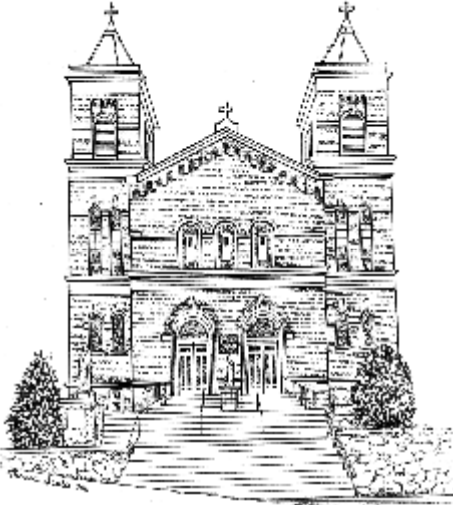


# HOLY SPIRIT PARISH



The Church of St. Adalbert  
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Sunday Morning Mass.....8:00 AM  
Holy Day Vigil Mass .....7:00 PM  
Confessions.....upon request



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Stillwater, Pa.

Tuesday Mass.....8:30 AM  
Followed by Eucharistic Adoration  
.....9 AM to 9 PM  
Sunday Morning Mass.....9:45 AM  
Holy Day Mass.....6:00 PM  
Confessions.....upon request



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Saturday Vigil Mass.....4:15 PM  
Holy Day Mass.....7:30 AM  
Confessions.....Sat.3:00 PM  
or upon request

**MISSION STATEMENT:** We the Eucharistic Community of Holy Spirit Parish, in union with the teachings of our One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church and a people rich in tradition, commit ourselves to the formation and sustenance of Sacramental Christian family life. Through ongoing education, supported by prayer —especially celebration of the Eucharist, we practice a life of faith, hope, and charity based in humility before God, while courageously giving witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ in support of a culture of life, justice and peace.

## Rev. Louis T. Kaminski, Pastor

**Bulletin Deadline:** Bulletin announcements must be to the Parish Office by Friday if they are to be printed in the following weeks bulletin.

**\*\*Monthly Calendar:** If you have any events to be placed on the Parish monthly calendar that is inserted into the bulletin each month, please have these dates to Marion (phone: 570-864-3058 or e-mail: hidlay670@epix.net) before the 15th of the prior month.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)** is the official five-stage process the Catholic Church uses to bring adult members into the Catholic Faith. Anyone interested in becoming Catholic and joining the RCIA Program is asked to call the Parish Office.

**Website:** [www.holyspiritparishnepa.org](http://www.holyspiritparishnepa.org)

**Religious Education** Classes are held each Sunday Morning during the academic year.

Glen Lyon: 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Stillwater: 10:45 a.m. to 12 noon

**Parish Registration:** New members are always welcome. Any parishioners entering, leaving, or moving within the parish should contact the Parish Office.

**Baptisms:** In order to understand and better appreciate this special sacrament, parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptismal meeting. Parents should contact the Parish Office well in advance to make arrangements.

**Marriages:** Couples contemplating marriage should notify us at least one year before the date on which they wish to marry. This should be done before any other arrangements are made.

# Mass Intentions

September 5, 2021  
The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>INTENTION</u>
Monday, September 6	8:30 AM	St. Mary	Seth Zimolzak, by Mom & Dad
Tuesday, September 7	8:30 AM	St. Martha	For the People
Wednesday, September 8	8:30 AM	St. Mary	Alexander & Anna Bogucki, by Pela (Bogucki) Franko
Thursday, September 9	8:30 AM	St. Mary	No Mass
Friday, September 10	8:30 AM	St. Adalbert	Chester Smocharski, by Susan Najaka
Saturday, September 11	4:15 PM	St. Mary	Joseph Patrick Lapinski, by Mom & Dad
Sunday, September 12	8:00 AM	St. Adalbert	Celia K. Macur, by Children & Grandchildren
	9:45 AM	St. Martha	Bertha Baluta, by Jeff & Elizabeth Tomko

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** At St. Martha every Tuesday after the 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass until 9:00 p.m. Assigned Eucharistic adorers and substitutes are needed for all hours. Please contact Rebecca at 570-256-7329 to sign up for a specific hour or to be a substitute. **HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTS** on **September 14th**, 9 - 10:00 a.m. All are welcome to participate in this prayer ministry for the sanctity of priests and for an increase of holy vocations.

## CANDLES/FLOWER REMEMBRANCE

**St. Adalbert Candle for Mary:** Keep Safe CDR Holly Yudisky, by Family

**St. Adalbert Candle for Joseph:** In Loving Memory of John Krupinski, by Wife, Norma

**St. Mary Sacred Heart Candle:** In Loving Memory of Lucille Salsburg, by Sister, Gloria Handelzak

## HOLY SPIRIT OFFERTORY—

**August 15, 2021**

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## PICNIC NEWS

### St. Mary:

- **AFTER PICNIC CLEAN UP:** at the picnic grove, Monday, September 6th beginning at 8:00 AM.
- **St. Mary's Thank You Picnic Dinner:** For all workers and their spouses, Sunday, September 12th, 12:00 noon, St. Mary Picnic Grounds. Please bring a covered dish or dessert, all meats and beverages will be provided.

**HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP:** Meetings are held the First Monday of each month unless noted. The next meeting will be held on **Monday, September 13th**, at 1:00 p.m. in St. Mary's Church. Please submit names of those suffering from serious illness who are homebound, in hospitals or in nursing homes to Gloria Handzelek 570-542-5694, Ann McElligott 570-864-2331 or Mary Lou Zaleski 570-736-6336. All members of Holy Spirit Parish are encouraged to pray for those whose names are on our Prayer List, to pray for Pope Francis and the healing of Holy Mother Church, and to attend our prayer meetings. The Scribe is Barbara Yacuboski 570-542-7447 and the Prayer Group Leader is Paulette Monchak 570-542-7242.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT ST. MARTHA:** Registration and orientation for the 2021-2022 term will take place on September 12th after Holy Mass. Forms will be made available August 29th onward. **Classes will start on Sunday, September 19th** beginning at **9:45 AM** with Holy Mass and **ending at noon**. For more information, please contact Rebecca Micca (570)256-7329.

**ST. ADALBERT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Religious Education teachers are needed for the upcoming year of mid-September 2021 through mid-May of 2022. COVID 19 regulations will be in place and the method of instruction will be determined by the ratio of teachers to students. Please call JoAnne Thomas at 570-814-5271 for further information.

**We need your help:** We are looking for someone within our Parish who could fix a 3' x 3' area of sheetrock in the ceiling of Fathers sitting area in St. Mary's Rectory. This job is too small for contractors We will pay for the supplies that are needed. Please call the parish Office if you can help.

**FAMILY FUN DAY AT KNOEBELS:** As part of our Year of the Family observance, the Office for Parish Life is sponsoring a Family Fun Day at Knoebels Amusement Resort on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. Groups or individuals are welcome to enjoy all that Knoebels has to offer from 12pm to 8pm and take advantage of our discounted ticket offer! You can choose from a **Lunch and Ride Package** (\$25 per person includes a bagged lunch and \$20 worth of ride tickets) or a **Discounted Tickets Only** option (\$20 worth of ride tickets for \$17). Regardless of the package you choose, you are welcome to take advantage of our reserved pavilion for lunch or to simply gather with your family and friends. To purchase tickets by credit card, visit [www.dioceseofscranton.org](http://www.dioceseofscranton.org). To order and pay by check, call (570)207-2213 ext 1155. All orders must be paid in advance. The deadline to place orders is September 16.

# WORSHIP & MEDITATION



## FIRST READING

Then will the eyes of the blind be opened,  
the ears of the deaf be cleared;  
then will the lame leap like a stag,  
then the tongue of the mute will sing. (Is 35:5-6)



## PSALM

Praise the Lord, my soul! (Ps 146)  
Or Alleluia.



## SECOND READING

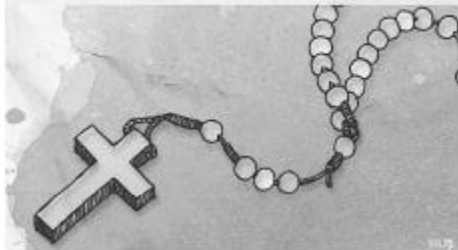
Did not God choose those who are poor in the world  
to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom  
that he promised to those who love him? (Jas 2:5)



## GOSPEL

"He has done all things well.  
He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."  
(Mk 7:37)

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

From the time we are born into this world until we die, our human radar picks up signals about how to respond to life. What we picked up on when we were very young carries an even greater power. The messages we receive and process tell us what we are "supposed" to do with our feelings, how to understand and cope with disappointment, anxiety, failure, death, illness, and what to expect out of life. As life unfolds for us, these radar messages kick in and resonate in us at very deep levels. Sometimes what we have learned is helpful and sometimes it is not. The stories we have been told, especially when we are young, about how life is best lived and how to negotiate its pain carry a heavy weight.

Life can be challenging and frightening. Sometimes, it really hurts to be a human being. It also can be quite unpredictable and, at times, unfair. We face our vulnerability and brokenness of all kinds: physical, emotional, and spiritual. It doesn't take much for life to quickly fall apart. What we knew to be familiar and true is gone and something we relied upon, physically, emotionally, or spiritually, can be taken away. It is hard to confront our limitations and sit with our incompleteness. Often, life hurts us so much that we find ourselves sitting in a pool of sadness, not sure what we are supposed to do. It is particularly hard when the signals we have inherited tell us that we need to be successful in what we do, and we have to avoid life's unfairness. We can feel like a failure, wondering what precisely we did to deserve this fate, or ruminate about what we did not do correctly. But it's really not about us. We are part of a bigger picture and a much more fascinating story!

If we cease doing battle with life's incompleteness and see ourselves, as God does, on a journey toward wholeness and completeness we can better accept our disappointments and stand firm. The prophets told us, and Jesus reassured us: Be strong! Fear not! Sometimes we have to update our stories and replace them with newer, more accurate ones. When we make God's story our own and tune our radar into His voice, what we hear is all about restoration, healing, and rejuvenation! This is true even when we think we have hit rock bottom and can go no further. There is always hope. Remember the words of Julian of Norwich: God made us, God loves us, and God keeps us. Now, listen to God when He says, "be opened!" Be healed and allow your stories to change.

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