



SEPTEMBER 16-17, 2017

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00AM

Pastoral Council: Diane Stone, Chair

**Finance Council: James Mullen, Co-Chair
Chris DeMarco, Co-Chair**

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00PM

Sunday: 9:00AM

Pastoral Council: Bernie Garvey, Chair

Finance Council: Don Ames, Chair

Rev. Patrick L. Albert, Pastor
Deacon Raymond A. Pieretti, Pastoral Associate
Rev. Robert J. Kelleher (Ret.)
Rev. Dennis Bajkowski (Ret.)

Parish Office: Fr. Nallin Hall, Tunkhannock
Business Manager: Dick Schwoebel (570)677-7634
Secretary: Mary Lou Chackan
Office hours: 9:00AM – 2:00PM

WELCOME: We warmly welcome all to join us in worship of our God. If you are new to our parish community, please be sure to tell Fr. Pat that you will be joining our parish community. Contact the parish office if you have any questions. Visitor envelopes are available at all entrances.

MARRIAGE: Christian marriage is a sacred and serious commitment. Couples contemplating marriage should notify a parish priest at least nine months before the date on which they intend to marry. This should be done before any other arrangements are made so that a couple may be suitably served by the parish and diocese. All couples are required to take part in a Pre-Cana program or Engaged Encounter Weekend. **Sunday Weddings are not permitted.**

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a community journey that leads to transformation of mind and spirit. Guided by the gospel and the examples of parish members, newcomers can find their place in the RCIA community of believers and discover their own relationship with Christ. The program runs from September through Pentecost with reception of the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Information is available at the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Knowing the Catholic faith and tradition is essential if faith and tradition are to continue to be nourishing facets of our lives. Religious formation is valuable for both youth and adults. Classes are conducted from September to May following the 9:00AM Mass on Sunday. Information on religious education programs for youth of all ages and educational opportunities for adults are available at the parish office.

BULLETIN: If you have information that you would like to place in the bulletin (community news, society/social news, etc.), please have it at the parish office no later than Tuesday morning.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Forty-five minutes before Saturday evening Mass or by appointment.

SHUT-INS: If someone you know is unable to attend Mass but would like to receive Communion or receive a copy of our weekly bulletin, please contact the parish office.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION PROGRAM: All parents must attend a Baptismal Preparation meeting before this sacrament will be celebrated. Contact Father Pat at the parish office (570-836-3275) to schedule an appointment to discuss your child's baptism.

HOSPITAL VISITS: Visits are made on a regular basis.
PLEASE NOTE: The new privacy laws limit the amount of information that we receive from the hospitals or nursing/convalescent homes. It is necessary that family or friends notify us of these admittances.

HANDICAPPED SEATING AREA: Please note that the front pew nearest to the side door is reserved to accommodate those who have need due to disability. Please be kind enough to leave this pew available for that purpose.

PARKING LOT: [St. Mary's] Please keep the emergency lane in front of the church clear at all times. It is essential that vehicles are able to get in and out of the parking lot in case of an emergency. Please adhere to the parking spaces as delineated. Please be considerate of your fellow parishioners when you are backing up or turning to park or to exit the parking lot. There is ample parking on the upper level and supplemental parking on the side of the church.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

**"TO KNOW, LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD
AND ONE ANOTHER
IN IMITATION OF MARY"**

*Approved by both Parish Pastoral Councils
January 2007*

FROM THE PASTOR'S NOTEBOOK:

Ah, the trees are just starting to turn and the days are noticeably shorter; a time when our mood can begin to change, to deepen knowing that the warmth of summer is now behind us and the fall is slowly making its presence known. Living in a part of the country where all four seasons are part of the yearly cycle is a blessing, not a curse. For example, if it were not for winter, springtime would not be as appreciated and if not for springtime, summer might be taken for granted and so on.



My favorite time of the year is autumn: the smell in the air, the magnificent colors of the changing leaves and the ritual of Halloween and Thanksgiving. The slowing down of daily life is preparation for the winter season.

The four seasons are a gift to us and to our part of the world. It is in how we appreciate God's gift that counts the most. Sure, summer is great, but summer spells bug and lots of them. The autumn has its share of leaves, leaves and more leaves (my property has four big trees). Winter is cold and damp and spring is soggy and too brief, if that's the way you want to look at it.

For me, winter is beautiful and honest – nature without its regal covering, silhouettes of trees and branches. Spring is an awakening, watching the world come to life. Summer is warm and beautiful, a flower masterpiece. So don't look at the four seasons with an accusing eye. Instead, be grateful for the promise each season gives us, for the intrinsic beauty of our world and all the gifts God gives us.

Enjoy!

Fr. Pat

NATIVITY'S ACCLAIMED PIEROGIES:

Pierogies are available for sale in the Parish Office during normal business hours (M-F 9:00AM-2:00PM). The price remains at \$7.00 per dozen.



CARE AND EDUCATION OF DIOCESAN PRIESTS: The monthly collection for the care and education of priests of the Diocese of Scranton **will be taken up this weekend.** An envelope for this collection is in your set. Thank you for your generosity and prayerful support.

HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF COLLECTION: Thank you for your generous response to the special collection last weekend to assist those who were impacted by Hurricane Harvey. **At Nativity, \$2,718.00 was collected and, at St. Mary's, the collection totaled \$709.00.**

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Clergy Care & EducationSept. 16-17

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2017

"Walk Together in the Light of Christ"

"Since our earliest days we have been taught how to pray by the words that Jesus himself shared with us in the scriptures. He began that prayer by saying 'Our Father.' We walk together as brothers and sisters in the light of Christ by the very nature of our faith. In his great instruction to us, *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel), Pope Francis invites us all to missionary discipleship as authentic followers of the Lord Jesus. Missionary discipleship calls us to go out of ourselves and to preach the Gospel and to respond to the needs of our brothers and sisters with whom we walk."

Bishop Joseph C. Bambera

Our Holy Father tells us, "God's heart has a special place for the poor, so much so that he himself 'became poor.'" He explains that the proclamation of the Gospel "is itself the prime form of charity."

You are invited to join with parishioners across the Diocese as they ***"Walk Together in the Light of Christ"*** proclaiming the Gospel by supporting the many ministries and services made possible through gifts to the 2017 Annual Appeal throughout the 11 counties of our Diocese.

Today we join parishes throughout the Diocese in launching the 2017 Diocesan Annual Appeal ***"Walk Together in the Light of Christ."*** If you'd like to see the video, you can view it on your computer at: www.DiocesanAnnualAppeal.org.

The overall goal for the 2017 Diocesan Annual Appeal is five million dollars. Through your continued charity and generosity, I am confident that we will achieve our portion of this goal. Thank you for your support.

This week, past donors to the Appeal will be receiving a letter from Bishop Bambera on behalf of Diocesan ministries. If you have not donated to the Appeal in the past, I encourage you to make a gift this year.

Fr. Pat

POPE FRANCIS QUOTES: We also find it hard to make room for the consciences of the faithful, who very often respond as best they can to the Gospel amid their limitations, and are capable of carrying out their own discernment in complex situations. We have been called to form consciences, not to replace them.



ZUMBA & YOGAFIT: Zumba classes are held on **Wednesdays in St. Mary's Parish Hall starting at 6:00PM with a Yogafit class to follow at 7:00PM.** The cost for each is **only \$5.00 per session.** We hope to see you all there!!!

COMMUNITY PRAYER MEETING
Mill City Assembly of God, Route 307, Mill City
Sunday, September 17th..... 6:00PM
 Everyone is welcome

The Mill City Assembly of God Church has invited us to share in a community prayer service **for our public servants.....police, firemen, ambulance personnel, and all of our area clergy.** The service will take place on Sunday evening, September 17th at 6:00PM. Please plan to attend and offer your prayers for our clergy and those who protect and serve our area.

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING: September 09-10, 2017

Nativity BVM Church:

Weekly Collection Goal*	\$ 4,800.00
Actual Offertory**	\$ 5,114.00
Difference:.....	\$ 314.00

St. Mary of the Lake Church:

Weekly Collection Goal*	\$ 2,000.00
Actual Offertory**	\$ 1,720.00
Difference:.....	\$(280.00)

*Weekly Collection Goal represents the amount needed weekly if we are going to make our 2017-2018 Parish Collections goal (envelopes and loose). It does NOT include Fundraising, Religious Education Income or any other income.

**Actual Offertory represents the total amount received in the weekly collection (not including Easter or special collections).

The generosity of our people is truly appreciated. We may not always reach our budgeted goals, but we are grateful to those who make a sacrifice on a weekly basis to sustain our parish ministries.

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR THE GLORY OF GOD: We like to see our altars reflect floral beauty all year long. You are encouraged to offer a floral bouquet in memory of a loved one, for a special intention or in thanksgiving. **Intentions and donors will be listed in the bulletin unless you request otherwise.**

VIRTUS: Three training sessions for adults in the Protecting God's Children (PGC-VIRTUS) program have been scheduled:

- ▶ **Sunday, September 17th at Christ the King Parish, Archbald beginning at 1:30PM.**
- ▶ **Thursday, September 28th at Our Lady of the Snows, Clarks Summit beginning at 6:00PM.**
- ▶ **Friday, October 6th at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, Scranton beginning at 11:00AM.**

Complete information is posted at:
www.dioceseofscranton.org (safe environment-child protection-VIRTUS)

If you are an adult employee or volunteer who has direct contact or routine interaction with children, please make every effort to participate in this training. Your attendance is important. Thank you.

UP & OVER, THE DIOCESAN MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT
 I am happy to announce that registration is now open for Up & Over, the diocesan middle school retreat. This weekend experience is centered around helping students to get "up & over" their obstacles through teamwork and problem solving skills. Each student will encounter Christ in profound ways throughout the weekend and will come away with a new understanding of our Catholic faith. This is an excellent opportunity to introduce students to youth ministry or to supplement their Confirmation faith formation!

To register, please follow the link below:
<http://www.dioceseofscranton.org/parish-life-and-evangelization/holinessandmission/find-a-parish/upover-2017/>

Thank you,
 Shannon Kowalski
 Diocese of Scranton - Office for Parish Life
 Coordinator for Youth & Young Adult Ministry

BOY SCOUT NEWS

Next Committee Meeting:
October 9th
 Upstairs Classroom @ Father Nallin Hall
 Alison Delano, Committee Chairperson
 570-233-4000 adelano1230@gmail.com

CUB SCOUT NEWS

ADULT COMMITTEE MEETINGS
 6:00PM – Fr. Nallin Hall
September 25th

DIOCESAN NEWS

Regional Networking Meetings for Worship

The Office for Parish Life will hold regional meetings for all those involved with liturgy to network and to address upcoming events and projects offered through the Office of Parish Life, including upcoming activities of the local chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians. All liturgy committee members, liturgical ministers, music ministers are encouraged to attend. Locally, the meetings will be held on **Tuesday, September 19th at 6:30PM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Swoyersville and on Monday, September 25th at 6:30PM at St. John Neumann Parish, Scranton.** To register for any of these meetings, please complete the registration form or contact the Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213.

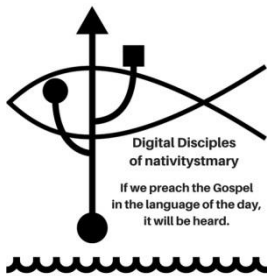
DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Our daily Mass schedule is:

Nativity BVM Church	Monday, Wednesday, Friday	7:00AM
St. Mary of the Lake Church	Tuesday, Thursday	8:00AM

When there is a school delay or closure due to inclement weather, no Mass will be celebrated.

DIGITAL DISCIPLES MINISTRY



Great news! **Our technology ministry has renamed itself! We are now the "Digital Disciples" Ministry. This name better defines our true mission.** We even have a logo and a mission statement. Our logo

combines the symbol of the fish and the symbol that looks like a fork. The fish is a symbol of Christianity that proclaims us as "fishers of men". The forklike symbol is computer-eze for the connecting of computer devices for communication and power. **Taken together, our logo symbolizes our goal of communicating the power of God's Word digitally.** Our ministry mission statement also communicates our belief that if we spread God's Word digitally, it will be heard. Are you hearing the Gospel in the language of the day?

Our parish website and Facebook page are continuing to develop at an accelerating pace. We are now to the point where it is definitely worth your having the computer skills necessary to use these sites. Here are some things you should be doing:

- Add our webpage, www.nativitystmary.org to your list of favorites or bookmarks on your computer or smartphone. Here are some of the things you can now do on the website:
 - You can not only access the sick list each week, but also view a beautiful video and recite a prayer for the sick. This is a great way to pray for someone special.
 - View the monthly Diocesan News Magazine. You can't get it on cable or on satellite. It changes monthly.
 - View current Catholic news from Catholic News Service. It changes frequently.
 - View current reflections from Father Robert Barron from Word on Fire. They change frequently.
 - View the current lector, usher, greeter, and Eucharistic Minister schedules online. Just go to the Ministries of the Mass page for your parish and look under your ministry.
 - Look up information from the current bulletin or old bulletins.
 - Explore the "Our Catholic Faith" section. Did you know that "digital learning" is one of the principal ways that adult Catholics now learn about and strengthen their faith? This section of the website contains such things as:
 - A listing of **common Catholic prayers.**
 - Curated links to many **Catholic websites.**
 - "**Catholic Link**". This is a blog with three blog posts that change weekly. Frequently included are several reflections on the readings from that week's Mass.
 - **Catholic Gift Shop.** Since The Guild Store in Scranton closed, it is very difficult to find Catholic

gifts for such things as Baptisms, First Communions, Confirmations, Weddings, Christmas, etc. This section contains links to seven of the most popular online Catholic gift stores for online ordering.

- Create a Facebook profile for yourself and "Like" our Facebook Page @nativitystmary. Did you know that "seniors" are the second largest population group of Facebook users next to young people? Creating a Facebook profile for yourself is easy to do and gives you access to a world of friends and information. Once you "Like" our page, you get access to timely posts of upcoming Parish events and other information. The posts usually include graphics and pictures. What is more, you can comment on or "like" individual posts, and share the posts with your Facebook friends. In this way, you are on your way to becoming a true "Digital Disciple".

We are always looking for new "Digital Disciples" in our ministry. You don't have to be a computer expert. Call the parish office (570-378-2181 or 570-836-3275) to take a place at the Lord's digital table.

PLEASE NOTE: We have begun to transition the email addresses for our parishes to take advantage of the options available through our website. While we will still receive emails through the frontier.com email addresses, are also utilizing the following website email addresses for our outgoing communications and receiving emails through them as well. Please help us in this transition by making note of the following addresses in your email program's Address Book:

Fr. Pat Albert	pastor@nativitystmary.org
Deacon Ray	deacon@nativitystmary.org
Dick Schwoebel	busmgr@nativitystmary.org
Mary Lou Chackan	secretary@nativitystmary.org
Nativity Parish	nativity@nativitystmary.org
St. Mary Parish	stmary@nativitystmary.org

REMEMBRANCE OF THE DEAD: Your prayers are requested for the soul of **AGNES THORNE, mother of Nativity BVM parishioner Robert Thorne**, who was buried from our church this Saturday. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual Light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



MONTHLY HOME VISITATIONS: On or near the First Friday of every month (weather permitting), Fr. Pat, Deacon Ray and Diane Stone visit the homebound and bring them Holy Communion. **If you or a loved one is unable to attend Mass due to advanced age, sickness or disability/handicap, and desire to receive communion at home, please contact Mary Lou at the Parish Office (570-836-3275) with your name, phone number and address and you will be placed on our monthly visitation list.**

NOTICE REGARDING REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A

MINOR: It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis or at 1-800-932-0313.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Beth Pacuska, at 570-862-7551 or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Msgr. Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at 570-207-2269.

THOUGHT FOR REFLECTION:

"Don't give in to discouragement ...If you are discouraged it is a sign of pride because it shows you trust in your own powers. Never bother about people's opinions."
Blessed Mother Teresa

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that you inspire young people whom you call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow your will. Send workers into your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and your people are strengthened by the sacraments. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMUNITY HEALING SERVICES

First Sunday of each month @ 6:00PM
St. Peter's Episcopal Church
Route 6, Tunkhannock

For more information or prayer contact:
Colleen Williams – (570) 836-5485 or
John Hardman-Zimmerman – (570) 289-5077



ST. MARY'S AED IS LOCATED IN THE FOYER
BETWEEN THE CHURCH & HALL

#PARTNERWITHFRANCIS: The Diocese of Scranton will **#partnerwithfrancis over the next few months to gather the voices of the young Church (16-35) and those who work with them in preparation for Pope Francis' 2018 Synod on Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment.** To get involved, participate in a Diocesan listening session and/or complete a survey online at:

www.partnerwithfrancis.org

For more information and/or to register for a listening session, please contact Dominick Costantino at 570-780-2996.

HAVE YOU BEEN ASKED TO BE A SPONSOR? It is a wonderful honor to be asked to be a sponsor for Baptism and Confirmation. It signifies that you are being asked to live your life as an example and in imitation of God's love for the person you sponsor.

To serve as a sponsor, it is required that a person obtain a sponsor letter from his/her pastor. Sponsors must be at least 16 years of age, have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, Confirmation, (If married) be married according to the regulations for marriage as provided by the Roman Catholic Church, officially registered and participating weekly in the Sunday Eucharist & actively striving to live out your own baptismal commitment to Christ.

(cf. Code of Canon Law, c. 874)

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: All adult Catholics (age 18 and over) are expected to be officially registered in a Parish and participating at Mass and the other Sacraments on a regular basis. If you have graduated from College or High School and are now employed, you are expected to join on your own unless you are attending college or a trade school.

In order for a child to receive First Penance, First Eucharist or Confirmation, at least one of their parents or legal guardian must belong to and participate in our Parish. If you need to register or have any questions, please feel free to contact the Parish Office at 570-836-3275.

DIOCESAN NEWS

Season of Creation

Pope Francis has called us to participate in the Season of Creation, which **began on September 1st and goes through October 4th**, the Feast of St. Francis. Please contact Richard DeBona at Richard-DeBona@dioceseofscranton.org or 570-207-2213, ext. 1130; for support in setting up an Environmental Ministry at your parish. Consider holding a Holy Hour or Prayer Service for the Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation on September 1st.

NEED A HAND? Need a hand running an errand, getting something at the store, mailing something at the post office, light housekeeping? Call 570-954-2890 and ask for Marie. No task too small, just ask her and she'll be glad to "lend a hand."

DIOCESAN NEWS

WORD Convocation - October 14th

The WORD Convocation, also known as the Convocation for Catechists, will be held on Saturday, October 14, 2017 **at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, in Scranton.** The keynote speaker will be Joan Weber, Project Coordinator of Families on a Mission and Lifelong Faith Formation for the Center for Ministry Development. The Convocation will include Mass, the keynote, lunch and workshops. Joan's keynote topic is "Whole Family Catechesis." Mark your calendars now!

Community Convocation: God's Compassionate Face: Grief Support Ministry Seminar – October 21, 2017, 9:00AM-3:30PM

All who minister to the bereaved are invited to this daylong seminar on topics related to grief support ministry. Three sessions will address:

+ "Walking with Those Grieving the Loss of a Child" with Brandice Ricciardi, M.S., NCC, LPC, HS-BCP, Faculty Specialist, University of Scranton; members of the local chapter of Compassionate Friends will also add their experiences as parents who have lost children.

+ "Walking with Those Grieving Loss through Suicide" with Kathy Wallace, Northeast Suicide Pre-vention Initiative; Kathy is a retired mental health therapist.

+ "Compassion Fatigue" with Theresa Doherty, MSPCC, Chaplain and Bereavement Counselor at Allied Services Hospice.

In addition, there will be opportunities for discussion of the presentations, networking and prayer. Lunch is included. Stay tuned for registration.

WORSHIP Convocation-October 28th

The WORSHIP Convocation will be held on Saturday, October 28, 2017 **at Marywood University in Scranton.** This day-long event will feature keynote speaker, Dr. Elaine Rendler, a nationally recognized musician, teacher, composer, pastoral liturgist, speaker, and author of "In the Midst of the Assembly" and "This Is the Day", as well as the writer of weekly columns and music suggestions in Today's Liturgy for more than 30 years, offering practical wisdom to generations of pastoral musicians.

The WORSHIP Convocation will also feature breakout sessions for various liturgical ministries. Please save the date and plan on joining us!

Youth & Young Adult Listening Session

On **Thursday, August 31st, beginning at 6:00PM**, the Office for Parish Life will hold a Listening Session for all junior high, high school, and college age youth and young adults, and those who work with youth or young adults. This will be an opportunity to share your experiences, feedback, best practices, and suggestions with us as we plan together for the future of youth and young adult ministry in the Diocese of Scranton. The listening session will be held **at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Ave, Scranton.** To register or for more information, please

contact Shannon Kowalski, Coordinator for Youth and Young Adult Ministry, at

ShannonKowalski@Dioceseofscranton.org.

Lay Ministry Skills Workshop

"RCIA's Witness, Community & Journey: The Model for Sacramental Preparation" – September 16, 2017; 9:00AM-3:00PM St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Moscow

In "The Shape of Baptism", theologian Aidan Kavanagh wrote that the importance of RCIA lies "less in its ceremonial details than in its strategic vision of the church local and universal." RCIA sees initiation as a process of conversion and the church as a community whose members witness to one another. RCIA respects the journey of the person entering the Church and provides him/her with the tools and companionship to continue the journey throughout life. In the light of Vatican II, the Church revived the rite, noting it should be normative for baptism and confirmation. Father Bob Simon will unpack the principles of the RCIA as well as the process. Of equal importance, he will show how the vision of the RCIA provides a lens through which to understand all catechesis and sacramental ministry in parish life. Father Simon is a priest of the Diocese of Scranton and pastor of St. Catherine Parish, Moscow. He has an MA in Liturgical Studies from Notre Dame. For more information, contact Kitty Scanlan at 570-207-2213, ext 1157, or kittyscanlan@dioceseofscranton.org. To register, visit the Office for Parish Life page at www.dioceseofscranton.org.

PRO-LIFE NOTES

• Life Chain: Sunday October 1st

Stand up for Life in center of Dallas (Memorial Highway/Main St/Lake St.) from 2:00-3:00PM

Parking available at Gate of Heaven Church parking lot: 40 Machell Avenue, Dallas.

Meet at 1:30PM at Gate of Heaven church parking lot for distribution of signs. Life Chain is a peaceful & prayerful public witness of Pro-Life individuals standing for 1 hour praying for our nation & for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity that abortion kills babies & that the Catholic Church supports the sanctity of human life from conception until natural death. For more info, please contact Chris Carr at 570-550-1619. www.lifechain.net

• **21st Anniversary of Wyoming Valley Knights of Columbus Tomb of the Unborn** on Sunday, **October 15th** at 2:00PM at the top of the hill of Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Carverton. We will pray 5 decades of the rosary for an end to abortion. All Wyoming Valley Knights of Columbus & the faithful are invited to attend. For more info, please contact Patrick Umbra (PFN) at 570-822-3597.



AED IS LOCATED IN NATIVITY BVM CHURCH
& ALSO IN FR. NALLIN HALL

THE UNIVERSITY OF SCRANTON
A Jesuit University

The University of Scranton, a nationally recognized Jesuit university in northeast Pennsylvania, will host two **Open House events for prospective students** and their families on **Sunday, October 22nd and Sunday, November 5th**.

For 23 consecutive years, U.S. News & World Report has ranked Scranton among the 10 top Master's Universities in the North and as a "Best Value" school for four consecutive years. The Princeton Review included Scranton in its list "Best Colleges" for 16 consecutive years and in its ranking of the nation's "Best Science Labs" (No. 9) and "Best Campus Food" (No. 15) for three consecutive years, among other rankings.

At the Open House, participants can learn about Scranton's 66 undergraduate majors, meet with faculty, students, admissions counselors and financial aid representatives. Student-led campus tours will be conducted throughout the day and will include residence halls, dining halls, computer labs, science labs and academic facilities.

In addition, representatives of student organizations, athletic teams and Scranton's programs of excellence, such as the Honors Program, Faculty-Student Research Program, Special Jesuit Liberal Arts Honors Program and Business Leadership Honors Program, will also be available. Open house includes a complimentary brunch for prospective students and their families. Registration and campus tours begin at 9:00AM.

For additional information, contact Scranton's Admissions Office at 1-888-SCRANTON or visit www.scranton.edu/admissions.

PREACHED RETREAT

**St. Gabriel's Passionist Retreat Center,
631 Griffin Pond Road, Clarks Summit.**

Preached retreats consist of conferences on the spiritual life, time for personal reflection, prayer service, opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and Liturgy. A deposit is required.

For more information, please call the Retreat Office: 570 586-4957 or email kporter@epix.net.

October 20-22, 2017 The Passion of Jesus Christ Preached Retreat, for MEN and WOMEN

Directed by Brother André Mathieu, CP of St. Ann's Basilica, Scranton

Comfortable Silence during retreat.

Begins on Friday evening at 7:30PM (registration 7:00PM) and ends after the noon meal on Sunday (no meals are served Friday evening).

DIVINE MERCY PARISH 17th ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR

Sponsored by the Women's Guild of Divine Mercy Parish, 312 Davis Street, Scranton, on Saturday, **September 30th** from 9:00AM-3:00PM in the Parish Center.

Gifts from 40 local crafters. Door prizes all day - bake sale - refreshments available. Admission: \$2.00.

OBLATES OF ST. JOSEPH: Dale Ahlquist, President of the American Chesterton Society and popular EWTN personality, will speak on "G. K. Chesterton on Evangelization, New and Old," on **Saturday, October 28th from 9:00AM-12:00 noon** at the Oblates of St. Joseph, 1880 Rte. 315, Pittston. **Cost is \$15.00**, which includes refreshments. Doors open at 8:30AM. To register, contact Denise Ohl at dd2752@yahoo.com or call the Oblates at 570-654-7542.

DIOCESAN NEWS

DIOCESAN SERVICE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS

The **FALL SERVICE CONVOCATION** will focus on the 3rd leg of a well-balanced Parish Social Ministry: charity, justice and - PEACEMAKING! Please be sure to MARK YOUR CALENDAR for an inspired and inspiring workshop happening on **Saturday, September, 23rd (9:30AM-4:00PM) at the Diocesan Pastoral Center**, featuring Marie Dennis of Pax Christi International, who was at the Vatican working with Cardinal Turkson, encouraging Pope Francis to consider nonviolence in his World Day of Peace message! And indeed he did! Marie will share with us how our local churches can be a part of this Catholic Nonviolence Initiative! Be sure to bring several folks from your parish. Let this powerful and poignant message from our Pope inspire you to mark your calendar now and attend this gathering in the Fall.

Extraordinary Minister of Communion training

The Office for Parish Life will offer an all-day training session for new Extraordinary Ministers of Communion on **Saturday, September 30, 2017 from 9:00AM to 2:30PM at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Ave., Scranton**. This session will cover the theology of the Eucharist and the Mass, the history and spirituality of the ministry, the particular functions of the Extraordinary Minister of Communion, and how to properly carry out this ministry. Candidates for the training should have the approval of his or her pastor/parish life coordinator. There is no fee for the training and lunch will be provided.

To register, please fill out the EMHC Training Registration Form or call the Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213 and be sure to include your mailing address, phone number and the name of your parish.

2017-18 MASS INTENTIONS: Masses are really filling up fast! Mass intentions for the **2017 & 2018** calendar years will be booked on a first-come, first served basis. To avoid delays, please be sure to indicate whether each intention is for a person living or deceased, Catholic or non-Catholic. The offering for an announced Mass is \$10.00; names will be printed in the parish bulletin and announced at the Mass.



**LOCAL CATHOLIC RADIO STATION
JMJ RADIO 750AM or 98.9FM**



MILITARY HONOR ROLL
PLEASE KEEP ALL MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY IN YOUR PRAYERS DURING THIS TIME OF UNCERTAINTY

If you have a relative or friend serving in the military, please let us know so that we can include their name on our Honor Roll



A Prayer for our Military

Father, we could never thank our military men and women enough for their courageous service and sacrifice to our country and its people. We lift up our voices to express gratefulness and honor to these military troops both from the past and present. Show us ways in our communities, churches, and families to thank and love them better. Keep and protect these heroes and their families, in the powerful name of Jesus.



NIGHT PRAYERS with DEACON RAY



Tuesday evening prayers
5:00PM @ Winola View Apartments
All are welcome!



PRO-LIFE ROSE



The Pro-Life red rose in front of the statue of Mary at Nativity this week is in honor of **Victims of Hurricane Irma**
 Donated by the Pro-Life Committee

If you would like to donate for a Pro-Life Rose at Nativity, please contact Diane Stone (570-836-3055)



Line Dancing

Wednesday evening
7:00-8:30PM Fr. Nallin Hall
All are welcome



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRIES



St. Mary of the Lake
 Thursdays from 5:30-7:00PM in the Parish Hall
 All women of the parish are invited to join us.
Nativity BVM
 In need of a prayer shawl?
 Please call Sue Barziloski (570-836-1351)



If your child's crying or talking becomes excessive or disruptive to others, please be considerate and use the cry rooms in our churches.



SAVE THE DATE
Thursday, December 7th
Nativity BVM Altar & Rosary Society
Bus Trip



Radio City Music Hall, NYC
Christmas Spectacular
with the Rockettes

Our tickets are for the first show @ 11:00AM
 Bus will leave Nativity parking lot at 6:30AM
 Stop for breakfast @ McDonald's (Route 80)
 Bus will leave NYC @ 6:00PM for the return

Cost: Bus trip with show ticket - \$115.00
 Bus trip only (no ticket) - \$ 50.00

Reservations or information: Call the Parish Office (570-836-3275) or Sue Barziloski (570-836-1351)



MARK YOUR CALENDAR
St. Mary of the Lake Church



"Nite at the Races"
Saturday, November 18th
St. Mary's Parish Hall

Watch the bulletin for more details



LOWER WYOMING COUNTY
FOOD PANTRY

Those in need are encouraged to participate in the Lower Wyoming County Food Pantry located at the Lake Winola United Methodist Church. **Hours of Operation: The First and Third Thursday of the month from 9:00-11:30AM.**



Seven Loaves Soup Kitchen, 54 Warren Street in Tunkhannock (formerly the P&G Credit Union building), serves a hearty meal every Monday through Friday from 5:00-6:30PM. There is no charge and all are welcome.



Those who desire to volunteer to work at the kitchen or to donate food or make a financial contribution are asked to contact 570-996-5005 or 570-836-3145.

THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT IS RESERVED WHERE MASS IS SAID
We respectfully ask that all observe a reverent silence and appropriate dress

Sacramental Preparation

BAPTISM

Parents must be registered in the Parish. In order to understand and appreciate the Sacrament of Baptism, first time expectant parents are required to attend one pre-Baptism instruction. A call to the Parish Office 4 months before your child is due will make the scheduling of your session easier and give you ample time to prepare for this Sacrament of Initiation to the life of grace.

MARRIAGE

The engaged couple is asked to call the Parish Office and arrange an appointment with the priest. Please allow 12 months for the completion of the necessary preparations. Do not enter into any other commitments before confirming a wedding date and time in the parish.

Confession Schedule

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is celebrated **every Saturday:**

St. Mary of the Lake
**3:15-3:45PM**
Nativity of the BVM
**4:15-4:45PM**

or **at any time by appointment.**
 Contact the Parish Office (836-3275).

Cemetery Lots Available


Pieta Cemetery, one of our Parish Cemeteries (located on Dark Hollow Road in Tunkhannock Township) **has burial lots available.** For further info, to view the map of available lots and to inquire about prices & regulations, please contact our Parish Secretary, Mary Lou, at the Parish Office (570-836-3275).



Community News

Lake Carey Sportsmen's Club
 Chicken BBQ
Sunday September 17th
Noon to 2:00PM
 (or Sold Out)
Eat In or Take Out
Rain or Shine
 1/2 chicken, baked beans, roll
 Homemade Desserts and Salads
Dinners – \$10.00 each
Halves only – \$6.00 each
 Pre-order Strongly Suggested
Very Popular
 Info or reservations: 570-836-4744
 Held at Lake Carey
 Sportsmen's Club Grounds
 2001 Billing Mill Road
 Lake Carey



The Humane Society of Wyoming County will sponsor a **rabies vaccination clinic for dogs and cats on Saturday October 14th** from **9:00AM to noon** at the Dept. of Agriculture building on Route 92 in Tunkhannock.  \$8.00 per shot (cash only). **For more info, call 570-836-4745.**

Words of Life

"The Church's teaching on marital sexuality is an invitation ... to receive the gift of God's love and care, and to let this gift inform and transform us, so we may share that love with each other and with the world."
USCCB
"Married Love and the Gift of Life"
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PRO-LIFE ROSE

Looking for a wonderful way to remember a loved one on a special day? **Why not donate the Rose that is placed before the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Nativity BVM Church?** Simply **contact Diane Stone (570-836-3055) to schedule the date that you desire and how you want it listed in the bulletin.** Many weekends are available.



Nativity BVM CCD News

CCD will begin this Sunday, September 17th.
DID YOU KNOW? Confirmation and First Holy Communion are two year programs. If your child is preparing for First Holy Communion, instruction really begins in First Grade and Confirmation instruction begins in Seventh Grade. But the best gift to your child is for them to attend CCD from Pre-K right through Eighth Grade. God Bless,
Mrs. B.

St. Mary of the Lake CCD News

Welcome Back! This is the first week of CCD! Hope everyone had a great summer! **Parents:** Next Sunday, there will be a parents meeting at 11:00AM. One parent must be present. I would like to give a great big "Thank You" to our wonderful teachers! If you see them, please thank them! Here are our CCD teachers for the 2017-2018 year:
 Pre-K-Kindergarten: DJ Sinker
 1st grade: Ashley Kenia
 2nd grade: Jenny Sinker
 3rd grade: Mary Ann Barni
 5th grade: Tammy Migliori
 6th grade: Rachel Kenia
 7th grade: Pete Polinsky
 Confirmation Class: Kelly Zaleski
 There is no 4th grade class this year!
 Have a great day!
 God bless,
Jenny Sinker

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

If a family member or friend has been hospitalized (especially if they were admitted through the Emergency Room or to Tyler Hospital or one of the hospitals in Scranton, Wilkes-Barre or Plains Township) or placed in a long-term care facility, please contact the Parish Office so that Fr. Pat or Deacon Ray may visit them. Unfortunately, **the current privacy laws make it extremely difficult for us to know if a parishioner has been admitted to one of the local hospitals.**



AED IS LOCATED IN NATIVITY BVM CHURCH & ALSO IN FR. NALLIN HALL

ST. MARY OF THE LAKE MASS SCHEDULE - WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

SATURDAY	SEPT	16	4:00PM	BERNICE YOUSHOCK – OFFERED BY THE KASZUBA FAMILY
SUNDAY	SEPT	17	9:00AM	PAUL J. MAHON JR. – OFFERED BY ROANNE KELLEHER
MONDAY	SEPT	18	8:00AM	NO MASS
TUESDAY	SEPT	19	8:00AM	LUCY SMIGEL – OFFERED BY RICK, MARY LOU & JULIA FRANKO
WEDNESDAY	SEPT	20	8:00AM	NO MASS
THURSDAY	SEPT	21	8:00AM	NICHOLAS MIGLIORI – OFFERED BY DOT JOHNSON
FRIDAY	SEPT	22	8:00AM	NO MASS
SATURDAY	SEPT	23	4:00PM	MARY BETH, GEORGIA & JOSEPH SCHIAVONE – OFFERED BY MOM & DAD
SUNDAY	SEPT	24	9:00AM	VINCE & ADELE SYLVESTER – OFFERED BY THEIR FAMILY

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

SAT. SEPT. 16 & SUN. SEPT. 17	SATURDAY 4:00PM	SUNDAY 9:00AM
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)	JONI JAMES KAREN LEBER MARIE PACKER	DEACON RAY HELEN FABIANI ELLEN WENGEN
LECTORS	LISA JANOSKI	LEN NASH
ALTAR SERVER(S)	JEWEL STOVER	MASON BERKHIMER OWEN BERKHIMER TYLER BERKHIMER
USHERS	BILL SHAW & JIM BILLINGS	SEB NARO & ED ULTSH
GREETERS	DEE PASKO	JEAN NASH
OFFERTORY GIFTS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS
COLLECTION COUNTERS		DON & CAROL AMES
SAT. SEPT. 23 & SUN. SEPT. 24	SATURDAY 4:00PM	SUNDAY 9:00AM
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)	DEACON RAY DOROTHY TRAUGER CARMEL WILLIAMS	ANN MARIE GORKO SEAN PIERETTI PETER POLINSKY
LECTORS	MARY LOU FRANKO	SEB NARO
ALTAR SERVER(S)	ASHLEY KENIA	MICHAEL GREEN ZACH HARRIS ZACH ZELNA
USHERS	BILL SHAW & JIM BILLINGS	JEFF PIERCE & RANDY PIERETTI
GREETERS	JONI JAMES	JOYCE NARO
OFFERTORY GIFTS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS
COLLECTION COUNTERS		JACK HADDOW & LEN NASH

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole who healed those who believed. Amen.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

--- THE SICK, THE SUFFERING AND HOSPITALIZED, ESPECIALLY: SANDRA SLOWEY, LORI PIERCE, LISA FREITAS, TRACY IRISH, CHRISTINA REEVES, JACKI NIERATKO, CARMEN PIERCE, ELAINE HUG, CHARLIE RUSSELLO, ANNETTE SMITH, LYNN POLLINI, AVA MASON, LYNN McGLYNN, BONNIE KILGANNON, MSGR. DAVID L. TRESSLER, ANGIE HNATKO, RUSTY PERKINS, ANASTASIA TECHKY, JULIA KAIFER, MICHELLE HUERBIN, SHIRLEY DZIAK, JENNIFER BUNNELL, JOSEPH PIERCE, THELMA SHEBBY, EDD KILGANNON, AUDREY DAVIS, SHIRLEY ROCHA, DOT JOHNSON, JAMES DOUGHERTY, JESSICA MIGLIORI, STACIE MAGNECZ, TAMMY MIGLIORI, CAROLLYN DAVIS, LINDA ZALEWSKI, MELISSA HENNING HILL, MICHAEL BOGDON, JANET EVANS, ZACHARY WILLIAMS, KERSTIN LEE MIGLIORI, PAT STEAD, BILL STEAD, RON GORKO, KATIE PACKER, JOE IGNATOVICH, PETER POLINSKY, DAVID TRESSLER, SR., ANN SMITH, DELORES HEAGY, FRAN MOLLUSKY, PEARL PIERCE, BERNICE BURANICH, CEIL IGNATOVICH, MARY PETERSEN, LOUIS C. POLLINI JR., SUE MIGLIORI, JOE SCHIAVONE, JOSEPH FRANKO, LINDA NIEMIEC, JACK KARASACK, CAROLE GREENIP, JANE CAWLEY, FLORENCE KEYES, GINNY CLARKE, JEROME LAMONICA, JEAN LAMONICA, THEO FREAR.

--- THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED ESPECIALLY AND THE NEEDS OF OUR PARISH AND PARISHIONERS

PLEASE NOTIFY THE PARISH OFFICE (378-2181) IF ANYONE IS HOSPITALIZED OR ILL OR IN NEED OF PRAYERS.

SANCTUARY LIGHT:

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN DURING THE WEEK OF
SEPTEMBER 17TH FOR **MARY ANN KASZUBA**
OFFERED BY HER HUSBAND GEORGE

YOUR CONTRIBUTION:

Weekend Offering	\$ 1,720.00
Hurricane Harvey	\$ 709.00

ST. MARY OF THE LAKE CALENDAR

<p>SEPT. 17 INSTALLATION OF CCD TEACHERS/ CLASSES BEGIN</p> <p>SEPT. 24 CCD CLASS/PARENTS MTG. 11:00AM – HALL</p> <p>SEPT. 28 PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 6:30PM – HALL</p> <p>OCT. 01 CCD CLASS/BLESSING OF ANIMALS – NOON</p> <p>OCT. 02 ALTAR & ROSARY MTG. – 6:45PM – HALL</p> <p>OCT. 08 CCD CLASS</p> <p>OCT. 15 CCD CLASS/CONFIRMATION ENROLLMENT MASS/CLASS MASS</p> <p>OCT. 19 JOINT PASTORAL PLANNING MTG. – 6:30PM – HALL</p> <p>OCT. 22 CCD CLASS</p> <p>OCT. 29 CCD CLASS/HALLOWEEN FUN/FOOD DRIVE</p>	<p>NOV. 05 CCD CLASS/FOOD DRIVE</p> <p>NOV. 06 ALTAR & ROSARY MTG. – 6:45PM – HALL</p> <p>NOV. 12 CCD CLASS/FOOD DRIVE</p> <p>NOV. 18 NITE AT THE RACES</p> <p>NOV. 19 CCD CLASS/FOOD DRIVE/CONFESSIONS – 7TH GRADE CLASS MASS</p> <p>NOV. 26 NO CCD CLASS</p> <p>DEC. NO ALTAR & ROSARY MTG. – CHRISTMAS PARTY</p> <p>DEC. 03 CCD CLASS/CONFESSIONS</p> <p>DEC. 10 CCD CLASS/CONFESSIONS/6TH GRADE MASS</p> <p>DEC. 17 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 10:30AM/ DESSERT RECEPTION</p> <p>DEC. 24 NO CCD CLASS</p>
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NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MASS SCHEDULE – WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

SATURDAY	SEPT	16	5:00PM	ROGER & JOAN BETTS – IN HONOR OF THEIR 50 TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY – OFFERED BY THEIR DAUGHTER HEATHER
SUNDAY	SEPT	17	7:30AM	JOSEPH WIEZAVICH – OFFERED BY HIS DAUGHTER SUE
			9:00AM	ROSE ANN WHITE – OFFERED BY CAROLE THOMAS
			11:00AM	CHARLES LYNCH – OFFERED BY HIS FAMILY
MONDAY	SEPT	18	7:00AM	BOB BARZIOSKI – OFFERED BY SUSIE
TUESDAY	SEPT	19	7:00AM	NO MASS
WEDNESDAY	SEPT	20	7:00AM	ROSE ANN WHITE – OFFERED BY DON WHITE
THURSDAY	SEPT	21	7:00AM	NO MASS
FRIDAY	SEPT	22	7:00AM	KARL BINNER – OFFERED BY PAUL BINNER
SATURDAY	SEPT	23	5:00PM	LUCY GRABNER – OFFERED BY HER FAMILY
SUNDAY	SEPT	24	7:30AM	DALE BELLES – OFFERED BY KEN & MILLIE FRANK
			9:00AM	JOSEPH FITZGERALD – OFFERED BY ED & RITA
			11:00AM	EDMUND KOWALSKI – OFFERED BY HIS DAUGHTER CAROLE

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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)	DEACON RAY JOAN CHAPDELAINE DONNA KASKUS	MARY ROBBINS TAMMY NUDO CHARLOTTE SMITH	JOHN KEEFE CARL SHINKO GENE SCHWEITZER	GARY TEWKSBURY LISA RANSOM DOLORES MANGANELLA
LECTOR ALTAR SERVER(S)	PAULA ECKERT ALYSSA KOVALCHICK LAUREN KOVALCHICK TORI KOVALCHICK	SAM ELIAS AIDEN BURRY JACOB POWERS NOAH POWERS	EILEEN HEAD EVAN BRODY IAN BURKE SOPHIE BURKE	TINA KALETA CORAL MILNER HANNAH MILNER MICHAEL SICKLER
OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS R. ROWE, T. DEITZER, W. WALKER	SELECTION BY USHERS
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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)	LISA RANSOM SUSAN BARZIOSKI DONNA KASKUS	DEACON RAY AGNES MASSACESI ALISHA NUDO	DEACON RAY CARL SHINKO JOHN KEEFE	SARA DUNAY DIANE STONE DOLORES MANGANELLA
LECTOR ALTAR SERVER(S)	PAT MURRAY BILLY PREBOLA MATTHEW PREBOLA MICHAEL PREBOLA	TAMMY NUDO LEAH DeMARCO PAUL DeMARCO KENNETH FILER	LYNNE BINNER SOPHIE BURKE JOSEPH CASEY MICHAEL CASEY	GLORIA PASTERNAK MICHAEL BARDZEL ABIGAIL KALETA SCOTT WILLIAMS
OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS J. MULLEN, V. MULLEN, A. DAVIS	SELECTION BY USHERS

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