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Office Hours: Mon. – Fri. 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"As the family of Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church, we come together in faith to renew ourselves through the celebration of sacraments and strive to be the welcoming hands of Christ in our community."



Weekend Masses: **Saturday: 5:00 PM**

Sunday: 9:30 AM

June 15, 2025

PASTORAL & SUPPORT STAFF

Reverend Michael Mullins	<i>Pastor</i>
Steven Uhnak	<i>Coordinator, Religious Education</i>
Sandy Miller	<i>Bookkeeper/Secretary</i>
Bonnie Lazorick	<i>Secretary</i>
Dan Podorsky	<i>Part Time Maintenance</i>

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Office	610-826-2335
Steven Uhnak, Coordinator	

St. John Neumann Regional School

Dr. Christopher Heery, Principal	610-826-2354
Palmerton Campus	www.sjnrsschool.org

Allentown Central Catholic High School	610-437-4601
	www.acchs.info

Marian Catholic High School	570-467-3335
	www.marianhighschool.org

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSON

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday Friday: 7:00-8:00 AM
Saturday: 4:00 – 4:45 PM.

First Friday of the Month: 6:00-7:00 PM
By appointment call the Rectory Office

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Parish Office to schedule a class.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning to get married should inform the Church as soon as possible (at least one year) prior to the wedding to begin marriage preparation. Marriage Preparation Class must be taken prior to six months before the marriage is celebrated.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

Anyone wishing to arrange for a home visit is to contact the Parish Office. Please do not wait for an emergency.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

Private church visits Monday to Friday, 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Please contact the Chairperson of committee or the Rectory Office for details/contact info.

Altar Guild

Altar Servers

Bereavement Sharers

Bible Study/Prayer Group/

Prayer Chain

C.A.C.P.A.C.

Cemetery

Choir/Music Liaison

Disability Advocates

Funeral Luncheon Committee

High School Ministry

Knights of Columbus

Palmerton Festival

Pro Life Coordinator

Cass Chies

Father Mullins

Olivia Erickson

Peg Duell

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Frank Hager

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Peg Duell

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Dana Massey

Jerome Scarpati

Veronica Scarpati

Sacred Heart Helping Hands

Safety, Security and

Maintenance Committee

Rectory Office

Jim Matsko

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Tom Miller 610-435-1541 ext. 374

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC: 800-791-9209

Diocesan Office of Safe Environment Coordinator

Pamela Russo, M.S.W, M.S. 610-871-5200, ext. 2204

Secretary Youth Protection and Catholic Human Services

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Diocesan Youth Protection Programs

www.allentowndiocese.org/the-diocese/youth-protection/

Allegations of abuse against a Bishop, contact Catholic
Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at:

www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or call: 1-800-276-1562.

June 15 – The Most Holy Trinity



Mass Intentions

Saturday	June 14
5:00 PM	Joe Koma by Uhnak family
Sunday	June 15
9:30 AM	All living and deceased fathers of Sacred Heart
Monday	June 16
8:30 AM:	Paul Papay by wife and family
Wednesday	June 18
8:30 AM	Joseph Kerksmar by Debbie and Jennifer Cebrosky
Thursday	June 19
8:30 AM	Arline H. Cook by Cook family
Friday	June 20
8:30 AM	Todd Boyer by family
Saturday	June 21
5:00 PM	Parishioners of Sacred Heart
Sunday	June 22
9:30 AM	Darryl Moyer by grandchildren

Sacrament of Penance Schedule

Saturday: 4:00-4:45 PM
Before weekday Mass: 7:00-8:00 AM
First Friday of the Month: 6:00-7:00 PM
By appointment, please call the Rectory Office.



Let us continue to remember and pray for all our deceased relatives, friends, benefactors, and parishioners, those serving in the military, those struggling with addictions, the homebound and those who are sick and have asked for our prayers. Individual names will be added to the list of Prayers for the Sick upon request from the individual or from the sick person's Power of Attorney.



Sanctuary Candle:

John (Jack) Porambo by wife and family.

St. Joseph Altar (2):

Terry O'Neil by wife Debbie

Father's Day Prayer: Dear Father in Heaven, As a Father, help me to follow Your example to be patient, to be caring, to be understanding, to be forgiving, to be firm, to be compassionate, to be a teacher, to be loving, to be a good listener and most importantly, to be there as a parent, as You are always there for me. Amen.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

Reading I: Proverbs 8: 22-31

Wisdom, personified as a woman tells us she was present with God before the creation of the world, yet she is distinct from Him. Divine wisdom is uncreated but exemplified in creation.

Reading II: Romans 5: 1-5

Those persons who are justified are endowed with faith, whereby they have access to God's grace. They also have hope of future glory and true charity, by which they show the love of the Holy Spirit dwelling in them.

The Gospel: John 16:12-15

The Holy Spirit will lead believers to the fullness of the truth of the Gospel. He also gives us a share in the divine life and the authority of Christ.



Monday:	2 Cor 6:1-10 Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4 Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday:	2 Cor 8:1-9 Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c- 7, 8-9a Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday:	2 Cor 9:6-11 Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	2 Cor 11:1-11 Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8 Mt 6:7-15
Friday:	2 Cor 11:18, 21-30 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Mt 6:19-23
Saturday:	2 Cor 12:1-10 Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 Mt 6:24-34
Sunday:	Gen 14:18-20 Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 1 Cor 11:23-26 Lk 9:11b-17



Pray for all Priests, Deacons and Seminarians. Ask God for new Vocations. Your continued prayers are needed and appreciated.

Good and gracious God, you have called us through Baptism to discipleship with your Son, Jesus Christ, and have sent us to bring the Good News of salvation to all peoples. We pray you to grant us more priests and religious to build up your Church within the Diocese of Allentown. Inspire our young men and women by the example of Saint Junipero Serra to give themselves totally to the work of Christ and His Church. We ask in the name of Jesus the Lord. AMEN.

Ministry Schedule next weekend:			
6/21-6/22	Lector	EM	Altar Servers
5:00 PM	J. Uhnak	Fr. Mullins/M. Carty	H. Werner
9:30 AM	J. Dobias	Fr. Mullins/D. O'Neil/T. Gades (choir)	J/J Scarpati



After Pentecost, the Church returns to Ordinary Time. However, this Sunday and next Sunday are far from ordinary. Today, we celebrate the foundational mystery of our faith: The Most Holy Trinity. God revealed Himself as a communion of three distinct persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. This Dogma (truth that we must believe, in the light of faith) was proclaimed in the year 325, in the Stipulations of the first Council of Nicaea, when the Son was designated as consubstantial with the "Father". The divinity of the Holy Spirit was confirmed in the year 381 during the first Council of Constantinople. It is the fundamental mystery of our religion, in which it is established that God is one, but that in him there are three different persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Pope John XXII extended this celebration to the universal Church and placed it on the Sunday following Pentecost. Saint Augustine expressed: "The Christian mystery of the Trinity is the mystery of Divine love."

Next week we will celebrate Corpus Christi, the feast which celebrates how God the Son gives us his very flesh to eat through the process of transubstantiation. In a similar fashion, even though we are in Ordinary Time, we are not to return to the ordinary. We are called to let these mysteries of our faith and divine love transform us as well. These revelations spur us towards a deeper faith and a longing for the eternal.

Learn and Live the Faith (Compendium of CCC)

#516 "What is the task of business management?

Business managers are responsible for the economic and ecological effects of their operations. They must consider the good of persons and not only the increase of profits, even though profits are necessary to assure investments, the future of the business, employment, and the good progress of economic life."

#517 "What are the duties of workers?

They must carry out their work in a conscientious way with competence and dedication, seeking to resolve any controversies with dialogue. Recourse to a non-violent strike is morally legitimate when it appears to be the necessary way to obtain a proportionate benefit and it takes into account the common good."

#518 "How is justice and solidarity among nations brought about?

On the international level, all nations and institutions must carry out their work in solidarity and subsidiarity for the purpose of eliminating or at least reducing poverty, the inequality of resources and economic potential, economic and social injustices, the exploitation of persons, the accumulation of debts by poor countries, and the perverse mechanisms that impede the development of the less advanced countries."

Word of the Week: **Breviary** - also known as the Divine Office, is a liturgical book used to consecrate the various hours of a day. Its origins go back to apostolic times. It consists of a group of psalms, hymns, prayers, biblical and spiritual readings formulated by the Church for chant or recitation at stated times every day. Priests are obliged to say the full daily office, and religious who are not priests are obligated according to their rule of life. Formerly the various "hours" of the office were in different books, e.g., the Psalter, the Hymnary, and the Lectionary. But from the eleventh century they began to be combined in one book. The complete set of the Liturgy of the Hours is published in four consecutive volumes. These volumes are divided according to the following calendar year: Advent and Christmas season, Lent and Easter season, the first through the seventeenth weeks of Ordinary Time, and the eighteenth through the thirty-fourth weeks of Ordinary Time. (Etym. Latin breviarium, a summary, abridgment.)



The Parish family of Sacred Heart extends a warm welcome to our newest parishioners: **Vanessa Raviella and Dalton Rothermel and son, Bryce.** May you continue to be spiritually enriched and your membership in the Church be long, happy and fruitful.

Are you new to the area? If you would like to become a registered parishioner contact the Parish Office at: 610-826-2335 to receive your registration forms.

Saint of the Week: Aloysius Gonzaga (1568-1591) was born the son of noble parents in Lombardy, Italy. His father intended him to be his successor and pursue a brilliant military career and a life of power and privilege. He was a page at the courts of Spain and Florence, where he took a personal vow of chastity. From a young age, he displayed a profound spirituality and enjoyed reading the lives of saints and imitating their examples. At age 17, he renounced his inheritance and joined the Order of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) in Rome. In the seminary, he was a cheerful novice who excelled in his studies and for his devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. As a Jesuit novice, Aloysius devoted himself to prayer, studying and caring for the sick and impoverished. During the plague outbreak in Rome in 1591, Aloysius tirelessly tended to the afflicted, contracting the disease himself. Despite his physical ailments, he was always seen smiling. On his deathbed he sent a letter to his mother in which he expressed: "If charity consists, as Saint Paul says, in rejoicing with those who laugh and crying with those who cry, your joy must be immense, illustrious mother, to think that God is calling me to true joy, which I will soon possess with the certainty of never losing it [...] I say this only to express my wish that you, illustrious lady, as well as the other members of my family, consider my departure from this world a cause for joy, and that your maternal blessing may not be lacking at the moment of crossing this sea to reach the shore, where I have placed all my hopes [...]. He was canonized by Pope Benedict XIII in 1726 and Pope Pius XI named him Patron of Youth in 1926. He remains an enduring example of how faith and service can transcend the expectations of worldly status and lead to true greatness. Feast Day: 21 June.

Saint Quote of the Week: "*It is better to be a child of God than king of the whole world.*" – St. Aloysius Gonzaga.

"In the twilight of our life, we shall be judged according to love." – St. Aloysius Gonzaga.

Help to reengage Catholics who have fallen away from the faith by extending an invitation to them to come with you to Mass, Adoration or Confession. This simple gesture may be all it takes to welcome back a person who has been away.

Join Father Mullins Wednesdays in June and July 2 for discussions on Spiritual Warfare at 7:00 PM in our Parish Center. See you this Wednesday, June 18.



SJNRS – 2025-2026 School Year

Accepting applications for PreK through Grade 8. For info call: 610-826-2354.

2025-2026 PREP registration forms for grades 1-8 are now available in the Parish Office. Any parent with a child(ren) in Public School and/or homeschooled will need to contact the CRE, Steve Uhnak in the Parish Office at 610-826-2335 or email shccre@ptd.net.

2025 SUMMER CAMPS ARE HERE!

Join us for some amazing summer camps at St. John Neumann Regional School! All camps run from noon to 3:00 PM and are open to all children. See details below:

July 7-10:

Basketball Camp: children entering Grades K-3.

Art Camp: children entering Grades 4-8

July 14-17:

Chess Camp: children ages 9-14

Cooking Camp: children ages 9-14

July 21-24:

Basketball Camp: children entering Grades 4-8

Art Camp:

children entering Grades K-3

All camps \$50 per student/per camp and will be held at the Palmerton Campus, 259 Lafayette Avenue, Palmerton. FMI 610-826-2354.



Perfect Father's Day Gift!!!

HSM will be selling Sacred Heart logo t-shirts, polos and sweatshirts after Mass today in the back of the Church.



Deadline to return your baby bottle is today, June 15!

The Lafayette Council #2522 Knights of Columbus thanks all who participated in the Baby Bottle Campaign to support young mothers and their babies. Your spare change will change lives! If you still have your bottle or extra change, you can drop it off at the rectory office or with the ushers at Mass this weekend. For additional info contact: Dr. Andy Goodbred at: agoodbred@gmail.com.

Ever wonder about the places in Scripture? Come to **Wednesday morning Bible Study at 10 AM** in the Parish Center and find out.



2nd Sunday of the month, Parish Social

Hall Cost: \$25. Doors open at Noon.

Bingo starts 1:00 PM. \$25 BINGO Gift Certificates available to purchase at Rectory Office.

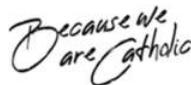
Weekly Collection

Attendance Goal: 450 Actual 6/7-6/8: 276



Have you considered ***On-line Giving?***
Visit: www.shcpalmerton.org and click on
the online giving icon to sign-up.

Our Parish Financial Fiscal Year closes June 30, 2025. We thank all who have sacrificed so generously to continue to support our Parish and its ministries during this year. We ask that all back envelopes be returned by June 30 to be included for this fiscal year.



As of June 10

Parish Goal: \$23,328
Committed: \$13,920
of Donors: 69

Thank you to all who have pledged their support to the ***2025 Because We are Catholic Annual Appeal.*** If you have not taken the opportunity to make a gift, you may drop off your pledge form at the Rectory Office or place it in the collection basket or visit the Appeal website at: BecauseWeAreCatholic.org or call the Appeal Office at: 800-831-4443. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach 100% participation.

To be eligible to be a Sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation you must be an active, registered parishioner, minimum of 3 months, who is:

- Fully Initiated (received Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation).
- Minimally 16 years of age.
- Attends Mass regularly on Sundays and Holy Days.
- If living together, must be married through the Catholic Church.
- Supporting your Church to the best of your ability.

Join us this Sunday, June 15 in Palmerton Park at 7:00 PM to enjoy music performed by *The Cramer Brothers Band* weather permitting. Bring your lawn chair, sit back and enjoy a Summer evening in the Park.

Potluck Picnic: Save the Date!!! Saturday, 19 July from 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM @ Palmerton Memorial Park – Grove Pavilion. All are welcome!

6/14-6/15 and 6/21-6/22:

In Support of the Parish:



Friday, June 20 – Sunday, June 22:

Friday-Saturday: 8:30 AM-3:30 PM.

Sunday: 11:00 AM-3:00 PM. Kitchen

will be open (eat-in or take out) and a basket raffle. We want to thank everyone who has donated their treasures and/or their time! Set-up continues in the gym throughout this week. Please contact Bernice Borowski at: 610-392-0625 between 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM to let her know when you would be available to help: before, during or after the Sale.

CACPAC Palmerton Food Pantry, located at: St. John's Lutheran Church, 2915 Fireline Road, Palmerton, exists to provide food to needy residents of Palmerton and neighboring communities. In the back vestibule of the church, there are 2 red plastic totes to place your donations for the Food Pantry. Currently, they are in need of: 64 oz. juices, peanut butter, canned vegetables (carrots, peas, green beans), tuna fish and soup. Any questions regarding CACPAC Food Pantry, call Sue Steigerwalt at: 610-349-9704. **Thank you for helping us to help our neighbors!**

Next weekend after all Masses, representatives from the ***Land of Peace*** mission, a non-profit organization will be with us speaking about the Christian situation in the Holy Land and selling Crucifixes, religious artwork and rosaries all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Sale of these goods will help them help the poor and needy families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem and also give you the opportunity to have "something: authentic from the holy land." See website: www.landofpeace.org.

Fun Corner: Feast of the Holy Trinity

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Word Search:

Advocate	Father	Redeemer	Son
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