

Memorials Donated for Week of July 18-24, 2016

Tabernacle Lamp, Altar Candles, and Bread & Wine
In Memory of John D. Liberty by wife Ann Marie & children

Mass Intentions for July 18-24, 2016

Monday, July 18th

6:50 am Josephine Borys by Theresa Konecny



Tuesday, July 19th

6:50 am Michalena DeMatteo by Ida Taramelli

Wednesday, July 20th

6:50 am Mary Lund by Rosemary & Harry Pearce

Thursday, July 21st

6:50 am August & Palma Gambini by Nordi & Joan

Friday, July 22nd

6:50 am Joseph & Lillian Neri by Barb Ricketts

Saturday, July 23rd

4:00 pm Nick Burda by Family

Sunday, July 24th

8:00 am Caitlin Cwikla by Family

10:00 am Helen & John Fanucci by Children

Remember in Your Prayers

Please pray for the sick, the suffering, the bereaved and the recently deceased: Ronnie Joseph Gorton.

Collection for last Weekend: July 10, 2016

354 Sunday Offertory Envelopes \$7,078.50

We sincerely thank all who are consistently using their regular offertory envelopes or prearranged bank checks to support the work and mission of Sacred Heart Parish. We also commend those who are being conscientious to their commitments through our ongoing Parish Care Campaign.



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing." Martha was caught up in a whirlwind of her own making. She stressed herself out with all the tasks and chores she thought she had to do to host Jesus, but Jesus wasn't the one who expected all of that. He just wanted Martha's presence, her company and friendship. His only expectation was that Martha would prepare for him her heart, but she was fixated on primarily preparing her home instead.

How often do we create a similar whirlwind in our lives? How often do we fixate on external details, on making a good impression, on having all appearances looking just so, but forget what really matters? How often do we make ourselves "anxious and worried" about all we think we have to do? In today's Gospel Jesus calls us to curtail the frenetic activity of our lives to pause and listen, imitating Mary "who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak." This can seem impossible. We look at our calendars and our to-do lists and cannot find a single slot in which to squeeze quiet prayer or silent spiritual listening. But Jesus asks us to reorganize our priorities. He tells us, "There is need of only one thing." Really, Jesus? Have you seen our lists!? What can we possibly eliminate? Don't we need to do all of this?

The Lord says no. What we need to do is to make time to be with him. The same Lord who turned water into wine and fed five thousand men with five loaves of bread and two fish can also multiply our time. So instead of being like Martha who tried to tell Jesus to tell Mary to help her--let's be like Mary who listened to what Jesus had to say.

St. Ann's Novena July 17-26



The Annual Novena Devotions to St. Ann will be prayed here at Sacred Heart after all Masses from Sun, July 17 thru Tues, July 26 with those who remain after the closing song. For those who cannot attend, Catholic Television will broadcast the novena at various times each day from St. Ann's Monastery. Please consult your local listings for the various novena times.

Women's Day of Reflection



The Scranton Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will conduct a Day of Reflection on Wednesday, August 3rd at the Villa of Our Lady Retreat House in Mt Pocono. Msgr Vincent Grimalia, Chaplain of St. Luke's Villa will conduct the retreat. The topic is "Jubilee Year of Mercy." The retreat will begin at 8:30am and end by 2pm. A continental breakfast and luncheon will be served. The cost is \$35. All Catholic women are invited to attend. Please send your reservation with payment to Helen Oravec, 814 Theresa St. Peckville. Reservation deadline - July 25th. Contact Mary Lloyd at 578-6720 for more information.

Our Parish Ministry News

Our Prayer Line Ministry - Our parish Prayer Line Ministry is here to support you in prayer. We welcome you to send us your requests by contacting the parish office or by submitting your request through our parish website by clicking on the 'Submit a Prayer Request' tab.



Are you feeling called to pray for others, the intentions of our parish or a fellow parishioner? Our Prayer Line Ministry consists of parishioners who offer daily prayers for those who call in with requests. Young and old alike, we all can make a difference in the lives of others through our prayerful support. If you are interested in learning more about this important ministry please call the parish office or come and join us at our upcoming meeting on **Monday, August 1st at 6:30pm** in the Rectory conference room. The purpose for the meeting is to offer initial and ongoing formation for new and current members. Let's pray for each other!

Our Greeters Ministry Meeting -The next greeters meeting will be held on **Wednesday, July 27th at 6:30pm** in the Rectory Conference Room. We continue to look for additional volunteers who enjoy welcoming others. Parishioners interested in this ministry or coming to the meeting are invited to call the parish office for more info.



Summer Cash Raffle Winners

We offer many thanks to all who supported the Summer Cash Raffle this year. Tickets sold were 355. The prizes amounted to 16,000.00, postage was 329.00 and drawing expenses added up to 27.00. Net profit for our parish was \$19,144.00. We especially thank our sellers who sold multiple tickets, including PJ Gillott who sold 22!



\$10,000 WINNER

Dom York III of Moosic

Seller: \$250 - Joyce York of Peckville

\$2,000 - Helen Romanosky of Peckville

\$1,000 - Louise Spindler of Archbald

\$500 - Vince Angeloni Family of Peckville

\$250 - Eileen Soranno of Peckville

\$200 Winners (10)

Ken Prevish of Peckville

John Tallo of Peckville

Ann Carol Solomon of Peckville

Nancy Rabel of Peckville

Lori Mondak of Peckville

Frank Marciano of Peckville

Geno DeAngelis of Peckville

Barbara Kochis of Peckville

Debbie & Paul Rydzik of Endwell, NY

Kathy Saita of Throop

Parish Flea & Food Fest

This Annual Fundraiser is set for August 13th - 15th. Saturday- 8am to 6pm; Sun & Mon - 8am to 4pm. The collection days for saleable donations will be July 30th thru Aug 10th. Many volunteers are needed...there is a job for everyone! Help is needed with organizing and pricing items. **All those available to offer their time are welcome to come and help on Monday August 1st beginning at 10am.** Please call the parish office or Mike & Elaine Henzes at 570-383-8677. Thank you in advance for helping with this important fundraiser!

Flea Fest Pasta & Meatball Dinner- Sunday, Aug 14th.

PASTA Take-Out by DeLeo's Catering, after the 10am Mass until 3pm. Tickets are \$10. *Please purchase your tickets in advance.* Dinner ticket purchases will be available after all the masses on upcoming weekends. Tickets are also available at the parish office until Aug 10th.

Neighborhood Crime Watch Night Out

Blakely/Peckville Neighborhood Crime Watch along with Blakely Police Department will host Night Out on Friday August 5th. Parade 7pm, Assembly at 6:15pm Blakely Hose Co. 2nd Street in Blakely. Festivities to follow parade at Blakely Borough Recreation Complex, 100 Keystone Ave in Peckville. Free food, water, cookies, cupcakes Bouncy House, Face Painting, Music Fun for all! Come support our efforts to reduce crime and to meet your Blakely Borough

Police and other agencies throughout the county!

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Annual Conference

Our Diocesan Catholic Charismatic Renewal is sponsoring its 34th annual conference at the University of Scranton during the weekend of July 29-August 1. This year's theme is from Mt 28:19, "*Go and Make Disciples*". The focus will be on Jesus as the face of Mercy. The Conference will feature a variety of inspiring speakers and uplifting music. Mass is celebrated each afternoon. A well-stocked book/gift store will be available. Separate tracks for Children and Youth are also available. The full-weekend Registration Fee is \$50 up to and including July 18 and \$65 after July 18. Single-day registration is also available. For more info including registration forms, contact the CCR Office: 344-2214, email ccrenewal@comcast.net; or go to www.ccrscranton.org.

Conscience Protection Bill

WASHINGTON--Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan and Archbishop William E. Lori - as chairmen of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities and Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty, respectively - commended the U.S. House of Representatives for passing the Conscience Protection Act of 2016 (S. 304) on July 13 in a 245-182 bipartisan vote. "We are grateful to House Speaker Paul Ryan for bringing the Conscience Protection Act to a vote, to all the co-sponsors for their leadership, and to those members of both parties who support the civil right of conscience," Cardinal Dolan and Archbishop Lori said. "Even those who disagree on the life issue should be able to respect the conscience rights of those who wish not to be involved in supporting abortion." If enacted into law, the Conscience Protection Act "will ensure that those providing much-needed health care and health coverage can continue to do so without being forced to help destroy innocent unborn children," they wrote. "It will also provide an effective remedy to victims of abortion coercion." "The vast majority of medical personnel - and 85% of OB-GYNs, specifically - do not want to be involved in abortion. Whether their reasons are religious or non-religious, their conscientious objection to abortion is worthy of the highest respect and protection," they said. The Conscience Protection Act offers much-needed protection for religious employers, as well. "In light of disturbing recent developments, even churches and religious organizations are being required to cover abortions in violation of their beliefs," they said. "We now urge Congress to move this vital legislation forward as part of this year's must-pass appropriations package," Cardinal Dolan and Archbishop Lori said. Please pray for the passage of this important legislation in the Senate.

Shopa-Davey Chicken BBQ

Shopa-Davey VFW will conduct a chicken BBQ at the Post home, 123 Electric St. Peckville on July 24th. Serving will be from 11am to 4pm or until sold out. Tickets will be \$10 available from a member or at the door. Eat in or take out.