

January 9, 2022



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 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
Deacon Walter Janoski	Deacon
Deacon William Dervinis	Deacon Emeritus
Maureen Capitano	Secretary
Anne Maurizi	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 January 10, 2021 - January 14, 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 January 9, 2021

#### Entrance Hymn

#534 W&S "Baptized in Water"

#### Preparation Hymn

#626 W&S "O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God"

#### Communion Hymn

#676 W&S "The Summons"

#### Recessional Hymn

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

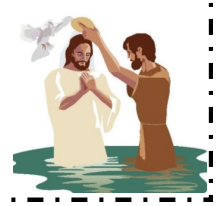
### Social Concerns & Outreach

Contact Parish Office at 570-654-2103.



# January 9, 2022 Baptism of the Lord

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



## MASS INTENTIONS January 8, 2022 to January 16, 2022



~ Saturday, January 8 ~

4:00PM - Veral F. Carlson Sr. by Caroline Carlson

~ Sunday, January 9 ~

8:00AM (SC) - All Parishioners

10:30AM (SA) - Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society

~ Monday, January 10 ~

12:10 AM - Constantino Bocci by Family

~ Tuesday, January 11 ~

8:00AM - John Parini by Richard, John & Connie

~ Wednesday, January 12 ~

7:00AM - Carmella Cupani by Millie & John Lipski

~ Thursday, January 13 ~

8:00AM - Sara R. Anselmi by Ed & Gina Keil

~ Friday, January 14 ~

8:00AM - Brian Powers by Tanya Gillette

~ Saturday, January 15 ~

4:00PM - James & Grace Mazzarella by Daughters

~ Sunday, January 16 ~

8:00AM (SC) - Jack Brogan by Settimia Clarke

10:30AM (SA) - All Parishioners



### The Three Wisemen: House Blessing

Each year on the Feast of the Three Kings many churches will give out blest chalk for parishioners to use to bless their homes for the New Year. You are asked to sign over the doorway of your home with the following: **20+C+M+B+22**

The 20 and 22 are the New Year of grace with the names of the three Wise Men... Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. In some traditions the initials stand for: Christus Mansionem Benedicat or May Christ bless this house.

Father Finn will use water from the Jordan River to bless the chalk. And the chalk reminds us that we are “dust”. Like the Christmas tree, this is a good family observance. Chalk will be in containers.

## Liturgy Schedule

### Lectors

Jan. 15th: 4:00 PM - Mary Jo Anzalone  
Tina Sabatini

Jan. 16th: 8:00 AM - Ray Pasavage

Jan. 16th: 10:30 AM - Jeanie Wisniewski  
Frank Nocito

### Eucharistic Ministers

Jan. 15th: 4:00 PM - Marge Paoloni

Jan. 16th: 8:00 AM - Gary VanScoy

Jan. 16th: 10:30 AM - Paul Naples

**THANK YOU:** Father Finn wishes to thank so many of you for your well wishes, cards, gifts and greetings for the holidays. I do so appreciate your thoughtfulness and wish all of you the best for our New Year. May God grant us all a “healthy” year of peace and joy.



### Sympathy

We offer our prayers for the souls of **Theresa Panunti & Guy Fasciana** who passed away recently. 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.

*In Our Prayers*



### Sanctuary Light

January 9, 2022 through January 15, 2022

In Memory of: Deceased Children of  
James & Grace Mazzarella

By Sisters

### WEEKLY OFFERING:

Epiphany of the Lord 2022: \$5,298.25  
Epiphany of the Lord 2021: \$3,211.12

### Lectors

We do not have **enough** lectors so if anyone is interested, please call the office (570-654-2103) to let us know.

**Meeting Calendar  
January 2022**

Parish Pastoral Council	Jan. 3	Meeting 7 PM	Rectory
Christian Women	Jan. 11	6:30 PM Rosary 7:00 PM Meeting	Parish Center
Social Concerns	Jan.	<b>No Meeting</b>	Parish Center
Men's Holy Name	Jan. 9	<b>Deceased Members Mass</b>	Church 10:30 am
Men's Holy Name	Jan. 20	7 PM Meeting	Parish Center
Finance Council	Jan. 27	7 PM Meeting	Rectory

**Christian women**

The Christian women will meet on January 11 @ 6:30 in the Parish Center. Please wear masks & observe Social distancing. Plans for the upcoming year will be discussed & light refreshments will be served!!

Looking forward to seeing members!! New members are always welcome!

The Rosary begins @ 6:30.

**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
- \$550 per year for a large color block.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

Religious Education Classes:

**Elementary grades (1st through 6th)**

Sunday, January 9th, 23rd, 30th  
from 9:00AM -10:15AM.

**7th & 8th grade (Confirmation candidates)**

Sunday, January 9th, 23rd,  
6:00 to 7:30PM.

There will be no classes on January 16, 2022 in honor of Martin Luther Day.

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

**Vigil Mass for Life**

**Thursday, January 20, 2022**

**St. Maria Goretti Church, (42 Redwood Drive, Laflin (18702)  
Celebrant: Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton**

All are welcome to join us on the eve of the 48th annual March for Life to pray for a greater respect of all human life, from conception to natural death, and every moment in between. We invite you to bring a new pack of diapers to be donated to Shepherd's Maternity House and St. Joseph's Center Baby and Children's Pantry.

This mass will also be broadcast on Diocese of Scranton social media and CTV. Please contact Shannon Kowalski at [skowalski@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:skowalski@dioceseofscranton.org) or (570) 207-2213 if you plan on bringing a group of 10 or more people.

A Bus is being coordinated by Pennsylvanians for Human Life, to the March for Life in Washington, D.C., Friday, January 21<sup>st</sup>. Departure will be from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 116 Hughes Street, Swoyersville, Pa. 18704. The cost (Bus & Dinner) is \$65.00, and for students \$35.00. For those wanting to sponsor a student, checks should be made to PHL and can be sent to this Parish. For further information, call Chris Calore: 570-824-5621. Thank You.

**Stories for All Seasons**

**Baptism of the Lord: John Baptizes Jesus**

*Theme: Jesus' baptism and life make us a new creation.*

California police and the courts have discovered the tattoos on teenagers are often more than a cosmetic decoration. A few years ago, a juvenile court judge in California observed that a large number of the teenagers appearing before him had tattoos - tattoos on the hands, fingers and faces. The tattoos, he learned, identified the bearer as a member of some particular gang and, frequently, as a user of a particular drug. Many of these tattoos were self-inflicted by youths who were desperate to "belong." The judge also discovered that teenagers with visible tattoos were virtually excommunicated from the job market, since potential employers equated the tattoos with crimes and incompetency and refused to hire the youth.

The judge asked the Los Angeles County Medical Association if there might be, among its members, a plastic surgeon who, at no charge, would remove the tattoos from juvenile delinquents. Dr. Karl Stein, a well-known Los Angeles plastic surgeon, was the first to volunteer. Since 1981, Dr. Stein has turned around the lives of hundreds of his young patients through surgically removing the tattoos by excision, abrasion, laser, and virtually every other known method.

**Application: Your baptism is your tattoo, indelibly imprinted, identifying you as a disciple of Jesus.  
Would your neighbors see this in your daily life?**