

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church

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Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil at 4 p.m.; Sunday at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Holy Day Masses: Vigil at 4 p.m.; 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Weekday Masses: 7:30 a.m.

Confessions are heard Saturdays at 3:15 p.m.

Parish Office hours: Monday – Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

✠ Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ♦ July 18, 2021 ✠

Niech będzie pochwalony Jezus Chrystus! Na wieki wieków. Amen.

The Parochial Pen

My dear parishioners,

Our 74th Annual Parish Picnic will take place on Saturday, July 31, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. It showcases our homemade Polish foods, including pierogi (potato or cabbage), piggies, potato pancakes, funnel cakes, halushki, kielbasa deluxe sandwiches, Polish music entertainment, children's games, theme baskets and much more! *Our delicious homemade food will be available on a first come, first served basis. Pierogi and potato pancakes are limited to 2 dozen per customer. Piggies are limited to 14 (1 tray) and funnel cakes are limited to 3 per customer.* On the day of the picnic, Walnut St. will be blocked from the corner of Lackawanna Ave. to the alley behind the church. Food orders will be taken and fulfilled at the Walnut St. entrance to the church hall. Polka music and room for dancing will be found on Walnut St. Theme baskets will be located on Walnut St. and a tent will be set up behind the sacristy under which people may sit and eat. Children's games and other games of chance will be located in stands erected in the parking lot along the alley near the garage. In the garage, potato pancakes and funnel cakes will be made and sold. Ample parking will be available in our large parking lot.

To help make this picnic a success, we need volunteers to work as food distributors and stand workers. Specifically, we need parishioners to come forward and commit to help in the following areas: setting up the grounds with stands, chairs and tables, cooking and serving the food, taking food orders, selling raffle tickets and theme basket tickets, cleaning the grounds and emptying trash, working at the children's games, working at the games of chance, preparing and selling potato pancakes and funnel cakes, kitchen and church grounds clean up, etc. If you have volunteered in the past and are able to help in any of these areas, PLEASE CONTACT chairman Jennifer Hadley at 570-905-7135. She is the coordinator of picnic volunteers. If you have never worked at the picnic and would like to be assigned a job, then please call Jennifer. *The degree of our ease and success in doing a one-day post-COVID picnic will give us an indication as to whether we will be able to return to our traditional three-day picnic in celebration of our 75th anniversary next year!*

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Father Petro

We print our weekly bulletin in-house without advertisements. Instead, we seek sponsorship donations for our annual parish picnic. Anyone wishing to sponsor our parish picnic is asked to submit their donation (any amount) to the parish office by July 30 so that a sign can be created for posting at the picnic.

2021 Picnic Sponsors

Casey-Kassa Coal, Laflin – raffle tickets

Debra Casey

Marian Wanielista

Cebula's Pizza

Jerry and Lynn Stanco

Holy Name Society

IMO Eleanore Bryk, by husband, Walter and family

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2021 PICNIC SPONSOR FORM

Business or personal name as you wish it to appear:

Address: _____

Telephone number: _____

Email: _____

Please make your check payable to Sacred Heart Church.

Since March 2020, there has been a dispensation in the Diocese of Scranton from the obligation to participate at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. That dispensation will end on Sunday, August 15, 2021, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This change will occur in each diocese in Pennsylvania on the same date.

The Annual Novena in honor of St. Ann will begin Sat., July 17 and continue through Mon., July 26, the feast of Sts. Ann and Joachim, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Novena prayers will be said after all Masses. Please join in this Novena.

Thank you to all those who have donated towards our new Credo Hymnals. To date, we have received 116 Sunday and 11 weekday contributions. If you would like to donate a hymnal, please contact the Parish Office. This Sunday's readings begin on page 1002 (16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B).

~ Picnic Food Prep Schedule ~

Food prep chairs: Mary Griffin (570-815-9677) and Jeremy Barket. Potato Pierogi:

- July 26: *At least 6-8 people needed*
 - Day Shift 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM
 - Potato peelers
 - Potato boilers
 - Mixing of cheese / potato
 - Make dough, clean-up
 - Night Shift 6:00 PM to 9:30 PM
 - Potato peelers
 - Potato boilers
 - Mixing of cheese / potato
 - Make dough
- July 27 through 30 until completed
 - Day Shift 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM
 - Roll potatoes into balls
 - Sheet dough / make dough
 - Pinchers / Boilers / Packers
 - Clean-up
 - Night Shift 6:00 PM to 9:30 PM
 - Sheet dough / Make dough
 - Pinchers / Boilers / Packers
 - Clean-up

2021 PICNIC NEWS - July 31, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

We are in need of volunteers to run the following stands: *Bean Bag Toss, Dime Pitch, Big Six and others on Saturday.* It takes the help of many to run our annual picnic. All parishioners who are physically able are asked to volunteer some time. Please contact the office if you are able to help.

Picnic set-up help is needed! The grounds, church hall and the garage set up and stove cleaning will take place July 21-24 from 6 to 8 p.m. Your help is needed

Food prep volunteers are needed! Your help is essential to make our famous Polish specialties. Picnic food chairs are Mary Griffin and Jeremy Barket. There will be no need to pre-order food this year! No tickets – cash only!

Volunteers are always needed! If you volunteered in any way last year and plan to do so this year, please let our chairmen know. Anyone wishing to volunteer in any area of the picnic is asked to contact chairman Jennifer Hadley at 570-905-7135. All help is greatly appreciated! Chairmen – Joe Petro, Robert and Jennifer Hadley; Food preparation – Mary Griffin and Jeremy Barket; Potato pancakes and funnel cakes – Charyl Nagy and Ed Suchecki; Theme baskets – Sharon Ziobro; Product ordering and raffle tickets – Kathy Vojta; Money counting – Julie Bingham; Entertainment – Michael Silla; Food distribution and kitchen – John Bingham; Beverages – Robert Hadley and Mark Kowalczyk; Games of chance – Greg Zawacki; Grounds set-up and clean-up – Kevin Krawczyk.

Theme basket donations are needed to be raffled off at this year’s annual picnic. Baby themed baskets, pet supplies, entertainment, lottery trees, cooking and baking, seasonal, backyard and garden, tools, car care, summertime fun, toys...the theme possibilities are endless! A minimum value of \$35 per basket is requested. All items must be unused. Please drop off all donations in the church hall.

Picnic items needed: please donate sponges, Styrofoam plates, Brillo pads, Dawn dish detergent and plastic forks, paper products of all kinds.

Liquor donations sought: please donate unopened bottles of liquor for the Liquor Raffle. Kindly deposit them in the designated basket in the church hall. All kinds accepted!

Lotto ticket donations: please donate lottery tickets as picnic prizes. You may deposit them in the collection basket.

2021 Picnic raffle tickets are available in the narthex. Tickets are alphabetically listed. Please take those of your family and friends who may not be able to pick them up.

Potato Pancake Stand: Volunteers are needed to peel potatoes, make the batter and fry the pancakes the morning of July 31. Please contact Charyl Nagy (570-540-5478) to volunteer.

Catholic school picnic scholarship forms are available in the church narthex for qualifying registered and active parishioners. Please complete them and return them to the parish office either by mail or by dropping them into the collection basket at Mass.

The Human Life Resource Center at 34 Hanover St., Wilkes-Barre, has an overabundance of baby clothes, newborn to 24 months. Families are welcome to these items for free and can stop by the center on weekdays from 10 am to 3 pm.

St. Barbara Parish, Exeter, will hold a flea market and potato pancake sale, July 23-24, 5-9 pm and July 25, 12-5 p.m. The flea market will be held in the parish center and potato pancakes will be sold under the pavilion at St. Anthony’s Church.

The 6th Catholic Men’s Conference is planned for Sat., October 30, 2021, at Holy Redeemer High School, Wilkes-Barre. The theme is “Called to Fatherhood” under the patronage of St. Joseph. This event (from 8 am to 3 pm) will include nationally known Catholic speakers who will encourage men to live virtuous lives in the secular world. There will be Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, lunch, and Mass offered by Bishop Bambera. Interested men, please contact Michael Kilmer 570-746-0100 or michaelkilmer71@gmail.com. Detailed information will be publicized in the future.

The book for 2022 Mass intentions for our church will open in the Parish Office on Monday, August 16, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. In the interest of fairness, please do not make any earlier requests. You may visit the parish office, use the Mass intention envelopes found in the narthex, or use the postal system to make requests.

We are happy to welcome to our parish Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Daley and family of Pittston Twp. A warm welcome to you!

✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

Monday (July 19) Weekday

7:30 am Edward Pistack
by family

Tuesday (July 20) St. Apollinaris

7:30 am Julie Hudzinski
by Donald and Alison Hudzinski

Wednesday (July 21) St. Lawrence of Brindisi

7:30 am Stanley Zygmunt
by Thomas and Dorothy Sheridan

Thursday (July 22) St. Mary Magdalene

7:30 am Sally Tomaszewski
by Marianne Kocylowski

Friday (July 23) St. Bridget

7:30 am Stanley Sipko
by children, Stanley and Lisa

Sat. (July 24) Vigil: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm Our Parishioners (*Missa pro populo*)

Sunday (July 25) Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Geraldine Gall
by Ann Antal and family
10:30 am Fred and Sally Tomaszewski
by grandchildren and great-grandchildren

WEEKLY OFFERING
Last Sunday: \$4,892.00
Air Conditioning: \$719.00
Building Fund: \$486.00
May the Lord reward your generosity.

The sanctuary candles burn this week in memory of:
Tabernacle: *Concetta Battista, by granddaughter, Ann Marie Devlin*

Blessed Mother: *Fred & Sally Tomaszewski, by Marcia Roney*
St. Joseph: *Edward Pistack, by family*
St. Therese: *William Klimek, by wife and children*
St. Francis: *Ristagno family, by Delores and Michelina*

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The offertory gifts of bread & wine this Sunday are donated in memory of Irene Truskowski and Elearnore Bryk, by sister, Bernadine Bryk and family.

UPCOMING EVENTS
Jul. 17, 4pm, St. Ann novena begins after Mass
July 21-24, 6-8pm, Picnic grounds cleaning and set-up
July 26-30, Picnic food prep, church hall
July 31, 11am-7pm, 74th annual parish picnic, church grounds
Aug. 6, 7:30 am, 1st Friday Mass and devotions, church
Aug. 7, 2:45-3:45pm, 1st Saturday Adoration/devotions, church

Liturgical Volunteer Schedule
July 17-18
4pm: EM: J. Barket, Lector: S. Bartosiewicz, Acolyte: J. Barket
8:30am: EM: J. LaFratte, Lector: H. Vogue, Acolyte: J. LaFratte
10:30am: EM: B. Purdy, Lector: <i>volunteer</i> , Acolyte: C. Purdy
July 24-25
4pm: EM: J. Barket, Lector: M. Pistack, Acolyte: J. Barket
8:30am: EM: <i>volunteer</i> , Lector: J. Roche, Acolyte: E. & J. Lyons, J. Rupprecht
10:30am: EM: C. Wesley, Lector: T. Satkowski, Acolyte: M. McDonald, JJ Rupprecht

Liturgical volunteer schedule: if you see a “volunteer” notation at a particular Mass, then please serve if you are attending that Mass. *If you served before COVID and are now able to return, then inform Kathy at the Parish Office as soon as possible!*

Diocesan coronavirus restrictions have been lifted! The Pennsylvania Department of Health ended its mask mandate as of Monday, June 28, 2021. This means that in the parishes and institutions of the Diocese of Scranton, there is no requirement for face coverings or masks. Liturgical singing can take place without any restrictions. Cantors and choirs may be used without any restrictions. Cemetery chapels may be used once again for committal rites and other liturgical worship.

Many people choose to go on vacation during the summer months. When away, please remember to attend Mass on Sunday. Determine the location and Mass times for the Catholic church nearest your vacation area *before* leaving home. Also, please do not forget to contribute to your home parish when you return from vacation by offering your missed weekly donations in addition to your regular Sunday contributions. *Remember: your parish’s expenses never take a vacation!*