7th Sunday of Easter – May 12, 2024

Lifting up his eyes to heaven, Jesus prayed saying: "Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are one." John 17:11b



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

Mon: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17 Tue: Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a Wed: Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19 Thu: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26 Fri: Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19 Sat: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Jn 21:20-25

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday –	May 11	4:00 PM	Walter Posnachiwsky (Oleh & Margie Posnachiwsky)
Sunday –	May 12	9:00 AM	Donald Ernest Greene (Fran & George Calafut)
Monday –	May 13	12:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday –	May 14	12:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday –	May 15	12:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory
Thursday –	May 16	12:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory
Friday –	May 17	12:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory
Saturday –	May 18	4:00 PM	Zenon Posnachiwsky (Oleh & Margie Posnachiwsky)
Sunday –	May 19	9:00 AM	Maria Cavallaro (Regina Olszewski)

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1st Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 20A, 20C-26

The naming of Matthias as replacement for Judas fills the proscribed number of twelve. This number 'twelve' is significant because the apostles were to form the New Israel, as named by Jesus. These twelve represent the twelve 'new' tribes of Israel.

^{2nd} Reading: 1 John 4:11-16

When Jesus told his followers to love God and to love one another in like fashion, and that to do so would fill all the requirements of the Law, he was serious. In this passage it is clear that John is referencing the intent of these words: *God is love, and whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him.* Outside of God's love is nothing, that is, no-thing; God is every-thing and we can know God only through love. It's not complicated, but it is hard to accept in a world that ignores the truth of it.

Gospel Reading: John 17:11b-19

Jesus is launching his gospel message in this prayer and his vehicle is made up of the twelve disciples. In this one prayer he is thanking the Father, encouraging the Twelve, and blessing their future enterprise; it is all one. This passage neatly ties the first two readings together by defining the missionary role of the Twelve and calling upon the protection of both the Father and the Holy Spirit for them. The last part of the prayer even prepares them for their end, for their final life beyond 'this 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.

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, Becky



Cole, Aiden Conklin, David Conklin Jr., Debbie 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, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Josh Landis, Dolores Makowski, Shawn McGraw, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Christian Mondi, 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, Florence Trowbridge, Rosemarie Whalen.

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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 5/5/2024

(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)			
Sunday Collection	\$	3,004.05			
Thank you for your generosity & support					

Travelers & Vacationers

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









Sunday, May 5th – 9:00AM

Isaiah Torres

Sunday, May 12th – 9:00AM

Albert Paolucci

Sunday, May 19th – 9:00AM

Lee John Sullivan

Sunday, May 26th – 9:00AM

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.

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-HourChild 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

<u>May 11th/12th</u> – Second Collection: Catholic Communications Campaign May 25th/26th – Loose Change Weekend

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITY



Bill, Kathleen, Mollie, and Joni Host invite you to join them for a study on the Bible and the Church Fathers. The study will include a

weekly pre-recorded video from the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology, a discussion, and some time for fellowship. Regarding the video series, the St. Paul Center states: "In the Bible and the Church Fathers, you'll learn who the Early Church Fathers were and how they shaped the way we read Scripture."

This study will occur on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 – 8:00 pm starting June 4 at the Host family residence in Montrose. If you are interested in joining, please call or text 570-396-6228 for more details and directions.

The study will include 12 sessions on the following days: June 4, June 11, June 18, July 2, July 9, July 16, July 23, July 30, August 6, August 13, August 20, and August 27. We will not meet on June 25. If you're not able to make all the sessions, you're still welcome to attend the ones you can.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Religious Education Classes are held in person in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00AM, after the 9:00AM Mass.

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 web site under the Religious Education portal.

Religious Education Schedule:

May 12 – NO CLASS ... Happy Mother's Day!

May 19 – Regular Class, Last Class;

CONFIRMATION MASS

June 2 – Graduation Mass for Religious Education Seniors

Confirmation Corner

Completed Confirmation registration forms are due. Please have your child bring the form to class or drop it off at the rectory in an envelope attention to Fran Calafut.

The following service hour projects have been arranged for Confirmation Candidates. They can participate in any or all of the hours in the area that they may need service hours in. Service is always encouraged beyond the required number of hours. Details about the following hours has been emailed home to parents.

DATE OF CONFIRMATION MASS IS ... Pentecost Sunday, May 19 at the 9 AM Mass.

Refresh Your Faith Catholic Women's Conference

Women from around the Diocese of Scranton gather on Saturday, June 8, 2024 at Marywood University for the Annual Refresh Your Faith Catholic Women's Conference. The day includes Mass with Bishop Bambera, continental breakfast, Catholic Marketplace, 3 Keynote speakers, rosary, Eucharistic adoration, music and lunch.

Register for only \$55, students \$20.

You'll be inspired by this year's speakers. Father Justin Cinnante, O.Carm. brings in the truth of the real presence in the Holy Eucharist and the miracles he has seen!! Jackie Francois Angel loves being part of the Body of Christ. She fell in love with God at a youth retreat, and now is a full-time traveling speaker, singer/songwriter, and worship leader. Father Giuseppe Maria Siniscalchi, CFR gave up a career in law to follow his vocation. He will shine great light on the importance of the Eucharist for our times, the link between the Eucharist and the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, and the healing journey into God's Merciful Love.

Just added: Special programming Friday night, June 7 – with accommodations at Marywood University.

Register at cwcnepa.com.

