



# Our Lady of Lourdes Church

## December 31, 2023

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## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

### Parish Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Thursday ~ Office Closed

Fridays 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

### 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

6:30 p.m. on the

Second 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 is ill,  
hospitalized, or homebound  
wishes to receive Communion.

### OCIA (formerly RCIA)

Mondays ~ 7:00 p.m.

### Parish Membership

New parishioners are  
always welcome  
Please call the parish office  
to register.

### Knights of Columbus

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### Parish Council

Rita Clayton

Deb Steinbacher

Jamie Wieder

Mary Etta Legarski

Sharon O'Malley

Keith Kuzio

Colleen Brown

Lydia Baylor



*Dear Parishioners and Friends,*

**I'VE BEEN HACKED!**

*Really! Several parishioners have informed me that they have received texts claiming to be me saying that I am in need of gift cards for people in need. One asked for \$600 worth of cards, another wanted \$400. Please be advised that it was not I, but a scammer. Please ignore, block and delete any requests claiming to be from me. If I need assistance to help someone I will either ask you directly in person or give you a call to see if you are able to help.*

*I didn't expect this to be the topic of my bulletin letter for Christmas! But there you have it. Please be safe and have a Blessed Christmas! I am, as always,*

*Joyfully Yours,*

*Fr. Michael McCormick*



Pictures are from our youth making chocolate candies for our parish. As you can see from their smiles they had a great time. Thank you for all of your hard work! The staff gathered with Father Mike around his beautiful tree. (Plus our sweet Gracie)



Dear God,

We bring before you today all families around the world, and we ask that You be close to them so they may imitate Your love. Let their commitment to life and to deep relationship edify those within their family and also those who are in community with their family. We pray for those families with young children and those with older ones. We pray for those families whose children have moved out and begun adult life, that through persistent commitment they may remain unified in love, and we also pray for any couples who are not able to have children, that they may experience the graces of family life in whatever way You have prepared for them. We pray for healing in any families facing disunity or division, that your love may reveal the way forward in deep reconciliation. Let all marriages bear much fruit and give them what they need to witness to hope and to cultivate communities of love around them. AMEN



# The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph

## This Week at Our Lady of Lourdes

**Monday, January 1, 2024** ~ Office Closed

~No Holy Hour/Confessions

**Tuesday, January 2**

~Coordinating Team Meets ~ 6:30 p.m.

**Friday, January 5** ~ First Friday

**Saturday, January 6** ~ First Saturday

**Sunday, January 7** ~ The Epiphany of The Lord

~Religious Education Classes ~ 9:00 a.m.

~Father Mike will be away January 2 - 4, 2024~

## Solemnity Of Mary, Holy Mother of God

**Mass times:** Sunday, December 31, 2023 ~ 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Monday, January 1, 2024 ~ 9:00 a.m.

*O Holy Mother, conceived without sin, Pray for us who have recourse to thee.*

## Offertory Collections

The totals for weekends December 23 & 24, and December 30 & 31, 2023, will be displayed in the bulletin dated January 7, 2024.

Thank you and Happy New Year!

## Collection Counter Schedule

**January 2, 2024** ~ Group 3 Judy DeGregorio, Jan Ransdorf, Gloria Renchan

**January 8, 2024** ~ Group 4 Deb Vincenzes, Bonnie Fry, Glenda Farrington



**Take  
Outs  
Only**



**OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024**

**5:00 PM ~ 7:00 PM**

**PICKUP IN THE CHURCH HALL**

**DINNER TO INCLUDE:**

**Spaghetti & Homemade Meatballs, Dinner  
Salad, Bread/Butter, & Dessert**

**~Tickets available at the Church Office starting January 3~**

**ADULTS ~ \$12.00 CHILDREN (10 & Under) \$6.00**

## Faith In Action

January is baby month! We will be collecting diapers, baby wash, baby shampoo and wipes. Thank you and God Bless!



We continue to collect 16 oz. jars of peanut butter for the Montoursville Back Pack Program. Our goal is to collect 120/month to help the 120 + families in our School District who are in need. Drop off donations inside the Church or at the Church office. Thank you.



## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, December 30**

4:00 p.m. Beverly DiRocco (By Loving Husband)

**Sunday, December 31** ~ The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

8:00 a.m. John Leisenring (By Family)

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

5:00 p.m. (Vigil) James Dorin (By The Dorin Family)

**Monday, January 1, 2024** ~ Solemnity of Mary

9:00 a.m. End to Abortion (By Romey Fagnano Family)

**Tuesday, January 2**

No Mass Scheduled

**Wednesday, January 3** ~ The Most Holy Name of Jesus

No Mass Scheduled

**Thursday, January 4** ~ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

No Mass Scheduled

**Friday, January 5**

9:00 a.m. L. Robert Swartz (By Ebbert Family)

**Saturday, January 6** ~ First Saturday

9:00 a.m. Ann Prato (By Bill & Ellen Miller)

4:00 p.m. Jim Bender (By Bonnie Keller)

**Sunday, January 7** ~ The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. Delores Hebert (By Harry & Theresa Phillips)

**Monday, January 8** ~ The Baptism of the Lord

9:00 a.m. John & Margaret McNichol (By Brown Family)

## Readings For The Week

**Monday:** Num 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-8; Gal 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21

**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 2:29; Ps 98:1-6; Jn 1:29-34

**Thursday:** 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1-9; Jn 1:35-42

**Friday:** 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1-5; Jn 1:43-51

**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-20; Mk 1:7-11

**Sunday:** Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-13; Eph 3:2-6; Mt 2:1-12



## Opportunities to Serve

Our Lady of Lourdes is currently seeking **Extraordinary Ministers** and **Lectors** for our weekend Masses. Please consider offering your *time* and *talent* to these beautiful ministries. If you have any questions please reach out to us at the parish office .

## Prayer List for the Month of January

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

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



**DIOCESE OF SCRANTON**

**Women's Retreat**

# Bold and Beloved

*Inspired by the teaching of St. Thérèse of Lisieux*

**January 26-28, 2024**

Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center  
1000 Seminary Rd, Dalton, PA 18414



**Kara Kardell**  
Sinner striving for sainthood.  
Wife and mother of 3.



**Fred Shellabarger**  
Husband. Father. Spiritual Arsonist.  
Big Kid Who Loves Jesus.

# PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

"Whatever you ask in my name, I will give you." ~Jn 14:14

### Music Ministry

Please consider joining the Choir in the New Year. Practices are Thursday evenings @ 6:30 p.m. **ALL ARE WELCOME!** Contact Jo Marie Latini @ 570-666-4915.

### Sponsor Of The Week

Blaise Alexander is our bulletin sponsor for the week. Thank you for your continued support to the Church.

### Vocation Prayer on the Feast of the Holy Family

"I am a shield to you; Your reward shall be very great." If you feel God is offering you the gift of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life as a sister, brother, or consecrated virgin, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at #570-207-1452.



### Our Lady of Lourdes Diocesan Annual Appeal Update

We're at \$27,752.00 (67.69% of goal) with pledges and donations from 150 families (22.94%) of the parish as of 12/23/2023. Please prayerfully consider how you might support the campaign and help the parish to reach our goal. Thank you!

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