

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 5, 2026

"No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him." –Matthew 11:27



READINGS FOR THE WEEK:
Sun: Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30
Mon: Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Mt 9:18-26
Tue: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Mt 9:32-38
Wed: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Mt 10:1-7
Thu: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Mt 10:7-15
Fri: Hos 14:2-10/Mt 10:16-23
Sat: Is 6:1-8/Mt 10:24-33

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday -	July 4	4:00 PM	For Joan Nelson – Frank & Rita DeRiancho		
Sunday -	July 5	9:00 AM	For Kathleen Pascoe – Tom & Kathleen Kurosky		
Monday-	July 6	12:00 PM	For Betty Kraynak		
Tuesday –	July 7	12:00 PM	For Isabel Pross – Tom & Kathleen Kurosky		
Wednesday -	July 8	12:00 PM	For Betty Kraynak		
Thursday -	July 9	12:00 PM	For Betty Kraynak		
Friday -	July 10	12:00 PM	For Betty Kraynak		
Saturday -	July 11	4:00 PM	For Joan Nelson – Frank & Rita DeRiancho		
Sunday -	July 12	9:00 AM	For Betty Kraynak		



1st Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10

The prophet tells of the Messiah to come, not as a warrior but as a peace-giver. In this passage it is difficult not to find one of Christ's central messages, and as such, the message of God to His people: *'The warrior's bow shall be banished, and he shall proclaim peace to the nations.'*

2nd Reading: Romans 8:9, 11-13

Paul here is not saying that *'flesh'* is bad, nor is he suggesting that the *'spirit'* is all that is good in humans- after all, God became flesh! What he is saying is that *God's* spirit, through Christ, can redeem human flesh *and* the human spirit: *'the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also'*. This is an important point that should not be lost. The Church teaches a resurrection of both body and spirit. Christ's human body was resurrected, and ours will be as well.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 11:25-30

Christ wants us to learn from him, to share in his relationship with the Father. The burdens of humanity, or perhaps better called the human dilemma, wear us down and turn the gift of life into something experientially painful. When we give it over to Christ, accept his solution to the dilemma, we are freed from the pain of existence that is all tangled up with self and isolation and the anxiety of our mortality. Jesus is the means to relationship with the eternal Oneness of God, and the human burden becomes Christ's burden.



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, JoAnne Catlin, Becky Cole, Aiden Conklin, James 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 Mondri, Luis Muloski, Denelle Myers, Russel Nowalk, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Sandra Seeger, Dorothy Sergent, Jaqueline Shedden, Pauline Sheehan, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Fran Tometchko, Florence Trowbridge, Rosemarie Whalen, Gerry Washack.



PARISH FINANCES

6/28/2026

(Budget)	\$	(4,867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	2340.00

Thank you for your generosity & support!



Sunday, July 5 – 9:00AM

Albert Paolucci

Sunday, July 12 – 9:00AM

Stanely Grochal

Sunday, July 19 – 9:00AM

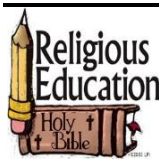
Bernadetta Paolucci

Sunday, July 26 – 9:00AM

Albert Paolucci

Become an Altar Server! Call the

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Classes are held in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00 AM, since Sunday Mass is at 9:00 AM. 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.

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.



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, Travis Walter.



PLEASE NOTE, Fr. Philip's new Parish:

Rev. Philip Rayappan

Holy Child Catholic Church

242 S Main St, Mansfield, PA 16933

Phone: (570) 662-3568

Welcome

Father Kevin Miller

After a period of prayerful discernment, Bishop Joseph C. Bambera has announced the appointment of Father Kevin Miller as the new Pastor of both Saint Brigid Parish, Friendsville, and Holy Name of Mary Parish, Montrose, effective July 15, 2026.

Father Miller is no stranger to Susquehanna County - having previously served the parish communities of Most Holy Trinity, Susquehanna, as well as Saint Brigid. He brings with him a deep familiarity of parish life in our rural communities along with a strong commitment to sacramental ministry, pastoral presence, and collaboration across parish lines.

He is looking forward to becoming reacquainted with the families and parishioners of Saint Brigid Parish, to meeting the faithful of Holy Name of Mary Parish in Montrose, and to welcoming and accompanying new members across both parish communities.

ABOUT FATHER KEVIN MILLER

Father Kevin Miller comes to serve Saint Brigid Parish, Friendsville, and Holy Name of Mary Parish, Montrose, after serving for three years as a pastor in the Hazleton area of Luzerne County.

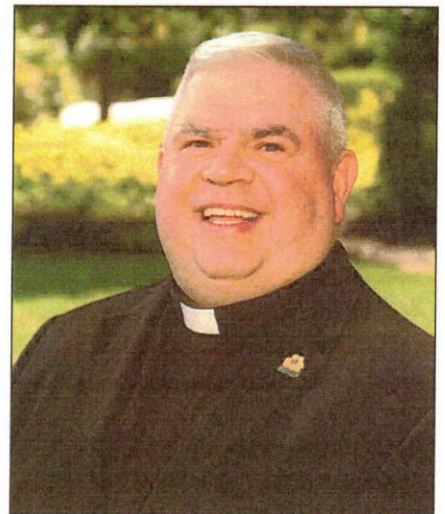
On June 30, 2023, Father Miller was appointed Pastor of Annunciation Parish in Hazleton. Shortly thereafter, on May 5, 2025, he was also named Pastor of Holy Name of Jesus Parish in West Hazleton. The two parishes were later consolidated in July 2025, to form Saint Pius of Pietrelcina Parish. Throughout his ministry in Hazleton, Father Miller served both English- and Spanish-speaking communities with deep pastoral dedication and care.

Prior to his pastorate in Hazleton, Father Miller became Pastor of Saint Brigid Parish on August 2, 2021. On August 4, 2022, he was also appointed as Administrator of Most Holy Trinity Parish, Susquehanna, becoming Pastor of that parish as well less than a month later on August 29, 2022.

His first parish assignment, after being ordained to the priesthood in 2020, was as Assistant Pastor of Saint Rose of Lima and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parishes in Carbondale.

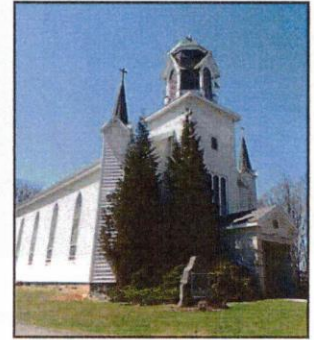
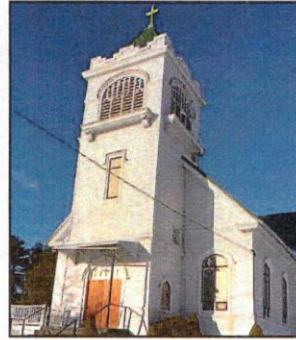
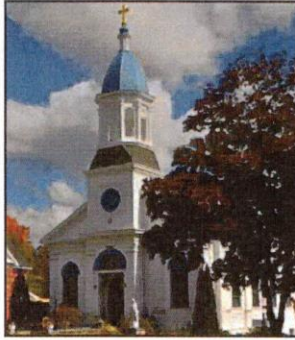
Father Miller became a priest after 32 years of dedicated service to our nation and community as an Army officer. Father Kevin retired from military service in May 2015 at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Throughout his career with the Army Reserves and PA Army National Guard, Father Miller served in many roles, including 55th commander of 1st Battalion, 109th Field Artillery, and combat advisor to the 101st Airborne Division in Gardez, Afghanistan. He returned from overseas combat duty to serve in Willow Grove and Harrisburg.

Father Miller was born and raised in the East End section of Wilkes-Barre. He attended public schools and graduated from Coughlin High School in 1983. He first felt the call to the priesthood when he was 12 years old after falling in love with the life of the Church. Father Miller has a deep love for the celebration of the Eucharist and sacraments and pledges to give all that he is, as a priest of Jesus, to his fellow disciples.



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As was shared previously, the decision to link Saint Brigid and Holy Name of Mary Parishes reflects the broader realities facing the Diocese of Scranton, including the diminishing number of available priests and the need to ensure sustainable parish life for the future.



This change will require adjustments to the current Mass schedule at both parishes in order to be realistically served by one priest.

A transition team composed of representatives from both parishes worked diligently to assist in developing a new schedule; however, given the number of worship sites and pastoral needs involved, arriving at a workable solution proved challenging.

Among those needs is the establishment of a Spanish-language Mass in Montrose to serve a growing Hispanic community in the region, an important pastoral priority that Father Miller is prepared to support and lead.

New Weekend and Daily Mass Schedule for Holy Name of Mary Parish, Montrose, and Saint Brigid Parish, Friendsville, beginning July 15, 2026

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Masses

4:00 p.m. - Holy Name of Mary Parish, Montrose (*Bilingual Mass*)

6:30 p.m. - Saint Brigid Parish (St. Francis Xavier Church, Friendsville)

Sunday Masses

7:30 a.m. - Saint Brigid Parish (St. Francis Xavier Church, Friendsville)

10:30 a.m. - Saint Brigid Parish (St. Augustine Church, Silver Lake Township)

12:30 p.m. - Holy Name of Mary Parish, Montrose

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday - Noon - Holy Name of Mary Parish, Montrose

Tuesday - 8:30 a.m. - Saint Brigid Parish (St. Augustine Church, Silver Lake Township)

Wednesday - 8:30 a.m. - Saint Brigid Parish (St. Augustine Church, Silver Lake Township)

Thursday - Noon - Holy Name of Mary Parish, Montrose

Friday - Noon - Saint Brigid Parish (St. Francis Xavier Church, Friendsville)

Saturday - 8:30 a.m. - Saint Brigid Parish (St. Augustine Church, Silver Lake Township)

Monthly Devotions Schedule

First Friday Mass (First Friday of Each Month) - 6:00 p.m. - Holy Name of Mary Parish, Montrose

First Saturday Mass (First Saturday of Each Month) - 10:30 a.m. - Saint Brigid Parish (St. Augustine Church, Silver Lake Township)

(Following Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 8:30 a.m., Confessions, Rosary, Meditation and Benediction)