

August 22, 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

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| Fr. Michael E. Finn | Pastor |
| Rev. Mr. Walter Janoski | Deacon |
| Rev. Mr. William Dervinis | Deacon Emeritus |
| Anne Maurizi | Secretary |
| Maureen Capitano | Secretary |
| Sylvia Appel | Secretary |
| Loretta Semenza | Director of Religious Ed. |
| Christine Katsock | Director of Music/Choir |
| Robert Borzell | Property Manager |

Contact Information

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| Parish Website: | www.stbarbaraexeter.com |

Office Hours

(Week of Aug. 23, 2021 - Aug. 27, 2021)

Monday: 9am - 3pm

Wednesday: 9am - 3pm

Friday: 9am - 3pm

Tuesday: 9am - 3pm

Thursday: 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

Aug. 15, 2021

Entrance Hymn

#527 W&S "Morning Has Broken"

Preparation Hymn

#728 W&S "Eye Has Not Seen"

Communion Hymn

#594 W&S "Amazing Grace"

Recessional Hymn

#592 W&S "There's a Wideness in God's

Social Concerns & Outreach

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



August 22, 2021

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Times

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



MASS INTENTIONS August 21, 2021 to August 29, 2021



~ Saturday, Aug. 21 ~

4:00PM (SA) - Dorothy Pribula by Mr. & Mrs. George Burns

~ Sunday, Aug. 22~

8:00AM (SC) - Deceased Members of the Hatrak Family by Paul & Josephine Hatrak

10:30AM (SA) - All Parishioners

~ Monday, Aug. 23 ~

12:10AM - Mary Loux by Daughters

~ Tuesday, Aug. 24 ~

8:00AM - Marcella M. Fountain by Pat & Brian Kelly

~ Wednesday, Aug. 25~

7:00AM - Joseph S. Marranca by Joe & Josephie Sciandra

~ Thursday, Aug. 26 ~

8:00AM - Valeria M. Callaio by Anita Fanti

~ Friday, Aug. 27 ~

8:00AM - Louis Bryja by Mr & Mrs William Yurkon

~ Saturday, Aug. 28 ~

4:00PM (SA) - All Parishioners

~ Sunday, Aug. 29~

8:00AM (SC) - Joseph Kaminski by Kathy Kaminski

10:30AM (SA) -Angeline Sigmond by Fresco Family



Liturgy Schedule

Lectors

August 28 4:00 PM - Tina Sabatini Mary Smith

August 29 8:00 AM - Ray Pasavage 10:30 AM - Charlotte Naples Barbara Russo

Eucharistic Ministers

August 28 4:00 PM - Florence Galushka

August 29 8:00 AM - Josephine Hatrak 10:30 AM - Paul Naples

Oktoberfest

The Parish is planning an Oktoberfest on Sunday, September 26, 2021 after 10:30 Mass under our pavilion from 11:30am to 5:30pm.

We will be asking for donations of items that we will need to make some of the food that will be available for purchase. Once a menu has been finalized, we will let you know the items we will need. Grocery gift cards can also be donated. Baskets are needed as well as volunteers and always welcome.

Our Oktoberfest Chairman is Jamie Shimko, Co-chair Walter Janoski, Jr. and Basket Chairman is Marilyn Jacobs and Basket Co-chair is Eileen Slavinski.

The next meeting to discuss plans to clean up the Pavilion and to finalize the menu is, Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at 7:00pm in the

WEEKLY OFFERING:

Twenty Sunday in Ordinary Time 2021: \$4,803.77 Twenty Sunday in Ordinary Time 2020: \$5,768.99

Sanctuary Light

Aug. 22, 2021 - Aug. 28, 2021 In Memory of: Anthony Mazzarella By Anne Maurizi



In Our Prayers

SYMPATHY

We offer our prayers for the soul of Dr. Charles J. Pineno who passed away. Our sympathy to his family members and to all who grieve his loss. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. May he rest in peace.



ST. LEO'S/HOLY ROSARY CHURCH OUTDOOR FALL FOOD FESTIVAL:

Sat., Oct. 2 from 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. 33 Manhattan St., Ashley. Pre-order, pre-paid only! All orders and payment must be in by 8:00 p.m. Fri., Sept. 24. Please see www.stleos-holyrosary.org for the menu and order form or call (570) 825-6669. Thank you.

Choir & Cantors News

If you are interested in sharing your talents in the choir and/or cantoring, please either call the Church Office at (570) 654-2103 or email me at ckatsock@yahoo.com, or see me before or after any of the weekend masses.

Please watch the bulletin for announcements regarding the start of choir rehearsals at some point in the Fall. Please know that I am very carefully watching the rise in COVID cases recently in the area, and will make choir decisions based on available data to ensure the health and safety of all. I am so looking forward to making beautiful music with all of you!

Christine Katsock, Director of Music/Choir Director

Meeting Calendar

August/September 2021

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| Oktoberfest | 8/24 | 7:00PM Meeting | Chapel / Candle Room |
| Christian Women | 9/14 | 6:30PM Rosary 7:00PM Meeting | Parish Center |

Parish Prayer Line:

As most of you are aware, we have a number of people who have, over the years, volunteered to pray for parishioners who are ill, hospitalized or having surgery. This Prayer Line has been the source of great strength and comfort for so many of us. I have informed the prayer group that only a name may be used if you are given permission by the person but never any private information since that is against the law. HIPPA - the law securing privacy must be observed at all times. I am one of those who have been greatly comforted by these prayerful parishioners.

“BE A CATHOLIC MAN” EVENT

A Catholic Men’s Conference is planned for Saturday, October 30, 2021, at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 South Pennsylvania Ave., Wilkes-Barre. This will be the sixth such Event. The theme is “Called to Fatherhood” under the patronage of Saint Joseph and is sponsored by Be a Catholic Man. This event (from 8am to 3pm) will be blessed with nationally known Catholic Speakers who will challenge all men -- single, married, and clergy, to live virtuous lives in this very secular world. There will be Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, and Sacramental Confession -- a lunch break. Mass will be offered by the Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera. Interested men, please contact Michael Kilmer 570-746-0100 or michaelkilmer71@gmail.com. Detailed information will be publicized in the future.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious education for Elementary grades (1st through 6th) will begin on Sunday, September 12th from 9:00AM until 10:15AM. The 7th & 8th grade (Confirmation candidates) will meet on Sunday, September 26th 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 churches 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 12, 2021. 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 2021-2022 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.

OBLATES TO HONOR ST. JOSEPH OVER LABOR DAY WEEKEND

The Congregation of the Oblates of St. Joseph will hold their 39th annual Labor Day Triduum (three-day spiritual preparation) honoring St. Joseph the Worker at their chapel located on Route 315, Laflin. Masses will be offered every evening at 7:00pm on Sept. 3-4-5 (Friday - Sunday). Homilies will be offered during the triduum by Deacons Jim Rose, Andre' Kabacinski and Alan Baranski. Devotions to St. Joseph will follow every Mass with special prayers for all workers and the unemployed.

A special Mass will be offered on Labor Day morning (Sept. 6) at 10:30am with the Very Rev. John V. Polednak, newly appointed Diocesan Vicar for Clergy, serving as principal celebrant and homilist. For more information, contact the office at (570) 654-7542. All are welcome to join in the celebration during this Year of St. Joseph. All Masses will be broadcast live on JMJ Catholic Radio 98.9 FM.

Thank you for your kindness & cooperation in promoting this annual devotion to our dear patron, St. Joseph.

Fr. Paul McDonnell, OSJ

Stories for All Seasons

21st Sunday: Some Disciples Leave Jesus

Theme: We must decide for or against the eucharistic Jesus.

During the Second World War certain Nazis killed some Jews and buried them in mass grave. One twelve-year-old boy was still alive. He dug his way out of the shallow dirt and went around the neighborhood seeking shelter in homes. The people knew what had happened and, when they saw the boy caked with dirt, they hurriedly shut the door in his face. One [woman] was about to do the same when the boy said: “Lady, don’t you recognizes me? I’m the Jesus you Christians say you love.” The lady broke into tears and received the boy into her home. She had made her decision for Jesus.

Application: The Eucharist calls us to decide: are we for Jesus or not?