



# ALL SAINTS PARISH

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**FEBRUARY 5, 2017  
FIFTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday**

4:00 PM

**Sunday**

8:30 AM

11:00 AM

**Weekdays**

Please check for schedule in  
bulletin

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday

3:00 PM – 3:50 PM

or by appointment

## **Religious Education**

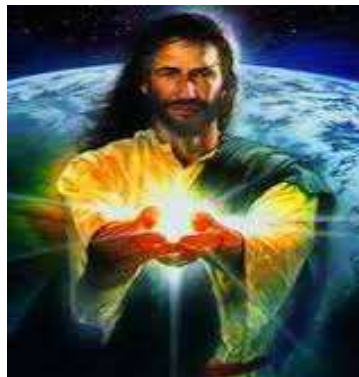
Grades K – 8

Sunday

9:45 AM – 10:45 AM

### **Parish Mission Statement**

We, All Saints Parish, are unified together by the power of the Holy Spirit to be a living and convincing sign of God's unconditional love. We are gifted to build bonds among ourselves and others in order to live the Gospel in word, worship, community and service for the salvation of all and the building of God's kingdom.



What is the light of Christ? The light of Christ is our guiding light. We feel secure in the light of Christ as it directs us through life. It is the teaching of Christ that motivates us to live in imitation of him. The light of Christ is God sharing his life and love with us. It is the life of Christ that is shared with us in the Eucharist: the living bread that has come down from heaven giving life to the world. The light of Christ offers people meaning and hope. It highlights the love that can be found in the goodness of life. It challenges us to live God-like lives, lives without sin. It offers us consolation and reassurance because it assures us that Christ is near at all times.

# COMMUNITY WHO WORSHIPS

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>

8:30 AM Sylvester & Stepanie Mieszalowski (Stan & Phyllis Mickish)

11:00 AM For all Parishioners

### Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>

**NO MASS**

### Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>

12:05 PM Laura Rodus (Daughter, Mary Ann)

### Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>

12:05 PM Leonard Wojcik (Wife & Children)

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FROM 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

### Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>

12:05 PM Joseph Yarrish (Joan Silver)

### Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>

12:05 PM Robert Lewis (Pat)

### Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

4:00 PM Loretta Mangan (Ellen Jo)

### Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

8:30 AM Ann Januszewski (Dolores Prutaman)

11:00 AM For all Parishioners

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**Saturday, February 11, 2017**

### 4:00 PM:

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion** – A. Brunick, T. Bradley,

R. Heck, A. Butler

**Lectors** – C. Kellar, M. Janoski

**Altar Servers** – A. Pritchard, P. Pritchard, Ayden Langdon

**Sunday, February 12, 2017**

**8:30 AM** **Extraordinary Ministers of Communion** – P. Motyka, R. Motyka,

D. Prutzman, T. Kirby

**Lectors** – F. Josephs, E. Keating

**Altar Servers** – V. Kutish, R. Kutish, N. Powell

### 11:00 AM:

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion** – F. Weaver, A. Mizzer,

J. Karnes, P. Roan

**Lectors** – Children

**Altar Servers** – M. Weihbrecht, R. Bantel, H. Williams

### **February 5**

Fifth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Is 58:7-10

1 Cor 2:1-5

Mt 5:13-16 (73)

### **February 6**

St. Paul Miki &

Companions

Gn 1:1-19

Mk 6:53-56 (329)

### **February 7**

Gn 1:20-2:4a

Mk 7:1-13 (330)

### **February 8**

St. Jerome

Emiliani

St. Josephine

Bakhita

Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17

Mk 7:14-23 (331)

### **February 9**

Gn 2:18-25

Mk 7:24-30 (332)

### **February 10**

St. Scholastica

Gn 3:1-8

Mk 7:31-37 (333)

### **February 11**

Our Lady of

Lourdes

Gn 3:1-8

Mk 8:1-10 (334)

### **February 12**

Sixth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Sir 15:15-201

Cor 2:6-10

Mt 5:17-37 or

5:20-22a, 27-28,

33-34a, 37 (76)

**If you are unable to fulfill your obligation, please find a replacement**

## PARISH EVENTS

### MEETINGS

**Worship Committee** - Tuesday – February 7<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 PM, at the rectory

**Ushers Club** - Sunday – February 12<sup>th</sup> – 2:00 PM - at Holy Child Faith Formation Center.

All ushers are asked to attend this meeting. Anyone wishing to join the Ushers Club is invited to attend.

***The Eucharistic Adoration schedule has been changed.***

*Adoration will be held from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.*

*There are not enough volunteers during the winter months to keep the regular schedule. Anyone is welcome during these hours. If you are able to schedule a time, please call Joan Kaye at 570-779- 2998.*

**PLEASE NOTE THAT** *whenever school is cancelled at Wyoming Valley West, because of the weather, adoration will also be cancelled.*



### **CATECHISM STUDY GROUP**

*The Catholic Catechism study group will meet on Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 7PM, in the rectory.*

### **MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION**

In appreciation for all that you do, a special invitation is extended to all of our parishioners over the age of 21 years who have served our parish family in various capacities (ministers, volunteers, teachers, committee members, workers, helpers, staff, etc.). You are invited to a **Mardi Gras Celebration on February 19, 2017, from 3 pm to 6 pm. Please join us at Holy Child Pastoral Center** for a pre-Lenten celebration of good food and fellowship. Please bring your own bottle if you wish. **RSVP** by signing one of the sheets located at the back of the church and on the ramp OR by calling the parish office by February 10<sup>th</sup>. We hope to see you there!

### **DORNEY PARK OUTING**

The Dorney Park outing is planned for children who have volunteered their time in the parish.

**What were those???** On Saturday, the Youth Group participated in a Team Building Exercise; the results can be seen on the table in the ramp area of the church. Using scrap pieces of metal, tin and plastic (aka junk), in twenty minutes, they broke into teams, came up with a design and assembled a “food cart” and “portable microphone with speaker.” To be sure, the purpose is *not* the finished product. Team Building within Youth Ministry gets us comfortable and communicate with each other, discover individual strengths within the group and motivates us to come up with a plan and work together. All of these help us to be *Disciples of Christ* through sharing our faith, serving our parish community and experience Church in a positive way while having fun!

**NEW LOTTERY:** Tickets for our new Lottery, which will begin in February, are still available and can be purchased at the parish office or in Church. **Support your parish by purchasing a Lottery Ticket.**

**USHERS CLUB LOTTERY:** Tickets for the Ushers Club Lottery for the month of March are available from any member of the Ushers Club. Tickets are \$3.00.

### **COFFEE & DONUT WEEKEND**

Coffee and donuts this weekend is being sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Council #11901.

## **DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL**

Goal: \$40,000.00

Amount pledged: \$30,473.00

Amount needed: \$9,527.00

### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in 2017 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. The event includes a 2:30 pm mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made through the parish office before March 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **TRIP**

Sr. Citizens Friendship Club of St. Mary's/All Saints Parish, Plymouth, are sponsoring a trip on April 25, 2017, to Sight and Sound Theatre, Lancaster, to see "Jonah" and to Shady Maples after the show for dinner. Cost is \$93.00 and includes: bus, show, dinner, and all gratuities. Seats are always assigned as they are paid in full. There is a \$25.00 Deposit with each reservation. Please call Ann @ 570-779-3203.

### **POPE FRANCIS' EVANGELIZATION PRAYER INTENTION**

That opportunities may increase for dialogue and encounter between the Christian faith and the peoples of Asia.

### **CATCH OUR SPIRIT...CELEBRATE OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**

As families register their students for the upcoming school year, consider becoming an **Academic Angel!** Your contribution is an investment in a child's future...the outcomes speak for themselves. Our schools offer an instructional environment that challenges the mind, while inspiring and strengthening the spirit. Please consider supporting our students for the 2017-18 school year. You can designate the gift as a memorial or as an honor for someone special; you can also select a particular school to receive your gift, or allow us to allocate it to the area with the greatest need. Contributions can be sent to the Diocese of Scranton Scholarship Foundation, 300 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton, PA 18503.



"From the Eucharist comes strength to live the Christian life and zeal to share that life with others." - Pope John Paul II

## PARISH MINISTRY



### CHRISTIAN SERVICE CENTER

Next food distribution, **Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>**, 9am – 11am. The Christian Service Center is in **DIRE NEED OF CANNED FRUIT, DRIED PASTA, PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY, CEREALS & JUICES.**

## MINISTRY OF PRAYER



Please always remember to pray for those in our nation's military; for firefighters, police and EMT's. Please also pray for all in the Parish who are ill or in any way distressed, especially those who have asked for prayers: *Nathan Grey, Eugene, Mark, Emma, George, Joseph, John, Danielle, Joseph, Rose Mary, Leah, Ed Harenza, George, Michelle, Stanley, Tom, Raina, Seth, Dorothy, Dave, Ray, Anthony Yuscavage, Jen & Brayden.* If you or a loved one would like to be on the parish prayer list, please notify the office. *If you are calling for someone else, please make sure you have that person's permission to publish their name in the bulletin.*

### **Our parish gratefully acknowledges the following donations:**

~ In memory of **Ruth Petcavage** by Trinity House Seniors, Mark & Heide Kobusky, Jackie Karnes

**GRANT ETERNAL REST, O GOD, TO ALL WHO HAVE DIED: Edward Koons** (husband of Mrs. Rosemarie Koons, 145 Constitution Ave., Hanover Twp., PA 18706)

### **BAPTISM**

Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian Life, the gateway to life in the Spirit and the door which gives access to the other Sacraments. (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1213)

The Baptism Committee is in need of Baptism Coordinators to instruct a class and assist the family during the Baptism Sacramental process. Each coordinator is scheduled for a specific month. If you are interested in learning more or serving in this gratifying ministry please contact Audrey Kocher (570-779-4850) or the parish office (570-779-5323).

### **SHARE YOUR GIFTS WITH YOUR PARISH**

Adult Altar Servers for funerals and/or daily Mass, plus additional adults are needed to pray the funeral Vigil Prayer Service at funeral homes. If interested, please call the rectory office.

### **MUSIC MINISTRY**

If you are interested in joining the choir and/or becoming a cantor please see Bill Loyack after Mass or call him @ 570-885-4307.



**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:** Adult preparation for the Sacrament of Initiation. If you know of anyone who might be interested in inquiring about the Catholic Faith, call the parish office or Maureen Dillon at (570) 779-9874. Classes are generally held on Sunday mornings after the 8:30 AM Mass.



**Baptism of Infants:** Parents requesting Baptism for their children should make an appointment with the Pastor to begin the process. The months of preparation before the birth of a child are the appropriate time to plan for the Sacrament.



**Catholic Marriage:** Diocesan Policy states that those considering celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage must meet with the pastor at least six months before any desired wedding date. Please call the office to schedule an appointment with the Pastor.



**Communion for the Homebound:** We invite homebound parishioners who wish to receive Holy Communion to call the office.



**Hospital Visitation:** Please notify the Parish Office if you or a loved one is hospitalized as the hospital no longer notifies the parish. If a patient would like to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation or Anointing of the Sick or if he or she would just like a visit, please call the office to make arrangements.

**Prayer for Life**

Father and maker of all, you adorn all creation with splendor and beauty, and fashion human lives in your image and likeness.

Awaken in every heart reverence for the work of your hands, and renew among your people a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift of life.

Grant this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God Forever and ever. Amen.

If you would like to purchase Altar Breads or Sanctuary Candles for a week in memory or in honor of a loved one, contact Jackie Karnes at 570-332-1176 (**Monday thru Friday only**) for available dates. Altar Breads are \$25.00 per week and Sanctuary Candles are \$15.00 per week.

**Week of February 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Hosts & Candle – in memory of Rita & Ethel Timko**

<p><i>In memory of Mary Pietrzykoski eniors</i></p>	<p><i>In memory of Irene Gabriel Happy Birthday in Heaven, Mom!  (Enjoy a Manhattan for Us)</i></p>	<p><i>In memory of Siberski Family</i></p>
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**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP**

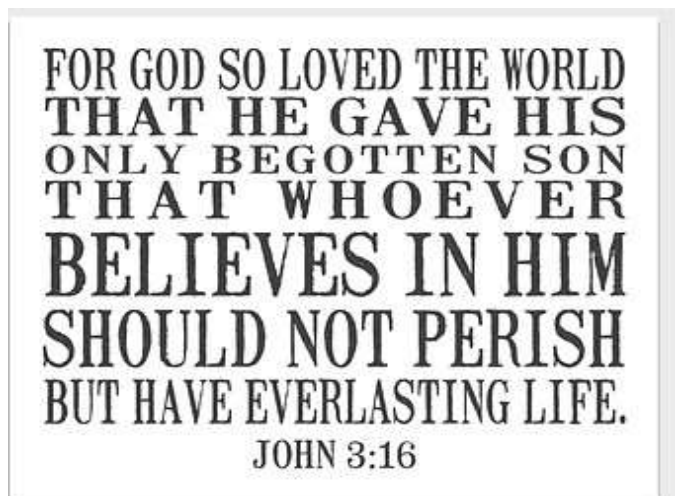
**January 28<sup>th</sup> & January 29<sup>th</sup>**

Offertory: \$5631.00

Loose Collection: \$93.00	Energy: \$5.00
Holyday: \$12.00	Insurance: \$2.00
Maintenance: \$47.00	Christmas: \$15.00
CSC: \$67.00	Clergy Care: \$60.00*
Camp. for Human Develop.: \$418.00*	

**Total: \$6350.00**

*Thank you! Your stewardship and generosity toward your parish is greatly needed and appreciated.*



John 3:16 - The scripture quote the Youth Group chose to be referenced on their Youth Ministry T-shirts.

*Novena to St. Jude  
Prayed on Thursday*

*First Friday  
Prayer to  
The Sacred Heart of Jesus*

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TODAY'S SERMON WILL BE ON HOW TO DRESS MODESTLY IN AN INCREASINGLY IMMODEST AGE

ALL SAINTS PARISH  
Pastoral Council Meeting  
Minutes from the meeting of January 17, 2017

In Attendance: Father Jacek, Fred Weaver, Doreen Kolojejchick, Marsha Sipper, Kathy Narcum, John Sipper Jr., Marina Kopko, Jackie Karnes, Audrey Kocher, Patricia Merman  
Opening Prayer - 6PM

December minutes will be emailed to the group.

### **Faith Sharing**

This weeks faith sharing was based on the gift of spirituality. It is based on a bridge that connects us to God. A discussion about prayer ensued after the readings.

### **Pastoral Report**

Father Jacek spoke about upkeep of the church and how it is continuing.

- The two front door frames are being replaced. We are also working electrical issues.
- An electrician will be here to work on the timing of equipment. He will look at outlets in the sanctuary area.
- Both bathrooms had a face lift and are looking to add a changing table for the women's restroom.
- Our annual Mardi Gras will be held on February 19th, 2017 from 3PM - 6PM EST. This Mardi Gras will be for volunteers of the parish. It will be a BYOB event. Caterers were contact and the event is still in the planning stages. The event is opened to individuals who are 21 and older.
- The Dorney Park outing is planned for children who have volunteered their time in the parish. (i.e. altar servers) A poster board will be displayed and a sign up sheet will be distributed this weekend.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Word**

- We have two new volunteers for the baptism classes.
  - Matt and Jeanie Hornick.
  - Doreen Kolojejchick is taking a leave from the committee.
- A bingo night is scheduled for May 21, 2017.
- The social concerns committee will sponsor a dinner for Mother Theresa's Haven on February 20, 2017.
- The bingo night for the residents of the Dan Flood apartments will be held on March 16, 2017.

#### **Service**

- There are still two dates available for individuals to volunteer for Mother Theresa's Haven.
  - February 20, 2017
  - February 26, 2017
- This committee will purchase personal hygiene products if needed for this event.



- Discussion was held regarding our Giving Tree. We would like to sponsor different children next year. Mary will contact Catholic Social Services regarding this matter.
- We will be ordering "Keep Christ in Christmas" bracelets which will be distributed next year from our grant money. They will be for the children of our parish.

## **Community**

- The first weekend in February will be Donut Sunday. There will be no coffee and donuts during March and April due to the Lenten season.
- Marina will make an appointment with Father Jacek to discuss our new welcoming committee.

## **Worship**

- A wrap up of our Christmas season was successful. The committee discussed a fund raiser another local parish undertakes during the Christmas season. It involves the sale of different colored remembrance Christmas ornaments.
- The worship committee is now working on the Lenten season events at this time.

## **Diocesan Consultation**

This was a process undertaken by our committee with advisement from the Diocese. This entailed a report on what we do as a committee and what we want to accomplish in the parish. As a committee we chose to look at our current pastoral plan to determine our goals for the upcoming year. The committee answered five questions and a report was sent to the Diocese.

The goals moving forward are:

- Be more community oriented; create a better sense of community.
- Working to enhance our youth group.
- Hold additional parish dinners, volunteer appreciation dinners, service activities, and increase involvement at the Christian Service Center.
- Increase the number of new parishioners and increase involvement of existing parishioners.

To accomplish these goals, we will need:

- Additional tables and chairs to replace and upgrade our existing allotment to accommodate these additional events.

Next meeting: February 21, 2017 at 6PM

Closing prayer - 8PM

Attending: Fr Jacek, Jan Gabriel (chair), Rosemary Coates, Helen Nowak Gabriel, Jackie Karnes, Doreen Kolojchick, Pat Merman, Kathleen Narcum, John Sipper Sr., John Sipper Jr.

1. OPENING PRAYER opened @ 6:32 with Prayer to Solemnity of Mary
2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - 1 correction noted [17, not 70, attended Fr J's 1<sup>st</sup> Advent Catechism Class
3. CURRENT ISSUES/UPDATES per sub-committee

a. Ministry of Music – Bill Loyack

Bill unable to attend. Asked Jan to extend his thanks & appreciation for the support in the choir. Next order of business for choir is to schedule practices for the Lenten/Easter season.

b. Art & Environment- Helen Nowak Gabriel

I. Helen noted that all Christmas décor needs to be removed after last mass on Jan 8. Many volunteered to help. Poinsettias will be given away after each mass.

II. Noted start of Lent which is March 1. 8 wks of “ordinary time” until then. Will continue practice of seasonally draping church in purple for Lent. Also need to decide on Lenten Journey Symbol for this year (nail, cross, and bible coins used in past)

III. Jackie Karnes alerted that there were a lot of Prayer Angels remaining at end of Advent.

IV. Doreen K brought-up potential fundraiser used at another parish (sell Christmas tree balls for decorating parish tree. Ornaments are able to be memorialized.)

c. Altar Servers- John Sipper Jr. - nothing of note

d. Eucharistic Ministers – Rosemary Coates \* nothing of note

e. Lectors – Mary Burns \* absent

f. Ushers/Greeters – John Sr.\* nothing of note

g. Sexton Ministry & Pastor's Update – Fr Jacek \* mentioned possibly eliminating 1 of the Christmas eve masses

a. Fr Jacek mentioned that he is looking to host a THANK YOU dinner for all Parish volunteers on Feb 19

b. Alerted that back door in sacristy doesn't lock easily.

• Previously Reviewed Business:

• New duty added to Sexton ministry (need to “count” hosts each weekend & establish inventory control procedure)

• Donut Sunday covered by worship committee on weekend of Dec 3 & 4. Thanks to all of our helpers!!

• Worship Committee goals for 5 yr Pastoral Plan – John Jr

○ WORSHIP COMMITTEE is part of 5 year Pastoral plan and John Jr outlined our involvement in that process

▪ Goals for next year

○ To work toward making All Saints Parish more “welcoming” [ using Greeters ]

○ Need to focus more on seasonal prayer during Lent and Advent [ started adult catechism class for Advent; will carry over after Christmas ]

○ Need to better communicate with parish as a whole [we are now publishing minutes of each meeting. ]

○ Participate in support of St Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen [ share shift for Mother Theresa Haven?? ]

• Previous discussion on “ADORATION”. We do not have enough people to attend so how do we fix?

○ Hours were shortened; now 10-2 pm. Seems to be working especially for Standard Time (winter hours)

• Helen G brought up the parish website and how it needs to be updated more frequently. Many events and pictures are not posted and we miss out on parish communication here. Possibly get someone to volunteer to do this?

○ Fred Weaver has agreed to help in maintaining the parish website. John Jr to cover-off with him.

• NEW ITEMS

○ Lent/Easter 2017 (Ash Wednesday = March 1 & Easter = April 16)

▪ Lenten checklist distributed to all Worship members for review and discussion next meeting.

All Worship members thanked for their contribution of time and attention in the past year. All in attendance mentioned that they are back for 2017.

4. Next meeting = TUESDAY, February 7 @ 6:30 pm (rectory)

• CLOSING PRAYER @ 7:25pm was Prayer for a New Year 2017