

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 10, 2023

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Annual Parish Festival

September 15 & 16, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Live Music - Basket Raffle - Cake Wheel
Pumpkin Stand - Wine Wheel - Children's Games

Friday Night is "Aloha Night"

Roast Pork Dinner with a Hawaiian flare, baked beans, coleslaw, roll and butter, dessert — \$12

Tickets available in the parish office

Featuring: Leo & KG with Family Traditions



Saturday Night is "Polish Night"

Authentic *homemade* pierogies, stuffed cabbage, haluski and dessert — \$13

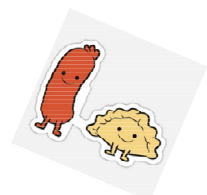
Featuring: Lenny Weber, One Man, One Guitar, One Good Time!
Playing music of the 70's, 80's & 90's!

PLUS our regular delicious food!

*Hot Sausages *Hamburgers *Hotdogs *French Fries *Walking Tacos
*Funnel Cakes *Fresh-squeezed Lemonade *Ice Cream *Homemade Pies



FUN FOR ALL AGES!



Sunday at 11:30 a.m. Basket Raffle in the Parish Hall



WINE for the K.O.C. Wine Wheel! 750 ml bottles ~ Drop off at parish office/or parish hall.

Beverages: 12 oz. canned Pepsi products; 16.9 oz bottled water; glassware for dime pitch.

Pumpkin Stand: Monetary donations can be placed in an envelope marked "Pumpkin Stand." Please place in the offertory or drop off at the parish office. Questions? Contact Judy DeGregorio at 570-368-2705.

Basket Raffle: Monetary donations can be placed in an envelope marked "Basket Raffle." Please place in the offertory or drop off at the parish office. Pre-made baskets should be valued at \$50-\$75. Questions? Contact the parish office.

Cake Wheel: If you love to bake, please consider making a donation for our cake wheel. Sign-up sheets at the main church entrance. Questions? Call Bonnie Fry at 602-316-3245.

Extension Cords.

Faith Formation

Handbooks & registration forms were mailed last week to families who participated in our program last year. If you are new to our parish or if your child will be entering the first grade in the fall, contact Donna Mothersbaugh @ 570-368-8598 or parishoffice@ourladyoflourdesrcc.org.

Classes will begin on September 24 at 9:00 a.m. for Grades 1-8.



Show me Your ways Lord, teach me Your paths. Psalm 25:4-5

Mass Intention Book Opening Soon

The 2024 Mass Intention Book will be opening immediately following Mass on Monday, September 11, 2023.

In order that all parishioners have the opportunity to remember or honor their loved one on special dates we have a few guidelines:

- ~ Each family may schedule up to three (3) Masses. There will be no limit on unscheduled Masses.
- ~ An individual may only have a Mass offered once every two weeks.
- ~ Recently deceased parishioners may take precedence.



FAITH IN ACTION

For the month of September, items collected will be for our Parish Festival being held this month. Please refer to the items needed in the bulletin. God Bless!

We continue to collect *16 oz. jars of peanut butter* to help support the Montoursville School District Backpack Program. Drop off donations inside the Church or the Church office.



"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink...Matthew 25:35"

Our Lady of Lourdes YOUTH Upcoming Events!



Event: Football Tailgate

When: Friday, September 29

Where: Our Lady of Lourdes (Rain or Shine)

Time: 5:30 p.m. Prior to MAHS Football Game

Ladder Golf!
Corn Hole!
Mini Footballs!
Candle Lighting for a loved one!

Ministry Corner by Deb Steinbacher

PRAY and ACT!

As Catholics, we are called to protect the sanctity of life from conception to natural death. That is exactly what Joan Bell, wife of Chris Bell (the co-founder of Good Counsel Homes) was doing when she and several others were arrested for protesting the lack of life-saving care for babies born alive after abortion. They all face prison time of up to eleven years. Chris has asked that we *pray*, especially Isaiah 54:17. The other issue facing us is the cutting of funds for Real Alternatives. This was begun by the late Governor Casey (the Senator's father) to provide for crisis pregnancy centers. Of course, the pro-abortion faction views this as being forced to pay for antiabortion tactics. God bless us and God help us!

The month of September is dedicated to Our Lady Of Sorrows.

**To Love and Serve Jesus Christ
This Week at Our Lady of Lourdes**

Monday, September 11

~Mass Intention book opens in Parish Office
~Holy Hour/Confessions ~ 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 12

~NO Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, September 14 ~ Office Closed

Friday, September 15

~Confessions ~ 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
~**LOLO Fall Festival** ~ 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 16

~**LOLO Fall Festival** ~ 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 17

~Basket Drawings at 11:30 a.m. in Hall

Offertory Collections
(Includes on-line contributions)

September 02-03, 2023

Loose	\$	577.00
Offertory	\$	6,298.00
Maintenance	\$	316.00
Utilities & Fuel	\$	22.00
Votives	\$	68.00
Religious Education	\$	1.00
Holy Day ~ Assumption	\$	20.00
Total	\$	7,302.00

Diocesan Collections

Care & Education of Priests	\$	169.00
Total	\$	169.00

Love Never Ends

~ Next Meeting is Sept. 29 @ 12:00 p.m. ~

A speaker from the Katherine Burns Agency will go over Medicare benefits. All are welcome.



Collection Counter Schedule

September 11 ~ Group 3 Judy DeGregorio, Jan Ransdorf, Gloria Renehan

September 18 ~ Group 4 Deb Vincenzes, Bonnie Fry, Norma Stryker

Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 10

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. Barbara Swartz (By Lopez Family)

Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

Monday, September 11

9:00 Nick & Lucy Mondell (By Dave & JoAnne Mondell)

Col 1:24; Ps 62:6-9; Luke 6:6-11

Tuesday, September 12 ~ The Most Holy Name of Mary

9:00 a.m. Walter & Sophie Marciniak (By Family)
2:00 p.m. Carl & Kathryn Moore @ WeCare (By Tartera Family)

Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1-11; Luke 6:12-19

Wednesday, September 13 ~ St. John Chrysostom

9:00 a.m. Linda Jean Raby (By Donna Lynn Becker)

Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-13; Luke 6:20-26

Thursday, September 14 ~ NO MASS

Num 21:4-9; Ps 78:1-38; Jn 3:13-17

Friday, September 15 ~ Our Lady of Sorrows

9:00 John and Justine Catino (By Catino Family)

Tim 1:1-14; Ps 16:1-11; Jn 19:25-27

Saturday, September 16 ~ Saints Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian

4:00 p.m. George & Mary McQuillen (By their daughter)

1Tim 1:15-17; Ps 113:1-7; Luke 6:43-49

Sunday, September 17

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. Deceased Family Members (By Brown Family)

Sir 27:30; Ps 103:1-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Prayer List for the Month of September

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

Dave Bonus, Karen Boyle, Gerald Dincher, Ann Marie Dorin, Diane Folk, Margie Foulds, Carissa Foulds, Charles Gries, Geraldine Hamm, Michael Hook, Mina Hoover, Cliff Hales, Matt Hales, Rosemary "Cate" Legarski, Chuck Ligosh, JoMarie Latini, Kathleen Maiolo, Karen Marlett, Alex Mazzante, Tyler Morton, Mary Myers, Linda Phillips, Justin Reed (Father's nephew), Nicole Selleck, Isabel Shumbat, Kim Singer, Sofia Steinbacher, Stanley Steinbacher, Staci Stone, Christine Quinn, Carl Ulsamer, Debbie Winterer

OCIA (Formerly RCIA)

Are you or anyone you know interested in becoming Catholic?

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (formerly "Rite of...") is the process established for the universal Church for individuals to become Catholic Christians and receive the sacraments of initiation, Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist. This initiation process also involves a parish community experiencing a renewal in faith as it prepares and welcomes new members into the Church. The Order speaks of conversion as a "spiritual journey".

Who is OCIA for? Briefly, for 1) Persons in need of Baptism 2) Persons baptized in another Christian tradition who desire to become Catholic. 3) Persons baptized Catholic in need of First Communion and/or Confirmation.

If you know of any person who has shared an interest or curiosity about Catholic faith and would like to learn more by participating in the RCIA program, sessions will begin on **September 11, in St. Ann's basement**. Please call Susie Mann, OCIA parish leader at 570-244-8133 for more information.



UP&OVER MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

**SEPTEMBER
22 - 24**

@ CAMP ORCHARD HILL
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- Develop Teamwork & Problem Solving Skills
- Meet New Friends
- Outdoor Obstacle Course

Arrival: 7:00pm - Friday
Departure: 11:00am - Sunday

Registration Fee: \$170 includes 5 meals, lodging, retreat materials, and a t-shirt

Register Online at www.dioceseofscranton.org

SACRED MUSIC YOUTH CHOIR

GRADES 5 THROUGH 12

Explore the history of the Church through sacred music. Weekly singing rehearsals with Livia Lakatos Schwartzman and other church leaders with a focus on Gregorian Chant to be sung at two Masses during upcoming school year.

Rehearsals will be EVERY MONDAY starting September 11 @ St. Joseph The Worker from 5 - 6:30 p.m.
Questions? Contact Livia Schwartzman @570-394-6264.



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Mass for Suicide Healing & Remembrance

To remember loved ones lost to suicide and healing for those who still grieve their passing

Sunday, September 17, 2023 at 12:15 p.m.
Cathedral of Saint Peter
315 Wyoming Ave., Scranton

Principal Celebrant
Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.
Bishop of Scranton

The Mass is open to the public.
The Mass will also be broadcast live on CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton and livestream on the Diocese of Scranton website, YouTube channel and Facebook.



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