June 12, 2016

Memorials Donated for the Week of June 13th-19th, 2016

Tabernacle Lamp and Bread & Wine

In Memory of Joseph Sochotsky by wife Jean

Altar Candles

In Memory of Barbara Mancuso by Family

Mass Intentions for June 13th - 19th, 2016

Monday, June 13th

6:50 am Elaine Mengoni by Dr. & Mrs. Joe Ercolani

Tuesday, June 14th

6:50 am Edward Miles by Family

Wednesday, June 15th

6:50 am Donna Wilson by Mom & Family

Thursday, June 16th

6:50 am John E. Caterina by Joe Caterina

Friday, June 17th

6:50 am Janet Shaute by Bob & Laurie Stasak

Saturday, June 18th

4:00 pm Father's Day Intentions

Sunday, June 19th

8:00 am Father's Day Intentions 10:00 am Father's Day Intentions

Remember in Your Prayers

Please pray for the sick, the suffering, the bereaved and the who recently deceased

Collection for last Weekend: June 5, 2016

324 Sunday Offertory Envelopes	\$5,794.50
Sunday Cash Offerings	209.00
8 Other operating income envelopes	97.00
Total operating income	\$6,100.50

Collection for Care & Education of Priests \$582.50

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 Parish Care Campaign.

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Bringing an alabaster flask of ointment, she stood behind him at his feet weeping and began to bathe his feet with her tears." This woman gave everything she had to

Jesus in her courageous display of public repentance. The flask of ointment, for starters, was undoubtedly very expensive. To anoint Jesus in this way was to pamper him with a luxury. Thus she honored Jesus with the best gift she could give. But more than this external offering, the woman also "gave" Jesus her tears. She wept for her sins, for the hope of forgiveness, and for his love. She literally poured herself out before Jesus as she revealed the depths of her soul. Also, to wipe his feet with her hair was to give the gift of her humility. Cleaning someone's feet is a lowly task to begin with; but to use her own hair for the job revealed that she did not think of herself as "too good." Simon the Pharisee, on the other hand, had exactly that problem. Jesus

used the opportunity to distinguish between those who love much, and those who love little. The self-righteous, like Simon, have little room in their hearts for love of others because they are so full of the love of themselves. They feel they have nothing to repent for. This woman, however, acknowledged her weakness humbly and was all the more ready and willing to love. We, of course, are challenged to be as generous, courageous, and humble as this sinful woman. We are called not to compare our sins to the sins of others that are worse, but rather to honestly recognize where we have failed. Then like this woman, we can show great love to Christ by giving him the very best of what we have.

Word of Life - "In the wake of the so-called sexual revolution, many have been hurt by their own sins, the sins of others, confusion, and broken relationships and families...No wound is so deep, however, as to be out of the reach of Christ's redeeming grace." — "Create in Me a Clean Heart: A Pastoral Response to Pornography," USCCB

A Remarkable Birthday for Age 11

One of our very faithful altar servers recently celebrated her 11th birthday by sending party invitations that said no gifts, but donations are welcome for promoting suicide awareness. More than \$400.00 was collected for the cause in memory of her late uncle Ricky.

We congratulate Neve Skapyak on her amazing birthday generosity and thoughtfulness and bringing great pride to her parents, Heather and Michael as well as her grandparents, Marilyn and Richard Kubic. Way to go, Neve!

Diocesan Wedding Celebrations



We sincerely congratulate our parishioners who participated in the renewal of nuptial vows last Sunday at the Cathedral in Scranton. Our best wishes and prayerful support go out to the

following coup-les: Anthony & Margaret Freda- 50th, Michael & Elaine Henzes- 50th, Edward & Diane Sumski - 25th, Michael & Donna Fazio 25th. May the God of all covenants keep them and their marital covenants in his constant care and grace for many years to come.

Greeters Ministry



Since beginning our new Greeter's ministry last month, we have heard a lot of positive feedback from both our greeters and parishioners on the fruits of this ministry. Our purpose for instituting this ministry was to respond to the need of our parish to be a more

welcoming community of faith and to feel a clearer sense of family and communal worship. Since then, our greeters have shared stories of fellow parishioners recognizing them and saying hello while out around town. One greeter shared "when I saw this person, they said "Hello! You're a greeter at our church. Now its my turn to greet you!" Both greeters and parishioners have shared heart-warming stories of the blessings of getting to know one another in the parish through this ministry. What a wonderful example of how

acts of service and kindness can bring people into a greater sense of community. We hope to continue to build this wonderful new ministry with more volunteers. Please contact Mary Beth at the parish office if you would like to become a part of this ministry of community and service.

Upcoming Summer Fundraisers

Please save the dates and come join us! Support our parish events which fund our designated improvements.

Summer Flea & Food Festival - Volunteer Meeting

Our **Summer Flea & Food Fest** will be held in the parish auditorium on Saturday, Sunday, *and Monday*, August 13th-15th. Saturday 8am to 6pm, Sunday and Monday 8am to 4pm. Volunteers are needed, there is a job for



everyone! There will be a short meeting for volunteers on Wednesday, June 15th at 7:30pm. All those interested in offering their time are welcome. Please call the parish office if you are unable

to attend the meeting but would like to come and help. The event will be chaired once again by Elaine and Michael Henzes along with Nancy Boyce heading up the kitchen. Collection Dates will be July 30 - August 10. Please leave items under the canopy on the Mott Street side of the building. For larger items, please call the parish office at 383-3244 to make arrangements. Suggested items as donations include old jewelry, small pieces of furniture, plant stands, coats (adult & children), quilts/spreads, new unused toiletry items, unused gifts. We plan to have a home for everything and any unsold items will be donated to local charities. We will not be accepting clothing, curtains/draperies, or encyclopedias.



Summer Cash Raffle

You should have received your Summer Cash Raffle mailing this week. Please read the enclosed flyer for other pertinent

information and the focus of our efforts this year. Those who feel unable to afford the \$100 ticket are encouraged to ask other family members or friends to chip in together—and of course share any winnings that may result. The drawing for the Cash Raffle is set for Sunday, July 10th at 11:15 am in the rectory conference room. This summer we focus our major improvement fundraising on completing the church soffitt work and covering the areas with heavy enameled aluminum work. We also need to start saving up for some serious renovations that will be needed in our parking areas in the next three to five years.

Roast Beef Dinner

Our Annual Parish Roast Beef Dinner is slated for Sunday, October 2nd in the auditorium with take-outs beginning at 11am and seated dining from 12:00 noon with final seating at 3:00 pm. Please saved the dates and plan on supporting these parish events which fund our designated improvements.

The Mission of Faith Media Rack

Check out our New Selections on our Faith Media Rack this weekend! New titles include: 7 Secrets of St. Joseph for Dads, *The Logic of Being Catholic, & Prayer Our Deepest Longing*.

Fatima Centennial U.S. Tour for Peace



The world-famous International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima under the auspice of the World Apostolate of Fatima USA will visit the Diocese of Scranton on June 19, 20, 21, 2016. The statue has visited more than 100 countries, including

Russia and China, bringing the great message of salvation and hope, "the peace plan from Heaven," to countless millions of people. The International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima will visit St. Paul Parish in Scranton on Monday, June 20. For more information, please see this week's edition of the Catholic Light or visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/shjpeckville.

Valley View Blood Drive



The Valley Blood Council of the American Red Cross will host a blood drive this Thursday, June 16th from 12-5pm at the Eagle Hose Company on Eagle Lane in Dickson City. Sponsors for the drive are Eagle Hose Co. of Dickson City, St.

Mary's Church, Dickson City, NBT Bank of Dickson City and VBC. Donors must be at least 17 years old and weigh 110 lbs. 16 year olds may now doante with special parental permission. The drive will be in honor of all Volunteer Fireman. One unit of Blood is a special gift that may touch the lives of up to three hospital patients! Please answer the call to donate.

Blakely Borough - JuneFest

Blakely/Peckville Recreation Committee will be holding their Annual JuneFest on Friday and Saturday, June 24-25 from 4pm-11pm at the Ritz Tech Building 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., Peckville. Good food, beverages, games for kids, fun for all! Parade on Friday, June 24 at 6:30pm and fireworks on Saturday, June 25 near the Ritz Tech Building at Dusk. The Office of Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Scranton is hosting an outdoor family movie night experience for all to enjoy this summer while raising funds for the Diocesan Catholic School System.

Spring Concert



Come and enjoy "Celebrating Songs of Faith, Hope, and Love" featuring the St. Ann's Basilica Parish Choir in concert this Sunday, June 12th at 2pm in the basilica sanctuary of St.

Ann's, located on St. Ann's St. in West Scranton. Singers and instrumentalists will perform a variety of secular, contemporary and sacred music. Concert is offered free to the public.

<u>Valley View Summer Book Sale-</u> Something for Everyone! Wed and Thurs, June 22-23 10am-8pm, Valley View Elementary Center, 901 Main Street in Peckville.

Quo Vadis Days

Quo Vadis Days 2016 is a camp for young Catholic men in High School (9-12th grade). The camp offers young men the opportunity to deepen their faith, learn more about all vocations, and better discern God's call in their lives. The camp will feature dynamic talks, prayer, games, sports, activities, and music. Participants will have the opportunity to meet priests and seminarians of the Diocese of Scranton. All participants are required to get a letter of recommendation from a priest, deacon, director of religious education, or youth minister to register. Dates: June 26-29; Location: Misericordia University, Dallas; Register through the Diocese of Scranton Office of Vocations: by phone (570) 207-1452 or online at www.scrantonvocations.com.

Circle Drive in Event

The Diocesan Schools Office's special movie offer features the showing of the new Disney Pixar animated film "Finding Dory" on Wed, June 29th, at The Circle Drive-In Theatre, 1911 Scranton Carbondale Highway, Dickson City. Gates open at 7pm, movie starts at 8:45pm. Slated to be released on June 17th, "Finding Dory" is a sequel to the 2003 hit "Finding Nemo," which won an Academy Award for best animated feature. The drive-in movie showing is open to the public. Cost is \$10 per car, and proceeds will benefit the Catholic Schools Tuition Assistance Program in the Diocese. Price of admission includes one free soda and small order of popcorn per person. The Circle concession stand will also be open for the sale of additional food and refreshments.

"World Refugee Day" - Celebration Planned

Catholic Social Services of the Diocese of Scranton, in conjunction with the Diocesan Office for Parish Life, is sponsoring a "World Refugee Day" Celebration on Sunday, June 26, 2016, from 1-4pm at Nay Aug Park in Scranton.



World Refugee Day, observed on June 20, was established by the United Nations Refugee Agency (UNHCR) to commemorate the strength, courage and resilience of millions of refugees throughout the world. In recognition of this special day, all are invited to celebrate the rich cultural heritage of the refugee communities in Northeastern Pennsylvania. The celebration will include cultural music, dance, art, an "ethnic dress" fashion show, crafts and games for children, resources from community partners, and exhibits from refugee families. Ice cream will be available, and attendees can bring a picnic. For more information, contact Sonya Sarner at Catholic Social Services, 207-2283. Life at 570- 207-2213.