Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

1101 Willow St., Peckville, PA OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday 9 am - 4:00 pm (570)383-3244



PASTOR: Rev. Andrew Kurovsky

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Mrs. Gayle Castellani ASSISTANT: Mrs. Betsy Kondrat

OFFICE MANAGER: Ms. Colleen Hart DIRECTOR OF LITURGICAL MUSIC: Mr. Ernest Mengoni

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 pm Sunday - 8:00 am & 10:00 am **Tues & Thurs - 12:10 pm; Wed & Fri 7:00 am**

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:30 pm, or by appointment

OFFICE EMAIL: shjoffice@shjpeck.org PASTOR'S EMAIL: FrAndy@shjpeck.org WEBSITES: www.SacredHeartPeckville.org, FAITH FORMATION CENTER: 570-383-2777

MEMORIALS SEPT. 10 - SEPT. 16, 2018

Altar Candle

In Memory of: Alfred/Susan Bonanni (Family)

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Sept. 10

*No Mass

Tuesday, Sept. 11

12:10 pm Rev. Robert Onze (Irene Shebaugh)

Wednesday, Sept. 12

7:00 am Mary Angeloni (Angeloni Family)

2:30 pm Lackawanna Rehab

Thursday, Sept. 13

12:10 pm Teresa Gasparini (Family)

Flo Tallo (Ceil/AnnMarie/Loretta)

Friday, Sept. 14

7:00 am Steve Kuzmick (Mike/Elaine Henzes)

Robert Alimenti (M/M Frank Paparelli)

Saturday, Sept. 15

4:00 pm Dec'd Members of the Tracewski Family

(Richard/Dolores)

A.J Veno (M/M Richard LaRussa)

Sunday, Sept. 16

8:00 am Dec'd Members of the Parish

John Oliveri (Dad/Mom)

10:00 am Marie Varzaly (Husband)

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Sunday Offering for Sept. 02, 2018 was \$7,550.50 May God bless you for your continued support of SHJ

PASTORAL MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.. We will meet in a classroom at the Parish Center. Please make every effort to attend.

CONFESSIONS

Please note the time change for Saturday confessions, **3:00 –3:30 pm.** This is necessitated so as to allow the presider time to prepare adequately for the beginning of 4:00 pm mass. Thank you.

HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS

Hospital visitation is a very important part of every parish's ministry. It frequently happens that we have parishioners hospitalized for significant periods of time about whom we never hear. When a family member or friend is admitted to a hospital, please call the parish office if you think he or she may welcome a visit, blessing, or the anointing of the sick.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today we continue to hear the Gospel of Mark proclaimed. In today's reading, Jesus heals a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment. This is a story about Jesus' healing power, and in it we find clues about our understanding of sacrament. We are struck by the physical means used to heal the man, the use of spittle and touch. The Church continues to celebrate the sacraments using physical means. In the Sacrament of Baptism, water and oil are used to show the power of the Holy Spirit. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, we are anointed with holy oil on the forehead and the hands. In the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. We are a sacramental people who believe that God's grace is given to us through these physical signs.

Some, however, see in this Gospel an image of the proclamation of the good news of Jesus to the Gentiles. The geographic references tell us that Jesus is journeying through Gentile territory. Jesus had previously visited this region and healed a person possessed by a demon. Jesus was already famous there, which explains why people brought the deaf man to him. The story that precedes this reading in Mark's Gospel sets the stage. Jesus encounters a Gentile, a Syrophoenician woman who asks him to heal her demon-possessed daughter. Jesus engages her in a dialogue about not feeding to dogs the food intended for children. Jesus is struck by the woman's great faith when she replies that even dogs eat the food that falls from the table, and he heals her daughter immediately. The faith of this Greek woman compels Jesus to respond to her plea.

Mark shows that Jesus' own mission affirms the early Church's mission to the Gentiles. This was a significant issue to the early Christian community, which found that the good news of Jesus took root and spread quickly among the Gentiles. Yet there is an irony in the story of healing that Mark tells. Jesus gives the man the gift of speech, but then tells him not to use it. Jesus asks that the news of his healing power, which is evidence of his identity as the Messiah, not be spread. This is a recurring motif in Mark's Gospel and is sometimes called the "messianic secret."

REMEMBERING 9/11

May all of us remember with love and compassion this day. May we grieve with those who still mourn and share memories with those who cannot forget. May we draw strength from those who bravely responded and gave their lives to save others. May we stand with strangers who became neighbors that day, and remember their generosity and hospitality. Above all, God, may we remember your faithfulness and learn to trust in your unfailing love.

FAITH FORMATION OPENS SEPTEMBER 9TH

Faith Formation classes resume on September 9th 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. Please keep in mind that Diocesan guidelines require a two-year participation in a faith formation program prior to receiving a sacrament.

Class Times

Grades 1-4 9:00am to 9:50am Grades 5-8 11:00am to Noon Grades 9-12 11:00am to Noon

The Faith Formation program is offered to families that are registered members of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. If you would like to become a member, please contact Colleen at the parish office at 570-383-3244.

Children must be registered prior to September 9th start date. Thank you.



Rocket into Scouting

Pack 34, Jessup

Thursday, September 13th, 2018
Between 6:30-8:00PM for Sign Up
Valley View Elementary Center, Peckville
All Newly Registered Scouts K thru 5th
Grade will receive a Free Model Rocket
Kit

Pro-rated Registration Fee is \$11.00 (Additional Pack Fees will be explained) For more Information or to Register call Mark at 570-489-9385

Leave a message if there is no answer

BATON TWIRLING

Baton Twirling Lessons will begin at the Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall in Throop on Tuesdays at 5:00 PM. Children 4 years and older are welcome. For more information or to register, please call 570-489-1935 or visit doublertwirl.com.

PURSE BINGO

SHJ 2nd Annual Purse Bingo will be held on Sunday, November 4, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. in Holy Family Hall. Tickets will go on sale in September. Please watch the bulletin for more information and ticket sales!

CHICK-CHICK-CHICKEN DINNER LOTS OF FOOD FOR A LITTLE SCRATCH!

<u>EAT!</u> BUILD COMMUNITY! <u>EAT!</u> COME AS A FAMILY OR JOIN SOMEONE ELSE! <u>EAT!</u> BRING A FRIEND OR TAKE IT HOME! <u>EAT!</u> BREAK BREAD TOGETHER! <u>EAT!</u>

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, 1101 Willow St., Peckville is hosting its First Annual Eat -In or Take - Out Chicken Dinner on Sunday, September 16, 2018. Dinner seating from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Take-outs available beginning at 11:00 am. DeLeo's Catering is providing this delicious meal which includes, 1/2 roasted chicken, baked potato, green beans, cole slaw, a roll, and homemade desserts from our parishioners! Tickets are \$12.00 in advance and will be available before and after all masses beginning August 18th. **Tickets will not be sold at the door.** All are welcome!

** The Chicken Dinner committee is looking for bakers for our chicken dinner. Homemade goodies always make better desserts! Perhaps you are going to submit a cake recipe for our upcoming parish cookbook and would

like to provide a tasting at our chicken dinner! If you can bake a cake or pie, please contact Cindy Campbell at 570-383-4888.



WANTED: YOUR BEST RECIPES

Do you have a family favorite recipe? Do you have a favorite go-to meal when company is coming? Do you have any "meals in minutes" recipes? How about favorite home-made desserts? We need them all! The fundraiser committee has begun preparation on a custom Cookbook fea-

turing "tried and true" recipes from our fellow parishioners and friends. The cookbook will be professionally published and is sure to be a treasured keepsake. Please pick up a "Recipe Collection Sheet" located on the table near each entrance of the church, and be sure to follow the instructions provided. Place completed "Recipe Collection Sheet" in an envelope marked "Cookbook Recipe" and place in the collection basket at any mass. Send in as many as you wish!

PASTA DINNER

St. Lucy's Church, 949 Scranton St., Scranton, will be having their annual "Take Out Penne Pasta" dinner on Thursday, September 20, 2018 from 3:00—7:00 pm. Dinners include: penne pasta, meatballs, salad, bread and dessert (containers will be provided). Dinners can be picked up in the church auditorium, or drive thru is available in the church parking lot. Dinners are \$10.00 each.