

# SAINT FRANCES X. CABRINI PARISH

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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.

## 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 14, 2023



### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

ACTS 8:5-8, 14-17

1 PETER 3:15-18

JOHN 14:15-21

### JESUS' BEST GIFT FOR US

Jesus promised to give his followers the best of gifts, the Holy Spirit as their Counselor and Helper. How does the Holy Spirit help us as the counselor? *Counselor* is a legal term for one who defends someone against an adversary and who guides that person during the ordeal of trial. The Holy Spirit is our Advocate who guides and strengthens us and brings us safely through the challenges and adversities we must face in this life. The Holy Spirit is also the Giver of life - the abundant life which comes from God and which sustains us forever. It guides us in the way of truth, wisdom, and goodness. We can never stop learning because the Spirit leads us into more knowledge of God's love, truth, and goodness. Jesus promised his followers the gift of peace. Which is the absence of conflict or trouble. Peace includes everything which makes for our highest good. Trust in God, faith in his promises, and obedience to his word lead us to peace and security in God's presence. That is why a Christian need not fear or be troubled by anything. The love of Christ brings immeasurable joy and consolation even in the midst of our trials and suffering.



### ASCENSION OF THE LORD

The Church celebrates the solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, on Thursday, May 18, 2023 a Holy Day of obligation.

Masses will be celebrated at

ST. FRANCES X. CABRINI CHURCH

on Wednesday evening,  
May 17, at 6 p.m. (Vigil)

and on Thursday morning, May 18, at 8 a.m.

Masses will be celebrated at

ST. THERESE'S CHURCH on Wednesday evening, May

17, at 7 p.m. (Vigil) & on Thursday morning, May 18, at 9 a.m.

### PRAYER FOR MOTHER'S DAY

God our creator, we come before You and lift up in prayer all mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, aunts, and mothers to be who gave the gift of life. We give you thanks for their presence, talents and gifts which they share in our church, society and world. May all mothers know of Your loving and gentle presence and may they always turn towards You in times of joy, sorrow and glory. We ask this in Your Name. Amen

### Our Prayers & Best Wishes

are extended to the following  
young parishioners:

JAMES FORD & ANDREW STUKA  
as they received the Body of Christ

for the first time on May 7, 2023.

May you always know the peace of  
Jesus, the light of his love, and the  
joy of his life within you.





# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

## Requested by:

**Tuesday 05/16 9:00 a.m.**  
**Wednesday 05/17 6:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday 05/18 8:00 a.m.**  
**Saturday 05/20 4:00 p.m.**  
**Sunday 05/21 9:30 a.m.**

**Cassie Kaleta**  
**Thomas LaVenda**  
**Roberta Hennessey**  
**Edward Caine**  
**Ron Denman**

**Family**  
**Sister, Nikki**  
**Joan Staley**  
**Knepp Family**  
**Wife Marilyn & Knepp Family**

### DEVASTATING LOSS FOR OUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS

The DeFrancesco family suffered a terrible tragedy on April 30. The family homestead of Michael and Lorraine DeFrancesco was destroyed by fire from a lightning strike. Both Michael and Lorraine are safe and well, but they have nothing but the clothing they wore when they escaped their home. They are temporarily staying with their son and daughter-in-law and their three children in Bear Creek. The greatest blessing from this is the opportunity for all of us to come together and extend any kindness we can. Right now, the best way we can bring them comfort is first with prayers and then with varied gift card donations for grocery stores, retail establishments, etc.



At this time, the Parish will be accepting varied Gift Card donations for grocery stores, retail establishments, or Monetary check donations made out to St. Frances X. Cabrini Parish on their behalf. Please call the parish office during office hours at 570-696-3737 with any questions. The entire DeFrancesco family extends their deepest gratitude for your compassion and kindness.

### DIOCESE OF SCRANTON CONTROLLER

The Controller reports to the Diocesan Secretary for Financial Services/Chief Financial Officer and will assist in overseeing all fiscal concerns of the Diocese and insuring the integrity of all financial reporting. The Controller will perform duties in the areas of general accounting, budgeting, cash management, development of financial statements and reports, investments, audits and internal controls. The successful candidate will manage and conduct the Internal Control Review Program for parishes, schools, and other diocesan institutions and will also be responsible for managing the shared resources accounting program including the on-boarding of new parishes/diocesan ministries along with the implementation of standard operating procedures and monthly/annual reporting package. A knowledge of and commitment to the Catholic Church's mission, vision and values is required. Interested individuals are encouraged to review the comprehensive job description for this critical financial position which is posted on the diocesan website at [www.dioceseofscranton.org](http://www.dioceseofscranton.org). Applicants are asked to submit a cover letter with salary history and a complete resume with a minimum of three (3) references to: James Burke Diocesan Secretary for Human Resources 300 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton, Pa. 18503 Or email [Jim-Burke@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:Jim-Burke@dioceseofscranton.org) EOE



### Remember in Your Prayers

Please pray for Loretta Appleby, Don Hunter Sr., Sister Jan Marie Kalyan, Joyce Kishbaugh Florence Mickley, Christopher Mortensen, Denis Perugino, Alicia Raptis, Tom Roarty, Kathi Melvin Ruane, Michael Spudis, Jim Starbuck & Lilly Stroud.



### The Light of the Marian Shrine Candle

IS BURNING THIS WEEK OF:  
**MAY 14 TO MAY 20, 2023:**  
 For all Living and Deceased Mothers, Grandmothers & Godmothers of Our Parish

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday June 10, 2023 will be an exciting day for the Scranton area! Women from the Diocese and beyond will have the opportunity to attend the 5th Annual day-long Refresh Your Faith Catholic Women's Conference. This year's theme is "With the Holy Spirit"; it will be held indoors at Marywood University.

#### **CONFERENCE DETAILS**

(for more information and to register: [cwcnepa.com](http://cwcnepa.com))  
 ☐ Mass with Bishop Joseph Bambera ☐ Confessions available throughout the day ☐ Adoration/healing service led by Kathleen McCarthy ☐ Breakfast/ seated buffet lunch. Cost for tickets is \$55 per person, with scholarships available for those in need.



### The Light of the Sanctuary Candle

is BURNING THIS WEEK OF:  
**MAY 14 to MAY 20, 2023:**  
 In Memory of: **Eva Stopay**  
Requested by: Family

### COMMITMENT OF TREASURE

*Give and it will be given to you. A good measure will be poured into your lap. For the measure you use, it will be measured to you. Luke 6:38*

**WEEKEND COLLECTION**  
**05/07/2023**

**\$ 4,254.00**