

April 11, 2021



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.

### 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.

Director of Music/Choir

Robert Borzell

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www.stbarbaraexeter.com

### Office Hours

(Week of April 12, 2021 - April 16, 2021)

Monday: 8am - 4pm

Tuesday: 8am - 2pm

Wednesday: 8am - 4pm

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.

### 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.



# April 11, 2021

## Second Sunday of Easter

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



### MASS INTENTIONS

April 10, 2021 to April 18, 2021



~ **Saturday, April 10** ~

**4:00PM** - All Parishioners Living & Deceased

~ **Sunday, April 11** ~

**10:30AM** - Michael & Josephine Zaboski by Children & Families

~ **Monday, April 12** ~

12:10PM - Angelo & Mary Ann Anzalone by Mary Jo

~ **Tuesday, April 13** ~

8:00AM - Joseph Marotto by Joan & Don Robbins

~ **Wednesday, April 14** ~

7:00AM - David Pepe by Patti Pepe

~ **Thursday, April 15** ~

8:00AM - Robert Crosbie by Tina & Melissa

~ **Friday, April 16** ~

8:00AM - Albert Sarti by Joe & Gene

~ **Saturday, April 17** ~

**4:00PM** - Joseph & Anna Peeler & Family by Dorothy Luke

~ **Sunday, April 18** ~

**10:30AM** - All Parishioners Living & Deceased



### Liturgy Schedule

#### Lectors

April 17 4:00 PM - Mary Jo Anzalone  
Danielle Bruno

April 18 10:30 AM - Ray Pasavage  
Rocco Yanora

#### Eucharistic Ministers

April 17 4:00 PM - Brad Walter  
April 18 10:30 AM - Carmen Bolin

### NOTICE

#### FOR THE FORSEEABLE FUTURE:

1. Daily Masses will continue 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 three feet away from anyone else. Families may sit together in designated areas.
5. Communion has returned to the normal time during the Mass. Bulletins will still be distributed after Mass as you leave the Church.
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).
7. This schedule will continue until changed by the bishop of the diocese.

### Sanctuary Light

April 11, 2021 - April 17, 2021

In Memory of: **Henry Zelinski**

By: Wife, Irene & Family



### SYMPATHY

We offer our prayers for the soul of **Helen Mauriello** who recently passed away. Our sympathy to her family members and to all who grieve her loss. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord. May she rest in peace. May the angels lead her to paradise.

### In Our Prayers



### WEEKLY OFFERING:

Easter Sunday 2021: \$11,590.60  
Easter Sunday 2020: \$11,148.00

### Scheduling Mass Intentions

We schedule Masses and Sanctuary Candles for 6 (six) months at a time. Beginning Monday, May 3rd, we will be scheduling for the months of July through December, 2021. 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.

### Lenten Food Sale

The Lenten food sale was a great success. The total profit was \$8,079.58. Thanks to everyone for their hard work in bringing this fundraiser to fruition.

## WE NEED MORE MINISTERS FOR THE PARISH

I would like to thank all those who have been able to minister during this pandemic so those who were able to come to Mass had a good experience. We hope that we will be able to return to normal soon. Of course it will be weeks before anything major will happen, but I believe that we need to be ready for when it happens. So I am asking you to consider one of our liturgical ministries. We need servers, both young and older to serve Mass. We need more Readers to proclaim the Word and Extra-Ordinary Ministers to assist with Holy Communion – at Mass and/or bringing the Eucharist to shut ins. Please think about this for a couple weeks. We will have a list with instructions toward the end of April. Thank you all for the wonderful Masses celebrated in our parish.

### BULLETIN ADS

We currently have advertisement space on the back of our weekly bulletin. If you or someone you know is interested in advertising, please call the rectory office to make the necessary arrangements. The cost for the ads are: \$300 per year for a small black & white block, \$350 per year for a large black & white block, \$500 per year for a small color block and \$550 per year for a large color block.

### 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 2021 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 6 at the Cathedral of St. Peter. The Mass will begin at 2:30, and attendance will require advance reservation. To register, click [here](#) or follow this link: <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/parish-life/community/marriage/enrichment/wedding-anniversary-mass-june-6-2021/>. For questions or concerns, or any issues registering online, please reach out to Jen Housel, Director for Community and Family Development. ([jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org), 570-207-2213 x 1104)

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The next Religious education class for Elementary grades (1st through 6th) will be held this Sunday, April 11th and Sunday April 18th from 9:00AM to 10:15AM.

**Parents of this year's Communion class are asked to attend with their children on April 11th to discuss the May 1st First Communion celebration.**

The next class for Confirmation candidates (7th and 8th grade) will be held today, Sunday, April 11th and Sunday April 25th from 6:00PM to 7:30PM.

For your convenience, the class schedule is on the Parish website, [www.stbarbaraexeter.com](http://www.stbarbaraexeter.com), under Faith Formation.

### Girl Scout Shoe Drive

Ellie Parra's Girl Scout Troop 30262 is collecting new or used shoes in good condition for Funds4Women. This program is a way for female-led groups in the United States to support women all over the world to become micro-entrepreneurs. Gently worn, used, and new shoes are utilized to stimulate economic growth and provide women a chance to rise above poverty with a hand up, not a hand out. The shoes get shipped to developing nations worldwide to women small business owners, who sell the shoes so they could help themselves out of poverty by earning a living. This collection is a socially responsible way to dispose of unwanted shoes in support of a good cause & is sustainable for the planet. Please give your unwanted shoes a new lease on life! Collection boxes will be available in the church vestibule beginning April 5th. Simply place shoes in a plastic bag and drop them in the collection boxes. Please consider donating slippers, flip-flops, sandals, sneakers, shoes or boots or any other footwear that is in new or reusable condition to this worthwhile cause. Thank you for your support!

### FREE BABY CLOTHING

The Human Life Resource Center in Wilkes Barre, due to the Pandemic lock-down, has an over-abundance of baby clothes, newborn to 24 months. Families are welcome to these free and often new items at no charge. Visit the Center at 31 Hanover Street, Wilkes Barre, weekdays, 10am to 3pm. Thank You.

## Stories for All Seasons

### Second Sunday of Easter: Doubting Thomas

*Theme: Jesus turns doubt into an occasion for an increase in faith.*

Have you ever watched geese fly in a V-shaped formation? While a thing of beauty to watch, the formation is essential to the geese for survival. If you listen, you can hear the beat of the wings whistling through the air in unison. And that's the secret of their strength: the lead goose cuts a swath through the air resistance, which creates a helping uplift for the birds behind it. In turn, their flapping makes it easier for the birds behind them, and so on. Each bird takes its turn at being the leader. The tired ones fan out to the edges of the V for a breather, and the rested ones surge toward the point of the V to drive the flock onward.

If a goose becomes too exhausted or ill and has to drop out of the flock, it is never abandoned. A stronger member of the flock will follow the failing, weak one to its resting place and wait until the bird is well enough to fly again. Together, cooperating as a flock, geese can fly at a 71-percent longer range, with up to 60 percent less work.

**Application: Do we belong to a community of faith in which our faith can be nourished? What steps can we take to foster a faith community?**