



*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*  
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**FINANCE COUNCIL:** [finance@stjvp.org](mailto:finance@stjvp.org)

**MASSES OF THE WEEK**

Saturday	05-01	5:00 p.m.	C.C.	<u>Mass Intention:</u>	<u>Requested by:</u>
Sunday	05-02	9:30 a.m.	S.P.	For the health of James Galvin	Norman Galvin
		11:00 a.m.	C.C.	Suzanne O'Boyle	Susie Mazzoni
Monday	05-03	8:30 a.m.	C.C.	David Fron	Family
Tuesday	05-04	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	C.C.	Clementine E. Butwill	Cub Scout Pack #17
Wednesday	05-05	8:30 a.m.	C.C.	Frank & Bertha Cheresko	Ginger Cavalieri
		Recording Online Mass		Virginia & Tom McBride	Susan & Jim Ogle
Thursday	05-06	12:00 p.m.	C.C.	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	Maureen Cure
Friday	05-07	8:30 a.m.	C.C.	Jack & Mary Cure	Mary & Kristine Kenney
Saturday	05-08	5:00 p.m.	C.C.	Mary Lou Racht	
Sunday	05-09	9:30 a.m.	S.P.	Mother's Day Intentions	
		11:00 a.m.	C.C.	Mother's Day Intentions	
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## Fifth Sunday of Easter May 2, 2021

Let us love not in word or speech  
but in deed and truth.

— 1 John 3:18

### 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.

### 25TH & 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2021 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 6 at the Cathedral of St. Peter. The Mass will begin at 2:30, and attendance will require advance reservation. To register for the celebration go to: <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/parish-life/community/marriage/enrichment/wedding-anniversary-mass-june-6-2021/>. For questions or concerns, or if there are issues registering online, please reach out to Jen Housel, Director for Community and Family Development. (jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org, 570-207-2213 x 1104)

### Catholic Women's Conference Refresh Your Faith

As with numerous events, the Conference for June 2020 was cancelled. This year the planning committee is proceeding with the Women's Conference in an outdoor tented space on the campus of Marywood University.

The theme of "With Merciful Love" will be addressed by the keynote speaker, Theresa Bonapartis, and by the featured speakers, Father Chris Alar and Sister Virginia Joy. Taylor Tripodi will provide the spiritual music. More detailed information and registration is available at [www.cwcnepa.com](http://www.cwcnepa.com) or on the bulletin board.

### 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 Jo-Ann a call if you have any questions or would like further information: 254-9502, ext. 3 or email at [Jwilbursjv@comcast.net](mailto:Jwilbursjv@comcast.net).

### MARRIAGE MOMENTS

"By Susan Vogt, [www.SusanVogt.net](http://www.SusanVogt.net)"

May 3: "Screens" (TV, computers, cell phones...) can give us a lot of helpful information. BUT, they can also crowd out relationship time. May 3-9 is Screen Free Week (<https://commercialfreechildhood.org/sfw-21-save-the-date/>) Although this is often directed to children, it starts with you and your beloved. Can you spend a day without using a screen this week? What will you substitute?



### 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.

### SCOTT TWP SPRING CLEAN UP

Scott Twp. residents only. Permits are available at the Municipal Office and must be purchased prior to dumping. Dump Schedule: Friday, May 7, 8am to 5pm and Saturday, May 8, 8am to 3pm. Vehicles & trailers \$15-35 based on size. Tired up to 16" off rims \$3 each.

### Griffin Pond Animal Shelter to Host

**Mega Prize Bingo and More Fundraiser Event Will Include Prizes Valued at \$100 and More, Basket Raffle and 50/50 Raffle to Benefit the Shelter's Pet Medical Fund** Griffin Pond Animal Shelter will host its annual "Mega Prize Bingo and More" from 3 to 7 p.m. Sunday, May 16, at the Scott Twp. Hose Co., 1027 Montdale Rd., Montdale. The event, which is produced by Designer Purse Bingo Event Planners, will include 16 games, four specials, and one door prize game with prizes valued at over \$100 including overnight stays at various destinations. There also will be a basket and gift certificate raffle, a 50/50 raffle, and food for sale. Admission is \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.tickettailor.com/events/lchf/409777](http://www.tickettailor.com/events/lchf/409777) or at Griffin Pond Animal Shelter, 967 Griffin Pond Rd., Clarks Summit. The shelter also has numerous sponsorship and prize donation options available which are great advertising vehicles for businesses as well as a way to honor or remember someone you love. For more information, please send a message to the "Griffin Pond Prize Bingo" Facebook event page or contact Jackie Galvin, development and communications director for Griffin Pond Animal Shelter, at 570-586-3700 ext. 522 or email [jackie@griffinpondas.com](mailto:jackie@griffinpondas.com). Information also is available at [www.griffinpondanimalshelter.com](http://www.griffinpondanimalshelter.com).

### Liturgical Ministers' Schedule

May 8-9, 2021

	<u>READER</u>	<u>EUCH. MIN.</u>	<u>GREETER</u>
5:00p	L. Volk	E. Piccini	M. Stchur F. Zaleski
9:30a	L. Conrad	No Euch Min	
11:00a	B. Facciani	R. Toth	F. Kelly A. Sokoloski

**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](http://www.stjvp.org)

### ONLINE MASSES/COMMUNION

The first Sunday of every month Fr. Michael will be at the front door of Corpus Christi Church from Noon to 1:00 pm to distribute Holy Communion. You do not need to get out of your car but please wear a mask. Father will wear a mask and sanitize his hands before touching the Eucharist. We take every precaution to keep you safe



### Were you asked to be a Sponsor for a Baptism or Confirmation?

When one is asked to be a Sponsor, normally the parish where the Sacrament will be received will ask the proposed Catholic Sponsor for a form from their parish. The reason a form is requested is so that the parish where the Sacrament will be received, knows that the sponsor is qualified for the role. Anyone wishing to receive a Sponsor Certificate from our parish is to speak to Fr. Michael in person after they attend Mass

### Rummage Sale

Given the rising COVID numbers for Lackawanna County it is best we postpone the rummage sale until next year. Please save your items for your parish. This activity serves as a service to the disadvantaged as well as the financial well being of your parish. Thank you always for your cooperation and support!!

### NOTICE TO THE ROMAN CATHOLIC FAITHFUL OF THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON:

The Fraternité Notre Dame Community, since its acquisition of the former Saint Mary of the Assumption Parish complex in South Scranton, Pennsylvania in 2020, has generously provided support to the poor, particularly during the course of the current health crisis. The Community, however, describes itself as a Traditional Catholic Religious Order that is not in union with the Pope. As such, it is not a legitimate religious order of the Catholic Church.

The faithful of the Diocese of Scranton should not attend Masses nor receive the sacraments provided by the Fraternité Notre Dame Community when Masses are available in nearby Churches of the Diocese. Particularly regarding the sacraments of Confirmation and Marriage, these celebrations would not only be illicit, but also invalid.

### PARISH COLLECTION

April 17-18, 2021

Adults	\$ 4,672.00	98/565
Children	\$ 4.00	2/20
Loose	\$ 196.00	
Other	\$ 1,864.00	
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 6,736.00</b>	

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish Community.

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