

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 14, 2025

“Demonstrate your faith to me without works, and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works.” - James 2:18



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Is 50:5-9a; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35
Monday	1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday	1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday	1 Cor 12:31—13:13; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday	1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50
Friday	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13
Saturday	1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15

MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday–	Sept 13	4:00 PM	Regina Janov – Frank & Rita DeRiancho
Sunday –	Sept 14	9:00 AM	Philip (Gerry) Simone – Fran & George Calafut
Monday –	Sept 15	12:00 PM	Margaret Schrantz
Tuesday –	Sept 16	12:00 PM	Margaret Schrantz
Wednesday	Sept 17	12:00 PM	Joan Noto
Thursday –	Sept 18	12:00 PM	Ann Pardue McCormick
Friday –	Sept 19	12:00 PM	Edward Sheroda
Saturday –	Sept 20	4:00 PM	“J” Gurn – Pat Warner & Diane Quattrochi
Sunday –	Sept 21	9:00 AM	Susan Stone – Joe & Diane Conigliaro

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9a

This is taken from the third ‘Servant Song’, and the prophet is determined to continue preaching to the people: they will be restored to Judah by God *after exile*. It is clear that no one believes the Prophet, yet he continues proclaiming what he knows is true. Jesus, all during his ministry, does exactly the same thing- proclaiming that God’s people will be delivered from bondage. And of course he is persecuted for telling them what they do not believe.

2nd Reading: James 2:14-18

Once again, the author is exhorting the readers to understand the truth of Christian service: that being baptized and being faithful to Jesus is not enough; commitment to serving others is the only *outcome* that matters. This is a teaching that comes out of the Torah (Lev 19:18) originally and as such it continues God’s message of love for neighbor, demonstrated graphically with Christ’s sacrifice.

Gospel Reading: Mark 8:27-35

Here Peter answers the question by telling Jesus that he is the Messiah. Then later Jesus rebukes him for, presumably, denying that his passion will take place. It may be that Peter’s notion of ‘messiah’ is still limited, understood as a sort of earthly warrior-king. If this is so, Jesus would be rebuking Peter for denying the most important part his messianic role. It is also important to note that when Jesus calls Peter ‘Satan’, he is not labeling Peter as the evil guardian of Hell. *Ha-satan*, the Hebrew term, simply translates as ‘the accuser’ or ‘the opposer’. In other words, Jesus is saying in effect: *Don’t argue with me!* Peter recognized Jesus as Messiah, but not as the Messiah that Jesus was to become. Peter is like all of us: *we are sure that we know God, but in our certainty we are blinded to the mystery that God truly is.*



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 Mondri, Luis Muloski, Denelle Myers, Russel Nowalk, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Sandra Seeger, Dorothy Sargent, Pauline Sheehan, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Fran Tometchko, Florence Trowbridge, Rosemarie Whalen, Gerry Washack



PARISH FINANCES

9/7/2025

(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	3,727.00

Thank you for your generosity & support!

Next 2nd Collection: October 18/19

World Mission Sunday



Sunday, September 14 – 9:00AM

Albert Paolucci

Sunday, September 21 – 9:00AM

Stanely Grochal

Sunday, September 28 – 9:00AM

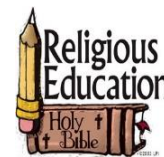
Bernadetta Paolucci

Sunday, September 14 – 9:00AM

Albert Paolucci

Become an Altar Server! Call the Rectory

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Religious Education classes begin on Sept 21, Catechetical Sunday.

Classes will be held in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00 AM, since Sunday Mass is at 9:00 AM. Families previously registered last year will receive a registration form in the mail. Please fill out this form and return it in the enclosed envelope. If you are new to the parish and would like to register your child, forms will be 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. We are looking forward to seeing all of you again! If you have any questions or concerns, please call Fran Calafut at (570) 396-5879.

PLAYSTATION OR XBOX REQUEST

If any parishioner happens to have an old Playstation or Xbox that is no longer being used...and would like to donate it to a child from HNM church....please contact Fran Calafut at 570.396.5879. Thank you!



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, and Travis Walter



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.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is with deep joy that I invite each and every one of you – clergy, religious, and lay faithful – to join me on a Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., on Wednesday, October 1, 2025, in celebration of the ongoing Jubilee Year of Hope. It is a sacred time of renewal, reconciliation, and grace for the entire Church – a time to rediscover the hope that only Christ can give in a world marked by anxiety, division, uncertainty, and fear. This Pilgrimage will be a visible sign that hope is alive in our hearts, in our families, and in

the Church of Scranton.

The Basilica of the National Shrine of Immaculate Conception – affectionately known as “Mary’s House” to honor Our Blessed Mother – has been designated as a special place of pilgrimage during Jubilee Year 2025 by the Administrative Committee of

the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. As the largest Catholic church in North America, the Shrine is a most fitting place for us to pray, give thanks, and to be strengthened in our mission as witnesses of hope. Visiting the Basilica will also provide pilgrims with the opportunity to obtain a plenary indulgence of the Jubilee.

I ask for your help in having the faithful of our Diocese come together as a people of hope, united in faith. With gratitude for your witness and your love for the Church, we entrust this pilgrimage to the intercession of the Immaculate Conception. Faithfully yours in Christ, Rev. Joseph C. Rv. Joseph Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.
Bishop of Scranton



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.

Be A Catholic Man

The 10th Annual Be A Catholic Man Conference will be held on Saturday, October 4, 2025 at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 South Pennsylvania Ave. Wilkes Barre, PA 18701. This year's theme is *Christ Is King*. Conference runs from 8:00am to 3:00pm (Adoration and Confessions are available), closing Mass at 1:45 PM, registration/continental breakfast between 7 & 8 AM and Rosary at 7:15 AM. The three (3) speakers will be:

- Fr. Charles Connor-EWTN TV Series Host, Seminary Professor, Historian & Author, Priest of the Diocese of Scranton
- Mike Aquilina- EWTN TV Series Host & contributor, author, songwriter, native of Kingston, Pa., Educated in primary and secondary Catholic schools in Pittston, Pa.
- David Bereit- Founder of 40 Days for Life prayer campaign to end abortion occurring in Lent and in the fall, convert, contributor to major media outlets.

\$40 (Early Bird \$30 until 9/15/25), Students- \$15, Priests/Deacons- Free

Register either online at BeACatholicMan.com, or by mail by sending your name, address, email & parish with your check payable to “Be a Catholic Man” with “Men’s Conference” on the memo line of the check. Send it to: “Be a Catholic Man”, P.O Box # 669, Wyalusing, Pa. 18853.

For more information, contact (name of your parish coordinator), Mike Kilmer at 570-721-0872, mkilmer@thekilmer-group.com, or use this QR Code.



Holy Name of Mary Youth Choir

Catholic Music Formation Program

We are excited to announce the formation of the **Holy Name of Mary Youth Choir**, a new music and faith enrichment program for youth in our parish!

Open to students ages 7–18, our Youth Choir Program offers:

- Weekly choral rehearsals with professional music instruction by Kristin Allen
- Leadership opportunities as Junior & Senior Assistants for students ages 13-18
- Opportunities to sing at Sunday Masses, feast days, and parish events
- Training in many different types of liturgical music, including Gregorian Chant
- Beginner's course in singing in Latin and several other languages
- Training in music theory, vocal technique, and sight-singing
- Training about composers, music history, and the Catholic Mass
- Personal lessons may be available (separate from our rehearsals) for a small fee

Parents, Grandparents, or Guardians, please consider registering a student and have them refer a friend!

Rehearsal Schedule will be announced once at least 5 students have enrolled.

To register a student, please fill out the form below and return it to Kristin Allen Murray at weekend Masses or via email: kristinallen18801@gmail.com.

Registration forms can also be picked up at the piano in the church every weekend.



Student's Name: _____

Student's Grade/Age: _____

Student's School/Homeschool: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____



