

Diocese of Allentown

# The Immaculate Conception Parish

Churches of  
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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 and encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more information about the program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church.

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service  
[www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 800-276-1562.

*January 9, 2022 ~ The Baptism of the Lord*

# The Baptism of the Lord

Special Prayer Intentions- these are the people for whom we will be praying at Mass:

## Sat. Jan. 8

4:30 pm (ICC) **Ilona Wildoner** (Regina & Jeanie Klein)

## Sun. Jan. 9

8:30 am (SJC) **Marilee McFardland** (M/M Rick Kuhn)  
10:30 am (ICC) **Bernadette McGinley** (Ann & Donna LaRizzio)

## Mon. Jan. 10

8:00 am (ICC) **Rose Zurn** (Ken & Patty McArdle) / **Eugene "Kelly" Hager** (Vic & Eileen Newton)

## Tues. Jan. 11

8:00 am (SJC) **Lisa Holland** (Claire & Paul Yaich) / **Yong Cha Kurask** (Joe & Alex Cataldo)  
8:30am-3pm *Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

## Wed. Jan. 12

*Private* **All Our Parishioners, Living & Deceased**

## Thurs. Jan. 13

8:00 am (ICC) **Margaret "Midge" Mulligan** (Peggy O'Donnell & Family) /  
**Mildred Snisky** (Rose, Mike & Terry J. Burkhardt)  
8:30am-3pm *Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

## Fri. Jan. 14

8:00 am (SJC) **Moss Family** (Helen Hillenbrand) / **Majorie Haggerty** (Marie & David Korbobo)

## Sat. Jan. 15

9:00 am (SJC) *Rosary for Life*

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Sat. Jan. 15

4:30 pm (ICC) **Rosemary Brown** (Brown Family)

## Sun. Jan. 16

8:30 am (SJC) **Emma Marzen** (Dinh Nguyen & Family of CA)  
10:30 am (ICC) **66<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Ken & Rose McArdle** (Family)



### Lay Ministers January 15/16

Ministry	Sat. 4:30pm ICC	Sun. 8:30 am SJC	Sun 10:30am ICC
Lector:	Jay Miller	Alexa Igoe	Karen Sofranko
E.M.:	Deacon Jack, K. McArdle, C. McArdle	Deacon Jack, J. Igoe, B. Rodgers	Deacon Jack

### SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sun: The Baptism of the Lord  
Mon: First Week in Ordinary Time  
Thurs: St. Hilary  
Sat: Blessed Virgin Mary

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

ST. PEREGRINE CANDLE burns for *Health & Blessings for Barbara Miller* (From, Family)

**REST IN PEACE:** Kindly pray for the souls of **Ann Vandembord, Michael Martino, Diane Gallagher, and Paul Yaich, Sr.**, who were called to their eternal reward. Please remember them and their loved ones in your prayers. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

**BAPTIZED: WE WELCOME** to our parish family **Vivian Kathleen Young**, daughter of Jonathan Young & Nichole Burchell, who was baptized last Sunday. Please pray for her and her family as she begins her faith journey in Christ.

**CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS:** If you would like a statement of contribution for 2021 please sign the form in either church, please PRINT your full name, address and phone number. You may also call either Rectory office to request a copy. Statements will be prepared and mailed at the end of January.

### CLERGY COMEDY - The Priest's Pun

A poster on the church bulletin board:

"The Bible does not need to be rewritten, just reread!"

A flier on the Group Home's bulletin board:

"Some guests are like fires...the sooner they are out, the better!"

A sign on the jewelry store's front door:

"All credit cards accepted...especially your husband's!"

**MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS:** We would like to acknowledge donations made: ***In Memory of Dolores Becker*** from Francene Strubinger, Pam Heydt, Pat Heaney, Gloria Kehrli, Carol & Douglas Witt, Cathy Cassidy, Kitty & Bill Malatak, St. Joseph Choirs, Joanne O'Donnell, Terry & Theresa Popek, John & Irene Dedinsky, Charlene & Joseph Grant, Ann McHugh, Rose Wernett, Michael Fauzio, Candee & Barry Watto, Louise & Robert Zarbatany; ***In Memory of David Gilberry*** from Pam Heydt; ***In Memory of Eric Craigie*** from Pam Heydt; ***In Memory of Harry Carroll*** from Michael Fauzio.

**MEN'S GROUP:** Our collection for the children in Tanzania amounted to \$867! Our next collection will January 15 & 16. We raised \$10,000 in year 2021! Special thank you to all who supported this mission each month! Please check out the boards in the vestibule of church with updated pictures of the children and the progress we have made.

### Weekly Adoration Schedule

SJC	TUESDAY, JANUARY 11
8:30 -9:30	M. Marzen/S. Moss/N. Widmiere
9:30-10:30	M. Kelshaw / T. Kattner
10:30-11:30	A. Bott / P. & M. Gipprich
11:30-12:30	B. Rodgers/B. & D. Bochantin/R. & Deacon Jack
12:30-1:30	G. Kerhli / T. Gavornik / P. Stasyk
1:30-2:30	C. Sebelin /A. Bott/F. Strubinger/T. Gavornik
2:30-3:00	A. Bott / T. Gavornik /R. & Deacon Jack
ICC	THURSDAY, JANUARY 13
8:30 -9:30	Mary Sauka / Marie Damian
9:30-10:30	Joan Suzadail
10:30-11:30	Joe Julian / Pat Heaney
11:30-12:30	Judy Nederostek
12:30-1:30	Regina Rose
1:30-2:30	Louise Goldman /Francis Yacapsin
2:30-3:00	Louise Goldman

### ~ REFLECTION ~



Celebrating our Lord's Baptism today will bring this year's Christmas Season to its fulfillment and close. Like the Magi being led by the brightness of a star, we now do the leading by our brightness of Faith! Our Lord's daily life and routine helps us to mold our lives into His. History begins a fresh page with glorious instruction through the Beatitudes, with devotion through Sacrifice, and eternal value through acceptance, belief and solid Faith. The groundwork that Jesus' Baptism lays will last forever. In fact, because of our own Baptism, we have a deep responsibility to not only walk upon that ground, but to continue and add on to it! We all have a good sense of what Christ teaches, we understand right from wrong, but it is not good enough to be passive in the pew; we must be active in our allegiance. Our Baptism and Confirmation transforms us from spectator into player. Baptism takes history and rejuvenates it daily by our living out Christ's words and actions in our routine. To be true to our Baptism, to bring Christmas to its true fulfillment; ask yourself this question: do you fit God into your day or do you live your day around God? If God is truly central in your day's choices then you will truly lead others and share with them Eternal Epiphany, an Eternal Christmas gift...everlasting life.

### ARE YOU SMARTER THAN A PRESBYTER?

**Answer to last week's question-** What are the names of the Three Wise Men who followed the star to Jesus? ~ The names of the Wise Men are Casper, Melchior & Balthasar & they offered gifts of gold, frankincense & myrrh.



*This week's question:*

**Who was the very first Apostle called by Jesus?**

### WEEK AT A GLANCE

**Tues. 1/11:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 8:30am-3pm @ SJC; Baptism class @ SJC, 6:30-8 pm

**Wed. 1/12:** Confessions @ SJC, 6pm

**Thurs. 1/13:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 8:30am - 3pm @ ICC; Choir rehearsal @ SJC, 6 pm

**Fri. 1/14:** Enrichment Group, 1 - 3pm



### PARTICIPATE IN THE SYNOD!

We hope that wherever you are in your relationship with the Lord and the Catholic Church, you will consider participating in the Synod by attending a listening session or completing the online survey on our website.

## THE CHURCH IS LISTENING.

### Individuals with Disabilities & Caregivers

JAN 15 2022 | 3PM | Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Bethlehem  
JAN 29 2022 | 3PM | Holy Guardian Angels, Reading

### LGBT Community

JAN 27 2022 | 6:30PM | St. Francis Center for Renewal

### Young Adults & College Students

FEB 10 2022 | 5:00PM | Holy Ghost Parish, Bethlehem

### Parish Listening Sessions

Various Dates | Listing available by county on website below