

The Parishes of Holy Cross & Blessed Sacrament

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Blessed Sacrament Parish

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Mission Statement

As baptized followers of Jesus Christ, guided by the Holy Spirit, we strive to proclaim the Gospel by promoting a welcoming community; celebrating the Eucharist and living our faith with charity, peace and justice.

Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday
7:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Friday 7:30 am—12 Noon

Parish Staff

Pastor:

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Catholic Schools

LaSalle Academy (570)489-2010 Fax (570)489-3887

Holy Cross High School (570)346-7541 Fax (570)348-1070

Baptisms

Parents anticipating the birth of their first child are required to attend baptismal instruction. Baptismal classes are held on the first Sunday of every month from 12:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m. We suggest that you attend this session before the birth of your child, if possible. Please contact the Parish Office to register. Note: Baptisms cannot be scheduled until all the necessary paperwork is completed.

Confirmation

Confirmation is administered every two years. You must be enrolled and participating in the Religious Education Program for two years before they are eligible to receive the sacrament.

Marriages

Congratulations on your approaching marriage! In order to complete the necessary paperwork, couples are asked to contact the Parish Office at least 12 months in advance of the proposed marriage date.

Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Parish Office whenever a member of your family has become sick or hospitalized. Please note, because of the government regulations regarding privacy, hospitals cannot release information without a patient's consent.

Monthly Visitation

Any parishioner who is homebound and wishes to receive the Eucharist on a monthly basis is asked to contact the Parish Office to schedule a visit.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The RCIA begins in October and prepares adults for reception into the Church at the Easter Vigil. The RCIA is for any adult non-Catholic who is interested in becoming Catholic and any adult who was baptized Catholic and did not receive Confirmation. For more information about the RCIA, please call Monsignor Delaney at the Parish Office or 489-0752.

Religious Education and Formation

Religious education is held for K thru 8th grade. Classes begin in September and conclude in May. Religious education begins with Mass and continues with formal instruction. Classes are held at Holy Cross Parish from 9:20 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Classes are held at Blessed Sacrament Parish from 10:30 a.m. until 11:45 a.m.

Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Penance is celebrated at the following times and also by appointment:

Saturdays	3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.	Holy Cross
	4:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.	Blessed Sacrament

Schedule of Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil	4:00 p.m.	Holy Cross
	5:30 p.m.	Blessed Sacrament

Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Holy Cross
	9:30 a.m.	Blessed Sacrament
	11:00 a.m.	Holy Cross

Date	Time	Location	Intention	Requested
Monday 9/10	8:00 AM	Holy Cross	Anna Holomko	Helen Oravec
Tuesday 9/11	7:30 AM	Blessed Sacrament	Elizabeth Hope Mecca	Drs. David & Susan Borys
Wednesday 9/12	8:00 AM	Holy Cross	Deceased Members of the Shanley Family	Mary Boretsky
Thursday 9/13	7:30 AM	Blessed Sacrament	Mary M. Grady	M/M Sam Ricciardi
Friday 9/14	8:00 AM	Holy Cross	Valeria & Frank Novak	Family
Saturday 9/15	4:00 PM	Holy Cross	Jean McHugh	Husband & Family
	5:30 PM	Blessed Sacrament	Deceased Members of the Burak & Gromkoski Families	Barbara
Sunday 9/16	8:00 AM	Holy Cross	Living & Deceased Members of St. Ludmila Society Branch 108	Society
	9:30 AM	Blessed Sacrament	Karen Kowalski	Husband Dan & Children
	11:00 AM	Holy Cross	M/M Daniel Weiksner	Daughters

Memorial / Honor Candles

The sanctuary candle burning before the tabernacle has been donated this week as follows:

Holy Cross Parish – In loving memory of George A. Kalavsky offered by Niece Rebecca.

Blessed Sacrament Parish – In loving memory of Mary & Michael Blaha offered by Daughter Mary and Granddaughter Deborah.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O, LORD

Please remember in your prayers Frank Brilla. *May Perpetual Light Shine Upon Him!*



Due to early transmittal there are no collection amounts to report.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION is held in St. John Paul II Chapel at Holy Cross Parish from Monday at 8:30 AM until Friday at 6:00 PM. If you would like to experience a peaceful hour in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, there are open hours: Monday midnight, Tuesday 1:00 PM, Wednesday 6:00 PM, Thursday

9:00 AM, Friday 12 Noon. Sign up for an hour, or for more information please call Eydie at 570-489-8816.

NEWLY BAPTIZED- Congratulations **Jessica Olivia Yasinskas** daughter of Joseph and Jennifer Yasinskas who was baptized last weekend at Holy Cross Parish. May God bless you and your family and may Jesus, the Light of the world, always guide and protect you.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES will start today - Sunday, September 9. **Holy Cross**-all classes begin at 9:20 AM and end at 10:25 AM. **Note:** Parish Center dismissal is 10:20 AM. **Blessed Sacrament**-all classes start at 10:30 AM and end at 11:45 AM.

THANK YOU! Blessed Sacrament has received a donation in Memory of John F. Glinsky Jr. offered by The Pesevante Monument Company.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN will hold their first meeting of the year on Sunday, September 9, 2:00 PM in Kelley Hall. All are invited to attend.

BLESSED SACRAMENT HOLY NAME SOCIETY will meet on Sunday, September 9 at 7:00 PM, Parish Hall. New members are welcome.

MASS INTENTION BOOK TO OPEN- The 2019 Mass Intention Book for Holy Cross and Blessed Sacrament will be opened on Tuesday, September 18. All masses will be scheduled on a first come, first serve basis. Because of the limited number of Masses, families will only be allowed to request **one weekend Mass and one daily Mass.** Mass intentions must be paid for at the time of the request. Please note: the parish reserves the right to reschedule any Mass intention request or to send Mass intentions to the missions. Thank you for understanding. **Sanctuary Candles** are limited to two per family.



FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS- While celebrated on Friday, September 14, we will mark Holy Cross Parish Feast Day on Thursday, September 13 with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/Holy Hour/Benediction at 6:30 PM.

Come join us as we thank God for the blessings of Parish life, the relationships and friendships we share as a community of believers and place our gratitude before the Eucharistic Presence of Our Lord. All are invited and most welcome.

VIRTUS PROGRAMS-A training for adults in the Protecting God's Children (PGC-VIRTUS) program are scheduled on the following dates and places:

Wednesday, September 12; 6:00 PM at All Saints Academy, Scranton. To register call Heather at 570-207-1453.

Wednesday, October 17; 6:00 PM at St. Paul Parish, Scranton. To register call Heather at 570-207-1453.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Are you someone or do you know someone who.....

- *Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- *Has a child over the age of 7 who has not been baptized?
- *Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

Here at Blessed Sacrament and Holy Cross we offer an opportunity to come together to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm, accepting setting. For information please contact the Rectory at 570-489-0752 or 570-489-1963.

CONFIRMATION

A meeting for parents of Confirmation students will be held on Monday, September 17, 6:30 PM at Blessed Sacrament Parish. At least one parent must be present.

MANDATED REPORTER TRAINING is scheduled as follows: Wednesday, September 12; 6:00 to 9:00 PM Ascension Parish, Forest City and Wednesday, October 3; 5:30 to 8:30 PM St. Ann Basilica Parish, Scranton. To register please call Kathy Bolinski at 570-207-1453 or Kathleen-bolinski@dioceseofscranton.org. Please note: this training is not a virtue session.

HEALING MASS will be held at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, 322 Chestnut Street, Dunmore on Tuesday, October 16 at 7:00 PM.

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD PARISH, William Street, North Scranton will celebrate Mass & Anointing of the Sick on Saturday, September 15 at 11:00 AM.

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH,

DUNMORE will offer a new study titled "Speaking God's Love: Understanding the Sacraments." Their parish's devotional ministry team will lead a journey through the seven sacraments. The program will begin Monday, September 17 and will run for seven sessions from 7 to 8:15 pm each Monday through October 29 and will be held at the parish rectory. If you are interested please call the parish office at 570-346-7429 or e-mail Greg Solfanelli at greg.solfanelli@gmail.com to register.

ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS PARISH, Prospect Avenue, Scranton will hold a chicken bar-b-que dinner (chicken by Kundla's) on Sunday, September 16 in the Parish Center Hall. Tickets are \$12.00 per dinner. Reservations only. Dead line for reservations is Tuesday, September 4. Please call the rectory at 570-343-6420.

SAINT GABRIEL'S FALL RETREAT

October 19-21, Men & Women's Retreat- "The Passion of Jesus Christ": St. Gabriel's Passionist Retreat Center. Retreat begins on Friday evening at 7:30 PM, (registration 7 PM), and ends after the noon meal on Sunday. Retreat consists of conferences, personal reflection, reconciliation and liturgy. A deposit is required.

For more information please call the Retreat Office 570-586-4957, or email kporter@epix.net.

SAINT JOSEPH'S CENTER AUXILIARY 8TH ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER

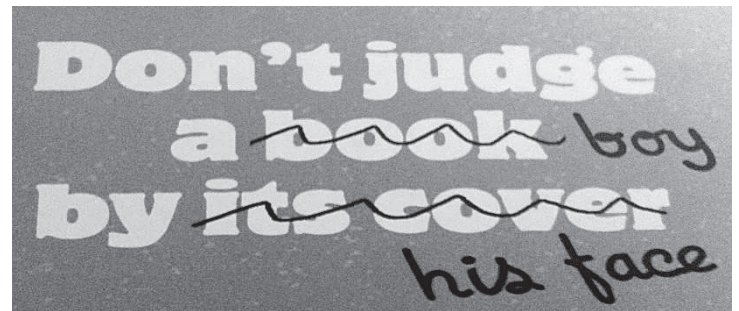
will be held Sunday, September 23; 12:00 PM until 4:00PM, 2010 Adams Avenue, Scranton. Tickets \$10.00 and must be purchased in advance. Drive thru take out or limited seating. Back this year Mr. Yock's BBQ. Menu: half roasted chicken, baked potato, corn, roll, bottle of water, cookie. For more information please call 570-963-1290.

ST. LUCY'S CHURCH, 949 Scranton Street will be having their annual "Take Out Penne Pasta" dinner on Thursday, September 20 from 3 to 7 PM. Dinners include: penne Pasta, meatballs, salad, bread and dessert (containers provided). Dinners can be picked up in the church auditorium or drive thru is available in church parking lot. Dinners are \$10.00 each.

YOU ARE INVITED

You are cordially invited to come and join us each week in September as we gather to pray, study and reflect on the Word of God. This isn't just any invitation, it's an opportunity to ask and seek, to grow spiritually and personally, to prepare well to celebrate Sunday Mass more meaningfully and to encounter the love of our God in His Holy Word. Our gatherings last one hour and consist of praying with the readings for the upcoming Sunday, reflecting on them and conversation.

Where: Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall, Throop
When: The Thursdays of September at 2:00 PM
September 13, 20, 27



MOVIE NIGHT: "WONDER"

Based on the beloved best-selling novel, Wonder follows the inspiring story of the Pullman Family, whose youngest child, Auggie, is a boy born with facial differences. When Auggie enters mainstream elementary school for the first time, his extraordinary journey unites his family, his school and his community, and proves that you can't blend in when you were born to stand out. Heartwarming and uplifting, reminding us of the gospel imperative to treat each other with reverence, respect and compassion.

Wednesday, September 12, 6:30 PM, Kelley Hall **also** a special showing for children Sunday, September 16 at 2:00 PM, Kelley Hall. The movie is hosted by our candidates for confirmation volunteering to provide refreshments and supervision. (adult chaperones will be present as well!)

CUB SCOUT PACK #322, DICKSON will be holding registration for boys from Kindergarten thru 5th grade. Wednesday, September 12, 6:30 PM at the Dickson City Ambulance building on Eagle Lane in Dickson City.

THANK YOU, ROSEMARIE LIESIEFSKY

We want to thank Rosemarie Liesiefsky for her years of service to our parish and children as she has provided leadership and direction to our religious education program at Blessed Sacrament Parish. In her ministry as Director of Religious Education, Rosemarie has not only showed her organizational skills, but has, even more significantly, given our children an example of dedicated discipleship. We will always be most grateful. Thank you and God bless you.

WELCOME, KAREN DOYLE

Mrs. Karen Doyle has agreed to join our pastoral team as Director of Religious Education for Blessed Sacrament Parish. Karen has served as a catechist instructing and preparing our second grade class to celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion for the past number of years. Her experience provides our parish with a point person who knows our children and our families well and will be able to build on Rosemarie Liesiefsky's hard work.

We're grateful to Karen for her willingness to spearhead this important parish ministry and welcome her as she begins this work. We trust that families and our young people will be most supportive in assisting Mrs. Doyle.

A PRAYER FOR TEACHERS

Dear God,
As countless teachers begin to prepare for a new school year ahead, grant them an abundance of Your wisdom. Prepare their hearts to welcome and love our loved ones, and may we make sure to show them love and respect in return. Give them grace as they help students who aren't thriving, courage to say what needs to be said, tools and knowledge on how and when to speak love, and strength when they feel weak. When they feel unseen, remind them that no moment goes unnoticed. They are shaping the future in one million small – yet incredibly important – ways every day. We are overwhelmed with gratitude for the gift of learning they share with our children, Bless them, Lord, and may they see even just a glimpse of how their faithfulness will forever impact generations to come. Amen.

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. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at

www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis.

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 or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at 570-207-2269.

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