check out the website:

<https://www.menaliveinchrist.org/mens-rosary/> .

Men and their families are welcome!

Free Tax Preparation Assistance: Junior & senior accounting students from DeSales University will provide tax preparation assistance free of charge to senior citizens and those with lower incomes beginning Monday, February 15th through Friday, March 26th. The program is part of the United States Internal Revenue Service's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program.

To schedule a VITA appointment, call (610) 282-1100, ext. 1868. A DeSales student will return the phone call & provide assistance accordingly. Individuals needing assistance should bring all printed tax information and all documents pertaining to federal, state and local taxes to their appointment. All in-person appointments will be conducted with all COVID-related precautions, and visitors to the DeSales campus are required to be masked.

The Angelus

V. The angel spoke God's message to Mary,
R. and she conceived by the Holy Spirit.
Hail, Mary

V. "I am the lowly servant of the Lord:
R. let it be done to me according to your word."
Hail, Mary

V. And the Word became flesh
R. and lived among us.
Hail, Mary

V. Pray for us, holy Mother of God.
R. That we may become worthy of the promises of Christ.

Priest: Let us pray.
V. Lord,
fill our hearts with your grace:
once, through the message of an angel you revealed to us the
incarnation of your Son;
now, through his suffering and death lead us to the glory of
his resurrection.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: Even though we are leaving the church after receiving Holy Communion, it is very important in our spiritual lives for us to pause and recognize Christ's Eucharistic presence within us. We invite you to take that time before leaving the church parking lot.

I. Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus, hear me.
Within Thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from thee.
From the malignant enemy defend me. In the hour of my death call me.
And bid me come unto Thee, That with all Thy saints,
I may praise thee Forever and ever. Amen.

II. May Your Body, O Lord, which I have eaten, and Your Blood which I have drunk, cleave to my very soul, and grant that no trace of sin be found in me, whom these pure and holy mysteries have renewed.

III. Who live and reign, world without end. Amen. We humbly beseech You, almighty God, to grant that those whom You refresh with Your sacraments, may serve you worthily by a life well pleasing to You. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns, world without end. Amen

Again We Keep This Solemn Fast 487

1. Again we keep this solemn fast,
A gift of faith from a ges past,
This Lent which binds us lovingly
To faith and hope and charity.
2. The law and prophets from of old
In figured ways this Lent foretold,
Which Christ, all ages' Lord and Guide
In these last days has sanctified.

From Ashes to the Living Font 474

1. From ashes to the living font
Your Church must journey, Lord,
Baptized in grace, in grace renewed
By your most holy word.
2. Through fasting, prayer, and charity
Your voice speaks deep within,
Returning us to ways of truth
And turning us from sin.

Please Lift Up in Prayer those in need of Healing and Encouragement:

Ann Balas, William Bednar, Jim Bialek, Mark BeYoung, Bob Blue, Joe Bones, Steve Chakan, Marge Coassolo, Paul Curley, Nina Day, Pat Firkal, Eddy Freer, William Godanis, Jr., Mike Grigalonis, Peg Grigalonis, Bob Harvan, Dee Harvan, Dr. Francis Kane, Francis Keiser, Joseph Klatka, George Koval, George Kufrovich, Linda Light, Theresa (Tess) McManus, Dan Metzger, Bonnie Morgan, Bobby Moucheron, Joel Rivera, Dorothe Schmerfeld, Gene Soult, Dominic Streisel, Mary Ann Thompson, Marilyn Tolan, and Celia Zukoski.

Intercessory Candles

Blessed Virgin Mary: Special Intention by Duke & Joan

In Loving Memory of my Al, Love Fran
Rest in God's Peace Jer, Love wife Pat

In Loving Memory of Rose & Joe Horvat
Special Intention for good treatment results & health
Special Intention by Sue & Jay