



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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Jerry Borosky	Rick Toth
Jan Corbett	Secretary
Mary Ann Paulukonis	Lynn Volk
	Chairperson

FINANCE COUNCIL: finance@stjvp.org

MASSES OF THE WEEK

		<u>Location</u>	<u>Mass Intention:</u>	<u>Requested by:</u>
Saturday	11-26	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Barry J. Figured & Mary A. Figured	Joseph Figured Jr. & Sr.
Sunday	11-27	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Amy Mikelatis	Family
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Tommaso Calfa	Family
Monday	11-28	No Mass		
Tuesday	11-29	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Thomas Hasley	Sue Mazzoni
Wednesday	11-30	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Jean & Walter Ednock	Joan & Jack Tylenda
Thursday	12-01	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Roland Munley	
Friday	12-02	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Dr. Peter Favini	Family
Saturday	12-03	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Edna Zaleski	Family
Sunday	12-04	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Margaret & Edward Sokoloski	Roberta Burge
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Bill & Marie Hameza	Family

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

The Children's Christmas Eve Mass will be held at 4:00p.m. at Corpus Christi.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: All children interested in joining the Children's Christmas Eve Choir, practices are Sundays, December 4th, 11th and 18th after 11AM Mass. Pick up time is 1:30PM. Children will be offered a light lunch before practice starts at 12:20.

ALL THREE PRACTICES must be attended in order to participate Christmas Eve, unless excused by Heather.

Adult volunteers for food preparation will be needed. Please contact Heather Clendenning at 570.947.2040 if you are available to help with lunches preparation and clean up.

PRESENTATION OF THE NATIVITY: All Kn - 8th Grade Students of the parish are invited to participate in the presentation of the Nativity on Christmas Eve. Practices will be held on Thursdays, **December 1st, 15th 6:00p.m.-7:30p.m.** at Corpus Christi Church and on **December 8th 5:00p.m.-6:00p.m.** (due to the Holy Day).

Final Dress Rehearsal and Pizza Party will be held for the **Children's Choir and Nativity participants** on Thursday, December 22 from 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m. **All participants must attend this final practice.**

Christmas SHOEBOX Project for St. Francis of Assisi Kitchen

TOOTHPASTE NEEDED!! Over the past 26 years youth groups from our area have provided toiletries that they then wrapped and distributed to the guests of the kitchen on Christmas Day. Thanks to the generosity of all involved, the guests are always so grateful for having been remembered on Christmas Day. Our church will collect **TOOTHPASTE** once again. Would you please help us? We need 300 tubes of toothpaste! Our youth group needs your help! Please place in the container in back of church. We will collect until December 11.



The Giving Tree

The tradition of the Giving Tree will continue at St. John Vianney Parish this year. The gifts from Corpus Christi benefit the youths at Lourdesmont and the St Pius gifts go to children of Romy's Place. An optional 'wish list' has been included for each child that you may use as a guide in your gift buying. Please take a tag and return the gift to the church from which you

got the tag by Sunday, December 11th at Corpus Christi and Sunday, December 18th at St. Pius. Place an ornament on the tree when you put the gift under it. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Monday, December 12th at 7:00p.m., an Advent Penance Service will be celebrated for St. John Vianney Parish at Corpus Christi. This is an opportunity for all of our parishioners to prepare for Christmas and the coming of Christ, by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation as a parish community.

OTHER AREA RECONCILIATION SERVICES:

Sun., Dec. 11, 6:00p.m., Nativity BVM, Tunkhannock
 Tue., Dec. 13, 6:00p.m., St. Rose, Carbondale
 Tue., Dec. 13, 7:00p.m. St. Patrick's, Nicholson
 Sun., Dec. 18, 3:00p.m., Sacred Heart, Peckville
 Mon. Dec. 19, 7:00p.m., Our Lady Snows, Clarks Summit
 Tue., Dec. 20, 6:00p.m., Sacred Heart, Jermyn
 Wed., Dec. 21, 6:00p.m., St. Thomas Church, Archbald

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR

First Friday Masses will be held at 8:30a.m. in Corpus Christi Church. The one hour devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will begin with Eucharist and close with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Jesus appeared to St. Margaret Mary and revealed to us the wonder and beauty of God's love. We set Fridays aside as the day our Lord offered Himself for us on the Cross to call to mind God's love, mercy and sacrifice. Please join us.

Altar Servers, Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

Please let Tina know what Masses you are able to serve Christmas and New Year's weekend. If we don't hear from you, we will assume you can serve your regularly scheduled time.

Please call 254-9502 or email ccrc402@comcast.net

Christmas Choir at St. Pius X!!

Interest has been shown to have a Choir for the 9:30a.m. Mass on Christmas morning at the St. Pius X location. There will be two practices, Dec. 11 and 18 after Mass for one hour. Please join us in song. All are welcome. If you have any questions please see Linda Hayes or call 570-470-3667.

Liturgical Ministers' Schedule

December 3-4, 2016

5:00p	K. Bailey H. Bailey	D. Spegar	Golecki J. Piccini E. Piccini
8:00a	J. Dunstone M. Dunstone	G. Borosky	G. Hallesky
9:30a	M. Salansky (St. Pius) E. Komora	T. Benedict	E. Totten S. McCoy
11:00a	J. Sposto J. Bagnuolo I. Bagnuolo	R. Koruszko	R. Stracham A. Swarts C. Giordano

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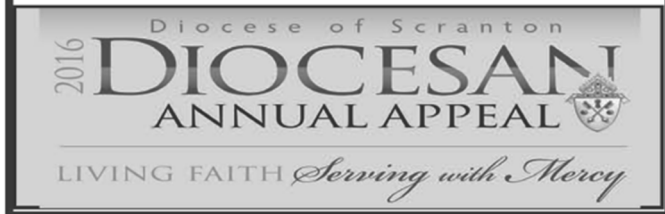
Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish Goal!

St. John Vianney Parish

\$3,745 needed to reach 100%

On behalf of all who will benefit, we convey our gratitude to all of our parishioners who have made a gift to the 2016 Diocesan Annual Appeal. Each donation truly matters. If you have not made a pledge and wish to help our parish reach our goal, please call the Diocesan Development Office at 570-207-2250 to make a pledge or give a gift by credit card, mail a gift to the Diocesan Appeal Office at 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, PA 18503, or give online at www.DiocesefofScranton.org.

Our parish is reimbursed 75% for any gifts made to the Appeal in excess of our Appeal goal.



SIGN UP FOR FLOCKNOTE!

Want to know what's going on here? Are you a PARENT of kids in our programs? Are you in one of our groups here? Lectors, Altar servers, etc.?

Simply SIGN UP so we can notify you with important info. You will receive an email and a text, whatever you indicate. Don't use computer or cell phone? NO PROBLEM. Call us with your phone number and you will be notified with a message right on your telephone.

TWO ways to sign up. 1) Text sjvparish to 84576 OR 2) go online at Flocknote.com/SaintJohnVianney. Sign up for the groups you belong to and want to hear from. You can STOP at time. Just text STOP to 84576 to stop notifications.

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 Jwilsbursjv@comcast.net.

**Brownie Troop 50811
Bake Sale**

The Brownies will hold a bake sale after each mass at the Corpus Christi location the weekend of December 10-11th. There will be homemade breads, cookies, fruit cake and more.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

If you attend Mass at St. John Vianney Parish and aren't registered, please consider becoming a registered member of our Parish Family. Father Michael will be happy to speak with you about joining the Parish after Mass. Any adult child of the parish that has turned twenty-one is asked to register independently from his or her parents/guardians. Since many families don't keep the parish up to date on their children's status, if we have not been notified, we can only assume the adult children have moved away and no longer are members. If you are unsure of your registration status, please call or email the parish office (254-9502 ccrc402@comcast.net).

Christmas at The Cathedral

with Ronan Tynan, Friday, Dec. 16 – 8:00 p.m. Saint Peter's Cathedral parish is honored to welcome back Ronan Tynan in an all-new concert featuring the season's most beloved Christmas selections and year-round favorites. Ronan's captivating singing, combined with the majesty of the Cathedral and the jubilant expectation of the season will combine for an unforgettable evening. All tickets are reserved seating and are available for purchase by calling the parish office at 570-344-7231 or by visiting www.stpeterscathedral.org. Ticket prices: Premier Reserve Seating: \$100 (includes pre-concert reception with Ronan); Limited Reserve Seating & General Reserved Seating: \$50/\$35. The concert will take place in the Cathedral of Saint Peter, 315 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton. All are invited!

**GRADE SCHOOL
STUDENT ENVELOPES**

Any students that receive offering envelopes, and do not attend Religious Education, are asked to pick up their offering envelopes in the back of the Church. All students in Religious Ed will receive their envelopes in class. If your child is in Catholic School or High School and they did not receive envelopes, and you would like to receive them, please call or e-mail the Parish Office (254-9502 or ccrc402@comcast.net).

PARISH COLLECTION

November 12-13, 2016

Adults	\$ 4,349.00	267/564
Children	\$ 56.11	37/264
Loose	\$ 616.28	
Other	\$ 1,329.00	
Total Collection	\$ 6,350.39	

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish Community.

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