



*Building God's Community:* As disciples of Jesus Christ, we the members of **St. John Vianney Parish** join together to proclaim God's Word, celebrate the sacraments, and serve others with compassion and generosity.

### JOINING OUR PARISH

We welcome all who seek a spiritual home in our Catholic community. Introduce yourself to the pastor and he will help you join our parish.

If you are not baptized, or are baptized in another Christian tradition and seek full communion with the Catholic Church, consider the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults process. It begins with inquiry sessions in which you can ask questions and discuss issues with other seekers. The process continues with opportunities for learning and spiritual transformation. The RCIA also serves baptized Catholics who did not have the opportunity to receive Holy Communion and Confirmation. The Director of Religious Education will help you start.

### BAPTISM

If you are parents seeking baptism for your child, please introduce yourself to the pastor after Mass. He wishes to meet you in person before making an appointment for baptism preparation.

### MARRIAGE

Our pastor invites engaged couples to make an appointment with him at least six months prior to marriage, before setting a wedding date. Couples are welcome to call as soon as you decide to marry or even while you are still considering whether to go forward toward marriage.

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday at Corpus Christi Church: 4:15–4:45 PM  
Sunday at St Pius X Church: 9:10–9:25 AM  
or by appointment.

### PASTORAL TEAM:

Rev. Michael J. Kirwin, Ph.D.: *Pastor*  
Deacon Edwin L. Salva, Sr.: *Permanent Deacon*  
JoAnn Wilbur: *Director of Religious Education*  
[dre@stjvp.org](mailto:dre@stjvp.org)  
Heather Clendenning: *Director of Music Ministry*  
[music@stjvp.org](mailto:music@stjvp.org)  
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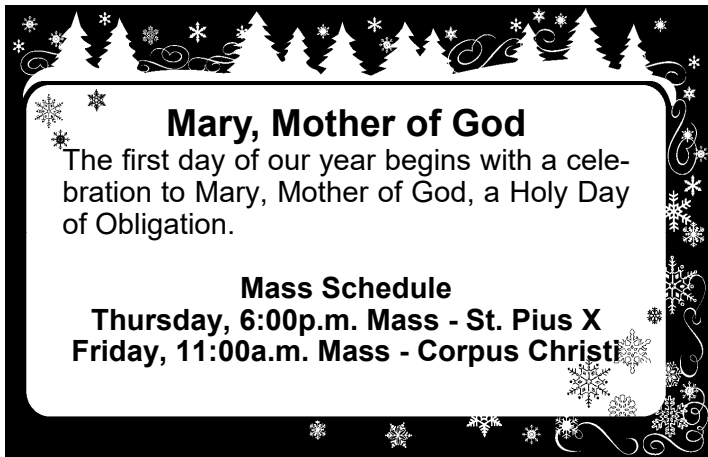
### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: [ppc@stjvp.org](mailto:ppc@stjvp.org)

Lisa Anzelmi	Frank Plominski
Jan Corbett	Mary Retzbach
<i>Vice-Chairperson</i>	Steve Takach
Ed Facciani	Rick Toth
Suzanne McCoy	<i>Chairperson</i>
Mary Ann Paulukonis	Lynn Volk
	<i>Secretary</i>

### FINANCE COUNCIL: [finance@stjvp.org](mailto:finance@stjvp.org)

### MASSES OF THE WEEK

		<u>Location</u>	<u>Mass Intention:</u>	<u>Requested by:</u>
Saturday	12-26	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Christmas Intentions	
Sunday	12-27	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Living and Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Christmas Intentions	
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Christmas Intentions	
Monday	12-28	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	No Mass	
Tuesday	12-29	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	No Mass	
Wednesday	12-30	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	65th Wedding Anniversary James & Lucille Green	
Thursday	12-31	6:00 p.m. (S.P.)	Living and Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	
Friday	1-01	11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Charles J. Boyarsky	Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Malec
Saturday	1-02	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Living and Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	
Sunday	1-03	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Regina Boyarsky	Ed & Cheryl Boyarsky
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Christmas Intentions	
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Christmas Intentions	



**Mary, Mother of God**  
The first day of our year begins with a celebration to Mary, Mother of God, a Holy Day of Obligation.

**Mass Schedule**  
**Thursday, 6:00p.m. Mass - St. Pius X**  
**Friday, 11:00a.m. Mass - Corpus Christi**

## FORMED

Anyone in our parish can sign up to use FORMED.org. Our parish has purchased this for you to use ANYWHERE you log onto the internet. Movies and all kinds of content are available for you. It is the CATHOLIC NETFLIX. After you create your own password with your email, just put in our parish code and then you're set to visit from anywhere, your phone, tablet, laptop and computer. Our parish code: KZW3G7

## INCLEMENT WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

We will have any cancellations for any Religious Education Classes, practices and events on our Facebook page AND on our parish website UNDER the Twitter section at the bottom right of the webpage.

Our Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/stjvp>. Our parish webpage is: [www.stjvp.org](http://www.stjvp.org). We also will put an announcement on the answering machine. 570-254-9502 ext. 3.

## HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

The Jubilee Year of Mercy began on December 8 and the faithful are encouraged to pilgrimage to Holy Doors of churches throughout the world. St. Anthony Parish will be traveling to the Holy Land in April, 2016 and will visit 2 of the designated basilicas: Basilica of Gethsemane in Jerusalem and the Basilica of the Annunciation in Nazareth. The pilgrimage will also include all of the major sites of Jesus life and ministry from the Galilee to Jerusalem. No one returns from the land where Jesus walked unchanged by this once in a lifetime spiritual experience. Please call St. Anthony Parish 215-646-4742 for more information. Deposits should be received by January 3, 2016.

**Are you interested in the Catholic Faith?** We are now beginning a new journey in faith to share the richness of the Catholic Church and our parish family. We invite you to learn what the Church teaches, and be introduced to some of our parish members. These sessions also are opportunities for you, and others that you may wish to invite, to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church. These gatherings are for inquirers and are open to people who are unbaptized, as well as those who are baptized Christians from Protestant or Evangelical backgrounds. We currently have sessions **afternoons and evenings**. Feel free to come any day. Please give us a call if you have any questions or would like further information at 254-9502 ext. 3 or email at JoAnn at [jwlbursjv@comcast.net](mailto:jwlbursjv@comcast.net)

## THANK YOU!!!

Thank you for your kindness and generosity with the St. Francis Kitchen Christmas Shoebox Project. On Christmas Day, all of the patrons will receive toothpaste in their shoeboxes.

## HOMEBOUND, HOPITIZED OR IN A NURSING HOME

If a parishioner is unable to attend Mass on a regular basis due to illness, hospitalization, or in a nursing home, please call the Parish Office (254-9502) and notify us. Please understand we can not rely on hospitals to inform us when our parishioners are hospitalized. We have several volunteers who bring Communion on a weekly basis to homebound parishioners. The Pastor visits with our parishioners who are homebound, in the hospital or nursing homes on an as-needed basis.



## Were you asked to be a Sponsor for a Baptism or Confirmation?

When one is asked to be a Sponsor, normally the parish where the Sacrament will be received will ask the proposed Catholic Sponsor for a form from their parish. The reason a form is requested is so that the parish where the Sacrament will be received, knows that the sponsor is qualified for the role. Anyone wishing to receive a Sponsor Certificate from our parish is to speak to Fr. Michael in person after they attend Mass.

## NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are considering a membership of faith, why not give serious consideration to joining St. John Vianney Parish? We would gladly welcome you as a member. To join the parish, please speak to Father Michael after Mass.

## PARISH MEMBERSHIP

If you attend Mass at St. John Vianney Parish and aren't registered, please consider becoming a registered member of our Parish Family. Any adult child of the parish that has turned twenty-one is asked to register independently from his or her parents/guardians. Since many families don't keep the parish up to date on their children's status, if we have not been notified, we can only assume the adult children have moved away and no longer are members. If you are unsure of your registration status, please call (254-9502) or email the parish ([ccrc402@comcast.net](mailto:ccrc402@comcast.net)).

### GIVING TREE THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Giving Tree at Corpus Christi. Eighty-nine gifts were purchased for children ages 11-16 from Lourdesmont. Thank you for your generosity.



### UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE

If you would like to have a deeper relationship with God and a better understanding of your faith, then join us for *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible*. You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study; you will also help to bring about a profound renewal in our parish as we grow closer to Christ. St. John Vianney will begin *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* on January 4th at 6:30. For more information or to sign up, contact JoAnn at 254-9502 ext. 3 or [jwilbursjv@comcast.net](mailto:jwilbursjv@comcast.net).

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible helps you uncover the story woven through Scripture with its clever narrative approach and ingenious color-coded Bible Timeline. It is a great way to get the "big picture" of the Bible and see how our Catholic Faith is rooted in Scripture. You'll see how the Bible reveals God's loving plan for your life, and you will learn helpful ways to put your faith into practice.

The study includes a series of eight informative and engaging half-hour videos presented by Jeff Cavins. Each video will be followed by a lively group discussion. You can sign up for the study at [Evangelization.com](http://Evangelization.com), or email JoAnn at [jwilbsjv@comcast.net](mailto:jwilbsjv@comcast.net). You will receive a color-coded Bible Timeline Chart, a Bible study workbook, and the ability to stream the study videos online at your convenience.

### END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS

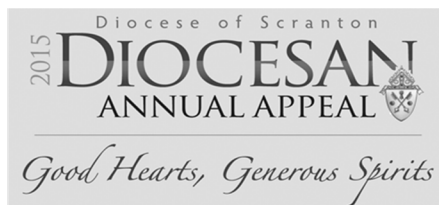
Offering envelopes are posted to the Sunday they are collected. If envelopes are mailed into the office or dropped off they are posted to the next Sunday. We are no longer able to back-date contributions. You may make-up contributions from the previous year, however they will be posted to the Sunday they were received. If you would like to give a contribution after December 27th for your 2015 record you may use our e-giving option up to December 31st. Go to: [e-giving.org/stjohnvianneyparish](http://e-giving.org/stjohnvianneyparish) or our parish website: [www.stjvp.org](http://www.stjvp.org)

### NEW AND USED TOYS AND CANDY FOR HAITI'S CHILDREN

Families have been giving us new and used toys. We have been making little bags and adding candy for the children. Any candy is acceptable except soft chocolate since it may melt. Any toys, cars, figures etc. (nothing has to be complete or even match). Larger toys are boxed to be used at orphanage, hospital and school areas. The smaller toys are given out to individual children. We will be doing this on an ongoing basis. Shoes and summer clothing for ALL ages is most needed and most appreciated. We have a bin in the lobby marked Haiti.

### YOUTH GROUP

The youth group meets weekly from 5 to 8PM . Check with JoAnn at 254-9502 ext. 3 or [jwilbursjv@comcast.net](mailto:jwilbursjv@comcast.net) for current, up-to-date activities.



There are extra pledge forms in the entrance of the Church. Our Parish Goal: \$32,000  
Percentage of Goal Pledged as of the last report 88%

### Liturgical Ministers' Schedule

#### December 31, 2015

6:00p	N. Baker	K. Shostek	Deacon Ed
(St. Pius)	E. Komora		L. Drum

#### January 1, 2016

11:00a	M. Dunstone	L. Volk	Deacon Ed
	J. Dunstone		C. Salva
			A. Swarts

#### January 2-3, 2016

5:00p	M. Matous	B. Cassaro	J. Cassaro
	M. Toth		Deacon Ed
	N. Toth		C. Salva
8:00a	D. Beecroft	Sr. Jeanne Karp	J. Corbett
	B. Bevilacqua		F. Tancredo
			P. Griffiths
9:30a	A. Long	L. Hayes	Deacon Ed
(St. Pius)	K. Long		J. Flynn
11:00a	K. Kolucki	P. Garrick	D. Sashko
	N. Kolucki		J. Sczesniak
	K. Priest		R. Stracham

### PARISH COLLECTIONS

#### December 7-8, 2015 (Holy Day)

Adults	\$465.00	60/674
Children	\$ 2.00	2/264
Loose	\$130.00	
Other (Dues, Etc.)	\$255.00	
Total Collection	\$852.00	

#### December 12-13, 2015

Weekly Adults	\$5,491.25	284/675
Weekly Children	\$ 74.05	54/264
Loose	\$ 439.75	
Other (Dues, Etc.)	\$1,124.43	
Total Collection	\$7,129.23	

Thank you for your continued support of your Parish Community.



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Bulletin for Sunday December 27, 2015

Special Instructions: