

August 16, 2020



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 8:00 a.m.

Confessions

Confessions are heard each weekday after Mass 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
Loretta Semenza	Director of Religious Ed.
Ann Manganiello	Director of Music/Choir
Robert Borzell	Property Manager

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Office Hours

(Week of August 17, 2020 - August 21, 2020)

Monday: 8am - 2pm

Tuesday: 8am - 2pm

Wednesday: 8am - 2pm

Thursday: 8am - 4pm

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.

Music

Until further notice, according to the Covid19 guidelines, the congregation is asked not to sing at Mass because everyone must wear a mask. Also, for your protection, no one is allowed in the choir loft except the organist and cantor. Thank you for your cooperation.

Keep a song in your heart!

Social Concerns & Outreach

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



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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



MASS INTENTIONS

August 15, 2020 to August 23, 2020



~ **Saturday, August 15** ~

4:00PM - All Parishioners

~ **Sunday, August 16** ~

10:30AM - Richard Trotta by Wife & Children

~ **Monday, August 17** ~

12:10PM - Deceased Members of the Hatrak Family by
Paul & Josephine Hatrak

~ **Tuesday, August 18** ~

8:00AM - Michael Mackachinis by Anna Mae Tamalenus

~ **Wednesday, August 19** ~

7:00AM - Special Intentions by Sylvia Appel

~ **Thursday, August 20** ~

8:00AM - Daniel Maszeroski by Janice & Joseph
Mikolajczyk

~ **Friday, August 21** ~

7:00AM - Beverly Byington by Family

~ **Saturday, August 22** ~

4:00PM - James & Lenore Parini by Daughter, Cheryl

~ **Sunday, August 23** ~

10:30AM - All Parishioners



Liturgy Schedule

Lectors

August 22 4:00 PM - Linda Blandina & Kristen Richards

August 23 10:30 AM - Charlotte Naples & Ray Pasavage

Eucharistic Ministers

August 22 4:00 PM - Marisa Walter

August 23 10:30 AM - Donald Robbins

NOTICE

FOR THE FORSEEABLE FUTURE:

1. Daily Masses will resume the normal schedule: Monday at 12:10 PM, Wednesday at 7:00AM, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 8:00AM.
2. Father will be available for Confession after every weekday Mass.
3. No one will be allowed in the Church without a mask.
4. Please follow the signs on the pews which will keep everyone at least six feet away from anyone else. Families may sit together in designated areas.
5. Communion and bulletins will be distributed after the Mass as you leave the Church. If you choose not to receive Communion in the hand, you must move to the end of the line and wait until everyone else has received.
6. Weekend Masses will continue on Saturday at 4:00PM and Sunday at 10:30AM in St. Anthony's Church (no Masses at St. Cecilia's).
8. This schedule will continue until changed by the bishop of the diocese.



Sanctuary Light

August 16, 2020 - August 22, 2020

In Memory of: Henry Zelinski

By Irene Zelinski & Family

Parish Flea Market – We are collecting clean, useable items for our Flea Market. You may drop them off at the parish center by the side door facing Pride. Please do not put anything in front of the door. Do not bring donations on a day it is supposed to rain. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

We will not accept: computers, encyclopedias, text books, clothing or shoes, magazines, televisions or exercise equipment.

Flea Market Volunteers Needed: Monday, August 17th, & Thursday, August 20th from 6pm until 8pm in the Parish Center. New volunteers are always welcome.

****Please note: We will no longer meet on Tuesdays until further notice.**



The flowers on the altar this weekend have been donated in honor of the Feast of the Assumption by St. Barbara's Christian Women Organization.

National Day of Remembrance

The Diocese of Scranton will participate in the eighth annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children on Saturday, Sept. 12 when pro-life Americans will honor the memory of the nearly 60 million unborn victims of abortion since its legalization in 1973. Diocesan observances on Sept. 12 will include a Memorial Service for Victims of Abortion to be held at 11 a.m. at Mount Olivet Cemetery, 612 Mount Olivet Road, Carverton. The pro-life gathering will take place at Mount Olivet's Wyoming Valley Knights of Columbus Tomb for the Unborn, located on the top of the hill on the cemetery grounds. During the memorial observance, the Rosary will be recited in remembrance of all aborted babies. All faithful are invited.

Parish Mass Schedule

Our new Daily Mass schedule is as follows: Masses will be celebrated on Mondays at 12:10PM, Tuesdays at 8:00AM, Wednesdays at 7:00AM, Thursdays at 8:00AM and **Fridays at 8:00AM (please note the change of time for Friday's Mass.)**

At the present time, we will hold weekend Masses as follows: Saturdays at 4:00PM & Sundays at 10:30AM in St. Anthony's church. St. Cecilia's will remain closed until the "spacing problem" and sterilization come to an end.

Confessions will be offered after Mass any weekday - just let Father know at the end of Mass. Confessions must be held in the sacristy to maintain the six foot distance required by both the state and the diocese.

St. Anthony's Church Open

The church will still be open every Sunday after Mass until 2:00PM for private prayer. Masks must be worn at all times while in the church. Please remember to keep 6 feet away from all other persons that may be in the church at the same time as you. The church is then cleaned and sanitized prior to opening the next day. Many thanks to Bobby & Cindy!

Saint Joseph's Center Sidewalk Sale

St. Joseph's Center, 320 South Blakely Street, Dunmore will hold a Sidewalk sale on Saturday, August 22nd, 9AM-12PM. There will be something for everyone including, home and backyard, womens, mens & childrens items, as well as, vintage items and collectibles. Your support of the Center's summer events is greatly appreciated. Please follow all CDC guidelines. Face coverings are required.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious education for Elementary grades (1st through 6th) will begin on Sunday, September 20th from 9:00AM until 10:15AM. The 7th & 8th grade (Confirmation candidates) will meet on Sunday, September 27th from 6:00 to 7:30PM. For your convenience, the class schedule will be on the Parish website, www.stbarbaraexeter.com, under Faith Formation.

Registration forms are available at the back of the church and on our web site. Please complete one and submit online or return it in the collection basket or to the parish office by September 13, 2020. The parents of **ALL** students (new or returning), including parents of parochial school students, are required to complete a registration form.

Teachers, aides and substitutes are needed for the 2020-2021 school year. High School students are welcome to volunteer to help 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.

Parish Mass Videos

The Mass will continue to be recorded every weekend at St. Anthony Church at the Saturday 4:00PM Mass. It may viewed at: www.stbarbaraexeter.com.

The current week's Mass will be available late on Saturday evening or early Sunday morning. Click on Liturgy/Sacraments and then select whichever Mass you would like to view.

Part-time Position Available: Church sexton at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 215 Lackawanna Ave., Dupont. Job description: grounds keeping, building cleaning, and light maintenance. Interested parties are asked to submit their resume to the attention of Father Petro by Monday, August 24. Job hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Stories for All Seasons

Twentieth Sunday: The Syro-Phoenician Woman

Theme: Faith impels us to keep coming back to God, even when it may seem futile.

A glimmer of hope in the Serbo-Croatian war. A Franciscan Sister of Mercy, herself a Croat who grew up in Serbia, has been working with rape victims from Bosnia as well as trying to find housing for the many refugees. Dressed in her nun's habit, she goes to a door and pleads with those who answer, "I have no place to stay. I'm hungry. Can you take me in?" Croatia is a deeply Catholic country, so the answer to the nun's plea is almost always, "Of course, Sister." Then the nun steps back to let the real refugees with her be seen. They are usually taken in by the family.

Application: How are we to respond when God seems distant and does not answer our prayer?