



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*
Deacon Edwin L. Salva, Sr.: *Permanent Deacon*
JoAnn Wilbur: *Director of Religious Education*
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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: ppc@stjvp.org

Lisa Anzelmi	Mary Retzbach
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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	9-24	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Charles J. Boyarsky	Mr. & Mrs. Richard Stracham
Sunday	9-25	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Barry J. Figured & Mary A. Figured	Joseph Figured, Jr. & Sr.
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	Angela & Family
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Al Page	Goodfield Family
Monday	9-26	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Clara Burden	Family
Tuesday	9-27	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Marilyn Hopfer Maier	Susie Mazzoni & Arlene DiBlasi
Wednesday	9-28	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Elizabeth McCormick Cicilioni	
Thursday	9-29	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Maryann Armstrong	
Friday	9-30	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Lenore Opalka	
Saturday	10-01	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Regina Boyarsky	Peter & Dolores Sashko
Sunday	10-02	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	Mark & Terri Benedict
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Lee & Anita Benedict	Family
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Gabby Wallinger	

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

St John Vianney Parish is so fortunate to have Fr Sylvester Peterka, CM speak at our Masses on the weekend of October 22nd and 23rd. He will continue to be with us through our three day Mission on Mercy starting 6:30 Monday October 24th and concluding on October 26th. Please mark your calendars now as you will not want to miss this! Watch for the letter in the mail for full details.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The RCIA process is an opportunity for instruction and spiritual transformation for any adult seeking a deeper understanding of the Catholic tradition or full incorporation into the Catholic Church. Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or completing the Sacraments of Initiation--Baptism/Confirmation/Eucharist? The RCIA group meets weekly. We also have the process for older children and teens who may have not received their sacraments, or who would like to enter the Catholic Church. Please give JoAnn a call if you have any questions or would like further information: **254-9502** or email at **Jwilbursjv@comcast.net**.

WHAT DOES OUR CHURCH TEACH ABOUT SOCIAL JUSTICE?

A decade ago, the US Council of Catholic Bishops listed seven social justice priorities, which it hoped would motivate discussion and action.

1. Life and Dignity of the Human Person
2. Call to Family, Community, and Participation
3. Individuals' Rights and Responsibilities
4. Options for the Poor and Vulnerable
5. The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers
6. Solidarity
7. Care for God's Creation

If you are interested in learning more about the priorities and their expectations, you might be interested in participating in a parish-sponsored discussion group. If so, please email Joe Rogan at joerogan@verizon.net or call the Parish Office 570-254-9502.

PREACHED RETREAT

The Passion of Jesus Christ Preached Retreat, for MEN and WOMEN - St. Gabriel' Passionist Retreat Center, 631 Griffin Pond Road, Clarks Summit, Pa. Comfortable Silence during retreat. Begins on Friday evening at 7:30 pm (registration 7pm) and ends after the noon meal on Sunday. (No meals are served Friday). Preached retreats consist of conferences on the spiritual life, time for personal reflection, prayer, opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and Liturgy. A deposit is required. For more information, please call the Retreat Office: 570 586-4957 or email kporter@epix.net



All parish families are asked to make their returns for the Harvest Festival as soon as possible. If you did not receive your tickets, please call or email the Parish Office (254-9502 ccrc402@comcast.net). Extra tickets are available at the door.

***Please note the day for making potatoes has been changed to Saturday.** Please sign up!

Help will be needed with:

Mon., Sept. 26, 10:00am—Relish Making

Mon., Sept 26, 6:30pm—Booth Set up

Thur., Sept. 29, 6:00pm-8:30pm—Carve Turkeys

Sat., Oct 1, 9:00a.m-12:00p.m Make Potatoes *

Sat., Oct. 1, 9:00am-11:30am—Final Prep

Sun., Oct. 2, 10:00am-5:00pm—Final Prep & Festival

Sun., Oct. 2, 4:30pm-6:30pm—Cleanup (6th grade +)

Mon., Oct. 3, 9:00am—Cleanup

**Sign up sheets are in the Church
Please plan on joining us!**

DIOCESAN CONGRESS

Our parish will cover half the \$40 registration fee for all religious education teachers; liturgical ministers; Council, commission, and committee members; and other volunteers who attend the Diocesan Congress on Saturday, October 8. Taking up the theme of mercy, a **Revolution of**



Revolution of Tenderness

Tenderness will be held on the campus of the University of Scranton. Acclaimed author James Martin, S.J. will give the keynote address, "Encountering Jesus," followed by many workshop choices throughout the day. Some presenters are favorites brought back from the last congress, others are new. To close the day, Bishop Bambera will preside at a 4 pm Mass. For complete information about the Diocesan Congress, visit its website via the news item on our parish website.

Registration includes all workshop materials, parking on campus, and lunch. Please complete the registration via the Congress website and request reimbursement from the parish office when you return from the Congress.

TEACHERS NEEDED

We are looking for people willing to be teachers in our Religious Education Program. Please call JoAnn Wilbur at 254-9502 ext. 3 for information and any questions.



LIVING FAITH *Serving with Mercy*

CARE AND EDUCATION OF PRIESTS

“Answering God’s call to a life of service to His people”
Our priests and deacons unconditionally answer the call to serve God’s people meeting increasing needs throughout our Diocese. Contributions to the Annual Appeal fund ongoing formation of our priests, permanent deacons, seminarians and deacon candidates. These funds also help us care for and support our 96 retired or ill priests, many of whom continue to generously assist with the celebration of Masses, the visitation of the sick and by offering spiritual guidance to all in need. Appeal gifts also assist the Vocations Office, which has been blessed with encouraging growth, in guiding those who are considering priesthood through a comprehensive discernment process. We are grateful to currently have 11 seminarians pursuing the priesthood in the Diocese of Scranton. Your gift to the Annual Appeal directly supports the celebration of the Eucharist, men in clergy formation, proclamation of the Gospel, and administration of the Sacraments within our parish communities.

PSALMS: THE SCHOOL OF PRAYER

At the heart of the Bible are the Psalms, prayers from God that help us learn to pray. The Holy Spirit inspired them. Israel sang them. Christ himself prayed them, as did our Blessed Mother. These sacred hymns become our heartfelt response to God’s loving and wondrous deeds for us. Their words captivate the imagination and draw us into a deeply personal encounter with God. Join Jeff Cavins, Sarah Christmyer, and Dr. Tim Gray as they show you how to establish a deeply personal dialogue with God through the Psalms. Join us for Psalms: The School of Prayer at the parish office, every Monday for 9 more weeks. For more information or to register for the study, call JoAnn at 254-9502 ext. 3 or via email: jwilbursjv@comcast.net

PART TIME JOB

A retired person off 81 at Exit 206 is looking for a person to clean twice a month for \$18 hour. Call the office and your name will be passed on. Thank You.

Liturgical Ministers’ Schedule

October 1-2, 2016

5:00p	K. Bailey H. Bailey	P. Garrick	Deacon Ed E. Piccini J. Piccini
8:00a	J. Dunstone M. Dunstone	L. Volk	F. Tancredo
9:30a (St. Pius)	J. Gesford N. Baker	T. Benedict	L. Hayes M. Orazzi
11:00a	N. Lowry M. Ziobro M. Ziobro	M. A. Paulukonis	A. Swarts C. Giordano M. L. Racht

WHAT CAN WE DO TO STEM THE TIDE OF VIOLENCE IN AMERICA?

Please join us to pray the Rosary and Divine Chaplet of Mercy after Tuesday morning Mass.



What does it mean to be a St John Vianney parishioner?

Belonging to St John Vianney Parish is better than having a convenient church to attend—if I want to belong and not just attend. Re-read our mission statement on the bulletin cover under the dotted line. Belonging to our parish means being a disciple, a person who consciously strives to follow Christ daily. Belonging means I participate in Mass, not just attend. I show hospitality to others who come to Mass, sing as best I’m able, respond energetically, reflect on the Scriptures and homily, and talk privately with God about my life during the week. Belonging to our parish means putting the gospel into action through generous service. “The parish is the presence of the Church in a given territory, an environment for hearing God’s word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration. It is a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and a center of constant missionary outreach” (Pope Francis).

PARISH COLLECTION

September 10-11, 2016

Weekly Adults	\$ 4,506.00	238/564
Weekly Children	\$ 29.41	28/264
Loose	\$ 429.00	
Other (Dues, etc.)	\$ 1,156.00	
Total Collection	\$ 6,120.41	

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish Community.

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Special Instructions: