24th Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 12, 2021

"Demonstrate your faith to me without works, and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works." -James 2:18



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SundayIs 50:5-9a; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35Monday1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Lk 7:1-10Tuesday1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Lk 7:11-17Wednesday1 Cor 12:31—13:13; Lk 7:31-35Thursday1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50FridayEph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13Saturday1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15

MASSES FOR THE WEEK				
	Saturday –	September 11	4:00 PM	Edward & Anne Burns (Florence Trowbridge & Family)
	Sunday –	September 12	9:00 AM	Robert Bottger, Sr. (The Sullivan Family)
	Monday –	September 13	8:00 AM	Intention of Donor
	Tuesday –	September 14	8:00 AM	Dr. Charles Driscoll
	Wednesday –	September 15	8:00 AM	Victoria Rayappan- Mass of Healing (Jeanne Falk)
	Thursday –	September 16	8:00 AM	Intention of Donor
	Friday –	September 17	8:00 AM	Intention of Donor
	Saturday –	September 18	4:00 PM	Roger Falk (Wife Jeanne Falk & Family)
	Sunday –	September 19	9:00 AM	Kathy Bozzo (Mary Ferris)

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9a

This is taken from the third 'Servant Song', and the prophet is determined to continue preaching to the people: they will be restored to Judah by God *after exile*. It is clear that no one believes the Prophet, yet he continues proclaiming what he knows is true. Jesus, all during his ministry, does exactly the same thing- proclaiming that God's people will be delivered from bondage. And of course he is persecuted for telling them what they do not believe.

^{2nd} Reading: James 2:14-18

Once again, the author is exhorting the readers to understand the truth of Christian service: that being baptized and being faithful to Jesus is not enough; commitment to serving others is the only *outcome* that matters. This is a teaching that comes out of the Torah (Lev 19:18) originally and as such it continues God's message of love for neighbor, demonstrated graphically with Christ's sacrifice.

Gospel Reading: Mark 8:27-35

Here Peter answers the question by telling Jesus that he is the Messiah. Then later Jesus rebukes him for, presumably, denying that his passion will take place. It may be that Peter's notion of 'messiah' is still limited, understood as a sort of earthly warrior-king. If this is so, Jesus would be rebuking Peter for denying the most important part his messianic role. It is also important to note that when Jesus calls Peter 'Satan', he is not labeling Peter as the evil guardian of Hell. *Ha-satan*, the Hebrew term, simply translates as 'the accuser' or 'the opposer'. In other words, Jesus is saying in effect: *Don't argue with me!* Peter recognized Jesus as Messiah, but not as the Messiah that Jesus was to become. Peter is like all of us: *we are sure that we know God, but in our certainty we are blinded to the mystery that God truly is*.



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, Gerard Heiser, Wayne Hibbard, Byron Hilgner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Nancy Landes, Sue Landes, Josh Landis, Dolores Makowski, Barry Markow, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Christian Mondi, Luis Muloski, Jamie Myers, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Ann Paolucci, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Lennas Russell, Dorothy Sergent, 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		9/5/2021			
(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)			
Sunday Collection	\$	2,533.76			
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 obli-Thank you!!

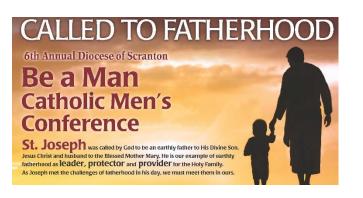
gations. Thank you!!





Sunday, September 12th – 9:00 AM Isaiah Torres Sunday, September 19th – 9:00 AM Lee John Sullivan Sunday, September 26th – 9:00 AM Bernadetta & Albert Paolucci Sunday, October 3rd – 9:00 AM 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.



A Catholic Men's Conference is planned for Saturday, October 30, 2021, at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Wilkes-Barre. This will be the sixth such Event. The theme is "Called to Fatherhood" under the patronage of Saint Joseph and is sponsored by 'Be a Catholic Man.' This event (from 8 am to 3 pm) will be blessed with nationally known Catholic Speakers: Father Glenn Sudano (Franciscan Friars of the Renewal), Jim O'Day (active in Men's Ministries, Lacrosse Coach, and Self-Defense Instructor), and Karl Keating (Author and Catholic Apologist). All men --- single, married, and clergy, challenged to live virtuous lives in this very secular world are encouraged to attend. There will be Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, and Sacramental Confession --- a lunch break. Mass will be offered by the Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera. Register Online: (\$30 till Oct. 9th) www.BeaCatholicMan.com or pay that day (\$40). Questions, please contact Michael Kilmer 570-746-0100 or michaelkilmer71@gmail.com.

Rosaries for Myanmar



We are currently collecting rosaries which will be sent to a missionary church in Myanmar. Rosaries may be new or previously used

and may be placed in the marked box in the back of the church, or brought to the rectory. Thank you for your help!

-- "The Rosary is a magnificent and universal prayer for the needs of the Church, the nations and the entire world." – Pope John XXIII



<u>Family Fun Day</u> <u>at Knoebels</u>

Family Fun Day!

As part of our Year of the Family ob-

servance, the Office for Parish Life is sponsoring a Family Fun Day at Knoebels Amusement Resort on Saturday, September 18th. Groups or individuals are welcome to enjoy all that Knoebels has to offer from 12pm to 8pm and take advantage of our discounted ticket offer! You can choose from a **Lunch and Ride Package** (\$25 per person includes a bagged lunch and \$20 worth of ride tickets) or a **Discounted Tickets Only** option (\$20 worth of ride tickets for \$17). Regardless of the package you choose, you are welcome to take advantage of our reserved pavilion for lunch or to simply gather with your family and friends.

To purchase tickets by credit card, visit <u>www.dioceseofscranton.org</u>. To order and pay by check, call (570)207-2213 ext 1155. All orders must be paid in advance. The dead-line to place orders is September 16.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BEGINS

Religious Education classes will begin on September 19.

Classes will be held in person in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00 AM, since Sunday Mass will remain at 9:00 AM. As per Bishop Bambera, **masks are required to be worn by all vaccinated and unvaccinated children and adults.** Families previously registered last year will receive a registration form in the mail. Please fill out this form and return it in the enclosed envelope. If you are new to the parish and would like to register your child, forms will be available at the rectory. We are looking forward to seeing all of you again!