

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

1101 Willow St., Peckville, PA
OFFICE HOURS:
Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
(570)383-3244



22nd Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"Do not recline at table in the place of honor.
A more distinguished guest than you may
have been invited." - Lk 14:8bc

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 p.m. Sunday - 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
Tues & Thurs - 12:10 p.m.; Wed & Fri 7:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 p.m., or by appointment

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PASTOR: Rev. Andrew Kurovsky

Pastor Emeritus: Msgr. Peter Madus

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Gayle Castellani

Assistants: Ellen March and Betsy Kondrat

BUSINESS MANAGER: Colleen Hart

Receptionist: Anne Berardi

DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP: Jonathan Mengoni

MINISTER OF MUSIC: Ernest Mengoni

A WORD FROM FR. ANDREW

My dear parishioners and friends,

I am truly moved with pity for those who can't stand their job. Those who feel out of place in the workplace. Those who can't stand the sight of their boss or perhaps even their coworkers. Those who are extremely unhappy with the kind of work they do. Those who feel bored and unfulfilled. It really must be a terrible existence to get up every day of your life feeling as if you must drag yourself to work. There are far too many people who feel just this way. You may know them. I hear their stories on a regular basis.

Labor Day gives me pause to reflect upon my own job and just what it is that I do. The hours aren't the greatest. The pay isn't too good either. It provides housing but I have lived in bigger houses and more exciting places. "The black uniform, although slenderizing for some, makes me feel funereal and boring." In my line of work you're lucky if you have a good Bishop (as we do) for a boss, but you also realize that there are others in the hierarchy to whom you must answer as well. The chain of bosses doesn't end there and many times includes the thousands of souls who are entrusted to your care. Yes, it is a company filled with bosses! It's a job where you're always held under a microscope and of late has received the most horrendous of press. Sounds like a pretty lousy job.

And yet I wonder why it is that I feel so fulfilled in my ministry. To be able to be with people at the most intimate moments of their lives both joyful and sometimes heart wrenching. To be able to lead others to God through praise and worship. To experience the miracle at your fingers every time you share the Eucharist with another human being. To touch hearts of young and old alike with mere words. I wonder why it is that on most mornings I awake excited about what lies ahead on any given day? I wonder what it is that makes my job so different then so many others?

And yes, I know that my job is not just a job, but it is indeed a vocation. But whatever it is or however you look at it, I thank God every day of my life for the priesthood that he has given me during these last 34 years and most especially during the last 2 in which I have served as your pastor. I am grateful for the job that I have, and I pray wholeheartedly for those who have not found the same kind of peace, happiness or fulfillment in their own walks of life. I pray that I may be able to journey with them and I invite others to journey with me on the path I have taken. I pray for those who are undecided or those who cannot find work. I pray for those who are unable to work. But above all, I give praise and glory to God for the work that he has given me to do in this wonderful job and vocation of mine! Thank you for letting me work with you!

Love,
Fr. Andrew

MEMORIALS SEPT. 2 – SEPT. 8, 2019

Altar Candle

In Memory of: Robert Phillips
(Dave/Barbara)

Mass Intentions

<u>Mon., Sept. 2</u>	*No Mass
<u>Tue., Sept. 3</u> 12:10 pm	Kara Santarelli/Pierina Carey (Santarelli/Sabia Families) Frank Blasi (Barbara Noto)
<u>Wed., Sept. 4</u> 7:00 am	Patricia Sweeney (Marcia Korman) John Henzes, Sr. (Family)
<u>Thu., Sept. 5</u> 12:10 p.m.	Joseph/Anna Berta (Jo Ann) Francis Fanucci (Family)
<u>Fri., Sept. 6</u> 7:00 am	June Preschutti (Jerry Preschutti) John Lucas (Bill/Sue Onze)
<u>Sat., Sept. 7</u> 4:00 p.m.	Robert Phillips (Wife, Amy) Peter Mondati (Frank Fiorillo/Family)
<u>Sun., Sept. 8</u> 8:00 am	Paul/Mary Ann Kotcho (Family) Ann Cascioli (Lisena Romitelli)
10:00 am	Dec'd Members of the Parish Joseph/Mary Stefin (Children)

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the sick, the suffering, the bereaved, and those who have recently died.

JUBILEE 75

During the past week I hope that you have received a letter outlining some, but not all our plans to celebrate our upcoming anniversary as a parish and the anniversary of the building of our church. In a few weeks you will be asked to assist financially. This is an extremely happy and historic time for our parish. I would never want this to be a time that places financial strain upon anyone. It is not a time for us to focus on money. It is a time to focus upon our glorious past and to look forward with great hope to a bright, fulfilling and growth filled future for Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, the round church.....

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Sunday Offering for Aug. 25, 2019 was \$6,840.50
Misc. 1,013.00
Total \$7,853.50

May God bless you for your continued support of SHJ.

BULLETIN SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We thank all our business advertisers who place ads on the back of our weekly bulletin. This weekend we acknowledge,

State Farm

Noreen Thomas, Agent

See contact info on the back.

**FAITH FORMATION OPENS
SEPTEMBER 8TH**

Faith Formation classes resume on September 8th for grades 1-12. If you have not yet registered your child(ren), please contact Mrs. Castellani at 570-383-2777 to make proper arrangements as soon as possible. A registration fee of \$20 per student is due with your application.

Children must be registered prior to September 8th start date. Thank you.



Faith Formation



BE INFORMED

Parents of Faith Formation Students, please sign up for the "Remind App" titled "Sacred Heart Kids" by **texting** this message **@dh943g3** to this number **81010**.

To receive up-to-date information regarding class schedules, parent meetings, weather cancellations, and more. Thank you!



**CELEBRATING SACRAMENTS
CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR
BAPTISM**

Colton Shevchik was baptized at Sacred Heart of Jesus on Sunday, Aug. 25th. Colton is the Son of Corey and Traci Shevchik and the Godson of Kyle Shevchik and Amy Migliorino. Congratulations to the newest member of our Sacred Heart of Jesus family!

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

First Friday Adoration will resume on Friday, September 6, 2019. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place immediately following the 7:00 a.m. mass, in our **chapel room. Exposition will continue until Noon.**

BACK TO SCHOOL

God bless all of our school children as they returned to class for another school year. We pray that our Lord will keep them safe and that they may grow in wisdom, grace and holiness. We pray also for all educators. We are blessed with wonderful teachers in our area, many of whom are our parishioners. May God continue to bless them as we entrust them with the precious lives and minds of our children.

"TOUCHED BY ADDICTION" Planning ahead

A special mass for all those who have been "Touched by Addiction" will be celebrated at SHJ, Thursday, September 26th, at 7:00 PM. The mass is being celebrated to pray for all those who are hurting because of addiction. We pray for the addict, their family members, and their friends. We pray for those who were enablers and co-dependents. We pray for the coworker and members of the community who are addicted or "Touched by Addiction." Stay tuned.



RAFFLE

UPDATE: SUMMER CASH RAFFLE

This weekend, after each mass, JoAnn Berta, and our team of volunteers will be selling tickets at the Willow St. entrance. This is a great opportunity to purchase a ticket, if you have not done so already! If you would like to be a seller, please call the parish office. Our total sales so far add up to 424 tickets. Please make your returns in a timely manner. The drawing for the Cash Raffle is set for September 14, 2019. Good Luck!!



GRAND PRIZE: \$10,000.00
SECOND PRIZE: \$2,000.00
THIRD PRIZE: \$1,000.00
FOURTH PRIZE: \$500.00
PLUS TEN PRIZES OF \$200.00
ONLY 500 TICKETS TO BE SOLD!!

DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

The Diocese of Scranton will participate in the seventh annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children on Saturday, Sept. 14 when pro-life Americans will honor the memory of the nearly 60 million unborn victims of abortion since its legalization in 1973. Diocesan observances on Sept. 14 will include a Memorial Service for Victims of Abortion to be held at 11 a.m. at Mount Olivet Remembrance Day for Abortion Victims Cemetery, 612 Mount Olivet Road, Carverton. The pro-life gathering will take place at Mount Olivet's Wyoming Valley Knights of Columbus "Tomb for the Unborn," located on the top of the hill on the cemetery grounds. During the memorial observance, the Rosary will be recited in remembrance of all aborted babies. All faithful are invited. For more information, contact Ada Magni at (570-693-1338).

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday to our longtime music minister, Ernie Mengoni who celebrates his birthday on Wednesday, September 4th. We would never want to embarrass Ernie by revealing his age, but suffice to say that for many years most major highways had this number as the speed limit. God bless you Ernie and thank you for all that you do to make our liturgies so beautiful.



ATTN: NEWLY REGISTERED PARISHIONERS

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish welcomes all and are thrilled by the increase in recent registrations to our parish. However, we have been asked to remind parishioners who are transferring from another parish of the courtesy that they may want to extend to the parish from which they transfer by informing them that you have made the move to SHJ. This will help to make current census statistics more accurate for all of our area parishes. And again, welcome to the round church where there is room for everyone!