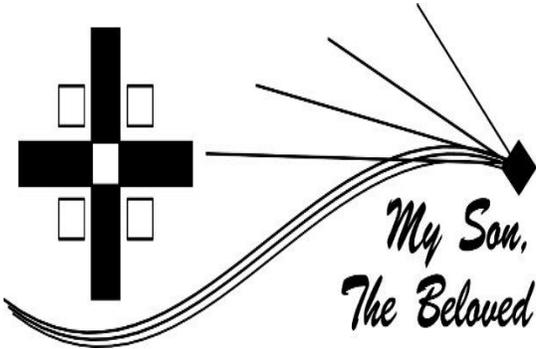


2nd Sunday of Lent - March 1, 2026

*“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him.” –Matthew 17:5*



READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Sunday	Gn 12:1-4a; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9
Monday	Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday	Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18,22
Thursday	Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
Friday	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday –	Feb 28	4:00 PM	Eileen Devaney		
Sunday –	Mar 1	9:00 AM	Eileen Devaney		
Monday –	Mar 2	12:00 PM	Eileen Devaney		
Tuesday –	Mar 3	12:00 PM	Eileen Devaney		
Wednesday -	Mar 4	12:00 PM	Eileen Devaney		
Thursday	Mar 5	12:00 PM	Eileen Devaney		
Friday -	Mar 6	12:00 PM	Eileen Devaney		
Saturday –	Mar 7	4:00 PM	Eileen Devaney		
Sunday –	Mar 8	9:00 AM	Eileen Devaney		

1st Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

Abram was blessed because of his righteousness: his obedience to, and love of, God. But God, who exists both out of and within time, began through Abram His great arc of salvation that would develop within creation over the millennia, and ultimately lead to the incarnation of Jesus Christ. God’s plans are mysterious yet wondrous to behold.

2nd Reading: Timothy 1:8b-10

In this letter to Timothy, the apostle Paul reiterates the gospel message, and reminds his young friend, that God planned all of it – the birth, death and resurrection of Jesus, so that humankind would be saved. And he planned all of it before time began! Paul wrote this letter from a prison cell in Rome, shortly before his execution, and it is likely that his words were intended to comfort Timothy.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 17: 1-9

The transfiguration story, of course, prefaces symbolically the resurrection to come. It also clearly establishes, perhaps more practically, the ‘complete’ nature of Jesus before his disciples, who knew him as a man, a friend. The incident on the mountain was a theophany, and as such, established Jesus as God. There could be no doubt about who he was, and would be; their fearful (awe filled) reaction was proof that they understood. But Jesus touched them, reassured them, and then they also knew that he was still their friend. This is the real message for all of us who follow Jesus.



MEMBERS OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY PRAYER CHAIN available to pray for you or your loved ones. Please call Maureen Van Nostrand at: 570-498-0760.

LET US PRAY THIS MONTH: We

remember in prayer those who are ill & pained in body, heart & mind. We pray especially for Betsy Arnold & family, Eileen Baessler, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett, Ralph Blodgett, Brad Booker, Ellen Booker, Brad Bozzo, Al Breiner, Katie Calvin, Doris Carnese, JoAnne Catlin, Becky Cole, Aiden Conklin, James Conklin, Kathleen Conklin, Odessa Cornell, Carmen Cruz, Wilma Daniels, Mary Ann DeWitt, Philip Donahue, Larry Ferris, Mary Ferris, Harvey Fletcher, Geraldine Flynn, Phyllis Fritz, Maria Garvey, Brandy Golden, William Hector, Gerard Heiser, Jane Heiser, Byron Hilgner, Billie Jackson, Kevin Jenner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Josh Landis, Shawn McGraw, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Christian Mondy, Luis Muloski, Denelle Myers, Russel Nowalk, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Sandra Seeger, Dorothy Sergent, Pauline Sheehan, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Fran Tometchko, Florence Trowbridge, Rosemarie Whalen, Gerry Washack.



PARISH FINANCES

2/22/2026

(Budget)	\$	(4,867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	2,956.27

Thank you for your generosity & support!

2nd Collection: March 14-15, 2026



Sunday, March 1 – 9:00AM

Albert Paolucci

Sunday, March 8 – 9:00AM

Stanely Grochal

Sunday, March 15 – 9:00AM

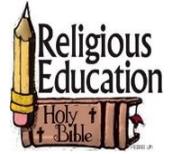
Bernadetta Paolucci

Sunday, March 22 – 9:00AM

Albert Paolucci

Become an Altar Server! Call the Rectory

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Classes began on Sunday, September 21. Classes are held in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00 AM, since Sunday Mass is at 9:00 AM. Families previously registered last year should have received a registration form in the mail. If you are new to the parish and would like to register your child, forms are available at the rectory. Also you can find a registration form on the Holy Name of Mary Church website under the pull down menu under Religious Education.

The following is the schedule for classes for Feb:

- February 22...Regular Class
 - February 22...Family Mass
 - March 1.....Regular Class
 - March 8.....Regular Class
 - March 15....Regular Class
 - March 22....Regular Class
 - March 22....Family Mass
 - March 29....Regular Class...Palm Sunday
 - April 5....NO CLASS...Happy Easter!
 - April 12.....Regular Class
 - April 19.....Regular Class
 - April 26.....Regular Class
 - May 3.....Regular Class
 - May 10....NO CLASS...Happy Mother's Day!
 - May 17....Regular Class...Last Class
 - May 24....Pentecost Sunday....
Confirmation at 9:00 Mass
- Have a great summer!**

Thank you to those parents who support their children in their Faith Formation. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Fran Calafut at (570) 396-5879.



Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement.

If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or at www.compss.state.pa.us/cwis and should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.



Lenten Men's Retreat
March 13-14, 2026
 Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center
 1000 Seminary Rd, Dalton, PA

Includes Mass, Adoration, and Reconciliation
 \$85 meals and accommodations, \$60 commuters, \$50 students
 Register online at www.beacatholicman.com
 Questions? Call Joe Adcroft at 570-380-5070



PLEASE NOTE: The *Altar and Rosary Society of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Dushore* is planning a retreat with Fr. Pio and the Capuchin Nuns of Nazareth. The retreat will be held on Saturday, March 14 at St. Francis church in Mildred, and will include Holy Mass, a light lunch, Exposition, Reconciliation, and Benediction. Men and women are welcome and encouraged to attend at no cost. Call Karen at 570-637-6607 for more information.



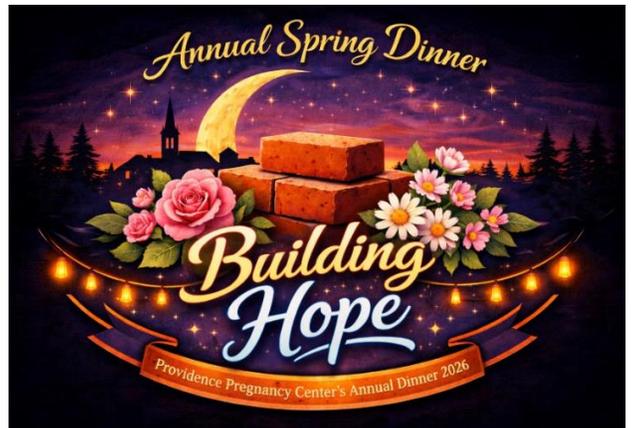
Let us pray for those who proudly serve in the military: Floyd Beamer, Thomas Butler, Daniel Daly, Christopher Jordan, James Kane, Mark Nowalk, Michael Pelicci, David Place, Nate Seymour, Julie Snyder, Nancy Travis, Travis Walter



Travelers & Vacationers
 Please remember that our parish relies on your contributions, even when you are away. Thanks!!



Altar Flowers
 If you would like to donate flowers for the altar in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion, please call the rectory.



Join us for a complimentary dinner in support of Providence Pregnancy Center! Gather with more than 500 people from across the Diocese as we celebrate and support the gift of life.

Enjoy dinner and dessert, live music, exciting raffles, and a cash bar.

Friday, April 10
5:30–8:30 PM
St. Mary's Center, Scranton

Advance reservations are required and **tickets are going fast!** To register and select your seats, visit: www.ppcscranton.org/events

Diocese of Scranton
VOCATIONS



EZRA 10:4
**A RETREAT FOR MEN DISCERNING THE
 PRIESTHOOD**
Rev. Alex Roche



Holy Family Spiritual Renewal Center, Nanticoke
 151 OLD NEWPORT ST, NANTICOKE, PA 18634
 Hosted by the Diocese of Scranton Vocations Office
MARCH 6-7, 2026
 REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2026

**2026 Lenten Holy Hours
 with Bishop Bambera**



February 19
 Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Wyalusing

February 24
 Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, Brodheadsville

February 25
 Saint Ann Parish, Williamsport

February 26
 Divine Mercy Parish, Scranton

March 2
 Saint Thomas More Parish, Lake Ariel

March 3
 Saint Carlo Acutis Parish, Olyphant

March 5
 Saint John Bosco Parish, Conyngham

March 12
 Nativity of Our Lord Parish, Duryea

March 16
 Saint Therese Parish, Shavertown

March 19
 Saint John Vianney Parish, Montdale

March 23
 Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Peckville

March 24
 SS. Peter & Paul Parish, Plains

All Holy Hours to
 begin at 7 p.m.



Lenten regulations for observance of Abstinence and Fasting in the Diocese of Scranton:

1. **ABSTINENCE** (meaning no meat for that day) and **FASTING** are to be observed on **ASH WEDNESDAY** and **GOOD FRIDAY**.
2. **ABSTINENCE** (no meat) is to be observed on **ALL FRIDAYS OF LENT** for all Catholics 14 years of age and older.
3. All Catholic adults, from 18 to 59 years of age, are bound by the law of **FAST**.
4. **FASTING** means one full meal may be eaten each day. Two smaller meals are permitted, if necessary, to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid food between meals is not permitted.



Please note, Reconciliation will be available every Monday, during Lent, from 5:00PM - 6:00PM.

