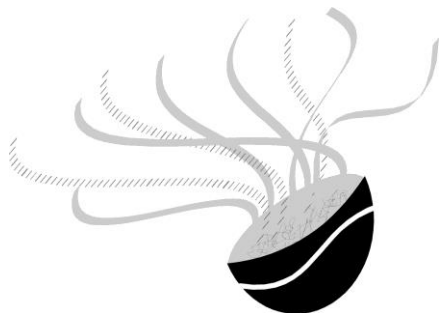


25th Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 22, 2024

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." -Mark 9:35



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Wis 2:12, 17-20; Jas 3:16—4:3; Mk 9:30-37
Monday	Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday	Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday	Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday	Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9
Friday	Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Jn 1:47-51

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday –	September 21	4:00 PM	John Hartman (Genny Embleton)
Sunday –	September 22	9:00 AM	Gertrude & Thomas Flanagan (The Host Family)
Monday –	September 23	12:00 PM	Tony Sama
Tuesday –	September 24	12:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday –	September 25	12:00 PM	Francis C. Callahan
Thursday –	September 26	12:00 PM	Margarita Clark
Friday –	September 27	12:00 PM	Carol Shumack
Saturday –	September 28	4:00 PM	Isabelle Haynes (Frank & Rita DeRiancho)
Sunday –	September 29	9:00 AM	Hilda & Lucien Gout (The Host Family)

1st Reading: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

The early Church views this passage as foreshadowing Christ's passion. It was originally written as a testament to the righteous man of Israel, who lived by God's laws and was defended by God because of it; a sort of exemplar. It serves nicely as both, once again proving the flexibility of scripture.

2nd Reading: James 3:16-4:3

The writer is referring to social and/or spiritual warfare here, not the battlefield variety. But the same principles apply: *whatever you sow, so shall you reap*. Letting God take the lead, humbling ourselves in the process, ensures peaceful results. Ignoring God, and focusing on our own interests, yields the opposite.

Gospel Reading: Mark 9:30-37

This is a fascinating combination of foreshadowing the passion and misunderstanding what it means to be a follower of Christ. The writer clearly spells out the suffering sacrifice of Jesus, the true servant of both God and humanity, which was soon to become a reality on the cross. He then contrasts it with the petty, self-motivated jockeying for position of Christ's disciples, who are seemingly oblivious to what Christ has been teaching them all along. Of course, all of us living in the modern world know better than the disciples did back then; we would never place self-interest above servant-hood. Most of us are truly proud of our humility.



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.

We remember in prayer those who are ill & pained in body, heart & mind. We pray especially for Betsy Arnold & her family, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett, Ralph Blodgett, Brad Booker, Ellen Booker, Brad Bozzo, Al Breiner, Katie Calvin, JoAnne Catlin, Cristen Charnley, Becky Cole, Aiden Conklin, Kathleen Conklin, Odessa Cornell, Wilma Daniels, Mary Ann DeWitt, Philip Donahue, Larry Ferris, Mary Ferris, Harvey Fletcher, Geraldine Flynn, Maria Garvey, Brandy Golden, William Hector, Gerard Heiser, Jane Heiser, Byron Hilgner, Kevin Jenner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Josh Landis, Dolores Makowski, Shawn McGraw, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Christian Mondy, Luis Muloski, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Ann Paolucci, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Dorothy Sergent, Pauline Sheehan, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Fran Tometchko, 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 9/15/2024

(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	2,530.75
<i>Thank you for your generosity & support</i>		

Travelers & Vacationers

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



Sunday, September 22nd – 9:00AM
Albert Paolucci

Sunday, September 29th – 9:00AM
Bernadetta Paolucci

Sunday, October 6th – 9:00AM
Albert Paolucci

Sunday, October 13th – 9:00AM
Bernadetta Paolucci

Would you like to become an Altar Server? If so, please contact Pam Tometchko at 570-267-5577 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

Sept. 28th/29th – Loose Change Weekend



First Friday Adoration is held from 11:00am-12:00pm the first Friday of every month. Adoration is followed by the noon Mass. Please consider spending some extra time with the Lord!



Please pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious orders. Also pray for those men and women who are serving now as well as those who passed on before us.

OUR CALL TO SERVE
CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

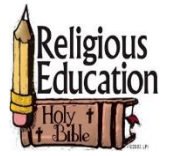
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- Bishop Joseph C. Bambera

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Thank you to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2024 Diocesan Annual Appeal. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope or visit www.annualappeal.org to donate online. The Diocesan Annual Appeal is how the Diocese of Scranton serves charitable, educational, and pastoral ministries. Through your generous support we are able to serve thousands of families and individuals in Northeastern and Central Pennsylvania through outreach, formation, evangelization, and worship. Thank you! We couldn't do it without you!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Religious Education Classes are held in person in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00AM, after the 9:00AM Mass. Classes will begin on Sunday, September 15, 2024.

If you are new to the parish and would like to register your child, forms will be available at the rectory, as well as online on the Holy Name of Mary Church website under the Religious Education portal. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the program, please call Fran Calafut at (570) 396-5879.

Religious Education Schedule:

September 22 – Regular Class

September 29 – Regular Class

October 6 – Regular Class

October 13 – Regular Class

October 20 – Regular Class

October 27 – Regular Class

Family Mass at 9:00AM

ROSARY RALLY



There will be a Rosary Rally at St. Augustine Church, Brackney, PA on Saturday, October 12 at noon in union with 20,000 other Rosary Rallies across America.

Please join us in asking Our Lady of Fatima to intercede for peace in America and the world. The Rosary Rally will be outside, weather permitting. For questions, please call Rosalyd Perlick at (570) 663-2212.



Flowers on the altar this weekend were donated by the Oglie Family in memory of the deceased members of the Vogel and O'Connor families.

If you would like to donate flowers for the altar, please contact the rectory.

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE OCTOBER 5, 2024

All men are invited for the ninth annual Catholic Men's Conference. This year's theme is 'Come Follow Me'. The event will be held at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Saturday, October 5th, 2024, from 8 am to 3 pm.

Nationally known speakers will be:

Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, John Edwards, Father Bill Casey, and concluding with Mass Offered by our own Bishop Joseph Bambera. These informative talks are conducive for fathers and sons, clergy, and men of every age.

Admission can be acquired by mailing \$40.00 (\$30.00 if mailed by Sept. 15th). Students are \$15.00. Priests, Deacons and Seminarians are free. Morning coffee and box lunch included. Mail to: "Be A Catholic Man", PO Box 669, Wyalusing, Pa. 18853. (Please write "Men's Conference" on the check memo and include ones contact info, e-mail, and Parish.) Online registries: www.BeACatholicMan.com. For more information, call 570-721-0872.



Jesus calls each one of us to follow him. He summons us to die to self in order to find new life with ultimate joy in him. Jesus promises to be with us every step of the way and will lead us to eternal life in heaven.



Bishop Joseph Bambera

Holy Redeemer High School
159 South Pennsylvania Ave.
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

Sat. 8 AM - 3:00 PM
OCT. 5, 2024



Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers has appeared as a guest on numerous international Catholic programs, and is the host or co-host of several popular series on EWTN. He is a member of the Fellowship of Catholic Scholars and the Confraternity of Catholic Clergy. He is the award-winning author of five books, including *Behold the Man: A Catholic Vision of Male Spirituality*.



John Edwards like so many men, I vowed to be a better person, husband and father time and time again. It wasn't until I felt the presence of Jesus as I walked out of a jail cell that I realized how much I wanted to change and how I could only do that with His help. Since that time, I've taken a journey to grow closer to Christ. I invite other Catholic men to accompany me. justaguyinbepew.com



Father Bill Casey is a nationally renowned speaker and a frequent guest on EWTN. He served as an officer in the U.S. Army and then he was ordained a priest in the Congregation of the Fathers of Mercy. Father has a love for the study of Sacred Scripture, and a strong devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Information & Online Registration: BeACatholicMan.com

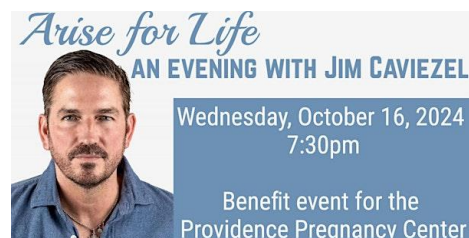
Contact: Mike Kilmer 570-721-0872 • mikilmer@thekilmergroup.com

\$40 (Early Bird \$30 until 9/15/24), Student \$15, Priest/Deacon FREE Morning coffee & box lunch included



Arise for Life with Jim Caviezel

Join us for "Arise for Life with Jim Caviezel," a special event benefiting the Providence Pregnancy Center (PPC). Best known for his portrayal of Jesus in 'The Passion of the Christ,' Jim Caviezel will visit Scranton on October 16, 2024, to share a powerful pro-life message. The event will take place at The Theater at North and will feature a silent auction as well as Jim Caviezel's keynote speech. For those interested in meeting Jim Caviezel in person, please contact PPC for sponsorship opportunities at help@ppcscranton.org or 570.341.7045. To purchase tickets and for more information, please visit www.ppcscranton.org/events.



Pilgrimage to Italy and Rome

Pope Francis has announced 'Pilgrims of Hope' is the theme for the Holy Year 2025. A Holy Year, or Jubilee, is a time of pilgrimage, prayer, repentance, and acts of mercy, based on the Old Testament tradition of a Jubilee Year of rest, forgiveness, and renewal.

Bishop Joseph C. Bambera will lead a Pilgrimage to Italy and Rome from Aug. 31-Sept. 9, 2025, in celebration of the Holy Year. The trip will include a Papal Audience, Masses celebrated daily at various Basilicas and Cathedrals, a unique opportunity to visit the Scavi, a tour of the necropolis under St. Peter's Basilica culminating at the tomb of St. Peter, and much more.

For more information, including a day-by-day itinerary, visit the Diocese of Scranton website at dioceseofscranton.org.