

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 3, 2024

“And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him,
‘You are not far from the kingdom of God’.”



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Dt 6:2-6/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34
Monday	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
Tuesday	Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40
Wednesday	Rom 13:8-10/Lk 14:25-33
Thursday	Rom 14:7-12/Lk 15:1-10
Friday	Rom 15:14-21/Lk 16:1-8
Saturday	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Lk 16:9-15

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday –	November 2	4:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory
Sunday –	November 3	9:00 AM	Justine “Chris” Jenner (Jackie Halesky)
Monday –	November 4	12:00 PM	Mary Theresa Delaney
Tuesday –	November 5	12:00 PM	John DeGovenn. MD
Wednesday –	November 6	12:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory (Angelo & Jackie Scarfalloto)
Thursday –	November 7	12:00 PM	Catherine Heiner
Friday –	November 8	12:00 PM	Amy Gurska
Saturday –	November 9	4:00 PM	Wayne Hibbard Jr. (Wayne & Dottie Hibbard)
Sunday –	November 10	9:00 AM	John & Mollie Flanagan (The Host Family)

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

This passage contains the daily prayer, the *Shema* that is still prayed today by all observant Jews. To love God is to do so completely, without reservation of body, mind, or spirit; to give God everything. This devotion is not an intellectual exercise, or a group activity- it is a way of life.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

Jesus as eternal high priest, superior to the Levites, is developed here in all possible ways. It helps to understand that these comparisons are being made to a largely Jewish church in Rome, and the specifics are clear reminders of Jesus role as divine extension, figuratively, of the Levitical line. This is important for first century Jews whose frame of reference would necessarily include Temple sacrifice.

Gospel Reading: Mark 12:28b-34

To love God completely without reservation is the heart of the Law, and to love neighbor as oneself is the earthly enactment of loving God. Loving God without loving others is a denial of self; loving others without loving God is doomed to disillusion and suffering. Another way of looking at it is to consider Jesus as both human and divine: by loving the divine side of Jesus we are fulfilling the first part of the commandment, and by loving the fully human side of Jesus is to comply with the second part. By loving Jesus as human we understand God in the world, and by loving Jesus as God we recognize what is most precious about our humanity. Jesus is God. Jesus is human. We are His brothers and sisters.



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 & family, Eileen Baessler, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett, Ralph Blodgett, Brad Booker, Ellen Booker, Brad Bozzo, Al Breiner, Katie Calvin, JoAnne Catlin, Becky Cole, Aiden Conklin, James 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, Denelle Myers, Russel Nowalk, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Sandra Seeger, Dorothy Sergeant, Pauline Sheehan, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Fran Tometchko, Sandy Tomasura, 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 10/27/2024

(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	2,970.00

Thank you for your generosity & support

Travelers & Vacationers

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



Sunday, November 3rd – 9:00AM
Bernadetta Paolucci
Sunday, November 10th – 9:00AM
Albert Paolucci
Sunday, November 17th – 9:00AM
Bernadetta Paolucci
Sunday, November 24th – 9:00AM
Lee John Sullivan

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

November 16/17 – Second Collection: *Catholic Campaign for Human Development*

November 23/24 – Loose Change Weekend

November 28 – Thanksgiving Day; Mass at 9AM



Diocesan Annual Appeal

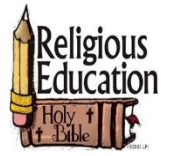
Thank you to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2024 Diocesan Annual Appeal. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope or visit www.annualappeal.org to donate online. The Diocesan Annual Appeal is how the Diocese of Scranton serves charitable, 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!



WE ASK THAT ANY ADULTS WHO HAVE BEEN SITTING IN THE CRYING ROOM DURING MASS PLEASE

MOVE TO THE CHURCH PROPER IN THE FUTURE. We have families with small children and babies who would appreciate being able to use this space. We thank you for your understanding and support of our young families!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



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

YOUTH RALLY

There will be a Youth Rally held at Holy Redeemer High School in Wilkes Barre on November 23. This is open to all children in 7th through 12th grades in the parish. You do not have to be enrolled in Religious Education classes to attend. There will be a car pool in place to transport children from HNM church parking lot to the event. Those children and teachers from HNM church who attended last year's Youth Rally found the event to be worthwhile interacting with youth from other parishes and energizing for their Faith life! If you are interested, please contact Fran Calafut at (570) 396-5879.

SCRANTON PREP GALLERIA Featuring over 75 vendors

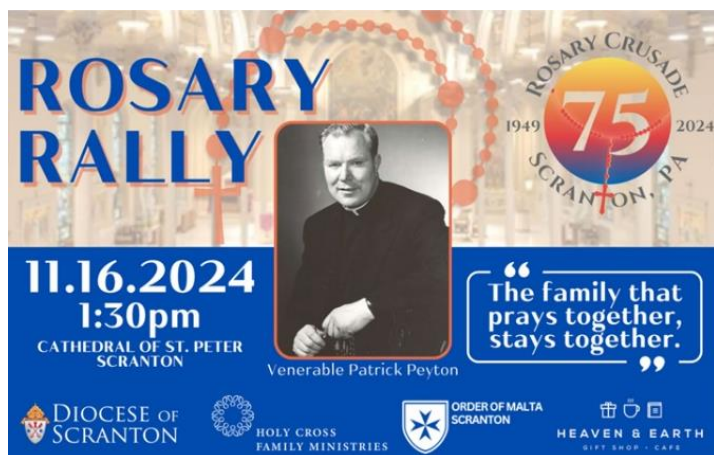
Prep Xavier Center
1000 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton

Saturday, November 9th – 10am-4pm
Sunday, November 10th – 11am-3pm
Admission: \$5.00 Children under 12 free



Just a reminder that we will be accepting donations of Brownie Mix for Interfaith's holiday food drive until December 5. Donations may be left in the marked box in the crying room or brought to the rectory during office hours.

DIOCESAN ROSARY RALLY



ROSARY RALLY

11.16.2024
1:30pm
CATHEDRAL OF ST. PETER
SCRANTON

Venerable Patrick Peyton

“The family that prays together, stays together.”

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ROSARY CRUSADE
SCRANTON, PA

DIOCESE OF SCRANTON
HOLY CROSS FAMILY MINISTRIES
ORDER OF MALTA SCRANTON
HEAVEN & EARTH GIFT SHOP - CAFE

Christmas Bazaar Time Again! Saturday, December 7: 9AM-3PM

The Holy Name of Mary Christmas Bazaar will include food again this year. We will be serving hot dogs and chili as well as homemade soups. The soup can be eaten in or taken home to enjoy. There will also be a variety of baked goods to eat in or to take home.

We will be offering a bake sale this year and would appreciate any baked goods that you could bring to sell. You could start baking now and freeze some cookies or other items for the bazaar. We will be letting you know when to drop off items on Thursday December 5 or you could bring them Saturday morning on the day of the Bazaar which will be from 9-3 on December 7.

We also will be having a raffle of new items and gift cards. These will be available at the Bazaar to see and to submit entries. If you have any new items that you don't need, please donate them to the Altar & Rosary Society for the raffle. Or perhaps you could purchase something that you spot at a great price to put out on our raffle table. Another possibility would simply be to purchase a gift card or to obtain a gift certificate from a local business. The raffle drawing will be at 2:30 PM on the day of the Bazaar.

When you are visiting Christmas in Montrose on December 7, don't forget to stop in to the Parish Center for a snack, lunch, or baked goods or soup to take home. Of course, we will also be selling homemade wreaths and table decorations!

Please Bring Your Raffle Items

This year, at the Christmas Bazaar on December 7, we will be raffling off new items and gift cards. If someone gave you something that you have never used or if you bought something for yourself that you never used, donate to the raffle! We can also take special slightly used items that look new or are antiques. If unsure, call Sally McGrath at 570 289-4302. Leave a message if no one answers.

If you do not have anything, you can buy an item to donate. If you see something on sale, buy it for us! Or simply buy a gift card or certificate and we will raffle that. Several smaller gift cards would be preferable to one large one.

We would like to receive the items as soon as possible. Please bring them to the rectory Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday between 9 and 3 or on Wednesday between 9 and noon. If you are unable to do that, you can call Esther Rayias at 570-289-4858 to make arrangements for drop-off. You can also put them into a plain box marked Altar and Rosary and put them into the crying room in the church. We can also take items on Wednesday, December 5 between 1 and 3 PM at the Parish Center but would prefer to have them earlier. Gift cards or certificates can also be placed in an envelope marked to the Altar & Rosary Society and with your name on it and dropped in the collection basket on the weekends.

If you would prefer to make a traditional raffle basket, we will be happy to receive that as well.

Thank you so much for helping with our largest fund raiser of the year.

