



Around the Parish

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

2022

The Catholic Origins of Thanksgiving!

The history books will tell you that the first Thanksgiving was celebrated by the Pilgrims in 1621. Not true!

An interesting bit of trivia is that the first American Thanksgiving was actually celebrated on September 8, 1565 in St. Augustine, Florida. The Native Americans and Spanish settlers held a feast and the Holy Mass was offered.

A second similar "Thanksgiving" celebration occurred on American soil on April 30, 1598 in Texas when Don Juan de Oñate declared a day of Thanksgiving to be commemorated by the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

The Catholic origins of Thanksgiving don't stop there. Squanto, the beloved hero of Thanksgiving, was the Native American man who mediated between the Puritan Pilgrims and the Native Americans. Squanto had been enslaved by the English but he was freed by Spanish Franciscans. Squanto thus received baptism and became a Catholic. So it was a baptized Catholic Native American who orchestrated what became known as Thanksgiving.

All that being said, Thanksgiving is traditionally Protestant and marks the tradition of religious toleration (something in which the Puritan Pilgrims did not actually believe -- they set up a "theocracy").

My wife once taught at an High-Church Episcopalian/Anglican classical school in Philadelphia. The school consciously played down the significance of Thanksgiving. Why? The reason is simple. At root, Thanksgiving commemorates the good fortune of political and ecclesiastical rebels against the Church of England and the Anglican tradition as a whole.

It all started with Richard Clyfton who was a Church of England parson in Nottinghamshire in the early 1600's. Clyfton sympathized with the Separatists of that era. Separatists were Calvinistic non-conformists to the doctrine and liturgy of the Church of England. The Hampton Court Conference held by King James I

(1604) condemned those who would not conform to the more outwardly Catholic usages in the Church of England (e.g. robes, candles, bowing the head at the name of Christ, processions). The result was that Richard Clyfton was "defrocked" and stripped of his clerical status in the Church of England. Shortly thereafter Richard Clyfton went to Amsterdam and was followed by his disciples: the Pilgrims.

These Pilgrims moved around a bit until finally coming to America in 1620. An interesting bit of trivia is that one child was born on board the Mayflower while at sea. The child was given the rather lame name: "Oceanus". Poor child.

In 1621, the Pilgrims allegedly celebrated a happy meal with the Native Americans and the rest is history. So why would an Anglican school be against Thanksgiving? It celebrates those who defied the Church of England and the Crown of England.

Now that I'm no longer an Anglican and now a Catholic, things are a bit different. The penal laws of England regarding non-conformists affected not only the rigorous Calvinistic Puritans in England, but also the English Catholic recusants. The Pilgrims shared the same lot as the Catholic faithful of England. Interestingly enough, the Catholics who lived in Nottinghamshire where the Pilgrims originated were persecuted mercilessly.

So while Thanksgiving may celebrate the Calvinists Separatists who fled England, Catholics might remember the same unjust laws that granted the crown of martyrdom to Thomas More, John Fisher, Edmund Campion, et al. are the same injustices that led the Pilgrims to Plymouth.

And let everyone remember that "Thanksgiving" in Greek is Eucharistia. Thus, the Body and Blood of Christ is the true "Thanksgiving Meal".

Catholiceducation.org- TAYLOR MARSHALL



SACRED HEART CHURCH

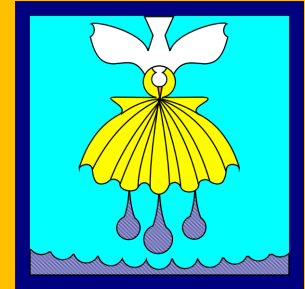


Parent/ Grandparent Volunteers will be needed as well!
We would also love baked good donations to be served after the Nativity performance!



A list of items that are able to be recycled will be posted at church, as well as on the Church website and Facebook.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM



Samuel Troisi

Born March 3, 2022

Son of Paul and Carlin Troisi



Robert Lesagonicz

Born March 6, 2022

Son of Nicholas and Rebecca Lesagonicz



Amelie Zarzuela

Born September 15, 2019

Daughter of Robert and Rosa Zarzuela



Hope Varish

Born December 9, 2011

Clara Topper

Born September 20, 2022

Daughters of Ryan and Gabrielle Topper

November 2022 LECTOR SCHEDULE

October 31/November 1

All Saints Day
5:15 PM Steve Krupa
7:00 AM Lou Sutherland
12:10 AM Joe Tharp
11:15 AM Steve Bell

November 12/13

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM Mary Ann Kelly
7:30 AM Vince Moffitt
9:30 AM Mary Ann Kase
11:15 AM Karen Ann Cameron

November 5/6

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM Terry Vogel
7:30 AM Beth Tharp
9:30 AM Mike Gallagher
11:15 AM Margaret Hueske

November 19/20

Our Lord Jesus Christ. King of the Universe
5:00 PM Steve Krupa
7:30 AM Kathy Nevel
9:30 AM John Gleason
11:15 AM Bill Wellock

November 26/27

1st Sunday of Advent
5:00 PM Sandie Wrable
7:30 AM Joe Tharp
9:30 AM Denise Mogel
11:15 AM John Sylvester



BERKS
Sinfonietta

VAUGHAN WILLIAMS AS COMPOSER, TEACHER, & MENTOR

Saturday, November 19, 2022 at 7:30 pm

Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church; West Reading, PA

Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis

Six Studies in English Folk Song for Solo Cor Anglais and String Orchestra Ralph

Vaughan Williams

Jill Haley, English horn

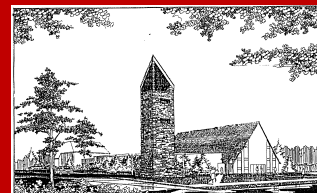
Sea Sketches
 Grace Williams

Prelude and Romance for Strings
 Gerald Finzi

Gymnopedie No. 1
 Peggy Glanville-Hicks

Pennington, Dotsk Tracts
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UPCOMING EVENTS



SVDP Food Drive for St. Joseph's Food Pantry

November 5th & 6th, 2022

Protecting God's Children Class—IHM Room

November 8, 2022 @ 6:15 p.m.

KOC Pie Sale Orders

November 5th—20nd, 2022

SHS Donuts for Dad's

November 9th, 2022

Coffee, Donuts & Stewardships

Parish Center, Wachter Room

November 20th, 2022

Sacred Heart Used Clothing Recycle Event

Drop off @ Garage or in front of
 Church

November 20th, 2022

KOC Pie Sale Pick-up

November 22nd, 2022

Sacred Heart School Bazaar

December 8th, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Children's Nativity

December 2022

Children's Christmas Choir

December 24th, 2022



HOLIDAY PIE SALE IS HERE!

The Monsignor Bornemann Knights are having their Annual Holiday Pie Sale starting the weekend of November 5/6. Orders and payments can be made before or after each Mass or mailed/delivered to the address on the order form. The pies offered will be the same as in the past: **Apple, Blueberry, Cherry, Coconut Custard, Pecan and Pumpkin.**

Pies are \$10 each or 2 for \$18. Pies can be **picked up in the IHM Room on Tuesday November 22 from 2pm to 6pm.** Order forms will be in the Narthex and in a future bulletin. Orders can be taken in the Narthex after Masses at both churches on the weekends of Nov 5/6, 12/13, and 19/20.

Recitation of the Rosary is now on the weekly schedule, and we hope you can join us on Sunday mornings after the 9:30 Mass in the church and after Adoration on Tuesday evenings. All are welcome.

Important 2022 K of C dates for your calendar:

November 3 - Officer's Meeting – IHM Room 7pm

November 5 & 6 – Holiday Pie Sale – Narthex after all Masses at both churches

November 12 & 13 - Flowers on altars at both churches for Veteran's Day with a scroll with names of current Active-Duty personnel

November 11 – VETERANS DAY

November 12 & 13 – Holiday Pie Sale – Narthex after all Masses at both churches

November 17 - Membership Meeting – IHM Room 6:30-9:00pm

November 19 & 20 – Holiday Pie Sale – Narthex after all Masses both churches

November 22 – Holiday Pie Pickup – IHM Room 2pm-6pm

November 24 – THANKSGIVING

The Knights of Columbus Monsignor Bornemann Council membership is open to all practicing Catholic male adults, aged 18 and over, who wish to serve their parish and community. Meetings are the third Thursday of the month. To join, contact John Sylvester at 610-451-6980, or go to bornknights.org and fill out the Contact Form located on our website OR signup directly using the online KofC link.



SVDP will sponsor our annual food drive for St. Joseph's Food Pantry to help those needing assistance with securing food.

The Food Drive

November 5 - 6, 2022 before and after Masses.

A car will be parked in front of the church to collect donated food. Canned and/or boxed food items such as pasta, tomato sauce, cereal, soup, oatmeal, vegetables, etc. should have current freshness dates. The Red Bucket will be available to accept monetary donations as well. Your contribution is appreciated.

Thank you for your support and generosity!



Attention Volunteers that need to complete their **Protecting God's Children Class**, an in-person class will be held in the IHM room, **November 8th at 6:15 p.m.**

If you would like to volunteer for anything in the Parish, Please call **Kirsten at 610-372-4010 X 201** to confirm that your background checks are all up to date!

Background checks must be completed by **EVERYONE** regardless of whether or not you think you will be around children.



BUILD YOUR LEGACY & SUPPORT SACRED HEART PARISH

Support Our Parish Endowment

Sacred Heart Parish is fortunate to hold an endowment that can provide a perpetual stream of income for our parish mission "To Teach All Nations." To make a tax-deductible contribution to our endowment fund or if you are interested in establishing a new named endowment to benefit our parish, please call the parish office at **610-372-4010**.

A Gift in Your Will or Living Trust

A charitable bequest is an easy, flexible, and versatile way to ensure we can continue the mission of Jesus Christ in the Church. Simply include Sacred Heart Parish in your will or living trust.

Leave A Legacy to Our Parish

When you designate our parish as beneficiary of a life insurance policy, retirement plan or bank account, you are leaving a legacy that will impact generations of Catholics long into the future.

Donate Stocks or Other Appreciated Assets to Support Our Parish

Make a bigger impact by donating long-term appreciated securities, including stock, bonds, mutual funds, real estate, or mineral interests, for the benefit of Sacred Heart Parish. By donating directly to us, you allow the parish to receive the full pre-tax value of those appreciated assets and you avoid capital gains taxes.

Support Our Parish through a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)

If you are age 70 ½ or older, you can donate up to \$100,000 from your IRA directly to Sacred Heart Parish without having to pay income taxes on the money. Simply ask your broker to make your check payable directly to Sacred Heart Parish.

Gifts That Pay You Income

There is a way for you to support Sacred Heart Parish and feel confident that you have dependable income in your retirement years. A charitable gift annuity can provide you with regular payments and allow us to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ. You can also qualify for a variety of tax benefits, including a federal income tax charitable deduction when you itemize.

If you have any questions or would like more information about ***Building your Legacy*** through planned gifts, please contact the rectory office at **610-372-4010** and ask for **Kirsten**.



All Saints Day

All Souls Day





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Gasoline	\$300	3%	\$108
Dining Out	\$250	10%	\$300
Entertainment	\$200	8%	\$192
Clothing	\$250	8%	\$240
Home Improvement	\$100	4%	\$48
TOTAL EARNINGS			\$1,080

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Monsignor Bornemann Council #16066
Sacred Heart Church & Holy Rosary Church



ANNUAL HOLIDAY PIE SALE

Pies cost \$10/each OR 2 FOR \$18 (mix or match!)

These 8-inch pies are available in 6 delicious flavors just in time for the Holidays!

● Apple ● Blueberry ● Cherry ● Coconut Custard ● Pecan ● Pumpkin

PICK UP: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2022

2:00pm TO 6pm in the IHM Room, Sacred Heart School

Note: pies are prepared the day before pickup by Lil's Bakery, (Wyomissing Farmers Market)
Please complete the order form below and return it with payment in an envelope marked "KofC PIE SALE" to the basket in the church center aisle, give it to a Knight after Mass, or drop it in the Rectory Office door mail slot with your payment by November 19th.

Keep top portion on your refrigerator as a pick-up date reminder!

Tear here and return bottom portion with your order and payment, cash or check accepted.

Return it with payment in an envelope marked "KofC PIE SALE" to the basket in the church center aisle, give it to a Knight after Mass, or drop it in the Rectory Office door mail slot with your payment by November 19.

Please make checks payable to: K of C #16066

FLAVOR	QUANTITY	COST \$10.00EA OR 2 for \$18 (mix or match)
APPLE		
BLUEBERRY		
CHERRY		
COCONUT CUSTARD		
PECAN		
PUMPKIN		
TOTALS		\$

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