



## MARCH 11-12, 2017



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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**

**Rev. Patrick L. Albert, Pastor**  
**Deacon Raymond A. Pieretti, Pastoral Associate**  
**Rev. Robert J. Kelleher (Ret.)**  
**Rev. Dennis Bajkowski (Ret.)**

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



**ST. MARY OF THE LAKE**  
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P.O. BOX 1  
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### MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday: 4:00PM**

**Sunday: 9:00AM**

**Pastoral Council: Bernie Garvey, Chair**

**Finance Council: Don Ames, Chair**

**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,

Here is a fact - it seems that there is a gigantic black hole at the center of most galaxies, even our own. Now the thing with black holes is that they are very selfish; they accept everything that comes their way but when it comes to giving back, they don't. They believe "What's mine is mine and what's yours is mine". Reminds me of the two large bodies of water in Israel, the Sea of Galilee and the Dead Sea. All the water that the river Jordan provides to the Sea of Galilee gives life to those who live near it and is then released into the Dead Sea. Unlike the Sea of Galilee, which loves to share, this other body of water takes everything and gives back nothing. That's why it's called the Dead Sea - it's a salty waste.

Now you might think that black holes only exist in outer space, but that's not true. I've discovered that they can be found in the most unexpected places. Some can be at your neighbor's or at a friend's and some are even found at your own kids' houses. I call these places black holes because, just like the real ones, stuff goes in but rarely comes back out. On occasion while I am visiting my kids, I might just happen to innocently look around the house and garage. I have spotted many items that look exactly like the ones I can't find, but somehow they belong to them now. It's like mine just disappeared. I can't help but wonder if this phenomenon has ever happened to you?

If you're not careful, Lent can become a black hole with everything going in but nothing able to get out. If Lent is just another one of the things that others do but you avoid, then you might be guilty of becoming a black hole. Lent should be a time that we allow God's grace to move through us, changing ourselves and using this new found grace to help others. Let's face it, we fast from many things: donuts, candy, broccoli (my favorite one to give up) but the one thing we should also fast from is what keeps us from reaching out to those around us. So, maybe this Lent, we will stretch a little by not only being willing to give up certain things but also to try to do things - especially those things that will help others. Lent can and should be a time of reaching out to those around us who are in need, of always being willing to do the little things that can really be big things to others. Black holes take away everything - even light. Don't be a black hole this Lent. Make an effort to let God's light shine through you.

May God Bless You,

*Deacon Ray*



**NATIVITY'S ACCLAIMED PIEROGIES:** Pierogies are available for sale in the Parish Office during normal business hours (M-F 9:00AM-2:00PM). They are also being sold on Fridays from 10:00AM to 5:00PM in Fr. Nallin Hall. The price remains at \$7.00 per dozen.



In addition to the pierogies, we will be selling Lenten foods (**Haluski & Manhattan clam chowder**) on **March 17<sup>th</sup> & April 7<sup>th</sup>**.



The **Sunday Night Bible Study Group** is conducting a study on the book of **REVELATION**. We meet at **7:00PM on the second floor of Father Nallin Hall** on Sunday evening. Please join us. Everyone is welcome. For more information, you can call Cindy at 570-836-4744.

**"LETTERS FROM PRISON":** The **Wednesday morning** sessions on the study of Letters From Prison will **resume this Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM at the Rectory**. This is the study of the letters St. Paul wrote to the Mission churches to encourage the early Christians to persevere in their faith and instructions on how to do that. FYI: **There will be no session on March 29<sup>th</sup>**. Come when you can. All are welcome! For further info, call Cindy at (570) 836-4744.

**2017 MASS INTENTIONS: Masses are really filling up fast!** Mass intentions for the **2017** calendar year 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.

**POPE FRANCIS QUOTES:** Jesus' attitude is striking: we do not hear the words of scorn, we do not hear words of condemnation, but only words of love, of mercy, which are an invitation to conversation. "Neither do I condemn you; go, and do not sin again." Ah! Brothers and Sisters, God's face is the face of a merciful father who is always patient. Have you thought about God's patience, the patience He has with each one of us? That is His mercy. He always has patience, patience with us, He understands us, He waits for us, He does not tire of forgiving us if we are able to return to Him with a contrite heart. "Great is God's mercy," says the Psalm.



**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.**

**SACRIFICIAL OFFERING: March 04-05, 2017**

**Nativity BVM Church:**

Weekly Collection Goal\* .....\$ 4,800.00  
 Actual Offertory\*\* .....\$ 5,087.00  
 Difference:.....\$ **287.00**

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

Weekly Collection Goal\* .....\$ 2,000.00  
 Actual Offertory\*\* .....\$ 1,815.00  
 Difference:.....\$ **( 185.00)**

\*Weekly Collection Goal represents the amount needed weekly if we are going to make our 2016-2017 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 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.

**DIOCESAN 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 2:30PM Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. **Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made through Fr. Pat, Deacon Ray or the Parish Office before March 13<sup>th</sup>.**

**NATIVITY BVM FIRST COMMUNION NEWS**

**WANTED!** Our First Communion class welcomes the donation of dresses, dark suits, shoes, ties, etc. that may be sitting in a closet at your home! Our families appreciate the opportunity to choose from a closet full of lightly used clothing for their children's special day. Please consider donating your child's First Communion clothing! Items can be dropped off at Parish Office, brought to Anne DeMarco's CCD classroom on Sunday mornings....or you can contact Anne at 570-578-3446. Thank you!

**BRACELET FOUND:** A lady's adjustable gold bracelet has been found at St. Mary's. The owner may claim it by calling the Parish Office (570-378-2181) and describing the bracelet.



**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!!!



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**PAROCHIAL PRIDE:** **Tori Kovalchick**, daughter of Fred and Greta Kovalchick and a parishioner of Nativity BVM Church, participated in the **PA Junior Academy of Science** at Wilkes University on March 5<sup>th</sup>. **Her presentation received the first place award with a perfect score for the Junior High Division.** She also received an Excellence award in the physics category.

Tori is a freshman at Holy Cross High School in Dunmore. She is an altar server at Nativity and is also a music accompanist on the keyboard at Mass.

2016 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL	
As of March 6 <sup>th</sup>	
<b>NATIVITY BVM CHURCH:</b>	
GOAL:.....	\$34,000.00
PLEGGED:.....	\$33,609.00
STATUS:.....	98.9%
UNDER GOAL: .....	\$ 391.00
PARTICIPATION: .....	21.83% (215 FAMILIES OUT OF 985)
<b>ST. MARY OF THE LAKE CHURCH:</b>	
GOAL:.....	\$13,000.00
PLEGGED:.....	\$15,195.00
STATUS.....	116.9%
<b>OVER GOAL:</b> .....	\$ 2,195.00
PARTICIPATION: .....	16.94% (82 FAMILIES OUT OF 484)

**Dear Parishioners:**  
 Thank you to those who have already joined us in "Living Faith, Serving with Mercy" by making a pledge to the Diocesan Annual Appeal. On behalf of all who benefit from your gifts, Bishop Joseph Bambera extends his sincere gratitude to everyone who has already made a pledge to the 2016 Diocesan Annual Appeal. Each gift truly matters.

**Congratulations to St. Mary of the Lake Parish for exceeding our goal for the third year in a row. Nativity is oh so close to goal – just \$391.00 to go!**

If you have not yet made your gift, and need a pledge envelope, packets are available by calling the Diocesan Development Office at 570-207-2250, or on-line at [www.DiocesefofScranton.org.28](http://www.DiocesefofScranton.org.28).

Thank you.

*Fr. Pat*

**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.



**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI KITCHEN:** St. Francis of Assisi Kitchen in Scranton is in need of **sugar, salt and low sodium soups.** Any donations will be greatly appreciated! The kitchen is located at 500 Penn Avenue in Scranton.



**"THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU":** This year, on **every Monday during Lent (March 6<sup>th</sup> – April 3<sup>rd</sup>)**, the "Light will be On for You" in the Reconciliation Room -

Confessional of **Nativity BVM Church in Tunkhannock from 5:30-7:00PM.** A priest will be available to hear your confession in preparation for Easter.

This is a special opportunity for Catholics who have not participated in this Sacrament in a long time to avail themselves of the incredible source of God's amazing Grace, Mercy and Healing in a relaxed and unhurried atmosphere of welcome.

Materials will be available to assist you in making a thoughtful examination of conscience and to help you with the form of Confession (Act of Contrition, etc.)

This is available for both of our parishes and for all Catholics in Wyoming County. Confessions will also be heard at the usual times on Saturdays in both of our churches.

**CAMP NEWS:** Registration is now open for 2017 summer camp programs at United Neighborhood Centers of NEPA's **Camp Kelly (formerly Camp St. Andrew)**. Week-long Girls Resident, Girls Basketball, Boys Resident, and Boys Basketball camps are all available, as well as a Father/Son Weekend and Women's Weekend. For more information, or to register online, visit [www.uncnepa.org/campkelly](http://www.uncnepa.org/campkelly) or call 570-346-0759.

**CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY/ ROME/MONTE CASSINO/NAPLES/POMPEII/AMALFI COAST**

September 11 - 20, 2017  
 \$3,799.00 per person including air from Scranton  
 Breakfast & Dinner Daily  
 Mass daily at the Holy Shrines  
 For a Flyer or more detailed information, please call Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660

**REMEMBER HIS WILL IN YOURS:** You can express your commitment to our Church by making a bequest to either Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Tunkhannock or Saint Mary of the Lake Church at Lake Winola. Simply have the following statement included in your will:

"I leave to Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Tunkhannock, PA (or Saint Mary of the Lake Church, Lake Winola, PA), the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (or \_\_\_ percent of the residue of my estate) for its religious, educational and charitable works" or words to that effect.



**GIRL SCOUT COOKIES ARE HERE!!**

Which one is your favorite? Thin Mints, Samoas, Tag-A-Longs, Savannah Smiles, Trefoils, Do-Si-

Dos? Looking for cookies? **Contact Kathy Boehmer, 570-836-1343**, and I will put you in contact with a Girl Scout in your area.

**NATIVITY / ST. MARY'S TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE**



**Two Parish Families – One Faith Community**

**Have you checked out our new website at [www.nativitystmary.org](http://www.nativitystmary.org)?** Comments will certainly be welcomed; constructive criticism as well.

We have two vibrant and active parishes and we want to get more recognition of our activities through social media. **We're now directing your attention to our new Facebook page for our parishes – @nativitystmary. We're always looking for current Facebook users to help us to make the page better.** If you can help, please contact the Parish Office (570-836-3275).

**We're also looking to update our directory of email addresses of our parishioners. Please help us by sending your email address to your parish at either [nativitybvmchurch@frontier.com](mailto:nativitybvmchurch@frontier.com) or [stmaryofthelake@frontier.com](mailto:stmaryofthelake@frontier.com).**

**Did You Know...?**

...that you can receive a Lenten Gospel Reflection in your email each day of Lent from Bishop Robert Barron, host of *Catholicism*, the award-winning documentary about the Catholic Faith? Reading this daily reflection can be a great starting point for our Lenten journey of Faith.

**YOUR HOMEWORK:**

Visit the website [lentreflections.com](http://lentreflections.com) and enter your email address to take advantage of this valuable opportunity to refocus on the passion and death of Jesus.

**SML 1<sup>ST</sup> HOLY COMMUNION GIFT BEARERS SCHEDULE**

As has been our custom, the students preparing for First Holy Communion will be bringing the gifts to the altar at the 9:00AM Mass most weekends over the next several months. The remaining schedule is:

- March 19 .....Alexander Pieretti & family**
- April 9 .....Alexander Moran & family**
- April 23 .....Alana Zdaniewicz & family**
- April 30 .....Dylan Walsh & family**

If family or friends of the person for whom the Mass is being offered also wish to participate in the gift procession, please call the Parish Office (570-836-3275) one week prior to the Mass so that it can be noted in the bulletin and also advise the ushers prior to the Mass.



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### DIocese OF SCRANTON 2017 "BE A MAN" CONFERENCE

Plans are made for the 2017 "Be a Man" Conference for the Diocese of Scranton, to be held on **May 6<sup>th</sup>**. Revolving around the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Our Lady's appearances at Fatima, our conference theme is "**Mary's Call To Battle**".

We have engaged three outstanding speakers:

- \* **Father Andrew Apostoli, CFR**
- \* **Steven Ray**
- \* **Matt Fradd**

Supported by the grace which the Lord bestows on us, Mary calls us to do battle prayerfully, sacrificially and actively against the forces of evil that are threatening to engulf us men, the world and the Church. But the message of Fatima ends on a high note: "My Immaculate Heart Will Triumph" and "She will crush his head". Jesus Christ will indeed reign as King!!

We expect over 1,000 men to fill the gym at King's College on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Please tell the men of your Parish that this will be a conference that they will not want to miss.

So please mark your calendar and spread the word to your family and friends. We ask you to remember this conference in your daily prayers, interceding for its success.

Register today:

- \* visit <http://www.beamanconference.com/>
- \* call 570-207-2213 (Diocesan Pastoral Center)

**The early bird Conference fee is \$30.00 until April 15<sup>th</sup>, \$35.00 after. Student fee is \$15.00; Priests, Deacons and Seminarians attend free.**

### SUCCESS

We have the good fortune to have **Gary Tewksbury** offer his services to take over responsibility for safety and security from Ken Frank. Thank you, Gary, for your willingness to serve Nativity parish in this responsible task. This was effective March 1<sup>st</sup>. Please direct any safety or security issues to the parish office or to Gary directly.

### HOWEVER!!!!

We need another volunteer to take over another task that Ken was doing. It consists of overseeing and supervising the landscaping and snow removal contracts and performance of them for our church properties, including both cemeteries. Call it "groundskeeper" if you will. This task is not very time consuming. It does require vigilance and communication with our contractor to insure that certain tasks are carried out properly and in a timely fashion. No physical work is required, just walking some of our property to inspect it and communicate with our contractor. If you would like to volunteer your time and talent to help your parish, please contact Ken at 570-575-7785 or call the parish office.

**VIRTUS:** A training session for adults in the Protecting God's Children (PGC-VIRTUS) program has been scheduled:

► **Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at Ascension Parish, Forest City beginning at 6:30PM.**

Complete information is posted on the diocesan website:

**[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.

### Follow the Diocese on Social Media

Follow the Diocese of Scranton on our Twitter page:

[www.twitter.com/DioceseOfScr](http://www.twitter.com/DioceseOfScr)

If you're not already doing so, you can follow Bishop Bambara on Twitter by going to:

[www.twitter.com/BishopBambara](http://www.twitter.com/BishopBambara)

Also check out our Facebook page:

[www.facebook.com/DioceseOfScranton](http://www.facebook.com/DioceseOfScranton)

You are also encouraged to visit the Facebook pages of other Diocesan departments. They are listed on our website at:

<http://www.dioceseofscranton.org/media/social-media/>

### BOY SCOUT NEWS



**Next Committee Meeting:**

**March 13<sup>th</sup>**

Upstairs Classroom @ Father Nallin Hall

Andrea Hebda, Committee Chairperson  
570-406-5227 [rhebda@ptd.net](mailto:rhebda@ptd.net)

### CUB SCOUT NEWS

**ADULT COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

6:00PM – Fr. Nallin Hall

**March 27<sup>th</sup>**



### NATIVITY BVM ALTAR & ROSARY

Please note: **This month's Altar & Rosary meeting has been changed to this Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Pio will be our speaker.** He will offer a Lenten message, after which we will go to the church for those who wish to go to confession. Fr. Pio will also give us a special blessing.

Rosary and a brief business meeting will begin at 12:45PM. Fr. Pio will speak at 1:30PM. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

### 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.**

**WELCOME:** We extend our prayerful congratulations to **KEIRAH SHANNON BURKE**, daughter of **Edward & Rebekah (Smith) Burke**, who will be baptized by Msgr. William J. Feldcamp **this Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, during the 9:00AM Mass in Nativity BVM Church.** We offer our best wishes to Keirah, her parents, godparents, grandparents and members of her family. May she continue to grow in age, wisdom and love before God and others.



**CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL:** The Catholic Charismatic Renewal in the Diocese of Scranton will celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the worldwide Charismatic Renewal movement by hosting a **CCR Formation Day Video MiniConference on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.** The Golden Jubilee celebration event will be held at the Holy Family Center in Nanticoke, beginning with registration and breakfast from 8:00 to 9:00AM. The video conference will be offered from 9:00AM to 5:00PM. Guest presenters for the conference include Jim Murphy, founding president of Vera Cruz Communications and former chairman of the National Service Committee for the Catholic Charismatic Renewal; and Deacon Larry Oney, internationally known Catholic Charismatic speaker and preacher who serves as a permanent deacon in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. **Conference registration fee is \$25.00 per person, which includes three meals.** For more information and registration details, including overnight accommodations, contact Bob Valiante, Catholic Charismatic Renewal, P.O. Box 3306, Scranton, PA 18505-0306 ([ccrenewal@comcast.net](mailto:ccrenewal@comcast.net) or 570-344-2214).

Also, the **35<sup>th</sup> annual conference is scheduled for August 4-6 at the University of Scranton.** Our local CCR invites everyone to experience its numerous prayer meetings and other events as the CCR celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**NPM – A LENTEN TAIZÉ EXPERIENCE:** The Scranton Chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians, combined with St. John the Evangelist Parish, Pittston, will offer a Lenten Taizé Experience on **Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at St. John the Evangelist Church, 35 William Street, Pittston.** The evening begins with **dinner at 6:00PM** and a brief overview of Taizé prayer. At 7:00PM, Cantores Christi Regis from King's College, Wilkes-Barre, will lead participants in this form of meditative worship. All are welcome. **A free will offering will be collected** to offset the cost of dinner and as a donation for Cantores Christi Regis. To register, please contact David Baloga, NPM Program Director, at 570- 207-2213, or register online at [www.scrantonNPM.com](http://www.scrantonNPM.com).

**N.B.:** **Taizé** is an ecumenical sung and silent participatory **prayer** service designed to achieve a contemplative state through music, song and silence.

**NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:**

We extend our sincere congratulations and welcome to the following new Eucharistic Ministers who have been trained and installed by Deacon Ray for service in our parishes:

**Nativity BVM**

Judy Boyanowski  
Sara Dunay  
Tammy Nudo

**St. Mary of the Lake**

Mary Conaboy  
Peter Polinsky  
Mickey Snyder



**COMEDY NIGHT**  
**April 1<sup>st</sup> – 6:30PM**  
**\$20.00 per person (advance reservation only)**

- Includes dinner buffet, beer & non-alcoholic beverages, dessert, door prizes
- Raffle table & 50/50 chances
- Must be 21 years of age to attend
- Reservations: 570-346-7541 or 570-614-3727

**OBLATES TO HOST ANNUAL ST. JOSEPH NOVENA, FEAST DAY CELEBRATION:**

The Annual **Solemn Novena to St. Joseph**, Patron of the Universal Church, **began this past Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup>** at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, located on Route 315 in Lafflin. **Masses are celebrated daily at 11:00AM and 7:00PM**, followed by Novena prayers and individual blessing with the first-class relic of St. Joseph Marelllo, Founder of the St. Joseph Oblates Congregation. Each Novena Mass is preceded by an opportunity for Confessions and recitation of the Holy Rosary.

This year, **the Feast of St. Joseph will be celebrated on Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup> with a solemn Mass at 11:00AM** with His Excellency, Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, as principal celebrant and homilist. The Oblate priests and Diocesan clergy will concelebrate. At the conclusion of the Holy Mass, St. Joseph's Bookmarks will be blessed and distributed. **There also will be a Holy Mass at 7:00PM.** Everyone is welcome to participate in the St. Joseph Novena and Feast Day Celebration.

For more information, contact the OSJ seminary office at 570-654-7542.

**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.

**BVM 1<sup>ST</sup> HOLY COMMUNION  
GIFT BEARERS SCHEDULE**

The students preparing for First Holy Communion will be bringing the gifts to the altar at several Masses over the next two months. The remaining schedule:

**March 12 – 11:00AM ..... Lucas Mateus & family**

**March 19 – 9:00AM ..... Molly Burke & family  
– 11:00AM ..... Wyatt Stauffer & family**

**April 2 – 9:00AM ..... Ty Richter & family**

**April 9 – 7:30AM ..... Leah DeMarco & family  
– 9:00AM ..... Hunter Burry & family**

**April 23 – 9:00AM ..... Maddy Forrer & family**

**April 30 – 9:00AM ..... Jonny Lane & family**

If family or friends of the person for whom the Mass is being offered also wish to participate in the gift procession, please call the Parish Office (570-836-3275) one week prior to the Mass so that it can be noted in the bulletin and also advise the ushers prior to the Mass.

**DCCW LENTEN PRAYER BREAKFAST:** The Scranton Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will conduct a Lenten Prayer Breakfast on **Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at the Diocese of Scranton Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton.** The retreat will begin at 9:00AM and will end with Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:10PM. **The speaker will be Megan Murphy ([www.meganmurphyministries.com](http://www.meganmurphyministries.com)).** Megan is a

dynamic woman of faith who will talk about the inestimable value of confession, prayer, suffering, and sacrifice – some of the greatest gifts Christ has given us, which we often undervalue, avoid and even reject. Megan will speak on the profound transformative and healing power these gifts can have on us, as opportunities to deepen our relationship with the Lord and with loved ones. Megan will encourage women to immerse themselves in confession, sacrifice and prayer which will lead to abundance, holiness and peace!

All Catholic women are invited to attend. A full breakfast will be served. **The cost is \$20.00.** Please send your reservation with payment to: Helen Oravec, 814 Theresa Street, Peckville, PA 18452. **The reservation deadline is Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>.** Contact Judith Poltanis at 570-470-1536, Mary Lloyd at 570-578-6720 or Nancy Addley at 570-536-4466 if additional information is required.

**ANNUAL CHRISM MASS:** The faithful of the diocese are invited to attend the annual Chrism Mass at the **Cathedral of St. Peter, Scranton, on Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:00PM.** At this Mass, priests from throughout the diocese will renew their priestly promises before the bishop, and the oils to be used for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Orders will be blessed. Participation in the Chrism Mass is a beautiful way to pray for and support the priests of the diocese. For reserved seating, please call Diane Franklin in the Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213 ext. 1103 or email [Diane-Franklin@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:Diane-Franklin@dioceseofscranton.org).

**DIOCESAN NEWS**

**Living Your Strengths Evening Retreat  
Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-9:00PM**

**St. Ignatius Parish 339 N. Maple Avenue, Kingston**

With the coming of Spring and the promise of new life in Easter, Lent prompts us to cultivate life-giving practices and attitudes. One such practice is to acknowledge the goodness God has created in each us. Living Your Strengths is a time to reflect on our unique talents, so we can see the particular call God has for us in the Church and world. We can also appreciate our need for one another as we each fulfill a different role in the Body of Christ. This Lent, grow into the unique and wonderful gifts God has given you!

Presenter: Bernadette Rudolph, Director for Family and Community Development

**Cost: \$10.00 for dinner**

Also you need to get a code from the book, **StrengthsFinder 2.0 by Tom Rath.** You can purchase a hard copy from Amazon - making sure it is new so you get an unused code - or an e-book directly from Gallup.

Please take the StrengthsFinder2.0 survey and bring the results with you on March 30<sup>th</sup>.

To register, contact Jennifer at 570-207-2213 or [oplgeneral@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:oplgeneral@dioceseofscranton.org).

**ANNUAL CLEANUP AT NATIVITY CEMETERIES:** Our annual cleanup of Christmas and winter decorations has begun at Mount Carmel and Pieta Cemeteries. **Any items remaining now will be removed and discarded.**

**WOMEN'S RETREAT:** Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish is pleased to announce our Second Annual Women's Retreat with Rev. Pio Mandato as our presenter. **The retreat will be held at St. Mary's of the Assumption Church in Wyalusing on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> from 8:00AM to 3:00PM;** Rev. Joseph Manarchuck will be our co-celebrant.

On this 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima's first apparition to the three shepherd children, Father Pio will be speaking about contemplation and meditation on the prayer of Jesus. Father Pio will tie this theme into the children of Fatima who indeed were infused with contemplation.

The day's agenda will include Mass, Rosary, lunch, and Eucharistic Adoration. Lunch will be provided; however, we are not able to accommodate special dietary restrictions.

You won't want to miss this special event, so mark your calendar and plan for this spiritual girls' day out event. **To register, please contact Our Lady of Perpetual Help's office at 570-746-1006.**

**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.

**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 memory of  
**Anthony "Spike" Brown**  
Donated by his wife & children

If you would like to donate for a Pro-Life Rose at Nativity, please contact Diane Stone (570-836-3055)

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Eucharistic Adoration will be held every Wednesday from 6:00PM until 7:00PM at Nativity BVM Church.



All are welcome & encouraged to join us.



**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.

St. Mary of the Lake  
**Ham & Cabbage Dinner**  
Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>  
**5:00PM 'till SOLD OUT**  
in the Parish Hall



Ham, cabbage, potatoes, carrots, salad, dessert & drink

**Tickets:**

Eat in .....\$9.00  
Take out.....\$9.00

Tickets sold at the door



Available at the Parish Office

This ultra-fine StreakFree Microfiber Cloth does not damage any surface. The fibers grab and hold dirt, dust and grime. This is the magnet effect. Single fiber is approximately 1/20th the diameter of a strand of silk. Disperses oil, grease, dirt, grime, film, dust. Tough on dirt and gentle on surface.

Great for all cleaning projects!!  
Available at the Parish Office  
Only **\$5.00**

Seven Loaves Soup Kitchen, 51 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.

St. Mary of the Lake CCD  
**Hoagie & Salad Fundraiser**

Order by Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>  
Available @ St. Mary's on Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>  
or pick up at the Parish Office on March 27<sup>th</sup>

Hoagies - \$6.00 each Salads - \$7.00 each



See the order form in today's bulletin for selections

Proceeds used for our "last day of CCD" party!



**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**



The Humane Society of Wyoming County will sponsor a **rabies vaccination clinic for dogs and cats on Saturday May 26<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.**



**FREE OLD LYNN CONCERTS**

Come out to the Old Lynn Concerts for a fun Saturday night. Concert schedule (7:00PM):  
 March 11 - Jay Smar  
 April 01 - Claudia Nygaard  
 May 6 - Steve Gillette & Cindy Mangsen

The converted church has great acoustics & a friendly feel. The free entertainment can't be beat. Feel free to bring some finger foods for the intermission. Chances will be sold for homemade items. The venue is located off Route 29 past Lake Walter in Springville. First left after the lake – look for a sign at the turn.

**Tunkhannock Area Middle School Band Craft Show**  
**Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**10:00AM-3:00PM**  
**Food & Bake Sale also!**  
**Info: call 570-836-8247**

American Legion Post #457  
**Chicken bar-be-que**  
**March 25<sup>th</sup> -- starts at 10:00AM**  
**Walmart parking lot**  
 Meal: \$9.00 – Chicken only: \$5.00  
 Benefits Legion's building fund

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**  
**COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT**  
**MILL CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**Sponsored by:**  
**St. Mary of the Lake Church**  
**More details to follow**

**Words of Life**

"To couples who cannot have children of their own, you are no less loved by God; your love for each other is complete and fruitful when it is open to others."  
**Pope Saint John Paul II**  
**February 13, 1982 Homily**  
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**Nativity BVM CCD News**

The **Pre-K, Kindergarten, & First Grade** will be hosting the 9:00AM Mass this Sunday. Participants are:

- First Reading**..... Taryn Newswanger
- Second Reading** ... Azlyn Gazzillo
- Petitions**..... Sophia Sobek
- Gifts** ..... Nora Sobek
- ..... Ryan Platts
- ..... Liam Burke
- ..... Haylie Gregory
- Collection** ..... Noelle Romano
- ..... Ophelia Matalavy
- ..... Kianna Hannon
- ..... Emma Boock

**Teachers:**

- Pre-K**..... Michelle Rushworth
- Kindergarten** ..... Diane Stone
- First**..... Alicia Nudo

**Aides:**

- Pre-K**..... Ashley Griffin
- ..... Emma Rushworth
- ..... Amanda Rushworth
- Kindergarten** ..... Avery Newhart
- ..... Kayla Binner
- First**..... Sidney Barbini
- ..... Dylan Mislevy
- ..... Thomas Elias

**St. Mary of the Lake CCD News**

This week's 9:00AM Mass is being hosted by **Miss Kira's first grade class!** Participants are:

- Greeters**..... Whole class
- Ushers**..... Sarah Van Ness
- ..... Karmella George
- First Reading**..... Irene Pieretti
- Second Reading** ..... Landon Holgate
- Gift Bearers**..... Whole class

Our next First Holy Communion student to bring up the gifts is **Alex Pieretti and family on March 19<sup>th</sup>** ..... Don't forget our Hoagie & Salad Fundraiser going on this weekend! Thanks for your support!

God bless, **Jenny Sinker**

**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.**



## ST. MARY OF THE LAKE MASS SCHEDULE - WEEK OF MARCH 12, 2017

SATURDAY	MAR.	11	4:00PM	BOB GAFFNEY – OFFERED BY HIS DAUGHTER MAUREEN
SUNDAY	MAR.	12	9:00AM	PATRICIA VANDERVEKEN – OFFERED BY HER FAMILY
MONDAY	MAR.	13	8:00AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
TUESDAY	MAR.	14	8:00AM	TERESA WALL – OFFERED BY GERY & DIANE FRANKO
WEDNESDAY	MAR.	15	8:00AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
THURSDAY	MAR.	16	8:00AM	LOUISE DeLEO – OFFERED BY CARL, MARIE & KATIE PACKER
FRIDAY	MAR.	17	8:00AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
			<b>7:00PM</b>	<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b>
SATURDAY	MAR.	18	4:00PM	MARLENE DiBUO – OFFERED BY RICK, MARY LOU & JULIA FRANKO
SUNDAY	MAR.	19	9:00AM	PETER & ANNA SEWATSKY – OFFERED BY PAT WALL

### LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

<b>SAT. MAR. 11 &amp; SUN. MAR. 12</b>	<b>SATURDAY 4:00PM</b>	<b>SUNDAY 9:00AM</b>
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)</b>	KAREN LEBER LEN NASH MARIE PACKER	DAVID SHYGELSKI JOAN STROKA TOM WOLFF
<b>LECTORS</b>	BOB ANDREWS	<b>1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE CCD</b>
<b>ALTAR SERVER(S)</b>	CAITLIN ANDREWS	ASHLEY KENIA RACHEL KENIA ZACH ZELNA
<b>USHERS</b>	BERNIE GARVEY & CARL PACKER	<b>1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE CCD</b>
<b>GREETERS</b>	PEG GARVEY	ELLEN WENGEN
<b>OFFERTORY GIFTS</b>	<b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b>	<b>1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE CCD</b>
<b>COLLECTION COUNTERS</b>		JACK HADDOW & LEN NASH
<b>SAT. MAR. 18 &amp; SUN. MAR. 19</b>	<b>SATURDAY 4:00PM</b>	<b>SUNDAY 9:00AM</b>
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)</b>	DEACON RAY JONI JAMES LISA JANOSKI	DEACON RAY BRANDON PIERETTI SEAN PIERETTI
<b>LECTORS</b>	ASHLEY KENIA	NICK MIGLIORI
<b>ALTAR SERVER(S)</b>	RACHEL KENIA	DANIEL DRISCOLE ZACH HARRIS JAMES MIKUS
<b>USHERS</b>	JIM BILLINGS & BILL SHAW	SEB NARO & STAN MALECKI
<b>GREETERS</b>	MARIE PACKER	JOHN HARRIS
<b>OFFERTORY GIFTS</b>	<b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b>	<b>ALEXANDER PIERETTI &amp; FAMILY</b>
<b>COLLECTION COUNTERS</b>		JACK HADDOW & KAY NOREIKA

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, 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, JERRY LAMONICA, JAMES DOUGHERTY, JESSICA MIGLIORI, STACIE MAGNECZ, TAMMY MIGLIORI, MELISSA HENNING HILL, MICHAEL BOGDON, JANET EVANS, ZACHARY WILLIAMS, KERSTIN LEE MIGLIORI, PAT STEAD, BILL STEAD, KATIE PACKER, JOE IGNATOVICH, PETER POLINSKY, DAVID TRESSLER, SR., ANN SMITH, DELORES HEAGY, FRAN MOLLUSKY, PEARL PIERCE, CAROLE GREENIP, BERNICE BURANICH, CEIL IGNATOVICH, JANE CAWLEY, LOUIS C. POLLINI JR., SUE MIGLIORI, MSGR. DAVID L. TRESSLER, BERNIE KENIA, JOE SCHIAVONE, JOSEPH FRANKO, LINDA NIEMIEC, CAROLLYN DAVIS, ELLEN GAREY, LINDA ZALEWSKI, FLORENCE KEYES, MARY PETERSEN, GINNY CLARKE, JACK KARASACK.

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

**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  
MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup> FOR **MARY ANN KASZUBA**  
OFFERED BY HER HUSBAND GEORGE

#### YOUR CONTRIBUTION:

Weekend Offering	\$ 1,815.00
Clergy Care	\$ 402.37

## ST. MARY OF THE LAKE CALENDAR

<b>MAR. 12</b> CCD CLASS/1 <sup>ST</sup> GRADE MASS <b>MAR. 19</b> HAM & CABBAGE DINNER – 5:00PM <b>MAR. 19</b> CCD CLASS/CONFESSIONS <b>MAR. 26</b> CCD CLASS/PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN <b>GRADE MASS/CONFESSIONS</b> <b>MAR. 28</b> CONFIRMATION – 7:00PM – CATHERDRAL  <b>APR. 02</b> CCD CLASS/ FIRST HOLY COMMUNION <b>LUNCHEON &amp; MASS</b> <b>APR. 02</b> LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE <b>APR. 03</b> ALTAR & ROSARY MTG. – 6:45PM – HALL <b>APR. 09</b> CCD CLASS/EASTER TREATS	<b>APR. 16</b> NO CCD CLASS <b>APR. 23</b> CCD CLASS TILL NOON FOR FIRST HOLY <b>COMMUNION PRACTICE</b> <b>APR. 30</b> CCD CLASS TILL NOON FOR FIRST HOLY <b>COMMUNION PRACTICE</b>  <b>MAY 01</b> ALTAR & ROSARY MTG. – 6:45PM – HALL <b>MAY 04</b> FINAL FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PRACTICE – <b>7:00PM</b> <b>MAY 06</b> FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – 10:00AM <b>MAY 07</b> LAST DAY OF CCD/MAY CROWNING
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## NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MASS SCHEDULE – WEEK OF MARCH 12, 2017

SATURDAY	MAR.	11	5:00PM	ANTHONY "SPIKE" BROWN – OFFERED BY HIS WIFE & CHILDREN
SUNDAY	MAR.	12	7:30AM	FRANCIS & HELEN McKEON – OFFERED BY THEIR FAMILY
			9:00AM	ED & MARIE BELLES – OFFERED BY THEIR DAUGHTER & SON
			11:00AM	JOAN V. BETTS – OFFERED BY HER DAUGHTER HEATHER
MONDAY	MAR.	13	7:00AM	ANNE SCHAEFER – OFFERED BY NANCY REILLY
TUESDAY	MAR.	14	7:00AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
WEDNESDAY	MAR.	15	7:00AM	ROSE ANN WHITE – OFFERED BY GENE & ROSEMARY LUPINSKI
THURSDAY	MAR.	16	7:00AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
FRIDAY	MAR.	17	7:00AM	ROSE ANN WHITE – OFFERED BY MARIE MIRABELLI
			<b>7:00PM</b>	<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b>
SATURDAY	MAR.	18	5:00PM	DOROTHY KOVALCHICK – OFFERED BY HER FAMILY
SUNDAY	MAR.	19	7:30AM	JOSEPH FRANK – OFFERED BY HIS MOTHER & FATHER
			9:00AM	THE WAGENHOFFER FAMILY – OFFERED BY GLORIA PASTERNAK
			11:00AM	SAL SCATURRO – OFFERED BY HIS WIFE PAT

### LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

<b>SAT. MAR. 11 &amp; SUN. MAR. 12 SATURDAY 5:00PM</b>		<b>SUNDAY 7:30AM</b>		<b>SUNDAY 9:00AM</b>		<b>SUNDAY 11:00AM</b>	
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)</b>	DEACON RAY LISA RANSOM SUSAN BARZILOSKI	AGNES MASSACESI NAN DeMARCO ALISHA NUDO	DEACON RAY JOHN KEEFE ROY BRODY	DOLORES MANGANELLA GLORIA PASTERNAK AIDEN BURRY	GARY TEWKSBURY SARA DUNAY DOLORES MANGANELLA GLORIA PASTERNAK AIDEN BURRY		
<b>LECTOR ALTAR SERVER(S)</b>	GRETA KOVALCHICK ALYSSA KOVALCHICK LAUREN KOVALCHICK TORI KOVALCHICK	CINDY BROWN ELIZABETH DeMARCO LEAH DeMARCO NICHOLAS DeMARCO	<b>PRE-K, K &amp; 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE CCD</b> ALEX BRODY EVAN BRODY KENNETH FILER	<b>PRE-K, K &amp; 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE CCD</b> J. MULLEN, V. MULLEN, A. DAVIS			
<b>OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS</b>	<b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b>	<b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b>	<b>PRE-K, K &amp; 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE CCD</b>	<b>LUCAS MATEUS &amp; FAMILY</b>			
<b>SAT. MAR. 18 &amp; SUN. MAR. 19 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 CHAPDELAINE CINDY BROWN SUSAN BARZILOSKI	AGNES MASSACESI ALISHA NUDO NAN DeMARCO	CARL SHINKO ROY BRODY JOHN KEEFE	DOLORES MANGANELLA GARY TEWKSBURY DIANE STONE			
<b>LECTOR ALTAR SERVER(S)</b>	PAT MURRAY IAN BURKE JACK ZEUNEN MARY ZEUNEN	CHRIS DeMARCO SARAH DeMARCO EMMA HARDING GRACE HARDING	LYNNE BINNER ROBERT BURRY CORA MILNER HANNAH MILNER	TONY ZEME ANTHONY ECKERT EMMA ELIAS THOMAS ELIAS			
<b>OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS</b>	<b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b>	<b>SELECTION BY USHERS</b>	<b>MOLLY BURKE &amp; FAMILY</b>	<b>WYATT STAUFFER &amp; FAMILY</b>			
			B. KIRBY, W. OLIVER, R. THORNE				

### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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

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#### SANCTUARY LIGHT:

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

#### YOUR CONTRIBUTION:

Weekend Offering	\$5,087.00
Clergy Care	\$ 781.00

## NATIVITY BVM CALENDAR

<p><b>MAR. 12</b> CCD CLASS/PRE-K, K, &amp; 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE MASS/ CONFIRMATION CLASS</p> <p><b>MAR. 12</b> BIBLE STUDY GROUP – 7:00PM – FNH UPSTAIRS CLASSROOM</p> <p><b>MAR. 13</b> MAKING PIEROGIES – FNH</p> <p><b>MAR. 13</b> ALTAR &amp; ROSARY MEETING – 12:45PM – FNH</p> <p><b>MAR. 13</b> "THE LIGHT IS ON" – 5:30-7:00PM – CONFESSIONS</p> <p><b>MAR. 14</b> PACKAGING PIEROGIES – 1:00-2:00PM – FNH</p> <p><b>MAR. 15</b> BIBLE STUDY – 10:00AM – RECTORY</p> <p><b>MAR. 17</b> SELLING LENTEN FOOD – 10:00AM-5:00PM – FATHER NALLIN HALL</p>	<p><b>MAR. 19</b> CCD CLASS</p> <p><b>MAR. 19</b> BIBLE STUDY GROUP – 7:00PM – FNH UPSTAIRS CLASSROOM</p> <p><b>MAR. 20</b> MAKING PIEROGIES – FNH</p> <p><b>MAR. 20</b> "THE LIGHT IS ON" – 5:30-7:00PM – CONFESSIONS</p> <p><b>MAR. 21</b> PACKAGING PIEROGIES – 1:00-2:00PM – FNH</p> <p><b>MAR. 22</b> LENTEN SERVICE –TUNKHANNOCK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – 12:10PM</p> <p><b>MAR. 24</b> SELLING PIEROGIES – 10:00AM-5:00PM – FNH</p> <p><b>MAR. 26</b> CCD CLASS/4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE MASS</p>
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