

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 17, 2022

“Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her.” -Luke 10:41-42



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Gn 18:1-10a; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42
Monday	Ex 14:5-18; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Tuesday	Ex 14:21—15:1; Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday	Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Mt 13:1-9
Thursday	2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28
Friday	Ex 20:1-17; Mt 13:18-23
Saturday	Ex 24:3-8; Mt 13:24-30

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday–	July 16	4:00 PM	Cecilia Vaccaro (Nancy & Richard Pelicci)
Sunday –	July 17	9:00 AM	Candy Wells (Roger & Sandra Gardner)
Monday –	July 18	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Tuesday –	July 19	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Wednesday –	July 20	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Thursday –	July 21	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Friday –	July 22	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Saturday –	July 23	4:00 PM	Wayne & Dorothy Hibbard- 50 th Wedding Anniversary (Susan & Brian Lathrop)
Sunday –	July 24	9:00 AM	Ed Nowik (Ed & Joanne Luecke)

1st Reading: Genesis 18:1-10a

In this first reading, God begins the work that will finally find its completion in the presence and ministry of Jesus Christ. Granted, in Hebrew and Islamic traditions, this story has a different meaning, but that's OK- God is bigger (and more mysterious) than human parochial understandings can know. For Christians, the three strangers can represent angels, or perhaps even the Trinity, but the point is that Abraham, already established as a righteous man (Gen 11, 12), has been chosen to begin God's salvation arc, and this is the point in time when God fulfills his promise to start the line of humans that will terminate in the great Redeemer, Jesus Christ.

2nd Reading: Colossians 1:24-28

When Paul writes that he has been sent *'to bring to completion for you the word of God, the mystery hidden from ages and from generations past'*, he is referring to the salvation plan that began with Abraham in the first reading. It is interesting to note that Paul, the great apostle, identifies so completely with the Body of Christ, that his own personal sufferings are transmuted into Christ's suffering. Paul is modeling for all of us, who are trying to follow the mystery of the Cross.

Gospel Reading: Luke 10:38-42

All of us want to do what Jesus expects of us, and this is as it should be. However, the joy of every Christian's life is the mystery and glory that is Jesus Christ, and without that humbling experience, works become hollow and meaningless. People and their deeds come and go, empires rise and fall, but in the end, all that matters is God. Thomas Merton once wrote: *When I pass the tabernacle, "I feel the overwhelming urge to throw myself down and crawl, in total submission, to the feet of my Lord"*. How can we not choose the better part?



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, Katie Calvin, JoAnne Catlin, Becky Cole, David Conklin Jr., Odessa Cornell, Wilma Daniels, Manny DeBonis, 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, Kevin Nowalk, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Ann Paolucci, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Lennas Russell, Dorothy Sergeant, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Jerry Stahl, Florence Trowbridge, Ruth Vandermark, Wayne Vandermark, 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 7/10/2022

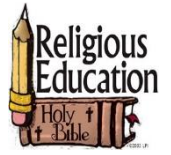
<u>(FY18/19 Budget)</u>	\$	<u>(4867.00)</u>
Sunday Collection	\$	3,822.25

Thank you for your generosity & support



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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Thank you to all the families who participated in the religious education program for the 2021-2022 school year. A big thank you to the religious education teachers for their support and dedication to the children of our parish.

Have a great summer! See you in the fall!

Travelers & Vacationers

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



<u>Sunday, July 17th – 9:00AM</u> Isaiah Torres
<u>Sunday, July 24th – 9:00AM</u> Bernadetta and Albert Paolucci
<u>Sunday, July 31st – 9:00AM</u> Lee John Sullivan
<u>Sunday, August 7th – 9:00AM</u> Isaiah Torres
<u>Sunday, August 14th – 9:00AM</u> Bernadetta and Albert 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.

2022 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE "BE A CATHOLIC MAN"

The 7th annual Catholic Men's Conference, sponsored by "Be A Catholic Man", is planned for Saturday, October 8, 2022, at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Blvd., Wilkes-Barre. The theme, "Be Not Afraid" is under the patronage of Saint Joseph. This event (from 8 am to 3 pm) will be blessed with nationally known Catholic Speakers to be announced. Men are challenged to live virtuous lives in this secular world, --- whether single, married, or clergy, -- all are encouraged to set this date aside and attend. There will be Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, Sacramental Confession, and lunch break. Mass will be offered by the Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera. Questions, please contact Michael Kilmer, Conference Chairman, at 570-746-0100 or michaelkilmer71@gmail.com.



RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND FOR COUPLES

August 19 - 21, 2022: at the Towneplace Suites, Moosic

Is your marriage going down the right road, or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, as can the challenges you face in marriage.

If the distance between you seems wide, if you are looking for a better way, even if you are already separated, Retrouvaille can help. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, rebuild intimacy, and heal - just as the team couples have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. For more information, contact our team @ 631-338-5413 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.org



Our 2022 Sponsorship Drive is still underway. This fundraiser replaces the Harvest Moon Festival and your support is vitally important for the financial

health of the Parish. Contributions of any amount are greatly appreciated and we thank those who have already given.

As of 7/5/2022 we have received **\$8,749** from the sponsor drive.

Mass in Remembrance of Victims of Violent or Tragic Death

The Diocese of Scranton is offering the annual Mass in remembrance of victims of violent or tragic death. This Mass is offered for the families and friends of those who have died in tragedy, especially through murder, suicide, and accident.

The Mass is scheduled for Thursday, July 28, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in Saint Peter's Cathedral, 315 Wyoming, Scranton.

All persons who have lost a loved one through tragic and traumatic death are invited to this liturgy.

The mass will be televised on CTV.

We ask that the names of deceased loved ones are registered on registration forms which are available in the parish office or on the Diocese of Scranton's website, www.dioceseofscranton.org.

All forms must be received by July 22, 2022.

St. Augustine comments on this scene as follows:



“Martha, who was arranging and preparing the Lord's meal, was busy doing many things, whereas Mary preferred to find her meal in what the Lord was saying. In a way she deserted her sister, who was very busy, and sat herself down at Jesus' feet and just listened to his words. She was faithfully obeying what the Psalm said: 'Be still, and know that I am God' (Ps 46:10). Martha was getting annoyed, Mary was feasting; the former coping with many things, the latter concentrating on one. Both occupations were good.”

- Sermon 103 (from Luke, 10:38-42)