

Memorials Donated for May 9 - 15, 2016

Tabernacle Lamp, Altar Candles, Bread & Wine

In Memory of Lillian Kurcin

Mass Intentions for May 9 - 15, 2016

Monday, May 9

6:50 am Lena Machelli by children

Tuesday, May 10

6:50 am Eleanor & Tony Mellow by daughters

Wednesday, May 11

6:50 am Al Berardi & deceased family members by Catherine

2:30 pm Lackawanna - Mass for the People

Thursday, May 12

6:50 am Walter Krystyniak by Irene Shebaugh & son

Friday, May 13

6:50 am Mario Remedia by daughter Ann Marie & children

Saturday, May 14

4:00 pm Ben & Mary Saita by Ben & Kathy

Sunday, May 15

8:00 am Theodore Kempa by M/M Paul Kempa & children

10:00 am John Lund by wife Mary & Family

Remember in Your Prayers

Please pray for the sick, the suffering, the bereaved and the recently deceased John Dubas.



Mother's Day honors all our mothers and their enormous sacrifices. Mother's Day encompasses more than just the honoring of those who have borne children. It is the celebration of motherhood--the divine nature of women. May we all feel a deeper appreciation for the great blessing of motherhood, not just when we celebrate Mother's Day, but everyday! Our culture of death undermines both motherhood and the God-given gift and blessing of children. May we also help the next generation reclaim and respect this incredible gift of Motherhood.

Mother's Day Respect for Life Carnation Sale



Pennsylvanians for Human Life will conduct its annual Mother's Day Carnation Sale after all the Masses this weekend. This fundraiser is intended to honor Mothers and to promote the value and dignity of human life. It also helps to raise funds to continue the chapter's pro-life work, including the operation of its Pro-Life Center. Please support this important pro-life fundraiser.

2016 Ordination to the Priesthood



On Saturday, May 28, 2016 at 10am in Saint Peter's Cathedral, Bishop Joseph Bambera will ordain Reverend Mr. Michael S. Drevitch and Reverend Mr. Joseph J. Mosley to the Order of the Priesthood. All of the faithful in the Diocese of Scranton are invited and encouraged to participate in this solemn Mass. Please pray for Deacon Michael Drevitch and Deacon Joseph Mosley as they prepare for their Priestly Ordination.

Year of Mercy Parish Pilgrimage



During this Year of Mercy and in keeping with the Church's tradition of a "Holy Door", the granting of a plenary indulgence is given to those who pass through it provided the necessary requirements are met. In an effort to allow pilgrims from all over the Diocese to enter the Holy Door and experience the mercy of God, the Cathedral has designated several Saturdays throughout the Year of Mercy for parishes to make a pilgrimage. **Our parish is on schedule to make this pilgrimage on Saturday, June 4th.** The pilgrimage begins at 9:30am at the Cathedral with morning prayer and a brief presentation on the Jubilee Year of Mercy, followed by opportunities for confession and private prayer both in the Cathedral and the Cathedral Prayer Garden. Mass will be celebrated at 12:10 pm followed by a tour of the Cathedral. Lunch will be provided in the Diocesan Pastoral Center. Cost for the pilgrimage is \$10 per person to cover the cost of lunch. Please call the parish office by **Friday, May 20th** to register for the pilgrimage. Transportation for the trip will be decided then as we gather the number of interested parishioners.

Youth for Life Art and Essay Contest




Pennsylvanians for Human Life announces its 14th annual pro-life art and essay contest. This contest is designed to reinforce an attitude of respect for all human life. Students may choose

Collection for Last Weekend: May 1, 2016

355 Sunday Offertory Envelopes	\$7,257.00
Sunday Cash Offerings	417.00
06 Other operating income envelopes	76.00
Total operating income	\$7,750.00

68 Priestly Care and Education Total \$534.00

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.



Thanks to your
Good Hearts
and
Generous Spirits
...we have surpassed
our Annual Appeal goal.

2015
DIOCESAN
ANNUAL APPEAL

Dear Friends in Christ, I wish to offer my personal appreciation and congratulations to you for your wonderful efforts in support of the 2015 Diocesan Annual Appeal. Because of your generosity, I am pleased to announce that this year's Appeal has surpassed our goal of \$5 million and that 78 parishes are

over their Annual Appeal goal. Your good hearts and generous spirits bring alive the words of Pope Francis when he calls us to "make our hearts open to goodness, make our hearts open to the beauty of God every day." Working together for the benefit of our local church, we continue to build strong parish communities of faith and service to the Lord and to each other. Thank you and God bless you, Bishop Joseph C. Bambera.

Happy Mother's Day!

Mothers are a gift from God. God knew what He was doing when He created women with the ability to nurture life.

one of two themes: 1. "Why I'm Thankful My Mom Chose Life" or 2. "How has the pro-life movement (or a pro-life individual or leader) shown love and respect for unborn babies, the elderly & disabled persons?". Students from grades 7-12 who attend public, religious, or private schools, or are home-schooled may enter. Prizes are awarded for Art and Essays. 1st prize: \$100, 2nd \$60, 3rd \$30. There are three divisions: Art, Junior Essay and Senior Essay. Contest deadline is May 11th. See the home page of www.prolifescranton.org for a contest application and further details or call 570-343-5099. Please mail entries to: Pro-Life Information Center, 506 Broadway, Scranton, PA 18505 by May 11th.

Organ Dedication Concert - Hector Olivera Organist



Born in Buenos Aires, Maestro Hector Olivera began playing the pipe organ when he was 3 years old. At age 5 he played for the legendary Eva Perón; at 12 he entered the University of Buenos Aires & by 18 had performed for heads of state and celebrities throughout Latin America. The most sophisticated and demanding organ aficionados claim that Maestro Hector Olivera is one of the greatest organists in the world today. Come and enjoy this dedication concert on Sunday, May 22nd at 4pm at Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Dickson City.

Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive

The letter carriers Food Drive is on Sat., May 14th. You can place your non-perishable donation in a bag by your mailbox and the post office will deliver them to a Local Food Bank.

Pasta Dinner



Shopa-Davey VFW Post 6082 will conduct a Pasta Dinner on May 15th, at the Post Home 123 Electric St. Peckville. Serving will be from 11am to 4pm or until sold out. Tickets are \$9 from a member or at the door.

Local Women's Event

Altus for Women, a regional Catholic women's ministry, invites all Catholic women of NEPA to "Let Your Faith Blossom!" on May 18th at 7pm in the Diocesan Pastoral Center, Scranton. This ministry operates under the guidance of Fr. Eric Bergman, Pastor of St Thomas More Catholic Church, Scranton. The evening will feature a dynamic keynote speaker, Megan Murphy, who will share an inspirational witness about her journey of faith. The evening will offer local women the opportunity to meet other women of faith in a warm and welcoming atmosphere. Come enjoy hospitality, tasty refreshments, and learn more about Altus for Women. For more info & to RSVP please go to www.altusforwomen.com.

Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction: Class Now Forming

Feeling stressed, anxious, overwhelmed, having physical challenges? Come sit & learn how this practice with nearly 40 years of research can help you reduce the stress in your life. CALM of NEPA will begin another round of Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction classes, starting **Thursday, May 12 at 6:30 pm**. The class will take place in the church auditorium. To register contact Phil Sallavanti at calmofnepa@gmail.com or call 351-5611. Seating is limited.

Dear Parishioner(s),

Continuing Parish Care Campaign

On April 23th/24th we conducted our Continuing Parish Care Weekend during which we asked everyone to reflect on their care about Sacred Heart Parish and its mission. Everyone was then asked to make for an UPDATED COMMITMENT of average weekly offertory support for the next 52 weeks. Updated expressions of continuing parish care in line with each one's affordability should also be based upon each one's gratitude for the many gifts and blessings received from the generosity of God. We thank all parishioners who already offered their commitment cards last weekend at Mass. Although we are still working on the results, the process is again working very well. If you were not present last weekend, a commitment form is printed below for your use today. Please drop it in the mail or in the collection basket so we can add it together with all the others. Thank you and God bless you for your cooperation in our Continuing Parish Care Campaign. Gratefully, Msgr Madus

Parish Care Commitment Card - Because I/We Continue to Care...

After reflecting on what I/We can truly afford to contribute to My/Our Parish Community of Sacred Heart of Jesus, **My/Our updated average offertory weekly commitment for the next year is:**

- \$100 \$75 \$50 \$35 \$25 \$20 \$15 \$10 Other Amt \$ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____