

The Second Sunday of Lent
March 8, 2020

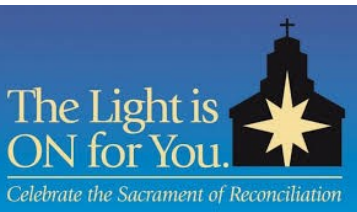
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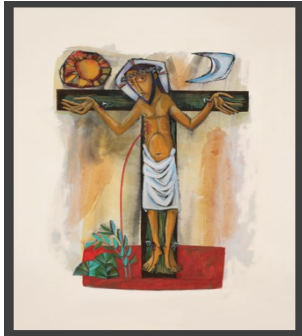
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Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration
 Once again this year on Monday evenings during Lent we are leaving the "Light On For You." From 5:30 to 7:00 pm there will be the opportunity for Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration. Please use this opportunity to get ready for Easter with the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This year **no confessions are scheduled during the Triduum**, so please make your confession early. **Please note:** Monday, March 30th there will not be Confessions or Adoration due to a scheduling conflict.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 7:00 pm
Adoration at 6:15

Benediction following the Stations.



Continuing on March 11 and 18 at 7:00 P.M.
 The Series includes a mass at three churches throughout the deanery: Father Andrew Kurovsky, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Peckville, will preach on "Faith, Hope and Love: They're still here", on Wednesday, March 4, Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Kingston, on Wednesday, March 11, and Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Swoyersville, on Wednesday, March 18. All are welcome to join us on the "Road to Resurrection" during the Season of Lent.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE AT ST. IGNATIUS, KINGSTON
 Sunday, April 5th, at 5:00pm

PARISH STAFF

Pastoral Ministry

- ◆ Rev. Joseph Pisaneschi, V.F. Pastor
- ◆ Rev. Anthony Urban Assisting Celebrant
- ◆ Deacon John Ziegler Permanent Deacon
- ◆ Lorraine Raymond Pastoral Associate
- ◆ Sister Jane Ellis, IHM Pastoral Care Minister
- ◆ Mr. John Bankus Sr. Deacon Candidate

Finance Office

- ◆ Monica Salis Business Manager

Religious Education

- ◆ Sister Marion Tarone, IHM Director of Religious Education

Music Ministry

- ◆ Margaret Semanek Director of Liturgical Music
- ◆ Joseph Sabol Assistant Organist
- ◆ Cora Artim Youth Choir Director
- ◆ Scott Coates 5:30 PM Mass Musician

Sacristans

- ◆ Christopher Calore
- ◆ Patricia Quinn
- ◆ Betsy Evanoski

Maintenance and Cleaning

- ◆ Christopher Calore Director of Maintenance
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Pastoral Council, Chair

- ◆ Ann Marie Aed

Finance Council, Chair

- ◆ Michael Perhach

GATHER

Readings at # 1019

2nd Sunday of Lent Cycle A

HYMNS	4, 8:30 & 11	5:30 pm Sun
Gathering	S 64	S 480
Preparation	G 878	S 77
Communion	S 87	G 590
Sending Forth	S 77	G 492 v 2

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday –Thursday:

8:30am-5:00pm

Friday: 8:30am-3:00pm

Weekend and evenings by appointment

The parish offices are closed on all Holy Days of Obligation and Federal Holidays.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays

3:30 to 3:50pm or by appointment



Just a reminder that while the uncertainty over the Corona Virus and flu continues, we shall discontinue the Sign of Peace at Mass. Please refrain from shaking Father and Deacon's hands after mass as well. Our Extraordinary Ministers use **Purell** before distributing communion and a gentle reminder that the safest way to receive holy communion during cold and flu season is in the hand, although no one will be refused for receiving in the mouth, we encourage your reflection on this matter carefully.

SWEET PIZZA SALE THIS FRIDAY

Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance for our next Lenten fundraiser sale, to be held this **FRIDAY, March 13th**, in our school cafeteria. Cost is \$12.00/tray of 12 cuts. Pick up times are noon to 2pm or 5pm to 6pm.

UPCOMING LENTEN SALES

THURSDAY, March 19th—PIROHY— Cost is \$8/dozen. Again, there are no sign up sheets. Pick up times are 5pm to 7pm in the school cafeteria while supplies last. Mark your calendars: We will need lots of help making the pirohy.

FRIDAY, March 27th—SWEET PIZZA SALE

THURSDAY, APRIL 2nd—PIROHY (Same Pirohy message as above)

CCD SCHEDULE

Classes in March:

Mondays: 9,16,23,30

Saturdays: 14,21,28

FIRST PENANCE: This Saturday, March 14, 2020 @ 10:30am

2nd Grade Retreat: Sunday, March 22nd—11:00am Mass then proceed to church hall for the retreat workshop ending at 3pm

7th Grade Confirmation Class—Extra class for all 7th grade Confirmation students in the church hall after 5:30pm Mass on March 29, 2020.

Stations of the Cross: Regular CCD class, but will go over to the church for this service:

Saturday, March 28th @ 9:45 in church Dismissal from Church

Monday, March 30th @6:45 in Church Dismissal from Church

All paperwork for 8th Grade Confirmation due MARCH 28, 2020, and 2nd Grade Reconciliation/Eucharist class past due.

REMINDER: 8th Graders **MANDATORY** Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, April 4, 2020, 11:30 to after the 4pm Mass @ St. Ignatius, Kingston



HOLY NAME SOCIETY ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

Sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance for our Holy Name Society's Annual Easter Egg Hunt for the children of our parish, ages 1 to 8. The Hunt will take place in our church hall and grounds on Saturday, March 28th at 1:00pm. Rain, Snow, or Sunshine!!! Students who need service hours for Confirmation & would like to help at the Easter Egg Hunt, please contact Anna Mae Venetz at 570-287-7655.



SAVE THE DATE!

The Social Concerns Committee is planning their 6th Annual Variety Bingo which will be held on Sunday, April 26th, in the school gym. Admission is \$10.00. Doors open at 12pm and Bingo starts at 1pm. Details will be announced at a later date.



ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

One of our Eucharistic Ministers, Kathy Plucas, and owner of "**Let's Party & More Florist**", Carey Ave., Wilkes-Barre, is celebrating her 25th year in business by celebrating this milestone with a **float** in the Wilkes-Barre St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 15th, at 2:00pm. She will be passing out a few goodies during the parade.

JMJ CATHOLIC RADIO

Having begun Lent, why not listen to JMJ Catholic Radio? Wilkes-Barre/Scranton at 98.9 FM & 750AM, Hazleton at 1490AM & 100.1FM, and Dushore at 91.7FM. Reflect with us on the "Journey Home" with host, Marcus Grodi. It features the conversion stories of extraordinary men & women who have entered into full communion with the Catholic Church. On Fridays throughout the year at 7pm, pray with us a moving version of the Stations of the Cross.

LENTEN RETREAT

The Women's Society of SS. Peter & Paul, Plains, invites all women to a Lenten Retreat on Saturday, March 21st, from 9am-3pm in the Parish Center. Dr. Marie Noel Keller, RSM, Director of the Institute for Sacred Scripture at Misericordia University will be moderator. Cost is \$25/person. A continental breakfast & lunch are included. Call Betty Jean Hession at 570-822-9448 or Kathy Savitski at 570-824-6846 by March 15th.

Diocesan Annual Appeal Update: Thank you to all who have responded so far. There is still the opportunity to contribute to the Appeal using the envelopes at the Church entrances, while we do not have the official word, we are confident we have reached our goal. Updates as they become available



Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Sunday, June 14th, 2:30pm Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, with the Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, for couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2020. Call Lori in our parish office (287-6624) to request an invitation by March 16th.

Weekly Offering
FEBRUARY 22/23, 2020
\$9098.84

Love and generosity start here at home. We are grateful for your faithful stewardship which sustains the life of our parish, supports our outreach and ministries, as well as maintains the level of staffing needed to put our mission into action. Thank you for your gift of treasure and commitment to do God's work here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.

FIRST RECONCILIATION ON MARCH 14TH

The students in our second grade CCD program have been studying diligently to receive their First Penance this Saturday, March 14th, at 10:30am. Students in the Saturday morning CCD are asked to come to the regularly scheduled class at 9:00am, and then will walk over to the church with their teacher at 10:15. Parents are asked to go directly to the church.

MEN, SAVE THE DATE!

The 6th Annual Diocese of Scranton Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, April 25, 2020, at Holy Redeemer High School in Wilkes-Barre. More information will be coming as it comes available, but please know this conference will support, challenge, & affirm all attendee's call as sons of God and brothers of Christ. Your help to get more men engaged would be greatly appreciated

Refresh Your Faith Full of Grace Catholic Women's Conference

June 20, 2020 at University of Scranton Byron Center. Call 570-872-8630 or www.cwcnepa.com for more information.

Fasting & Abstinence

What is FASTING?

The **limitation** of food and drink – typically to one main meal and two smaller meals, with no solid foods in between
But remember to drink enough fluids!

When do we fast?

Ash Wednesday & Good Friday*

*Paschal Fast: Good Friday and Holy Saturday are days of prayer and quiet reflection. We honour the suffering and death of Jesus and prepare to share in the joy of his resurrection at Easter.

What is ABSTINENCE?

Avoiding certain kinds of food or drink, typically meat or other desirable foods

When do we abstain?

Catholics are obliged to abstain from **meat every Friday** throughout the year (except solemn feast days)

TIP: Instead of abstaining, you may substitute special acts of charity or piety on Fridays

ALL ABOUT

Fasting & Abstinence

Why fast?

It helps us to **pray better**: an empty stomach can lead to more attentive prayer

Who has to fast?

Catholics aged 18 to 60
Those with impaired health should not fast in any way.

Why abstain on Fridays?

It's the **day of Christ's saving death** on the cross; we abstain to share in His work of saving the world

Who has to abstain?

Catholics aged 14 and older

During Lent, the money we save on food while fasting and abstaining should be given to others in alms

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Remembering



Monday, March 9

8:30 am Carol O'Rourke Frances & Albert Bobkowski

Tuesday, March 10

8:30am David Nenichka Thomas & Linda Casey

Wednesday, March 11

8:30am Michael Murphy Nardone Family

Thursday, March 12

8:30 am John W. Gibbons Sister, Pat Quinn & Family

Friday, March 13

8:30 am Natalie Zyla Slezak Family

Saturday, March 14

4:00 pm John Ludwikowski Mark & Jane

Sunday, March 15

8:30 am Pro Populo

11:00 am John Forgash Marilyn Montagna & James Kelley

5:30 pm Valentino Merante Daughter, Palma & Sal

This week's Sanctuary Candles

~In Memory of Joseph Yankay
offered by Mother

~In Memory of Joseph L.
Sagliocco offered by M/M
Robert Asklar



SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON,
PRAY FOR US!



Sick, Hospitalized, Homebound?

Please contact Lori at the parish office if you or someone you know is homebound, hospitalized or in a long term or short term care facility. We want to keep track of all our parishioners and minister to the sick and aging the best we can, and we need to know their location to do that. Thank You.

NOTICE REGARDING REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.