



*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*  
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[jwilbursjv@comcast.net](mailto:jwilbursjv@comcast.net)  
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### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: [ppc@stjvp.org](mailto:ppc@stjvp.org)

Janice Bevacqua  
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### 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	01-06	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Genevieve Bosak	Tom, Patti & Gina
Sunday	01-07	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Leo, Mary & Anthony Krukoski	John & Carol Schott
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Frank Pullo	Marty & Esther Semken
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	
Monday	01-08	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Ken Walter	Friends
Tuesday	01-09	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Michael Lambert	Friends
Wednesday	01-10	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Walter Andrews	
Thursday	01-11	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Ann Malvasia	
Friday	01-12	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Anthony Buonomo	
Saturday	01-13	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Louis M. Paris, Sr.	Andrew & Lois Mallick
Sunday	01-14	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Joseph Robinson	Alice Washko Robinson
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	William Piatt	Wife, Lillian
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	

January 7, 2018



### The Epiphany of the Lord

Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

Matthew 2:1-2

### INCLEMENT WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

We will have any cancellations for any Religious Education Classes, practices and events on our Facebook page, on our parish website UNDER the Twitter section at the bottom right of the webpage and a text or email if you have signed up for Flocknote. Flocknote is the preferred and best way to be notified. 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.



### 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.



### BLOOD DRIVE THANK YOU

Thank you to all those who took the time out from their busy schedule to donate blood just three days before Christmas. We collected 23 pints of blood from 24 donors. Thank you.



### Knights of Columbus Corpus Christi Council 12573 DESIGNER PURSE BINGO

The Purse Bingo will be held on Sunday, February 18th in the Parish Center. Doors open at 1:00p.m. and the Bingo starts at 2:00p.m. Raffles, door prizes, food and beverages available for purchase. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. For tickets or more information call Kerri Nichols 840-1195, Sean Smargiassi 499-0959 or Mike Lisiak 498-6354.



Purse Bingo

### Breakfast for Life 2018 January 20, 2018 at 9 A.M.



Montrose Bible Conference, Lake Avenue, Montrose. Melissa Ohden will be the featured speaker at this year's Breakfast for Life, an event honoring the memory of Cindi Conaty and benefiting her memorial scholarship fund, which provides a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating high school senior in Susquehanna County who writes a winning essay on his or her Pro-Life values and how they have impacted their life. The Breakfast is free of cost but donations are accepted. For purposes of seating arrangements and food preparation, we request that you register by email at [cindiconatybreakfast@gmail.com](mailto:cindiconatybreakfast@gmail.com) or by telephone by calling 607-765-0484.

Melissa is the survivor of a failed saline infusion abortion in 1977. Despite the initial concerns regarding Melissa's future after surviving the attempt to end her life at approximately seven months gestation, she has not only survived but thrived. With a Master's Degree in Social Work, she has worked in the fields of substance abuse, mental health, domestic violence and sexual assault counseling, and child welfare.

### 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary

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 2018 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 10. 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 12 (570-254-9502, ext. 1).

### MOVIE: January 28, 2:00p.m.

### Char Vance Our Lady's Comedienne

Need a few laughs this winter? Come and join us on January 28 at 2pm at our CC location for our monthly movie to watch Char Vance. She has been called Our Lady's Comedienne. Char is a convert to the Catholic Faith and shares some of her funny stories with her experiences with the Catholic Faith.

### Are you interested in the Catholic Faith?

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. 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 jwilbursjv@comcast.net

### Liturgical Ministers' Schedule

January 13-14, 2018

5:00p	M. Matous B. Gretzula	C. Lubash	J. Cassaro J. Golecki L. Golecki
8:00a	B. Good	Sr. J. Karp	R. Good P. Griffiths
9:30a (St. Pius)	J. Gesford E. Komora	L. Hayes	K. Shostek M. Orazzi
11:00a	K. Priest M. Ziobro	M. A. Paulukonis	M. J. Oakley B. Toth R. Toth

### Altus for Women Winter Read-Along

Are you looking for something meaningful and exciting to do during the cold winter months? Do you like to connect with other women? Are you looking for a good book to read? If you answered yes to any of those questions, then the Altus Winter Read-along is for you! Wondering what the Read-along is? It's a FREE Altus book club! So, you purchase & read the book, &...

- Cozy up under a blanket on your couch, and join the private online discussion forum at [www.altusforwomen.com](http://www.altusforwomen.com)
  - OR... discuss the book in person-- in a local Altus group, or with a friend.
- OR... start a local Altus Group yourself; don't worry ~ we can help you get started! The book we have chosen to read for our first Altus Winter Read-Along is *My Sisters the Saints* by Colleen Carroll Campbell. For questions & to sign up go to [www.altusforwomen.com](http://www.altusforwomen.com).

### HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL FRIENDS OF THE CRUSADERS

**ELEVENTH ANNUAL NIGHT AT THE RACES**  
Saturday, February 3, 2018, 501 E. Drinker St., Dunmore, PA 18512. Basket/Preview/Raffle Sales 5:00 PM. Doors Open- 5:30 PM, Post Time - 7:00 PM Admission Ticket: \$15.00 includes a complimentary GOURMET BUFFET and refreshments throughout the evening. (You must be 21 years of age to attend.) Reservation deadline: January 8, 2018 Reservations must be made in advance. Forms can be found on [hchspa.org](http://hchspa.org). For more info please contact HCHS at (570) 346-7541 or Krista Luzzo at (570) 499-7639.

### MARRIAGE MOMENTS

"By Susan Vogt, [www.SusanVogt.net](http://www.SusanVogt.net)"

Jan. 7 is the feast of the Epiphany when Christians celebrate the 3 wise men's (foreigners) search for God. Legend has it that they followed a star. Gazing at stars can be a mystical experience. Look up at the sky with your child tonight. Hopefully you will see stars. Ponder the universe together.

### 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.



### HOMEBOUND, HOSPITALIZED 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 homebound around the first Friday of the month and visits the hospitals and nursing homes on an as-needed basis.

### INTERESTED IN E-GIVING?

Sign up at:

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

### PARISH COLLECTIONS December 23-24, 2017

Adults	\$ 2,946.00	158/572
Children	\$ 16.00	16/237
Loose	\$ 197.02	
Other	\$ 1,445.00	
Total Collection	\$ 4,604.02	

### December 24-25, 2017 (Christmas)

Christmas Adults	\$ 15,966.00	251/572
Christmas Children	\$ 164.00	40/237
Adults	\$ 2,503.00	84/572
Children	\$ 37.00	23/237
Loose	\$ 1,555.02	
Other	\$ 829.00	
Total Collection	\$ 21,054.02	

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish Community.

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