



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 comfortable coming to mass yet, just give us a phone call and we can talk.

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*
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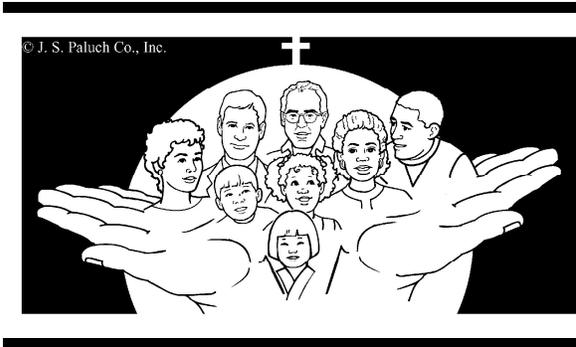
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:

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FINANCE COUNCIL: finance@stjvp.org

MASSES OF THE WEEK

				<u>Mass Intention:</u>	<u>Requested by:</u>
Saturday	03-13	5:00 p.m.	C.C.	Chas Boyarsky	Family
Sunday	03-14	9:30 a.m.	S.P.	Suzanne O'Boyle	Carol Fisher
		11:00 a.m.	C.C.	Henry P. & Josephine M. Koruszko	Richard, David, Ron & Lena
Monday	03-15	8:30 a.m.	C.C.	Tillie J. Obrzud	Gary, Tom, Scott & Brad Franks
Tuesday	03-16	8:30 a.m.	C.C.	Robert & Marge Karlavige	Family
Wednesday	03-17	8:30 a.m.	C.C.	Sandra Dowden	Friends
				Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	
Thursday	03-18	12:00 p.m.	C.C.	John, Betty & Joseph Lopes	Family
Friday	03-19	8:30 a.m.	C.C.	For the health of Matt Galvin	Norman Galvin
Saturday	03-20	5:00 p.m.	C.C.	Bernard Kapinus	Tom & Patti Dennis
Sunday	03-21	9:30 a.m.	S.P.	Bonnie Lee Rocel	Klimek Family
		11:00 a.m.	C.C.	Marla Hosie	Family



Fourth Sunday of Lent March 14, 2021

God did not send his Son into the world
to condemn the world,
but that the world might be saved
through him.

— John 3:17

Due to Covid we ask that you help one another by following these simple rules:

- Upon entering the church, wear a mask and sanitize your hands.
- 6' distance at all times.
- Fill in the pews from the front first.
- The blue circles on the pews indicate areas where people can sit. Please maintain the 6' distance at all times.
- No Congregational singing.
- No touching during sign of peace.
- On the weekend at Corpus Christi at Communion: Use the outside aisles and keep 6' distance at all times.
- Receive Communion in the hand, then step aside to remove mask, consume the Host, and replace mask.
- Exit on the same side. Do not return to the pews.
- If you are ill (with anything) please stay home. If you are quarantining please don't attend Mass.

LENTEN PRAYER

Fast from judging others; *feast on the Christ dwelling in them.*

Fast from discontent; *feast on gratitude.*

Fast from anger; *feast on patience.*

Fast from worry; *feast on trust.*

Fast from bitterness; *feast on forgiveness.*

Fast from negatives; *feast on positives.*

Fast from discouragement; *feast on hope.*

Gentle God, during this season of fasting and feasting, gift us with your presence, so we can be a gift to others in carrying out your work. Amen



COVID: WHY DO WE???

Sanitize our hands We sanitize our hands upon entering the Church in case our hands came into contact with the virus. Even though we sanitize all pews after each Mass, someone may touch a surface you that you touched.

CONFESSIONS DURING LENT

Confessions will be heard on Mondays at Corpus Christi from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. **Please consider meeting Christ in Reconciliation to prepare yourself spiritually for a Sacred Easter.**

FOUND CHILDREN/GRANDCHILDREN CHARM NECKLACE

This was found last year right about when the pandemic first hit. If this is yours please call the Parish Office to claim (570-254-9502, ext. 1).

Don't forget about e-giving: If you find automatic payments easier please consider e-giving. Go to: <https://giving.ncsservices.org/dl/?uid=ncs-3836> or our parish website: www.stjvp.org

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Stations of the Cross with Benediction will be celebrated on Fridays during Lent at **4:00p.m.** up to March 26 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.

REMEMBERING THE SICK

If you choose to add a name to our prayer list you can call the office or send us an email. We will inform our prayer group as well as add individual names to our prayer list online. At mass we will place the names of individuals on our altar and pray for them at every mass. One weekend of every month we will identify the sick by name during our prayer of the faithful at mass. Pray for the sick, especially those closest to the people of our community and our friends. Fr. Michael

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, ext. 3 or email at Jwilbursjv@comcast.net.

HOP BOTTOM FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION AT ST. PIUS

We are not allowed to collect food items in the Church at this time, but there is an urgent need. We will put a container outside of St. Pius for the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. If you know of anyone in the need please call 570-289-4102. Distributions are at the Hop Bottom Methodist Church.

MONTDALE FOOD PANTRY

Everyone is reminded we are not allowed to collect items in the Church at this time. If you wish to donate food items to the Montdale Food Pantry you may take them there directly. The Pantry is located at the Montdale Methodist Church. Use the first door that is level with the parking lot and leave your items inside the door. You can also use the envelope included in your packet for monetary contributions to the food pantries. If you or anyone you know of in Scott Township is in need, the drive through distribution is the third Wednesday of the month at 5:30p.m.

Take-out Pasta Supper & Basket Raffle

St. Maria Goretti Church, 42 Laflin Road
Homemade Pasta & Sausage Dinner
Sunday, March 21, 2021, Noon -4:00pm - TAKE OUT ONLY (containers provided)
Includes Salad, Dinner Roll & Desert
Donation \$12.00 FACE MASKS REQUIRED
Facilities are Handicapped Accessible
Ample & Free Parking Contact information – church office
570-655-8956

SPRING RAFFLE

TAKE OUT ROAST BEEF DINNER

This is one of our main fund raisers to be held on **April 18th from noon to 3:00 p.m.** You could be the big winner of \$5,000! Tickets for the raffle are five for \$100 (book) or \$25 each. There is also a \$500 prize and three \$100 prizes! Take-out dinner tickets are \$12 each and extras are available at masses the weekends of April 3-4 and 10-11. **DINNER TICKETS must be paid for by April 11 so that we can order enough food.** Raffle tickets can be purchased right up until the raffle. Now more than ever we need everyone to support this fund raiser.



MARRIAGE MOMENTS

"By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net"



"I was blind and now I see" (John 9:25) In marriage we may not be physically blind but we still need to look deeply to understand the other's hurts and fears in order to see the whole person.

Valley Community Library's Spring Photo Fundraiser

The Valley Community Library will be holding its Spring Photo Fundraiser at 739 River St. in Peckville on Saturday, March 20 from 10 AM – 1 PM and Sunday, March 21 from 12 PM – 2 PM. Support the library this spring by having a picture taken of you, your child, or your family! There are two backdrops to choose from. We have an Easter backdrop and Spring backdrop for Mother's Day. A digital copy of your picture will be emailed to you within one week. Registration is required by calling the library at 570-489-1765. Payment will not be taken in advance and we will be accepting cash, check, or card on the day of the event. Card payments will include a small processing fee. The Valley Community Library, a member of the Lackawanna County Library System, is located at 739 River St., Peckville, and serves residents in the Mid-Valley.

Liturgical Ministers' Schedule March 20-21, 2021

	<u>READER</u>	<u>EUCH. MIN.</u>	<u>Greeter</u>
5:00p	J. R. Salva	J. Piccini	M. Stchur C. Salva
9:30a	K. Shostek	No Euch Min	
11:00a	B. Facciani	E. Facciani	F. Kelly A. Sokoloski

COLLECTION: February 27-28, 2021

Adults	\$ 4,587.00	112/564
Children	\$ 34.00	2/20
Loose	\$ 79.00	
Other	\$ 1,673.00	
Total Collection	\$ 6,373.00	

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

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