

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church

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Rev. Father Thomas J. Petro, J.C.L., KCHS, Pastor

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 12:30 p.m., 1 to 3 p.m.; Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

✠ **Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time** ♦ **October 22, 2023** ✠

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, 2023. Thank you for your charitable support. May the Lord reward your generosity.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Father Petro

Income		Expense	
General Fund Income:		General Fund Expenditures:	
Collections	\$312,332.05	Administration	\$158,412.54
Religious Ed Program	2,192.00	Rectory Expense	25,012.11
Fundraising/Development	63,551.03	Liturgy	23,934.66
Other Income	35,639.66	Religious Education Program	9,378.56
		Fixed Expense	25,671.00
		Operation & Maintenance of Plant	17,239.22
		Capital Outlays	203,149.38
Total General Fund Income	\$413,714.74	Total General Fund Expenses	\$462,797.47
Non-Operating Income	10,027.53	Non-Operating Expense	59,719.53
Restoration Fund	51,236.72		
TOTAL GENERAL FUND & NON-OPERATING INCOME	\$474,978.99	TOTAL GENERAL FUND & NON-OPERATING EXPENSE	\$522,517.00
		CASH INCREASE (DECREASE)	(\$47,538.01)
		CASH BEGINNING BALANCE	\$1,406,663.07
		CASH ENDING BALANCE	\$1,359,125.06

Diocesan Annual Appeal: Commitment cards for the 2023-2024 appeal are available in the church narthex. All parishioners are asked to contribute to the Appeal and fill out a card indicating their pledge. Completed cards can be placed in the collection basket. Our parish goal: \$30,000. Raised to date: \$5,460.45.

A Thanksgiving Food Drive is being sponsored by our CCD students. All CCD students are invited to bring non-perishable food items to class from Sunday, Oct. 22 until Sunday, Nov. 19. Parishioners are invited to bring non-perishable food to church and place it in the bin which will be located in the narthex. Please consider the poor and needy when doing your food shopping. A can or box or two of a nonperishable food item will be most appreciated as well as foods especially enjoyed at Thanksgiving dinner. This drive is done with the help of the Knights of Columbus, Council 372.

Mission Sunday: On Sunday, October 22 our Church celebrates Mission Sunday. At 9:30am in our church hall, Dr. Vanessa Ann Jensen, Ed.D., BCBA-D will speak to our students, and everyone who would like to attend, about her experiences with missions around the world and service to others. All are welcome to attend.

Thanksgiving HNS Kolache Sale

~ Only \$14 each, freshly made by Bakery Delite! ~

Pick-up date: Sunday, Nov. 19, 9am - 12pm in the church hall.
Return this form with payment to the Parish Office no later than October 31. Please write quantity of each on the line provided:

NUT ROLL: _____

POPPY SEED ROLL: _____

CHEESE ROLL: _____

APRICOT: _____

RASPBERRY: _____

Name: _____

Phone No.: _____

I have enclosed \$ _____ for my order.

Payment must accompany all orders. Thank you!

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 Friday, Oct. 20, at the 7:30 a.m. Mass and conclude on Saturday, Oct. 28, at the 4:00 p.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.

All women of our parish, ages eighteen and up are invited to join our parish ladies' group, the Confraternity of Christian Mothers. The first meeting of our newly reorganized CCM will be held on Monday, October 23, at 6 p.m. in the school. At this first meeting plans will be made for the installation of officers, and a schedule of activities for the upcoming year will be discussed. Membership is not limited solely to women who are natural mothers that have given birth to children, but is open to any woman who desires to exercise a spiritually maternal role in our parish by giving life to our activities, by nurturing the faith among our parishioners, and by enriching their own lives by being part of a group with distinct spiritual and social ends. For more information on the CCM visit <https://www.archconfraternityofchristianmothers.com/>

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

"Cemetery Sunday" devotions will take place this year on Sun., Oct. 29, beginning at 1pm in our 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. *You are invited to bring photos of your deceased loved ones and place them on the table in front of the St. Joseph side altar.* 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 in praying for the peaceful repose of the souls of all the faithful departed.

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

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS SCHEDULE
All Saints Day
Tuesday (October 31): 4 p.m.
Wednesday (November 1): 7 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

All priests are granted the privilege of celebrating three Masses on All Souls Day for the following intentions: one Mass for a particular intention, another Mass for all the faithful departed, and a third Mass for the intention of the pope. All parishioners are encouraged to attend one of these three Masses. All Souls Day Mass Schedule: Thur., November 2 at 7:30 am, Noon (at Holy Rosary School) and 5:30 pm.

An indulgence is granted the Christian faithful who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, if only mentally, for the dead. This indulgence is applicable only to the souls in Purgatory. This indulgence is a plenary one from November 1 through November 8 and can be gained each one of these days. On other days of the year this indulgence is a partial one.

The All Souls Day offertory envelope is in your envelope pack. November is traditionally the month when we especially remember in our prayers the faithful departed. Kindly inscribe the names of your deceased loved ones on the envelope and return it in the collection basket. These envelopes will be placed on the altar and your intentions will be remembered in all the masses celebrated throughout November.

New parishioners: Please welcome to our parish Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Martinelli and family of Pittston and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pistack of Wilkes-Barre. Please kindly welcome them to the parish.

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 ushers are asked to count at all Masses.

Columbarium niches and Mausoleums plots now available for advanced sale: If you would like to purchase a columbarium niche or a mausoleum plot, or would like more information, contact Kathy Vojta at our Parish Office to make an appointment.

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.

Trunk - R - Treat will be held in our church parking lot on Sunday, October 29, from 4 to 6 p.m. A Halloween parade and costume contest with prizes begins at 5 p.m. A small pumpkin will be given to each child in costume. Our Holy Name Society will participate and distribute candy. If you would also like to participate, call the Borough Office at 570-655-6216 to register your trunk.

On Sunday, October 22, our students will attend the 10:30 a.m. Mass after the Mission Talk. They will sit together by class, participate and pray for the Missions at home and around the world.

An All Saints Day Costume Party for all CCD students will be held on Sun., Oct. 29, 9:15 a.m. in the hall. Children will parade from the school around the church (weather permitting). There will be treats afterward! All are invited to watch the parade!

VIRTUS: Protecting God’s Children Program - Clergy, employees and volunteers in the Diocese of Scranton can sign up for their required trainings on [VIRTUS](#) online. *All members of our parish Catechetical Team and Youth Activities Committee must be VIRTUS compliant.* If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Beccaloni at 570-451-1903 or email sacredheartccd@comcast.net.

The University of Scranton, will host an Open House for prospective students and their families on Sunday, Nov. 5, beginning at 9am. For more information, call 1-888-SCRANTON.

The music ministry of the Cathedral of St. Peter, will perform “A Celebration of Music for the Month of November” on Friday, Nov. 3, at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend. There is no charge.

REMEMBER HIS WILL IN YOURS – You can express your commitment to our parish by making a bequest to Sacred Heart Church. Simply include the following statement in your will: “I LEAVE TO SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHURCH, DUPONT, PA, THE SUM OF \$_____ (or _____% of the residue of my estate) for its religious, educational and charitable works.” *May God abundantly bless you for bequeathing a spiritual legacy to your parish family!*

Monday (Oct. 23) St. John of Capistrano

7:30 am Stanley Zurek

by Dolores Zurek

Tuesday (Oct. 24) St. Anthony Mary Claret

7:30 am Edward and Anna Orlinsky

by family

Wednesday (Oct. 25) Weekday

7:30 am John Lopata

by sons, Robert and James Lopata

Thursday (Oct. 26) Weekday

7:30 am Nancy Elko

by husband, Brian, and sons, Michael, Evan & Zachary

Friday (Oct. 27) Weekday

7:30 am Andrew Smithonic

by Sacred Heart choir

Saturday (Oct. 28) Vigil: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm Bernadine Tetlak

by John, Christine and Lauren Wendoloski

Sunday (Oct. 29) Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Our Parishioners (*Missa pro populo*)

10:30 am Victoria Tetlak

by Stanley and Helen Tetlak

“His Heart... WEEKLY OFFERING ...Our Hands”
Last Sunday: \$3874.38
Building Fund: \$93.00
School Support: \$25.00
May the Lord reward your generosity.

The sanctuary candles burn this week in memory of:
Tabernacle: *Anthony Dudzinski, by Ron & Sharon Ziobro & family*
Blessed Mother: *Ed Oprindick, by wife*
St. Joseph: *the Halat family, by Bob and Jim Lopata*
St. Therese: *Blanche Pisano, by John and Mary Ellen Milewski and family*
St. Francis: *John Cebula, Jr., by the McLaughlin family*

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The offertory gifts of bread & wine this Sunday are donated in memory of William and David Klimek, by their wife and mother.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 22, 9:15am, Mission talk, church hall
 Oct. 23, 6:00pm, CCM meeting, school
 Oct. 26, 6:30pm, Choir practice, choir loft
 Oct. 29, 9:15am, CCD All Saints parade and party, hall
 Oct. 29, 1pm, Cemetery Sunday devotions, church
 Nov. 2, 6:30pm, Choir practice, choir loft
 Nov. 3, 7:30 am, 1st Friday Mass and devotions, church
 Nov. 4, 2:45-3:45pm, 1st Saturday Adoration/devotions, church

Liturgical Volunteer Schedule

October 21-22

4pm: EM: *volunteer*, Lector: S. Bartosiewicz, Acolyte: T. Titton

8:30am: EM: C. Wesley, Lector: H. Vogue, Acolyte: A., E. & M. Collins

10:30am: EM: B. Purdy, Lector: G. Beccaloni, Acolyte: C. Purdy, E. & J. Toalongo

October 28-29

4pm: EM: *volunteer*, Lector: M. Pistack, Acolyte: T. Titton

8:30am: EM: *volunteer*, Lector: J. Roche, Acolyte: A., E. & M. Collins

10:30am: EM: C. Wesley, Lector: M. Ferretti, Acolyte: T. Papiercavich, A. & JJ Rupprecht

1:00pm: Lector: M. Ferretti, Acolyte: *2 volunteers needed*

Children and Student Envelopes: If you would like your child to receive a boxed set of donation envelopes for 2024, please contact the parish office. Envelopes will be available in the narthex during the month of December for those who have requested them.

A Harvest Festival Pork Dinner will be held on Sunday, Nov. 5, at St. Joseph Mareello Parish Hall, 237 William St., Pittston. Dinner includes pork roast, homemade mashed potatoes, vegetable, and a seasonal dessert, with an option to eat-in or take-out. Cost is \$12/adults, \$8/children. To place an order, call the office at 570-654-6902. Take-out dinners can be picked up beginning at 11am and sit-down meals will be served from 11:30am to 2pm.

A Holiday Gift and Craft Fair will be held at St. Maria Goretti Parish Hall, Nov 11 and 12, 9am - 3pm. Over 25 vendors, food stand, bake sale and specialty basket & gift raffle on hand. Admission is free.