

January 6, 2019



THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON PENNSYLVANIA

Parish of St. Barbara

Our Worship Sites Saint Anthony of Padua Saint Cecilia

Parish Information

Weekend Mass

Saturday

4:00 p.m. St. Anthony

Sunday

8:00 a.m. St. Cecilia

10:30 a.m. St. Anthony

Weekdays

Monday 12:10 p.m.

Tuesday 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday 7:00 a.m.

Thursday 8:00 a.m.

Friday 7:00 a.m.

Confessions

Confessions are heard each Saturday from 3:00 - 3:40 pm in the Church. Father is also available for the sacrament by appointment.

Parish Staff

Fr. Michael E. Finn

Pastor

Rev. Mr. Walter Janoski

Deacon

Rev. Mr. William Dervinis

Deacon Emeritus

Maureen Capitano

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Office Hours

(Week of January 7, 2019 - January 11, 2019)

Monday: 8am - 4pm

Tuesday: 8am - 4pm

Wednesday: 8am - 2pm

Thursday: 8am - 2pm

Friday: 8am - 2pm

Sacramental Information

Baptism: is celebrated after the 10:30 Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Arrangements must be made with the office.

Weddings: must be booked six months in advance so that we can take care of the paperwork and pre-Cana.

Anointing of the Sick: is celebrated any time it is needed. If you are having surgery or going into the hospital just stop and see Father after Sunday Mass or call the Parish Office to let him know.

Sponsor Card: will be provided for registered parishioners who attend Mass on a regular basis - ONLY.

Pastoral Appointments: Father Finn books his own appointments so call the office to connect with him. Sometimes it may take a couple of calls.

Weekend Music

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Entrance Hymn

#456 W&S "We Three Kings of Orient Are"

Preparation Hymn

#440 W&S "What Child Is This"

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Communion Hymn

#434 W&S "The First Nowell"

Recessional Hymn

#437 W&S "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Social Concerns & Outreach

Contact Josephine Hatrak at 570-693-0826 or the Parish Office at 570-654-2103.

Wise Men
Seek Him Still



January 13, 2019 Epiphany of the Lord

“Lord, send out Your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.”



MASS INTENTIONS January 6, 2019 to January 13, 2019



~ **Saturday, January 12** ~

4:00PM - (St. Anthony) Rita Tigue by Carolyn & Joyce DeAngelo

~ **Sunday, January 13** ~

8:00AM - (St. Cecilia) Lucille Bolin by Family

10:30AM - (St. Anthony) All Parishioners

~ **Monday, January 14** ~

12:10PM - by

~ **Tuesday, January 15** ~

8:00AM - by

~ **Wednesday, January 16** ~

7:00AM - Marie A. Voitek by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Turner

~ **Thursday, January 17** ~

8:00AM - Margaret Uporsky by Mr. & Mrs. David J. Barnousky, Sr.

~ **Friday, January 18** ~

7:00AM - Rosemary A. Galli by Mike Caputo

~ **Saturday, January 19** ~

4:00PM - (St. Anthony) Rita Tigue by Carolyn & Joyce DeAngelo

~ **Sunday, January 20** ~

8:00AM - (St. Cecilia) Lucille Bolin by Family

10:30AM - (St. Anthony) All Parishioners



WEEKLY OFFERING:

Fourth Sunday in Advent 2018: \$6445.50

Fourth Sunday in Advent 2017: \$7997.27

Christmas 2018: \$17,175.75

Christmas 2017: \$16,639.78

Feast of the Holy Family 2018: \$4,051.52

Feast of the Holy Family 2017: \$3,674.05

Altar Servers

January 12 4:00 P.M. - H. & B. Littzi & B. Zelinski
January 13 8:00 A.M. - L. Skronski & Z. Houston
10:30 A.M.

Lectors

January 12 4:00 P.M. - R. Leandri & M. J. Anzalone
January 13 8:00 A.M. - R. Pasavage
10:30 A.M. - A. Sperazza & F. Nocito

Eucharistic Ministers

January 12 4:00 P.M. - Janoski, Forlenza, Luke & Cortegerone
January 13 8:00 A.M. - D. Keeler & D. Robbins
10:30 A.M. - MB. & C. Bolin, Trotta & DeAngelo

Sanctuary Light

January 6, 2019 - January 13, 2019
In Memory of: **The Dellarte Family**
By: Rosalie Dellarte



In Our Prayers



SYMPATHY

We offer our prayers for the souls of **Joseph Pellegrini and Irma Bell** who recently passed away. Our sympathy to their family members & to all who grieve their loss. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. May the angels lead them to paradise.

2018 Financial statements

Financial statements will be available beginning January 29, 2019. Please call the office (570-654-2103) during regular hours to request a statement.

Stories for All Seasons

Epiphany: Magi Journey to Jesus

Theme: *Each person has to find Jesus in his or her own way.*

As an old man was walking down the beach he noticed a young girl ahead of him picking up starfish and flinging them into the sea. He asked her why she was doing this. The little girl explained that a starfish stranded on the beach when the tide went out would die if left in the morning sun.

“But the beach goes on for miles and there are millions of starfish,” said the old man. “How can your efforts make any difference?”

The little girl looked down the stretch of beach at all of the stranded starfish and then stared at the one in her hand. As she pitched it back into the salt water waves, she answered, “It make a difference to this one.”

Application: *Jesus values each person infinitely and each person can make a difference. Do we value the uniqueness of others?*

January 2019 Calendar

Christian Women	1/8	6:30PM Rosary 7:00PM Meeting	Parish Center
Social Concerns	1/15	7:00PM	Parish Center
Holy Name	1/17	7:00PM	Parish Center
Finance Council	1/22	7:00PM	Rectory

SAVE THE DATE

ST. BARBARA'S NITE AT THE RACES

Saturday, January 26, 2019 with a Snow Day on February 2, 2019. Admission is \$5.00 and includes food and beverages (beer, soda, coffee) and dessert. BYOB if desired! Horses are \$10.00. Tickets and horses will be on sale at all the Masses **this weekend, 1/5 and 1/6 and the following two weekends and at the Parish office.** Come and enjoy the fun and camaraderie!



New Altar Server Meeting

Deacon Walter Janoski is holding a meeting for anyone wishing to become an altar server in our parish. The meeting will be held in St. Anthony's Church on Saturday, January 19th, 12:00PM. Who may serve? All registered parishioners in third grade or higher are encouraged to become an altar server. Also, any adult interested in serving is asked to attend this meeting as well. Everyone is welcome!

Parents, keep in mind that this is an extremely easy way for your child to earn their service hours when it comes time for Confirmation in 2019.

Christian Women Meeting

The Christina Women Organization will meet on Tuesday, January 8th at 6:30PM in the parish center. Plans for upcoming events will be discussed. New Members are always welcome.

Cosmopolitan Senior Citizens will hold their next meeting on Tuesday, January 8th at 1:00pm in the Parish Center.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious education classes for Elementary grades (1st through 6th) will be held today, Sunday, January 6th and on Sunday, January 13th from 9:00AM until 10:15AM.

Current 7th & 8th grade (Confirmation candidates) will meet on Sunday, January 13th from 6:00PM to 7:30PM.

For your convenience, the class schedule is on the Parish website, www.stbarbaraexeter.com, under Faith Formation.

A Pilgrimage to Israel!

For the 16th time, Father Finn will be leading a pilgrimage to Israel from November 2 until November 12, 2019. All of the usual sites will be visited with Mass most days. If you would like a brochure, just call the office (570-654-2103) and we will send you one. If you have any questions, Father will be most happy to answer questions or explain just what we will be seeing while in the Holy Land. The cost of the trip is the same as last time, \$3495.00.

According to my Travel World agent, Debbie (570-288-9311), she already has a list of people who have contacted her over the last year about the trip. She said that we are already half way to the usual amount if they all send the deposit at this time. So if you wish to join us, know that we have a number of people from Williamsport signed up and a number of people returning again for this trip. So get the information or call Debbie as soon as possible. Join us and walk in the footsteps of Jesus!

Respect Life Mass

The Annual Respect Life Mass, sponsored by the Wyoming Valley Council, Knights of Columbus, will be held at Saint Ignatius Church, 339 North Maple St., Kingston, Sunday, January 13th, at 10:30am. The Knights, along with Pro-Life Representatives, will offer prayer intentions during the Mass for a greater respect of all Human Life & to end abortion. January is Respect Life month as abortion was legalized on January 22, 1973. Monsignor David Tressler, Pastor, warmly invites all to attend and to pray for the most vulnerable of human Lives, those with disabilities, the ill, and the unborn.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2019 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 30, 2019. The event includes a 2:30PM Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with mailing address, should be made through your pastor before April 2.

The Three Wisemen: House Blessing



Each year on the Feast of the Three Kings many churches will give out blest chalk for parishioners to use to bless their homes for the New Year. You are asked to sign over the doorway of your home with the following: **20+C+M+B+19**

The 20 and 19 are the New Year of grace with the names of the three Wise Men... Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. In some traditions the initials stand for: Christus Mansionem Benedicat or May Christ bless this house.

Father Finn will use water from the Jordan River to bless the chalk. And the chalk reminds us that we are "dust". Like the Christmas tree, this is a good family observance. Chalk is available this weekend.