



*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*  
[jwilbursjv@comcast.net](mailto:jwilbursjv@comcast.net)  
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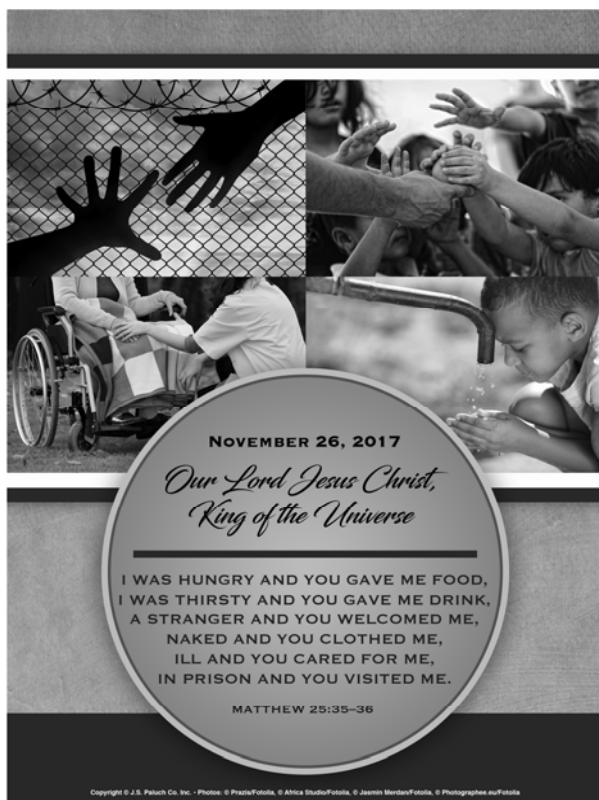
### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: [ppc@stjvp.org](mailto:ppc@stjvp.org)

Janice Bevacqua  
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### FINANCE COUNCIL: [finance@stjvp.org](mailto:finance@stjvp.org)

### MASSES OF THE WEEK

		<u>Location</u>	<u>Mass Intention:</u>	<u>Requested by:</u>
Saturday	11-25	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Edna Zaleski	Family
Sunday	11-26	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Andrew Uhrin	Paul & Linda Schneider
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Marie & Bill Hameza	Family
Monday	11-27	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	James Gregory	Doldie Petroski
Tuesday	11-28	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Robert Karlavage	Alice Eagiello
Wednesday	11-29	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Joseph Uhrin	Jason, Christy & Alston
Thursday	11-30	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Pat & Frances Fuller	Friends
Friday	12-01	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Dr. Peter Favini	Family
Saturday	12-02	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Stanley & Betty Fron	Family
Sunday	12-03	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.)	50th Wedding Anniversary Ed and Alice Sokoloski	



Diocese of Scranton  
2017 **DIOCESAN**  
ANNUAL APPEAL

*Share your blessings...*



To give \$10 as a one-time gift  
Charged to your cell phone bill

Text To: 50555  
(Type Message)

**LIGHT Parish Name City**

Example  
LIGHT St. Peter's Scranton  
LIGHT Parish City (No commas)

To make a gift of any amount or a pledge over time

Charged to your credit card

Text To: 50555

(Type Message) **APPEAL**

Open your heart to the work of your local Church  
Help our parish reach our Annual Appeal goal

WALK TOGETHER  
IN THE *Light of Christ*

This Weekend is The Annual Appeal Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Peter's Cathedral

You are invited to attend an "Annual Appeal Mass of Thanksgiving" to be held at St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, on Sunday, November 26, at 10:00 a.m. The Mass will be celebrated by Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera and followed by a reception in the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton. Your intention as you expressed on pledge envelopes during In-Pew Weekend will be remembered at this Mass. This Mass also marks the Liturgical Solemnity of Christ the King and the conclusion of the Extraordinary Year of Mercy declared by Pope Francis.

Update on the Annual Diocesan Appeal at St. John Vianney Parish: Our Parish Goal: \$32,000  
Percentage of Goal Pledged as of (date) is:86%

**CAROLING FOR OUR HOMEBOUND**

Come join us for Christmas Caroling and help brighten the holidays! We are planning to sing for our Parish homebound on Sunday, December 10th. Practice will begin at 5:00p at Corpus Christi, and we'll head out to sing at 6:00p. We hope you can join us; this should be a fun family event for all ages! Sign up sheets will be in the back of the churches, or you can sign up on our website <https://stjvp.org/> Questions? Call Gloria Konzman at 570-947-0512.

**PARISH REPRESENTATIVES**

We are looking for individuals willing to represent our parish at the Opening Mass for the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese. The Mass is December 3, 2017, 12:15p.m. at St. Peter's Cathedral in Scranton. Any person, regardless of age, who is a member of our parish, is invited to volunteer. Please call or email Tina at [ccrc402@comcast.net](mailto:ccrc402@comcast.net) 570-254-9502, ext. 1.

**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 3rd, 10th and 17th 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. Please email Lisa Anzelm if your child plans to participate: [lanzelm11@gmail.com](mailto:lanzelm11@gmail.com) Practices will be held on Tuesdays, **December 5th, 12th 6:00p.m.-7:00p.m.** at Corpus Christi Church and on Sunday **December 17th after 11:00AM Mass until 1:15**

**Final Dress Rehearsal and Pizza Party** will be held for the **Children's Choir and Nativity participants** on Thursday, December 21 from 6:00p.m. to 7:30p.m. **All participants must attend this final practice.**

**ALL ALTAR SERVERS and READERS**

Please inform Tina what Masses you can serve for December 23 through New Years Day.

**ALL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Please inform Deacon Ed what you can serve.

The schedule of Masses is on the front of your current Ministers' Schedule.

If we don't hear from you, we will assume you can serve your regularly scheduled time.

**Liturgical Ministers' Schedule**

December 2-3, 2017

5:00p	K. Kolucki N. Kolucki	C. Lubash	C. Salva J. Straub T. Bjork
8:00a	J. Dunstone M. Dunstone	Sr. J. Karp	G. Hallesky G. Konzman
9:30a	N. Baker	R. Totten	E. Totten
(St. Pius)	J. Gesford		L. Hayes
11:00a	J. Sposto J. Bagnuolo I. Bagnuolo	M. Mannion	J. Sczesniak B. Toth R. Toth

**ST. JOSEPH'S CENTER**

Make a difference in someone's life. Join our team of care givers at St. Joseph's Center. If interested, please visit our website [stjosephscenter.org](http://stjosephscenter.org) for more information and to complete an online application. Various locations and shifts available.

**MEMORIAL DONATIONS**

Please consider remembering your parish for memorial donations. If you would like to discuss any special needs of the parish, please contact Fr. Michael. If you would like to make memorial donations to other organizations, such as the Food Pantry, please send your donations directly to them.



**INDIVIDUALS IN MOTION (IAM's)  
12 DAYS OF HOLIDAY CHEER**

Joseph Salva will be selling raffle tickets after Mass at Corpus Christi next weekend. Tickets are \$10 for 12 chances to win, with prizes valued between \$100 and \$800. Proceeds will benefit individuals with spinal cord injuries and disorders.

**Christmas SHOEBOX Project for  
St. Francis of Assisi Kitchen**

**TOOTHPASTE NEEDED!!** Over the past 27 years youth groups from our area have provided toiletries that they distribute to the guests of the kitchen on Christmas Day. The guests are always so grateful for having been remembered on Christmas Day. We need 300 tubes of toothpaste! Please place in the container in back of church. We will collect until December 10.

**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 patrons of the Montdale Food Pantry and the St Pius gifts go to children of Romy's Place. Please take a tag and return the gift to the church from which you got the tag by Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Place an ornament on the tree when you put the gift under it. If you have any questions about Corpus Christi gifts call Juliana Piccini 282-0909 for gifts tags at St. Pius call Terri Benedict 222-2916. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**DONATIONS FOR  
NEW FLOORING AT ST. PIUS X**

St. Pius X Altar and Rosary is beginning to solicit donations to replace the floor covering in the body of the Church. This collection of funds will continue through Christmas at St. Pius X. Checks may be made out to: St. Pius X Altar & Rosary. Thank you.

**PART TIME JOB AT ST. JOHN VIANNEY**

A part time job is available for someone who can make themselves available most of the time for our four masses, Saturday evening through Sunday to run our projector. This person would have the responsibilities of typing the music lyrics for the songs (which differ every week) and from time to time download a youtube video that Father Michael would like shown at mass. Anyone is welcome to apply for this position, although a retired person might be more available during the weekend. Please contact Father Michael at 254-9502. Thank You.



**Support our Diocesan Catholic Schools  
for #GivingTuesday**

**#GivingTuesday** is a movement which celebrates and supports giving back to charities and non-profits. November 28, the official **#GivingTuesday**, is now less than two weeks away. Kindly consider donating to one of our schools with an end of the year gift. At each one of our 20 schools, there is a gift opportunity for a unique project the school would like to have funded.

For more information, or to make a gift to a specific school, please visit: <https://www.crowdrise.com/DOSCatholicSchoolsGivingTuesday2017>

**PARISH COLLECTIONS  
November 11-12, 2017**

Adults	\$ 5,207.00	245/572
Children	\$ 88.65	48/237
Loose	\$ 669.50	
Other	\$ 1,261.00	
Total Collection	\$ 7,226.15	

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

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Special Instructions: