

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 on 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.

✠ Pentecost Sunday ♦ June 8, 2025 ✠

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

The Parochial Pen

My dear parishioners,

I ask you to pray for the eleven children from our parish who will receive the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation celebrated in our church on the Solemnity of Pentecost at the 10:30 a.m. Mass: Maxwell *Samuel* Bartal, Brayden *Anthony* Bender, Emily *Rose* Collins, Landan *James* Halat, John *Elliot* Hogan, Jeremy *Joseph* Jacek, Addyson *Christina* Kelly, Madeline *Elizabeth* Lis, Madelyn *Anne* Mihalka, Christopher *Vincent* Toalongo and Evelyn *Elizabeth* Toalongo. May they and their families continue to grow in Faith and participate actively in the sacramental life of our parish for years to come.

I am especially grateful to Dr. Jayne Klenner, their catechist, Mrs. Nancy Beccaloni, our DRE, and Miss Kathy Vojta, our parish secretary, who worked so well together to prepare them for Confirmation. I wish to recognize their sponsors, parents, and family members who assisted in their Faith formation, as well as our St. Cecilia Choir members whose voices joined in making the Confirmation Mass truly a beautiful occasion. I also acknowledge the generous contribution of our Holy Name Society whose members donated a floral arrangement to adorn the sanctuary.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Father Petro

COME, CREATOR SPIRIT

O, Holy Spirit, by whose breath life rises vibrant out of death; come to create, renew, inspire; come, kindle in our hearts your fire. You are the seeker’s sure resource, of burning love the living source, protector in the midst of strife, the giver and the Lord of life. In you God’s energy is shown, to us your varied gifts made known. Teach us to speak, teach us to hear; yours is the tongue and yours the ear. Flood our dull senses with your light; in mutual love our hearts unite. Your power the whole creation fills, confirm our weak, uncertain wills. From inner strife grant us release; turn nations to the ways of peace. To fuller life your people bring that as one body we may sing: Praise to the Father, Christ, his Word, and to the Spirit: God the Lord, to whom all honor, glory be both now and for eternity. Amen. *A plenary indulgence is granted the Christian faithful who devoutly recite the “Come, Creator Spirit” (Veni, Creator) publicly on the first day of January and on the Solemnity of Pentecost.*

With the Solemnity of Pentecost comes the end of the Easter Season. Next week with the feast of the Most Holy Trinity, we go back to Ordinary Time. At that time, we will begin using the *Missa Simplex* Mass setting. This setting is not found in our hymnals but is a simple melody that one can easily follow.

Father’s Day envelopes may be found in your offertory envelope pack. You may place them in the collection basket or mail them to the Parish Office. Father’s Day is celebrated on Sunday, June 16. All returned envelopes will be placed on the St. Joseph side altar throughout the month of June and the intentions for our fathers, living and deceased, will be remembered at all Masses.

“Catholic Night” at PNC Field, Moosic: Join the Diocese of Scranton on Friday, June 13 as they watch the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre RailRiders take on the Syracuse Mets in a rivalry revival that’s sure to excite! Gates open at 5:35pm, with First Pitch at 6:35pm! Don’t run out too quick, either, as the RailRiders will be shooting off Post-Game Fireworks into the summer sky that is a sure fire way to end a perfect night at PNC Field! You can purchase tickets directly through the designated link on the flyer posted on the narthex bulletin board at a discounted rate of \$14 (+fees). *Fr. Petro plans to attend and invites the parishioners of BOTH Sacred Heart, Dupont, and Queen of the Apostles, Avoca, to socialize with him and get to know each other prior to our linkage.* He will be sitting in Section 27, Row 13.

The book for 2025 Mass intentions for July 1 through December 31, 2025 for our parish is open. You may visit the parish office, use the Mass intention envelopes found in the narthex, or use the postal system to make your requests. The stipend for a Mass intention is \$10. The parish secretary will record the requests. Queen of the Apostles Parish, Avoca, is now accepting Mass intentions as well for dates up to December 31, 2025.

Come celebrate the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the church dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Friday, June 27, here in Dupont! Every parishioner is encouraged to make a special effort to celebrate our parish’s patronal feastday in some way. Our feastday schedule is as follows: 7:30 a.m. Mass, followed by Eucharistic Exposition. Eucharistic Adoration from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (a sign-up sheet for adorers will be in the narthex) concluding with Benediction and the recitation of devotional prayers. Mass will be celebrated at 4 p.m. and the Polish Picnic begins at 5 p.m.

Twelve priests who are celebrating milestone anniversaries of their ordination year will be recognized during the 2025 Mass for Priest Jubilarians at 12:10 p.m. on Thursday, June 12, 2025, at St. Peter’s Cathedral, Scranton. Bishop Bambera will serve as principal celebrant and homilist. During the Mass, the Bishop will recognize a combine 565 years of service to the priesthood. Fr. Petro will be recognized for 25 years of priestly service. He was ordained a priest on June 24, 2000. The 2025 Mass for Priest Jubilarians will be broadcast live by CTV and will be available for viewing on the Diocese of Scranton website and YouTube channel. Our parishioners are invited to attend this special celebration!

The Schedule of Masses, effective July 1, 2025

Queen of Apostles Parish, Avoca & Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Dupont

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. (SH), 5:30 p.m. (SM)

Sunday 8:00 a.m. (SM), 10:30 a.m. (SH)

Weekday Masses:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 7:30 a.m. (SH)

Tuesday, Thursday 9:00 a.m. (SM)

Holy Day of Obligation Masses:

Vigil 4:00 p.m. (SH)

Day 7:00 a.m. (SH), 5:30 p.m. (SM)

Please note: SH (Sacred Heart) and SM (St. Mary) denote the church building in which the Mass is celebrated. The 5:30 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass at SM and the 7:00 a.m. Holy Day of Obligation Mass at SH, as well as all weekday Masses, will be “quiet” or recited Masses without music. Confessions will be heard every Saturday at 3:00 p.m. at SH. Religious education classes for children, kindergarten to eighth grade, will be held Sundays during the academic year in their respective schools from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Both religious education programs will follow the same calendar.

We are happy to welcome Michael Hudzinski and Nate Rupprecht as new altar servers! They will be installed as acolytes on Corpus Christi Sunday. Speak to Fr. Petro if you, too, are interested in serving your parish as a lector, acolyte, or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion.

The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (*Corpus Christi*) is celebrated on Sunday, June 22. This feast is a great occasion to emphasize Christ’s Real Presence in the Eucharist. At all Masses the weekend of June 21-22, Holy Communion under both species will be offered to the faithful. *All the faithful are also encouraged to join in an outdoor procession of the Blessed Sacrament after 10:30 a.m. Mass from our church to the picnic grove via the rectory driveway.* Members of our Holy Name Society will hold the canopy over the Blessed Sacrament, members of the choir will lead us in song, members of the CCM will lead us in the rosary prior to the 10:30 am Mass, and all extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion and altar servers are invited to vest in their robes and process. Plan to be a part of these beautiful public devotions!

Requiescant in pace: pray for the repose of the souls of Mary Opiela and Joseph Justick, who were recently buried from our church.

~**The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus**~
O most holy Heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you, and with a lively sorrow for my sins, I offer you this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to your will. Grant, good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you. Protect me in the midst of danger; comfort me in my afflictions; give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Amen.

The Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC will take place on Monday, October 1, 2025. Bishop Bambera will lead pilgrims from our diocese. The day will include opportunities for public and private prayer, confession, touring the National Shrine as well as the campus of the Catholic University of America concluding with Mass. There are two ways to register: either on the Diocese of Scranton website or by contacting the parish office. Bus fare is \$80 per person made payable to your parish with buses leaving from either our parish or our deanery. The deadline for reservations is August 18.

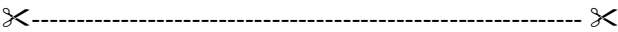
We print our weekly bulletin in-house without advertisements. Since our parish does not receive advertising money from bulletin sponsors, we seek sponsorship donations from local vendors and others for our annual parish picnic. Each Sponsor has contributed \$250 or more in support of this year’s picnic and each Donor has contributed \$100 or more. Anyone wishing to sponsor our parish picnic is asked to submit their donation (any amount) to the parish office by June 22.

2025 Picnic Sponsors

Lokuta-Zawacki Funeral Home
Kiesinger Funeral Services, Inc. – refreshment tickets
Sacred Heart Holy Name Society
Joseph Petro and family
Tom Lacomis and Debra Casey Lacomis
Bob Lasota Roofing
Heather and Jeffrey Roche
Edwin and Sylvia Mozgowiec

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Casey-Kassa Coal, Laflin – raffle tickets
Jerry and Lynn Stanco
Mayor Elaine Lello
John and Clare Murphy Bonczek
Bob Lopata, in memory of Jimmy Lopata
Marian Wanielista
Henry Klimek, Jr.
Anonymous
Thomas and Maria Elena Petro
Bruce and Debra Boedeker
Michele and Brian Moletsky
Anna (Nancy) Sellock



2025 PICNIC DONATION FORM

Business or personal name as you wish it to appear:

Address:_____

Telephone number:_____

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Please make your check payable to Sacred Heart Church.

✠ **MASS INTENTIONS** ✠

Monday (Jun. 9) The BVM, Mother of the Church

7:30 am Ted Casey and daughter, MaryAnn D’Amato
by Betty Belles

Tuesday (Jun. 10) Weekday (10th Week in Ordinary Time)

7:30 am Leona Caputo
by Gerard and Theresa Francik

Wednesday (Jun. 11) St. Barnabas

7:30 am Zigmond Romanczyk
by Ron and Sharon Ziobro and family

Thursday (Jun. 12) Weekday

7:30 am Sophia Tomaszewski
by the Jones family

Friday (Jun. 13) St. Anthony of Padua

7:30 am Michelle Nesgoda
by MaryAnne Nesgoda

Saturday (Jun. 14) Vigil: The Most Holy Trinity

4:00 pm Agnes Szulewski
by children

Sunday (Jun. 15) The Most Holy Trinity

8:30 am Nancy Elko
by Joann and Bill
10:30 am Our Parishioners (*Missa pro populo*)

“His Heart... WEEKLY OFFERING ...Our Hands”
Last Sunday: \$4,348.75
Building Fund: \$135.00
Cemetery Care: \$2,756.00
Catholic Communications Campaign: \$163.00
May the Lord reward your generosity.

The sanctuary candles burn this week in memory of:
Tabernacle: *Leonard Ziobro, by Ron & Sharon Ziobro & family*
Blessed Mother: *living and deceased clergy, by Tina Petcaugh*
St. Francis: *Kevin Milewski, by John & MaryEllen Milewski family*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jun. 7, 2pm, Confirmation rehearsal, church
Jun. 7, 2:45-3:45pm, 1st Saturday Adoration/devotions, church
Jun. 8, 10:30am, Confirmation Mass, End of the Easter season
Jun. 12, 12:10pm, Priest Jubilarians’ Mass, cathedral
Jun. 22, 10:30am, Corpus Christi Mass & Procession
Jun. 24, 5:30pm, Fr. Petro’s 25th Anniversary Mass and dinner
Jun. 27, 4pm, Parish Feastday Mass, church
Jun. 27-28, 5-9pm, Polish Picnic, Picnic Grove
July 1, **linkage with Queen of Apostles Parish takes effect**
July 4, 9am, Independence Day Mass, SH church

Liturgical Volunteer Schedule

Jun. 7-8
4pm: EM: M. Pistack, L: S. Bartosiewicz, Acolyte: C. Purdy
8:30am: EM: M. Moletsky, L: A. Devlin, Acolyte: E. & J. Lyons
10:30am: EM: D. Suchecki, L: J. Klenner, Acolyte: Collins family, E. & J. Toalongo
Jun. 14-15
4pm: EM: C. Wesley, L: M. Pistack, Acolyte: Collins family
8:30am: EM: *volunteer*, L: A. Devlin, Acolyte: E. & J. Lyons
10:30am: EM: B. Jones, L: T. Satkowski, Acolyte: A. & J. Rupprecht

The Order of Alhambra, local caravan Alhamar #4 will celebrate their 119th anniversary on Sunday, June 22 at 10:30 a.m. Mass. The organization is dedicated to assisting those with intellectual disabilities and is always looking for new members. See members after Mass for more information.

Our 2025 Polish Picnic will be held at the very start of summer on Friday, June 27, 5 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, June 28, 5 to 9 p.m.

Picnic food tickets will be sold advance before and after Masses on June 7/8, and June 14 in the church narthex.

Food Prep: morning shift starts at 8am and an evening shift at 6pm for pierogi. Potato pierogi: June 20-23. Halushki: June 25. Sausage and Peppers: June 26. Piggies: June 26-28 (volunteers needed to begin at 6am).

Theme basket donations are now being sought for our picnic. A minimum value of \$35 per basket is requested. All items must be unused. Please bring them to the church narthex from now until the picnic. Call Marie Ferretti (570-905-0384) for details.

Instant Lottery Ticket, Gift Card and Liquor donations are being sought for the Picnic. You can place the cards in the offertory basket or mail them to the parish office. Thank you for your help!