



Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

"Sacred Heart of Jesus, I trust in You"

January 16, 2022

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday - *As Announced*

Wednesday - 12:00pm

Thursday - 12:00pm

Friday - 12:00pm

Saturday - 4:00pm

Sunday - 8:00am and 10:00am

*Sunday 10:00am Mass is
live-streamed on our
website and on YouTube*

Eucharistic Holy Hour

Thursdays 11:00AM -12:00pm

Confessions

Saturdays at 3:00pm and
by appointment

Pastor: Rev. Andrew Kurovsky

Pastor Emeritus: Msgr. Peter Madus

Pastoral Associate: Gayle Castellani

Pastoral Minister: Ann O'Brien

Assistants: Ellen March

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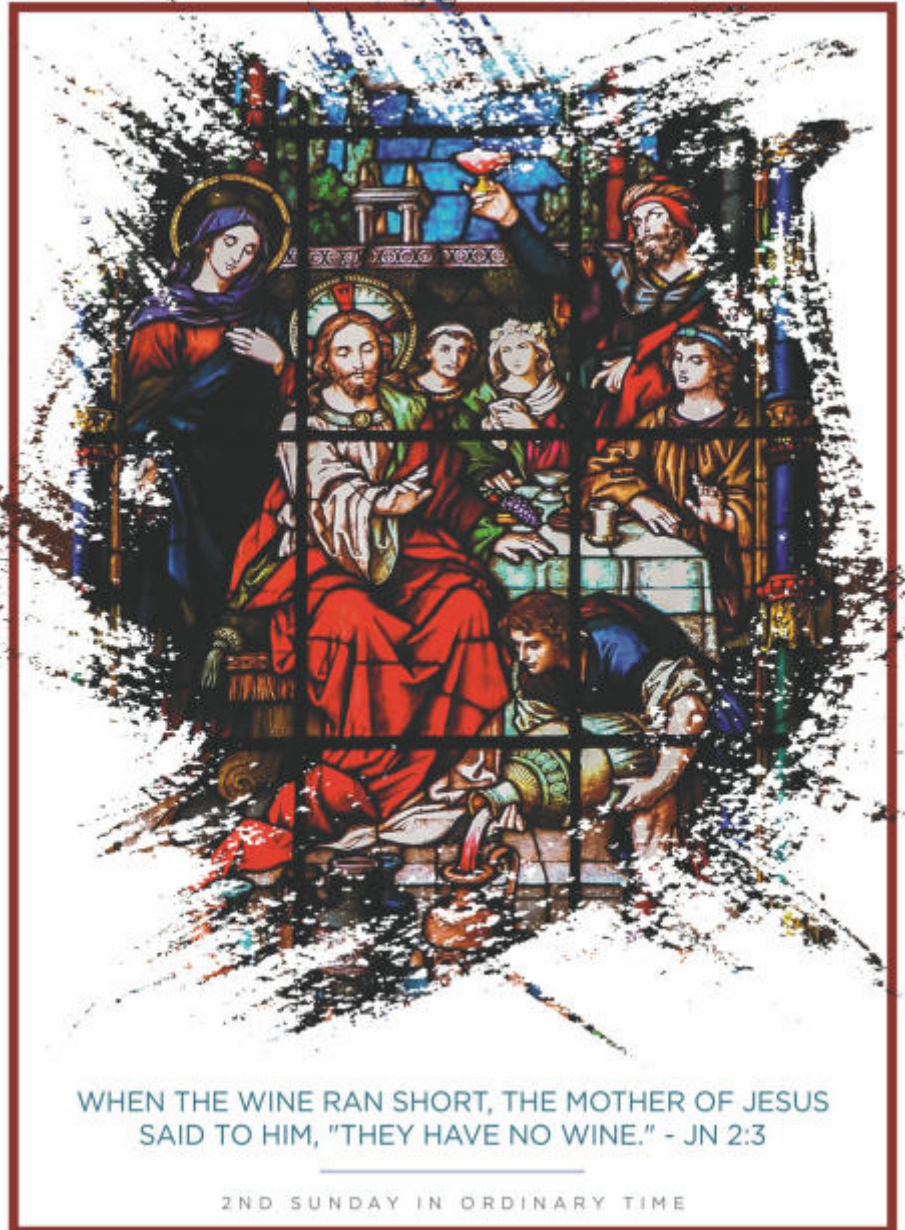
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**Deadline for submissions to the
bulletin is noon on Mondays**



WHEN THE WINE RAN SHORT, THE MOTHER OF JESUS
SAID TO HIM, "THEY HAVE NO WINE." - JN 2:3

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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OVERWHELMING GRATITUDE!!!

My dear parishioners and friends,

Christmas 2021 will, by far be one of the most memorable I have ever celebrated. Although the parameters of COVID-19 we're still very much present, nothing was going to stop the spectacular services or the spirit of the people of God who make up Sacred Heart of Jesus parish.

I cannot thank you enough for your many gifts, cards, and prayers. The edible delicacies added to my already increasing waistline. They were delicious and the parish staff and I enjoyed them all. Everything was very much appreciated. And then, of course, there were the socks... lots and lots of socks! Without a doubt, I have the most stylish "ankles" in the entire Diocese of Scranton. You are creative as well as generous! Thank you one and all!

There are no words adequate enough to express my thanks to Jonathan, "the Ern's", and our entire music ministry, as well as to our sacristans and all of our liturgical ministers for providing us with prayerful, as well as celebratory services during the Christmas season. Our decorators gave us a breathtaking environment and our staff went far beyond the call of duty, as usual. I am so grateful to Gayle, for her calming as well as organizational prowess. As I said in my remarks on Christmas Day, Gayle's ministry has helped to make me a better priest. Our collectors were called upon once again this Christmas season as we reinstated the practice of passing the baskets. We also inaugurated technology ministers who helped us to provide those at home and away with an in-person option to celebrate Christmas and to feel connected with our parish community.

Finally, I give thanks and praise to almighty God for you, the beautiful people who make up this parish community, together with the many visitors and those who watch us from afar. Our Christmas collection was the highest that it has been in the five Christmases that I have celebrated with you. As you know, that collection is instrumental in helping us to balance our budget each year. Your generosity is absolutely incredible and so very much appreciated.

I pray that God will continue to bless you as only He can in 2022. And I invite you to pray the prayer for our parish community which was inserted in last week's bulletin. I composed and shared this prayer with you on New Year's Day, as well as the Feast of the Epiphany. My hope for the coming year is that we continue to grow closer to God and to one another, as we all work at building up His Kingdom in this, our own little corner of the world. God bless you!

Love,
Fr. Andrew

SYNOD 2023

JOURNEYING TOGETHER

This is a world-wide effort to listen to people everywhere, to listen to the Spirit at work in each of us.

We ask you to spend some time this week recalling the experiences, joys, and frustrations you hold in regards to the Catholic Church, including this parish. Next weekend, we are inviting you to speak from your heart. By answering a few questions, we hope that you will share freely and honestly so as to strengthen the Body of Christ, for no part is unimportant. *Your voice matters to us!*

VISION 2030

As the Diocese of Scranton seeks to bring new life to our mission to spread the Good News of the Gospel, every one of us has an important role to play. As baptized Catholics, we are all called to participate fully in the life and mission of the Church. The mission of the Church is rooted in the mission of Christ who commanded everyone (clergy, religious and laity) to: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15) Vision 2030 is a blueprint to help our diocese meet the many opportunities and challenges of the coming decade. Please pick up a copy of the Vision 2030 booklet and take some time to read through it. The information can also be found in the Catholic Light and at www.DioceesofScranton.com.

A GIFT FOR YOU

Calendars for 2022 are still available at all entrances of the church. Take one home today!

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ON MONDAY

In observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the parish office will be closed on Monday, January 17. The office will re-open on Tuesday, January 18 at 9:00AM.



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PREPARING FOR FIRST PENANCE



To the families of children preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, please note these important dates:

Sun, Jan 16 - Practice from 11am to Noon (no 9am class)
Sat, Jan 22 - FIRST PENANCE RETREAT 9am to Noon
Sun, Jan 30 - Practice from 11am to Noon (no 9am class)
Sat, Feb 5 - FIRST PENANCE 10am

Any questions or concerns, contact Mrs. Castellani at 570-892-0231.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION WORKSHOP

Wednesday, January 26 at 6:30PM

If you feel called to this ministry, or simply want to learn more before making a commitment, we invite you to the upcoming workshop on Wednesday, January 26 at 6:30pm. All current Eucharistic Ministers are asked to attend. To confirm your attendance, please email Ann O'Brien at outreach@shjpeck.org or call 570-383-3244.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

January 18-25

Eternal Father, we praise you for sending your Son to be one of us and to save us. Look upon your people with mercy and give us the Spirit of Jesus to make us one in love. We ask this gift, loving Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

This Saturday, January 22, will mark the 49th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion in the United States. We join together in prayer for the full protection of every child's right to life:

Thursday, January 20, 6:00pm - Vigil Mass for Life celebrated by Bishop Joseph Bambera at St. Maria Goretti Church, Laflin. All are invited to attend in-person and online at www.facebook.com/diocesefofscranston

Friday, January 21 - March for Life, Washington, D.C. Watch live on www.facebook.com/marchforlife

Saturday, January 22 - Day of Prayer



Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life. Help us to cherish and protect this gift, even in the midst of fear, pain, and suffering. Give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living. Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need, and teach us to be merciful to all. Through our words and actions, may others encounter the outstretched hands of Your mercy. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, January 19

12:00PM Rose Marie Zielinski (Frank and Carol Healey)
Melissa Mellow (Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pazzaglia)

Thursday, January 20

12:00PM Gloria Marsili (Judy and Maria Neri)
James "Bo" Brunozi (1 year anniversary, given by the parish)

Friday, January 21

12:00PM Kara Santarelli and Alfonso Santarelli (Olivia, Hannah and Nonna)
Gloria Farneti (1 year anniversary given by the parish)

Saturday, January 22

4:00PM Larry and Irene Castellani (family)
Deceased members of the parish

Sunday, January 23

8:00AM Mary Barkofsky (Lorriane, Jeanne and Daria Krenitsky)
George Burak (Mary Ann Colarusso and family)
10:00AM Sylvester and Concetta Coccia (granddaughter)
Anne Popis and family (Madeline)

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Weekly Offering January 8-9	\$6,096.50
Miscellaneous	\$ 178.00
Online Giving Jan. 3-9	\$3,311.39

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

\$28,057.45

Your generosity during the Christmas season is greatly appreciated! May God bless you abundantly!

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

With tax season upon us, we can provide parishioners with a financial contribution statement for the 2021 calendar year. If you would like your contribution statement, simply contact the parish office.

When making a donation or weekly offering, be sure to include your first and last name and address with the donation to be sure it is credited correctly.

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