



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

Reverend Michael S. McCormick, Pastor

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 20, 2022

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil ~ 4:00 p.m.

Sunday ~ 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday-

Friday ~ 9:00 a.m.

Thursday ~ no daily Mass

Adoration

Monday ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ 7:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptismal instruction offered at

7:00 p.m. on the

third Tuesday of every month.

Call the office to register.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Friday ~ 5:00 ~ 6:00 p.m.

Saturday ~ 3:00 ~ 3:30 p.m.

Anytime by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arranged at least six months
in advance

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Notify the parish office

whenever someone ill,

hospitalized, or homebound

wishes to receive Communion.

RCIA

Mondays ~ 7:00 p.m.

Parish Membership

New parishioners are

always welcome

Please call the parish office

to register.

Knights of Columbus

Council 14329

Parish Council

Wendy Bonus

Bob Nolan

Russell Gombosi, M.D.

Rita Clayton

Deb Steinbacher

Paul Moerschbacher

Jamie Wieder

Mary Etta Legarski

Sharon O'Malley

Keith Kuzio



Mission Statement

We are a Christian Community rooted in Word and Sacrament
striving to fulfill our Baptismal commitment

by following the example and teaching of Christ.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we endeavor to pass on our faith,
through the Roman Catholic Tradition, to the next generation
for the greater glory of God.

From the Pastor's Desk

Saint Andrew Christmas Novena



Each year on the last day of November, the Church celebrates the feast of the Apostle, Saint Andrew. In the *Gospel according to Saint John*, Saint Andrew responds to Jesus's call and then does Something more:

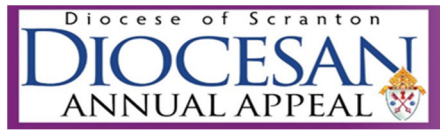
“He first found his own brother Simon and told him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is Translated Anointed). Then he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon, the son of John; you will be called *Cephas*” (which is translated (*Peter*).”
(*John 1:41-42*)

Over the years, November 30 has marked the start of The “Saint Andrew Novena,” a prayer offered reverently and devoutly 15 times each day until Christmas. Like all prayer that is a grace of the Holy Spirit, may each of us be drawn to a deeper Awareness of Jesus' presence.

*Hail and blessed be
the hour and moment in which
the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary,
at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold.
In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God,
to hear my prayer and grand my desires
[mention prayer petition here]
through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ,
and of His blessed Mother. Amen.*

Saint Andrew, Apostle and Martyr, pray for us
As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior.

November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory



Thanksgiving is at the heart of Christian Life. It is a time when we give thanks for all God's gifts and blessings!

Thank you for your generous gifts to the 2022 Diocesan Annual Appeal. During this time, let us remember to pray for those who are hurting, lonely, or in need of assistance.

GIFTS OF ALL SIZES ARE NEEDED AND APPRECIATED

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish has reached 60% of our Appeal goal of \$41,000 by pledging \$24,447 as of November 14, 2022. *Thank you*, all who pledged so far, for your generosity!



The Giving Tree

The Annual Giving Tree will be put up **Monday, November 21**, and will be up until **Monday, December 19**. By request, we will be switching to Weis gift cards only, in amounts of \$5, \$10, \$15, and \$20. Thank you for your generosity.

Children's Christmas Play Rehearsal

Practices for the Christmas Play, which will be performed at 3:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve, before 4:00 p.m. Mass, will be held at:

Thursday, December 1 at 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 14 at 5:30 p.m.
Thursday, December 22 at 5:30 p.m.

Holiday Office Schedule

The Parish Office schedule for the Thanksgiving holiday week is:
Wednesday, November 23—Closed
Friday, November 25—Closed
Monday, November 28—Closed
The Parish Office will reopen Tuesday, November 29.

The Chosen, Season 3

Episodes 1 & 2 of season 3 of the series "The Chosen" will be shown at AMC Williamsport from **November 18-22 at 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

St. Nicholas Party

Saturday, December 3
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
PK and older



A fun afternoon for kids to prepare for the birth of Jesus! There will be games, crafts, snacks and more. This is a great opportunity for parents to do some Christmas shopping or enjoy a quiet afternoon together! Please contact Jackie Baylor at 267-236-2310, the parish office at 570-368-8598, or the parish email at parishoffice@ourladyoflourdesrcc.org, to make a reservation.

This activity is sponsored by OLOL Teens.

Sung Vespers (Evening Prayer)

Beginning next **Sunday, November 27**, we will have Sung Vespers, or Evening Prayer, every Sunday evening in Advent at 7:00 p.m. Consider taking thirty minutes of quiet time for prayer at this holy (but busy) time of year.

Altar Server Training

There will be an altar server training session on **Sunday, December 4**, at 9:15 a.m.

Love Never Ends

The next meeting of *Love Never Ends*, our grief support group, will be on **Friday, December 9**, at noon, in the parish hall. This will be our Christmas Party. Please call Curt Fink at 570-490-8230 for information or to sign up.

Community

This Week at Our Lady of Lourdes

~Sunday, November 20

Advent Wreath Project ~ 9:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

~ Monday, November 21

Holy Hour ~ 6:00 p.m.

Pro-Life Meeting ~ 7:00 p.m.

~ Wednesday, November 23

OFFICE CLOSED

~Thursday, November 24

Happy Thanksgiving!

~ Friday, November 25

OFFICE CLOSED

Confessions ~ 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

~ Sunday, November 27

No religious education classes

Ministry Corner Service

By Deb Steinbacher

Contemplating how to intertwine this day in which we honor Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, with ministry became clear when listening to Fr. Mitch Pacwa's homily (EWTN) for this past Wednesday. Jesus shares a parable in the Gospel of Luke that deals with how three servants handled what was given to them by their master. They did not earn it, nor did they do anything to deserve it, but they were entrusted with it. The first two servants invested what was given to them, their investments grew, and the master was pleased. The third servant, because he was fearful, did nothing. The master was, of course, not pleased. When pondering this Gospel, do we relate this to what we do with that which we have been given by God? Our innate talents, abilities, skills, etc., are not something that we obtained on our own, but something upon which we can improve through work. But then what do we do? Do we offer up to Him what has been given to us? On this day in which we honor Christ the King, think about how we can best serve Him through the various ministries in our parish. Can we offer our time, talent, and/or treasure for His Kingdom? Can we lay aside any fear that we might have to stand up for the sanctity of life, visit prisoners, help with fundraisers, take part in the music ministry, join our Knights of Columbus, or simply call the parish office and ask how we can be of help? Think about it and pray for discernment! God bless you!

Welcome to the Parish

We wish to give a warm welcome to our following new members of our Parish:

Betty Mitchell

Andrew & Carissa Zysset

Dr. John & Victoria Tartera

Frank & Tomasa Kershner

Eric & Molly Lusk

Michael & Janelle Shortall

Harper & Colin

James & Maria Casale

Roberto & Sarabeth

Adelina Delgado

Joseph & Susan O'Brien

Karen Dapp

Gabrielle Auger

Ed Kanaley & Mary Ann

*Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord,
And may Your Perpetual Light
shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen*

Pro-Life Center Blessing & Dedication

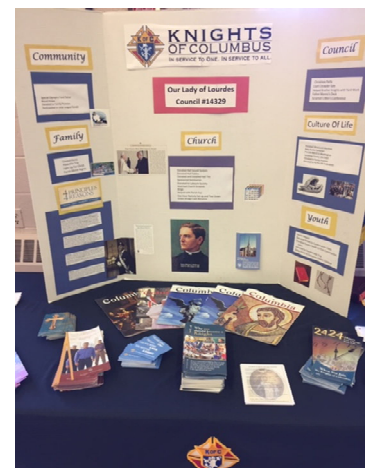
Please join us **December 12 after 9:00 a.m. Mass** for the Blessing and Dedication of the Pro-Life Center, with light refreshments to follow in the Parish Hall.

Knights of Columbus Celebrate Parish Life



At our recent Celebration of Parish Life, we spotlighted the many ministries and activities we enjoy here at Our Lady of Lourdes.

One of our most active groups is our Knights of Columbus Council. For more information for on how to join this fun, active Catholic men's group, please call John Legarski at 570-998-2959.



Worship and Service

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 19

Vigil of the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ
King of the Universe (Christ the King)
4:00 p.m. H. Michael Hayes (*Rich & Kay Weilminster*)
Rev 11:4-12; Ps 144:1-10; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday, November 20

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
(Christ the King)
8:00 a.m. Tim Dunlap (*By Family*)
10:30 a.m. People of the Parish
2 Sam 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

Monday, November 21

The Presentation of the BVM
9:00 a.m. Jay Finkbeiner (*Family*)
Zec 2:14-17; Lk 1:46-55; Mt 12:46-50

Tuesday, November 22

St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr
9:00 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory (*Cox Family*)
Rev 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday, November 23

9:00 a.m. Joey Prato (*Bill & Ellen Miller*)
Rev 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-9; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday, November 24

Thanksgiving Day
St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions, Martyrs
9:00 a.m. All Souls Intentions
Rev 18:1-9; Ps 100:1-5; Lk 21:20-28

Friday, November 25

9:00 a.m. Kathi Pagana (*Jim Pagana*)
Rev 20:1-4, 11-21:2; Ps 84:3-8; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday, November 26

Vigil of the First Sunday of Advent
4:00 p.m. Arthur McClellan (*By family*)
Rev 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7; Lk 21:34-36

Sunday, November 27

First Sunday of Advent
8:00 a.m. John Catino (*Catino Family*)
10:30 a.m. Tom Bafile (*Family*)
Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14 Mt 24:3-44

Sponsor of the Week Blaise Alexander Subaru

We want to highlight our sponsor of the week, **Blaise Alexander Subaru**. We appreciate their support, and that of all our advertisers. Please support them as they do our parish.

Offertory Collections (Includes on-line contribution)

11/12-13/2022

Loose	\$ 871.00
Collection	\$ 6,718.00
Maintenance	\$ 445.00
Fuel	\$ 95.00
Votives	\$ 102.00
Religious Education	\$ 20.00
All Saints	\$ 20.00
Collection Total	\$ 8,271.00
Weekly Amount Budgeted	\$ 8,850.00

Diocesan Collections

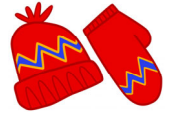
Care & Education of the Priests	\$ 188.00
Rice Bowl	\$ 25.00
Retirement Fund	\$ 20.00
Diocesan Collections	\$ 233.00

Collection Counters Schedule

November 21—Group 2—Glenda Farrington, Mary McNamara, Carol Everett
November 29—Group 3—Judy DeGregorio, Barbara Gallagher, Jan Ransdorf

Faith in Action

We will be collecting hats and mittens of *all sizes* through the month of December. Please place any donations in the bins at the church entrances.



We continue to collect **16 ounce jars of peanut butter** to help support the Montoursville Area School District Backpack Program. Please help us feed the hungry. Drop off donations inside the church.

Prayer List for the Month of November


If you or a loved one would like to be added to our prayer list, please contact the parish office.

M.B., James Bender, Theresa Brown, Dave Bonus, Joanie Campbell, Jerry Dincher, Ann Marie Dorin, Grant Falls, Margie Foulds, Carisa Foulds, Geraldine Hamm, Mary Heffner, Michael Hook, Charles Gries, Cliff Hales, Mary Kranz, Chuck Ligosh, Kathleen Maiolo, Karen Marlett, Lois O'Malley, Denise Miller, Linda Phillips, Nicole Selleck, Denise Sharar, Robert Steinbacher, Sofia Steinbacher, Carl Ulsamer, Debbie Winterer, Christine Watts Wright

Please note: With the First Sunday of Advent, the start of the liturgical year, we also re-start our prayer list. If you have a loved one you would like to remove, or one you would like to remain on the prayer list, please notify the Parish Office by December 1.

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