

✠ **MASS INTENTIONS** ✠

Sat.	2/24	4:00 PM	Andrew Blasko, Sr. by His Daughter Paula Gallagher
Sun.	2/25	7:30 AM	Deceased Members of the Capozzelli Family by Their Family
		10:30 AM	For the People
Mon.	2/26	9:00 AM	Televised Mass Mary Ann Reczkowski by Michalene and Jim Eisenhart
		7:00 PM	George Gyurko by Dan and Elva Dargay
Tue.	2/27	7:00 AM	Jean Iorio by Her Daughters Susan, Janet, and Ruth
Wed.	2/28	7:00 AM	NO MASS
Thur.	3/1	7:00 AM	Helen Lapchak by Alice Pavlick
Fri.	3/2	7:00 AM	Joseph R. Malloy by His Daughter Joyce
Sat.	3/3	4:00 PM	John Barna and John Brezina Family Members by Their Family
Sun.	3/4	7:30 AM	For the People
		10:30 AM	Helen Sherban Howanitz by Her Family

Last Weekend:

Sunday \$3,707.20; Dues \$1,191.00; Care and Education of Priests \$5.00; Church in Europe \$257.00; Holy Thursday \$2.00; Good Friday \$5.00; Easter Flowers \$11.00; Christmas (2017) \$60.00; Solemnity of Mary \$5.00; Ash Wednesday \$654.25 Poor Box \$222.32



SECOND COLLECTION next weekend is for the Care and Education of Priests.

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of the Deceased Members of the Petrusky Family by Gloria.



***** THE NEXT TELEVISED MASS WILL BE THIS MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH, AT 9:00 AM.*****



There will be a Youth Teen Meeting This Sunday from 12:00 TO 1:30 PM in St. Patrick's Parish.



MEETING PASTORAL COUNCIL will meet on Thursday, March 1st, at 5:30 PM in **NOTICE!** the parish center.

REMINDER: Every Friday during Lent is a day of abstinence from eating meat.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be offered every Friday during Lent at Noon and again at 7:00 PM beginning this Friday, February 16th. The evening Stations will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction, and Personal Prayer from 6:00 to 6:55 PM.



SONS OF ERIN PARADE will begin at 1:00 PM on Saturday, March 17th. Banquet will take place at 4:00 PM at Sand Springs. Cost is \$30.00. Reservations can be made by contacting any member of the Sons of Erin. Beer, wine, and soda is included. Everyone is welcome!





This weekend's Gospel is heard at a minimum of twice a year and sometimes three times a year - It is the Transfiguration! Jesus took three of the Disciples (Peter, James, and John) up the mountain and was transformed into His Divine Self. These three Disciples got a glimpse of what we one-day hope to see. This Gospel comes at the second week of Lent. What about those things you promised you would either "do" or "not do" during the Lenten Season? Have they gone the way of your New Year's resolution? This Gospel is placed here to help put us back on track. If you hold true to what you promised on Ash Wednesday, you will see what Peter, James, and John saw. To see the Transfiguration, you have to be transformed.



A VIEW FROM THE PEW, STONES AND BREAD

I read an article written by Father Dwight Longenecker titled "The Joy of Being Wrong." The first line was an interesting way of looking at the beginning of Lent "Ash Wednesday is the day when we wear our error on our brow. The ashes declare to the world, "I'm wrong. It was me." Ash Wednesday we begin to examine our hearts. Has it become like a stone? Isn't it time to admit, "It was me." If it has become like stone, why not make the changes in our lives that are necessary to soften our hearts and become closer to Christ. Through self-denial, penance and humility we should develop a spiritual hunger and longing for the ultimate food, the Bread of Life, The Eucharist. Let's make our Lenten journey memorable, let us **TURN OUR HEARTS FROM STONES TO BREAD!**

FORGET-ME-NOT GIFT BAGS: Deadline for registering is February 28th.

PARISH BUS TRIP to see the play "Steel Magnolias" at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse, Hampton, NJ on Thursday, April 19th. Cost is \$76 and includes lunch. Lunch includes a choice of Yankee Pot Roast, Fried Jumbo Shrimp Platter, Lemon Pepper Cod, Stuffed Chicken Breast, Roast Turkey with Stuffing, Eggplant Rollatini, or Roasted Vegetable Kabob. Call Mary Lloyd 570-578-6720 for reservations. Money is due with reservation.



DO YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE ANNULMENT PROCESS? In the Diocese of Scranton, the annulment process is now more "user friendly" than you might expect, and there is no longer a processing fee. Please contact your pastor or the Diocesan Tribunal Office at (570-207-2246) to begin a conversation. It is possible to get clear answers to these questions and to renew your connection with the Church.

REFRESH YOUR FAITH - The First Annual Catholic Women's Conference of the Diocese of Scranton will take place on Saturday, June 23rd, from 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM at the Byron Complex at the University of Scranton. For information or to register go to www.diocesofscranton.org/catholic-womens-conference

HAM BINGO - Sunday, March 11th in the Parish Center. Kitchen opens at 11:30 AM, Early Birds at 12:30 PM, Regular Bingo starts at 1:00 PM. Come out and play! Enjoy good food, fun, and a chance to win your Easter ham!



***** IN THE EVENT OF A WINTER STORM WARNING, ***
THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED!**

PARISH HAPPENINGS!

FORGET-ME-NOT GIFT BAGS: The Messengers of Hope are once again sponsoring the Forget-Me-Not Gift Bags for our elderly parishioners. **Deadline for registration is February 28th.**



The Forget-Me-Not tags will be hung on the tree starting next weekend. The blue tags are for the gentlemen and the pink are for the ladies.

There have been questions about what type of items should go into the bag. Below are some possible suggestions. There are also items that should avoid being added at the bottom of this page. These are only suggestions.

Suggested Items:

Rosary beads	Gift card to Carone's	Qtips
Prayer book	Gift card to CVS	Assorted Band-Aids
Forever postage stamps	Gift Card to Wal-Mart	Playing cards
All occasion cards	Gift card to Boscov's	Large print puzzle books
Shampoo	Deodorant	Jigsaw puzzles
Disposable razors	Mouthwash	Adult coloring books
Shaving cream	Non-skid Footsies	Colored pencils
Hand Cream	Fleece throw	AA and AAA batteries
Body lotion	Tooth paste	Night light
Bath Soap	Tooth brush	Note pads
Liquid Hand Soap	Denture cleanser	Rain hat
Tissues	Soft grip gel pens	Mini umbrella
Lip balm	Hand warmers	Calculator
Pill organizer	Magnifying glass	Neck pillow
Hair brush	Mini flashlight	Scratch-off lottery tickets

Items to avoid:

Candy, snacks, nuts or items with nuts should be avoided in case of allergy or diabetes; also, paper products like paper towels or toilet tissue are not recommended.