

Welcome to  
**Most Blessed Trinity Parish**  
*of the Diocese of Allentown*

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# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

### Liturgical Schedule

Church: Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM, Sunday 10:30 AM

Chapel: Sunday 9:00 AM

Daily Masses: 9:00 AM, except for Tuesday at 6:00 PM  
in the Tremont Church, no Saturdays.

Adoration 20 minutes prior to Daily Masses.

### Holy Day Mass always in Church

Church: 9:00 AM, 5:00 PM

Chapel: Vigil 7:00 PM

### 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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To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, please visit [www.allentowndiocese.org](http://www.allentowndiocese.org) and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner of the page.

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at [www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 1-800-276-1562.



# MOST BLESSED TRINITY PARISH

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January 3-4, 2026  
Year A - Cycle II

### UPDATE CONTACT INFO!

Help us stay in contact with you by letting the office know when your phone, address and/or email changes.

**Parish Mission Statement** – Most Blessed Trinity Parish is a Christ-centered sacramental family, modeled after the love of the Trinity – the Father, Son and Holy Spirit – three persons in one God. We are dedicated to grow in their love and continue the Great Commission of spreading the Gospel to all nations, starting right here in Western Schuylkill County.



### Mass Intentions

#### THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

**Saturday, Jan. 3 - Church 4:00 PM** +Thomas Santai by Wife & Family

**Sunday, Jan. 4 - Chapel 9:00 AM** For the People of the Parish by Father Johnson

**Sunday, Jan. 4 - Church 10:30 AM** +Francisco Arenas by John & Paty Adams

**St. John Neumann - Monday, Jan. 5 - Church 9:00 AM** +Jean Jeppson by Jim & Teresa Heller

**Tuesday, Jan. 6 - Church 6:00 PM** +Jean Jeppson by Florence Strouphauer

**Wednesday, Jan. 7 - Church 9:00 AM** +John Barket by Ann Shadle & daughters; Lori & Shelley

**Thursday, Jan. 8 - Church 9:00 AM** +Jean Jeppson by Cathy Santai

**Friday, Jan. 9 - Church 9:00 AM** +Rosemary Troeblinger by Ina Pijar

#### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

**Saturday, Jan. 10 - Church 4:00 PM** +Barbara Donmoyer by Annie and Rita

**Sunday, Jan. 11 - Chapel 9:00 AM** For the People of the Parish by Father Johnson

**Sunday, Jan. 11 - Church 10:30 AM** +Jean Jeppson by the Most Blessed Trinity Guild

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK, and THEIR CARETAKERS.

#### Especially:

**Jamie Fasnacht**

**Ina Pijar**

**Elsie Salukas**

**Carole Wiscount**

**Dennis & Brenda Wiscount**

### FOOD BANK NEWS



**Thank you** for your generosity in giving monetary donations! We especially thank those who help fill the boxes, pick up needed supplies and distribute them. However, more non-perishable grocery items are urgently needed including: cereal, peanut butter, jelly, soup, spaghetti sauce and pasta along with laundry soap, bath soap, toothpaste, paper towels and toilet paper.

### Christmas Mass Remembrance

#### In Memory of

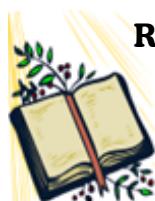
+Deceased family members by Gerard & Yvonne Petronko

+Joseph & Gayle Kobularik by Debbie Savage

+Diane Centeleghe by Victor Centeleghe

+Miller/McAuliffe Family by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Miller, Sr.

+Miller/Olsen Family by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Miller, Sr.



### Readings for January 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>

**Is 42:1-4, 6-7**

**Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10**

**Acts 10:34-38**

**Mt 3:13-17**

**Next weekend's Second Collection, January 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> will go toward Utilities.**

### Keepers of the Lord's House

**1/4/26**

Helen, Kathleen & Michele



The next OCIA Program meeting will be on Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> after Mass with class from 6:30-7:30 PM in the Tremont Social Hall. If anyone is contemplating becoming a Catholic, please contact our parish office at (570) 695-3648. The instructors will be Fr. Johnson and JoAnn Yesenosky.

### Fill Your Cup: Morning Retreat for Homeschooling & Young Mothers

On Saturday, January 24, 2026, from 8am-12 PM at Sacred Heart Church, Bethlehem, the Office of Marriage & Family Life invites you to come and "Fill Your Cup" during a peaceful and uplifting morning designed especially for YOU, the woman who is always serving others. Allow yourself to be served - rest, reconnect, and be renewed in the presence of Christ and the company of women walking a similar journey. Enjoy a light breakfast, inspiring talk, small groups, and panel discussion. Mass & Confession will also be offered in the Church before the retreat starts. Register for FREE before January 19th at [allentowndiocese.flock](http://allentowndiocese.flock).

## Ministry Schedule for January 10-11, 2026

4:00 PM Church

9:00 AM Chapel

10:30 AM Church

**Lector:** Jean Kreiser

**Lector:** Joe Kobularik

**Lector:** Annette Fleming

**EM:** Sean Lyons

**EM:** Jackie Reibsane

**EM:** John Adams

**Server:** Beau Lyons

**Server:** Beau & Ethan Flynn

**Server:** Juliet & Xavier Brown

**REMINDER:** 10:30 AM Altar Servers should be vested & seated by 10:15 AM. Thank you!



### From the Pastor's Desk - The Epiphany of the Lord

**This weekend, we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany**—the day when Christ is revealed to the nations. Epiphany reminds us of two beautiful truths:

#### 1. Jesus is our King and Savior.

The three gifts of the Wise Men speak loudly: gold for the King of Kings, frankincense for the true God, and myrrh for the One who would suffer, die, and rise for our salvation. The story of Epiphany points us directly to Easter—Jesus, who once lay in a manger, now reigns forever as our eternal King.

#### 2. Jesus came for all people.

The Wise Men travelled from far-off lands, following a star that led them to Christ. Their journey reveals the heart of the Gospel: Jesus is not given to a select few but to every person, every culture, every nation. Epiphany proclaims that God's love knows no boundaries.

As we celebrate this feast, may the light of Christ guide our families, our parish, and our world—just as the star once guided the Wise Men to Him. Let us share the Good News that Jesus truly came for all!



#### Catholic Charities' Community Café

**Food Truck** will be at the Tremont Municipal Bldg. - 139 Clay Street, Tremont on Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 1:30 PM. All are welcome to join us for a free hot lunch compliments of Catholic Charities. Come on out and meet the staff and volunteers while enjoying a delicious free meal! However, donations are appreciated. If you are interested in volunteering to help with the food truck ministry, please contact Pam Russo at prusso@allentowndiocese.org or 610-871-5200, ext. 2204.



#### Estate Planning



We invite you to remember Most Blessed Trinity in your estate planning, helping to secure the vitality of our parish for generations to come.

The next meeting of the **Ss Peter & Paul Ladies Club** is Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM, in the Chapel Social Hall.



**Parish Calendars** - Our special thanks goes to **Mr. Paul Dimon** of Dimon Funeral Home in Tower City for providing our 2026 calendars. Calendars are located in the vestibule and each family may take one while supplies last.

Happy New Year



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***Letter of the Fifth Bishop of Allentown  
Announcing the 65th Jubilee Anniversary Year of  
the Diocese of Allentown  
A Eucharistic and Marian Year of Grace***

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we approach the Sixty-Fifth Anniversary of the establishment of our beloved Diocese of Allentown, I invite you to join me in celebrating this milestone as a Jubilee Year of Grace, beginning 28 January 2026, and ending 28 January 2027. This sacred time will be a Eucharistic and Marian Year dedicated to giving thanks for the blessings we have received and imploring new graces for the future of our local Church, especially for vocations to the Priesthood and the Consecrated Religious Life.

Our Diocese was established by Pope Saint John XXIII on 28 January 1961, carved from the territory of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to serve the faithful of Berks, Carbon, Lehigh, Northampton, and Schuylkill Counties. Since that day, generations of clergy, religious, and laity have worked together to build up a vibrant Catholic community rooted in faith, education, and service.

From our first Bishop, Most Reverend Joseph McShea, who laid the foundations of diocesan life and Catholic education; to his successors—Bishops Welsh, Cullen, and Barres—each shepherd has guided our Church through the joys and challenges of the times, ever striving to proclaim Christ in our region of Pennsylvania. Today, we continue to stand on that legacy, grateful for all who have handed on the Faith with

courage and love. The 65<sup>th</sup> Jubilee coincides beautifully with the Church's renewed call to deepen our love for the Most Holy Eucharist. The Holy Eucharist is the heart of our Diocese. Christ is truly present among us and is the source and summit of our Catholic life.

Throughout this Jubilee Year, I invite every parish, school, and household to rekindle devotion to the Holy Eucharist through increased opportunities for Adoration, Eucharistic processions, catechesis, and an intentional commitment to the reverent celebration of Holy Mass. Let us return to the Altar with renewed awe and gratitude, that our parishes may be truly Eucharistic communities where faith is alive and charity overflows.

The Diocese has always been placed under the maternal care of the Blessed Virgin Mary under the title of *Mary, Mother of the Church*. During this Jubilee, we turn again to her as our Mother and Model of Faith. Just as she carried Jesus to the world, may she lead us to a deeper love of her Son and to a spirit of joyful discipleship and evangelization.

Therefore, I am also designating this year as a Marian Year, asking every parish to promote the Holy Rosary, Marian devotions, and consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. In a world often marked by division and discouragement, Mary shows us the way to peace, humility, and trust in God's providence.

In a special way, I ask all the faithful to join me in praying for two great intentions during this Jubilee Year:

- An abundance of holy vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Consecrated Religious Life.
- The return of those who have drifted from the practice of the faith, that they may rediscover the salvation, mercy, and joy of Christ in His Church.

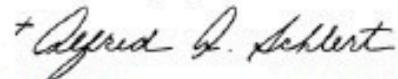
The Lord continues to call, and His mercy never tires. May our parishes become welcoming homes for all who seek spiritual comfort, forgiveness, and belonging.

As we celebrate sixty-five years of grace, we look back with gratitude and forward with hope. The same Holy Spirit who inspired the founding of our Diocese continues to guide us today. Let us walk together—clergy, religious, and laity—as a Roman Catholic family of faith, united in the Holy Eucharist, devoted to Mary, and steadfast in our mission of bringing the Light of Christ to every soul.

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, and Saint Catharine of Siena, Patroness of our Cathedral, may this Jubilee Year be a time of renewal, healing, and joy for all of us.

With heartfelt gratitude and every prayerful good wish, I remain

Faithfully yours in Christ,



• Most Reverend Alfred A. Schlert  
Bishop of Allentown

<p><b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>            Saturdays: 3:15-3:45 PM Tremont            Sundays: 8:15-8:45 AM Tower City            20 minutes before Daily Mass in Tremont            Monday thru Friday</p>	<p><b>Sacrament of Marriage</b>            Couples should contact Fr. Johnson as soon as they are engaged, at least 6 months before the date of the marriage.</p>
<p><b>Sponsor Certificates</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.</p>	<p><b>Sacrament of Baptism</b>            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.</p>
<p><b>Home Bound Outreach</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.</p>	<p><b>Diocesan Schools in Pottsville</b>            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</p>
<p><b>PREP</b>            Church: Sun. 9:00-10:15 AM Loc. Sup - Kathy Brown            Chapel: Sun. 10:00-11:15 AM CRE - Maria Flynn</p>	<p><b>Office Hours</b>            Monday-Thursday 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM            Friday - Closed</p>

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THREE KINGS	CHRISTIAN	JANUARY
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