

March 17, 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	Secretary
Sylvia Appel	Secretary/Webmaster
Loretta Semenza	Director of Rel. Ed.
Ann Manganiello	Director of Music/Choir
Robert Borzell	Property Manager

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Parish Website:	www.stbarbaraexeter.com

Office Hours

(Week of March 18, 2019 - March 22, 2019)

Monday: 8am - 2pm

Tuesday: 8am - 2pm

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

March 17, 2019

Entrance Hymn

#457 W&S "The Glory of These 40 Days"

Preparation Hymn

#657 W&S "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

People's Mass: p.362 #253 & p.385 #300

Communion Hymn

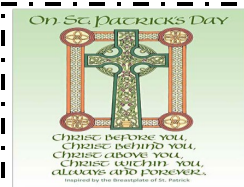
#623 W&S "At the Name of Jesus"

Recessional Hymn

#622 W&S "Christ, Be Beside Me"

Social Concerns & Outreach

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



March 17, 2019 Second Sunday of Lent

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



MASS INTENTIONS March 16, 2019 to March 24, 2019



~ **Saturday, March 16** ~

4:00PM - (St. Anthony) John W. Luke by Wife, Dorothy & Children

~ **Sunday, March 17** ~

8:00AM - (St. Cecilia) Charles & Sara Rome by the Braccini & Barletta Families

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

~ **Monday, March 18** ~

12:10PM - Valya Vacula by Mr. & Mrs. George Oschal

~ **Tuesday, March 19** ~

8:00AM - Mr. & Mrs. George J. Maffei & Elaine Gagar by Mr. & Mrs. Dave Nygren & George T. Maffei

~ **Wednesday, March 20** ~

7:00AM - Bruno, Sr. & Velia Ferretti by Bruno, Jr. & Dave Ferretti

12:30PM - Angela Stella by Joan Yonki

~ **Thursday, March 21** ~

8:00AM - Bernadine Gieda by Rita Piccirilli

~ **Friday, March 22** ~

7:00AM - Vincent Pierontoni by Sonny Pierontoni

12:30PM - Christine Hindmarsh by Judy Moyish

~ **Saturday, March 23** ~

4:00PM - (St. Anthony) All Parishioners

~ **Sunday, March 24** ~

8:00AM - (St. Cecilia) Anthony D. Bruno, MD by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Medico

10:30AM - (St. Anthony) Carole Darbenzio by Sylvia Appel & Family



Altar Servers
March 23 4:00 P.M. - H. & B. Littzi & B. Zelinski
March 24 8:00 A.M. - Z. Houston
10:30 A.M. - A. Wisnewski

Lectors
March 23 4:00 P.M. - MJ. Anzalone & T. Sabatini
March 24 8:00 A.M. - R. Pasavage
10:30 A.M. - D. Bruno & P. Minichello

Eucharistic Ministers
March 23 4:00 P.M. - A. Luke, J. VanLeuven, M. Smith & M. Paoloni
March 24 8:00 A.M. - E. Doreskewicz & D. Robbins
10:30 A.M. - J. Shimko, B. Pazdziorko, P. Naples & F. Galushka



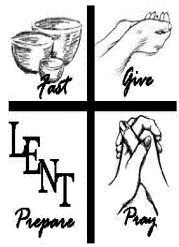
Sanctuary Light

March 17, 2019 - March 23, 2019
In Memory of: **William Loyack**
By: Lucille, Billy and Patti

LENT

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 3:30pm.

Confessions will be heard Monday evenings from 6:00 until 7:00pm in St. Anthony's Church.



GRIEF SUPPORT: The Parish will sponsor a five week support program on “Grief.” Deacon Walter and Norma Janoski will host the program each Monday at 3:00PM in the Parish Center. The meetings will be held on March 18th, 25th and April 1st & 8th. The sessions should run less than 90 minutes.

WEEKLY OFFERING:

First Sunday in Lent 2019: \$4,291.54
First Sunday in Lent 2018: \$4,257.21

Stories for All Seasons

Second Sunday of Lent: The Transfiguration

Theme: Jesus gives us moments of light to prepare us for the darkness.

In her book, *Audacity to Believe*, Dr. Sheila Cassidy relates how she left England in 1971 to escape the “rat-race” professionalism of British medicine to go to Chile to work among the poorest of the poor. In 1975, Dr. Cassidy was arrested by the Chilean police for having treated the bullet wounds of a revolutionary leader. At an interrogation center she was stripped, tied to a bed, and tortured by electrodes attached to her body. Then she was placed in solitary confinement for three weeks and imprisoned in a detention camp for another five weeks before she was finally released and expelled from the country.

Dr. Cassidy writes: “I did not hate the men who had hurt us... The freedom of spirit we enjoyed was something that our captors did not possess. Incredibly, in the midst of fear and loneliness I was filled with joy, for I knew without any vestige of doubt that God was with me, and that nothing they could do to me could change that.”

Application: Any transformation in us - transfiguration - has to come from within, by the power of God's grace. Do we pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance in this?

March 2019 Calendar

Grief Support	3/18	3:00PM	Parish Center
Social Concerns	3/19	7:00PM	Parish Center
Holy Name	3/21	7:00PM	Parish Center
Grief Support	3/25	3:00PM	Parish Center
Finance Council	3/26	7:00PM	Rectory

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR LENT:

We have added two Masses for those who wish to attend Mass during the season of Lent. Fr. James Alco will celebrate 12:30pm Mass on Wednesdays and Fr. Joe will celebrate 12:30pm Mass on Fridays of Lent.

We will have the Seder Meal on April 11th. It is always such a good time for those who attend...a unique experience. So plan on attending. We are opening it up to others in the surrounding communities so if you plan on being with us call the office as soon as possible.

Lenten Fund Raiser

The **Parish of St. Barbara** will be selling Lenten food every Friday in Lent. It is strictly a **take-out event with pick-up** from 4 - 7 PM. Sales are **cash only**. We will **NOT** take pre-orders. Sales will be at the door only. Food that will be available includes:

Potato Pancakes; 1/2 dozen(6) - \$5.00; 1 dozen(13) - \$10.00
Pierogi; 1/2 dozen (6) - \$5.00 & Halushki; quart: \$5.00.

Good Friday menu to be determined

SEDER: Each year Father Finn conducts a 1st century Seder meal to discuss how this ancient tradition led us to the Mass as we understand it today. This service will be run like a Seder from the 1st century with all the foods & drink that Jesus would have had so long ago in Jerusalem. This celebration is limited so if you wish to join us, it will be held at St. Barbara Parish in St. Anthony's Center on Thursday, April 11th at 6:00 pm. The cost is \$10. Call the office at 570-654-2103 to get your ticket (s) and let us know if you would like beef or lamb for dinner.

Volunteers Needed: Volunteers are needed to prepare for the Seder on Wednesday, April 10th at 10:00AM. Preparation mostly involves chopping vegetables. Volunteers should bring a knife to chop and a cutting board. **(Men are needed for the preparation and other jobs.)** Volunteers are also needed on Thursday morning at 10:00AM to set up the tables. **Please contact the office (570-654-2103) if you are able to help.**

The **Cosmopolitan Senior Citizens** will hold their meeting on Tuesday, March 19th at 1:00PM in the Parish Center.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious education classes for Elementary grades (1st through 6th) will be held this Sunday, March 17th & Sunday, March 24th from 9:00AM until 10:15AM.

Current 7th & 8th grade (Confirmation candidates) will meet on March 24th from 6:00 to 7:30PM.

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

Vesper Service this week will be held on Sunday, March 17th beginning at 5:00PM in St. Monica's Parish, 8th St., West Wyoming.

Road To Resurrection will take place on Wednesday, March 20th this week beginning at 7:00PM in St. Monica's Parish, 8th St., West Wyoming.

Rosary



The Rosary will be recited beginning at 10:00am (before the 10:30am Mass) in the chapel in St. Anthony's Church on the following Sundays:

March 17th, March 31st & April 14th.

The Rosary will also be said at 3:30pm in St. Anthony's Church (before the 4:00pm Mass) on Saturday, March 23rd & Saturday, April 6th. Please join us.

Everyone is welcome!

The Feast of Saint Joseph

The Feast of St. Joseph will be celebrated at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, on Tuesday, March 19th with a solemn Mass at 11:00 a.m. Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, will be the principal celebrant and homilist. Oblate priests and Diocesan clergy will concelebrate. Liturgical music will be by the Queen of the Apostles Parish Choir of Avoca. At the conclusion of the Mass, St. Joseph's Medals & Prayer Cards will be blessed and distributed. There will be a Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to participate and offer prayers to Saint Joseph for personal intentions, for our families, for our country and for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. For more information, contact the OSJ seminary office at (570-654-7542).

Prayer for an End to Infanticide

The U.S. Senate recently failed to pass the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act - legislation that would prohibit infanticide by ensuring that a child born alive following an attempted abortion would receive the same degree of care to preserve her or his life & health as would be given to any other child born alive at the same gestational age. Please join us in prayer for an end to infanticide:

"Jesus, Lord of Life, transform the hearts of all elected leaders to recognize that infanticide is wrong and must not be tolerated. Open hearts and minds to recognize and defend the precious gift of every human life."