

Parish Office Hours Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Thursday—OFFICE CLOSED

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

 $Monday \sim \frac{Adoration}{6:00 \text{ p.m.}} \sim 7:00 \text{ p.m.}$ 

Sacrament of Baptism
Baptismal instruction offered at 6:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month.
Call the office to register.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Friday  $\sim 5:00 \sim 6:00$  p.m. Saturday  $\sim 3:00 \sim 3:30$  p.m. Anytime by appointment.

<u>Sacrament of Marriage</u> 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.

 $\frac{\textit{RCIA}}{\textit{Mondays} \sim 7:00 \text{ p.m.}}$ 

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

Knights of Columbus Council 14329

Parish Council
Rita Clayton
Deb Steinbacher
Paul Moerschbacher
Jamie Wieder
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## Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

July 16, 2023

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#### 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 Tastor's Desk

Dear Parish Family,

This Monday we will commemorate the anniversary of the Flight 800 disaster. You may have noticed that we have made some changes to the Prayer Garden in front of the Church with the help of the Knights of Columbus. They donated and installed the two beautiful angel statues. These statues will be blessed immediately following the 8:00 Mass this Sunday. They are so beautiful, and they remind us of God's care and compassion for the victims and for their families. I was on a pilgrimage to St. Ann's Basilica on that fateful day. I offered my Mass at the Basilica that day, and every July 17<sup>th</sup>, for those who died and for those who mourn.

This weekend we are reading the parable of the *Sower of the Seed*. As St. Gregory the Great reminds us, this parable requires no explanation because, "the explanation has been given by Truth Himself." Jesus explains this parable to His disciples. All we need do is to be careful that the word we have heard remains in our hearts. We must be careful that the seed is not received in stony ground, that is, hardened hearts so that it produces the Lord's harvest of salvation, charity and good works. Notice, I said it is the Lord's harvest. The seed is the Word of God. Christ is the Sower. All who come to Him will have life forever.

Joyfully Yours,

Fr. Michael



## **Pro-Life Poster Contest Winners**

Congratulations to the winners of our Pro-life Contest. We would like to thank all of the young people in our faith formation for their originality and creativity. The posters hung so lovingly in our Church as witness to the dignity of human life. The top three with the most votes were: Christopher Balduino, Nico Harlan and Colsen Bennett. (Pictured here with Father Mike)

Awesome job!



## Parish Festival Planning Meeting



We need volunteers for our Fall Festival. There is an organizational meeting on **Wednesday, July 26, at 6:30 p.m.** in the parish hall. If you are interested in helping in any way, please plan on attending. For more information, please contact the church office at 570-368-8598.

# The month of July is dedicated to The Precious Blood

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

~ Sunday, July 16

Blessing of the Garden Angels for Flight 800 ~ Following 8:00 a.m. Mass

KOC Picnic @ Legarski's - 3:00 p.m.

~ Monday, July 17

Holy Hour/Confessions  $\sim 6:00$  p.m. - 7:00 p.m

~ Wednesday, July 19

Youth Ministry Leadership Team ~ 6:30 p.m

~ Friday, July 21

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

~ Saturday, July 22 ~ Coffee Chat for Women @ Lydia James - 10:00 a.m.

# Offertory Collections (Includes on-line contributions)

#### 07/02/23

Loose	\$	526.00
Offertory	\$	7496.00
Maintenance	\$	495.00
Fuel	\$	7.00
Votives	\$ \$ \$ \$	109.00
Religious Education	\$	1.00
Total	\$	8634.00
Diocesan Collections		
Care & Education of Priests	\$ \$	1.00
Peter's Pence	\$	5.00
Total	\$	6.00
07/09/23		
Loose	\$	529.00
Offertory	\$	6033.00
Maintenance	\$	278.00
Fuel	\$	22.00
Votives	\$	69.00
Religious Education	\$	6033.00 278.00 22.00 69.00 1.00
Total	\$	6932.00
Diocesan Collections		
Care & Education of Priests	\$	141.00
Total	\$	141.00

#### **Collection Counter Schedule**

July 17 ~ Group 3 Judy DeGregorio, Barb Gallagher, Jan Ransdorf

July 24 ~ Group 1 Darl Simms, Mary Ann Hollenbach, Wendy Marshalek

#### Altar Flowers



The Altar flowers for the weekend of July 16 are placed in loving memory of all of those who lost their lives on TWA Flight 800 on July 17, 1996.

You are forever in our hearts!

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Sunday, July 16

8:00 a.m. Charles Jean (By Dave & Linda Rolley) 10:30 a.m. The People of our Parish

Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10-14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23

#### Monday, July 17

9:00 a.m. The victims of Flight 800 and their Families

Ex 1:8-22; Ps 124:1-8; Mt 10:34-11:1

#### **Tuesday, July 18** ~ St. Camillus

9:00 a.m. Morgan Rose Hosbach (By the Brown Family) 1:30 p.m. Lester Vandermark Jr. at Valley View (By Rizzo Family)

Ex 2:1-15; Ps 69:3-34; Mt 11:20-24

#### Wednesday, July 19

9:00 a.m. Cheryl Hook (By Robert and Cecilia Hook)

Ex 3:1-12; Ps 103:1-7; Mt 11:25-27

**Thursday, July 20** ~ No Mass

Ex 3:13-20: Ps 105:1-27: Mt 11:28-30

#### Friday, July 21

9:00 a.m. Kathryn Moore (By Bill and Ellen Miller)

Ex 11:10-14; Ps 116:12-18; Mt 12:1-8

### Saturday, July 22 ~ St. Mary Magdalene

4:00 p.m. Joseph Nardi (By Jim Pagana)

2Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2-9; Jn 20:1-18

#### Sunday, July 23

8:00 a.m. Phil and Doris Rotondi (By Dave and Linda Rolley)

10:30 a.m. The People of our Parish

Wis 12:13,16-19; Ps 86:5-16; Mt 13:24-30

#### **Prayer List for the Month of July**

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, Rosemary "Cate" Legarski, Chuck Ligosh, Kathleen Maiolo, Karen Marlett, Tyler Morton, Nancy Moyer, Mary Myers, Linda Phillips, Justin Reed (Father's nephew), Nicole Selleck, Isabel Shumbat, Johanna Steinbacher, Robert Steinbacher, Sofia Steinbacher, Stanley Steinbacher, Staci Stone, Carl Ulsamer, Debbie Winterer

#### Love Never Ends

Our monthly meetings will resume the third week in September. Hoping your Summer is full of blessings.

# Mass in Remembrance of Victims of Violent or Tragic Death

The Diocese of Scranton is offering the annual Mass in remembrance of victims of violent or tragic death. This Mass is offered for the families and friends of those who have died in tragedy, especially through murder, suicide, and accident.

The Mass is scheduled for Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Saint Peter's Cathedral, 315 Wyoming, Scranton. All persons who have lost a loved one through tragic and traumatic death are invited to this liturgy. The mass will be televised on CTV.

We ask that the names of deceased loved ones are registered on registration forms which are available in the parish office or on the Diocese of Scranton's website: www.dioceseofscranton.org. All forms must be received by July 19, 2023.

## Save The Date!

50th CLASS Reunion for BNHS Class of '73!! The date is July 29th @ 2 p.m. TEXT ASAP to Marilyn Engle Smith at #570-971-9546 or Patti Eck Morone at #570-971-4294.

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 @ 570-368-8598.

### **Youth Ministry Leadership Members Needed!**



Are you concerned about our youth today? If so, please join our team to help plan spiritual opportunities, service projects and social events for the young people of our parish and community. We will meet on Wednesday, July 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Hope to see you there.

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