

THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

The Solemnity of the MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD of Christ, CORPUS CHRISTI is the culmination of everything that we celebrate every year, starting with Christmas and passing through the DEATH AND RESURRECTION of JESUS CHRIST. It is the feast of the daily encounter of God and men. Of course, God becoming man (Christmas) is already troublesome in itself. Evidently the victory over death is by itself another fact beyond imagination, and it is the opening door to eternity. God is always present in our midst, and the sign of this presence is in a shared meal, where He Himself is given as food. That is an extraordinary fulfillment of a certain logic of God's love. God doesn't only enjoy His becoming a man in history, but He makes His passage on earth permanent, in a shared meal, the Eucharist: "Behold, I am with you every day until the end of time". The history of the world is not only God, it is God and men, that is why Jesus says in today's gospel "give them some food yourselves". That means God wants our participation. That is what made the great Father and Doctor of the Church, St Augustine, quoted by the Catechism Of The Catholic Church, Nr. CCC 1347 say one day: "God created us without us: but He did not will to save us without us".

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 BASKET RAFFLE NEWS

Due to the remodeling of the hall and limited space we are mainly looking for donations of monetary gifts in a frame, lottery tickets or gift cards. We will also take baskets that are wrapped or in original boxes. All donations need to be received by August 17. This year the Wyoming County Fair runs from August 27 to September 1. Any questions please call Pat at 570-575-6266 or Dee at 570-378-2834.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

The May PPC and Coordinating Teams meeting has been rescheduled for this Tuesday June 24 @6:30pm in the OLA Hall. Our agenda will include workshop time to develop action steps addressing the goals from the Pastoral Plan.

CLOTHES CLOSET NEWS

The clothes closet is in full swing and well stocked now. Tell your family & friends all about it. It is open on Wednesdays from 5 to 7pm till the end of August. There are clothes as well as miscellaneous household items as well as linens. Please consider being a volunteer. To volunteer call Jane Decker 570-942-6078.

ST. PATRICK BINGO NEWS

It's great to be back at Bingo on Thursdays, doors & kitchen open at 5pm, and bingo starts at 6pm. The food menu for June 26th is beef vegetable soup, beef pasta casserole, along with mac & cheese and lots of desserts, all homemade. Eat in or take out. As always, help is 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.

OLA FALL FESTIVAL UPDATE

For our Fall Festival we need large dinner-size, hinge Styrofoam takeout boxes and smaller sandwich-size takeout boxes. The takeout boxes can be dropped off in the OLA hall on the Donation Request table. Thank you in advance to all who can help.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

On Wednesday, October 1, 2025, The Most Reverend Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L. Bishop of Scranton will lead the Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC. The day will include opportunities for public as well as private prayer, confession, touring the National Shrine as well as the Campus of The Catholic University of America concluding with Mass. There are two ways to register either on the Diocese of Scranton Webpage or by contacting the Parish office. Bus fare: \$80.00 per person made payable to (enter name of parish) with buses leaving from either our parish or our deanery. To ensure bus transportation it is requested by the bus company to hold strictly to a deadline of AUGUST 18, 2025, for reservations.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS / LECTORS SCHEDULE

June 28 & 29

Eucharistic Ministers

4 pm (OLA) Michele Zajac
9:00am (SML) Andrea Walsh
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) Becky Mozeleski
9:00am (SML) Chase Newhart
11 am (SP) Mary Ann Mulfino

Altar Servers

4 pm (OLA) Jace Biglin
11am (SP) Margaret Jones, Kevin Jones

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

June 24 – Parish Pastoral Council Mtg. OLA, 6:30pm
June 25 – SP Clothes Closet, open 5 to 7pm
June 26 – Prayer Shawl Ministry SML, 5:30pm
June 26 – Bingo at SP, doors open, 5pm, bingo, 6pm

NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE (NCYC)

This 3-day conference that gathers students from across America will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana for a life changing encounter with Christ. The theme of the conference is I AM, the revelation of God's Name to Moses. The diocese is preparing to send a group of high school aged students traveling as a group by bus from Wednesday Nov.19 to Sunday Nov.23. For more info go to dioceseofscranton.org, and search NCYC 2025.

CAPUCHIN SISTERS OF NAZARETH AMATA RETREAT

The Amata Retreat will be at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Brodheadsville, Pa from September 12th to the 14th. This retreat is for high school aged young women with the Capuchin Sisters of Nazareth giving a glimpse into their life. The cost is \$35 that includes meals & Snacks. To register or for more information contact: Jill Salvi at youthminister@qopchurch.org or call 610-681-6137 ext. 117.

FATIMA ROSARY

Please consider joining us for the next Fatima rosary with Ernie Pappa on Monday July 14 at OLA at 6pm.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday (June 24) The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

8:00 am (OLA) David Gruss
By Bishop Klonowski Class of 1980

Wednesday (June 25) Weekday

8:00 am (SP) Oswaldo Sjogreen
By The Dempsey Family

Thursday (June 26) Weekday

8:00 am (SML) John Irish
By Mr. & Mrs. Richard Barni

Saturday (June 28) The Vigil of Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles

4:00 pm (OLA) Edward Sandy
By Tony & Rita Sandy

Sunday (June 29) Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles

9:00 am (SML) Teresa Wall
By Pat Wall
11:00 am (SP) Deceased Members of the John Lynch family
By Bernice Lynch

WEEKLY OFFERINGS (COLLECTIONS)

SP Weekly \$ 1,484.00 Loose \$ 59.00
OLA Weekly \$ 1,847.00 Loose \$ 32.00
SML Weekly \$ 1,735.00 Loose \$ 175.00
May the Lord reward your generosity.

SPIRITUALITY OF SUMMER

Officially, summer started on June 20. Take time to reconnect with God during summer. No matter where you are and no matter where you go, take God with you in your suitcase. We know that not everyone goes on vacation, but summer is for everyone. Have you ever noticed that at the beginning of Mass, we carry the book of the gospels in procession? But at the end of Mass, this book of the gospels is not part of the recession. Why? Because the word of God is within us for having read or heard it during Mass. So, summer months are the perfect time to re-think and meditate on the words of the Gospel. Please, don't put God on vacation.

OUR SAINTS AND THE EUCHARIST

Saint Clare Montefaco: To this Saint, Jesus Himself brought her Communion because she was unconsolable for not having received the Blessed Sacrament by mistake, not knowingly.