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NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life

So who or what is the *Spiritus Sanctus*, the Holy Breath in which we profess our faith? The first clarification that should be made is the Holy Spirit is definitely a "Who" rather than a "what". The Creed refers to the Spirit as "Lord". This personalizes him, of course, and also links the Holy Spirit to the Son of God, whom the Creed calls the "Lord Jesus Christ"; and, in one deft move, it unambiguously affirms the deity of the Spirit, for "Lord" is a term used, again and again, of the God of Israel.

The Creed gives us another crucially important indicator when it speaks of the Spirit as (giver of life). As we saw when considering the Incarnation the *ruach* Yahweh, the breath of God, is what brooded over the surface of the stormy waters at the moment of creation. All the vitality that came forth from the Creator issued from this ultimate source of life. In the thirty-seventh chapter of the book of the prophet Ezekiel, we find the beautiful and mysterious passage concerning the vivification of the dry bones. The prophet looks out on a field filled with the desiccated remains of soldiers, and he is told by God to speak to them. When Ezekiel speaks, the *ruach* of God stirs the bones and then covers them in sinew, muscle, and skin, and finally breathes life into them, causing them to stand up as a revivified army. So the Holy Spirit operates in and for the holy people Israel. The prophet Isaiah anticipates the coming Messiah, commenting, "The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord" (Isa. 11:2). And in Psalm 104, after exulting in the myriad ways that God brings forth life and fecundity, the Psalmist comments, "When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you rew the face of the ground" (Ps. 104:30).

When we turn to the New Testament, we find a plethora of references to the spirit and the Holy Spirit. We can see the Spirit's influence throughout Jesus ministry. In Luke's infancy narrative, we hear the angel tell the puzzled Mary that "the Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you" (Luke 1:35). At the Lord's baptism, the Spirit appears in the form of a dove to John the Baptist. "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit" (John1:33). And after his Resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples, breathed on them, evoking thereby the great Old Testament symbol of the *ruach* Yahweh the breath/spirit of God. And said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained" (John 20:22-23)

The explosive arrival of the Holy Spirit in the midst of the gathered disciples, which calls to mind so many of the symbols associated with the Spirit in the Old Testament, is described by St. Luke in the Acts of the Apostles, "When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting... All were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability" (Acts2:1-2,4)

The Holy Spirit is the creative, life-giving power of the God of Israel that was involved in a completely unique way with Jesus from the beginning his earthly life, filled him with fire and wisdom, which animated his ministry, and gave generously to his Church after his Resurrection.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

And Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them

Margaret Bligh 10/12/2025

MEMORIAL SOCIETY

Happy now are the dead who die in the Lord (Rev 14:13)

Erika Matheis

Enrolled by Carol & Bob Duchynski

BAPTISM

Go therefore making disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son and of the Holy Spirit. (Matt 28:19)

Michaela Mae Christian

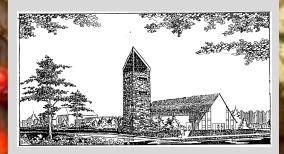
Daughter of Stephen & Alexa Christian

NEW MEMBERS

"Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the Glory of God." (Rom 15:7)

Brandon & Luisa Epler & son, Elliot Epler
Glenn & Kathleen Bennett

UPCOMING EVENTS



CONFIRMATION

Sacred Heart

@ Sacred Heart Church
November 3rd @ 4:30 p.m.

MIMMO'S "DINE & DONATE"

Friends of St. Vincent de Paul Lunch & Dinner

November 5th

Mention <u>Sacred Heart S.V.d.P.</u>
Portion of sales will be donated to ministry

O.C.I.A.

Sacred Heart Church

Wachter Room November 5, 12, 19

PIE SALE

Knights of Columbus

@ Sacred Heart Church Narthex after all Masses

Order By November 8/9, 15/16, 22/23

O Holy spirit of God; Take me as Your disciple. Guide me, illuminate me, Sanctify me.

SACRED HEART PARISH

Charlotte Teresa Bell

Benjamin Luke Bernardo

Danielle **Mary Magdalene** Brillantes

Gemma Barbara Brunner

Jayliana Cecilia Clemente

Alexander *Thomas Aquinas* DeJesus

Ryan Michael DeJohn

Jadiel *Joseph* Henriquez

brings to the room.

Ava *Francis* Leffler Shaun *Sebastian* Marquez Joshua *Luke* McDermott Declan Luke Nye Zachary *Leo* Ruppert James **Patrick** Spencer

Adeline *Cecilia* Holt

Hope **Dymphna** Varish

ST. IGNATIUS

Benjamin **Sebastian** McNeil

ST PETER THE APOSTLE PARISH

Alexander Carlo Acutis Serfecz

ST. MARY PARISH, Kutztown

Clifford Francis Greenwood

Congratulations to our children, the sons and daughters of God the Father, sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit



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TENTION: Prospective, Altar Servers

We are seeking ADDITIONAL candidates to be Altar Servers here at Sacred Heart Church. For weekend and Solemnity Masses. Any Sacred Heart School and Sacred Heart PREP student in 5th grade or older are welcome and encouraged. A 30-45 minute Orientation Training session will be arranged at a convenient time for interested candidates.

Parents & Grandparents speak with your son, daughter or grandchild ask them if they have considered serving.

To Register: Please call the Rectory

ADVENT DAY **OF PRAYER** December 13, 2025, 9:30 The main action in Advent is God's, but we have a part too. We must make room for God's action, pay attention to daily life, and name the concerns or worries that block God's entrance. Can we make room? Will we allow God to hollow out a space? Sr. Nancy Iampietro, a Missionary Sister of the Precious Blood, will guide us as we reflect on what radical openness God might be inviting us to during this Advent Season. Come and join us! Wait with Mary. To register, call Mariawald Renewal Center at 610-777-0135 or email mariawaldcenter@gmail.com Register before 12/07/2025 Cost for the day is \$40:00 (includes lunch)

Mariawald Renewal Center

Advent by Candlelight, at Sacred Heart parish beautiful evening designed to help Catholic and faithfilled women begin the Christmas season in a centered and faith-filled way. December 7th 5-7:00pm. A *table host/leader* simply gathers others to join her at a table and all coordinate the course selections and items needed—table settings, candles, food, desserts, and more. The setup itself is part of the fun, as the room fills with candlelight, conversation, and

the unique touch each group



Classes by which adults can become members of the Catholic Church. If someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please invite them to our meeting on Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Parish Center. Or if you are a Catholic adult in need of completing your Sacraments. You can contact us at **SacredHeartOCIA@gmail.com** or **call the** office at: (610) 372-4010.



What is the formula for PIE?

Starting Nov. 8/9 after each Mass K.o.C. have the answer.

Apple, Blueberry, Cherry, Coconut Custard, Pecan, Pumpkin. New this year! Cranberry Bread and Pumpkin Roll. Cranberry Bread \$8, 8" Pie \$10, Pumpkin Roll \$12 Orders with payment can be delivered to Rectory Mon-Fri



A fun shopping excursion awaits you!

When you donate items to the store the proceeds can be assigned to SH SVDP account. And funds we receive are used for assisting those in need.

Visit their website at: https://fromtheheartconsignment.com for information of what

they accept and when. Clothing and Accessories Store, with many choices and bargains.

Please visit the shop at: **4600 Penn Ave**

Sinking Spring, PA 19608

Phone: 484-509-4441 Hours are 10 to 5. Closed Sunday and Monday.

November 2025 Lector & Server Schedule			
Nov. 1/2	Commemoration of Faithful Departed	Nov. 22/23	Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe
5:00 pm	Steve Bell- Amelia & Charlotte Bell	5:00 pm	Dean Reber- Amelia & Charlotte Bell
7:30 am	Denise Mogel- Shaun Marquez	7:30 am	Mike Gallagher-
9:30 am	Lori Anewalt- Cisco Anewalt, Jianna Sanchez-Lopez	9:30 am	Lou Sutherland- Noah Vu, Cisco Anewalt
11:15 am	Patricia Ann Kos- Amelia Kozak, Victoria Schaeffer	11:15 am	Kathy Nevel- Victoria Schaeffer, Jianna Sanchez-Lopez
Nov. 8/9	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	Nov. 27	Thanksgiving
5:00 pm	Mary Ann Kelly- Ivann & Israel Gonzalez	9:00 am	Mike Gallagher
7:30 am	Regina Doyle-	Nov 29/30	First Sunday of Advent
9:30 am	John Gleason- Cisco Anewalt, Amelia Kozak	5:00 pm	Regina Doyle- Amelia Kozak, Gemma Brunner
11:15 am	Margaret Hueske- Sam Smith, Noah Vu	7:30 am	Sandie Wrable- Shaun Marquez
Nov. 15/16	33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	9:30 am	Lori Anewalt- Noah Vu, Jianna Sanchez-Lopez
5:00 pm	Vince Moffitt- Gemma Brunner , Amelia Kozak	11:15 am	Patricia Ann Kos- Amelia & Charlotte Bell
7:30 am	JoAnn Schmura- Shaun Marquez	_	
9:30 am	Karen Piraino- Victoria Schaeffer, Hope Varish	_	
11:15 am	Bill Wellock- Sam Smith, Noah Vu		

Our Msgr. Bornemann Council November events:

 6^{th} - Officer's Planning Meeting—IHM Room 7pm 8,9th - Pie Sale after all Masses - Narthex 15,16th -Pie Sale after all Masses – Narthex 20th- Officer's Planning Meeting-IHM Room 7pm 22,23rd -Pie Sale after all Masses – Narthex 25^{th—}Pie Distribution—IHM Room 1-6pm We hope you will participate once again this year?

EVEN SPLIT



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A FUNDRASER TO SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY WORKS OF SVDP AND PROVIDE RESOURCES FOR SACRED HEART SCHOOL NOVEMBER 22/23

BUY YOUR TICKETS \$5 OR 3 FOR \$10 RETURN ENTRIES ON NOVEMBER 29/30

DRAWING THURSDAY DEC 4TH **WIN CASH PRIZE**



DINE & DONATE LUNCH OR DINNER

FOR

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

OF SACRED HEART

On WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH

Our ministry will receive 15% of proceeds generated from food sales.

Come out to support the effort.

Charity is the cement which binds us to God, and persons to one another.

Mention St. Vincent de Paul Society of SH Parish

