

Memorials October 16 – October 22, 2017

Tabernacle Lamp, Altar Candles, Bread & Wine

In Memory of R.J. Gorton by Catherine & Virgil Sebastianelli

Mass Intentions October 16 – October 22, 2017

Monday, October 16

* No Mass

Tuesday, October 17

*12:10 am Eugene Geeza by Elie Sinawa

Wednesday, October 18

*7:00 am Yolanda Angeli by Shelia & PJ Sheftz

Thursday, October 19

*12:10 am Carmella Cicilioni by Orlando Cicilioni

Friday, October 20

*7:00 am Helen Lesnefsky by Frank Lesnefsky & family

Saturday, October 21

4:00 pm Tom O'Malley by Family

Sunday, October 22

8:00 am Frank Pazzaglia by Frank & Diane

10:00 am Helen & John Fanucci by Beverly & Sal

Remember in Your Prayers

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the sick, the suffering, the bereaved, and the recently deceased.



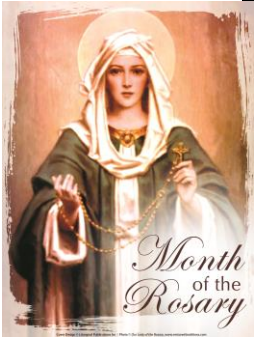
Sunday Offertory Collection for October 8, 2017

Sunday Offertory **\$6,835.00**

Number of Parish Envelopes Used - 376

We offer many thanks to all who are supporting Sacred Heart Parish by the consistent use of their offertory envelopes.

Respect Life Month



October is Respect Life Month and the month of the Holy Rosary. This month, the rosary will be recited 25 minutes before the weekend and daily masses with the special intention of praying for the end of abortion and the protection of all human life.

"40 Days for Life" - From now until November 3 the rosary will be prayed each weekday, Monday

thru Friday, at 9am in front of the offices of Planned Parenthood, 63 N. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre for the special intention of ending abortion. This international pro-life campaign draws attention to the evil of abortion through prayer & fasting, constant vigil, and community outreach. For more information, visit: www.40daysforlife.com.



Installation Mass for Fr. Andy

This weekend at the 10am Mass, Msgr. Muldowny, Vicar General, will come to officially install Fr. Andy as the new Pastor here at Sacred Heart. Please join us afterwards in the auditorium for some light refreshments to welcome Fr. Andy. All are welcome!

A Word from Fr. Andrew

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

I'm sure that you've heard of them all! There is Lourdes and Guadalupe. Even more recently appearances in Croatia. Some doubt and others fall on their knees in awe. Some will claim the most famous appearance of all was that which took place to three small children in Portugal in 1917. Of course, I am talking about the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima. This past Friday, October 13, we celebrated the 100th anniversary of these apparitions. Whether it be in Mexico or Portugal the message of our Blessed Mother is always the same. It is a message which reminds us that God is bigger than we are and that there are still some things that cannot be explained in this very cynical world.

The message is simple. It is a message rooted in the gospel. It is a message which calls us to turn toward Christ. To give our lives to Christ. To listen to Christ. And in doing this, we find hope, serenity and peace. In putting Christ first in our lives we turn away from sinfulness and we recognize a power much greater than ourselves who promises salvation. As we celebrate this 100th anniversary of Mary's appearance at Fatima, the challenge remains the same as it did a century ago. PRAY! PRAY! If it's been a long time since you said a rosary — or even a long time since you've sat down and really prayed — this would be a great time to begin again. May be its time to humble ourselves and pick up a rosary or keep it in our pocket or pray a Hail Mary and ask our Blessed Mother to "pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death." Prayer is the greatest way of all to surrender ourselves totally to God. Prayer will help us find God in ways that we never expect.

Love, Fr. Andy

Commemoration & Memorial Gifts to Your Parish

Last week's request for a new Book of the Gospels and Romal Missal to be used at our liturgies has been answered. We are grateful to our generous donors William and Deborah Dunstone who made their gift in Memory of our former pastor, Rev. Santino J. Fanucci.

Daily Masses

Please note that our daily mass schedule has been updated recently. Tuesday and Thursdays, mass is celebrated at 12:10. There continues to be a marked increase in attendance at that mass. Mass is also celebrated during the week at 7:00 on Wednesdays and Fridays. The novena to St. John Newman and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton follows the Wednesday morning mass. All are welcome!

Mass Book Opens

Beginning Monday morning, October 23rd at 9:30am, the Mass Schedule Book for 2018 will be open and available at the parish office. Monday will be designated for scheduling Masses in-person only. To schedule masses by phone, please wait until Tuesday morning beginning at 9:30am.

Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

This weekend each of the parishes of each of the dioceses of Pennsylvania will pray the Prayer of Consecration to Our

Lady of Fatima. **Prayer:** Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, and tender Mother of all people, I consecrate myself to your Immaculate Heart, and recommend to you my family, my country, and the whole human race. Please accept my consecration, dearest Mother, and use me as you wish, to accomplish your designs upon the world. O Immaculate Heart of Mary, Queen of Heaven and earth, rule over me, and teach me how to allow the Heart of Jesus to rule and triumph in me and around me, as it has ruled and triumphed in you. Amen.

World Mission Sunday Next Weekend

Next week, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Each year, the entire Church is invited to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the poorest of the poor.



Next Weekend is In-Pew Commitment Weekend

Although scheduled for this weekend, our in-pew solicitation for this year's Diocesan Annual Appeal will take place next weekend. If you have not made a contribution or pledge as of yet, please consider doing so--prayerfully and with an open mind and heart. Your participation is needed and always greatly appreciated. You are also invited to list your personal prayer intentions on the inside pledge form and to attend a special Mass of Thanksgiving to be held at St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, on Sunday, November 26, at 10:00 a.m. Your intention will be remembered at this Mass celebrated by Bishop Joseph C. Bambera. Prayer intentions are welcome whether or not you make a gift to the Diocesan Annual Appeal. Thank you.

Important Confirmation Dates

Please remember our Confirmation candidates and their sponsors in your prayers this Tuesday.

Tuesday, Oct 17 – Confirmation Mass, 5:00pm at Visitation of the BVM - Candidates + sponsors arrive by 4:15pm.

Sun, Oct 22 - 11:00am to Noon - Resume normal high school class schedule

Wedding Anniversary ~ Congratulations!

We congratulate Mr. & Mrs. Stephen C. Novajosky who celebrate 71 years of marriage on October 16th. We wish them many more blessings and joys in the years to come!

Designer Purse Bingo Fundraiser – November 5th

Sunday, November 5th from 3pm-6pm. Doors open at 2pm. We are grateful for our new Sponsors: the Kubic & Skapyak Families, and Legacy Sponsor, Joan Rognoni. We are very grateful for those who have come forward so far to donate baked goods and gift baskets! For tickets & donations, call Pam Savitski at 489-1965. Next planning meeting is Monday, Oct 23 at 6pm in the auditorium. As a reminder, sponsors please submit forms by this Wednesday, Oct 18th.

8th Annual Roast Beef Dinner & Cash Raffle Fundraiser

Our take-out dinner will be held next Sunday, October 22nd from 11am to 2pm. Cash Raffle Prizes: \$1,000, \$500, \$250, \$150, and \$100. Dinner tickets are available in the main vestibule of the church before and after all weekend masses this weekend thru next Saturday, October 21st. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$14 at the door. Tickets and a limited supply of additional cash raffle chances are also available at the Parish office Monday - Friday 9am- 4:30pm. Please send in your cash raffle tickets by this Friday, Oct. 20th. The cash raffle drawing will take place at 2pm. **Homemade Cakes Needed!** The Roast Beef Dinner Committee is asking for homemade cakes for the dinner on October 22nd. If you are able to make a cake it would be greatly appreciated! Sign-up sheets are available at the entrances of the church. Since this year's dinner is take out only we are requesting the cakes be brought to the auditorium on Saturday, Oct. 21st between 3pm and 5:30pm. Thank you!

Fund Raiser Book Sale

St. Thomas More Catholic Parish at St. Joseph Church will hold its 5th Annual Fund Raiser Book Sale. It will be held at St. Joseph Parish Hall, 1625 North Main Ave, Scranton on Saturday, October 21 from 9am until 2pm in the lower level of the Church. Over 1,000 books for all ages! Lunch and baked goods will be available for purchase.

Holy Cross High School Open House

Catch Our Spirit! Holy Cross High School cordially invites you to our OPEN HOUSE to be held Sunday, October 29 from 12pm – 3pm at 501 East Drinker St. Dunmore. Holy Cross High School continues the rich heritage of Catholic secondary education within the Diocese of Scranton. Our high school provides each student with the opportunity to reach their fullest potential and promises to help them fulfill their future goals. Academic excellence joined to the promotion of a truly Catholic life of faith and morals is still the only purpose of Holy Cross High School.

Learning – Growth – Integrity – Service – Leadership

500: The Reformation and Its Consequences

This year we mark the 500th year of the Protestant Reformation. Misericordia University in Dallas will host "500: The Reformation and Its Consequences," a series of panel discussions to be presented over the course of four days during Oct. 16-19. All panel presentations will be held in Sandy and Marlene Insalaco Hall, Rooms 218-219, on the Misericordia campus. Series includes topics and speakers such as "The Reformation and Its Consequences: Scholarly Perspectives; The Reformation in Our World: Ordained Responses, Monsignor Vincent Grimalia, "The Reformation Inside-Out: Reflections from Contemporary Protestant Converts to Catholicism," Father Eric Bergman. For more information, please contact Christopher M. Carr at (570) 674-6739 or ccarr@misericordia.edu.

Finance Council Meeting- There will be a council meeting on Thursday, Oct. 19 at 7p in the rectory conference room.