



*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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Heather Clendenning: *Director of Music Ministry*  
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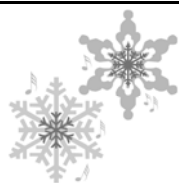
### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: [ppc@stjvp.org](mailto:ppc@stjvp.org)

Janice Bevacqua	Carol Mondello
<i>Vice-Chairperson</i>	Mary Retzbach
Jerry Borosky	Cindy Straub
Eileen Jones	Lynn Volk
<i>Secretary</i>	

### 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	12-22	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Joe Ferraro	Family
Sunday	12-23	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Martin Wojnarowski	Family
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Henry P. & Josephine M. Koruszko	Ronald, Lena, David & Richard
Monday	12-24	4:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	
		9:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	
Tuesday	12-25	9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	
No Mass Wednesday–Friday				
Saturday	12-29	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	
Sunday	12-30	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	



# Christmas Schedule

## CHRISTMAS EVE

Monday, December 24

4:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Liturgy (Corpus Christi) Carols begin at 3:30 p.m.  
9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass with the Adult Choir (Corpus Christi) Carols begin at 8:30 p.m.

## CHRISTMAS DAY

Tuesday, December 25

9:30 a.m. Christmas Mass with St. Pius Christmas Choir (St. Pius X) Carols begin at 9:10 a.m.  
11:00 a.m. Christmas Mass with the Adult Choir (Corpus Christi) Carols begin at 10:30 a.m.

December 29-30 is the regular weekend/Sunday Mass schedule

## NEW YEARS EVE

Monday, Dec. 31, 5:30 p.m. Mass (St. Pius)

## NEW YEARS DAY

Tuesday, Jan. 1, 12:00p.m. Mass (Corpus Christi)



## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

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

**Final Dress Rehearsal and Pizza Party** will be held for the **Children's Choir** and **Nativity participants** on Sunday, December 23 from noon to 1:30p.m. **All participants must attend this final practice.**

## INCLEMENT WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

We will have any cancellations for any Religious Education Classes, practices and events on our parish website at the bottom right of the webpage and a text or email if you have signed up for Flocknote. **Flocknote is the preferred and best way to be notified.** Our parish webpage is: [www.stjvp.org](http://www.stjvp.org). We also will put an announcement on the answering machine. 570-254-9502 ext. 3.

## THANK YOU TO OUR ALTAR SERVERS

During this busy time of year we would like to take the time to give special thanks to our current Altar Servers:

Isabella Bagnuolo  
Jacob Bagnuolo  
Nicole Baker  
Jacob Begin  
Bruce Bevilacqua  
Kaitlyn Capute  
Joey Dunstone

Michael Dunstone  
Katherine Dzwonczyk  
Jackson Gesford  
Billy Good  
Ben Gretzula  
Kate Kolucki  
Nora Kolucki

Ethan Komora  
Padraic Kozlowski  
Kathryn Long  
Emma Long  
Mason Matous  
Luke Osburn

Gabriel Sczesniak  
Vivian Sedlak  
Anikah Toth  
Nadia Toth  
Evan Zabrowski  
Mikayla Ziobro

Any adult or child 3rd grade and above (having received First Communion) is eligible to become an Altar Server. Training is scheduled at your convenience. If you are interested in more information, please call Deacon Ed Salva at 570-254-6090.



### CHRISTMAS CHOIR AT ST. PIUS

If interested in joining Christmas morning choir please contact Linda Hayes: 570-470-3667 or see me after Mass. One hour practice after masses **Dec. 23.**

#### Liturgical Ministers' Schedule

##### December 24, 2018 (Christmas Eve Masses)

	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Euch. Min.</u>
4:00p	B. Good P. Kozlowski K. Capute	Sr. J. Karp	T. Bjork J. Corbett R. Good
9:00p	G. Szczesniak K. Kolucki N. Kolucki	M. A. Paulukonis	J. Piccini E. Piccini C. Salva

##### December 25, 2018 (Christmas Day Masses)

9:30a (St. Pius)	N. Baker If anyone can serve, please just come.	K. Shostek	L. Drum L. Hayes
11:00a	N. Toth A. Toth E. Zabrowski	R. Koruszko	B. Toth R. Toth M. L. Racht

##### December 29-30, 2018

	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Euch. Min.</u>
5:00p	P. Kozlowski M. Matous	J. R. Salva	J. Golecki L. Golecki C. Salva
8:00a	L. Osburn K. Dzwonczyk	N. Galvin	G. Hallesky G. Konzman
9:30a (St. Pius)	E. Komora J. Gesford	L. Hayes	E. Semken M. Semken
11:00a	G. Szczesniak E. Zabrowski	M. Mannion	R. Stracham A. Swarts J. Szczesniak

### ATTENTION 8th to 12th graders!

Catholic Conferences to bring high-schoolers into a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ. 2019 Theme:

**BELONG** "See what love the Father has bestowed on us, that we may be called children of God." -1 John 3:1  
At the core of our being is a desire for meaningful connection and authentic relationship. We long to love and be loved, but how often do we just feel lonely? As we search for ways to escape these feelings of isolation, there comes a small, quiet whisper that pierces through to the depths of our heart: "You are never alone, because you are Mine." This summer, over 50,000 Catholic teens across North America will attend one of 24 Steubenville Youth Conferences to encounter the God who calls us His sons and daughters. Come and experience His overwhelming love for you. You belong here. We're going June 21-23! Call JoAnn for information at 254-9502 ext. 3 or via email : jwilbursjv@comcast.net

### MARRIAGE MOMENTS

"By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net"

Dec. 24: It's almost here. Perhaps your tradition is to decorate the tree or open presents on Christmas Eve. Keep the focus on your love for each other, not on whether everything will go right. Sometimes the best Christmas stories are about fiascos .

**Every donation counts!!**

***If you have not yet pledged, please...***

**Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish Goal!**

## OUR PARISH IS AT

# 57%

We are grateful to the 68 parishioners who supported the 2018 Annual Appeal to date.

If you have not yet given your support, please:

- Call the Development Office at 570-207-2250 to make a pledge or give a gift by credit card
- Mail a check to the Diocesan Appeal Office at 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, PA 18503, or
- Give online at [www.DiocesefScranton.org](http://www.DiocesefScranton.org).

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

### END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS

Offering envelopes are posted to the Sunday they are collected. If envelopes are mailed into the office or dropped off they are posted to the next Sunday. We are no longer able to back-date contributions. Any contributions received after the 11:00a.m. Mass on December 30th will be posted to 2019.

#### E-GIVING FOR SEPTEMBER

Total: \$2,428.00 Weekly: \$2,295.00 Other: \$187.00

#### E-GIVING FOR OCTOBER

Total: \$2,637.00 Weekly: \$2,480.00 Other: \$157.00

#### E-GIVING FOR NOVEMBER

Total: \$3,682.00 Weekly: \$3,505.00 Other: \$177.00

### PARISH COLLECTIONS

December 7-8, 2018

#### Immaculate Conception

Holy Day Adults	\$ 397.00	44/603
Holy Day Children	\$ 2.00	5/189
Loose	\$ 107.00	
Other	\$ 73.00	
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 579.00</b>	

December 8-9, 2018

Adults	\$ 4,558.00	207/603
Children	\$ 40.00	33/189
Loose	\$ 391.40	
Other	\$ 1,081.00	
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 6,070.40</b>	

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

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Bulletin for Sunday December 23, 2018  
Special Instructions: