

### THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

The Pope as a leader of the Catholic Church lives in the Vatican, and the Basilica there is Saints Peter and Paul Basilica for the Universal Church. But the Pope is also the bishop of the Diocese of Rome, so his cathedral is the Basilica of the Lateran, whose feast is today. This is the first and the oldest Basilica in the West. At the door, we have this inscription: “Mother and head of all churches”. Today marks then the anniversary of the dedication of that cathedral Church of Rome (the land was given to the Pope by Constantine, the emperor, newly converted to Catholicism). According to an inscription which pope Clement the XII placed there, this is where all Popes resided for more than 1000 years from the 4th Century. This place, location accommodated 250 Councils, including 5 Ecumenical Councils. Beneath its high altar rest the remains of the small wooden table on which according to tradition Saint Peter celebrated Mass on. The question that we need to ask today is this: do we celebrate a building, a temple, an edifice? Of course not. Jesus says in the gospel of John 2,19: “Destroy this temple and in three days, I will raise it up”. The temple He was talking about is His body. So, when we celebrate the dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome, we are celebrating Jesus’s body, thus celebrating our own body, because St Paul says in 1 Cor 6, 19: “Do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit dwelling in you?”

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#### CEMETERY VISIT IN NOVEMBER

During the month of November, every Catholic is asked by law to visit a cemetery. If followed properly, Indulgence is attached to this ancient pious practice.

#### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

We need someone to light the candles on the Advent wreath during Weekend Mass at each church during Advent. We appreciate all who are willing to do this. There are sign-up sheets in the vestibule of each church.

#### OLA ADVENT GIVING TREE

Next weekend November 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> the Advent Giving Trees will be in OLA hall. Please take a card from the Advent Giving Trees and help children in need this upcoming Christmas season. Wrapped gifts may be returned to the OLA Hall. Some gifts must be delivered to local agencies by December 8. Others will be delivered on December 15. Check your cards carefully and call Nikki Weisenfluh (570)335-8135 with any questions.

#### SP ANGEL TREE

Next weekend November 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> the Angel tree will be in the narthex of St. Patrick Church. Please take a card from the Angel Tree to help children in need this upcoming Christmas season. Please return the wrapped gifts to the narthex by December 14.

#### CHRISTMAS PARTY SAVE THE DATE!

All members of Fr. Arbo’s flock, please mark your calendars. This very special event will be at St Patrick’s Hall on December 14 at noon. There are sign-up sheets for this free event at all churches to make your reservation.

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#### CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL. OUR CALL TO SERVE

##### SML

**Goal: \$ 12,667**

**Total received: \$ 8,443**

**Total to reach goal: \$ 4,224**

##### OLA

**Goal: \$ 12,599**

**Total received: \$4,277**

**Total to reach goal: \$ 8,322**

##### ST. PAT

**Goal: \$ 13,543**

**Total received: \$8,977**

**Total to reach goal: \$ 4,566**

#### MANDATORY FORMATION OF A SECURITY COMMITTEE

Each Parish in the diocese is required to build a committee for a right balance between security and accessibility. With this bulletin announcement, we start the process. So, please call the Parish Office to volunteer for the building up of this committee, or call to suggest any Parishioner that you know could be great for this. The requirements are for instance:

- Experience in law enforcement (police, military experience,...)

- Medical professional (doctor, nurse,...)

- Teacher (including Sunday School Teacher).

- Maintenance experience (handyman,...)

Members of this committee will be in contact with the bishop’s office and will meet quarterly.

Please, let’s do this as soon as possible.

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS / LECTORS SCHEDULE

**November 15 & 16**

### **Eucharistic Ministers**

4 pm (OLA) Andrea Walsh  
9:00am (SML) Ann Marie Gorko  
11 am (SP) Sue Stutzman

### **Musicians**

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

### **Lectors**

4 pm (OLA) Kathy Tumavitch  
9:00am (SML) Jim Soltis  
11 am (SP) Mary Jo Danoski

### **Altar Servers**

4 pm (OLA) Kevin Jones, Margaret Jones  
11am (SP) Corinne Flynn  
Shadow – Conor Mc Hugh

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS**

Nov 13 – Prayer Shawl Ministry at SML, 5:30pm  
Nov 13 – Bingo at SP, doors open, 5pm, bingo, 6pm  
Nov. 18 - PPC meeting at OLA Hall, 6:30pm

### **SP/OLA FAMILY FAITH FORMATION**

Julie Harvatine - jwharv03@gmail.com.

November 16 - class

November 23 - class

November 30 - no class

The planning for the 2025 Christmas program has begun. If you haven't already, please reply to the email and sign your student up!

### **SML FAMILY FAITH FORMATION**

. Kerry Pieretti - redlightgreen343@gmail.com

Nov. 16 Class

Nov. 23 Class

### **MAY SHE REST IN PEACE**

There was a funeral at St. Patrick Church on November 3<sup>rd</sup> for Veronica Hay. Please pray for the repose of her soul and the consolation of her loved ones.

### **URGENT REQUEST**

To all Parishioners: each of our Parish is in urgent need of a Roman Missal (it's the book that we use on the Altar for all prayers during Mass). The ones we have now have their pages torn apart, outdated and don't have the prayers for the newly proclaimed Saints (for instance: St John Paul II, St John XXIII, St Paul VI, and 18 other Saints). Please call the office to donate to this noble cause for your respective Parish.

### **DIOCESE OF SCRANTON GROUP NITE OUT AT THE PENS HOCKEY GAME**

Special group pricing from the Diocese of Scranton for the November 14<sup>th</sup> Pens hockey game starting at 7:05pm. For more information you can call Tyler Rothmann at 570-208-5407. There are information flyers to take home at each church.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### **Tuesday (November 11) St. Martin of Tours, Bishop**

8:00 am (OLA) Mary Ann Ketchur  
*By Rosemary & Frank Opshinski*

### **Wednesday (November 12) St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr**

8:00 am (SP) Michael Mulfino  
*By MaryAnn Mulfino*

### **Thursday (November 13 ) St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin**

8:00 am (SML) Bill Waters  
*By Bill Waters' Estate*

### **Saturday (November 15) The Vigil of The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 pm (OLA) David Gruss  
*By Rita & Tony Sandy*

### **Sunday (November 16) The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am (SML) Packer Wall  
*By Pat Wall*

11:00 am (SP) Melissa Stalter  
*By Joan Kupetsky*

### **The Sanctuary Candle at SP**

Burning this week for Patricia Abbiate  
*By John & Pat Marrazzo*

### **WEEKLY OFFERINGS (COLLECTIONS)**

**SP Weekly \$ 1,438.00 Loose \$ 223.00**

**OLA Weekly \$ 2,240.00 Loose \$ 153.00**

**SML Weekly \$ 1,201.00 Loose \$ 47.00**

*May the Lord reward your generosity. .*

### **ST. PATRICK BINGO NEWS**

The last Bingo will be the Turkey Bingo on November 20<sup>th</sup>. Any questions, call Rita 570-575-9874. Thanks for your support.

### **SEVEN LOAVES SOUP KITCHEN**

### **51 WARREN ST. TUNKHANNOCK**

Volunteers are needed on the 4th Tuesday of every month, beginning in December. We will need 5-7 people to assist with prepping, serving, and cleaning up for the evening meal. Approximately from 3 PM to 6 PM. We will also be collecting staples for their food pantry. Wish list includes: Dry cereal, soups, canned chicken, spam, fruit cups (individually wrapped), spaghetti sauce and pasta. Sign-up sheets (on November 16) will be at each of our churches. And there will also be a table at the back of SML church to collect the staples on November 16. Please contact Bill or Shannon Bradican with any question at 570-840-8663.

### **OUR SAINTS AND THE EUCHARIST**

St Benedict Joseph Labre (please anyone interested in this Saint can talk with Fr. Arbo, a Saint in my Seminary): This Saint, after receiving Communion, would levitate.