

Welcome to the Church of Saint Richard of Chichester

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November 8, 2020 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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_SqC1KeZsvFjO4vpw3Q

Mon. 11/9, 8:00am—The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Jer Tracy by wife Pat

Tues. 11/10, 8:00am—St. Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church

Margaret Morris by brother Art & sisters Olga, Helene,
Kathy & Families

Wed. 11/11, 8:00am—St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

People of the Parish

Thurs. 11/12, 6:00pm—No Mass

Fri. 11/13, 8:00am—No Mass

Sat. 11/14, November 15th Vigil

Mass @ 4:00pm

Edward Bleyzgis by the Neverosky Family

*Sun. 11/15, 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass @ 8:30am

(Also continued to be Live-Streamed)

Arthur, Matilda & Elaine Wonsock by Kufrovich Family

Sun. 11/15

Mass @ 10:30am

People of the Parish

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

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.

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

Diocesan Secretary for Youth Protection:
Pamela Russo (610) 871-5200 Ext. 2204
prusso@allentowndiocese.org

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,

I hope that you are all being safe out there and am praying for all of you daily. This past week the Church is promoting vocations awareness. I would like to share with you some Part 1 of quotes from Saint John Paul II, Pope, encouraging young people to consider vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Please share this vocations information with any young people you know among your family, friends and neighbors who may be considering or receptive to considering a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.

"At the sight of the crowds, his [Jesus'] heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned,* like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." (NAB Mt 9:36-38)

"What is God calling you to do?"

I turn especially to you, boys and girls, young and not so young, who find yourselves at the decisive moment of choice. I would like to meet you one by one, call you by your name, talk to you heart to heart of things extremely important not only for yourself, but for the whole of humanity I would like to ask each one of you: What will you do with your life? What are your plans? Have you ever thought of committing your existence totally to Christ? Do you think that there can be anything greater than to bring Jesus to people and people to Jesus?¹

... we search for life's true meaning. We wonder and ask, Why? Why am I here? Why am I alive at all? What must I do? None of you is alone in posing these questions. Humanity as a whole feels the pressing need to give sense and purpose to a world which is increasingly complicated and difficult to be happy in.²

"You are at the great crossroads of your lives and you must decide how your future can be lived happily, accepting the responsibilities which you hope will be placed squarely on your shoulders, playing an active role in the world around you. You ask me for encouragement and guidance, and most willingly I offer some words of advice to all of you in name of Jesus Christ. In the first place I say this: you must never think that you are alone in deciding your future! And second: when deciding your future, you must not decide for yourself alone!" ... we must share and spread is that the

call to holiness is directed to all Christians (Lumen Gentium, ch. 5).

Ask yourselves, young people, about the love of Christ. Acknowledge his voice resounding in the temple of your heart. Return his bright and penetrating glance which opens the paths of your life to the horizons

of the Church's mission. It is a taxing mission, today more than ever, to teach men the truth about themselves, ... to show faithful souls the... riches of the love of Christ. Do not be afraid... because Jesus, who loved us first, is prepared to give himself to you, as well as asking of you. If he asks much from you, it is because he knows you can give much.⁵

... Christian holiness does not mean being sinless, but rather it means struggling not to give in and always getting up after every fall.

Follow Christ! You are single or who are preparing for marriage. Follow Christ! You who are young or old. Follow Christ! You who are sick or aging; you who feel ...the need of a friend. Follow Christ!⁸



(John Paul II from which these selections are taken. The numbers follow each selection in the text.)

1. Rome, Italy, May 13, 1984
2. Denver, USA, August 14, 1993
3. Edinburgh, Scotland, May 31, 1982
4. Rome, Italy, June 6, 1986
5. Rome, Italy, September 8, 1992
6. Rome, Italy, March 23, 1983
7. Limerick, Ireland, October 1, 1979
8. Boston, USA, October 1, 1979

Readings for Sunday Mass, November 15th:
PRV 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; PS 128:1-2, 3, 4-5;
1 THES 5:1-6; MT 25:14-30

Sunday Collection: Regular: \$3,767 ~ Candles: \$97

Second Collections: 1/1~All Saints, Monthly Supplement;
11/8~Parish Utilities; 11/15~Parish Utilities;
11/22~Poverty Relief; 11/26~Thanksgiving;
11/29~Christmas Flowers

Religious Education:

Grades 5th - 8th ~ 11/08/2020 @ 6:00 pm in Church Hall
Grades 1st- 4th ~ 11/15/2020 @ 9:30 am in Church Hall
Grades 5th - 8th ~ 11/22/2020 @ 6:00 pm in Church Hall
Grades 1st- 8th ~ 11/29/2020 No Class (Thanksgiving)

Green Phase, Part 1

1. The faithful who attend Mass will be **required to wear** masks and maintain social distancing. Family groups may be seated together.
2. Please bring your own hand sanitizer.
3. For Sunday Masses, I plan to use the overflow Mass procedure having some people seated in the lower church hall with the Mass projected on the screen, while the Mass is celebrated in the church. This procedure will be eventually discontinued sometime during the Green Phase Part 1 or 2, since more parishioners will be able to attend Mass in the Church proper.
4. Sunday Mass attendance will be limited to 80 people in the church (50% of the church seating capacity) and 20 people in the lower church hall for the overflow Mass procedure. A maximum of 25 people permitted in the church hall for non-liturgical functions.
5. Sunday Mass attendees may enter the church using the ramp door only, 30 minutes before the scheduled Mass.
6. Weekday Mass attendance will be limited to 80 people (50% of the church seating capacity) in the church. A maximum of 25 people permitted in the church hall for non-liturgical functions.
7. Weekday Mass attendees may enter the church using the ramp door only, 30 minutes before the scheduled Mass.
8. The Saturday vigil Mass for Sunday will be at 4:00 PM . Sunday morning Masses will be at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM. Sunday 8:30 AM Masses will also continue to be live-streamed for those unable to attend Mass. This procedure will eventually be discontinued sometime during the Green Phase Part 1 or 2, since more parishioners will be able to attend Mass in the Church proper.
9. Weekday Masses will be at 8:00 AM Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and 6:00 PM on Thursdays.
10. Holy Communion for people attending Mass will be distributed immediately at the end of Mass in the Church only. After the people who attended Mass receive communion in the church, please exit using the ramp door of the church. After finishing distributing Holy Communion in the church after the Sunday Masses only, one of the clergy will be available outside of church at the bottom of the ramp to distribute communion to anyone in the parking lot who was not able to attend Mass.

Responsorial Psalm:
My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

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 locked and will be opened by office personnel. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the parish office during business hours. Thank you.

2021 St. Joseph Missal: The new missals have arrived! They will start Sunday, November 29th, the first day of Advent.

Due to the pandemic restrictions, please pass on the news about the missals to anyone who might not have internet access , smartphones or other modern devices. If you, or someone else, is interested in purchasing a missal, please contact the parish office during business hours or email at strichard@frontiernet.net. The suggested donation is \$5 per missal. Thank you.

“Warm Your Heart” Soup Sale: We are looking for soup chefs to make and donate a crock of your favorite soup recipe. Donations are requested to be delivered **this** Friday, November 13th; the sale will be Friday, November 13th and Saturday, November 14th. Please call Erica (570-778-4029) or Krissy (732-687-0433) for details.

Volunteers Needed: Anyone wishing to help sell the December lottery calendar, please contact Joann at (570) 640-1034. Any seller who sells 5 tickets, will receive 1 free.

Drive-by Memorial Tree Tribute: Many who have lost a loved one experience mixed emotions about the forthcoming holidays. On Thursday December 3, 2020 at 6:00 PM at E. Franklin Griffiths Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc, 655 East Broad Street Tamaqua, PA we will remember and honor family members. Luminaries will light our garden - you can pick one up to personalize for your beloved family members or we will make one for you. Please drop off completed luminaries or an ornament of your choice by Monday, November 30, 2020, to adorn our outdoor garden tree. You need not be affiliated with our funeral home to participate. Your safety is our main priority so... Please drive by to see our beautiful memorials or visit our website: www.griffithsfuneralhomes.com. To sign up or ask for more details, you can reach us at 570-668-2550, 9:00am-4:00pm Monday- Friday.

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.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty 616

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
All you who hear Now to his temple draw near.
Praise him in glad adoration!

2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously
reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen All you have needed has been
Met by his gracious ordaining?

Sing a New Song 607

Refrain:

Sing a new song unto the Lord; let your song be sung from
mountains high.
Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing alleluia.

1. Shout with gladness! Dance fro joy! O come before the
Lord.
And play for God on glad tambourine, and let your trumpet
sound.

2. Rise, O children from your sleep; your Savior now has
come.
He has turned your sorrow to joy, and filled your soul with
song.

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, Joe Kufrovich, Linda Light,
Theresa (Tess) McManus, Dan Metzger, Bonnie Morgan, Bobby Moucheron, Joel Rivera, Dorothe Schmerfeld, Gene Sault,
Dominic Streisel, Mary Ann Thompson, Marilyn Tolan, and Celia Zukoski.

Intercessory Candles

Prayers for Deb by Patty
Special Intention for good test results and health
Good health and God's blessings upon my neighbors,
friends, & family by M. Jones

Special Intentions by Sue & Jay
Special Intention by M. Jones & family
Rest in God's Peace Jer, Love wife Pat
In Loving Memory of my Al, Love Fran