

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF
NATIVITY
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
TUNKHANNOCK, PA



ST. MARY
OF THE LAKE
LAKE WINOLA, PA

AUGUST 22-23, 2020



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00AM

Pastoral Council: Diane Stone, Chair

Finance Council: Chris DeMarco, Chair

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00PM

Sunday: 9:00AM

Pastoral Council: Bernie Garvey, Chair

Finance Council: Don Ames, Chair

Rev. Patrick L. Albert, Pastor
Deacon Raymond A. Pieretti, Pastoral Associate
Rev. Dennis Bajkowski (Ret.)

Parish Office: Fr. Nallin Hall, Tunkhannock
Business Manager: Dick Schwoebel (570)677-7634
Secretary: Mary Lou Chackan
Office hours: 9:00AM – 2:00PM

WELCOME: We warmly welcome all to join us in worship of our God. If you are new to our parish community, please be sure to tell Fr. Pat that you will be joining our parish community. Contact the parish office if you have any questions. Visitor envelopes are available at all entrances.

MARRIAGE: Christian marriage is a sacred and serious commitment. Couples contemplating marriage should notify a parish priest at least nine months before the date on which they intend to marry. This should be done before any other arrangements are made so that a couple may be suitably served by the parish and diocese. All couples are required to take part in a Pre-Cana program or Engaged Encounter Weekend. **Sunday Weddings are not permitted.**

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a community journey that leads to transformation of mind and spirit. Guided by the gospel and the examples of parish members, newcomers can find their place in the RCIA community of believers and discover their own relationship with Christ. The program runs from September through Pentecost with reception of the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Information is available at the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Knowing the Catholic faith and tradition is essential if faith and tradition are to continue to be nourishing facets of our lives. Religious formation is valuable for both youth and adults. Classes are conducted from September to May following the 9:00AM Mass on Sunday. Information on religious education programs for youth of all ages and educational opportunities for adults are available at the parish office.

BULLETIN: If you have information that you would like to place in the bulletin (community news, society/social news, etc.), please have it at the parish office no later than Tuesday morning.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Forty-five minutes before Saturday evening Mass or by appointment.

SHUT-INS: If someone you know is unable to attend Mass but would like to receive Communion or receive a copy of our weekly bulletin, please contact the parish office.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION PROGRAM: All parents must attend a Baptismal Preparation meeting before this sacrament will be celebrated. Contact Father Pat at the parish office (570-836-3275) to schedule an appointment to discuss your child's baptism.

HOSPITAL VISITS: Visits are made on a regular basis. **PLEASE NOTE:** The new privacy laws limit the amount of information that we receive from the hospitals or nursing/convalescent homes. It is necessary that family or friends notify us of these admittances.

HANDICAPPED SEATING AREA: Please note that the front pew nearest to the side door is reserved to accommodate those who have need due to disability. Please be kind enough to leave this pew available for that purpose.

PARKING LOT: [St. Mary's] Please keep the emergency lane in front of the church clear at all times. It is essential that vehicles are able to get in and out of the parking lot in case of an emergency. Please adhere to the parking spaces as delineated. Please be considerate of your fellow parishioners when you are backing up or turning to park or to exit the parking lot. There is ample parking on the upper level and supplemental parking on the side of the church.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

**"TO KNOW, LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD
AND ONE ANOTHER
IN IMITATION OF MARY"**

*Approved by both Parish Pastoral Councils
January 2007*

www.nativitystmary.org
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FROM THE DEACON'S BENCH:

My Brothers and Sisters,

We have so many different well-known sayings to describe life and what all is going on, like;

"Birds of a feather flock together".

I figure a hawk penned this one; flocks are easier for them to hunt. "The grass is always greener on the other side". And your neighbor is always cutting it!

"The apple never falls far from the tree". Whenever I drop one, it always rolls into the road and gets squished.

"One bad apple can spoil the whole bunch". Doctors just don't want you to eat one – an apple a day!

"Curiosity killed the cat". No, it was probably the dog.

You get the idea. When things weren't going well, my mother used to say to me, "When the going gets tough, the tough get going." This one makes a lot of sense to me, especially in the times we are living in right now.

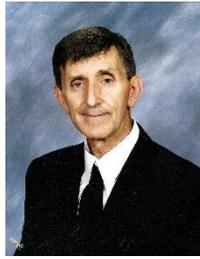
When the news of sexual abuse by priests and clergy in Boston hit back in 2008, we realized that this would be bad but, hopefully, it wouldn't hit us here. Yet, it did, and has been very devastating to everyone and it still goes on. I was floored by the revelations and didn't really know how to carry on and, I'm sure, you were too. I prayed each day that God would raise up great saints to help us through these dark nights, and still I waited day after day. Then one day the Spirit showed me that what we really need is each other. One by one, people of faith and trust would fill the breach and we would find healing – and we are, slowly.

Now Covid-19 has come and shattered our lives and turned the whole world upside down. No longer can we gather in a church as one body. We have to avoid being close to each other – no hugging or touching – wear a mask and wash your hands. And we struggle with the realities of a life that doesn't make sense and wonder how to get through this mess. Who will help us? That's when we finally realized how important each one of us was to the other and it was only by caring about each other that we will get through even this.

Many of life's sayings don't always make sense but one that has stood the test of time and has helped me carry on was my mother's favorite. The goings are tough so let's be tough together in Spirit and keep going. We need to keep looking forward to what can and will be. We will get through this, just stay tough and safe.

May God Bless You,

Deacon Ray



PS: I had the great honor of serving the First Holy Communion of Lila Rose Newman, who made us all proud with her love and faith in the Church. Lila thanked me for guiding her through her sacrament, but being a part of her faith journey is an honor for me. Congratulations Lila! And congratulations to all those awaiting to receive a sacrament.

IN-CHURCH WORSHIP: Daily Mass is available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7:00AM at Nativity and on Tuesday and Thursday at 8:00AM at St. Mary's. At this time, weekend Masses at Nativity are at 5:00PM on Saturday and 7:30AM & 11:00AM on Sunday. At St. Mary's, the weekend Mass is at 9:00AM on Sunday. Seating is limited in accordance with "safe distancing" norms, masks are required and reservations are required.

We ask your patience and understanding. If there should be a substantive spike in coronavirus cases, we will not hesitate to again close the buildings and rely on the streamed Mass.

Fr. Pat

MASS ONLINE: Fr. Pat continues to record a Mass each week for those who cannot attend in person. It can be found on our website (nativitystmary.org) and on our Facebook page ([@nativitystmary](https://www.facebook.com/nativitystmary)) with a link to a YouTube site.

There will be a Mass for the Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time available this weekend. The Mass was filmed at St. Mary of the Lake church. We receive numerous comments and expressions of gratitude regarding the Mass and we are grateful for your support and for your email messages each week.

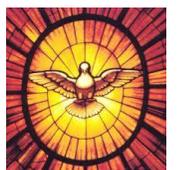
We want to express our gratitude to **Dan Simrell of Simrell Media** for the beautiful presentation of the Mass for our viewing. The videography of the Mass significantly enhances the entire presentation.

CAPUCHIN SISTERS SUPPORT FUND: If you would like to assist with this need, please put your donation in an envelope marked "**Capuchin Sisters**" and mail it to the Parish Office.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED: In accordance with diocesan directives, we are exercising caution at this time and keeping the Parish Office closed to the public. We are still working and are available by phone (570-836-3275 or 570-378-2181) and by email either at nativitybvmchurch@frontier.com or at stmaryofthelake@frontier.com.

CCD NEWS: Planning for our 2020-2021 CCD program in both parishes is underway. Watch the bulletin for updates as we work to make sure that our children are taught safely in the coming year.

CONFIRMATION: The sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred on eligible candidates from both parishes on **Sunday, September 13th at 2:00PM in Nativity BVM church**. Attendance is limited to immediate family and sponsor.



ONLINE OFFERTORY

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NOW AVAILABLE

Nativity BVM and St. Mary of the Lake parishes depend on our faithful stewardship to pay our daily church expenses, make improvements and support our mission in the areas of worship, word, service, and community. Our Online Offertory system through Our Sunday Visitor provides us with the opportunity to contribute regularly and seamlessly.

A growing number of parishioners use the online giving portal through our website. We are grateful for your contributions. We encourage all of our parishioners and friends to utilize this quick, easy and safe means of supporting your parish. We intend to keep this donation option available for the foreseeable future.

If you wish to contribute, go to our website, www.nativitystmary.org, and click on your parish, either Nativity or St. Mary, at the top of the home page. Then click on the name of your parish under "Donate Securely". We accept most major credit cards as well as ACH donations using your checking or savings account.

We need – and are grateful for – your continued support.

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING: August 15-16, 2020

Nativity BVM Church:

Weekly Collection Goal*	\$ 4,800.00
Actual Offertory**	\$ 2,099.00
Difference:	\$(2,701.00)

St. Mary of the Lake Church:

Weekly Collection Goal*	\$ 2,000.00
Actual Offertory**	\$ 1,181.00
Difference:	\$(819.00)

*Weekly Collection Goal represents the amount needed weekly if we are going to make our 2019-2020 Parish Collections goal (envelopes and loose). It does NOT include Fundraising, Religious Education Income or any other income.

**Actual Offertory represents the total amount received in the weekly collection (not including Christmas, Easter or special collections).

The generosity of our people is truly appreciated. We may not always reach our budgeted goals, but we are grateful to those who make a sacrifice on a weekly basis to sustain our parish ministries.

CAPUCHIN SISTERS SUPPORT FUND: We are in need of a volunteer to join the group who shop weekly for the Capuchin Sisters. It requires a couple of hours of your time once every five weeks. If you can help, please contact Dick Schwoebel at 570-677-7634 or stmaryofthelake@frontier.com.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE: The sanctuary candle continues to burn each and every day in our churches. If you would like it to burn for your intention, please contact Mary Lou at the Parish Office (570-836-3275).



PARISH FINANCES: There is still a great deal of concern among the members of our parish community regarding the effect that the mandatory closing of many of our businesses and the resultant uncertainty about earnings has had on our community. Although some seem to be optimistic that the pandemic will be over soon, most are aware that we could be under continuing guidelines for a much greater period of time and that a resurgence of the virus this fall could bring back the quarantine.

Management of our parish resources is conservative by nature and we are weathering this downturn. However, our only source of funds rests in the generosity of our parishioners. Many people have continued to make their contributions despite the fact that most of us have been unable to come together weekly. **We ask that you continue to remember to support your parish as best you can during these difficult times.** Envelopes can be mailed to your parish mail box; the address for your parish is on the front page of the bulletin which can be found on our website nativitystmary.org. Any contribution that you can make will be gratefully received. **Thank you to those who continue to regularly send their contributions.**

ALTAR & ROSARY MEETINGS: Until we have a much clearer definition of how to conduct meetings in accordance with health & safety guidelines, both of our Altar & Rosary societies have suspended their monthly meetings. Watch the bulletin for more information in the coming months.

PRO-LIFE ROSE: We are happy that public Masses are again being celebrated in Nativity BVM church. **The rose is present in front of the statue of Mary during these Masses and the intentions requested are being recognized.**



The intentions for August are:

August 1-2

In memory of **John Pasternak**, donated by Peggy Finnegan

August 8-9

For the holy souls in Purgatory, donated by Mary Ann Brown

August 15-16

For Christians who have been and are being persecuted throughout the world

August 22-23

In memory of **Patricia Forgione**, donated by Lyle & Grace Sturdevant

August 29-30

Available

If you would like to donate for a Pro-Life Rose at Nativity, please contact Diane Stone (570-836-3055).



**LOCAL CATHOLIC RADIO STATION
JMJ RADIO 750AM or 98.9FM**



AFTERNOON PRAYERS with DEACON RAY

**Tuesday afternoon prayers
3:00PM @ St. Mary's Church
All are welcome!**

WORDS OF LIFE: "God's love—individual, real, unchanging—is the true source of our worth, identity, and dignity. It really is not a question of who we are, but rather whose we are. Because his love will never change, nothing can reduce our God-given dignity, and nothing can diminish the immeasurable worth of our lives."

**USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"How to Build a Culture of Life"**



Seven Loaves Soup Kitchen, 54 Warren Street in Tunkhannock (formerly the P&G Credit Union building), is still serving a

hearty meal every Monday through Friday from 5:00-7:00PM. For the time being, it is take out only. There is no charge and all are welcome.

Those who desire to volunteer to work at the kitchen or to donate food or make a financial contribution are asked to contact 570-996-5005 or 570-836-3145.

REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR: It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations.

In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Beth Pacuska, at 570-862-7551.



**MILITARY HONOR ROLL
PLEASE KEEP ALL MEMBERS OF THE
MILITARY IN YOUR PRAYERS
DURING THIS TIME OF UNCERTAINTY**

If you have a relative or friend serving in the military, please let us know so that we can include their name on our Honor Roll

A WELCOMING COMMUNITY: *You enter our church ... not as stranger, but as a guest of God. He is your heavenly Father. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into His presence, offering Him your love and service. Be grateful to the strong and loyal ones who, in the name of Jesus Christ, built this place of worship, and to all who have beautified it and hallowed it with their prayers and praise.*



CEMETERY LOTS AVAILABLE: **Pieta Cemetery**, one of our Parish Cemeteries (located on Dark Hollow Road in Tunkhannock Township) **has burial lots available.** For further info, to view the map of available lots and to inquire about prices & regulations, please contact our Parish Secretary, Mary Lou, at the Parish Office (570-836-3275).

**Line Dancing
Wednesday evening 7:00-8:30PM
Fr. Nallin Hall
Canceled until further notice**



BOY SCOUT NEWS

**Next Committee Meeting:
TBA – 6:30PM**

Alison Delano, Committee Chairperson
570-233-4000 adelano1230@gmail.com

CUB SCOUT NEWS

ADULT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Fr. Nallin Hall
TBA



THE LOWER WYOMING COUNTY FOOD PANTRY: The Food Pantry will be **open on the first and third Thursday from 9:00-11:30AM** and the **first and third Monday evening from 6:00-8:00PM.** Please call me if there is anyone in need. We are doing a drive through system for minimal contact.

If the need arises, the Food Pantry is equipped to help feed 100 people for approximately 6 weeks.

God bless!

Mary Lou Franko (570-586-4811)

PIEROGI SALE: Our 2020 pierogi sale has been concluded. Thank you to all who supported us in this important fundraiser.



**ST. MARY'S AED IS LOCATED IN THE FOYER
BETWEEN THE CHURCH & HALL**



**AED IS LOCATED IN NATIVITY BVM CHURCH
& ALSO IN FR. NALLIN HALL**

WELCOME: We extend our prayerful congratulations to **WILLIAM PATRICK SHEEHAN IV**, son of **William III & Christine (Leber) Sheehan**, who was baptized by Fr. Pat **this Saturday, August 22nd at 1:00PM** in **St. Mary of the Lake Church**. We offer our best wishes to William, his parents, godparents, grandparents and members of his family. May he continue to grow in age, wisdom and love before God and others.



UP & OVER VIRTUAL RETREAT: While we cannot be together in person for the summer session of Up & Over, our retreat team has been working hard to bring you a virtual retreat! We've taken some of the best things about Up & Over and created a hybrid version for your son or daughter to participate in at home. Once your child is registered, you will get access to our virtual camp website where you will find a suggested schedule and videos from our team members walking you through each activity. Resources needed for each activity will be mailed home to you, so you will have everything you need! This is a "go at your own pace" experience, so feel free to tackle it as you see fit!

Up & Over is open to students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade during the 2019-2020 academic year.

\$20.00 registration fee includes access to the virtual camp website and mailed home resources.

For more information, contact Shannon Kowalski at Shannon-kowalski@dioceseofscranton.org

HAVE YOU BEEN ASKED TO BE A SPONSOR? It is a wonderful honor to be asked to be a sponsor for Baptism and Confirmation.

To serve as a sponsor, it is required that a person obtain a sponsor letter from his/her pastor. Sponsors must be at least 16 years of age, have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, Confirmation, (If married) be married according to the regulations for marriage as provided by the Roman Catholic Church, officially registered and participating weekly in the Sunday Eucharist & actively striving to live out your own baptismal commitment to Christ.

KEEPING IN TOUCH: During this extended period of time when we are unable to get together as a parish community to worship and to conduct the social interaction that is so much a part of being a parish, it is important that we stay in communication with one another. We will continue to produce our weekly bulletin, which is being shared on both our website (nativitystmary.org) and Facebook page (@nativitystmary). **We also need to update our list of email addresses**, which sadly is very incomplete. **We're asking all parishioners to send us their email address at this time** (Nativity parishioners – please send to nativitybvmchurch@frontier.com and St. Mary of the Lake parishioners – please send to stmaryofthelake@frontier.com).

We thank you for providing this information. It will be kept in strict confidence.

SCAM ALERT: We have detected a scam currently being perpetrated using Fr. Albert's phone contacts file. A text is sent (from a phone number that is not Fr. Albert's) and the text of the message is a variation of the following:

"Are you available at the moment? I need a favor from you. There is something I need you to do. I am going into a meeting now with limited phone calls. Text me back as soon as you get this message. Rev. Patrick L. Albert"

If you receive a text request from Fr. Albert that doesn't appear to be legitimate, please contact Dick Schwoebel at the Parish Office (570-836-3275) or cell phone (570-677-7634). **DO NOT REPLY TO ANY QUESTIONABLE TEXT REQUEST!**

Prayer for Those Who Are Worried about the Spread of the Coronavirus

*Father,
Worry and fear are not of Your heart. [1 John 4](#) reminds us that perfect love casts out all fear, and we pray Your perfect love upon the hearts of all those who are burdened with the fear of this virus. Lord, we know with no doubt that You are bigger than the threat of anything, especially illnesses. Please comfort those who are living in fear, please free them from the bondage that anxiety creates within. Remind them that You are still on the Throne and that You are still in control. Fully rain down the serenity that comes only from the Prince of Peace. Help those who are living in unease to trust You in this time so that in times to come we may rest assured that You will be faithful to be with us until the end of the age. We rest at the Throne of the Almighty such fears and cast them upon You ([1 Peter 5:7](#)), for Your burden is Light and Your Yoke is easy ([Matthew 11:30](#)), we know You cover us with Your wings ([Psalm 91:4](#)).*

Your Gift Matters

Make a Lasting Impact With a Future Gift

Generosity comes in many forms, and consideration of a planned gift is often the best way for you to support important causes that matter the most to you in your life. When you give to the Diocese of Scranton, you help us make a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Your estate gift can support your parish or any of our Diocesan ministries such as Catholic Social Services, seminarian education, tuition assistance for Catholic School students, parish life and care for our retired clergy.

Visit dioceseofscranton.org for the different gift options available to you.

We will work with you to find a charitable plan that lets you provide for your family and support the Diocese of Scranton. If you wish to discuss your estate plan, kindly contact Jim Bebla, Diocesan Secretary for Development, at 570-207-2250 or Jim-Bebbla@dioceseofscranton.org.

SML "DRIVE-THRU" CHICKEN BBQ: Based on the overwhelming response to the "Drive-Thru" Chicken BBQ recently and listening to the requests we are receiving from those who were too late when we sold out so rapidly, **the crew at St. Mary's will repeat the fundraiser on Sunday, September 20th from 2:00PM 'till SOLD OUT.** We'll have more chicken this time and we will vary the menu to include potato salad and corn-on-the-cob! Price is the same -- \$12.00. Don't miss it!!



Pope Francis says COVID-19 has exposed 'broadest social ills'



Aug. 12 (UPI) -- Pope Francis said in an address Wednesday that personal and collective individualism, selfishness and indifference brought on by the coronavirus pandemic is damaging human relationships and culture.

"The pandemic has made us more aware of the spread within our societies of a false, individualistic way of thinking, one that rejects human dignity and relationships, views persons as consumer goods and creates a 'throwaway' culture," Francis said.

"In contrast, faith teaches that we have been created in God's image and likeness, made for love and for the communion of life with him, with one another and with the whole of creation. Jesus tells us that true discipleship consists in following his example by spending ourselves in service of others."

COVID-19, he said, is a disease that has exposed the "broadest social ills" that have distorted the view of people and ignored dignity. He said Jesus Christ set an example of service to others.

"He confirms it by immediately restoring sight to two blind men and making them his disciples. We want to recognize the human dignity in every person, whatever his or her race may be."

The pope said faith encourages worshipers to fight indifference "in the face of violations of human dignity" in times like these.

"Faith always requires us to let ourselves be healed and to convert from our individualism, both personal and collective."

Since the start of the pandemic, Francis has urged compassion for the homeless and resistance to politicians who prioritize economies ahead of health.

RETRouvaille: Retrouvaille is a program that helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriages. If you are thinking about, or already are, separated or divorced, there could still be hope for you.

For confidential information about the program, please call 631-338-5413 or 570-207-2213, or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.org.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: All adult Catholics (age 18 and over) are expected to be officially registered in a Parish and participating at Mass and the other Sacraments on a regular basis. If you have graduated from College or High School and are now employed, you are expected to join on your own unless you are attending college or a trade school. In order for a child to receive First Penance, First Eucharist or Confirmation, at least one of their parents or legal guardian must belong to and participate in our Parish. If you need to register or have any questions, please feel free to contact the Parish Office at 570-836-3275.

Tax Benefits of the CARES Act

The new CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) Act is designed to help you, businesses and nonprofits facing economic hardship during the coronavirus pandemic.

Here are a few key provisions of the CARES Act that may affect you and your charitable goals:

Required Minimum Distributions Suspended

The new law temporarily suspends the requirements for required minimum distributions (RMD) for the 2020 tax year. This probably comes as a relief to many of you who would have had to withdraw from your retirement accounts. Many of our donors use their RMD to make a gift from their IRA. Despite the RMD suspension, remember that if you are 70½ or older, you can still make a gift from your IRA or name your parish or the Diocese of Scranton as a beneficiary.

New Tax Incentives

The CARES Act expands charitable giving incentives and **allows taxpayers who take the standard deduction to make up to \$300 of charitable contributions to qualified charities this year.** You might think that this is a small amount and would not make a difference. But what if all of our donors gave "just" \$300? Such support would have a huge impact on those we serve.

For those who do itemize their deductions, the new law allows for cash contributions to qualified charities such as your parish or the Diocese of Scranton to be deducted up to 100% of your adjusted gross income for the 2020 calendar year.

**"To laugh often and much;
To win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children;
To earn the appreciation of honest critics and to endure the betrayal of false friends;
To appreciate beauty;
To find the best in others;
To leave the world a bit better whether by a healthy child, a garden patch or a redeemed social condition;
To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived.
This is to have succeeded. "**

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

ST. MARY OF THE LAKE MASS SCHEDULE - WEEK OF AUGUST 23, 2020

SATURDAY	AUG	22	NONE	
SUNDAY	AUG.	23	9:00AM	JAMES & ALICE McGROARTY – OFFERED BY MICHAEL, MAUREEN & MEGAN MULROONEY VINCE & ADELE SYLVESTER – OFFERED BY THEIR FAMILY
MONDAY	AUG.	24		
TUESDAY	AUG.	25	8:00AM	PATRICIA VANDERVEKEN – OFFERED BY HER FAMILY
WEDNESDAY	AUG.	26		
THURSDAY	AUG.	27	8:00AM	LOIS WORONOWICZ – OFFERED BY HER FAMILY
FRIDAY	AUG.	28		
SATURDAY	AUG.	29	NONE	
SUNDAY	AUG.	30	9:00AM	NICHOLAS OSTOPICK – OFFERED BY WILLIAM & BEA ELLIS CEIL IGNATOVICH – OFFERED BY RICK, MARY LOU & JULIA FRANKO

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

<u>SAT AUG. 22 & SUN. AUG. 23</u>	<u>SATURDAY 4:00PM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 9:00AM</u>
DEACON		RAY PIERETTI
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)		NONE
LECTORS	NO MASS	NONE
ALTAR SERVER(S)		NONE
USHERS		NONE
GREETERS		NONE
OFFERTORY GIFTS		COLLECTION BASKET
COLLECTION COUNTERS		
<u>SAT. AUG. 29 & SUN. AUG. 30</u>	<u>SATURDAY 4:00PM</u>	<u>SUNDAY 9:00AM</u>
DEACON		RAY PIERETTI
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)		NONE
LECTORS	NO MASS	NONE
ALTAR SERVER(S)		NONE
USHERS		NONE
GREETERS		NONE
OFFERTORY GIFTS		COLLECTION BASKET
COLLECTION COUNTERS		

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole who healed those who believed. Amen.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- THE SICK, THE SUFFERING AND HOSPITALIZED, ESPECIALLY: LORI PIERCE, LISA FREITAS, TRACY IRISH, CHRISTINA REEVES, JACKI NIERATKO, CARMEN PIERCE, ELAINE HUG, CHASE RUSSELLO, AVA MASON, LYNN McGLYNN, BONNIE KILGANNON, RUSTY PERKINS, JULIA KAIFER, MICHELLE HUERBIN, JENNIFER BUNNELL, JOSEPH PIERCE, THELMA SHEBBY, EDD KILGANNON, AUDREY DAVIS, SHIRLEY ROCHA, DOT JOHNSON, JAMES DOUGHERTY, STACIE MAGNECZ, TAMMY MIGLIORI, CAROLLYN DAVIS, LINDA ZALEWSKI, MELISSA HENNING HILL, MICHAEL BOGDON, JANET EVANS, ZACHARY WILLIAMS, PAT STEAD, BILL STEAD, RON GORKO, KATIE PACKER, PETER POLINSKY, ANN SMITH, DELORES HEAGY, FRAN MOLLUSKY, PEARL PIERCE, BERNICE BURANICH, MARY PETERSEN, SUE MIGLIORI, JOE SCHIAVONE, LINDA NIEMIEC, CAROLE GREENIP, JANE CAWLEY, JEROME LAMONICA, JEAN LAMONICA, THEO FREAR, BROGAN PERFILIO, DICK & FLORENCE KELLY, MIKE HAMBURG, HARRIET McGARRIGLE, JONI JAMES, KAY NOREIKA. NATHAN REEVES, JOHN IRISH.
- THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED AND THE NEEDS OF OUR PARISH AND PARISHIONERS

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SANCTUARY LIGHT:

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN DURING
THE WEEK OF AUGUST 23RD FOR
MARYANN KASZUBA
OFFERED BY HER HUSBAND GEORGE

YOUR CONTRIBUTION:

Weekly Offerings \$1,181.00

ST. MARY OF THE LAKE CALENDAR (TENTATIVE)

- SEPT. 13 CONFIRMATION – 2:00PM (NATIVITY BVM CHURCH)
SEPT. 20 CHICKEN BBQ – 2:00PM UNTIL SOLD OUT

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MASS SCHEDULE – WEEK OF AUGUST 23, 2020

SATURDAY	AUG.	22	5:00PM	WILLIAM & ANNA FANNON – OFFERED BY PAT SCATURRO
SUNDAY	AUG	23	7:30AM	MARY KUKUCHKA – OFFERED BY HER FAMILY
			11:00AM	FRANK BOHENEK – OFFERED BY MAE DICKINSON
MONDAY	AUG	24	7:00AM	MARY KOVALCHICK – OFFERED BY JULIE WIERNUSZ
TUESDAY	AUG.	25		
WEDNESDAY	AUG.	26	7:00AM	JOHN RUEHLMAN – OFFERED BY HIS FAMILY
THURSDAY	AUG.	27		
FRIDAY	AUG	28	7:00AM	HEALTH & BLESSING OF PIPER ELLIS – OFFERED BY JOHN HARVEY
SATURDAY	AUG.	29	5:00PM	JEAN VALENTINER – OFFERED BY BRUCE & MELINDA CANFIELD
SUNDAY	AUG.	30	7:30AM	ALAN FLANAGAN – OFFERED BY GLENN & CAROLYN LAYAOU
			11:00AM	RYAN SHUPP – OFFERED BY ARLENE ZEME

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

SAT. AUG. 22 & SUN. AUG 23		SATURDAY 5:00PM	SUNDAY 7:30AM	SUNDAY 9:00AM	SUNDAY 11:00AM
DEACON					RAY PIERETTI
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)	NONE	NONE	NONE	NO MASS	NONE
LECTOR	NONE	NONE	NONE		NONE
ALTAR SERVER(S)	NONE	NONE	NONE		NONE
OFFERTORY GIFTS	COLLECTION BASKET		COLLECTION BASKET		COLLECTION BASKET
COLLECTION COUNTERS					
SAT. AUG. 29 & SUN. AUG. 30		SATURDAY 5:00PM	SUNDAY 7:30AM	SUNDAY 9:00AM	SUNDAY 11:00AM
DEACON					RAY PIERETTI
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)	NONE	NONE	NONE	NO MASS	NONE
LECTOR	NONE	NONE	NONE		NONE
ALTAR SERVER(S)	NONE	NONE	NONE		NONE
OFFERTORY GIFTS	COLLECTION BASKET		COLLECTION BASKET		COLLECTION BASKET
COLLECTION COUNTERS					

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

----- **THE SICK, THE SUFFERING AND HOSPITALIZED**, ESPECIALLY: CAROLYN MYERS, ELISSA ROSE, LYLE STURDEVANT, MARYN KUKUCHKA, LILLIAN KRISTUNAS, JENNIFER BUNNELL, MARIE STAIR, MARY ANN BROWN, ELIZABETH CALLAHAN, RICHELE MORTIMER, SHERI RAIL, CHERYL MacDONALD SWEET, AIDAN HOLMAN, TRISTAN EVANS, JOSEPH E. QUINN, ANGELIQUE ALEXANDRA PREVOST, MARGE HOLUB, BEN BROWN, ELEANOR FOSTER, MATTHEW LEWIS, DONALD TRAVER, DAWN DOMMES, MICHELLE HUERBIN, CAROLYN ROZANSKI, DON WHITE, DARRIN McGAVIN, FATHER BILL WILSON, EDWARD KIMBEL, CHERYL SANDS, MARY DELMAR, CHARLES CAREY, GARRET CONOVER, ANALISA DOMINIC, LUCAS SETH BOYANOWSKI, VERNA PRAWDZIK, MATTHEW FORTESE, JACOB WALTER, CURTIS, ARTHUR BUNNELL, TED BUNNELL, HELEN TALARICO, PAUL GOODRICH, MYRON LaBAR, TIKI LYONS, GRACE STURDEVANT, CAROL COBB, BRENT RANSOM, AUSTIN THOMAS, JIM BORDEN, JERRY STROKA, LINDA NIEMIEC, DIANE THOMPSON, ROSEANN GEORGE, SHELLIE SEYMORE, MARILYN BRODY, MONTANA COLE, CAROL GAYLORD, CHRIS OLSHAN, JR., HELEN RAIL, CHARLOTTE SMITH, LINDA RUEHLMAN, ROY PREVOST, ALLEN KEYES, CATHERINE LITWIN, JUDI HOWE, LEAH WILSEY, ANN ZACKARIAS, NATHAN DELMAR, LINDA, KATHLEEN ALTEMUS, CARL ALTEMUS, MARY LOUISE BECKETT, PAULA MOELLER, GEORGE ZALEDONIS, PAT STASCavage, PEGGY FINNEGAN, JOAN STEPHENS, PEG BALL, JOSEPH YAKOSKI, PENNY ZONNEVILLE, ALLAN FITCH, ALICE WALSH, BOB & BETTY FORBA, JONATHAN STEFANICK, CAMILLE STEFANICK BERROCAL, EMMA BRODA, MARI CLAIRE JONES, CARMEN BOLIN, RICHARD MORYKON, AVA MASON, FLO TROWBRIDGE, TIA DERMCHACK, CURTIS EDWARDS, DOROTHY STODDARD, SEAN COLLETT, MARY LOU ANDES, SUSAN MORYKON, JOHN DROST.

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SANCTUARY LIGHT:

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE IS AVAILABLE TO BURN FOR YOUR INTENTION. CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT (570) 836-3275

YOUR CONTRIBUTION:

Weekly Offerings	\$1,188.00
Church Collections:	
Weekend of 08/02	\$3,521.00
Weekend of 08/09	\$1,563.00
Weekend of 08/16	\$ 911.00

NATIVITY BVM CALENDAR (TENTATIVE)

SEPT. 13 CONFIRMATION – 2:00PM