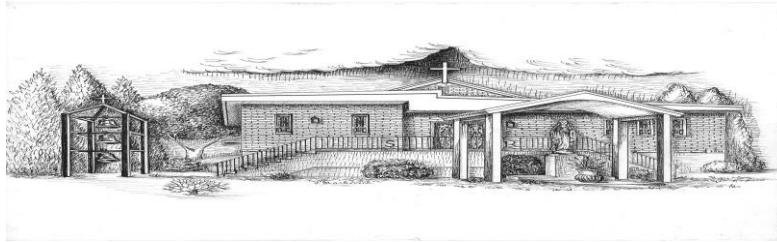


Welcome to the Church of Saint Richard of Chichester

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November 28, 2021 First Sunday of Advent

<p>Mon. 11/29, Advent Weekday</p> <p>Tues. 11/30, St. Andrew, Apostle</p> <p>Wed. 12/1, 8:00am, Advent Weekday Purgatorial Society Living & deceased members of St. Richard & St. John XXIII parishes</p> <p>Thurs. 12/2, 8:00am, Advent Weekday Stephen & Mary Gazdick by Larry & Janet Gazdick</p> <p>Fri. 12/3, St. Francis Xavier, Priest</p> <p>Sat. 12/4 Confessions @ 4:45pm-5:15pm Vigil Mass @ 5:30pm Sophia M. Lazur by Richard F. Lazur Mary Sniscek by loving daughter Mary Helen Rehatchek</p> <p>Sun. 12/5, 2nd Sunday of Advent Mass @ 10:30am Brian McCue Jr. by Sleva Family</p>	<p>Confessions Saturday 4:45pm-5:15pm Wednesday 8:45am-9:15am</p> <p>Additional Advent Confessions Wednesday, December 1st ~ 6:30pm – 7:30pm @ St. Richard</p> <p>Sunday, December 12th ~ 6:00pm – 9:00pm @ St. John XXIII “Night Fever” (Confessions & Adoration)</p> <p>Wednesday, December 15th ~ 6:30pm – 7:30pm @ St. Richard</p> <p>Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 8:30am (after Mass) followed by Benediction & Reposition</p>
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Please Lift Up in Prayer those in need of Healing and Encouragement:

Linda Agosti, Ann Balas, William Bednar, Jim Bialek, Mark BeYoung, Joe Bones, Bob Bonner, Steve Chakan, Marge Coassolo, Paul Curley, Nina Day, Margie Felsoci, Pat Firkal, Eddy Freer, William Godanis, Jr., Mike Grigalonis, Peg Grigalonis, Bob Harvan, Dee Harvan, Sarah Hayes, Dr. Francis Kane, Francis Keiser, Joseph Klatka, George Koval, Linda Light, Theresa (Tess) McManus, Dan Metzger, Bobby Moucheron, Florence M. Nolan, Joel Rivera, Dorothe Schmerfeld, Joe Shustack Sr., Gene Sault, Dominic Streisel, Edward Surfild, Mary Ann Thompson, Marilyn Tolan, Paul Yost, Sr.

Intercessory Candles

Blessed Virgin Mary: Special Intention by Duke & Joan

In Loving Memory of my Al, Love Fran
 Special Intention by Sue & Jay
 Rest in God's Peace Jer, Love Wife Pat
 Special Intention by Kathy Roncek

In Thanksgiving for friends by Pat
 In Memory of Keith Berezwick by Pat Skelson
 Rest in Peace Jim Bonenberger by friend Pat Tracy

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays ~ 9am—12noon
Announcements for the bulletin may be emailed or called into the office **no later** than Wednesday. Thank you.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS, December 5th:

Bar 5:1-9,; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11;
Lk 3: 1-6

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS:

Regular: \$3,287 ~ Candles: \$113

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

11/28 ~ Christmas Flowers
12/5 ~ Monthly Supplement;
12/8 ~ Immaculate Conception
12/12 ~ Retired Religious; 12/19 ~ Parish Utilities
12/25 ~ Christmas; 12/26 ~ Parish Utilities

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS:

Available in the vestibule.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / EVENTS:**7th Annual Christmas Party**

Friday, December 3rd and Saturday, December 4th

Grades 5 - 8; Sunday, December 5th @ 6:00 pm
Grades 1 - 4; Sunday, December 12th @ 9:30 am
Grades 1 - 4; Sunday, December 19th @ 9:30 am
Grades 5 - 8; Sunday, December 19th @ 6:00 pm

**Children's Christmas Mass & Play
Updates will be posted**

Friday, December 24th

Grades 5 - 8; Sunday, December 26th ~ No Classes
Merry Christmas!

All classes are held in the hall except when noted.

2022 ST. JOSEPH MISSALS:

The new missals have arrived and located in the vestibule. They will start **this weekend**, November 28th, the first day of Advent. The suggested donation is \$5 per missal. An envelope has been supplied for your convenience.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:

Fr. Finlan will be administering the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick following the Saturday Vigil Mass and the Sunday Mass this weekend. Please be seated in the front pews immediately after Mass.

DECEMBER LOTTERY CALENDAR:

Please remember to get your lottery tickets in **by this Tuesday, November 30th** for the first drawing.

If you are unable to buy or sell your tickets, please return them in any collection or drop them off at the rectory Fundraising box. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS WAFERS (OPLATKI):

The Christmas wafers are currently in the vestibule. The suggested donation is \$4 per packet. Please use the envelope provided. Thank you.

CASTING CALL!

ALL CHILDREN from St. Richard and Saint John XXIII Parishes are invited to join us for the Christmas Eve Nativity Pageant! Please meet us at SJXXIII on Monday, November 29th at 6:30pm.

Practices will be as follows: Monday November 29th at 6:30 pm, Saturday December 4th at 4:30 pm, Monday December 13th at 6:30 pm and Saturday December 18th at 4:30 pm.

Please call or message Krissy Wonsock at (732) 687-0433 with any questions.

SAINT NICHOLAS IS COMING!

All children are asked to leave a shoe on the shoe rack on the stairs landing the weekend of December 4th and 5th. Shoes and a special surprise can be picked up the weekend of December 11th and 12th.

**ANNUAL CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY:
...IS BACK!**

Friday, December 3rd from 6 pm to 9 pm for Grades 4th through 6th. \$8 per child.

Saturday, December 4th from 10 am to 12pm for any grades up to and including 3rd. \$6 per child

Children in kindergarten and less must be in the company of an adult. Masks must be worn. Sign- up sheets are in the vestibule. Please contact Krissy Wonsock with any questions.

Sponsor Eligibility:

Certificates of Eligibility for Baptism and Confirmation require the sponsor to be a registered & active member of the parish, and if married, in a valid marriage recognized by the Catholic Church. Please call the parish office for additional information.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptisms are usually celebrated on a Sunday afternoon. Parents need to be registered parishioners and attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. At least one Godparent must be a practicing Catholic and also obtain a Certificate of Eligibility from their parish.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements should be made at least 6 months 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.

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:

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victimsassistance@allentowndiocese.org

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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.