SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

In a form of a prayer, Saint John the Evangelist is giving us a discourse delivered from Jesus's mouth. In this discourse in John 17, Jesus is unveiling something of His person. He says in today's gospel: "Father, the hour has come; give glory to Your Son, so that Your Son may glorify You, just as You gave Him authority over all people….". In this prayer immensely intimate, we are entering into Jesus's conscience. Over the centuries, some people have always questioned whether yes or no Jesus knew if He was God; we have all answers in the gospel, and in today's gospel, we have one of the many answers: He knows that His time has come.
Simply put, Jesus is asking the Father to "cover" Him before He goes into the tomb so that when He comes out of it (after three days), He will show to the world who He truly is (please remember, He said previously to a disciple: "Philip, who sees me sees the Father "). He also says: "Eternal life, is that they know You and know that You sent Me". All these are said by Jesus just before He died, which means for Him that it doesn't matter if He dies, because He knows who He is and that He is coming back after His death.

NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME LUNCHEON

There will be a luncheon next Sunday May 24th at St. Pat's Hall after the 11am Mass to welcome the newest members of our three churches. Let us all come together to meet each other and enjoy some tasty food. If you want to come, please sign up on the sheets in each church or call the church office at 570-563-1622.

DISCIPLES OF MARY ANNUAL BAKE SALE

The Disciples of Mary is having their annual Memorial Day bake sale on Sunday May24 after the 9am Mass. Anyone donating baked goods can drop them off at the Hospitality Room where we have the sale on Saturday May 23 from 11 am-1 pm. Any questions call Dee Pasko at 570-378 2834. Thank you.

SML MEMORIAL DAY MASS HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY TO ALL

St Mary's will celebrate Memorial Day Mass at the Fairview Cemetery, Monday May 25 at 9 am.
We will honor those who served their country in the military as well as community members who are buried in the cemetery. All members of our three churches as well as community members are encouraged to attend. In case of rain Mass will be moved to SML.

SML WYOMING COUNTY FAIR MEETING

There will be an important meeting, tomorrow Monday May 18th at 6 pm at St. Mary's hall to discuss the Wyoming county fair. We need your help to make it successful. Please come and offer your thoughts. Thank you.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 10th, 25th, 40th, or 50th wedding anniversary in 2026 to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 28, 2026. The event includes a 2:30 PM mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter followed by a light reception.
The registration deadline for this event is Sunday, June 7, 2026. To register, please go to https://www.dioceseofscranton.org or contact Bridget Maille at (570) 207-2213 x 1133 or familylife@dioceseofscranton.org.

CLOTHES CLOSET

The Clothes Closet is open on Wednesdays from 4 to 7pm and Thursdays from 4 to 6pm. We still need help to run the clothes closet. If you can volunteer, please call Lyn Harvey at 570-942-6552 of Carol Williams at 570-942-6804.

CATHOLIC WOMAN'S CONFERENCE COURAGEOUS FAITH

All women of the diocese are called to deepen their faith by attending the Women's Conference on Saturday June 6 at Marywood University. This year's inspirational speakers are Fr. Dan Reehil, Francesca La Rosa and Susan Brinkman. Breakfast and lunch will be included in the ticket price of $75. For more information call 570-430-2735.

ST. PAT BINGO NEWS

Bingo continues every Thursday, doors open at 5pm. Bingo starts at 6pm. Come and enjoy great food and fun. For more info call Rita at 570-575-9874. See you there.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS / LECTORS SCHEDULE

May 23 & 24

Eucharistic Ministers
4 pm (OLA) Carmel Williams
9:00am (SML) Brandon Piertti
11 am (SP) Cynthia Singer

Musicians
4 pm (OLA) Maria Fay
9:00am (SML) Danny Williams
11 am (SP) Maria Fay

Lectors
4 pm (OLA) Mary Jo Danoski
9:00am (SML) Seb Naro
11 am (SP) Barry Singer

Altar Servers
4 pm (OLA) – Margaret Jones, Kevin Jones
11am (SP) – Maci Harvatine
Shadow -Nolan Matulevich

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 18- Wyoming County Fair mtg. SML Hall, 6pm
May 20 – Clothes Closet at SP from 4 to 7pm
May 21 - Clothes Closet at SP from 4 to 6pm
May 21 – Prayer Shawl Ministry at SML, 5:30pm
May 21 - Bingo at SP, Doors open at 5pm, Bingo 6pm

SP/OLA FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Congratulations to our students who are receiving the Holy Spirit this Sunday at 3PM at Our Lady of the Abingtons. May God bless them and fill them with the Holy Spirit Be sure to congratulate them:
Julia **Cecelia** D'Antoni
Maci **Christina** Harvatine
Margaret **Cecelia** Jones
Harper **Marie** Litwin

PENNSYLVANIANS FOR HUMAN LIFE RUN4LIFE 5K RUN & 1.5-MILE FUN WALK

On Saturday, May 30, Pennsylvanians for Human Life invite you to join us at Nay Aug Park for the Run4Life 5K Run & 1.5-Mile Fun Walk. You do not need to be a runner to participate. Walkers are welcome. Families are welcome. Church groups, youth groups, friends, coworkers, and supporters of all ages are welcome. Children 12 and under are free, making this a wonderful family-friendly morning. After the race, families can enjoy time together at the pavilion, including kid-friendly activities and face painting. register today: https://runsignup.com/Race/PA/Scranton/PennsylvaniansforHumanLifeRun4Life. Online registration closes Thursday, May 28 at 11:59 PM.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday (May 19) Easter Weekday
8:00am (OLA) Healing Blessings for Tammy Phillips
By Tracey Singletary

Wednesday (May 20) St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest
8:00am (SP) Veronica Hay
By Liz Dempsey

Thursday (May 21) St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs
8:00 am (SML) Gerald Budginski
By Rick & Mary Lou Franko

Saturday (May 23) The Vigil of Pentecost Sunday
4:00 pm (OLA) Health & Blessings for Camille & Leo DeAngelo
By Anonymous

Sunday (May 24) Pentecost Sunday
9:00 am (SML) Parker Wall
By Pat Wall
11:00 am (SP) John Pompey
By Matt & Joanne

Sanctuary Candle at SML
Burning this week In Memory of All SML Parishioners and Their Families
By The Altar & Rosary Society

WEEKLY OFFERINGS (COLLECTIONS)

SP Weekly	**$ 2,029.00**	**Loose $ 138.00**
OLA Weekly	**$ 1,620.00**	**Loose $ 18.00**
SML Weekly	**$ 1,735.00**	**Loose $ 134.00**

May the Lord reward your generosity

ST. PAT'S CORSAGE/BOUQUET FUNDRAISER THANK YOU

Thank you Sue and all who were involved with the Mother's Day Fundraiser, those who organized, made the corsages & bouquets, donated supplies and all who bought the beautiful flowers. With all this support we raised $1,093.00.

ST. PATRICK'S RECTORY FLOWERS & BUSHES

With St. Patrick's rectory demolition approaching, the flowers and bushes that surround the rectory need to be removed. We are offering them to any parishioners who would want them to dig them up and take them. St. Pat's parishioners can come any time from May 18th till May 30th and OLA & SML parishioners can come from June 1st to June13th.

CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate Richard & Allison Di Phillips on the Baptism of their son, Jack at SP church on May 3rd. Please pray for Jack and his family.

OUR SAINTS AND THE EUCHARIST

Mother Jeanne Delenoe; Jesus told her, "What more can you desire then to have within you the true source of all, My Divine Heart?"