

December 10, 2023 – Second Sunday of Advent

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<p align="center">ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST 540 Main St. Summerhill, Pa ----- IMMACULATE CONCEPTION 1640 New Germany Rd. New Germany, Pa</p> <p>Office Hours 9–3:30 PM M-F Address: P.O. Box 248, Summerhill, Pa. 15958 Phone: 814-495-5241 - Fax 814-495-9522 phoke@dioceseaj.org website: www.stjic.org Diocese: www.dioceseaj.org Proclaim: https://proclaim.dioceseaj.org</p>	<p align="center">MOST HOLY TRINITY 550 Main St. South Fork, Pa ----- ST. BARTHOLOMEW 185 Church Hill, Wilmore, Pa</p> <p>Office: 8:30-12 Mon & Thurs. or appointment Address: 550 Main St. South Fork, PA 15956 Office 814-495-4419 Fax- 814-495-9104 mostholyltrinitysouthfork@dioceseaj.org -Betty stbartholomewwilmore@dioceseaj.org -Cathy Facebook: Saint Bartholomew Catholic Church Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church</p>
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Approximately 15 minutes before the Saturday & Sunday Masses when possible.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Dec. 11 7:45 AM SJ – Margaret McCormick
 Tuesday, Dec. 12 7:45 AM MHT- Jean Celmer, requested by Larry Celmer
 Wednesday, Dec. 13 7:45 AM IC – Barry Motchenbaugh
 Thursday, Dec. 14 7:45 AM SB- Jeannie Schall, requested by husband, Regis
3 to 8 PM SJ – Exposition & Adoration – Chaplet & Rosary at 3 PM
 Friday, Dec. 15

FEASTS & MEMORIALS

St. Damasus I, Pope
Our Lady of Guadalupe
St. Lucy
St. John of the Cross

Saturday, Dec. 16 4:00 PM MHT –Camille Terek, requested by family
4:00 PM IC – Barbara Wess & For the Parish
5:30 PM SB – Parishioners of Most Holy Trinity/ St. Bartholomew
5:30 PM SJ – Bernard & Francie Tully

Sunday, Dec. 17 7:00 AM IC – Dean & Judy Wess
8:30 AM SJ – For the Shut-ins of Our Parish & For the Parish
9:00 AM SB – John Crynock, requested by Tony & Carol Pyo
10:30 AM MHT–Amelia Nies, requested by family

Third Sunday of Advent

Sanctuary Candles	St. Bart	MHT	St. John	Immaculate C.
Dec. 10-16	All Souls in Purgatory	Special Intentions	Dennis Patrick	Roy Shrift

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Dec. 16/17	Lector	EMHC	Altar Servers
IC - 4:00 PM	Mary Sue Long	Mary Sue Long	
MHT- 4:00 PM	L Celmer	D Yonkoski	
St. J - 5:30PM	Scott Curtis	Carol Curtis	
St. B - 5:30PM	M Branas	M Branas	
IC- 7:00AM	Steve Pappas	Margie Gallardy	
St. J 8:30 AM	Dave Templeton	Dave Templeton	Daniel Yunetz
St. B 9:00AM	K Miller	K Miller	
MHT 10:30AM	E Richardson		
M/B Count- 12/11	R Gramling, J Resick	St. B. -Dec. Church cleaning	Judy Fleegle/Dianne Fox

Offertory Collections

Dec. 3	Regular	Votive	Christmas	Specials	Flowers	Diocese	Cem	Building	Total
MHT	\$1794		\$25	\$282	\$145	\$35	\$40	\$82	\$2403
St. B	\$2782		\$245	\$815	\$172	\$55	\$45	\$95	\$4209
IC	\$3944			\$480					\$4424
SJ	\$3106			\$570					\$3676

Catholic Ministry Drive

M-goal	M-pledge	B-goal	B-pledge	SJ-goal	SJ-pledge	IC-goal	IC-pledge
\$11,443	\$2795	\$11,683	\$2240	\$11,923	\$4065	\$15,430	\$9750

DECEMBER PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SICK: Rose Wills, Jean Dunmire, Alan Zajdel, George Mehall, Sharon Goughenour Karissa (Wess) Angleson, Audrey Wirfel, Keith Smith, David J, Trinity McCall, Jerri Phillips, Maria Felix, Mary Ann Penatzer Carol Carden, Jennifer Shrift, Leroy Smith, Dave Wyland, Angie Smay, Karen Y, Donna Moyer, shut-ins, special intentions.

2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: All four parishes will have offertory envelopes mailed bi-monthly to your home instead of a yearly box distributed in the Church. The envelopes will come in a white envelope ***please do not throw them away*** as junk mail. The first mailing should be in mid-December. If you do not receive a packet by Dec. 31, please call the office.

SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend the second collection will be for our building fund.

MASS CANCELLATION (for during the week): If Forest Hills School District cancels or delays school because of weather, morning Mass (Monday-Friday) and Adoration will be cancelled. The Mass intention will be rescheduled ASAP.

CHURCH DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS will be on Sunday, Dec. 17 after the Masses at St. J-9:30 and MHT at 11:30, and St B at 10. Help is needed and appreciated.

THE CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE: Christmas Eve – IC at 4 PM; St.B at 4 PM; MHT at 6 PM; SJ at 6 PM. Christmas Day – SJ at 8 AM; St.B at 8 AM; IC at 10 AM; MHT at 10 AM. Volunteers are needed for Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. If you can help, please call Betty and Pam at the offices ASAP. Thanks. The Christmas Eve Masses at IC and MHT will include the children's pageant.

2024 CHURCH CALENDARS are in the gathering space of all 4 Churches. Please take one to a family. Thanks again to the Charles O. Dimond Funeral Home, Inc., Joseph J. Golden, Supervisor, for providing us with the calendars.

BENEDICTINE PASTOR'S AWARD: St. Vincent Archabbey is offering a \$2000 grant, renewable for 4 years, to students of parishes serve by the Benedictine monks. Call the parish office for more information. Applications due by Feb. 1

OPLATKI: Christmas Wafers are in the vestibules at St. B and MHT for a donation of \$3

SJ – any former choir member who would like to help Susan sing at the Christmas Eve Mass at 6 PM, please call Pam 814-495-5241 by December 15.

St.B 2024 CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE: If you wish to change your months or are unable to clean this year. Please contact the office by Dec. 17. Volunteers are always needed to help clean. Please call or drop a note in the collection.

SJ & IC CCD CLASSES are scheduled for December 17; January 7 & 21; February 4 & 25; March 3 & 24.

IC Rosary Altar Society Christmas Party will be today, Sunday, Dec. 10 at 12:30 PM for those who made reservations.

ST. JOHN'S Rosary Altar Christmas Party will be today, Sunday, Dec. 10 at noon for those who made reservations.

ST. MARY'S CEMETERY Assoc. Meeting will be on Tuesday, December 12 at 6 PM.

IC FINANCE/PARISH COUNCIL will meet on Monday, December 11 at 6 PM in Marian Hall.

IC: We extend to the family & friends of Jennifer Shrift our prayers & sympathy for her passing from here to eternity.

ST.B LOTTERY CALENDARS: Money and stubs are due **NOW**. If not sold please turn in - Have sales for them!

SB CHRISTMAS PROJECTS: *Christmas stockings* for the nursing homes are in the vestibule for parishioners to fill.

Angel Birthright Tree: sponsored by the Youth Group is in the vestibule, please take a tag. Both stockings and Birthright gifts must be returned by Dec. 17. **Christmas CCD Day:** December 17 at 2:00 with the packing of Fruit baskets, delivering baskets, pizza party, Play, a visit from Santa and a cookie social.

IC: Our JEWELRY RAFFLE is Sat, **Jan 20**, at New Germany Grove Hall. For tickets, call Becky/Dave 244-8243, or Pam at parish office 495-5241. All proceeds benefit repairs and upgrades to our parish and Grove Hall. Tickets are \$25 each. Only 500 tickets sold. Doors will open at 5 PM. Ticket includes admission, meal, dessert, and drinks. Many volunteers are needed to make this event successful. If you are willing to help, please call the rectory. **BASKETS** are needed for the night of the raffle, and someone is needed to help run the basket raffle. The person that normally ran the raffle will be out of town. Please call Pam at the rectory if you can help. Donations of baskets can be dropped off at the rectory anytime.

MHT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Christmas Festival: Next Sunday, Dec. 17 with Soups and Sandwiches, baked goods, a visit from Santa, and a Basket Raffle. Come support our children and enjoy an afternoon of food, fun, and fellowship.

Basket Raffle: Baskets will be available to purchase tickets after the Masses this weekend and next weekend.

Blanket Chances: on a fleece winter blanket donated by Sis Johnson are in the vestibule. Chances are \$1 each. The blanket is on display in the vestibule.

MHT HOLIDAY TICKET SALE: Tickets are \$5 with chances to win \$500 on Christmas Eve and \$500 on Christmas Day. Money & stubs are due NOW!

St. Mary's Cemetery, New Germany & St. Bartolomew, Wilmore WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA-Wreath Day is Dec. 16. St. Bart's service will be noon in the church hall and at St. Mary's be at the cemetery starting approx. 11:45 AM.

ANYONE interested in sending Christmas Greetings to clergy associated with the Parishes: Fr. Myron Kirsch, OSB; Fr. Patrick Cronauer, OSB; Fr. Leon Hont, OSB; Fr. Alfred Patteson, OSB would go to: St. Vincent Archabbey, 300 Fraser Purchase Rd., Latrobe, PA 15650-2690. Fr. Brian Norris, St. John the Evangelist, 309 Lotz Ave., Lakemont, PA 16602.

FOREST HILLS COMMUNITY BAND Annual Christmas Concerts will be Sunday, Dec. 10 at St. Bartholomew Hall at 7PM and Sunday, December 17 at New Germany Grove Hall at 7 PM. Admission is free. All are welcome!

SQUARE DANCES have been scheduled! The dates are: January 6, 13 & 27; February 3 & 17; March 2 & 16 at New Germany Grove Hall. Mark your calendars!

COMMUNITY BOOK Club Monday, **December 18** at 3:30 PM in Marian Hall on the book "*An Irish Country Christmas*" by Patrick Taylor. Note the date changed for this month.

PINOCHLE CARD PARTY at Holy Family Parish, Portage on Sun, Dec. 10 from 1-4 PM. Admission is \$5. Light refreshments. No registration is necessary but would be appreciated. Call Pam at 814-736-4279 Extension 102.

THE HOPE IS ALIVE: St. Clement, Goucher St & Lindberg Ave, on Mon, Dec. 11 at 6:30 PM for Praise, Worship & Music

POLISH CHRISTMAS CAROLS: Jan. 7 at 2PM All Saints Parish, Boswell. Singing of hymns, Benediction, refreshments.

BISHOP CARROLL DRAMA CLUB proudly presents Irving Berlin's White Christmas- The musical on December 14, 15 & 16 in the Bishop Carroll cafeteria. Doors open at 6:30 PM and curtain rises at 7 PM. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. All are welcome! Tickets can be purchased at the door the night of the show.

INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION THE EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES of the World at St. Nicholas Church Hall, Nicktown on Friday, Dec. 15 from 3 to 7 PM; Sat., Dec. 16, from Noon to 7 PM; Sunday, Dec. 17 from 8 AM to Noon. It's a traveling display designed by Blessed Carlo Acutis. The St. Nicholas Holy Name and Altar Rosary Societies invites all to join them.

HEALING MASS, CONFESSION, AND WITNESS TALKS: Dec. 15 at 6 pm, St. Aloysius Church, Cresson.

NATIVITY FESTIVAL: St. Mary's Hall, Hollidaysburg Dec. 15-17: Fri 3-7, Sat. Noon-7, Sun 8:30-6. Live Nativity Sat. at 4:30, Free Christmas concert by Altoona Community Band at 3 on Sun. Over 200 Nativities will be on display.