



ALL SAINTS PARISH

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NOVEMBER 27, 2016

**FIRST SUNDAY OF
ADVENT**

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

4:00 PM

Sunday

8:30 AM

11:00 AM

Weekdays

Please check for schedule in
bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday

3:00 PM

or by appointment

Religious Education

Grades K – 8

Sunday

9:45 AM – 10:45 AM

Parish Mission Statement

We, All Saints Parish, are unified together by the power of the Holy Spirit to be a living and convincing sign of God's unconditional love. We are gifted to build bonds among ourselves and others in order to live the Gospel in word, worship, community and service for the salvation of all and the building of God's kingdom.



We often speak of Advent as being a season of time in which we prepare for the Lord's coming into our lives. Perhaps we should see it as a season of heightened awareness, for the truth is that we should be looking for God already at work in our lives every day. God is always offering Himself to us. We, however, are not always responding because we're not paying attention. Advent is a time to conscientiously, deliberately, and with awareness respond to His offer of Himself to us. We have to "see the Light," so to speak.

COMMUNITY WHO WORSHIPS

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 27th

8:30 AM Kathy Lawson (Sisters, Patsy & Andrea)

11:00 AM For all Parishioners

Monday, November 28th †

6:00 PM NO MASS

Tuesday, November 29th

12:05 PM John Palovchak (Wife, Lucille & Family)

Wednesday, November 30th

12:05 PM Mark Bradley (Family)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FROM 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Thursday, December 1st

10:00 AM NO MASS

Friday, December 2nd

12:05PM Richard Skovira (Mother, Helen & Family)

Saturday, December 3rd

4:00 PM John & Loretta Hogan (Family)

Sunday, December 4th

8:30 AM For all Parishioners

11:00 AM Bernice Simonds (Cathy & Tim Maheady)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 3, 2016

4:00 PM:

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – A. Butler, R. Coates,

S. Starosta, M.J. Wojtowicz

Lectors – C. Kellar, M. Janoski

Altar Servers – J. Bozek, R. Bantel, M. Weihbrecht

Sunday, December 4, 2016

8:30 AM:

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – P. Motyka, A. Brunick,

D. Prutzman, T. Kirby

Lectors: – F. Josephs, E. Keating

Altar Servers – V. Kutish, R. Kutish, N. Powell

11:00 AM:

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – A. Mizzer, K. Narcum,

P. Roan, J. Karnes

Lectors – M. Burns, R. Burns

Altar Servers – H. Williams, A. Warman, J. Jakubczyk

If you are unable to fulfill your obligation, please find a replacement

November 27

First Sunday of Advent

Is 2:1-5

Rom 13:11-14

Mt 24:37-44 (1)

November 28

Is 4:2-6

Mt 8:5-11 (175)

November 29

Is 11:1-10

Lk 10:21-24 (176)

November 30

St. Andrew

Rom 10:9-18

Mt 4:18-22 (684)

December 1

Is 26:1-6

Mt 7:21, 24-27

(178)

December 2

Is 29:17-24

Mt 9:27-31 (179)

December 3

St. Francis Xavier

Is 31:19-21, 23-26

Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a,

6-8 (180)



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Adult preparation for the Sacrament of Initiation. If you know of anyone who might be interested in inquiring about the Catholic Faith, call the parish office or Maureen Dillon at (570) 779-9874. Classes are generally held on Sunday mornings after the 8:30 AM Mass.



Baptism of Infants: Parents requesting Baptism for their children should make an appointment with the Pastor to begin the process. The months of preparation before the birth of a child are the appropriate time to plan for the Sacrament.



Catholic Marriage: Diocesan Policy states that those considering celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage must meet with the pastor at least six months before any desired wedding date. Please call the office to schedule an appointment with the Pastor.



Communion for the Homebound: We invite homebound parishioners who wish to receive Holy Communion to call the office.

Hospital Visitation: Please notify the Parish Office if you or a loved one is hospitalized as the hospital no longer notifies the parish. If a patient would like to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation or Anointing of the Sick or if he or she would just like a visit, please call the office to make arrangements.

Prayer for Life

Father and maker of all, you adorn all creation with splendor and beauty, and fashion human lives in your image and likeness.

Awaken in every heart reverence for the work of your hands, and renew among your people a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift of life.

Grant this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God Forever and ever. Amen.

If you would like to purchase Altar Breads or Sanctuary Candles for a week in memory or in honor of a loved one, contact Jackie Karnes at 570-332-1176 (**Monday thru Friday only**) for available dates. Altar Breads are \$25.00 per week and Sanctuary Candles are \$15.00 per week.

Week of November 27th

Sanctuary Candle & Hosts – in memory of John & Dorothy Temprine

PARISH EVENTS

MEETING

Social Concerns – Thursday, December 1, 6:30 PM

ADVENT

This Advent we will try to enhance our preparation for Christmas by offering the Catholic Catechism study group.

Our first study session will take place on Wednesday, November 30th, at 7 PM, at the rectory building. All are welcomed. Our meeting will consist of watching a DVD presentation followed by discussion/reflection and prayer.

Father Jacek



ADVENT WREATH CANDLE

There are sign-up sheets on the ramp area and vestibule of the Church for you to volunteer to light the Advent candle before the masses on the weekends during Advent. Please sign up today.

GIVING TREE

Our Christmas Giving Tree will be placed in the ramp area of our church from November 27th until December 18th. This program assists Catholic Social Services and also our parish by providing toys, clothing, gift certificates and food certificates to needy families in Plymouth and surrounding areas. The names of the children and gifts needed will be marked on tags that will be hanging on the tree. We ask that you take a tag and then return the gift wrapped with the tag attached and place it back under the tree by December 18th. The gifts will then be collected and picked up



by Catholic Social Services and distributed to the families for Christmas. Thank you so much for your past generosity.

Come and spend some quiet time with Jesus! Opportunities for Adoration are available every Wednesday from **9AM to 4PM**; times are broken into one hour shifts. If you are interested please contact Joan Kaye @ 570-779-2998. Because of the *dwindling number of people for Adoration we have changed the time.*

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who helped make our Nite at the Races and Basket Raffle a great success. To everyone who attended the races, sponsored a horse or sponsored a race thank you very much. Also a special thank you to everyone who donated hot dogs, buns, ground beef, soda or made a

cash donation. To those who gave their time to work the races we could not have done it without you also to everyone who took the time to prepare and donate a basket to be chanced off, thank you as well. We will also let you know next weekend in the bulletin what our profit was, which as always helps to benefit All Saints Parish.



PARISH MINISTRY

CHRISTIAN SERVICE CENTER

Next food distribution, **Thursday, December 15th**, 9am – 11am. The Christian Service Center is in **DIRE NEED OF CANNED FRUIT, DRIED PASTA, PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY, CEREALS & JUICES.**

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has distributed 901 shawls. The Prayer Shawl Ministry is always in need of additional hands to stitch. Please call Dona @ 570-771-6316 for time and place of next get together.

GIVING A MEMORIAL GIFT TO YOUR PARISH WHEN THERE IS A DEATH OF A LOVED ONE AND MAKING YOUR WILL:

Have you ever considered giving a monetary gift to your parish in memory of a deceased loved one at the time of death or later on? It's a beautiful expression of love for both the person who died and your parish. We always need money to enable us to continue to accomplish the mission of Jesus and for the general upkeep of our parish properties. Please consider this unique expression of giving in lieu of flowers, Mass cards and other expressions. When making your Will, remember All Saints Parish & the good that can come because of the legacy you leave your parish.



Monetary donations would be gratefully appreciated if made to the Parish Building Fund, The Christian Service Center, Parish Cemeteries or All Saints Catholic School Education Fund, to be used by a family or families who need assistance with sending their child to a Catholic School. Thank you.

MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Please always remember to pray for those in our nation's military; for firefighters, police and EMT's. Please also pray for all in the Parish who are ill or in any way distressed, especially those who have asked for prayers: *Irene, Nathan Grey, Eugene, Mark, Emma, George, Joseph, John, Danielle, Joseph, Sean Henry, Rose Mary, Leah, Ed Harenza, George, Michelle, Stanley, Tom, Raina, Seth, Dorothy, Dave & Darius*. If you or a loved one would like to be on the parish

prayer list, please notify the office. *If you are calling for someone else, please make sure you have that person's permission to publish their name in the bulletin.*

GRANT ETERNAL REST, O GOD, TO ALL WHO HAVE DIED: Teresa Waligorski
 (Fiancee of William A. Jones, 1548 Sans Souci Pkwy., Hanover Twp., PA 18706-6028)

CHRISTMAS COOKIE PLATTER SALE Saturday, December 10th, Exaltation of the Holy Cross Church, Buttonwood. The sale is sponsored by the Youth Ministry. Platters are \$35.00 & will include 75 cookies & approximately 20 different varieties. Platters must be pre-ordered by calling

<p><i>God bless</i> <i>Londyn Suzanne Henries</i> <i>on her baptism</i></p>	<p><i>Place your ad here</i> <i>\$5.00 per week</i></p>	<p>+</p> <p><i>In memory of</i> <i>John Pavlick</i></p>
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570-814-6444.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

November 19th & November 20th

Offertory: \$5472.35

Loose Collection: \$119.00 Candles: \$120.00
 Church Maintenance: \$13.00 Energy: \$694.00
 Christian Service Center: \$8.00
 Insurance: \$70.00 Catholic Ed.: \$15.00
 Holyday: \$5.00 Office: \$604.29
 Clergy Care: \$58.00* World Mission: \$5.00*
 Central & Eastern Europe Churches: \$2.00*

Total: \$7185.64

Thank you! Your stewardship and generosity toward your parish is greatly needed and appreciated.

**Last week's Diocesan Collections amounted to \$65.00 which is sent directly to the Diocese of Scranton.*



As we learned from the first Christmas, **Jesus is willing to enter into whatever space we've got for Him.** This Advent, let us ask: are we willing to open our lives to Him, to let Him dwell in even those areas where we'd least expect Him to make His home?

Calling all Youth in Grades 8-12

Getting together with kids in your parish is a great way to invite Jesus into your space.

Check out Youth Ministry at our December meeting.

Our next meeting will be on Sunday, December 18th, 12:15 PM, downstairs in the church hall.

THANK YOU

The Social Concerns Committee would like to thank the CCD Staff and all the CCD students who participated in the service project "Operation Happy Feet". The socks that were collected were donated this week to the men at Mother Theresa's Haven and they are greatly appreciated. because of your time and help it was a big success.

RACE SPONSORS

Anonymous, Anonymous, Attorney Rick Russo, CSI International, Yvette Viercinski, Christine Pagoda, Lynn Family, Michael & Teresa Flynn, Jae Soon Weihbrecht (Soonies Salon).

WINNERS OF THE BASKET RAFFLE

M.A. Petcavage, Jennifer Williams, Rosemary Coates, James Coates, Joan Minnick, Gerri Clemons, Doreen Kolojechick, Linda Pick, Alma Butler, Mrs. Zlotek, Kathy Roberts, Ruth Ann Fedro, Lea Bednarski, Kathleen Handley, Mary Krefski, Jonathan Korus, Donna McNelis, Mike Radzrovilla, Matt McNelis, Dolores Brennan, Marlene Kurilla, Ann Marie Zupko, Lorraine Walker. CONGRATULATIONS!

WIGILIA DINNER

The 41st annual "Wigilia", the traditional Polish Christmas Eve Supper will take place on Sunday, December 4th, at 1:00 PM, at the Kings college, 119 Sheehy-Famer Campus Center. Blessing of the Christmas Wafer (Oplatki) and lighting of the Advent Wreath will take place followed by dinner. Tickets are \$25.00. Make checks payable to the PAC NEPA and forward to Bernadine Regis, 1 Gay Ave., West Wyoming, PA 18644 by Wednesday, November 23rd. No reservations will be accepted without payment.

#GIVING TUESDAY

#GivingTuesday takes place on Tuesday, November 29th, and is a movement which celebrates and supports the community giving back to charities and non-profits. This #GivingTuesday, Diocese of Scranton Catholic Schools will participate. At each one of our 20 schools, there is a gift opportunity for a specific project the school would like to have funded. Our campaign will run from November 29th until December 23rd. For more information or to make a gift to a specific school, please visit <https://www.crowdrise.com/roman-catholic-diocese-of-scranton> or dioceseofscranton.org/catholicschools.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Goal: \$40,000.00

Amount pledged: \$26,958.00

Amount needed: \$13,042.00

PARISH LOTTERY – winners for the week of November 14th: \$50.00: # 679 N/A, #819 Catherine Papula, #590 Maggie Zasada, #750 Cathy Wilson, #885 Ceil Kukish.
\$100.00: #229 Debi Jannuzzi.

DONUT WEEKEND

Coffee and donuts the weekend of December 3/4 will be sponsored by the Worship Committee.

**ALL SAINTS PARISH
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
NOVEMBER 17, 2016**

Members present: Father Jacek, Rosemary Coates, Theodore Sherrill, John O’Malia, Bob Burns, Michael Flynn, Maureen Dillon and Debbie Madrack. Also present was Debbie Goodman.

The meeting opened with all reading a prayer.

OLD BUSINESS

There has only been one bid for the repair of the church’s lower door. The thresholds, weather stripping and one door frame need attention.

The facelifts for the restrooms in the church will hopefully be done before Christmas. The walls will be repaired, and painting of the stalls and walls will be done.

The ovens at HCFFC have been calibrated. Darius Kaye has submitted a bid of \$725.00 to clean the ovens, stoves, catch pans and to scrub and wax the floors.

Motion by Rosemary Coates, second by Ted Sherrill to accept the proposal by Darius Kaye to clean the kitchen. Motion carried on all ayes.

Everything is ready for the Nite at the Races for Saturday night. Jonathan Korus will be working with Bob Burns to learn and help with the races.

There will be eleven races and 220 horses have been sold.

Much has been donated which is keeping the initial cost of the event low.

Maureen Dillon reported that there are 26 baskets for the raffle.

There was a discussion about other fund raisers in the future.

The Time, Treasure and Talent has been completed with new parishioners signing up for committees.

NEW BUSINESS

The church furnace went down and needed repair. A bill has not been received yet.

The church's air conditioning broke and was repaired at a cost of \$6,800.00.

An air conditioning unit for the rectory leaked and damaged a room on the second floor. All damage was covered by insurance carried by the Diocese.

The meeting ended with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Madrack