



ALL SAINTS PARISH

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JANUARY 19, 2020
SECOND SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

4:00 PM

Sunday

8:30 AM

11:00 AM

Weekdays

Please check for schedule
in bulletin

Sacrament of **Reconciliation**

Saturday

3:00 to 3:50 PM

or by appointment

Religious Education

Grades K – 8

Sunday

9:45 AM – 10:45 AM

Parish Mission Statement

We, All Saints Parish, are drawn together by the power of the Holy Spirit to be a living and convincing sign of God's unconditional love. We are gifted to build bonds among ourselves and others in order to live the Gospel in word, worship, community and service for the salvation of all and the building of God's kingdom.

With the feast of the Baptism of the Lord we have entered into the liturgical time that we call "ordinary." On this second Sunday, the Gospel presents to us the scene of the meeting between Jesus and John the Baptist at the Jordan River. The narrator is the eye witness, John the Evangelist, who, before he was a disciple of Jesus was a disciple of the Baptist, together with his brother James, with Simon and Andrew, all are from Galilee, all are fisherman. So, John the Baptist sees Jesus, who steps forward from the crowd and, inspired from above, sees in Jesus the one sent by God. For this reason he points him out with these words: "Behold the lamb of God, he who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29). The word that is translated with "take away" literally means "to relieve," "to take upon oneself." Jesus has come into the world with a precise mission: to free it from the slavery of sin, taking humanity's faults upon himself. In what way? By loving. There is no other way to defeat evil and sin than with the love that moves one to give the gift of his life for others. In the testimony of John the Baptist, Jesus is given the traits of the Servant of the Lord, who "has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows" (Isaiah 53:4), to the point of dying on the cross. He is the true Passover lamb, who immerses himself in the river of our sin, to purify us.

COMMUNITY WHO WORSHIPS

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 19th

8:30 AM For all Parishioners

11:00 AM Jessie & Stephen Sulcoski (Jean & Ed Michael & Family)

Monday, January 20th

NO MASS

Tuesday, January 21st

12:05 PM William Buzinski (John Lelak)

Wednesday, January 22nd

12:05 PM Thomas McTague (Mary Ellen Mundy)

Thursday, January 23rd

12:05 PM Edward Yacuboski (Mary Anne Meeker & Family)

Friday, January 24th

12:05 PM John Fialko (Terry & Lynda Hyzenski)

Saturday, January 25th

4:00 PM For all Parishioners

Sunday, January 26th

8:30 AM Cindy Weihbrecht (Mr. & Mrs. Ed Weihbrecht & Family)

11:00 AM Vincent Simonds (Simonds Family)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 25, 2020

4:00 PM:

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – R. Heck, S. Starosta

Lectors – C. Kellar, M.J. Wojtowicz

Altar Servers – N. Rokosz, R. Young, Abigail Young

Sunday, January 26, 2020

8:30 AM:

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – D. McNelis, M. McNelis

Lectors – M. Sipper, F. Josephs

Altar Servers – N. Powell, R. Bantel, M. Weihbrecht

11:00 AM:

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – T. Bradley, A. Mizzer

Lectors – J. Farrell, M. Dillon

Altar Servers – H. Delaney, I. Fenner, G. Bolesta

January 19

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6

1 Cor 1:1-3

Jn 1:29-34 (64)

January 20

Saint Fabian

Saint Sebastian

1 Sm 15:16-23

Mk 2:18-22 (311)

January 21

Saint Agnes

1 Sm 16:1-13

Mk 2:23-28 (312)

January 22

USA, Day of

Prayer for the

Legal Protection

of Unborn

Children

January 23

Saint Marianne

1 Sm 18:6-9,

19:1-7

Mk 3:7-12 (314)

January 24

Saint Francis de

Sales

1 Sm 24:3-21

Mk 3:13-19 (315)

January 25

Conversion of

Saint Paul

Acts 22:3-16 or

Acts 9:1-22

Mk 16:15-18 (519)

January 26

If you are unable to fulfill your obligation, please find a replacement.

PARISH EVENTS

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Upon the advisement of our Parish Council, we have decided to **not** offer the cup of Precious Blood at Mass during the flu season.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Eucharistic Adoration is postponed until April due to the weather.



PARISH LOTTERY

Tickets for our new Lottery which will begin in February are now available. Please support your parish by purchasing a ticket. Thank you.

PLEASE NOTE

Due to the safety concerns during the winter months with snow and ice removal, our main focus must be on clearing the snow from the church, school and rectory. The cemeteries will be plowed as time allows and as is necessary for funerals, etc.

We are limiting access to the front steps of the church because we do not want anyone to fall on icy steps. Please use the ramp area or lower doors during this time. We appreciate your understanding.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

We are updating our Parish Census and our mailing list. This information is very important not only for religious statistics report for the Diocese but also it helps us to better plan for the future of our Parish. Continuing in January, 2020, those parishioners who have not used their envelopes for the last 2 years will not be sent offertory envelopes. If you find that we inadvertently removed you from the offertory mailing list, and you want to continue to get the envelopes, please call Mollie at the office at 570-779-5323. We thank you for your continued financial support of our parish.

TRIP

The Senior Citizens Friendship Club is sponsoring a bus trip to Sight and Sound in Lancaster on April 21st to see the show "Queen Ester." Price is \$105.00 and includes all gratuities, dinner at Hershey Farm Restaurant, full course, sit down, family style in the Garden View room. Reservations can be made with a deposit – seats are then assigned when paid in full. Seats on bus and theater will be assigned. Please call Ann at 570-779-3203.



All Saints Parish Annual Lenten Fish Dinner, Friday, February 28th, 3-6 PM at Holy Child Faith Formation Center. Watch the bulletin for more information, Hope to see you there!

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

Share your blessings by supporting the Annual Appeal. Our parish goal this year is \$40,000.00. Total raised: \$26,111.00, amount needed: \$13,889.00. To date we have received 65.3% of our goal.

MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Please always remember to pray for those in our nation's military; for firefighters, police and EMT's. Please also pray for all in the Parish who are ill or in any way distressed, especially



those who have asked for prayers: Nathan Grey, Eugene, Mark, Emma, George, Joseph, John, Danielle, Joseph, Rose Mary, Leah, Ed Harenza, George, Michelle, Stanley, Tom, Raina, Seth, Dorothy, Dave, Ray, Anthony Yuscavage, Anna Regan, Kubik and Rudnik Families, Kathleen K., Edmund Havira, Rose Mahoney, Joel Rivera, Joseph M., Donna, Frank, Daniel, Al, Marge Demarco, Theresa Kopko, Paul and Marilyn Irzinski, Joe, Audrey, Mollie, Louise, Elizabeth, JK, Ed and Colin Palermo, John P., Jean Mosier,

Dolores P., Wilbur P., Carlee, Mary and Bob R, Wilbur P, III, Jan Gabriel, Frank M., Kim Novak, Melissa, Peter, Susan, Ann Marie, Mary Jo, Peggy Hogan, Jen, Barbara & Jake Bartola. **If you or a loved one would like to be on the parish prayer list, please notify the office. If you are calling for someone else, please make sure you have that person's permission to publish their name in the bulletin.**

PARISH MINISTRY

CHRISTIAN SERVICE CENTER

Next food distribution, **Thursday, January 23rd, 9 AM – 11AM.** The Christian Service Center is in dire need of canned fruit, tuna fish, peanut butter, jelly, cereals and juices.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION



For the convenience and safety of our parishioners and guests, if there would be a need for any assistance or concern during Mass, please contact the ushers. They can be identified by their maroon sport coats. We appreciate the ushers service to our parish.

MOTHER THERESA HAVEN

All Saints Parish will be hosting the homeless men from Mother Theresa Haven the week of February 3rd through February 9th. These men are facing a crisis in their lives and we are called by God to respond with care and compassion. Any family from our parish that is interested in preparing and serving a meal for these men can contact Mary Burns at 570-824-1155 or the parish office at 570-779-5323. Please call if you have any questions or need more information. As of now we have 3 organizations signed up.

A lot of kneeling will keep you in good standing



All Saints Parish
Choir Christmas Party

THANK YOU

Our parish gratefully acknowledges the following donations:

- ~ In memory of **Victoria Doman** by Connie McNamara & Jeffrey, David & Elaine Baksi, Judy Hair
- ~ In memory of **Thomas Kirby** by Mary Ann Barber
- ~ In memory of **Lorraine Navroth** by husband, Ray
- ~ In memory of **Frances Tatara** by Cheryl Kellar
- ~ In memory of **Theresa Ziegler** by Trinity House Seniors

DIOCESAN EVENTS

RETROUVAILLE

Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based and Catholic in origin. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For information, contact registration team @ 717-356-2185 or visit their website: HelpOurMarriage.com.

SAVE RECEIPTS

Please save your receipts from Plymouth Hometown Market for our local firemen. For more information, please contact Mary Anne Meeker @ 570-779-9464. Containers are located in the ramp area and vestibule of the Church. Thank you.

MASS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The Annual Mass for Persons with Disabilities will be held on Sunday, February 23rd, at noon at the Cathedral of Saint Peter. If you or someone you know is interested in serving at this Mass, please contact Katy Windels at kwindels@dioceseofscranton.org. We hope that many of you will attend to support all members of our community, especially those with special needs. All are welcome!

“Life with Christ is a wonderful adventure.” Saint John Paul II

ASH WEDNESDAY RETREAT

The Office for Parish Life will offer a Retreat on Wednesday, February 26th, at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton. The day will begin at 9:30 AM and end at 2:30 PM. The faithful of the Diocese are invited to share in this day of prayer. The day will include 12:10 Mass in St. Peter's Cathedral. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available prior to Mass and lunch will be served after Mass. The fee is \$30.00, which includes lunch. To register, call Jacki Douglas at the Office for Parish Life, 570-207-2213x-1100 or you can e-mail jdouglas@dioceseofscranton.org.

ISLI LEADERSHIP RETREAT

The International Student Leadership Institute (ISLI) is a peer-facilitated faith-based leadership retreat for high school students and will be held on February 14-16 at Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center, Dalton. Complete applications are required by Sunday, February 2nd, and can be found at dioceseofscranton.org. Apply early as there are a limited number of spaces available for ISLI. For further information, please call Shannon Kowalski at 570-207-2213, ext. 1155.

GIFT CARD BINGO

Sunday, February 9th, at Exaltation of the Holy Cross Parish, 420 Main Road, Hanover Twp. Doors open at noon and games begin at 1:00 PM. \$10.00 admission fee. For more information and/or tickets call Christine at 570-328-4004.

CONCERT PERFORMANCE

St. Joseph Mareello and St. John the Evangelist Parishes are excited to announce a performance by renowned composer Dan Schutte, writer of such hymns as "Here I Am, Lord," "City of God," and the popular "Mass of Christ the Savior." The event will be held on Friday, February 28th, at St. Joseph Mareello Parish, 237 William St., Pittston, at 7:00 PM. Doors open at 5:30 pm and tickets are \$10.00. Tickets can be purchased either in person at the St. Joseph Mareello Parish Office, by phone at 570-654-6902 or through e-mail at office@sjmparish.org. Ticket orders of 8 or more must be placed by February 7th so they can be mailed. Ticket orders of 7 or less can be picked up at the Parish Office or at the doors the day of the event. Dan will also present a workshop retreat from 9:00 AM to Noon on Saturday, February 29th, at S. Joseph Mareello Parish. The workshop also costs \$10.00. To register, please contact the Parish Office with the number and names of those attending. Registration closes February 14th.

FLOWER SHOW

The Cultural Centre of St. Faustina is sponsoring a bus trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show on Sunday, March 1st. The cost of the trip is \$80.00 per adult, \$60.00 per student and includes transportation and show admission fee. A "bus only" rate of \$40.00 per person is available to those who wish to enjoy Philadelphia on their own. The bus will leave St. Faustina Cultural Centre, 38 W. Church St., Nanticoke at 8:30 AM and depart Philadelphia for home at 4:45 PM. Payment is due upon registration no later than February 12th. For more information, contact Denise at 570-574-9447.

"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one." *Saint Mother Teresa*



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Adult preparation for the Sacrament of Initiation. If you know of anyone who might be interested in inquiring about the Catholic Faith, call the parish office or Maureen Dillon at (570) 779-9874. Classes are generally held on Sunday mornings after the 8:30 AM Mass.



Baptism of Infants: Parents requesting Baptism for their children should make an appointment with the Pastor to begin the process. Also, parents seeking Baptism must attend a Baptism preparation class prior to their child's Baptism.



Catholic Marriage: Diocesan Policy states that those considering celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage must meet with the Pastor at least six months before any desired wedding date. Please call the office to schedule an appointment with the Pastor.



Communion for the Homebound: Homebound parishioners who wish to receive Holy Communion please call the office at 570-779-5323.

Hospital Visitation: Please notify the Parish Office if you or a loved one is hospitalized as the hospital no longer notifies the parish. If a patient would like to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation or Anointing of the Sick or if he or she would just like a visit, please call the office to make arrangements.

Prayer for Life

Father and maker of all, you adorn all creation with splendor and beauty, and fashion human lives in your image and likeness.

Awaken in every heart reverence for the work of your hands, and renew among your people a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift of life.

Grant this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God Forever and ever. Amen.

If you would like to purchase Altar Breads or Sanctuary Candles for a week in memory or in honor of a loved one, contact Jackie Karnes at 570-332-1176 (**Monday thru Friday only**) for available dates. Altar Breads are \$25.00 per week and Sanctuary Candles are \$15.00 per week

Week of January 19th

Sanctuary Candle & Hosts – in memory of John Belsky



If anyone is interested in donating flowers for the altar in memory of someone, please contact the office at 570-779-5323.

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Hanover Twp., PA 18706
570-823-5130
Cell #: 570-357-8773

Ads - \$5.00

Please note
The Parish Office
will be closed on
Monday, January 20th

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Jan. 11th & Jan. 12th

Offertory: \$4318.00

Loose Collection: \$115.00 Christmas: \$25.00

Energy: \$5.00 Insurance: \$5.00

Ash Wednesday: \$5.00

Maintenance: \$665.00

Solemnity of Mary: \$27.00

Clergy Care: \$25.00

\$5190.00

***Thank you! Your stewardship and generosity
toward your parish is greatly needed and
appreciated.***

**Last week's Diocesan Collection amounted to
\$25.00 which is sent directly to the Diocese of
Scranton.*



*Miraculous Medal Novena
Prayed on Tuesday
after Mass*

*Novena to St. Jude
Prayed on Thursday*

*First Friday Prayer to
The Sacred Heart*



All Saints Parish /Worship Committee

MINUTES from meeting of January 7, 2020

Attending: Fr Jacek, Helen Nowak Gabriel (chair), Jan Gabriel (sec), Mary Burns, John Sipper Sr., John Sipper Jr., Doreen Kolojechick, Pat Merman, Rosemary Coates

- OPENING PRAYER @ 6:30
- MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – accepted as submitted
- CURRENT ISSUES/UPDATES per sub-committee
- **Ministry of Music** – Bill Loyack
 - a. Advent concert held on Sunday, Dec 15. Light social in church basement followed. Approx. 50 attended
 - b. Music for Jan/Feb released
 - c. Comment on Advent Concert...we need to get more publicity..area newspapers/Catholic Light?
- **Art & Environment** - Helen Nowak Gabriel
 - a. THANKS to all of our helpers that decorated/cleaned/prepared for the Christmas season! The cooperation & coordination this year was best in memory. Result was a most beautiful church environment!
 - b. Lent begins Feb 26, Ash Wednesday. Fr confirmed that we will continue with “The Light is On” each Monday in Lent, and that Stations of the Cross will be every Friday in Lent. More details to be reviewed next meeting.
- **Altar Servers**- Rio Bantel & Ed Weihbrecht
 - a. The new altar servers will be added to the next scheduling cycle
 - b. Need to address keeping the dressing room neat
 - c. Tentatively scheduling next training/review session with servers for January 19
- **Eucharistic Ministers**-Rosemary Coates
 - a. Reports that the Eucharistic Ministers at 4pm Sat mass are being deluged at rear of church. People trying to avoid regular communion line by jumping-in after the special needs pews are served. Ushers to be alerted. This also prevents Eucharistic Ministers from timely providing communion to choir & return to altar.
- **Lectors** – Mary Burns
 - a. Question as to “how old” person has to be to become a lector. Father indicated that they should have already received Confirmation in order to be considered a Lector.
- **Ushers/Greeters** – John Sipper Sr.
 - a. Indicated that attendance by ushers at all holiday services was good. John expressed an interest in developing participation in a short class, possibly to be conducted by a local medical group. The class would touch on dealing with simple medical issues that could be addressed with help of the first aid kits. We are in need of more ice packs for the first aid supplies.

Sexton Ministry & Pastor’s Report

- a. All went well for the Christmas season. Church décor was beautiful, and attendance was good.
- b. The heating system needed further work that totaled over \$4k in repairs. Choir organ in need of repair. The motor brushes need an overhaul by a tool/dye or machinist. Anyone know of anyone who can do this?

Previously Reviewed Business:

- Remembrance Tree...Doreen K to report
The Remembrance Tree project was a huge success this year! As a fund-raiser it totaled \$6,200. More importantly it is developing into a parish tradition with many people looking forward to participation, and then supporting the Mass of Remembrance that is held on Saturday toward end of the Christmas season. Thanks to all who helped, but especially to Doreen K for coordinating the efforts, and to the Sipper Family for managing the decoration of the Tree.
- A couple of meeting dates for 2nd half of 2020 will be adjusted. TBA.
- Cookie Walk results (John Sipper Jr.)
Results were disappointing. The effort raised \$320 but was a lot of work for the return. To be reviewed for future.

NEW ITEM

- Worship committee has been asked to host the Donut Sunday for weekend of June 6 & 7
- Noted that last Donut Sunday ran out of coffee after 11am mass on Sunday
- Potential for education/training on some First Aid procedures by local medical organization. [mentioned above in USHERS report] John Sr. took note of those interested and there are about 8 from Worship Comm. who are interested.
- Idea presented to enhance the 10pm Service for Christmas Eve mass. After the red candles are distributed (at communion) then the lights could be subdued for the congregational singing of Silent Night. Review for next season.
- Possibly seek better exposure point for the sign board announcing Parish events. Somewhere on Main St?
- Next meeting of Worship Comm....Tuesday, Feb 4 @ 6:30 pm

CLOSING PRAYER @ 7:30