



# ALL SAINTS PARISH

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**JANUARY 13, 2019**

## **THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

### **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 to 3:50 PM

or by appointment

### **Religious Education**

Grades K – 8

Sunday

9:45 AM – 10:45AM

### **Parish Mission Statement**

We, All Saints Parish, are drawn 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.



Today's Gospel is the final event of the Epiphany: Jesus' baptism at the Jordan River by John. The Christmas season "officially" (liturgically) comes to an end today at the banks of the Jordan. Jesus is no longer the child in a Bethlehem manger but the adult Redeemer making his way to Jerusalem. The good news spoken by the angels continues to unfold; the most wondrous part of the Christ story is yet to be revealed. Today, the same Spirit that "anoints" the Messiah for his mission is to be about the work of Christmas in this new year: to seek out and find the lost, to heal the hurting, to feed the hungry, to free the imprisoned, to rebuild nations, to bring peace to all peoples everywhere. Luke presents Jesus as the last person to be baptized by John, bringing John's ministry to completion. Luke describes the scene with many images from the Old Testament: the sky opens ("Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down" – Isaiah 63: 19). Jesus' baptism at the Jordan becomes the moment of God's "anointing" of his Messiah (the word Messiah means "anointed") for the work he is about to do.

# A COMMUNITY WHO WORSHIPS

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

### **Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 AM Madeline Wengrsen (Colette Jesikiewicz )

11:00 AM For all Parishioners

### **Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>**

**NO MASS**

### **Tuesday, January 15<sup>th</sup>**

12:05 PM Joseph Ruddy (wife, Cathy & family)

### **Wednesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>**

12:05 PM Jessie Sulcoski (Joan & Ed Michael & family)

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION TODAY, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

### **Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**

12:05 PM Jeffrey Benesch (Mother, Mary)

### **Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>**

12:05 PM Joseph Nefski (Marilyn Piazza & family)

### **Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

4:00 PM Joseph Zionce (Ruthann & John Fedro)

### **Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 AM Michael & Helen Palischak (Anthony & Elaine Palischak)

11:00 AM For all Parishioners

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### **Saturday, January 19, 2019**

#### **4:00 PM:**

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion** – A. Brunick, C. Kellar,  
S. Starosta, M.J. Wojtowicz

**Lectors** – M.A. Meeker, M. Janoski

**Altar Servers** – L. Taylor, J. Stritzinger, V. Stritzinger

### **Sunday, January 20, 2019**

#### **8:30 AM:**

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion** - T. Walker, J. Kurilla,  
D. McNelis, M. McNelis

**Lectors** – J. Gabriel, E. Keating

**Altar Servers** – N. Powell, R. Bantel, M. Weihbrecht

#### **11:00 AM:**

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion** – T. Bradley, R. Heck,  
A. Mizzer, P. Roan

**Lectors** – M. Burns, R. Burns

**Altar Servers** – G. Bolesta, P. Serbel, H. Williams

#### **January 13**

The Baptism of the Lord

Is 40:1-5, 9-11

Ti 2:11-14, 3:4-7

Lk 3:15-16,

21-22 (21)

#### **January 14**

Heb 1:1-6

Mk 1:14-20 (305)

#### **January 15**

Heb 2:5-12

Mk 1:21-28 (306)

#### **January 16**

Heb 2:14-18

Mk 1:29-39 (307)

#### **January 17**

Saint Anthony

Heb 3:7-14

Mk 1:40-45 (308)

#### **January 18**

Heb 4:1-5, 11

Mk 2:1-12 (309)

#### **January 19**

Heb 4:12-16

Mk 2:13-17 (310)

#### **January 20**

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 62:1-5

1 Cor 12:4-11

Jn 2:1-11 (66)

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

## PARISH EVENTS

### MEETINGS

**Pastoral Council Meeting** – Wednesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 PM. at the rectory.

**Finance Council** – Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 PM, at the rectory.

**Pro-Life March** – January 18<sup>th</sup>, in Washington, DC

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

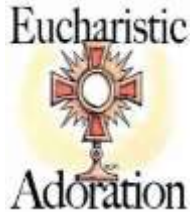
*Please note the time change for the winter season.*

**10:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

*If you are able to schedule a time, please call Joan Kaye at 570-779-2998.*

*Whenever school is cancelled at Wyoming Valley West because of the weather,*

*Adoration will also be cancelled.*



### PARISH LOTTERY

**Tickets for our new Lottery, which will begin in February, are available and can be purchased at the parish office.**

### LOOKING FOR A TRUCK

The parish is currently in the market to purchase a used late model heavy duty truck for plowing snow at our properties. We are interested in a vehicle such as a Chevrolet 2500 or a Ford F-250 or similar type of truck. We are asking parishioners to please call the office (570-779-5323) if they know of the availability of the type of truck we are interested in. Thank you.

### PLEASE NOTE

Due to the safety concerns during the winter months with snow and ice removal our main focus will be on clearing the snow from the church, school and rectory. The cemeteries will be plowed as time allows and as is necessary for funerals, etc. We are limiting access to the front steps of the church because we do not want anyone to fall on icy steps. Please use the ramp area or lower doors during this time. We appreciate your understanding.

### PLEASE NOTE

This year we will be sending letters at the end of the year to those whose offertory donations were \$250.00 or more pursuant to IRS Publication No. 1771. You may put your name on the sign up sheet in the ramp area if you donated less than that amount and require a letter at the end of the year, please sign up on the sheets in the ramp area or call the parish office. December 31<sup>st</sup> will be the last date for 2018 donations.

### PLEASE NOTE

Upon the advisement of our Parish Council and Worship Committee, we have decided to **not** offer the cup of Precious Blood at Mass starting February 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> until Easter, April 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup>.

## PARISH MINISTRY

### CHRISTIAN SERVICE CENTER

Next food distribution, **Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 11am.** The Christian Service Center is in dire need of canned fruit, tuna fish, canned pasta, peanut butter, jelly, cereals & juices.

## LECTORS

Our parish of All Saints is reaching out to our parishioners who might be interested in becoming a lector. A lector is someone who proclaims The First and Second readings during the Mass. Becoming a lector is a serious decision and commitment to your faith and parish, since you are sharing your time and energy to the service of the Church. If interested, please contact Mary Burns at 570-824-1155.

## ALTAR SERVERS

Father Jacek and everyone here at All Saints Parish would like to welcome our new altar servers: Gregory Bolesta, Isabella Fenner, Haylee Delaney, Paige Serbel, Andrew Stanitis and also a thank you to all of our present and serving altar servers. Anyone wishing to become an altar server can call the parish office.

## MOTHER THERESA HAVEN

Our parish, All Saints, will be hosting the homeless men from mother Theresa Haven during the week of February 18<sup>th</sup> thru February 24<sup>th</sup>. Any family from our parish that is interested in preparing and serving a meal for these men can contact Mary Burns at 570-824-1155 or the parish office, 570-779-5323. Please call if you have any questions or need more information.

## THANK YOU

Our parish gratefully acknowledges the following donations:

- ~ In memory of *Lorraine Navroth* by husband, Ray
- ~ In memory of *Alfred Ashford* by wife, Dorothy
- ~ In memory of *Mary Teresa Rondina* by James & Sharon Rondina



## CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

Mrs. Mary Ann Barber  
Mrs. George Meeker

Mrs. Theresa Bradley      Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Gryskewicz  
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Narcum, Jr.

## 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, Anna Regan, Kubik & Rudnik Families, Kathleen K., Edmund Havira, John Brunick, Rose Mahoney, Joel Rivera, Joseph M., Donna, Frank, Daniel, Al, Marge Demarco, Theresa Kopko, Paul & Marilyn Irzinski, Joe,

Audrey, Mollie, Louise, Elizabeth, Claire Roccogrand, JK and John Duda Jr.. 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.

## **DIOCESAN EVENTS**

### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS AND CELEBRATION**

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 2019 to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>. The event includes a 2:30 PM Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Request for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made by calling the parish office, 57-779-5323, before April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **PLEASE NOTE**

The faithful of the Diocese of Scranton are hereby advised that John Tokarick is not a Roman Catholic Priest and is not permitted to function as a priest in the Roman Catholic Church. Furthermore, the Catholic faithful should not receive the sacraments from Tokarick or attend his celebration of the sacraments, wherever they may be held.

Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, Vicar General, Diocese of Scranton.

### **FEAST OF THE HOLY SPOUSES**

The Oblates of St. Joseph will host the Annual Feast of the Holy Spouses on Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, with a special Mass at 3:00 PM at the Oblates of St. Joseph Seminary, route 315, Laflin. Everyone is invited especially all married couples and future married couples. The Holy Spouses lapel-pins will be distributed after the Mass. A light reception will follow in the seminary community room. A triduum (three days of prayers) will be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 17-18-19, with a Mass at 7:00 PM and Novena prayers. The Rosary and Confessions will be before the Mass. Offer your personal petitions to the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph for your family.

### **HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL**

Holy Redeemer High School Grade 8 Placement/Scholarship Test Result Night and Registration Night for incoming Freshmen will be held on January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM in the auditorium. (snow date January 24<sup>th</sup>) Appointments for class scheduling for new students for the 2019-2020 school year will be held on February 7, 11 and 12 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. Call Holy Redeemer High School's Guidance Department at 570-829-2424 to set an appointment.

### **SAVE RECEIPTS**

Please save your receipts from Plymouth Hometown Market for our local firemen. For more information, please contact Mary Anne Meeker @ 570-779-9464. Containers are located in the ramp area and vestibule of the Church. Thank you.



**5<sup>th</sup> Annual Be A Man Conference – April 27<sup>th</sup>.** The Theme is: **What is Truth.** The Conference will be held on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM., at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 South Pennsylvania Ave., Wilkes-Barre. Cost of the conference is \$40.00 regular, \$30 for early birds (until 4/1/19), and \$15 students. Priests and Deacons are free.





**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. Also, parents seeking Baptism must attend a Baptism preparation class prior to their child's Baptism.



**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:** Homebound parishioners who wish to receive Holy Communion please call the office at 570-779-5323.

**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.



If anyone is interested in donating flowers for the altar in memory of someone, please contact the office at 570-779-5323.

Ads - \$5.00

## WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

January 5<sup>th</sup> & January 6<sup>th</sup>

Offertory: \$8018.00

Loose Collection: \$225.00	Energy: \$50.00
Maintenance: \$31.00	Insurance: \$35.00
CSC: \$4.00	Cath. Ed.: \$10.00
Candles: \$264.65	Flowers: \$56.00
Holydays: \$15.00	Immac. Concept.: \$44.00
Christmas: \$1095.00	Sol. of Mary: \$1595.50
Clergy Care: \$341.00*	Rel. Retire.: \$27.00*
\$11,811.15	

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

*\*Last week's Diocesan Collection amounted to \$368.00 which is sent directly to the Diocese of Scranton.*



*Miraculous Medal Novena  
Prayed on Tuesday after  
Mass*

*Novena to St. Jude  
Prayed on Thursday*

*First Friday Prayer to  
The Sacred Heart*



*"Is there a section at the bottom for comments?"*

## **Diocese Adds Names to List of Credibly Accused Individuals**

Following the release of the Grand Jury report last year, Bishop Bambera made a promise that he would be more open and transparent in the way that the Diocese handles occurrences of child sexual abuse. That commitment remains true.

In August, the Diocese published on its website a list of all clergy, staff and volunteers who had been credibly accused of child sexual abuse. Since then, additional victims have come forward. Eleven new names have been added to the online list. Those new names are listed below. We will continue to alert you periodically in the case that additional individuals are added to this list.

If you are aware of additional allegations of wrongdoing or any information that should be included on this list, please contact our Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at (570) 862-7551 or Monsignor Thomas Muldowney, Vicar General, at (570) 207-2269. If you have suffered abuse by clergy or anyone working on behalf of the Diocese, you are encouraged to contact Mary Beth Pacuska. *These names have been added to the original list of credibly accused individuals:*

### **DIOCESAN CLERGY**

Polcha, Michael C.

Policare, Michael J.

### **MEMBERS OF RELIGIOUS ORDERS**

Bourbon, Francis C. (S.J.)

Long, Arthur J. (S.J.)

Fertal, Joseph (SVD)

Pisaneschi, Sister Clare (M.P.F.)

Garrity, Stephen M., (S.J.)

Rebovich, John (OSJ)

### **LAITY**

Maroni, Mark

Smith, Richard

Yarros, David

### **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) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at [www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis)

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, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).



**All Saints Parish /Worship Committee— MINUTES from meeting of December 4, 2018**

In attendance: Fr Jacek, Jan Gabriel (chair), Helen Nowak Gabriel, Mary Burns, Doreen Kolojejchick, Pat Merman, John Sipper Jr., Rosemary Coates, John Sipper Sr.

OPENING PRAYER @ 6:33pm with The Advent Prayer

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – accepted as submitted

CURRENT ISSUES/UPDATES per sub-committee

- a. Ministry of Music - covered for Bill by Jan
  - i. Advent Concert by ASP Choir set for Dec 9 @ 2pm. Bill L is updating the program.
  - ii. Practices to continue through Dec for the holiday music
  - iii. Dec music sheets distributed
  - iv. Request made to John Sr. to NOT schedule choir members to Lector when choir sings-  
OK
- b. Art & Environment- Helen Nowak Gabriel
  - i. Set-up of the Baby tree is set for Dec 14
  - ii. Poinsettias to be delivered to church on 12/21
  - iii. Weekend of 12/22-23 will feature table for blessing of Baby Jesus from parishioners' mangers
  - iv. SET-UP FOR CHRISTMAS after the 11am mass of 12/23
- c. Altar Servers- Ed Bozek
  - i. Ed Weihbrecht is subbing for training while Ed B is on med leave. Last training of year.
  - ii. Need more servers for the 8:30 mass
- d. Eucharistic Ministers – Rosemary Coates
  - i. Informed of problem at back of church with EMs being rushed by people who do not want to go to front of church for communion. Usually happens after EM provides communion to choir. Ushers being asked to assist in directing people to front altar to receive.
- e. Lectors – Mary Burns
  - i. New lector being trained.
- f. Ushers/Greeters – John Sipper Sr.
  - i. Safety procedures were reviewed at last meeting, and were well-received
- g. Sexton Ministry & Pastor Report
  - i. Not much to report. All covered as we went through the meeting agenda.

Previously Reviewed Business:

- Remembrance Tree Project - Doreen K.\*\*\* all proceeding along as planned. Tree up. Tags to be smaller this yr.
- Thanksgiving Day mass – unleavened loaves baked and distributed at T-giving Day mass. Light turnout.
- Cookie Walk scheduled for Dec 16. 9:30 – 12:30..... John Jr. \*\*\*\*\* NEED BAKERS
- Worship covered Donut Sunday masses for December 1 & 2. THANKS, ALL!!!

• NEW ITEMS

- Letter from concerned parishioner reviewed. Some good points. Response to be drafted by JG.
- Next meeting = TUESDAY, January 8 @ 6:30 pm @ rectory.

Closing Prayer @7:45pm with Christmas Anticipation Prayer.

*All Saints Parish /Worship Committee— MINUTES from meeting of January 8, 2019*

OPENING PRAYER at 6:33pm

In attendance: Fr Jacek, Jan Gabriel (chair), Helen Nowak Gabriel, Mary Burns, Pat Merman, Kathy Narcum, Rosemary Coates

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – stood as submitted

CURRENT ISSUES/UPDATES per sub-committee

- h. Ministry of Music -
  - i. Advent Concert went very well. Attended by about 38 people. Timing discussed for next year...try to avoid conflict with Senior holiday parties.
  - ii. January music distributed
  - iii. Next choir event to be Holy Week/Easter. Practices will begin late Feb/Early March & will be posted in bulletin. John Sr.—please do not schedule choir for lecturing 4/14-4/21.
- i. Art & Environment- Helen Nowak Gabriel
  - i. The Christmas season went very well. Decorating was most efficient, and the un-decorating went equally well.
  - ii. Lent begins Wed, March 6.
  - iii. Lenten symbols considered. Agreed to go with the Prayer bookmark (cross shape)
- j. Altar Servers- Ed Bozek (Ed still out on sick-leave; remember him in our prayers!)
- k. Eucharistic Ministers – Rosemary Coates (nothing to report)
- l. Lectors – Mary Burns
  - a. Recruiting efforts still going on with posting in bulletin. Training for new member continues. Reminders for current Lectors to be posted in next schedules to be released
- m. Ushers/Greeters – John Sipper Sr. (absent, however posted EM to JG with note that the Safety guidelines were covered at last meeting of the Ushers club)
  - i. Couple of added notes below under NEW ITEMS
- n. Sexton Ministry & Pastor Report
  - i. Informed that Blood of Christ will not be offered from Feb 2 through Easter (health precautions)
  - ii. Reported that chapels in all 3 cemeteries are undergoing upgrades. Every chapel now has an altar. Other upgrades that have been added and/or will be added include pictures, bookstands, candlestick holders, and crucifix. Mentioned that the chapel at St Vincent's cemetery is rather dark, and it was suggested that this could be painted (white) in order to brighten.

Previously Reviewed Business:

- Remembrance Tree Project - Doreen K. (absent – however Fr J indicated that the results were excellent. Raised \$5,000, which is substantially more than last year, which was 1<sup>st</sup> year of the Remembrance Tree. Thanks again to Doreen and her team!
- Cookie Walk (John Jr absent -- however Fr J said that the project raised a tic over \$400. Last year was about \$500.
- Letter from concerned parishioner reviewed. Response drafted by JG & sent.
- NEW ITEMS
  - Mentioned that there is not a consistent effort for the ushers to bring offertory basket up to choir. Especially during holidays.
  - Also mentioned that Eucharistic Ministers continue to be intercepted at rear of church by people not wanting to go to front of church for communion.
  - Next meeting = TUESDAY, February 5 @ 6:30 in parish office

Closing Prayer @ 7:15 with reflection on Epiphany, followed by Epiphany Prayer