

Welcome to

# Most Blessed Trinity Parish

of the Diocese of Allentown

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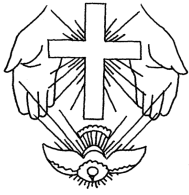
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<b><u>Liturgical Schedule</u></b>		<b><u>Holy Day</u></b>	
Church: Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM, Sunday 10:30 AM Chapel: Sunday 9:00 AM Daily Masses: 8:00 AM at the Church (except Tuesday at 6 PM), no Saturday morning Mass		Church: 8:00 AM, 5:00 PM Chapel: Vigil 7:00 PM	
<b><u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u></b>		<b><u>Sacrament of Marriage</u></b>	
As needed		Couples should contact Fr. Johnson as soon as they are engaged, at least 6 months before the date of the marriage.	
<b><u>Sponsor Certificates</u></b>		<b><u>Sacrament of Baptism</u></b>	
Letters of recommendation for sponsors may be obtained by calling the rectory, and will be issued for registered parishioners who meet the qualifications as set forth in Canon Law.		Parents must be registered for at least 3 months and be practicing their faith. Baptism classes are set at the convenience of the parents and rectory.	
<b><u>Home Bound Outreach</u></b>		<b><u>Diocesan Schools in Pottsville</u></b>	
Please call the rectory if you are physically unable to attend Mass and you will be visited during the first week of the month.		Assumption BVM School (gr. K-8) (570) 622-0106 Nativity BVM High School (gr. 9-12) (570) 622-8110 St. Joseph Center for Special Learning (570) 622-4638	
<b><u>PREP</u></b>		<b><u>Hall Use (Church and Chapel)</u></b>	
Church: Sun. 9:00 – 10:15 AM DRE-Joelle Bretz Chapel: Sun.10:00 – 11:15 AM Loc. Sup.-Stella Durkin		Pastor must first approve. Rent and liability fees may apply.	



# MOST BLESSED TRINITY PARISH

The Nativity of the Lord  
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph  
December 24-25, 26-27, 2020  
Year B — Cycle I

## WELCOME!

All are most welcome at Most Blessed Trinity Parish. Please register as soon as possible. Also, please call the rectory when changing your address.



### The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Saturday, December 26

**Church—Vigil:** 4:00 PM +Charles Shaud by Catherine McAlarney & Family

### Sunday, December 27

**Chapel—9:00 AM** +Ann Marie Brennan by Tom & Cathy Santai

**Church—10:30 AM** +Dan Bettinger by Bob & Jean

### *Weekday Masses are held at the Church*

### Monday, December 28—The Holy Innocents

8:00 AM +Ruth Yurista by Family

### Tuesday, December 29

6:00 PM +Thomas & Jennie McGann by Bob & Jean

### Wednesday, December 30

8:00 AM +Irvin & Ruth Becker by Bob & Jean

### Thursday, Dec. 31—Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

**Chapel—4:00 PM** The Living & Deceased Members of Christmas Memorials by Donors

**Church—6:00 PM** +Nils Jeppson

### Friday, January 1—The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

**Church—10:00 AM** +Fr. James R. Brady by Family

### Saturday, Jan. 2—Ss. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen

8:00 AM **No Mass**

### Epiphany of the Lord

**Church—Vigil:** 4:00 PM +Nils Jeppson by Jean Jeppson

### Sunday, January 3

**Chapel—9:00 AM** +Lucy Pitts by Jacqui Harner

**Church—10:30 AM** +In Memory of Dr. & Mrs. James R. Heller by Jim & Teresa Heller



### Next Week's Readings

Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13  
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

The Sanctuary Candle burns at the Church  
In Memory of Nils Jeppson



Our Second Collection next weekend,  
January 02/03, has been designated  
for Regular Maintenance.

### Sunday Collections

December 19/20 \$2,116.00  
Second Coll.—Flowers \$632.00



Thank you for your continued support for  
your Parish.

Dear friends,

Little things or incidents have brought significant changes in the world. I remember what my high school teacher told me about the great inventions in the world history. It was the fall of an apple on the head of a young Isaac Newton that prompted him to invent the theory of Gravity which later paved the path for great scientific researches. James Watt conceived the idea of inventing the steam engine while watching the teakettle in his father's kitchen. The water was boiling so hard that the lid of the teakettle began to jump up and down. He learned the power of steam and put that experience to good use by inventing the steam engines which gave birth to the Industrial Revolution in the 18<sup>th</sup> century. However, today a small virus is making a tremendous impetus for a social change in the planet. While we watch with trepidation how this pandemic is making an onslaught of the socio-economic foundations of nations, we should also agree that the present crisis is rapidly transforming our social behavior and values. The pandemic makes us aware how unsafe the world around us is and how we have to be more caring and kinder towards others. In these times, the life teaches us that humans can survive on limited means and lead a simple and moderate manner of living.

Although the Pandemic has made our Christmas festivity less bright this time, it offers us a powerful message for a change in our thinking patterns. Pandemic and Christmas are occasions for a 'return' or going back. When I was going through the Christmas stories, one of the events that caught my attention was the 'return' of Joseph and Mary with Infant Jesus from Egypt to Nazareth in Israel. It was a homecoming experience for them. This Christmas season for us must be a time of 'return' to friendships, and to strong relationships which broke during our life journey. Every return is a possibility, a possibility for a new beginning, just like a dawn for a new day.

Today, I will call my mother, Elizabeth who lives 7500 miles away from here and tell her, "I love you, mom and Merry Christmas!" Our Christmas must be a time to reach out to our parents, to our children, to our brothers and sisters and to all those we lost on the way. Where love is born, there Christ is born! May your Christmas be return from complexity to simplicity!

Merry Christmas!

Father Johnson

### Diocesan Coordinators for Minors

Safe Environment: Ms. Pamela J. Russo, M.S.W., M.S., Secretary, Youth Protection & Catholic Human Services,  
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*Christmas Memorials*

*In Memory of:* +Vincent Pothering by Wife Irma; +Miguel A. Soto by Carmen Hoffman; +Marguerite Elliott by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hamera; +Louis Mione by Vickie & Mackenzie; +Thomas & Alice Love by the Love Family; +Our Parents by Karen & Robert Stakem; +Ronnie Weiner, Mary & Ephraim Renninger by Lou Ann Weiner; +Bruce Moore & John Rodichok Families by Jane Moore; +Joyce & Coddington Families by Charles & Anne Joyce; +Joseph & Sophia "Sue" Korab by Rose & Larry Reiner; +Anna Ritzheimer by Jakob Ritzheimer; +Karen Leiter by Jacqui Harner; +Robert H. Zeigler & Karl Zeigler by Brigitte Zeigler; +Gerri Geise by Richard Geise; +Nils Jeppson, David & Ellen MacDonald by Jean Jeppson; +English & Rickert Families by Barb; +Albert J. Hohman & Charles F. Huth Families by Robert Hohman; +Gayle & Joseph Kobularik by Debra Savage; +Hunter Renninger by Amie Nowlin; +Joe & Sue Korab by Dennis & Dea Reinoehl; +Floyd Francis Krammes by Helen Krammes & Family; +Florence Winborn & Marsha Winborn by Jackie Reibsane; +Joseph D. Zernhelt, Elmer & Ann M. Drumheller by Family; +Frank, Helen & Billy Mione by Frank Mione; +Marlin, Mary & Patricia Shade by Anna Shade Donmoyer; +Al & Patty Doyle by the Leitzel Family; +Allar & Heflin Family Members by Allar Family; +Robert & Naomi Grimm, Rudolph & Romaine Masarik, & Ronald L. Masarik, Jr. by Ron & Roberta Masarik; +Robert & Elizabeth Kriston, Hunter William Renninger (Grandson) by Deborah Renninger; +Angela Kintzel by Gerry & Jerry Kintzel; +Frank & Mary Santai by Tom & Cathy Santai; +Deceased members of the Antalosky, Gavenas, Nace, Phillips, Spahr & Spickerman Families by the Antalosky Family; +Deceased members of the Lyons & Shaud Families by Betty Lyons; +David Wiscourt, Francis & Mary Wiscourt by Anna Wiscourt; +John Shollenberger by Joanne & Dino; +Hunter William Renninger by Heath, Heather & Hannah Renninger; +Deceased members of the Stroupshauer & Mitsky Families by Florence Stroupshauer; +Ernest & Catherine Kohr by Kathleen Krammes; +Becker & McGann Families by Bob & Jean Becker; +Marguerite Elliott by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hamera; +Members of the Frew Family by Bonnie Krammes; +Bonnie Ganly by Joe; +Carl W. & Carl D. Donmoyer by Barbara Donmoyer; +Sylvester Lukasewicz, Helen Lukasewicz & Stanley Pijar by David & Theresa Lukasewicz; +John & Betty Sabadish, Ed & Annabelle Kreiser by Ed & Jean Kreiser; +Alfred, Rita, Emily & John by Rita Keiser; +Dougherty & Coleman Families by Ron & Marcy Coleman; +Martin Brophy by Children; +William McAlarney by Wife; +Clarence Smulktis, Jr. by Scott Smulktis; +Francis A. Fox, Richard Sapinsky, Richard & Barbara Berkowicz by the Fox Family; +Robert Renninger, Jr. & Family by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Renninger, Sr.; +Alfredo Lomas & Francisco Arenas by John A. & Martha P. Adams.

*Memorial Fund*

In Memory of Palmer Koch  
By Greg & Gail Senich

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**Ss. Peter & Paul Ladies Club News: *Congratulations*** to the winners of the Christmas Bazaar raffle: \$100—Irene Faust, \$50.00—Rusty, Manger—Branda Flynn, Turkey—Sandy. ***Congratulations*** to the winner of the Basket of Cheer—Karen Wiest. Thank you to all who supported and helped with the raffles to make them a success. And thank you to all who helped to make the Benekies and sell them.



**Parish Office Hours**

**Friday, January 1st—closed**

**We wish you all a Healthy  
and  
Happier New Year!**



**PARISH CALENDARS**—Our special thanks goes to Mr. Paul Dimon of **Dimon Funeral Home** for providing our 2021 Calendars. Each family may take home a calendar while available near the entrance.



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