

May 3, 2020



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 Religious Ed.
Ann Manganiello	Director of Music/Choir
Robert Borzell	Property Manager

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Parish Website:	www.stbarbaraexeter.com

Office Hours

(Week of May 4, 2020 - May 8, 2020)

Monday: 8am - 2pm

Tuesday: 8am - 2pm

Wednesday: 8am - 2pm

Thursday: 8am - 2pm

Friday: CLOSED

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 **May 3, 2020**

Entrance Hymn

479 W&S "All You on Earth"

Preparation Hymn

679 W&S "The King of Love"

Mass of Christ, the Savior

Communion Hymn

538 W&S "Gift of Finest Wheat"

Recessional Hymn

493 W&S "Hymn of Joy"

Social Concerns & Outreach

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

May 3, 2020
Fourth Sunday of Easter

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



MASS INTENTIONS
May 2, 2020 to May 10, 2020



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- ~ **Saturday, May 2** ~
- 4:00PM** - All Mothers Living & Deceased
- ~ **Sunday, May 3** ~
- ~ **Monday, May 4** ~
- 12:10PM - Angie Oprendick by Loretta
- ~ **Tuesday, May 5** ~
- 8:00AM - Angelo Anzalone, Jr. by Sylvia Appel
- ~ **Wednesday, May 6** ~
- 7:00AM - Anthony B. Mirra by Natalie Voitek & James Fiore
- ~ **Thursday, May 7** ~
- 8:00AM - Valeria M. Callaio by Mike & Ann Caputo
- ~ **Friday, May 8** ~
- 7:00AM - William Antos by Wife, Geri
- ~ **Saturday, May 9** ~
- ~ **Sunday, May 10** ~
- 8:00AM** - All Mothers Living & Deceased



Sanctuary Light

May 3, 2020 - May 9, 2020
Safety of Mariann Sheehan & All Nurses
At Eaglewood Hospital, N. J.

CATHOLIC TELEVISION BROADCASTING
DAILY MASSES

Despite the suspension of public Masses, a private Mass will be celebrated daily in the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton, and made available on CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton. On weekdays, the Mass will be broadcast at 12:10 p.m., 3:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. And on weekends, the Saturday Vigil Mass will be broadcast at 4:00 p.m. and rebroadcast on Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. The Masses will also be streamed on the Diocese of Scranton’s website www.dioceseofscranton.org, made available on the Diocese of Scranton’s social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram) and will be accessible on the Diocese of Scranton’s YouTube channel.

Weekly Contributions

Despite the suspension of Masses, it is important that weekly contributions continue. This is the primary way our parish supports itself. At this time of need and with the discontinuance of all financial fund raisers, it is important that we continue to support our Parish. Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Office: We ask that all contact with the office be done by phone at this time (570) 654-2103. However, you can drop off your contribution envelopes in the office **mail box**, or you can send them through the mail.

NOTICE!

FOR THE FORSEEABLE FUTURE:

1. There will be no public worship or prayer services
2. Church will only be open for private prayer on Sunday from 10AM - 2PM
3. No assembly of people will be permitted
4. Please keep at least six or more feet away from anyone else who may be in the Church
5. The priest is available for emergencies only
6. This schedule will continue until changed by the bishop of the diocese.

Scheduling Mass Intentions & Sanctuary Candles

Beginning **Monday, May 11th**, we will be scheduling for the months of July through December, 2020.

WE WILL ONLY BE ABLE TO SCHEDULE OVER THE PHONE AT THIS TIME. PLEASE DO NOT COME TO THE OFFICE - YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN!

Intentions are scheduled on a first-come first-served basis. **Please remember that we can only allow 1 weekend (Saturday or Sunday) Mass and 2 weekday Masses per year per family.** Thank you for your cooperation.

Parish Bulletins: Bulletins will be printed each week and can be found in the normal places in St. Anthony’s Church. Also, we will try to keep you updated on what is occurring in the parish and diocese as we get information. Please share the bulletins or the information in the bulletin as widely as possible, especially with elderly and shut-ins. For our parishioners that are familiar with a computer, our bulletin can be found every week on our website: www.stbarbaraexeter.com.

Parish Mass Videos

The Mass is being recorded every weekend at St. Barbara Parish beginning with Palm Sunday. It may viewed at: www.stbarbaraexeter.com. The current week’s Mass will be available anytime after Saturday at 4pm. Click on Liturgy/Sacraments and then select whichever Mass you would like to view.

Thank you for your cooperation in all these matters!

In Our Prayers



SYMPATHY

We offer our prayers for the souls of **Sal Cometa, Carol Dente & Eugene Perrella** who recently passed away. Our sympathy to their family members and to all who grieve their loss. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. May the angels lead them to paradise.

PERFECT CONTRITION

With the increasing difficulty for individuals to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation due to the current health crisis, the faithful of the Scranton Diocese are reminded that by having *perfect contrition* one can receive the forgiveness of sins, without going to confession.

Perfect contrition requires the following three things:

- A love of God above all else
- A sincere desire for the forgiveness from sin
- The resolution to go to confession as soon as possible

MASSES

The usual daily Masses and the weekend Mass for the Parishioners, that were scheduled, will be said privately by Father Finn. However, he is not permitted to have anyone in attendance. The Saturday and Sunday Masses that were to be said will be rescheduled. Also, the Wednesday and Friday 12:10PM Masses scheduled during Lent will be rescheduled for a later date. We will be contacting you if you scheduled one of these Masses once the virus threat is over and Father can celebrate Mass and have all of the faithful attend again.

Christian Women Spring Lottery

Congratulations to the following winners of the PA evening PICK3 lottery matches:

Sunday, 4/12	Cal Miller	\$50
Monday, 4/13	Rena Bolin	\$50
Tuesday, 4/14	Natalie Mish	\$50
Wednesday, 4/15	Cynthia Liberski	\$50
Thursday, 4/16	Helen Shimko	\$50
Friday, 4/17	Rosalie Mazzarella	\$50
Saturday, 4/18	Phil Russo	\$100

Congratulations to the winner of the Holy Name 50/50 drawing of \$177.00: Helen Szura.

Local Resources

Meals

All Luzerne County Active Adult Centers are closed; however, hot lunches for seniors are still being served at noon. Seniors should call their center for updated lunch information.

Wyoming Area School District:

Grab-and-go lunches for students are available in the Secondary Center Cafeteria. Please enter through the rear of the building for pickup - weekdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All students are eligible. Families must provide the name and grade of the students when picking up lunches.

“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam though the mountains tremble at its swelling.”
(Psalm 46:1-3)

SOCIAL CONCERNS

In order to help our local community, the Social Concerns Committee has asked us to publish the following as an aid to those who may need assistance.

- Area Agency on Aging (Luzerne County): (570) 822-1158
Assess Income - Home Health - Home Help
- Luzerne County Assistance Office: (570) 826-2100
Financial Help - Food Stamps
- Meals On Wheels of Greater Pittston: (570) 655-0135
- VA Medical Center: (570)824-3521
Many forms of assistance for veterans.

If anyone knows of any other agencies please contact the parish office so we can add them to our list.

Stories for All Seasons

**Fourth Sunday of Easter The Good Shepherd:
Theme: Jesus shepherds us with loving vigilance.**

In her book *Lessons of the Heart* (Ave Maria Press), Pat Livingston describes an afternoon when Claire, her niece, introduced her stuffed animals and dolls to Pat, calling them by name and describing when they were born. The four-year-old told Pat all about what these friends had done, the times they had been good, the times Claire had had to spank them. She pointed out the ones who never went to bed on time. The next day after Pat returned home she received a phone call from her sister. Claire had drawn four stick figures - one of whom had a head with small circles on each side. The figures were Claire’s mother, father, older brother, and Aunt Pat. “What are those things on Aunt Pat’s head?” asked Claire’s mother. “They’re ears,” her daughter responded. “Aunt Pat really listens. That makes me feel special.”

Application: Do we believe that Jesus listens to us? Do we take our cares to him, the Good Shepherd?