

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Through today's prayers and readings, especially today's gospel, we feel the aroma of Ascension and Pentecost in the air. Soon, God and man will live together, under the same roof. In the days of old, Adam and Eve, God and man had their own separate dwelling places. At Mount Sinai, when God was coming, people were completely aside. Then came the temple, in the holy of the holies in the temple of Jerusalem, only the high Priest of the year had access, only once a year. Gradually, God tamed man, and all the prophets were feeling that God was coming closer. Zephaniah 3,6 will say: "Don't be afraid, the Lord your God is in your midst." Ezekiel 37,7 will add: "My dwelling will be near you".. Zachariah 2,14 will continue: "Here I am, I come to dwell in your midst." And all other prophets will say the same. John 1,14 will add: "...And The Word became flesh... and made His dwelling among us." Then Revelation 12,9-10 will add: "... he was pushed out, Satan, the one called Accuser...". Finally, God will not make His dwelling among us any longer, we will be under one roof with Him, His roof. That is why Jesus says: "I am going to prepare a place for you, so that where I am, you also may be".

**CHRIST IS RISEN, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA
HE IS RISEN INDEED, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA**

A PRAYER FOR POPE LEO XIV

Lord Jesus,
You said to the Apostle Peter: "You are Peter and upon this rock, I will build my Church."
Bless the new successor of St. Peter, our new Pope, Leo XIV. With the Intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Michael the Archangel, and St. Augustine may he fight today's "devil machine". Help and protect him that his only concern be to proclaim You and to proclaim You alone. Amen,

SML MEMORIAL DAY MASS HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY TO ALL

St Mary's will celebrate Memorial Day Mass at the Fairview Cemetery, Monday May 26 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 the Mass will be moved to SML.

SML BASKET RAFFLE MEETING JUNE 10 AT 6:30PM

There will be a planning meeting in the SML Hall at 6:30pm on June 10. This year the Wyoming County Fair runs from August 27 to September 1. We need many volunteers to make this a success. Please come to this meeting with your best ideas.

BENCH IN MEMORY OF NED CLARKE

Durning the Fall Festival meeting a local boy scout, Raymond Mozdian presented his Eagle Scout project: A bench made of recycled plastic to honor the memory of our dear Ned Clarke.

CLOTHES CLOSET NEWS

The clothes closet is open on Wednesdays from 5 to 7pm. On May 30th & 31st from 10am to 3pm, there will be a Clothes Closet yard sale. Donations of clothing, shoes, linens, misc. can be left on the lower level of the hall. Please consider being a volunteer. For bigger donations or to volunteer call Jane Decker 570-942-6078.

CATHOLIC WOMAN'S CONFERENCE HEART TO HEART PRAYER

All women of the diocese are called to deepen their faith by attending the Women's Conference on Saturday June 7 at Marywood University. This year's inspirational speakers are Sr. Maria Kateri, Sisters of Life, Kara Kardell and Sarah Hart. Breakfast and lunch will be included in the ticket price of \$55. Information and registration are available at www.cwcnepa.com. There are fliers to take home at all churches.

ST. PATRICK BINGO BEGINNING SOON

Bingo will begin on Thursday June 12. As always, help will be needed in the kitchen & with bingo. Come out & share the fun & good food. If you can help in any way or have any questions, please call Rita at 570-575-9874.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS / LECTORS SCHEDULE

May 31 & June 1

Eucharistic Ministers

4 pm (OLA) Barbara Williamson
9:00am (SML) Brandon Pieretti
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) Judy Zipay
9:00am (SML) Bob Andrews
11 am (SP) Barry Singer

Altar Servers

4 pm (OLA) Jace Biglin
11am (SP) Kali Harvatine, Maci Harvatine
Shadow – Nolan Phillips, Wyatt Phillips

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

May 28 – SP Clothes Closet, open 5 to 7pm
May 29 – Prayer Shawl Ministry SML, 5:30pm
May 30 & 31– Clothes Closet yard sale SP 10am-3pm

CHURCH OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Parish office will be closed this **Monday May 26** for the Memorial Day Holiday.

SP/OLA FAMILY FAITH FORMATION FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our parish First Holy Communion recipients! Carter Robbins, Raelyn Robbins and Maeve Stanco.

May God Bless you and hold you in his arms

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL DIOCESE OF SCRANTON PENTECOST CELEBRATION

The celebration will take place at St. Maria Goretti Parish 42 Redwood Dr., Laflin, Pa on Saturday May 31st from 9am to 3pm. Pentecost will be celebrated with praise & worship, a Holy Hour of adoration and messages from speaker Rev. Timothy Kennedy of Holy Ghost Parish in Jessup. There will be coffee & donuts in the morning and lunch. The cost is \$15 per person. You must register in advance for lunch. For registration and selection go to:
<https://ccrscranton.org/httpccrscrantonorgpentecost-celebration> or call 570-344-2214 and leave a message.

FATIMA ROSARY

Please consider joining us for the next Fatima Rosary with Ernie Pappa on Monday June 9th at SML church.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday (May 27) St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

8:00 am (OLA) Richard Ruckowski

By Pat Webster Estate

Wednesday (May 28) Easter Weekday

8:00 am (SP) Deceased Members of the Marrazzo & Riccardo Families

By John & Pat Marrazzo

Wednesday (May 28) The Vigil of the Ascension of the Lord

6:00 pm (SML) Special Intention

By Theresa Zdaniewicz

Thursday (May 29) The Ascension of the Lord

8:00 am (OLA) Joseph Voesfski

By Tony & Rita Sandy

9:30 am (SP) Marianne Juszczak

By Anonymous

Saturday (May 31) The Vigil of the Seventh Sunday of Easter

4:00 pm (OLA) Mary Leiber

By Tom & Debbie Lowrie

Sunday (June 1) The Seventh Sunday of Easter

9:00 am (SML) Elaine Wokkittel

By Patty Clarke

11:00 am (SP) Health & Blessings for Barry & Cynthia Singer

By Bob & Andrea Walsh

Sanctuary Candle at SP

Burning this week for Robert Abbate

By John & Pat Marrazzo

WEEKLY OFFERINGS (COLLECTIONS)

SP Weekly \$ 1,397.00 Loose \$ 67.00

OLA Weekly \$ 1,230.00 Loose \$ 45.00

SML Weekly \$ 1,050.00 Loose \$ 211.00

May the Lord reward your generosity.

REGINA COELI PRAYER

During the Easter Season, instead of the Prayer Angelus, the Church says the Regina Coeli (Queen of Heaven). Just as the Angelus, it's said at 6 am, Noon, and 6 pm, preferably.

Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia For Christ, your Son and Son of God, has risen as He said, alleluia Pray to God for us, alleluia. V/. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia. R/. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia. Let us pray. God of life, you have given joy to the world by the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Through the prayers of His mother, the Virgin Mary, bring us to the happiness of eternal life. We ask this through Christ our Lord. R/. Amen.

OUR SAINTS AND THE EUCHARIST

Saint Bonaventure (the great Bonaventure) often received Communion from the hands of an angel.