



**SEPTEMBER 23-24, 2017**

**TWENTY-FIFTH 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 DEACON'S BENCH:

My Brothers and Sisters,



There are many basic human necessities that we all need: shelter, food, clothes and contact with each other. I think contact is the most important one because, without having someone who visits, knows your name, hasn't forgotten that you are still alive or knows your life story and can reminisce, life feels like a burden. Just go to one of the many personal care homes in the area and you will see how true this is for the residents. When you walk down the hall, most of the residents will look up at you with a smile, hoping that you are there to see them, but you can see the smile start to fade and the light go dim as you walk past.

This is why I – and many other people – have been visiting such places for at least the last 25 years. We hope the residents look forward to our visits. I hope that each person I have spent time with over the past 25 years has enjoyed my visits. Those with family or friends visiting seem to be more alive, more likely to engage with others and even volunteer to help. Those who have no one just seem to slip away.

Now you might wonder why I would choose to write about visiting personal care homes, and the answer is simple. I overheard someone after Mass last weekend lament that summer was over and, "How will I get through this winter?" Maybe the simplest answer is stop thinking about yourself and start thinking about the needs of others. Jesus says repeatedly in scripture that looking after the needs of others, loving our neighbors, is important. If we are to truly love God, then we must learn to seek ways to show that love by reaching out to others. Fall and winter are great times to do just that. We can simply sit on the couch and wish it were already spring or we can make the firm resolve this fall to look for ways to reach out to others. We always need more volunteers to visit the homebound, sick, those in nursing homes or the hospital, to volunteer at Seven Loaves or to just sit with someone in need.

Jesus warns us that, at the last judgement, His angels will go out and separate the sheep from the goats and give those who did for others eternal life. Why wait and take a chance? Let's do something great today.

P.S.: Don't let my wife see this letter. She will tell everyone that I complain all winter about the short days.

P.P.S.: I realize that my last letter was about my distaste for winter, but instead of calling me out on that, help me embrace the idea of branching out to help others.

May God Bless,

*Deacon Ray*

## UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Clergy Care & Education ..... Sept. 30-Oct. 01

### ANNUAL APPEAL 2017

***"Serving one another by supporting our parish communities."***

Our Catholic life comes alive in the Parish because our Parish is the gathering of God's faithful people. Connecting with our fellow parishioners, reinforcing our beliefs and experiencing the joy of coming together is vital for everyone to fully experience our Catholic faith. It is crucial that we foster a rich parish life, where neighbors, families and friends come together in the spirit of Catholic fellowship. The Office for Parish Life assists in all aspects of Liturgy & Worship, Service & Social Concerns, Community and Family Development. Your gifts fund such programs as networking and training for Youth Ministry Leaders, Directors of Religious Education, Music and Liturgical Ministry, Bereavement Support, Social Concerns and Parish Councils.

***"Strengthening our commitment to social justice and to those in need."***

Your gift to the Diocesan Annual Appeal enables us to serve the poorest, the weakest and the most vulnerable among us through the ministries of Catholic Social Services that feed the hungry, clothe the naked and provide shelter, counseling and assistance for those most in need. Many more individuals in parish communities receive assistance through parish-based Social Justice Programs funded by the Appeal. Diocesan Grants were awarded to 45 parish programs this year, including food and clothing pantries, monthly dinners for families in need and outreach to prison inmates.

***Our parishes each received a grant from the 2016 Appeal; St. Mary's grant was in support of the Lower Wyoming County Food Pantry and Nativity's grant was in support of the Seven Loaves Soup Kitchen in Tunkhannock.***

Fr. Pat

**POPE FRANCIS QUOTES:** "Today we see how on different fronts the family is weakened and questioned. It is regarded as a model which has done its time, but which has no place in our societies; these, *claiming to be modern, increasingly favour a model based on isolation.* ... It is true that family life is not always easy, and can often be painful and stressful but, as I have often said referring to the Church, I prefer a wounded family that makes daily efforts to put love into play, to a family and society that is sick from isolationism or a habitual fear of love. I prefer a family that makes repeated efforts to begin again, to a family and society that is narcissistic and obsessed with luxury and comfort."



**Pennsylvania Catholic Conference  
ACTION ALERT**

**Support Expansion of Educational Improvement  
Tax Credit (EITC) Program**

Pennsylvania lawmakers have returned to Harrisburg to continue debating the 2017-18 state budget. While this remains an uncertain time, it is also an important time to show support for an expansion of the Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program, which provides tuition assistance to many students in Diocesan Catholic Schools. It has been acclaimed as one of the best educational programs Pennsylvania offers to students in both public and private schools, and as it stands, the House has a chance to vote on an EITC increase.

We need your help to urge and remind all lawmakers to invest in success and support the expansion of the EITC program by voting YES on a state budget that includes an increase.

Please copy & paste the address below into your search engine to log in and send your message:

<http://www.pacatholic.org/resources/voter-voice/?vvsrsrc=%2fCampaigns%2f54365%2fRespond>

**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.**



**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!!!

**SACRIFICIAL OFFERING: September 16-17, 2017**

**Nativity BVM Church:**

Weekly Collection Goal\* ..... \$ 4,800.00  
Actual Offertory\*\* ..... \$ 4,239.50  
Difference:..... \$( 560.50)

**St. Mary of the Lake Church:**

Weekly Collection Goal\* ..... \$ 2,000.00  
Actual Offertory\*\* ..... \$ 1,748.00  
Difference:..... \$( 252.00)

\*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.

**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 next weekend.** An envelope for this collection is in your set. Thank you for your generosity and prayerful support.



**DIVINE MERCY PRAYER SERVICE:** Deacon Ray is conducting a Divine Mercy prayer service on the first Sunday of the month at 3:00PM in St. Mary of the Lake Church. **The next service will be held next Sunday, October 1st. All are welcome.**

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

► **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](http://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.



**REVELATION:** If you are interested in learning more about the last book of the Bible, *Revelation*, please come and join the **Sunday evening Bible**

**Study group.** We will start on **October 8th** and meet in **Father Nallin Hall at 7:00PM.** All you need to bring is a Bible. If you have any questions, call Cindy at 570 836-4744.

**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



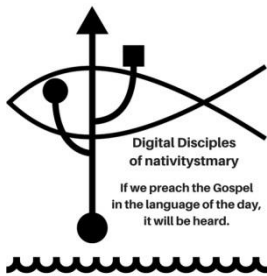
ST. MARY'S AED IS LOCATED IN THE FOYER  
BETWEEN THE CHURCH & HALL



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



## 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](http://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	<a href="mailto:pastor@nativitystmary.org">pastor@nativitystmary.org</a>
Deacon Ray	<a href="mailto:deacon@nativitystmary.org">deacon@nativitystmary.org</a>
Dick Schwoebel	<a href="mailto:busmgr@nativitystmary.org">busmgr@nativitystmary.org</a>
Mary Lou Chackan	<a href="mailto:secretary@nativitystmary.org">secretary@nativitystmary.org</a>
Nativity Parish	<a href="mailto:nativity@nativitystmary.org">nativity@nativitystmary.org</a>
St. Mary Parish	<a href="mailto:stmary@nativitystmary.org">stmary@nativitystmary.org</a>

## DIOCESAN NEWS

### 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.



## BOY SCOUT NEWS

**Next Committee Meeting:  
October 9<sup>th</sup>**

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 25<sup>th</sup>**



## 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.**

## 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](http://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**

**ROSARY RALLIES:** On October 13, 2007, America Needs Fatima launched its first 2,100 Public Square Rosary Rallies held in public squares, busy intersections, city parks, in front of town halls or local abortion clinics all across America in honor of the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima in Portugal.



On October 14, 2017, an estimated one million Catholics will attend an estimated 20,000 rallies and pray for the conversion of America in a public place – in honor of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Marian apparitions. If you are interested in participating in one of these rallies, information can be found at <http://americaneedsfatima.org> (click on the map of Pennsylvania for local locations).

## ST JOHN VIANNEY HARVEST FESTIVAL

The annual Harvest Festival of St. John Vianney Parish will be held at **Corpus Christi Church**, 704 Montdale Road (Route 438), **Montdale**, on **Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> from noon to 5:00PM**. The festival will feature a full turkey dinner with take outs available. Huge Bountiful Baskets Stand, Wreath Stand, Bake Stand, a variety of raffles and hayrides for the kids. Handicap accessible. **\$12.00 adults; \$6.00 children**. Directions: 81, exit 199 (Scott), east on Hill Road, at stop sign left onto Kraky Road, next stop sign right onto Montdale Road, 1+ mile on right. **COME ENJOY THE FALL FOLIAGE AND WONDERFUL FESTIVAL!**

## 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

**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.**



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

## DIOCESAN NEWS

### WORD Convocation - October 14<sup>th</sup>

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 28<sup>th</sup>

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!

### A WELCOMING COMMUNITY:

You enter this church ... not as stranger, but as a guest of God. He is your heavenly Father. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into His presence, offering Him your love and service. Be grateful to the strong and loyal ones who, in the name of Jesus Christ, built this place of worship, and to all who have beautified it and hallowed it with their prayers and praise.



## PRO-LIFE NOTES

### • Life Chain: Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup>

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](http://www.lifechain.net)

• **21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Wyoming Valley Knights of Columbus Tomb of the Unborn** on Sunday, **October 15<sup>th</sup>** 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.

### 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](mailto: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).

**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)



**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 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.**

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](http://www.scranton.edu/admissions).

**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.

**DIVINE MERCY PARISH 17<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR**

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

Do your Christmas shopping early at this great display of handmade jewelry, seasonal decorations and 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 28<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:dd2752@yahoo.com) or call the Oblates at 570-654-7542.

**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.

**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.**

St. Mary's Visitation Church  
**MONDAY NIGHT BINGO**

In the school at  
625 Dundaff St., Dickson City

**Progressive Jackpot**  
**Weekly Minimum \$1,200.00**

Call 489-2091 for info!

**Early Bird at 6:40PM**

**Regular Games at 7:00PM**

2 Floors – main floor handicapped-accessible!

Doors open at 4:30PM

**Kitchen serving food and beverages**  
**from 5:00PM!**

Homemade pizza available after 7:30PM

**ANNULMENT PROCESS:** Do you want to know more about the annulment process? In the Diocese of Scranton, the annulment process is now more "user friendly" than you might expect, and there is no longer a processing fee. Please contact Fr. Pat or the Diocesan Tribunal Office (570-207-2246) to begin a conversation. It is possible to get clear answers to these questions and to renew your connection with the Church.

**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."



**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 Mexican Earthquakes**

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.



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**  
**St. Mary of the Lake Church**



**"Nite at the Races"**  
**Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**St. Mary's Parish Hall**

Watch the bulletin for more details



**SAVE THE DATE**

**Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**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)



**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**

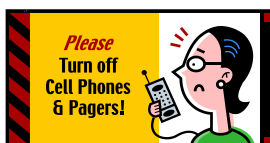
**Nativity of the BVM**

.....**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

### Tunkhannock Public Library Book Sale

Book Sale preview  
Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>  
5:00-8:00PM  
\$5.00 entrance fee

Book Sale  
Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>  
10:00AM-4:00PM

Bag of Books Sale  
Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup>  
10:00AM-4:00PM

\$5.00/bag sale (bags provided)



The Humane Society of Wyoming County will sponsor a **rabies vaccination clinic for dogs and cats on Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup> 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.**

## Nativity BVM Altar & Rosary

Our **next meeting** will take place on **Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:45PM** in Fr. Nallin Hall. All women of the parish are welcome to join us.

## Words of Life

"Only respect for life can be the foundation and guarantee of the most precious and essential goods of society, such as democracy and peace."

**Pope John Paul II**

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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.

## St. Mary of the Lake CCD News

**Parents: This Sunday, there will be a parents meeting at 11:00AM. One parent must be present.**

God bless,

Jenny Sinker

## Nativity BVM CCD News

CCD **registration** will take place in Father Nallin Hall **this Sunday from 9:50-10:50AM.**

Here are our CCD teachers & aides for the 2017-2018 year:

### Teachers:

**Pre-K..... Billie Jeanne Burry**  
..... **Dr. Robert Burry**  
**Kindergarten..... Diane Stone**  
**First Grade..... Alicia Nudo**  
**Second Grade ..... Jessica Fiore**  
**Third Grade..... Matthew Colavitti**  
**Fourth Grade ..... Sara Dunay**  
**Fifth Grade..... Rita Fitzgerald**  
**Sixth Grade..... Karen Traver**

..... **Sabrina Traver**  
**Seventh Grade..... Michael Kelly**  
**Eighth Grade..... Tammy Nudo**

### Aides:

**Pre-K..... Ashley Griffin**  
**Kindergarten..... Meghan Keiser**  
**First Grade..... Sidney Barbini**  
..... **Thomas Elias**  
..... **Dylan Mislevy**  
**Second Grade ..... Sophie Burke**  
..... **Jillian Landon**  
**Third Grade..... Skylar Roerig**  
**Fourth Grade ..... Maddy Ostir**  
**Fifth Grade..... Joseph Colavitti**

..... **Brett Sickler**  
**Sixth Grade..... Paul Binner**

### Substitutes:

..... **Susan Elias**  
..... **Anne DeMarco**  
..... **Angie Burke**  
..... **Greta Kovalchick**  
**CCD Co-coordinators: Judy Boyanowski**  
..... **Cindy Brown**

**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 through Eighth Grade.

God Bless,

Mrs. B.

## Have You Moved?

If you have recently moved or had an address change, please contact the parish office at 836-3275 so that our records may be updated. **If we don't have a mailable address on file for you, we will have to remove your name from our parish roster.**

## NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MASS SCHEDULE – WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

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
MONDAY	SEPT	25	7:00AM	JEAN VALENTINER – OFFERED BY BRUCE & MELINDA CANFIELD
TUESDAY	SEPT	26	7:00AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
WEDNESDAY	SEPT	27	7:00AM	ROSE ANN WHITE – OFFERED BY DON WHITE
THURSDAY	SEPT	28	7:00AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
FRIDAY	SEPT	29	7:00AM	MARY WOODS – OFFERED BY JAMES & HELEN MELLON
SATURDAY	SEPT	30	5:00PM	ROSE KUMET – OFFERED BY GENE & BARBARA KOVALCHICK
SUNDAY	OCT.	01	7:30AM	FRANK McKEON – OFFERED BY RAY & AGNES MASSACESI
			9:00AM	PATRICK HARAN – OFFERED BY GLORIA PASTERNAK
			11:00AM	PHILIP & MARIAN MARK – OFFERED BY RICHARD & MARIAN DOMBROSKI

### LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

<b>SAT. SEPT 23 &amp; SUN. SEPT 24</b>	<b>SATURDAY 5:00PM</b>	<b>SUNDAY 7:30AM</b>	<b>SUNDAY 9:00AM</b>	<b>SUNDAY 11:00AM</b>
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)</b>	LISA RANSOM SUSAN BARZILOSKI DONNA KASKUS	DEACON RAY AGNES MASSACESI ALISHA NUDO	DEACON RAY CARL SHINKO JOHN KEEFE	SARA DUNAY DOLORES MANGANELLA GARY TEWKSBURY
<b>LECTOR</b>	PAT MURRAY	TAMMY NUDO	LYNNE BINNER	GLORIA PASTERNAK
<b>ALTAR SERVER(S)</b>	BILLY PREBOLA MATTHEW PREBOLA MICHAEL PREBOLA	LEAH DeMARCO PAUL DeMARCO KENNETH FILER	SOPHIE BURKE JOSEPH CASEY MICHAEL CASEY	MICHAEL BARDZEL ABIGAIL KALETA SCOTT WILLIAMS
<b>OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS</b>	<b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b>	<b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b>	<b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b> J. MULLEN, V. MULLEN, A. DAVIS	<b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b>
<b>SAT. SEPT 30 &amp; SUN. OCT. 01</b>	<b>SATURDAY 5:00PM</b>	<b>SUNDAY 7:30AM</b>	<b>SUNDAY 9:00AM</b>	<b>SUNDAY 11:00AM</b>
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)</b>	JOAN CHAPDELAIN SUSAN BARZILOSKI DONNA KASKUS	DEACON RAY MARY ROBBINS TAMMY NUDO	LYNNE BINNER ROY BRODY JOHN KEEFE	SARA DUNAY DIANE STONE DOLORES MANGANELLA
<b>LECTOR</b>	SABRINA TRAVER	JUSTIN ROTH	ART DAVIS	TONY ZEME
<b>ALTAR SERVER(S)</b>	HANNAH ECKERT JACK ZEUNEN MARY ZEUNEN	MAIA BURRY ROBERT BURRY KATHRYN CUSATIS	JOSEPH COLAVITTI BRETT SICKLER MICHAEL SICKLER	HEIDI WILLIAMS MATTHEW WILLIAMS SEAN WILLIAMS
<b>OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS</b>	<b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b>	<b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b>	<b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b> B. KIRBY, W. OLIVER, R. THORNE	<b>DOMBROSKI FAMILY</b>

### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

----- **THE SICK, THE SUFFERING AND HOSPITALIZED**, ESPECIALLY: CAROLYN MYERS, ELISSA ROSE, LYLE STURDEVANT, MARYN KUKUCHKA, LILLIAN KRISTUNAS, TRUDY FISK, RUTH KUKUCHKA, JENNIFER BUNNELL, RITA BERCHEM, MARIE STAIR, MELISSA HENNING HILL, MARY ANN BROWN, ELIZABETH CALLAHAN, RICHELE MORTIMER, SHERI RAIL, CHERYL MacDONALD SWEET, AIDAN HOLMAN, TRISTAN EVANS, JOSEPH E. QUINN, ANGELIQUE ALEXANDRA PREVOST, HEATHER STEGNER, DAVID TRESSLER, SR., MARGE HOLUB, ELEANOR FOSTER, MATTHEW LEWIS, DONALD TRAVER, DAWN DOMMES, MICHELLE HUERBIN, CAROLYN ROZANSKI, MARGARET KINTNER, DON WHITE, MARY KUKUCHKA, MARY BOLOUSKI, EMMY COIA, DARRIN McGAVIN, FATHER BILL WILSON, EDWARD KIMBEL, CHERYL SANDS, MARY DELMAR, MERCEDES ANDERSON, CHARLES CAREY, NANCY ROBINSON, SUSAN BOLOUSKI McANDREWS, GARRET CONOVER, CLETUS MacDONALD, ANALISA DOMINIC, LUCAS SETH BOYANOWSKI, BILL IVEY, VERNA PRAWDZIK, MATTHEW FORTESE, JACOB WALTER CURTIS, ARTHUR BUNNELL, TED BUNNELL, HELEN TALARICO, PAUL GOODRICH, MYRON LaBAR, TIKI LYONS, CAROL McGINLEY, CAROL COBB, BRENT RANSOM, JEAN YABLONSKI, AUSTIN THOMAS, LYNNE BINNER, MAGDALENE FRONCZKIEWICZ, JIM BORDEN, JERRY STROKA, BEN BROWN, LINDA NIEMIEC, DIANE THOMPSON, ROSEANN GEORGE, SHELLIE SEYMORE, MARILYN BRODY, MONTANA COLE, CAROL GAYLORD, CHRIS OLSHAN, JR., DEBBIE GAY, HELEN RAIL, ANN ZACKARIAS, GRACE STURDEVANT, CHRISTOPHER BELL, CHARLOTTE SMITH, FLORENCE KEYES, LINDA RUEHLMAN, BONNIE LaFLEUR, ROY PREVOST, AUDREY ROOSA, ALLEN KEYES, CATHERINE LITWIN, JUDI HOWE, LEAH WILSEY, NATHAN DELMAR.

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

**PLEASE NOTIFY THE PARISH OFFICE (836-3275) IF ANYONE IS HOSPITALIZED OR ILL OR IN NEED OF PRAYERS.**

#### SANCTUARY LIGHT:

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS AVAILABLE TO BURN FOR YOUR INTENTION. CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT (570)836-3275

#### YOUR CONTRIBUTION:

Weekend Offering \$4,239.50

## NATIVITY BVM CALENDAR

<b>SEPT. 24</b>	<b>CCD CLASS/CONFIRMATION CLASS – 11:00AM – 12:30PM</b>	<b>OCT. 22</b>	<b>CCD CLASS/CONFIRMATION CLASS</b>
		<b>OCT. 22</b>	<b>BIBLE STUDY – 7:00PM – FNH</b>
		<b>OCT. 24</b>	<b>CONFIRMATION PARENT MTG. – 6:30-8:00PM – FATHER NALLIN HALL</b>
<b>OCT. 01</b>	<b>CCD CLASS/BLESSING OF ANIMALS – NOON</b>	<b>OCT. 29</b>	<b>CCD CLASS/2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE MASS – 9:00AM</b>
<b>OCT. 03</b>	<b>ALTAR &amp; ROSARY MTG. – 12:45PM – FNH</b>	<b>OCT. 29</b>	<b>BIBLE STUDY – 7:00PM – FNH</b>
<b>OCT. 08</b>	<b>CCD CLASS/7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE MASS – 9:00AM</b>		
	<b>CONFIRMATION CLASS – 11:00AM</b>		
<b>OCT. 08</b>	<b>BIBLE STUDY – 7:00PM – FNH</b>	<b>NOV. 05</b>	<b>CCD CLASS/CONFIRMATION ENROLLMENT</b>
<b>OCT. 15</b>	<b>CCD CLASS</b>		<b>MASS – 11:00AM/CONFIRMATION</b>
<b>OCT. 15</b>	<b>BIBLE STUDY – 7:00PM – FNH</b>		<b>PARENT MTG. – FNH – AFTER MASS</b>
<b>OCT. 19</b>	<b>JOINT PASTORAL PLANNING MTG. – 6:30PM – ST. MARY'S HALL</b>	<b>NOV. 05</b>	<b>BIBLE STUDY – 7:00PM – FNH</b>
		<b>NOV. 06</b>	<b>ALTAR &amp; ROSARY MTG. – 12:45PM – FNH</b>

## ST. MARY OF THE LAKE MASS SCHEDULE - WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

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
MONDAY	SEPT	25	8:00AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
TUESDAY	SEPT	26	8:00AM	TIM BARNI – OFFERED BY GEORGEANN CALABRO
WEDNESDAY	SEPT	27	8:00AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
THURSDAY	SEPT	28	8:00AM	CATHERINE POLMOUNTER – OFFERED BY THE HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL FAMILY OF DURYEA
FRIDAY	SEPT	29	8:00AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
SATURDAY	SEPT	30	4:00PM	EILEEN MARIE BEST – OFFERED BY THE POWELL FAMILY
SUNDAY	OCT	01	9:00AM	BERNARD KENIA – OFFERED BY GENE & BARBARA KOVALCHICK

### LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

<u>SAT. SEPT. 23 &amp; SUN. SEPT. 24</u>	<u>SATURDAY 4:00PM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 9:00AM</u>
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)</b>	DEACON RAY DOROTHY TRAUGER CARMEL WILLIAMS	ANN MARIE GORKO SEAN PIERETTI PETER POLINSKY
<b>LECTORS ALTAR SERVER(S)</b>	MARY LOU FRANKO ASHLEY KENIA	SEB NARO MICHAEL GREEN ZACH HARRIS ZACH ZELNA
<b>USHERS GREETERS OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS</b>	BILL SHAW & JIM BILLINGS JONI JAMES <b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b>	JEFF PIERCE & RANDY PIERETTI JOYCE NARO <b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b> JACK HADDOW & LEN NASH
<u>SAT. SEPT. 30 &amp; SUN. OCT. 01</u>	<u>SATURDAY 4:00PM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 9:00AM</u>
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)</b>	DEACON RAY JONI JAMES LISA JANOSKI	DEACON RAY HELEN FABIANI LEN NASH
<b>LECTORS ALTAR SERVER(S)</b>	BOB ANDREWS JEWEL STOVER	LYNN BERKHIMER MASON BERKHIMER OWEN BERKHIMER TYLER BERKHIMER
<b>USHERS GREETERS OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS</b>	CARL PACKER & BERNIE GARVEY PAT STEAD <b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b>	STAN MALECKI & STEVE ZDANIEWICZ BILL WATERS <b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b> DOT JOHNSON & FRAN MOLLUSKY

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.

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**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 24<sup>TH</sup> FOR **MARY ANN KASZUBA**  
OFFERED BY HER HUSBAND GEORGE

#### YOUR CONTRIBUTION:

Weekend Offering	\$ 1,748.00
Clergy Care	\$ 203.75

## ST. MARY OF THE LAKE CALENDAR

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