



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*
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FINANCE COUNCIL: finance@stjvp.org

MASSES OF THE WEEK

		<u>Location</u>	<u>Mass Intention:</u>	<u>Requested by:</u>
Saturday	12-02	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Stanley & Betty Fron	Family
Sunday	12-03	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Amy Mikelatis	Family
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	50th Wedding Anniversary Ed and Alice Sokoloski	
Monday	12-04	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Thomas J. Kraky	Farrah Family
Tuesday	12-05	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Stacie Scalese	
Wednesday	12-06	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Regina Boyarsky	Frank & Annette Tancredo
Thursday	12-07	5:30 p.m. (S.P.)	For the health of Ann Vitovsky	Aunt, Irene Hassett
Friday	12-08	12:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Bill Loyack	Wife, Lucille
		7:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Felix & Margaret Scagliotti	Family
Saturday	12-09	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Inez Galvin	Norman Galvin
Sunday	12-10	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Margaret & Edward Sokoloski	Roberta Burge
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Judy Naniewicz	Lisa Lastauskas



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

The Children's Christmas Eve Mass will be held at 4:00p.m. at Corpus Christi. Children can do both the Nativity and the Choir.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: All Kn-8th Grade students interested in joining the Children's Christmas Eve Choir, practices are Sundays, December 3rd, 10th and 17th after 11AM Mass. Pick up time is 1:30PM. Children will be offered a light lunch before practice starts at 12:20.

ALL THREE PRACTICES must be attended in order to participate Christmas Eve, unless excused by Heather.

Adult volunteers for food preparation will be needed. Please contact Heather Clendenning at 570.947.2040 if you are available to help with lunches preparation and clean up.

PRESENTATION OF THE NATIVITY: All Kn-8th Grade Students of the parish are invited to participate in the presentation of the Nativity on Christmas Eve. Please email Lisa Anzelm if your child plans to participate: lanzelm11@gmail.com Practices will be held on Tuesdays, **December 5th, 12th 6:00p.m.-7:00p.m.** at Corpus Christi Church and on Sunday **December 17th after 11:00AM Mass until 1:15**

Final Dress Rehearsal and Pizza Party DATE CHANGE will be held for the **Children's Choir and Nativity participants** on **Friday, December 22** from 6:00p.m. to 7:30p.m. **All participants must attend this final practice.**

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Friday, December 8th is a Holy Day of Obligation in all Parishes in the United States. A Vigil Mass will be said on Thursday at 5:30p.m. at St. Pius X and on Friday there will be Masses at noon and 7:00p.m. at Corpus Christi.

CAROLING FOR OUR HOMEBOUND

Come join us for Christmas Caroling and help brighten the holidays! We are planning to sing for our Parish homebound on Sunday, December 10th. Practice will begin at 5:00p at Corpus Christi, and we'll head out to sing at 6:00p. We hope you can join us; this should be a fun family event for all ages! Sign up sheets will be in the back of the churches, or you can sign up on our website <https://stjvp.org/> Questions? Call Gloria Konzman at 570-947-0512.

Christmas Choir at St. Pius X!!

Interest has been shown to again have a Choir for the 9:30a.m. Mass on Christmas morning at the St. Pius X location. There will be two practices, Dec. 10 and 17 after Mass for one hour. Please join us in song. All are welcome. If you have any questions please see Linda Hayes or call 570-470-3667.

MUCH TO BE THANKFUL FOR!

Hop Bottom Methodist Church sends us a huge thank you for the Thanksgiving Coat Drive & Food Drive by our CCD students at St. Pius. When I brought the food to the pantry, they asked me to be a part of their church service so that the congregation could thank us personally. What a warm & thankful reception. The coats were distributed to local families in the Hop Bottom, Brooklyn, Kingsley areas.

St. Francis Free Clothing store received the coats from Corpus Christi. They were amazed at the large number of donations. The CCD food drive at Corpus Christi was a huge success. Montdale Pantry will have full shelves for Thanksgiving.

Once again our "Socks for cold feet" project was a success. Between St. John Vianney Parish and Montdale Methodist Church we collected 1,062 pairs of socks.

Thanks everyone for your kind generosity & thoughtfulness. We made the holidays for many area families warm with full bellies. God Bless you all !!

The Giving Tree

The tradition of the Giving Tree will continue at St. John Vianney Parish this year. The gifts from Corpus Christi benefit the youths at Lourdesmont and patrons of the Montdale Food Pantry and the St Pius gifts go to Romy's Place. Please take a tag and **return the gift to the church from which you got the tag by Sunday, December 17th.**

Place an ornament on the tree when you put the gift under it. If you have any questions about Corpus Christi gifts call Juliana Piccini 282-0909 for gifts tags at St. Pius call Terri Benedict 222-2916. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Helping the
Needy

Liturgical Ministers' Schedule

December 7-8, 2017 (Immaculate Conception)

5:30p	K. Long (St. Pius)	T. Benedict	S. McCoy
12:00p	E. Komora	M. A. Paulukonis	M. L. Racht
	C. C.		
7:00p	M. Muraski L. Osburn	J.R. Salva	C. Salva E. Piccini J. Piccini

December 9-10, 2017

5:00p	K. Dzwonczyk H. Bailey	D. Spegar	E. Piccini J. Piccini J. Cassaro
8:00a	B. Good	L. Lastauskas	F. Tancredo J. Corbett
9:30a	N. Baker (St. Pius)	Children	K. Shostek M. Orazzi
11:00a	K. Priest M. Ziobro	Children	J. Szczesniak B. Toth R. Toth

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Please consider remembering your parish for memorial donations. If you would like to discuss any special needs of the parish, please contact Fr. Michael. If you would like to make memorial donations to other organizations, such as the Food Pantry, please send your donations directly to them.

**INDIVIDUALS IN MOTION (IAM's)
12 DAYS OF HOLIDAY CHEER**

Joseph Salva will be selling raffle tickets after Mass at Corpus Christi this weekend. Tickets are \$10 for 12 chances to win, with prizes valued between \$100 and \$800. Proceeds will benefit individuals with spinal cord injuries and disorders.



**Christmas SHOEBOX Project for
St. Francis of Assisi Kitchen**

TOOTHPASTE NEEDED!! Over the past 27 years youth groups from our area have provided toiletries that they distribute to the guests of the kitchen on Christmas Day. The guests are always so grateful for having been remembered on Christmas Day. We need 300 tubes of toothpaste! Please place in the container in back of church. We will collect until **December 10**.



**DONATIONS FOR
NEW FLOORING AT ST. PIUS X**

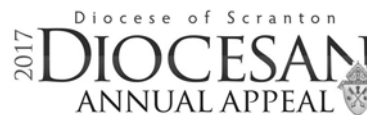
St. Pius X Altar and Rosary is beginning to solicit donations to replace the floor covering in the body of the Church. This collection of funds will continue through Christmas at St. Pius X. Checks may be made out to: St. Pius X Altar & Rosary. Thank you.

GIRL SCOUTS BAKE SALE

Next weekend the Girl Scouts will be holding a bake sale at all of the Masses at Corpus Christi. Thank you in advance for your support.

PART TIME JOB AT ST. JOHN VIANNEY

A part time job is available for someone who can make themselves available most of the time for our four masses, Saturday evening through Sunday to run our projector. This person would have the responsibilities of typing the music lyrics for the songs (which differ every week) and from time to time download a youtube video that Father Michael would like shown at mass. Anyone is welcome to apply for this position, although a retired person might be more available during the weekend. Please contact Father Michael at 254-9502. Thank You.



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LIGHT Parish Name City

Example
LIGHT St. Peter's Scranton
LIGHT Parish City (No commas)

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Open your heart to the work of your local Church
Help our parish reach our Annual Appeal goal

WALK TOGETHER
IN THE *Light of Christ*

INTERESTED IN E-GIVING?

Sign up at:

<https://giving.ncsservices.org/dl/?uid=ncs-3836>
or go to stjvp.org and click on the link

**PARISH COLLECTION
November 18-19, 2017**

Adults	\$	3,909.00	216/572
Children	\$	67.50	41/237
Loose	\$	437.13	
Other	\$	1,603.00	
Total Collection	\$	6,016.63	

Thank you for your continued support
of our Parish. Community

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