

# 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 6, 2024

“He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated all have one origin. Therefore, he is not ashamed to call them 'brothers.'” – Hebrews 2:11



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sunday</b>	Gn 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12
<b>Monday</b>	Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37
<b>Tuesday</b>	Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42
<b>Wednesday</b>	Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4
<b>Thursday</b>	Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13
<b>Friday</b>	Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26
<b>Saturday</b>	Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday –	October 5	4:00 PM	Mathilda & Jeffrey Dorman (Debbie Spickerman)
Sunday –	October 6	9:00 AM	Ralph & Mary Host (The Host Family)
Monday –	October 7	12:00 PM	Cristen Charnley
Tuesday –	October 8	12:00 PM	Margarita Clark
Wednesday –	October 9	12:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory (Angelo & Jackie Scarfalloto)
Thursday –	October 10	12:00 PM	Margaret A. Petersen (Cheryl Kurosky)
Friday –	October 11	12:00 PM	Carol Shumack
Saturday –	October 12	4:00 PM	Ed Luecke (John & Sally McGrath)
Sunday –	October 13	9:00 AM	Judy Vaccaro (John & Sally McGrath)

## 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Genesis 2:18-24

This version of the creation story focuses on ‘man’ as the center of creation, whereas the first version (Gen 1:20-28) has ‘man and woman’ created as the crowning final stage, both created in God’s image. But despite the implication, this version still points to the real message, that man and woman are incomplete without each other: *‘the two of them become one flesh.’*

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Hebrews 2:9-11

Scholars believe that in this passage the writer is addressing a community of Jewish Christians in Rome. He is reminding them that God sent Jesus, out of his divine participation in the Godhead, to bring salvation to all humankind. Since Jesus became human in order to accomplish this, like all other humans, we are truly his brothers and sisters *within the act of salvation*. Critical to this is His suffering as required to complete, or ‘perfect’ the sacrificial act.

## Gospel Reading: Mark 10:2-16

The key point to understand here, before trying to fully grasp the significance of this teaching, is that *the Pharisees were testing him*. Jesus was a teacher, a rabbi, and the debates between rabbis during the first century are legendary. It was not uncommon to verbally wrangle over controversial topics from the Torah (Genesis in this case), and certainly marriage laws were controversial. Jesus, good teacher that he was, forwarded his position with another quote from the Torah, the *‘two shall become one flesh’*. He then concluded that human law couldn’t override God’s law, hence divorce couldn’t be granted. It is important to recognize that the Church has always, traditionally, granted ecclesiastical ‘annulments’ for marriages that were invalid. In other words, a true marriage in which *both became one flesh* was not achieved. The main point here is that the new Church understands God’s laws somewhat differently than the Pharisees did. The Church, as the institutional Body of Christ, must make real decisions in real situations without breaking God’s laws. And, with the guidance of the Spirit, she always will.



**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, 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 Mondri, Luis Muloski, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Dorothy Sergent, Pauline Sheehan, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Fran Tometchko, Sandy Tometchko, 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 9/29/2024**

(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	3,360.15
<i>Thank you for your generosity &amp; support</i>		

**Travelers & Vacationers**

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



**Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> – 9:00AM**  
Albert Paolucci  
**Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> – 9:00AM**  
Stanley Grochal  
**Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> – 9:00AM**  
Albert Paolucci  
**Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> – 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](http://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

**Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> – Columbus Day: Rectory Closed**  
**Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> – Loose Change Weekend**



### 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](http://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!

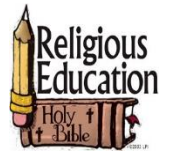


**Scranton Preparatory School's Open House will be held on Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> from 12:00pm-4:00pm.**

Registration is Required

[www.scrantonprep.org/openhouse](http://www.scrantonprep.org/openhouse). Seventh and eighth grade students, their parents and families are cordially invited to attend. Please call (570) 941-PREP, extension 1141 or email [admissions@scrantonprep.org](mailto:admissions@scrantonprep.org) with any questions.

## 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.

### Religious Education Schedule:

October 6 – Regular Class

October 13 – Regular Class

October 20 – Regular Class

October 27 – Regular Class

**Family Mass at 9:00AM**

### CHRISTMAS FOOD DONATIONS FOR INTERFAITH



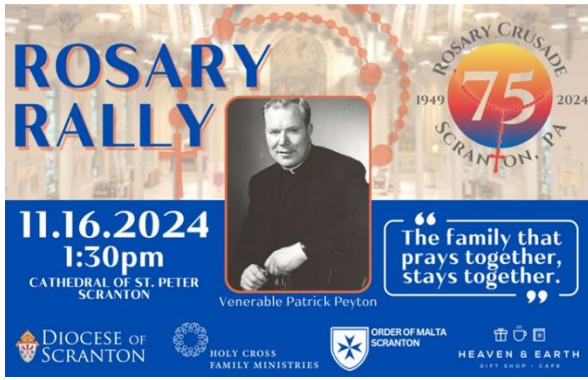
It's hard to believe that the holidays are right around the corner. **This year Interfaith has asked Holy Name of Mary to collect donations of boxed brownie mix.** Donations may be left in the marked box in the crying room or brought to the rectory during office hours. The deadline for donations is December 5. Thank you for your generosity!

### ROSARY RALLY

**There will be a Rosary Rally at St. Augustine Church, Brackney, PA on Saturday, October 12 at noon in union with 20,000 other Rosary Rallies across America.** Please join us in asking Our Lady of Fatima to intercede for peace in America and the world. The Rosary Rally will be outside, weather permitting. For questions, please call Rosalyd Perlick at (570) 663-2212.



# DIOCESAN ROSARY RALLY



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

It is with profound joy and gratitude to God that I would like to extend a special invitation to you and your family to join me for an incredibly special even in our Diocese.

On November 16, 2024, I am asking the faithful of our local church to come together to mark a significant milestone: the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Rosary Rally held in the United States by Father Patrick Peyton, which occurred in Scranton in 1949, and brought together approximately 50,000 people.

Father Peyton, known worldwide as the “Rosary Priest,” devoted his ministry to spreading devotion to our Blessed Mother and promoting the Rosary as a powerful instrument for peace, strength, and spiritual unity. His motto, “the family that prays together, stays together,” still resonates deeply in our hearts and lives.

Our large Diocesan Rosary Rally will take place on November 16 at 1:30 p.m. in the Cathedral of Saint Peter – but there will be many other activities taking place that day in Scranton in which to participate.

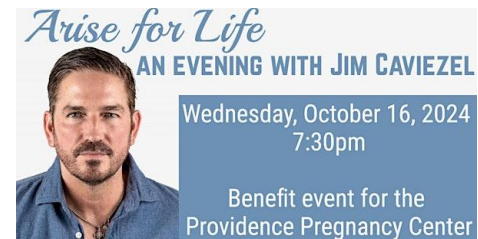
Please join me in making this effort successful by inviting your family, friends, and others to partake in this occasion of grace and unity. Together, let us honor Father Peyton’s legacy by embracing his vision of a united, praying community.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.  
Bishop of Scranton

## Arise for Life with Jim Caviezel

Join us for "Arise for Life with Jim Caviezel," a special event benefiting the Providence Pregnancy Center (PPC). Best known for his portrayal of Jesus in 'The Passion of the Christ,' Jim Caviezel will visit Scranton on October 16, 2024, to share a powerful pro-life message. The event will take place at The Theater at North and will feature a silent auction as well as Jim Caviezel's keynote speech. For those interested in meeting Jim Caviezel in person, please contact PPC for sponsorship opportunities at [help@ppcscranton.org](mailto:help@ppcscranton.org) or 570.341.7045. To purchase tickets and for more information, please visit [www.ppcscranton.org/events](http://www.ppcscranton.org/events).



## Pilgrimage to Italy and Rome

Pope Francis has announced ‘Pilgrims of Hope’ is the theme for the Holy Year 2025. A Holy Year, or Jubilee, is a time of pilgrimage, prayer, repentance, and acts of mercy, based on the Old Testament tradition of a Jubilee Year of rest, forgiveness, and renewal.

Bishop Joseph C. Bambera will lead a Pilgrimage to Italy and Rome from Aug. 31-Sept. 9, 2025, in celebration of the Holy Year. The trip will include a Papal Audience, Masses celebrated daily at various Basilicas and Cathedrals, a unique opportunity to visit the Scavi, a tour of the necropolis under St. Peter’s Basilica culminating at the tomb of St. Peter, and much more.

For more information, including a day-by-day itinerary, visit the Diocese of Scranton website at [dioceseofscranton.org](http://dioceseofscranton.org).