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Lititz, PA 17543

A Catholic Faith Community

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SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday Evening 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Morning 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES
Mornings 9:00 a.m.
Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help during Mass on Wednesday.

ADORATION BLESSED SACRAMENT
Every Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 12 Noon
Except Holy Thursday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
(CONFESSIONS) Anytime on request
Saturday 4:00-4:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism
Baptisms are celebrated after the 11:00a.m. Mass. No Baptisms at Mass during Lent. Parents are required to attend a preparation class and are encouraged to do so before the child is born. **Classes are held on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00p.m.** Please call the Parish Office to register.

Sacrament of Marriage
Couples planning to marry should begin arrangements by contacting the Pastor at least nine months before a contemplated date of the marriage. Please do not reserve a date for the wedding or a place for the reception prior to meeting with the Pastor.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
This sacrament is offered upon request. Please call the Parish Office to make an appointment with the Pastor at the first sign of a serious illness. If someone is unable to attend Mass and wishes to receive the Sacrament of Penance or the Eucharist at home, please call the Parish Office.

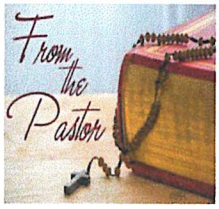
Registration
Registration forms are available upon request to our new parishioners. Stop by the Parish Office or call to obtain a form and let us welcome you to St. James. If you move from the parish or make a change in address, please notify the parish office.

Office Hours
Monday through Friday 8:00a.m-4:00p.m.

St. James Hall/Pavilion Rental
Please call the parish office 717-626-5580 x2

Bulletin Deadline
Friday at noon (10 days prior to desired bulletin date)
All articles must be submitted in writing, email preferred.

Catholic Schools
Our Mother of Perpetual Help - Ephrata 717-738-2414
Lancaster Catholic High School 717- 509-0315



A theology of the Feast

Harvest time has always been a time of rejoicing and giving thanks, and our religious and cultural ancestors have passed onto us a venerable tradition of the feast. This observance naturally includes worship, in which the religious made a sacrifice of the first fruits of crops or livestock. We do not all have the intimate connection with the growing season and harvest as our ancestors did, and most of us do not make our living on the farm; our ability to purchase food of many kinds from many places can further distance our minds from this connection. Yet, many still value locally-grown food, and the idea of "knowing where your food comes from and knowing the farmer" is one that is being revived. No matter what, we still have to know our food comes from God, and that He is the Creator.

Harvest and Thanksgiving are always times of abundance, and we are asked to share our abundance with those who have little or nothing, whether that be by physical donations of food, donation of funds to food providers, or inviting someone to our meal. At the same time, God gives us many indications in Scripture of His blessing of the feast. The sacrifice and the work of charity are never left out, nor is the celebration. The joy of the harvest should encourage the religious soul to both provide and feast. Enjoyment of a table full of food can be a holy experience (and so can a post-dinner nap). Think of giving a gift to a little child. The child did not make it or purchase it. The gift itself is given to be enjoyed, and the giver wants to see the child enjoy it. The child naturally has wonder over the gift, because it was not here before and is here now. Yet life's uncertainties mean that the gift may not be here tomorrow. What brings joy also to the giver is to see the child share that gift with others, mimicking the generosity she received. We are the children of God, and the bounty of the harvest, whenever it is enjoyed, ought to inspire gratitude to the Giver of all good gifts.

IN Christ,
Fr Fischer

on a lighter note:
As a man gets out of his brand-new Porsche, a truck goes racing by, taking off the door. "My Porsche! My beautiful silver Porsche is ruined!" he screams.
A police officer on the scene shakes his head in disgust. "I can't believe you," he says. "You're so focused on your possessions that you didn't even realize your left arm was torn off when the truck hit you."
The man looks down in absolute horror. "Oh, no!" he cries. "My Rolex!"

PRESIDERS & DEACON FOR MASSES
November 19 & 20

Saturday, 5:00 PM Fr. Fischer
Sunday, 7:30 AM Fr. Fischer
Sunday, 9:00 AM Fr. Siconolfi with Deacon Ken
Sunday, 11:00 AM Fr. Fischer

Effective Saturday, November 26th, First Weekend of Advent, confession time will be 3:30pm instead of 4:00pm. This is a permanent change.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursdays from 9:30-NOON In-Person.

- **Adoration will be streamed until Noon.**
- **At 11:45 the Chaplet of Divine Mercy; and at Noon the Angelus and accompanying prayers are said.**
- **"Drop-in" Adorers are welcome!**

When exposed for Adoration, a person must always be worshipping in front of the Blessed Sacrament.

The ***SANCTUARY LIGHT*** burns as a reminder of the Real Presence of Jesus Christ In the tabernacle. The light burns this week in remembrance of **Mary Hofmann & Bill Fritz**

LIVE STREAMING SCHEDULE

Streaming is from the Parish Website.
www.stjameslititz.org

Mass will be streamed on:
Wednesday Mornings 9:00 AM
Thursday Mornings 9:00 AM through Adoration.
Saturday Evenings 5:00 PM— **Streamed**
Sunday Mornings 9:00 AM— **Streamed**

Gluten Sensitive?

Here at St. James, we have hosts available during Communion that are practically gluten-free. They have a gluten content of 0.01%, which is a negligible amount for most. ***Ask the priest or extraordinary minister for a gluten-free host.***

Is God Calling You?

"Jesus, remember me when you come into Your kingdom."
Will you make Christ the King and His merciful love remembered as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?
Call Fr. Jonathan Sawicki frjsawicki@hbgdiocese.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	**November 19–Weekday**
9:00 AM	✞Christopher Lefever *(requested by The Morgan Family)*
5:00 PM	✞Sebolka Family *(requested by Chris & Rosemary Busse)*
Sunday	**November 20 –Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**
7:30 AM	✞Ray Decoat *(requested by Jean Ducoat)*
9:00 AM	✞Mary Parisi *(requested by The Scinta Family)*
11:00AM	St. James Parishioners
Monday	**November 21-Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
9:00AM	✞Samuel Balluzzo *(requested by The Scinta Family)*
Tuesday	**November 22-Memorial of St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr**
9:00 AM	✞Kristin MacFarland *(requested by Kelli & Jeff Metzler)*
Wednesday	**November 23-Memorial of BL. Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr**
9:00 AM	✞Joseph Smith *(requested by Joe W. Smith)*
Thursday	**November 24-Memorial of St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs**
9:00 AM	Stephen Crnkovich-Birthday *(requested by Jeannette Crnkovich)*
Friday	**November 25-Memorial of St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr**
9:00 AM	✞Carmella Scinta *(requested by The Scinta Family)*
Saturday	**November 26–Weekday**
9:00 AM	✞Mary Hofmann
5:00 PM	St. James Parishioners
Sunday	**November 27–First Sunday of Advent**
7:30 AM	✞Laura Lynn Kirchner *(requested by Sam & Pat Kirkner)*
9:00 AM	✞Deacon Manuel Velazquez, Sr. *(requested by David Chavez)*
11:00AM	✞Deceased Members of the Pesce Family *(requested by Nino & Betty Pesce)*

The ***ALTAR FLOWERS AND BLESSED MOTHER FLOWERS*** this week have been requested in loving memory of family & friends of the Scheneman and Fritz Families

(requested by Jill & John Scheneman)

REMEMBER ALL OUR SICK, ESPECIALLY:

Bill Abell, James Anton, Martha Barber, Mary Bast, Cindy Baum, Dawn Bejgrowicz, Lance Benko, Bill Benton, Sheri Blevins, Barry Blodgett, AnnaMarie Bowlin, Michael Broutsas, Pat Brust, Joanne Bullock, Teresa Burke, Audrey Burkholder, Joel Butler, Michael Cannon, Christine Cavalieri, Harmony Chiccarine, Lori Chilcoat, Kirk Clelan, Bob Clemson, Tim Conlin, Kathy Considine, Stephanie Conway, Anne Corvelle, Katie Corvelle, Gail Daniels, Paul DeCaro, Pat Delbuono, Marian DiGioanni, Joan Doughton, Jacki & Paul Eilenberg, Carm Eopechino, Donna Eves, Don Fisher, Nancy Fittery, Maureen Fitzgerald, Peter & Vanessa Fleming, Esperanza Flores, David Frederick, Al Fritz, Bonnie & Allison Gaughan, Marge Gaughan, Claudia Geib, Lucas Gervinski, Marshall Gibbs, Bryan Good, George Greenwood, Olena Haras, Chris Hertzog, Liam Heverly, Melanie Hollingsworth, Carol Hoover, Joan Hresko, T. James, Linda Jannarone, Charlotte Jones, Jean Jakowbek, Phyllis Kiel, Donald & Mary Jo Keim, Joanne Kimball, Lee Kimball, Arlene H. Kime, Dave Kirsch, Lorraine Kunz, Harper Grace LeBlanc, Carol Leibfried, Joan Libonati, Georgia Lisinski, Kenneth Loechner, Carol Long, Diana Long, Andrea Lowe, Marty Lowther, Donna Manley, Adeline Marie, Vincent Martello, Kristin Mathias, Pat McCall, Robert McGlone, Timothy McGlone, Krista Merkel, Kelli Metzler, Carol Miller, Justin Minnich, Michell Mitterer, Justin Montgomery, Kate Moran, Bob Morris, James Daniel Parisi, John Park, Nino Pesce, Jonathan Perez, Greg Petrohovich, Anthony Polito, Sarah Polito, Mary Beth Prendergast, Alicia Prestano, Dan Regan, Kathy Regan, Klara Robbins, Joan Rothermel, Jacqueline Rowell, Carolyn Ruggiano, Pat Ruth, Kathy Rutt, Maria Salmeron, John Sceski, Edward Schaich, Nisa Nejadi Scinta, Jenn Sivillo, Betty Seedes, Brandon Shaine, Mary Siegrist, Adam Skomra, Ian Smith, Kelly Smith, Mason Sottek, Kenneth Stauffer, Rose Stetler, Thomas Stork, Anne Marie Straley, Carole Sukenik, Pat Sullivan, Megan Swank, Charlie Sweeney, Barbara Tshudy, Regina Tuscano, Carmella Umbriac, Martin Veneski, Jim Weaver, Kristin Weber, Doug Wenger, Andy Werner, Mark

Remember All of Our Service Men & Women in Your Prayers

especially, Maximilian Michael Acker-Marine Corp Joseph Belgrod-Navy, Middle East; Jason Black-Marines, Helsinki, Finland; Washington, DC; Steven Bochenko-Shaw Air Force Base, SC; Philip Camera-Army; Hannah Citsay-USN USS Preble, San Diego; George Cook IV-Army, Fort Carson, CO; Chris Devlin-Marines, Camp LeJune; Josh Eggleston -Air Force; Jerome Greco-Marines Sam Gross-Navy, Gregory Harris-Army; Justin Jolin,-Army National Guard, Iraq; Michael Kopriva-Air Force; Samantha Kutcher -National Guard, Bella Luvito-Navy, Bryson Long-Army, MO; David Luttermoser -Coast Guard, GA; John Luttman V-Army, El Paso, TX; Skylin Miller-Air Force, Lackland, TX; Rizmel Paguio-Army, Afghanistan; Kelly Sanders-Army, Ft. Carson, CO; Erik Schnitzenbaumer-Navy; Allen Siegrist– Navy; 2LT Justin Smith-Marine Corps, Quantico, VA; Stacy L. Sullivan-Air Force; and Paul E. Thomas-Army, Virginia, Dr. Jared M. Verga, Lt. Cmdr,-US Navy, Portsmith, Norfolk, VA.

MINISTER SCHEDULE
November 24, 26 & 27, 2022

9:00 AM	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
LECTORS				
	K. Hartman	K. Runkle	G. Elder	N, & B. Pesce
EXTA-ORDINARY MINISTERS				
A. Kowitz	Deacon Ken	N. Weaber	J. Rinehimer	J. Sweeney
	R. Koretke		D. Wilson	A. Kowitz
ALTAR SERVERS				
C. Kowitz	L. Reifsnyder	I. Rudy	M. Reidinger	C. Kowitz
L. Kowitz	H. Reifsnyder	L. Rudy	A. Glenn	L. Kowitz
L. Taylor	G. Ortiz	**Need Server**	A. Glenn	M. Kowitz

Sacristan Ministry Help Needed

We are currently in need of a few people or married couples to assist in the sacristan ministry.

We are looking for a person to serve as a sacristan at one 9AM Sunday Mass and another person for the 11AM Sunday Mass.

(This will be one per month for each Mass mentioned)

We also are looking for someone willing to serve as the sacristan for the Tuesday morning 9AM Masses.

If you are interested in serving in this ministry, or just want more information, please contact Kathy Cardos at:

kvdunn51@gmail.com or 717-627-1201

Men's Club 50/50 Raffle Winners

Week 6

AMT	#	Winner	Seller
50	285	Klazas Grandchildren	Joe Klazas
20	124	Judy Zale	Joe Klazas
20	132	Art & Jane Myers	Joe Klazas
20	214	Kevin Dowling	Kevin Dowling
20	223	Lois Bingo	Mike Gergal
20	126	Bob Smith	Joe Klazas

Week 7

AMT	#	Winner	Seller
50	149	Josie Hagel	Joe Klazas
20	153	Mark Grimm	Larry Grimm
20	270	Sam Kirchner	Sam Kirchner
20	103	Wayne Matesic	John Gaughan
20	75	Ken Keener	John Sukenik
20	56	James Spangler	Joe McGrath

Catholic Worker House of Lancaster

The Catholic Worker House of Lancaster would like to thank each of you for your generous donations of gently worn clothing. On November 12th, we handed out clothing to nearly 200 people in need. Each year we ask for donations and you all have generously provided. Much thanks!

—Tara Hauber, Catholic Worker of Lancaster

Save the Date!

The **2023 Men's Conference** is scheduled for **March 18th** at the Diocesan Center in Harrisburg.
The Keynote Address will be given by Marcel LeJeune, President and Founder of Catholic Missionary Disciples. As a Catholic evangelist, international speaker, and award-winning author, Marcel loves to share his greatest passion - helping others come to know the love of Jesus and how to share that love with others.
Stay tuned for more details to come!

2022 ST JAMES DAC ANNUAL GOAL

PARISH STATUS AS of November 14, 2022

The 2022 theme, ***One Faith, One Family***, will continue the good work begun in 2021. The 2022 DAC is underway. Thank you to all parishioners who have already generously contributed to this year's campaign. If you have not yet made a donation or pledge, please join Father Fischer's and the Parish Staff in contributing to this year's parish goal!

Ways to Contribute or Make a Pledge to this year's campaign:

- Go to our parish website at **www.stjameslititz.org** and click on the Diocesan Campaign button or the Parish Online Giving Button;
- Place your donation in any envelope marked "2022 DAC" and mail to the parish or place it in the Offertory Basket.

Parish Goal	**$119,732**
Total Paid toward goal	**$ 78,148**
Outstanding Pledges	**$ 2,573**
Over/(under) Goal paid	**($ 41,584)**
% paid toward goal	**65%**
Average Gift:	**$ 273**
Register Households	**1065**
Percentage of Participation	**25%**

All monies raised for the DAC are only used for the programs, services and ministries for which they are designated. No gifts to the DAC are used to satisfy legal fees or settlement costs associated with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg's reorganization.

A listing of all DAC allocations may be found at:
www.hbgdiocese.org/diocesan-annual-campaign.

November 20-Feast of Christ the King

O Jesus,
our eternal king,
Reign in our hearts.

O Jesus,
our most merciful king,
Reign in our hearts.

Amen.

"When once men recognize, both in private and in public life, that Christ is King, society will at last receive the great blessings of real liberty, well-ordered discipline, peace and harmony," *Pope Francis Nov 24, 2019*

ST. JAMES PARISH ADULT DAY OF REFLECTION
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2022 9AM-2:45PM

YOU MATTER: A RETREAT FOR ADVENT

Advent is about preparing our souls to worthily celebrate Christmas as it should be celebrated. This Day of Reflection will focus on getting to know God better, especially his personal love for each of us, so gloriously proven in the mystery of Christmas.

Our retreat includes 9AM Daily Mass, breakfast, lunch, 3 retreat sessions (beginning at 10AM), and the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at 3PM.

TO REGISTER: Contact the Kelly Lawrence at 717-626-5580 x2 or klawrence@hbgdiocese.org. A Free Will offering of is asked of those who can afford to contribute to the retreat expense.

The LITITZ COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING PRAYER SERVICE

An Ecumenical Prayer Service sponsored by the Warwick Ministerium

7:00PM Wednesday
November 23, 2022
Brownstone Manor
Corner of Orange and Broad Streets

Join family, friends and neighbors at the annual community-wide prayer service to *GIVE THANKS*!. It is an excellent way to begin the Thanksgiving holiday!

Refreshments and Fellowship follow the Service
ALL ARE WELCOME!

WARWICK COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING MEAL

A Community Meal sponsored by the Warwick Ministerium

THANKSGIVING DAY 11:00AM—1:30PM
Thursday November 24, 2022
Hosanna Church Social Hall
29 Green Acre Road Lititz
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Unstuffed, Cooked Turkeys Are Needed! Please **call the Parish Office ASAP** if you are able to donate a cooked turkey for this Community Thanksgiving Meal. 717-626-5580 x2

Turkeys must be delivered to Hosanna by 10:00AM on Thanksgiving Day.

Religious Education News…

The 2022-2023 RE Year materials are on the Parish Website at **www.stjameslititz.org,** under Faith Formation/Religious Education-Documents.

G7 Sunday Evening Classes

Nov 20 7-8PM Zoom
Nov 27 5:30-7PM Room 103

ALL OTHER RE CLASSES

Nov 20 Sunday NO RE Classes
Parish Christmas Bazaar Break
Nov 23 Wednesday NO RE Classes
Thanksgiving Break
Nov 27 Sunday NO RE Classes
Thanksgiving Break

NATIONAL MCA CHRISTMAS ARTWORK CONTEST

Since 2012, the Diocese of Harrisburg has been honored with **12 winners** from among thousands of entries each year!

- **WHO:** Catholics in grades K-8 (school, parish, home-school). 24 winners will be chosen from across the US.
- **WHY:** To use our God-given talents to glorify and praise God, and to tell a story about our faith to others.
- **WHERE:** Finalists' artwork will be on display at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., during the 2023 Advent-Christmas season. Artists receive an award, and they and their families participate in Mass and are guests for lunch at the Shrine. In addition, two finalists" artwork will be used for the official Christmas cards of the national director of the Pontifical Mission Societies. And, all winners' artwork will be available for anyone to use as an e-greeting.
- **WHEN: Deadline for submission is January 31, 2023.**
- **HOW:** Contact the RE Office, go to www.hbgdiocese.org/MCA or contact the Diocesan Missions Office: 717-657-4804 ext. 240; missions@hbgdiocese.org .

Have you eaten at the Knight & Day or Park City Diners this week? The **RE Program is rebated 10% of your check** when you mention St. James Catholic Church or use your Loyalty Card.

Save the Date—Lunch With St. Nicholas
Sunday, December 4th
After the 11AM Mass in St. James Hall
All are invited!

NO RCIA November 23, 2022
Thanksgiving Break
Next RCIA Meeting Wednesday, Nov 30 at 6:30PM in Room 104.

Topic: Catholic Prayer:-Devotional Prayer and Developing A Personal Prayer Life

For information, please call the RE Office (717) 626-0244 or email to rbarnas@hbgdiocese.org.

You are under no obligation by attending these sessions. All are welcome.

Social Justice Network Newsflash

For more information or to become more involved with the Social Justice Network, please contact Jeannette List blist@dejazzd.com-717-626-1715.

TOILETRIES FOR WATER STREET MISSION-This is an ongoing project through which our Parish collects sample or travel sizes of any and all toiletry items for Water Street Mission. The box is on the shelf outside of the little kitchen near Our Lady's Center labeled Water Street Mission. Unopened bottles/packages only, please. Please keep this project in mind as you prepare for travel or receive sample size toiletries you don't wish to use. Thank you!

FULL SIZE TOILETRY COLLECTION-The SJN has an on-going collection of **full sized toiletries** for two local groups. On the third Friday of each month, **St. Mary's** distributes toiletries and personal care items to guests at the Community Meal who have difficulty providing these items for themselves. **Donations of toilet tissue, tissues, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, deodorant, and feminine hygiene products are needed and would be greatly appreciated.** Good SamaritanServices is a local group that distributes basic supplies to homeless individuals or those at risk of becoming homeless in Lancaster. **These items include the above toiletries as well as paper towels, cleaning supplies, shampoo, school supplies and new or almost new children's books.** There is a bin outside of Our Lady's Center Kitchen to collect these items. Items collected will be split between the two groups on alternating months. More information about St. Mary's and their missions can be found at http://stmaryslancaster.org/missions/socialjustice/, more information about Good Samaritan Services can be found at https://wwww.goodsamservices.org/.

BEADS OF PEACE-Please donate Rosaries in good condition and medals, such as Miraculous or Saint medals by placing them in the Beads of Peace box. The Beads of Peace outreach mission can no longer accept Scapulars, prayer cards, prayer books, etc. **Please do not place any other items in the Beads of Peace box, they cannot be donated.** For more information on the Beads of Peace ministry, please contact Inez Bunty at brookinpa@hotmail.com

2022 CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

We are happy to be able to continue the St. James Christmas Giving Tree Project this year. There are **two** options that you may choose from this year.

1. You can still select a tag from the Giving Tree, purchase the item, wrap it, and tape the tag on top of your gift.
2. Another option this year is to go to the St. James Website, (www.stjameslititz.org) and look for the banner that has information about the Christmas Giving Tree SignUpGenius. Sign up for the gift you want to purchase, wrap it, and tag it. With the SignUp Genius you will NOT have a tag, but you will have a gift number. **Please remember to put a note on top of the gift with your GIFT NUMBER AND THE DESCRIPTION OF WHAT IS INSIDE THE BOX. FOR EXAMPLE, #21-Men's Sweater-Adult Large.**

Please place the wrapped gift under the Giving Tree by **Sunday, December 11.**

This year we will be collecting gifts for St. James Families, Warwick Students, Children and Adolescents at Philhaven Behavioral Health, Women at North Star Initiative, Catholic Worker House and the Transitional Living Center (TLC) for homeless individuals and families. All of these groups are so thankful for your support during such a difficult year. Thank you for your generosity!

St. Nicholas

Invites you to join him for a

SPECIAL ADVENT LUNCH

SUNDAY, December 4, 2022 after the 11AM Mass in St. James Hall

All are welcome!

Reserve your spot today. RSVP with the Religious Ed Office at 717-626-5580 X5.

Matthew 25 Collection

The Matthew 25 Collection will be held this weekend. This special collection supports efforts throughout the Diocese of Harrisburg in serving others who are in need of food, clothing, and shelter. Last year, more than 30 organizations throughout the Diocese received over $178,000 to support these efforts in the community. Our parish retains 25% of what is donated by our parishioners to help our local efforts that align with this collection. Please be generous in supporting those with these basic needs.

2022 Giving Tree Gifts

The 2021 Giving Tree Gift program is now underway. The generosity of the St. James parishioners allows us to support a variety of organizations during the Christmas season. Detailed information about each of the organizations will be posted on the bulletin board outside of Our Lady Center.

The organizations we are helping this year include:

- **Transitional Living Center-(TLC)-(formerly Harb-Adult)-** opened in 1987 as a "Harbor" for homeless individuals and families. It then added educational support programs to help participants transition to self-sufficiency. The majority of funding come through contributions from businesses, congregations, foundations, and individuals.
- **Catholic Worker House**-is located in Lancaster city and is a safe haven offering warmth and healing as well as a sense of community and belonging for those whom society has left behind.
- **North Star Initiative**-Restoring women from trafficking: for freedom, for life, forever. The Harbor, NSI's Restoration Program, is a residential Program intentionally designed to meet the unique needs of female sex trafficking survivors and provides many needed services in a safe and supportive environment.
- **Philhaven**-is a non-profit behavioral healthcare organization that offers a wide range of services for children, adolescents, adults, and older adults in South Central Pa. We are collecting toys, games, and craft items for children ages 4-18 who are in-patients.
- **Warwick School District**-helping students in need in the Warwick School District.
- **St. James Families in Need**

St. Nicholas

invites you to join him for a

SPECIAL ADVENT LUNCH

SUNDAY, December 4, 2022 at Noon in St. James Hall

All are welcome!

St. Nicholas will visit us with a surprise after lunch.

At time of reservation, please also let us know if you have food allergies.

Lunch will be served at 12:15PM, followed by the program. The event is planned to conclude no later than 1:30PM.

COST: ***$0, but you must be registered to attend so that adequate preparations can be made for all!***

WHO: All are welcome—especially children through Grade 5 and ***at least one adult per family group.*** No babysitting will be available.

SERVICE: Grades 6-8 students may help with this event, to earn Confirmation service hours.

WHEN: Sunday, December 4th. Lunch follows immediately after 11AM Mass (about Noon). St. James Hall doors open @11:45AM for the lunch.

WHERE: St. James Hall

WHAT: Kid friendly lunch/dinner, followed by a visit with St. Nicholas and his friends.

RSVP: TODAY! Please use the registration form below, email (ido@hbgdiocese.org) or call the RE Office 717-626-0244 or register online at https://forms.gle/qNGCWd1ipp3oLHzq8

Cut along this line and return bottom form by **December 1, 2022** or by email to ido@hbgdiocese.org

I/We will attend Dinner with St. Nicholas on December 5th.

Name(s), age(s) of children and Confirmation Service volunteers: _

_____

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_____

_____

Adult/Parent(s): _____

_____ I am willing to help with this event. Phone number: _____

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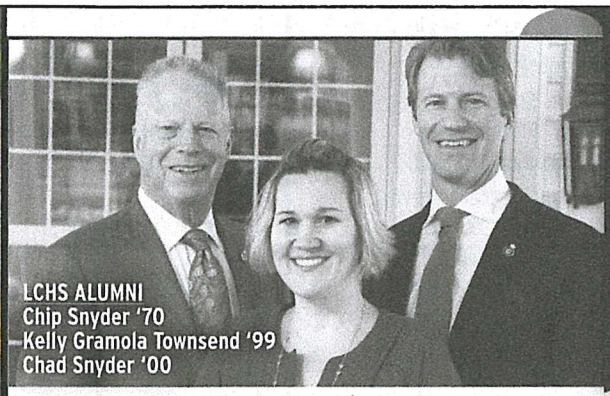
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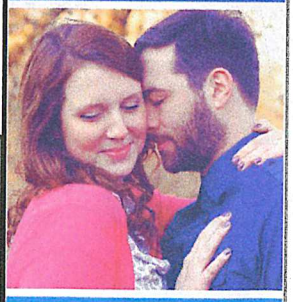

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