



ALL SAINTS PARISH

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MARCH 5, 2017

**FIRST SUNDAY
OF LENT**

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

4:00 PM

Sunday

8:30 AM

11:00 AM

Weekdays

Please check for schedule in
bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday

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.



Let us all pray to the Lord, that He will give us the grace to be humble, especially as we progress through this season of Lent. Let us pray that He will open our hearts to His love, that we may love generously and share our blessings generously and kindly upon others, giving alms and help to those who need it, and restrain our desires, our selfishness, and instead learn to be selfless and loving to all our fellow brethren. Let us indeed follow the examples of Christ, our Lord, who was humble and obedient to the will of His Father, and whose obedience had brought about our salvation, reversing the sin of the disobedience of Adam and Eve.

COMMUNITY WHO WORSHIPS MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 5th

8:30 AM For all Parishioners

11:00 AM Eugene Hogan (Joni Owens)

Monday, March 6th

5:30 PM Edward J. Koons (Mrs. Dorothy Yarrish)

Tuesday, March 7th

12:05 PM Albert Domowitch (Pat)

Wednesday, March 8th

12:05 PM Mary Pietrzykoski (Regina Pietrzykoski)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION FROM 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Thursday, March 9th

NO MASS

Friday, March 10th

6:00 pm Catherine Mazur (Geri Lukasavage)

Stations of the Cross following Mass

Saturday, March 11th

4:00 PM Mary Petrick (Theresa Kopko)

Sunday, March 12th

8:30 AM For all Parishioners

11:00 AM John P. Perlis (Wife, Amelia & Family)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 11, 2017

4:00 PM:

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – A. Brunick, T. Bradley,
R. Heck, A. Butler

Lectors – C. Piczak, C. Kellar

Altar Servers – A. Molitoris, Abigail Young, Ayden Langdon

Sunday, March 12, 2017

8:30 AM

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – D. Butz, J. Kurilla,
D. McNelis, M. McNelis

Lectors – E. Keating, F. Josephs

Altar Servers – T. Marchlenski, M. Marchlenski, R. Castle

11:00 AM:

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – J. Karnes, A. Mizzer,
F. Weaver, P. Roan

Lectors – E. Koons, C. Mihoch

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

March 5

First Sunday of
Lent

Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7

Rom 5:12-19 or
5:12, 17-19

Mt 4:1-11 (22)

March 6th

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18

Mt 25:31-46 (224)

March 7th

Sts. Perpetua &
Felicity

Is 55:10-11

Mt 6:7-15 (225)

March 8th

St. John of God

Jon 3:1-10

Lk 11:29-32 (226)

March 9th

St. Frances of
Rome

Est C: 12, 14-16,
23-25

Mt 7:7-12 (227)

March 10

Ez 18:21-28

Mt 5:20-26 (228)

March 11

Dt 26:16-19

Mt 5:43-48 (229)

March 12

Second Sunday
of Lent

Gn 12:1-4a

2 Tm 1:8b-10

Mt 17:1-9 (25)

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

PARISH EVENTS

MEETINGS

Ushers Club – Sunday, March 5th, 2:00 PM, in Holy Child Faith Formation Center. All ushers are asked to attend this meeting. Anyone wishing to join the ushers club is invited to attend.

Parish Council – Tuesday, March 7th, 6:00 PM, at the rectory

The Eucharistic Adoration schedule has been changed.

Adoration will be held from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

If you are able to schedule a time, please call Joan Kaye at 570-779- 2998.

PLEASE NOTE THAT *whenever school is cancelled at Wyoming Valley West, because of the weather, adoration will also be cancelled.*

Eucharistic



Adoration

CATECHISM STUDY GROUP

The Catholic Catechism study group will meet on Wednesday, March 8th, 7PM, in the rectory.

**Simple
Supper**



Youth Group would like to invite you to a “Simple Supper” of homemade soups and breads served in the basement of the Church after Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 10th.

ALL SAINTS PARISH LENTEN FISH DINNER

Friday, April 7th, from 3:30 – 6:30 PM, at Holy Child Faith Formation Center. Dinner will include breaded Haddock Filet, macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, cole slaw, desert, coffee and soda. Tickets: ages 12 – adult \$10.00; under 12 - \$5.00. Take outs with curb service will be offered. Dinner tickets are available this weekend, before and after all masses or at the rectory (570-779-5323). Tickets are limited and only a small number of tickets will be available at the door, so get your tickets early. Thank you in advance for your continued support.



PARISH LOTTERY

Winners for the week of February 20th: \$50.00: #119 Scott Thomas Jr., #252 Brenda Peeler, #444 Gail Cunningham, #484 Francis Scarnulis, #729 Lisa Dupras.

\$100.00: #012 Rosemary Coates..

CEMETERY NOTICE

Please remove all items and decorations from the cemeteries before March 31st. Our caretaker wants to get the cemeteries in order for Easter. All decorations and items not removed will be removed by the caretaker and discarded.

THANK YOU

A special thank you to Bob Burns for painting the ladies room. We also installed a baby-changing table.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Monday, March 6th – 5:30 PM

Mass in Chapel – Confessions – regular weekend confessional

Lector: C. Naessig

Altar Server: E. Keating

Friday, March 10th – 6:00 PM

Stations of the Cross in the upper Church

Lector & Altar Server – R. Burns

LENTEN CORNER

1. Mondays of Lent – Mass @ 5:30PM – “The Light is on for you” – 6PM – 7PM
2. Fridays of Lent – Mass @ 6PM – Stations of the Cross Following Mass
3. Simple Supper – March 10th – after Stations of the Cross – by the Youth Group
4. Sacrament of Reconciliation @ 3PM – 3:50 PM – Saturdays @ All Saints
Our parish deanery penance service - **Wednesday, April 5th, @ 7PM**

5. Devotions

“Pick your own penance” – an extra act of kindness or a prayer that we can perform during Lent (pick new penance every week)

Miraculous Medal Novena - Tuesdays

St. Jude Novena – Thursdays

Prayer to Sacred Heart of Jesus – First Friday of the month

Ecumenical Event -Soup & Scripture:

Thursday, March 16th - 11AM @ Welsh Baptist Church

Thursday, March 23rd - 11AM @ Pilgrim Church

Thursday, March 30th – 11AM - @ All Saints

Thursday, April 6th - 11AM @ Christian Church

RICE BOWL

Rice Bowl, a Lenten program that raises funds for those who need support and services in communities throughout the U.S. and overseas.

Twenty-five percent of all contributions stay in local dioceses to support hunger and poverty prevention programs such as community gardens, food pantries, soup kitchens, support groups and job centers. The remaining 75% goes to support CRS’ humanitarian programs overseas, proving life-saving assistance and hope to impoverished and vulnerable communities. Rice Bowls are available in the vestibule and ramp areas of the church.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2017 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 11th. The event includes a 2:30 pm mass at St. Peter’s Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made through the parish office before March 13th.

PARISH MINISTRY



CHRISTIAN SERVICE CENTER

Next food distribution, Thursday, March 30th, 9am – 11am. The Christian Service Center is in DIRE NEED OF CANNED FRUIT, DRIED PASTA, PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY, CEREALS & JUICES.

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: *Nathan Grey, Eugene, Mark, Emma, George, Joseph, John, Danielle, Joseph, Rose Mary, Leah, Ed Harenza, George, Michelle, Stanley, Tom, Raina, Seth, Dorothy, Dave, Ray, Anthony Yuscavage, Anna Regan & Kathleen.* 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.*



BAPTISM

Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian Life, the gateway to life in the Spirit and the door which gives access to the other Sacraments. (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1213)

The Baptism Committee is in need of Baptism Coordinators to instruct a class and assist the family during the Baptism Sacramental process. Each coordinator is scheduled for a specific month. If you are interested in learning more or serving in this gratifying ministry please contact Audrey Kocher (570-779-4850) or the parish office (570-779-5323).

Our parish gratefully acknowledges the following donations:

- ~ In memory of *Mary Kalafut* by Robert Janosik
- ~ In memory of *Rita Butz* by Dorothy Manley, Trinity House Seniors, Mary Spatz

MUSIC MINISTRY

If you are interested in joining the choir and/or becoming a cantor please see Bill Loyack after Mass or call him @ 570-885-4307.

SHARE YOUR GIFTS WITH YOUR PARISH

Adult Altar Servers for funerals and/or daily Mass, plus additional adults are needed to pray the funeral Vigil Prayer Service at funeral homes. If interested, please call the rectory office.

"The greatest love story of all time is contained in a tiny white Host." - Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen



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.

*In memory of
Leo Nowak
Happy Birthday
In heaven
We miss you & love you*

*Place your ad here
\$5.00 per week*

*In memory of
Anthony J. Meeker
Miss you
Love,
Mom & Dad*

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

February 25th & February 26th

Offertory: \$4300.50

Loose Collection: \$133.00 Energy: \$657.00

Insurance: \$76.00 Candles: \$142.00

Catholic Ed.: \$3.00 CSC: \$3.00

Maintenance: \$128.00 Holyday: \$2.00

Ash Wednesday: \$151.50

Clergy Care: \$13.00*

Camp. for Human Develop.: \$8.00*

Total: \$5617.00

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

**Last week's Diocesan Collections amounted to
\$21.00 which is sent directly to the Diocese of
Scranton.*

Youth Ministry will be hosting a
Simple Supper after Stations of
the Cross on Friday, March 10th in
the Church Basement.

**Simple
Supper**



This is a wonderful opportunity to
serve your parish. We will have a
short meeting after the supper to
discuss our April and May events.

If you've never been to Youth
Group, give it a try 😊



*Miraculous Medal Novena
Prayed on Tuesdays*

*Novena to St. Jude
Prayed on Thursday*

*First Friday
Prayer to
The Sacred Heart of Jesus*

All Saints Parish Finance Committee Meeting February 28, 2017

Members Present: Father Jacek, Theodore Sherrill, John Kurilla, Bob Burns, Rosemary Coates, and Debbie Madrack. Also present was Debbie Goodman.

The meeting opened with a prayer.

Old Business

1. The women's restroom refurbishing has been completed and a baby changing table will be installed.
2. The Holy Child kitchen cleaning has been completed. It looks great.
3. A new pump was installed on the furnace.
4. The ramp area door had a sweep installed to eliminate loss of heat. The hinge on the door needs repair that is not readily available. It was suggested to go to a metal shop to have one fabricated.
5. Two dusk to dawn lights and a motion detector light have been installed for safety. The front portico light of the rectory has been repaired.
6. The Mardi Gras Party was a great success and enjoyed by all.

New Business

The fund raising schedule is as follows:

1. Fish Dinner, Friday April 7th.
2. Bingo and Basket Raffle, Sunday, May 21st.
3. Spaghetti Dinner, Sunday, September 10th.
4. Snow Blower Raffle, the month of October with the drawing on November 4th at the Nite at the Races.
5. Nite at the Races and Basket Raffle, Saturday, November 4th.

John Kurilla agreed to chair a committee to raise funds for repair of the church organ. More information will be addressed at the May 6th meeting.

The meeting dates for the year will be:

1. Tuesday, May 16th, 6 PM
2. Tuesday, July 11th, 6 PM
3. Tuesday, October 10th, 6 PM

Additional meetings will be called if necessary.

The next meeting date will be Tuesday, May 16th, at 6 PM

The meeting ended with a prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Madrack

All Saints Parish

Social Concerns Committee

Meeting Minutes/ February 12, 2017

Attending the Social Concerns Committee were Mary and Robert Burns, Theresa and Mike Flynn, Marsha Sipper, Jackie Karnes, Kathy Narcum, and Tammy Walker.

Old Business:

The items discussed were: Hosting Mother Teresa's Haven, February 20th – 26th. We are expecting 19-21 men. All the nights for meals have been filled and the paper products etc. have been purchased by the parish. Also, the social concerns committee purchased towels for the men.

We made arrangements to store the prayer shawls in the Rectory. We are in the process of scheduling deliveries. We need an updated listing of our parishioners in Nursing homes, assisted living homes, etc.

New Business:

The Spring Bingo for the residents of Dan Flood Building in Plymouth has been set for March 16th refreshments and prizes will be purchased.

Our upcoming events are: the Pro Life "Fill the Crib" campaign, and Catholic Social Services Christmas Giving Tree, also we will be in touch with Catherine McAuley House of Plymouth to see what they need.

We are also contacting CCD Students to volunteer with the Bingo at Dan Flood Building.

Our next meeting is March 9th at 6:30pm.

We closed our meeting with a prayer.

Regulations for Lent 2017

Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017 marks the beginning of Lent. The following fast and abstinence regulations are observed:

+ Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, April 14, 2017, are days of fast and abstinence.

+ Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence.

+ All Catholics who have reached their 14th birthday are to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and on all Fridays during Lent.

+ All Catholics over 18 years of age to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to the obligation of fasting. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal and two smaller meals unless dispensed or excused.

Lenten Reminders

As faithful followers of Jesus, we are traditionally encouraged to honor the sacred season of Lent by embracing the three pillars of Lenten observance:

+ Almsgiving - generously giving to those in need

+ Fasting - practicing self-discipline and self-denial

+ Prayer - reading, hearing and reflecting on the Word of God

Lent is also a penitential season. It is a time to seek forgiveness, to look inward, and to admit our shortcomings and failures. It is a time to regroup and to prepare. How can you spend your time during Lent?

+ By "giving up" things you hunger after, such as sweets or alcohol; or activities you desire, such as vacations, concerts **+** or movies.**+ By "doing"** things to help others, such as offering an extra donation to the poor or helping those in need by providing food or clothing.

+ By "adding" to our normal routine, such as going to daily Mass, praying the Stations of the Cross and going to confession.

One of the greatest opportunities given by the Church to assist us in our response to the Lord's invitation to conversion is found in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Our parish is participating in our diocese-wide program: **"The Light Is On for You."** Every Monday evening during the Lenten season, beginning on the first Monday of Lent, March 6, continuing through Monday of the last full week of Lent, April 3, confessions will be heard in our parish following 5:30 p.m. Mass to 7:00 p.m.