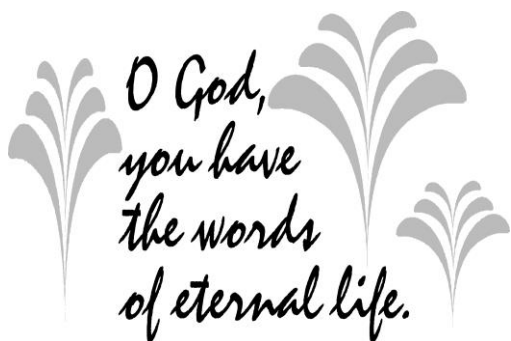


21st Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 22, 2021

“You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God.” -John 6:60



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Eph 5:21-32
Monday	2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday	2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday	2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Mk 6:17-29
Thursday	1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51
Friday	1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday	1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday –	August 21	4:00 PM	Maybel C. Daugherty (Florence Trowbridge & Family)
Sunday –	August 22	9:00 AM	For the Confirmation candidates & their sponsors (The Sullivan Family)
Monday –	August 23	8:00 AM	Fr. Leo McKernan-Mass of Healing (The Kilmer Family)
Tuesday –	August 24	8:00 AM	Norma Spillia (Warren & Patty Montagna)
Wednesday –	August 25	8:00 AM	Sharon Adams (Warren & Patty Montagna)
Thursday –	August 26	8:00 AM	Trina Truax (The Kilmer Family)
Friday –	August 27	8:00 AM	Drake Morse (The Kilmer Family)
Saturday –	August 28	4:00 PM	Charlene McMahan (George & Fran Calafut)
Sunday –	August 29	9:00 AM	Kathy Bozzo (Mary Ferris)

1st Reading: Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

In the missing verses here (24:3b-14), Joshua recounts how God led the Israelites into the promised-land and how the false gods of the Canaanites were sent away. It is intended as a reminder of an ancient covenant struck between God and the former worshippers of those same false gods. Presumably, the reading pairs up with today's gospel.

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32

This is a comparison between Christ's relationship with the Church and the marriage relationship as understood in the Greco/Roman world two millennia ago. The author specifies that a right relationship for marriage, unlike one in which the wife is subordinate solely to the husband, is one in which both husband and wife are effectively subordinate to Christ's love; Christ loves the Church as His spouse.

Gospel Reading: John 6:60-69

Jesus here teaches that it is the Spirit that underpins life, not the flesh; and that Spirit comes from Jesus Christ and the Father. To hear the words of Jesus and to believe that He is divine is the Wisdom of God that brings eternal life, not the sort of life that is mortal. This Wisdom is not intended for only a select few, but for all humankind. However, many will hear it and not believe it. The fruits of faith are transformation by the Spirit and living the New Life in Christ. What happens to those who hear but do not believe? It is not ours to say, but God is always merciful and Jesus always forgives.



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, Richard Arnold, Frank Bayer, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett, Ralph Blodgett, Brad Booker, Ellen Booker, Brad Bozzo, Al Breiner, Ellen Burns, Tanya Calafut, Katie Calvin, Jo-Anne Catlin, Becky Cole, David Conklin Jr., Odessa Cornell, Wilma Daniels, Manny DeBonis, Jeanne Falk, Larry Ferris, Mary Ferris, Harvey Fletcher, Geraldine Flynn, Maria Garvey, Brandy Golden, William Hector, Wayne Hibbard, Byron Hilgner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Nancy Landes, Sue Landes, Josh Landis, Dolores Markowski, Barry Markow, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Luis Muloski, Jamie Myers, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Ann Paolucci, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Lennas Russell, Dorothy Sergeant, Caesar Siedlecki, Edith Siedlecki, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Jerry Stahl, Florence Trowbridge, Ruth Vandermark, Jesse Wells, 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, Michael Pelicci, Nate Seymour, Julie Snyder, Aaron Taylor, Nancy Travis, and Travis Walter.

PARISH FINANCES 8/15/2021

(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	3,502.50
<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!!

Thank You for your support!

Thanks to your generous gifts, our parish has reached its goal for the 2020 Diocesan Annual Appeal

Diocese of Scranton
2020 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL
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Sunday, August 15th – 9:00 AM
Bernadetta Paolucci

Sunday, August 22nd – 9:00 AM
Isaiah Torres

Sunday, August 29th – 9:00 AM
Lee John Sullivan

Sunday, September 5th – 9:00 AM
Bernadetta Paolucci

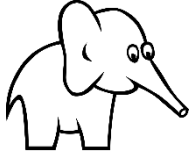
Would you like to become an Altar Server? If so, please contact Pam Tometchko at 570-278-0497 or speak to Fr. Philip directly.

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

If you missed our first White Elephant Sale, you have another chance to come find a hidden treasure!

August 26-28 at the Parish Center

**1/2 price sale!
Silent Auction!**



**Thursday, 8AM – 5PM
Friday, 8AM – 5PM
Saturday, 9AM – 12PM**



TEACHER NEEDED:

The Religious Education Program at Holy Name of Mary Church is in need of a teacher for a combined class of 2nd and 3rd grade. Religious Education classes will meet in person this year. If you are interested in contributing your time and support, please contact Fran Calafut at 570-396-5879.

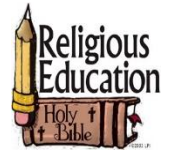
Bishop Releases New Video to Welcome Home Catholics

As of August 15, the Diocese of Scranton has reinstated the Mass attendance obligation. Bishop Bambera is welcoming home Catholics across all 11 counties.

The celebration of the Mass is the center of our lives as Christians. It is where we are drawn close to Jesus and receive His body and blood – his very life – in the Eucharist.

To view the video, please go to the Home page of our website.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION

Congratulations to Silas Mooney, Brent Smith, and Albert Paolucci of the First Holy Communion class who received the Holy Eucharist for the first time on Sunday, August 15. May God Bless and protect them through the years as they grow strong into the Light of Christ.

With COVID this past year, we had an online platform for religious education instruction. We are fortunate and grateful to have families who persevered in their Faith through the ups and downs of maneuvering this platform for instruction. THANK YOU to the communicants and their families for being steadfast in their Faith.

We had a wonderful celebration Mass with families and friends in attendance. Thank you to Mike Vaccaro and Mary Ann De Witt for providing the music. And thank you to Mollie Host for cantoring.

Blessings to all today and always!



Pictured with Father Philip (l-r):
Silas Mooney, Brent Smith, Albert Paolucci

