

September 15, 2019



THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON PENNSYLVANIA

Parish of St. Barbara

Our Worship Sites Saint Anthony of Padua Saint Cecilia

Parish Information

Weekend Mass

Saturday

4:00 p.m. St. Anthony

Sunday

8:00 a.m. St. Cecilia

10:30 a.m. St. Anthony

Weekdays

Monday 12:10 p.m.

Tuesday 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday 7:00 a.m.

Thursday 8:00 a.m.

Friday 7:00 a.m.

Confessions

Confessions are heard each Saturday from 3:00 - 3:40 pm in the Church. Father is also available for the sacrament by appointment.

Parish Staff

Fr. Michael E. Finn	Pastor
Rev. Mr. Walter Janoski	Deacon
Rev. Mr. William Dervinis	Deacon Emeritus
Maureen Capitano	Secretary
Sylvia Appel	Secretary/Webmaster
Loretta Semenza	Director of Rel. Ed.
Ann Manganiello	Director of Music/Choir
Robert Borzell	Property Manager

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Parish Website:	www.stbarbaraexeter.com

Office Hours

(Week of September 16, 2019 - September 20, 2019)

Monday: 8am - 2pm

Tuesday: 8am - 2pm

Wednesday: 8am - 2pm

Thursday: 8am - 2pm

Friday: 8am - 2pm

Sacramental Information

Baptism: is celebrated after the 10:30 Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Arrangements must be made with the office.

Weddings: must be booked six months in advance so that we can take care of the paperwork and pre-Cana.

Anointing of the Sick: is celebrated any time it is needed. If you are having surgery or going into the hospital just stop and see Father after Sunday Mass or call the Parish Office to let him know.

Sponsor Card: will be provided for registered parishioners who attend Mass on a regular basis - ONLY.

Pastoral Appointments: Father Finn books his own appointments so call the office to connect with him. Sometimes it may take several calls.

Weekend Music

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Entrance Hymn

#755 W&S "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

Preparation Hymn

#592 W&S "Amazing Grace"

Peoples Mass by Vermulst #253

Communion Hymn

#560 W&S "Gift of Finest Wheat"

Recessional Hymn

#670 W&S "City of God"

Social Concerns & Outreach

Contact Josephine Hatrak at 570-693-0826 or the Parish Office at 570-654-2103.



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Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Lord, send out Your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.”



MASS INTENTIONS

September 14, 2019 to September 22, 2019



~ **Saturday, September 14** ~

4:00PM - (St. Anthony) All Parishioners

~ **Sunday, September 15** ~

8:00AM - (St. Cecilia) Donald Clarke by Wife & Family

10:30AM - (St. Anthony) 50th Wedding Anniversary of Russell & Doreen Keeler

~ **Monday, September 16** ~

12:10PM - Joseph Piccirilli, Jr. by Ralph & Sandy Nardell

~ **Tuesday, September 17** ~

8:00AM - Ross Tarantino by Mary & Loretta

~ **Wednesday, September 18** ~

7:00AM - In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony by John Naples

~ **Thursday, September 19** ~

8:00AM - Ella Mae, William & George Dirvinis by Bill & Mary Dirvinis

~ **Friday, September 20** ~

7:00AM - Norma Ondek by Norma Schmidt

~ **Saturday, September 21** ~

4:00PM - (St. Anthony) Michael Blaine by Mr. & Mrs. Frank Parra & Family

~ **Sunday, September 22** ~

8:00AM - (St. Cecilia) All Parishioners

10:30AM - (St. Anthony) Stella Marie Koslosky by Jack Koslosky & Family



Altar Servers

September 21 4:00 PM - Tim Kuzma

September 22 8:00 AM - Zack Houston

10:30 AM - Adam Wisnewski

Lectors

September 21 4:00 PM - M. Smith & C. Trzcinski

September 22 8:00 AM - Ray Pasavage

10:30 AM - Jeannie Wisnewski &

Danielle Bruno

Eucharistic Ministers

September 21 4:00 PM - Ann Luke, Marge Paoloni &

Joe Cortegerone

September 22 8:00 AM - Doreen Keeler &

Ed Doreskewicz

10:30 AM - Lucille Trotta, Joyce DeAngelo & Florence Galushka

Sanctuary Light

September 15 - September 21, 2019

In Memory of: **Constantino Bocci**

By: Family

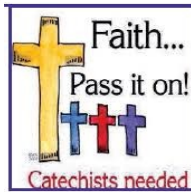


The flowers on the altar this weekend are donated in honor of the Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of Russell & Doreen Keeler.



Annual Mission Co-op Appeal

The weekend of September 21st & 22nd, our parish will participate in the Diocesan Mission Cooperative Plan and we will welcome Fr. Santhosh George OSST of the Trinitarian Missionary Community.



Today we bless our Religious Education Teachers, who continue to carry on the great tradition of handing on our faith. May God bless them for their hard work and great joy!

Stories for All Seasons

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time: The Prodigal Son

Theme: The father never stops loving us.

In one of the episodes of the comic strip “Peanuts,” Lucy has a helium-filled balloon which she gives to Snoopy, saying, “I’m going in for lunch, Snoopy....Hold this for me.”

She puts the string of the balloon in his mouth and warns him, “Whatever you do, don’t let go of it!”

So Snoopy sits there motionless, holding the balloon. It must have been a long lunch, because eventually he falls asleep, still holding on to the balloon. During his nap he yawns and, of course, the balloon takes off.

In that twilight zone between sleeping and waking he realizes what just happened and is suddenly wide awake in a panic. In the final frame he is walking along a railroad track in the moonlight, with his belongings in a sack tied to a pole on his shoulder, saying to himself, “Make one mistake and you’re doomed for life!”

Application: Unlike Snoopy, we should not feel we are doomed for life. Forgiveness, a second chance, can always be ours. Are we prepared to give others a second chance ?

September 2019 Calendar

Social Concerns	9/17	7:00PM	Parish Center
Holy Name	9/19	7:00PM	Parish Center
Finance Council	9/24	7:00PM	Rectory
Chicken Dinner	9/29	11:00AM to 3:00PM	Parish Center

GRIEF SUPPORT: The Parish will sponsor a five week support program on "Grief." Deacon Walter and Norma Janoski will host the program each Monday from 6:00PM to 7:30PM in the Parish Center. The group will meet September 30th, October 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th. If you would like to join them, please call the office (570-654-2103) to register. Space is limited to 12.

Choir Practice

There will be choir practice on Thursday, September 19th at 6:30. New members are always welcome to join!

The **Cosmopolitan Senior Citizens** next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 17th at 1:00pm in the Parish Center.

Fall Craft Fair sponsored by Queen of the Apostles Parish Social Concerns/Respect Life Ministry Saturday, September 28th from 9am - 2pm in the parish hall, 715 Hawthorne St. Avoca. Admission is free.

Bus Pilgrimage to National Shrine of Divine Mercy

There will be a bus trip to the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy in celebration of the Feast of St. Maria Faustina on Saturday, October 5, 2019. The bus will depart at 7:00am from the Oblates of St. Joseph on Highway 315 in Pittston. Cost is \$75 per person. For more information, contact the trip coordinator, Cathy Mack at (570)654-6063.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious education for Elementary grades (1st through 6th) will be held **TODAY** Sunday, September 15th and also on Sunday, September 22nd from 9:00AM until 10:15AM. The 7th & 8th grade (Confirmation candidates) will have their first meeting on **TODAY** Sunday, September 15th from 6:00PM to 7:30PM. Their next meeting will be Sunday, September 29th from 6:00PM to 7:30PM. For convenience, the class schedule is on the Parish website under Faith Formation at www.stbarbaraexeter.com.

The parents of ALL students (new or returning), including parents of parochial school students, are required to complete a registration form. Registration forms are available at the back of the churches and on our web site.

Teachers, aides and substitutes are needed for the 2019-2020 school year. High School students are welcome to volunteer as a teacher's aide. For more information please call Loretta at (570) 654-0936. Even if you are not able to help every week, please consider contacting us.

Hurricane Dorian

As Hurricane Dorian continues to impact the southern United States, you may have already seen some of the heartbreaking images from the Bahamas where the Category 5 storm made landfall on Sept, 1, bringing record wind, rain and storm surges. We pray for all our Bahamian brothers & sisters who have been affected by Hurricane Dorian. We ask Our Lord to be with the responders & rescue crews and that all those in harm's way be given the help they need. If any of you are looking for ways to help, donations are being accepted by Catholic Relief Services and Catholic Charities, USA. Online donations can be made for Catholic Relief Services can be made at <https://support.crs.org/donate/hurricane-dorian> and Catholic Charities: <https://app.mobilecause.com/form/RTKRvQ?vid=1sngm>.

St. Barbara Chicken Dinner

Tickets for the dinner featuring Arcaro & Genell's Italian Roast chicken will be sold after all weekend masses.

Sunday, September 29th at St Anthony Parish Center \$10.00 per dinner Take-outs 11:00 AM - 3:00PM Eat-in 12:00 - 3:00PM

No sales at the door; all dinners must be ordered no later than Monday, September 23rd.

Tickets may also be obtained:

- At the Rectory, 224 Memorial St., Exeter PA 18643 during normal business hours (570-654-2103).
- From members of the Men's Holy Name Society, Christian Women & Social Concerns at the churches after Sunday Mass.
- By returning the form below with payment by mail to the rectory or in weekend mass collections (these tickets will be held at the door on the date of the dinner).

Name: _____ Phone: _____

_____ #Dinners @ \$10.00 = \$ _____

_____ #Take-out _____ #Eat-in