

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.

✠ Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time ♦ October 10, 2021 ✠

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

The Parochial Pen

My dear parishioners,

At this time I wish to furnish you with the Income and Expense Statement for Sacred Heart of Jesus Church for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. Thank you for your charitable support. May the Lord reward your generosity.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Father Petro

Income

General Fund Income:

Collections	\$290,764.11
Religious Ed Program	1,693.00
Fundraising/Development	22,016.58
Other Income	28,231.96

Total General Fund Income	\$342,705.65
Non-Operating Income	5,281.87
Restoration Fund	46,413.58

TOTAL GENERAL FUND & NON-OPERATING INCOME \$394,401.10

Expense

General Fund Expenditures:

Administration	\$135,764.74
Rectory Expense	22,405.06
Liturgy	20,450.75
Religious Education Program	9,372.71
Fixed Expense	23,465.00
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	32,584.95
Capital Outlays	3,850.88

Total General Fund Expenses	\$247,894.09
Non-Operating Expense	70,481.37

TOTAL GENERAL FUND & NON-OPERATING EXPENSE \$318,375.46
CASH INCREASE (DECREASE) \$76,025.64
CASH BEGINNING BALANCE \$1,305,314.56
CASH ENDING BALANCE \$1,381,340.20

For the month of October, our parish along with parishes around the country conduct the “October count,” a measure of attendance at Sunday Mass. The measure has been taken for many centuries, and in some European dioceses it is possible to measure the level of engagement in worship by the population over the course of many centuries. The October count has proven especially critical in the life of our Church as bishops use the figures to measure the vitality of parish life, to sketch parish boundaries, and even to decide when to close, merge, or form new parishes. *The ushers are asked to count at all Masses.*

St. Jude Thaddeus is the patron saint of lost causes. He was one of the Twelve Apostles and a cousin of Our Lord. He also authored the New Testament epistle that bears his name. Faithful people have turned to him as a powerful intercessor since the earliest days of the Church. We will continue this tradition of prayer in our parish and ask St. Jude’s intercession for our many needs. *The Novena to St. Jude will be prayed in our church beginning Wednesday, Oct. 20, at the 7:30 a.m. Mass and conclude on Thursday, Oct. 28, at the 7:30 a.m. Mass.* Throughout the novena his statue will be placed in our sanctuary and a first class relic of St. Jude will be offered for veneration after each Mass.

A special Mass for the Evangelization of Peoples will be celebrated on Columbus Day, Mon., Oct. 11 at 7:30 am in our church. All parishioners and members of the Knights of Columbus are encouraged to attend.

The parish office will be closed on Mon., Oct. 11 in observance of Columbus Day. It will reopen on Tue., Oct. 12, at 8:30 am.

The Memorial of St. Theresa of Avila is celebrated on Friday, Oct. 15. All the faithful will be blessed with her relic at the conclusion of the 7:30 a.m. Mass. Her relic will also be offered for individual veneration after Masses

The Match the Daily Number raffle held by our Holy Name Society has resumed. \$5 will give you ten chances to win by matching your numbers to the PA Lottery Evening Pick 3. The winner with an exact matching set of the Pick 3 (excluding the wild ball) will win \$250. Raffle tickets can be purchased from any HNS member. The winning ticket must be presented.

Advent Pierogi Sale: our Confraternity of Christian Mothers will take orders for their Advent Pierogi Sale on Saturday, October 23, 3 to 5 p.m., and Sunday, October 24, 8 to 11:30 a.m. in the church hall. *Phone orders will not be taken.* Potato and cabbage pierogi will be available for \$10 per dozen. Pierogi making will begin November 11. Pierogi distribution will take place November 14-17 in the church hall. Payment is made at the time of pick-up – cash only, no checks.

“Cemetery Sunday” devotions will take place this year on Sun., Oct. 31, beginning at 1pm in Sacred Heart Church. We will begin with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the praying of the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary. The names of our parishioners who died and were buried from our church since last year’s devotions will be read aloud. After Solemn Benediction and Reposition, a procession will form to the cemetery while the faithful sing the Litany of the Saints. The faithful who cannot walk in the procession may drive to the cemetery. Father will then bless the cemetery and visitation of the graves by the faithful will follow. Traditional Polish, Latin and English hymns will be sung. Please join us in praying for the peaceful repose of the souls of all the faithful departed.

All parishioners with families buried at our cemetery are requested to clean their graves prior to Cemetery Sunday.

An Autumn Bake Sale will be held by our Confraternity of Christian Mothers on Cemetery Sunday weekend. Details will follow in the bulletin.

Our parish fundraiser with Rada Cutlery continues! Parishioners are invited to access Rada via the homepage of our parish website to order. 40% of the profits go to our church!

“The Month of the Rosary” is October. Please join in praying the rosary prior to each Mass in our church, weekdays and weekends, throughout the month. *Free rosaries and First Saturday Rosary religious items are available in the narthex.*

Recitation of the rosary in commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the Wyoming Valley Knights of Columbus Tomb of the Unborn will take place on Sunday, Oct. 24 at 2 p.m. at the top of Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Carverton. Fr. Petro will lead the event. All area faithful are invited to participate.

The 2021 Diocesan Annual Appeal: Please consider giving.
Our Goal: \$30,000

✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

For the new 2021-2022 Fiscal Year our Diocesan Assessment is \$30,008.00. Our Catholic School Subsidy is \$54,048.00. To break it down to a monthly number, each month our parish owes a combined bill of \$7,004.66 to the Diocese and Schools. That means each week \$1,616.46 from our collection goes toward these bills.

Our Pastoral & Finance Councils will meet Wed., Oct. 13, at 6:30 pm in the hall to discuss the planned natural gas conversion.

An outdoor rosary (weather permitting), led by the Confraternity of Christian Mothers, will be recited on Wed., Oct. 13, at 6 p.m. in front of the statue of the Blessed Mother at the side churchyard. All are welcome, young and old, to join in praying to Our Lady. The rosary is a powerful prayer to bring peace, defeat evil and plead for Mary's intercession.

A Thanksgiving Food Drive is being sponsored by our 4th and 5th grade CCD students under the direction of Gary Beccaloni, their catechist. All CCD students are invited to bring non-perishable food items to class from Sunday, Oct. 24 until Sunday, Nov. 21. Parishioners are invited to bring non-perishable foods to church and place it in the bin located in the narthex. Please consider the poor and needy when doing your food shopping. A can or box or two of an imperishable food item will be most appreciate as well as foods especially enjoyed at Thanksgiving dinner. All donations support the Knights of Columbus, Council 372, food pantry in Pittston.

An All Saints Day Costume Party for all CCD students will be held on Sun., Oct. 31, 9:15 a.m. in the school. Children will parade from the school around the church and back (weather permitting). Children are asked to come dressed as their favorite saint or angel. They are also allowed to dress in costumes such as a puppy, bunny or some other NICE appropriate costume. Nothing morbid, violent or creepy, NO devils or inappropriate scary outfits please. We hope to enjoy some levity and fun at CCD that day. There will be treats afterward! All are invited to watch the parade!

Our parish CCD program for the 2021-22 academic year has begun! Classes meet Sundays from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. in the Sacred Heart of Jesus Sunday School. In compliance with diocesan guidelines, face masks and social distancing will be required. CCD Registration forms are still being accepted and can be found in the church narthex or on our website. For details, contact Nancy Beccaloni, DRE, at 570-451-1903.

Children and Student Envelopes: If you would like your child to receive a boxed set of donation envelopes for 2022, please contact the parish office. Envelopes will be available in the narthex during the month of December for those who have requested them.

If you have children in our CCD programs, we ask that you are formally registered, attend Mass weekly and use envelopes as you are financially able. The process is simple and allows our priest to get to know you and your family. This is how we build and reach out to our parish community – in good times and in bad. If you call yourself a parishioner or were baptized here, being a “parishioner” requires formal registration. Please call the parish office to register.

Scranton Preparatory School will have an Open House on Sunday, Oct. 17, 11 am. – 4 p.m. Students in grades 7 and 8, along with their parents and families, are cordially invited to attend. Registration is required. Call 570-941-7737, ext. 141.

An organ recital will be held at St. John the Evangelist Church, 35 William Street, Pittston, Sunday, Oct. 24 at 3 p.m. Organist Mark Laubach will present the Rededication Recital for the three-manual, 31-rank Kilgen pipe organ which was refurbished in 2020. A free-will offering will be accepted.

A Catholic Men's Conference is planned for Saturday, Oct. 30, at the Woodlands Resort, Wilkes-Barre. This year's theme is “Called to Fatherhood” under the patronage of St. Joseph. The event will be held from 8am-3pm with nationally known Catholic Speakers. There will be Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, and Confession as well as a lunch break. Mass will be offered by Bishop Bambera. Register Online: (\$30 till Oct. 9) at www.BeaCatholicMan.com or pay that day (\$40). For more information contact Michael Kilmer 570-746-0100 or michaelkilmer71@gmail.com.

Monday (Oct. 11) Weekday (Columbus Day)

7:30 am Anna Bartush

by daughters Mary Ann Ruane and Barb Vitale

Tuesday (Oct. 12) Weekday

7:30 am John Cebula, Jr.

by Christine, Diane, Elaine and Maureen

Wednesday (Oct. 13) Weekday

7:30 am Walter Wenzinowich

by sister, MaryAnn

Thursday (Oct. 14) St. Callistus I

7:30 am Deceased of the Lopata family

by Bob and Jim Lopata

Friday (Oct. 15) St. Teresa of Jesus

7:30 am Josephine and Joseph Pistack

by the Pistack family

Sat. (Oct. 16) Vigil: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Sunday (Oct. 17) 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Leonarda Skrzysowski

by grandchildren and great-grandchildren

10:30 am Intentions of Scott and Bethie Dodgson on their 12th wedding anniversary

by Betty Belles

WEEKLY OFFERING

Last Sunday: \$6,896.00

Building Fund: \$552.00

Care and Education of Priests: \$462.00

May the Lord reward your generosity.

The sanctuary candles burn this week in memory of:
Tabernacle: Edward Smichowski, Sr., by wife, AnnMarie and family

Blessed Mother: Carl Rheinschmidt, by family

St. Joseph: Joseph and Anna Kowalski, by granddaughters

St. Therese: Joe Lacomis, by Jerry and Lynn Stanco

St. Francis: Daniel W. Saranchuk, by the Lokuta family.



The offertory gifts of bread & wine this Sunday are donated in memory of William and Constance Kuna, by daughter, Bernadine Bryk and family.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 13, 6pm, CCM outdoor rosary

Oct. 13, 6:30pm, Pastoral & Finance Councils meet, church hall

Oct. 14, Choir practice, choir loft

Oct. 17, 9:15am, CCD parent meeting, school

Oct. 21, 6:30pm, Choir practice, choir loft

Oct. 23, 3-5pm, Pierogi orders taken, church hall

Oct. 24, 8-11:30am, Pierogi orders taken, church hall

Liturgical Volunteer Schedule

October 2-3

4pm: EM: B. Purdy, Lector: S. Bartosiewicz, Acolyte: C.Purdy

8:30am: EM: J. LaFratte, Lector: J. Roche, Acolyte: J. LaFratte

10:30am: EM: D. Suchecki, Lector: G. Beccaloni, Acolyte: E. & J. Lyons

October 9-10

4pm: EM: M. Pistack, Lector: M. Pistack, Acolyte: A., E. & M. Collins

8:30am: EM: *volunteer*, Lector: H. Vogue, Acolyte: *volunteer*

10:30am: EM: C. Wesley, Lector: T. Satkowski, Acolyte: M. McDonald, JJ Rupprecht

HNS Soup and Wimpie Sale

Pick up date: Sunday, October 31, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the church hall. *Please return this form with payment to the Parish Office no later than October 24.*

Homemade Soup \$12 per quart

Corn Chowder: _____ quart(s)

Homemade Wimpies \$6 per 12 oz. container and 3 buns:

Wimpies: _____ container(s)

Name: _____

Phone No.: _____

I have enclosed \$_____ for my order.

Payment must accompany all orders. Thank you!