



Building God's Community: As disciples of Jesus Christ, we the members of **St. John Vianney Parish** join together to proclaim God's Word, celebrate the sacraments, and serve others with compassion and generosity.

JOINING OUR PARISH

We welcome all who seek a spiritual home in our Catholic community. Introduce yourself to the pastor and he will help you join our parish.

If you are not baptized, or are baptized in another Christian tradition and seek full communion with the Catholic Church, consider the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults process. It begins with inquiry sessions in which you can ask questions and discuss issues with other seekers. The process continues with opportunities for learning and spiritual transformation. The RCIA also serves baptized Catholics who did not have the opportunity to receive Holy Communion and Confirmation. The Director of Religious Education will help you start.

BAPTISM

If you are parents seeking baptism for your child, please introduce yourself to the pastor after Mass. He wishes to meet you in person before making an appointment for baptism preparation.

MARRIAGE

Our pastor invites engaged couples to make an appointment with him at least six months prior to marriage, before setting a wedding date. Couples are welcome to call as soon as you decide to marry or even while you are still considering whether to go forward toward marriage.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at Corpus Christi Church: 4:15–4:45 PM
Sunday at St Pius X Church: 9:10–9:25 AM
or by appointment.

PASTORAL TEAM:

Rev. Michael J. Kirwin, Ph.D.: *Pastor*
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FINANCE COUNCIL: finance@stjvp.org

MASSES OF THE WEEK

		<u>Location</u>	<u>Mass Intention:</u>	<u>Requested by:</u>
Saturday	3-05	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Paula Bishop	Rich & Rosanne Stracham & Family
Sunday	3-06	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Living and Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	Susan McCoy Daughter Jim & Marie Manning Family
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Chester Mason	
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Max & Veronica Stefursky	
Monday	3-07	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Francis Cino	
Tuesday	3-08	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	David M. Cavalieri	
Wednesday	3-09	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Roland Munley	
Thursday	3-10	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Ruth Sadauckas	Lisa Lastauskas
Friday	3-11	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	John O'Hara	
Saturday	3-12	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Marla Hosie	Family
Sunday	3-13	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Regina Boyarsky	Lorraine Goodfield & Family
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Living and Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	Family
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Henry P. Koruszko	

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Stations of the Cross will be celebrated on Fridays during Lent at 6:00p.m. at Corpus Christi. This ancient practice is one of the ritual ways the Church invites us to meditate on the passion of the Lord. The focus of this time of prayer is on the Cross. Please join us on Fridays during the Lenten Season for this time of prayer.

INCLEMENT WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

We will have any cancellations for any Religious Education Classes, practices and events on our Facebook page AND on our parish website UNDER the Twitter section at the bottom right of the webpage.

Our Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/stjvp>. Our parish webpage is: www.stjvp.org. We also will put an announcement on the answering machine. 570-254-9502 ext. 3.



ATTENTION FAMILIES AND TEENS:

CHOSEN is our High School Religious Education Program. All teens are invited to experience CHOSEN. We are currently offering this monthly. Join other teens, (Some are coming because they want to teach in our CCD Program), teens from youth group WANT to come, **and we want YOU to come! YOU are CHOSEN. Chosen** by God. Say YES to His call. Don't say no! It's only once a month! This is fun and is our CHOSEN way to do a High School Program. PARENTS!!! Please encourage your sons and daughters to attend once a month.

When? The next session will be Sunday, **March 20**, from 3:30-5PM (Call or look in bulletin for monthly session) Where? Parish Office Building Who? Grades 9-12 Call JoAnn at 254-9502 ext. 3 for more information.

GOOD NEWS PEOPLE

Virtue: LOVE "Love is patient. Love is kind." 1 Corinthians 13:4

Love in Action: Do a kind thing for someone you do not like.



Attention Teens Grades 8-12! YOUTH CONFERENCE

Join the 10 kids from St. John Vianney and the 45 others on our bus to join the 3,000 teens at the Franciscan University Youth conference. We are going June 17-19. For more information call JoAnn at 254-9502 ext. 3. Check out the conference at www.steubenvilleconferences.com.

CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated for St. John Vianney Parish by the Most Reverend John M. Dougherty on: Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Thu. March 10, 6:30p.m. Sacred Heart, Jermyn
Thu. March 10 7:00p.m. St. Gregory's, Clarks Green
Sun. March 13, 3:00p.m. St. John Vianney, Montdale
Sun. March 13, 7:00p.m. Nativity B.V.M., Tunkhannock
Mon. March 14, 7:00p.m. O.L. of the Abingtons, Dalton
Tue. March 15, 6:30p.m. Holy Cross Parish, Olyphant
Wed. March 16, 6:30p.m. Christ The King, Archbald
Wed. March 16, 6:30p.m. St. Rose of Lima, Carbondale
Thu. March 17, 6:30p.m. Queen of Angels Parish, Jessup
Thu. Mar. 17 6:30p.m. Visitation of the BVM, Dickson City

SAMSON SIGHT & SOUND

The world's first superhero ... the strongest man who ever lived.... He killed a lion with his bare hands and defeated a thousand soldiers ... but he's not a hero because of the strength of his hands, he's a hero because of the faith in his heart! One of the most captivating stories in the Bible, SAMSON is filled with colorful characters, extraordinary feats of strength, and amazing special effects that your whole family will love. When Samson stands between two colossal columns in a godless temple and starts to push - it's an immersive scene that literally brings the house down! A message of hope for the wayward, comfort to the weary and the incredible grace of God that enables us to truly be strong in Him!

April 29 - Cost includes Samson, Shopping Lancaster Outlets, Dinner Smorgasbord at Shady Maple (Cost based on full bus, slightly more if bus not filled) Adults \$99.50, Children (3-12) \$58.50, includes all gratuities. Money due with reservation. Contact JoAnn Wilbur at 254-9502 ext. 3 for reservation. At this time, you may put reservation and money in an envelope in collection and mark it SAMSON. Leave phone number for confirmation of your reservation. Bus will depart from St. John Vianney and St. Lawrence Church in Old Forge.

ARE YOU CALLED?

Have you ever felt that you might be called to be a priest or a brother? If you are a high school junior, and would like to learn more about the Holy Cross undergraduate seminary, you are invited to join us at Old College: **March 17-19, 2016**. Come join the current Old Collegians for Mass, prayer, meals, and conversations about what life is like for Holy Cross Seminarians. Meet one on one with a Vocations Director, and take a tour of the Holy Cross & Notre Dame campuses. Call 574-631-6385 or email us at vocation@holycrossusa.org for more information.

LENTEN CONCERTS

In a 67 year tradition of inspiring prayer and meditation through music, the Catholic Choral Society will present Lenten Concerts on March 6th in Plains and on March 13th in Scranton. The first concert on Sunday, March 6th will be held at Sts. Peter and Paul Parish Church, 13 Hudson Road, Plains, PA at 3 PM. The second concert will be presented at St. Paul's Church, 1510 Penn Ave., Scranton, PA on Sunday, March 13th at 3:00PM. Both concerts are open to the public free of charge. Further information may be obtained by calling 570-575-1040 and also at www.catholicchoralsociety.org.

Spring Raffle

Parish families are asked to pick up their tickets in the back of the Churches. This major fund raiser is necessary to sustain this year's budget. Each family is asked to purchase or sell the five tickets you received in support of our parish.

The price of a ticket is \$25.00 or five for \$100.00 and the winner of the top prize will receive \$10,000. Four additional prizes will also be awarded to the lucky winners. The date of the drawing is April 17, 2016. Everyone's support is essential to make this major fund raiser a success for our parish. The Knights of Columbus will be conducting a fund raiser/pasta dinner from noon to 3:00p the day of the drawing. Proceeds from the dinner will benefit needy of the parish. Additional raffle tickets are available at the Parish Office.

Liturgical Ministers' Schedule

March 12-13, 2016

5:00p	N. Ferraro	B. Facciani	E. Piccini J. Piccini J. Straub
8:00a	J. Dunstone M. Dunstone	Sr. Jeanne Karp	J. Corbett F. Tancredo P. Griffiths
9:30a	M. Salansky (St. Pius) J. Gesford	R. Totten	K. Shostek L. Drum
11:00a	T. Dzwonczyk K. Dzwonczyk	M. Mannion	A. Swarts M. L. Racht D. Sashko

SAVE THE DATE!

Fr. Michael Kirwin's 40th Anniversary to the Priesthood will be celebrated May 1st at the 11:00a.m. Mass followed by lunch. Details will follow.

MONTDALE FOOD PANTRY

Greetings Good Friends, I have been ill and have not been able to send you your e-mail update regarding the Food Pantry. I am very happy to be back. Feb. 17th was our distribution day, there were 74 families served (198 people served). We have been very blessed to have so many people ready and willing to help in every way. The donations of groceries and money have been keeping us able to keep the shelves stocked and gives us the ability to Feed the Hungry. We appreciate all you do for us. Sincere thanks, Food Chair, Marian Demming

Are you interested in the Catholic Faith?

RCIA



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We invite you to learn what the Church teaches, and be introduced to some of our parish members. These sessions also are opportunities for you, and others that you may wish to invite, to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church. These gatherings are for inquirers and are open to people who are unbaptized, as well as those who are

baptized Christians from Protestant or Evangelical backgrounds. We currently have sessions **afternoons and evenings**. Feel free to come any day. Please give us a call if you have any questions or would like further information at 254-9502 ext. 3 or email at JoAnn at jwilbursjv@comcast.net

SILVERWARE NEEDED

We need everyday eating utensils (they don't have to match) for the Haiti program in Cite Soleil for feeding program for the children. Please donate ASAP as we have a shipment in early March.

EASTER EGG HUNT HELP NEEDED

Volunteers sixth grade and older needed to help with the Easter Egg Hunt on Holy Saturday, March 26 at 1:30p.m. at Corpus Christi. Sign up in the back of the church.

PARISH COLLECTION

February 20-21, 2016

Weekly Adults	\$ 4,281.80	298 /564
Weekly Children	\$ 61.00	57/264
Loose	\$ 209.00	
Other (Dues, Etc.)	\$ 1,439.00	
Total Collection	\$ 5,990.80	

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish Community.

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