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CELEBRATION

OF THE EUCHARIST

WEEKEND—Saturday 4:00 pm

—Sunday 9:30 am

WEEKDAY—Tuesday 9:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from

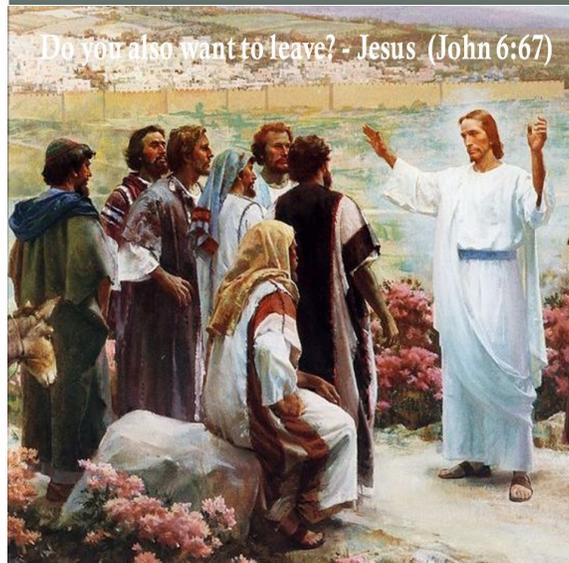
3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. or
by appointment.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

TUESDAY—THURSDAY

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 22, 2021



THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS:

JOSHUA 24:1-2A, 15-17, 18B

EPHESIANS 5:21-32 OR 5:2A, 25-32

JOHN 6:63C, 68C

FAITH IS A GIFT AND A PERSONAL RESPONSE TO GOD'S REVELATION OF HIMSELF

How does God help us grow in faith and trust in his word, even the hard sayings which are difficult to understand? Faith is a gift which God freely gives to those who listen to his word and who put their trust in him. Faith is a personal response to God's revelation of himself. Faith is neither blind nor ignorant. It is based on the truth and reliability of God's word. True faith seeks understanding. Saint Augustine of Hippo (354-430 AD) said, "I believe in order to understand, and I understand the better to believe." The Lord Jesus offers all of his followers his life-giving word and Spirit to help us grow in our knowledge and understanding of God.



SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION

*The Most Reverend
Joseph C. Bambera,
Bishop of Scranton,*

*has announced that the
Sunday Mass obligation is
reinstated in the
Diocese of Scranton and also in
each of the dioceses in
Pennsylvania.*



CCD REGISTRATION FOR 2021-2022

Religious education registration for children in grades 1-8 will begin in August. Families are invited to stop by Fr. Sammons Hall at St. Therese's Church after any Mass this weekend of August 21-22. The cost is \$25/child. Families with children previously enrolled in the program have been mailed a letter with detailed information. New families are always welcome. Please contact the rectory (570-696-1144 ext. 29) or email Kristin Osipower (kmosipower@gmail.com) with any questions or concerns.

A PRAYER TO ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO RETURN TO THEIR CATHOLIC FAITH



Dear Lord, You took on our human nature to suffer and die to win salvation for all of us. Look graciously on those who have drifted away from you and the faith. Grant them the grace, O Lord, to see how much you love and care for them so that they may return to your fold. Grant us the grace, O Lord, to refrain from criticizing them by prayer and kindness leading them back to you and the Church you established for our guidance and care. Our Lady of Victory, Our Mother, intercede for our prayers and encourage your children to come back to Jesus.

SUMMER FUNDRAISER OFFERING

In the July and August church envelope packet, which was mailed to your homes last month you will find a **SUMMER FUNDRAISER** envelope. The purpose of this envelope is to supplement our Summer Fundraising efforts. Any donation you can make will be greatly appreciated.



Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK

REQUESTED BY:

Tuesday 08/24 9:00 a.m.
Saturday 08/28 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 08/29 9:30 a.m.

David & Marie Voitek
Anthony Blaskiewicz
Thomas O'Neil

Irene Matinas
Mary Ann Novitsky
Joan Staley

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

In light of the rising COVID infection rates due to the delta variant, Bishop Bambera reminds us of the importance of continued vigilance in all activities and offers the following:

1. MASKS: While masks are not currently mandated, it is strongly recommended that all parishioners wear masks while attending Mass, regardless of their vaccination status.
2. All Priests, Deacons, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion should sanitize their hands in preparation of and wear a mask during the distribution of Holy Communion. Altar servers should also wear a mask while performing their duties.
3. All parishes are encouraged to continue their livestream efforts to keep all parishioners connected .

**We are currently updating our prayer list.
Please call Diane in the parish office
Tuesday— Thursday at 570-696-3737 with
your request. Thank you.**



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Don Hunter Sr., Sister Jan Marie Kalyan, Jim & Connie Kemmerer, Jim Starbuck, & Lilly Stroud.



The Light of the Marian Shrine Candle is burning this week, of August 22 through August 28, 2021.

Deceased Members of the Parish



The Light of the Sanctuary Candle is burning this week, of August 15 through August 21, 2021.

Members of Our Parish Family

PRAYERS NEEDED AND APPRECIATED

Sister Jan Marie has recently had surgery and is doing well. She is very grateful for all the prayers and good wishes she has received. Those who are able and willing, please feel free to send her a 'get well' or 'thinking of you' card at:
Sister Jan Marie Kalyan, IHM
Our Lady of Peace Residence
2300 Adams Avenue
Scranton, PA. 18509

"BE A CATHOLIC MAN" EVENT

A Catholic Men's Conference is planned for Saturday, October 30, 2021, at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Wilkes-Barre. This will be the sixth such Event. The theme is "Called to Fatherhood" under the patronage of Saint Joseph and is sponsored by Be a Catholic Man. This event (from 8 am to 3 pm) will be blessed with nationally known Catholic Speakers who will challenge all men --- single, married, and clergy, to live virtuous lives in this very secular world. There will be Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, and Sacramental Confession --- a lunch break. Mass will be offered by the Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera. Interested men, please contact Michael Kilmer 570-746-0100 or michaelkilmer71@gmail.com . Detailed information will be publicized in the future.

"A Note from the PASTOR":

In an effort to assist us with recording your offering, I would be very grateful if you wrote (or checked) the amount of your donation on the Sunday envelope. We are doing our best to record all donations correctly and accurately. Your assistance in this important matter would be helpful and appreciated.

Father Jim

"Give to the Most High God, as God has given to you, generously, according to your means, for the Lord is one who always repays, and God will give back to you sevenfold." Sirach 35: 9-10