

July 4, 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

Beginning on June 5th, confessions will be 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

Anne Maurizi

Secretary

Maureen Capitano

Secretary

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Office Hours

(Week of July 5, 2021 - July 9, 2021)

Monday: Closed for the July 4th

Tuesday: 9am - 3pm

Wednesday: 9am - 3pm

Thursday: 9am - 3pm

Friday: 9am - 3pm

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 July 4, 2021

Entrance Hymn

786 W&S "Praise to the Lord"

Preparation Hymn

732 W&S "Be Not Afraid"

Communion Hymn

674 W&S "Here I Am, Lord"

Recessional Hymn

838 W&S "America, the Beautiful"

Social Concerns & Outreach

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



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Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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



MASS INTENTIONS

July 3, 2021 to July 11, 2021



~ **Saturday, July 3** ~

4:00PM (SA) - All Parishioners Living & Deceased

~ **Sunday, July 4** ~

8:00AM (SC) - Helen Acierno by Cherrywood Homeowners Association

10:30AM (SA) - William DeAngelo by Family

~ **Monday, July 5** ~

10:00AM - Lisa Mazur by Husband Stephen Mazur

~ **Tuesday, July 6** ~

8:00AM - Mary Ann Schultz By Husband David Schultz

~ **Wednesday, July 7** ~

7:00AM - Joseph Dellarte by Van & Sharon Tocket

~ **Thursday, July 8** ~

8:00AM - Teresa Connors By Dan & Jean Ragantesi

~ **Friday, July 9** ~

8:00AM - Joseph Semenza by Nieces, Mary & Loretta

~ **Saturday, July 10** ~

4:00PM (SA) - Joseph R. Kleback by Debra Phillips

~ **Sunday, July 11** ~

8:00AM (SC) - Anthony D. Bruno, M.D.
by Ross Latona

10:30AM (SA) - All Parishioners



Liturgy Schedule

L e c t o r s

July 10 4:00 PM - Mary Jo Anzalone

Cookie Trzcinski

July 11 8:00 AM - Rocco Yanora

10:30 AM - Frank Nocito

Charlotte Naples

Eucharistic Ministers

July 10 4:00 PM - Brad Walter

July 11 8:00 AM - Dave Dohlon

10:30 AM - Paul Naples

SAVE THE DATE MARK YOUR CALENDARS

St. Barbara's Parish has set the date for our annual Flea Market and this year we will also be selling our "famous" Potato Pancakes during the Flea Market hours.

Flea Market & Potato Pancake Sale will be held:

5:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Friday, July 23rd &

Saturday, July 24th

12:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Sunday, July 25th

Flea Market is held in our parish center and the Potato Pancakes will be sold under our pavilion.

Parish Flea Market

We are now 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, July 5th and Thursday, July 8th from 6pm - 8pm in the Parish Center. New volunteers are always welcome.

Please remember to follow CDC guidelines to wear a mask at all times if you are not vaccinated.

Sanctuary Light

July 4, 2021 - July 10, 2021

In Memory of: **John & Julia Gregus**
By Granddaughter, Melissa



WEEKLY OFFERING:

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2021: \$5,893.00

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2020: \$3,082.05

First Communion pictures are here. If you ordered a picture, you can pick it up in the rectory office. Please check the front of the bulletin for office hours.

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER FINN

As I announced at Masses last week, we are returning to almost normal. There is holy water at the entrances, hymnals in the pews, and the mask mandate has been lifted...unless you feel the need. We can now sing at the Masses, and we will have the ushers back to take up the collection.

While all seems like it used to be, the priest must still try to keep the time as short as possible and we still must sterilize the church after the Masses. So that means that we will continue to lock the churches after the Masses. My understanding is that this will continue for some time yet.

I will continue to use the chapel for Saturday confessions from 3:00 pm until 3:40 pm.

Thank you all for your cooperation during this time and I hope that more and more of our fellow parishioners will soon return for the Holy Eucharist on the weekends and for daily Mass. Let me remind you to please pray for all our brothers and sisters in other nations that still are in the midst of this pandemic.

This time has really challenged us and will have an affect upon us for some time to come. I can never thank you all for your generous support during this time. Your love for the Church and your many prayers have gotten us through this mess to where we are today. I pray that the Lord continue to protect and support you as we enter a new time for all our people.

In the Christ,
Fr. Finn

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT:

I would like to meet with the members of the Parish Pastoral Council and the members of the Financial Committee on Tuesday, July 13 in the Chapel/Candle Room of St Anthony's Church at 7:00pm. We need to discuss where we are with St. Cecilia's and future fund raisers.

COMMUNION FOR SHUT-INS:

I ask that all who bring the Eucharist to shut-ins begin this ministry during the month of July. Each person needs to be contacted to check and see if they have been vaccinated before you enter their homes. If you have any questions, contact Fr. Finn.

Mass in Remembrance of Victims of Violent or Tragic Death

The Diocese of Scranton is offering the annual Mass in remembrance of victims of violent or tragic death. This Mass is offered for the families and friends of those who have died in tragedy, especially through murder, suicide, and accident. This year we keep in our hearts those who lost their struggle with COVID-19.

The Mass is scheduled for **Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in Saint Peter's Cathedral, 315 Wyoming, Scranton.** All persons who have lost a loved one through tragic and traumatic death are invited to this liturgy. The mass will be televised on CTV.

We ask that the names of deceased loved ones are registered on registration forms which are available in the parish office or on the Diocese of Scranton's website,

www.dioceseofscranton.org.

All forms must be received by July 9, 2021.

Stories for All Seasons

Fourteenth Sunday: Jesus Rejected by His Hometown

Theme: We will suffer rejection in witnessing for Jesus.

In 1960 a religious persecution broke out in the territory of Sudan in Africa. A Christian black student named Paride Taban fled the danger and went to Uganda. While in Uganda, he studied for the priesthood and was ordained. When things settled down in Sudan, young Fr. Taban returned to his homeland. He was assigned to a parish in Palotaka.

But his African congregation found it hard to believe that he was really a priest. Fr. Taban says: "The people looked hard at me and asked, 'Do you mean to say, black man, that you are a priest? We can't believe it.'" These people had never had a black priest before. They had always had white priests who gave them clothing and medicine. Young Fr. Taban was from Madi tribe and had nothing to give them. He was poor like them. To make matters worse, Fr. Taban had to introduce them to the changes of the Second Vatican Council.

These changes bothered the people greatly. They said to one another: "This young black man turns our altar around and celebrates Mass in our own language. He cannot be a real priest." Only after a great deal of difficulty did the people of Palotaka finally accept Fr. Taban.

Application: If we try to live "in Jesus," we will be rejected as he was. Do we turn to Jesus when we encounter rejection?