

5th Sunday of Lent – March 26, 2023

“Then you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and have you rise from them, O my people!” -Ezekiel 37:13



Lazarus, come out!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17
Monday	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62
Tuesday	Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-
Thursday	Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday	Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday	Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday –	March 25	4:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Sunday –	March 26	9:00 AM	Tanya Calafut (The Gurn Family)
Monday –	March 27	12:00 PM	All Holy Name of Mary Parishioners
Tuesday –	March 28	12:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday –	March 29	12:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory
Thursday –	March 30	12:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory
Friday –	March 31	12:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory
Saturday –	April 1	4:00 PM	All Holy Name of Mary Parishioners
Sunday –	April 2	9:00 AM	All Souls in Purgatory

1st Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14

The prophet here looks forward to the return of the people to their homeland from exile, and it will be a restoration of the nation to God's promised-land. It can also be viewed as a promise of individual resurrection of those who have passed, probably at the end of time. Whichever interpretation is used, it is God's Spirit that brings it all together.

2nd Reading: Romans 8:8-11

Paul's theology here is pretty clear: Christ's death on the cross was for all who believe in him, and if the Son dwells within them then God will raise them as surely as He raised Jesus. This is the beginning and the end of the Christian's journey. But there is another truth that can be found in this verse: once the Spirit dwells within us, we are no longer entirely of this world; in fact, we have one solid foot in the Kingdom and one illusory foot in this world. The Kingdom isn't 'other than' this reality; rather, it includes the part of this reality that the Spirit claims. When we are justified by Christ and sanctified by the Spirit, we become God's own.

Gospel Reading: John 11:1-45

In John's gospel the raising of Lazarus is a central occurrence that foreshadows the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus. When Jesus tells Martha that, *"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die"*, he is speaking clearly about his role as the Savior. This is a shocking statement that requires each of us to respond- there is no middle-ground here. The question Jesus posed to Martha is the same one asked of us: *"Do you believe this?"* And with all of our hearts, minds, and souls we must respond as Martha did: *"Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."*



MEMBERS OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY PRAYER CHAIN are available to pray for you or your loved ones in need of prayer. Please call Maureen Van Nostrand at: 570-278-4590.

LET US PRAY THIS MONTH:

We remember in prayer those who are ill & pained in body, heart & mind. We pray especially for Betsy Arnold & her family, Richard Arnold, Frank Bayer, Gene Bell, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett, Ralph Blodgett, Brad Booker, Ellen Booker, Brad Bozzo, Al Breiner, Katie Calvin, JoAnne Catlin, Becky Cole, David Conklin Jr., Kathleen Conklin, Odessa Cornell, Wilma Daniels, Philip Donahue, Jeanne Falk, Larry Ferris, Mary Ferris, Harvey Fletcher, Geraldine Flynn, Maria Garvey, Brandy Golden, William Hector, Gerard Heiser, Jane Heiser, Byron Hilgner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Josh Landis, Dolores Makowski, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Christian Mondy, Luis Muloski, Jamie Myers, Joan Nelson, Kevin Nowalk, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Ann Paolucci, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Lennas Russell, Dorothy Sergeant, Pauline Sheehan, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Jerry Stahl, Florence Trowbridge, Rosemarie Whalen.



LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PROUDLY SERVE IN THE MILITARY:

Floyd Beamer, Thomas Butler, Daniel Daly, Christopher Jordan, James Kane, Mark Nowalk, Nate Seymour, Julie Snyder, Aaron Taylor, Nancy Travis, and Travis Walter.

PARISH FINANCES

3/19/2023

(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	2,843.75
<i>Thank you for your generosity & support</i>		



Please remember that during these difficult times, Holy Name of Mary is relying on your continued support to meet our financial obligations. Thank you!!

Travelers & Vacationers

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



Sunday, March 26th – 9:00AM

Albert Paolucci

Sunday, April 2nd – 9:00AM (Palm Sunday)

Isaiah Torres

Would you like to become an Altar Server?

If so, please contact Pam Tometchko at 570-278-0497 or speak to Fr. Philip directly.

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 electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

PARISH EVENTS

March 25th/26th – Loose Change Weekend
April 3rd – Reconciliation Service; 6PM



During the Lenten season, after Friday's 12:00 Mass, we will have "Stations of the Cross". This is a wonderful way to both focus your Lenten worship and prepare for Easter. Please join us.

Holy Name of Mary will be holding a Reconciliation Service on April 3, from 6:00PM-7:00PM. Father Philip, as well as 2-3 visiting priests, will be available to hear confessions (an obligation before the Paschal Mystery).

CHORAL SOCIETY SCHEDULES LENTEN CONCERTS

In a 74 year tradition of inspiring prayer and meditation through music, the Catholic Choral Society will present their annual Lenten concert in Harford, Pennsylvania. The concert will be held on Sunday, March 26 at 4 PM at the First Congregational Church of Harford, UCC, [5016 Creek Road, Harford, PA 18823](#). The pastor of the church is Reverend Doctor Will Hagenbuch. The Mountain View Chimette Bell Ringers will be the guest performers. The concerts are open to the public free of charge. There will be a good will offering.

Brenda Grunza and Lois Ostrowski are co-presidents of the Catholic Choral Society. Ann Manganiello is music director of this group while Linda Houck is accompanist. The group, marking its 74th season, is composed of members from Luzerne, Lackawanna, Wayne, Susquehanna and Wyoming counties who will perform inspirational music in the Lenten tradition at the March concert. Further information may be obtained by calling 570-575-1040 and also at www.catholic-choralsociety.org

Son of the Father - A Men's Retreat

Sponsored by: Be a Catholic Man, Inc.

March 31 and April 1
beginning at 6:00pm
Cost is only \$75.00

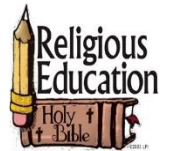


Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center
1000 Seminary Rd. - Dalton, PA

Spiritual Guidance given by: Bishop Joseph Bambera,
Msgr. John Esseff, Fr. Pio Mandato, Fr. Kevin Miller,
and Jesse Martin

Info at beacatholicman.com or call (570) 351-6256

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Religious Education Classes are held in person in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00AM, after the 9:00 AM Mass. At this time, masks are optional for the classroom.

If you are new to HNM parish and would like to register your child, registration forms are available at the rectory, as well as online in the Holy Name of Mary Church web site under the Religious Education portal. Thank you for your participation and support.

March 26th – Regular Classes

April 2nd – Regular Classes; PALM SUNDAY

April 9th – **HAPPY EASTER; NO CLASSES**



Confirmation Corner

Confirmation candidates brought home a Confirmation folder with papers that need to be filled out by parents and containing study papers. At this time, please fill out the Confirmation Registration form and return it to me as soon as possible.

Confirmation Celebration Mass: May 28th,
Pentecost Sunday, 9:00 AM

Holy Week & Easter Schedule 2023

Palm Sunday Vigil Mass – April 1st

Blessing and Distribution of Palms at 4:00PM

Palm Sunday Mass – April 2nd

Distribution of Palms at 9:00AM

Holy Thursday – April 6th

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00PM

Good Friday – April 7th

Good Friday Service at 2:30PM

Stations of the Cross followed by the Passion of the Lord

Easter Vigil – April 8th

Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00 PM

(*Easter baskets will be blessed in the church at 11AM)

Easter Sunday – April 9th

Easter Sunday Mass at 9:00AM

