



St. John Vianney

PARISH COMMUNITY

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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*
jwilbursjv@comcast.net
Heather Clendenning: *Director of Music Ministry*
hkclendenning@yahoo.com
Tina Bjork: *Secretary*
ccrc402@comcast.net

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: ppc@stjvp.org

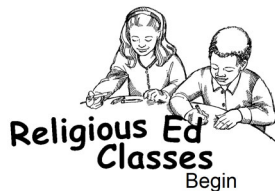
Janice Bevacqua	Carol Mondello
<i>Vice-Chairperson</i>	Bill Oehler
Jerry Borosky	Jay Paulukonis
<i>Chairperson</i>	Joan Sczesniak
Eileen Jones	Cindy Straub
<i>Secretary</i>	Lynn Volk

FINANCE COUNCIL: finance@stjvp.org

MASSES OF THE WEEK

		<u>Location</u>	<u>Mass Intention:</u>	<u>Requested by:</u>
Saturday	08-24	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Robert Koslowski	Wife, Nancy
Sunday	08-25	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Leo, Mary & Anthony Krukoski	John & Carol Schott
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Living & Deceased Members of	St. John Vianney Parish
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	James & Ida Alfieri	Daughter, Lena & Ron Koruszko
Monday	08-26	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Walter Mehalco	Kerl Family
Tuesday	08-27	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Justine Sabina	Mary Guzzi
Wednesday	08-28	No Mass		
Thursday	08-29	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	Elizabeth Konchar	Al & Ann McGowan
Friday	08-30	8:30 a.m. (C.C.)	John A. Pisarcik	Mr. & Mrs. William Kerl
Saturday	08-31	5:00 p.m. (C.C.)	Walter Zabrowski	Irene Maciaszek
Sunday	09-01	8:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Margaret Opeil	Sister, Betty
		9:30 a.m. (S.P.)	Living & Deceased Members of	St. John Vianney Parish
		11:00 a.m. (C.C.)	Yolanda Paris	Andrew & Lois Mallick

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Religious Education for the 2019-2020 school year starts on September 8. A letter with registration will go to all registered parishioners and those whose children have been in our RE Program. Any NEW student will need to be registered with our

director at your convenience. Please call JoAnn Wilbur at 254-9502 ext. 3 to make appointment with any new child to our program. All other children can be registered by filling out the forms mailed to you. Registration forms may be dropped off at our parish office, put in the collection basket or mailed to the attention of JoAnn Wilbur.

Catechists, Substitutes and Aides

If you're interested in helping in our Religious Education Program in any way, and are over 18, you'll need to get clearances. This is at no expense to you. Anyone interested in helping with our program, please call JoAnn Wilbur at 254-9502 ext. 3. This process takes a little time so please inquire as soon as possible.

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

Grief Support Ministry

Jesus said, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted" (Mt. 5:4).

The Cathedral of Saint Peter Parish will once again hold a Grief Support group program for people in our community who are grieving the loss of a loved one. In our community we are frequently reminded of the reality of Death, and of our Christian responsibility to offer some degree of comfort to those who mourn. Our Ministry is **not confined to Parish members only and is available to anyone in the community** who feels the need to participate in a Grief Ministry Program that offers spiritual as well as emotional support during the weeks, months or years following the death of a close family member or friend. The next Grief Support Group will meet weekly for 4 weeks starting **on Wednesday, September 25 and ending on Wednesday, October 16, from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM** in the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Avenue (across the street from the Cathedral). If you feel that you may benefit from this program and would like to attend, please contact the Cathedral Parish Office at 570-344-7231.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Harvest Festival, October 6

Please pick up your tickets in the Church and sign up to help.

Collecting Items for Haiti Help Feed the Hungry & Poor

We are still collecting items for Haiti and because they are starving the need for rice and dry beans is the greatest. They can use gently used lightweight clothing, shoes, towels, sheets, bars of soap, shampoo, toothpaste, rice, Tylenol, ibuprofen and deodorant will be greatly appreciated and are greatly needed. They cannot buy toiletries in Haiti. We will have a container in the vestibule.

Women's Retreat Weekend September 6-8, 2019 *"Finding the Gift of God's Mercy in our Everyday Lives"*

Directed by Rev. Richard Nalepa, CP of St. Paul of the Cross Monastery, Pittsburgh. St. Gabriel's Passionist Retreat Center, 631 Griffin Pond Road, Clarks Summit, PA Fall Preached Retreat – Begins Friday 7pm – Departure after the Noon Meal Sunday \$140 per person – Deposit is required. Registration is 7:00 pm Friday Evening. Begins at 7:30 pm and Departure is after the Noon meal on Sunday (No meals are served Friday evening.) To Register or for more information; Call: Retreat Office: 570 586-4957 or email: kporter@epix.net Preached retreats consist of conferences on the spiritual life, time for personal reflection, prayer service, opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and Liturgy. A deposit is required. For more information, please call the Retreat Office: 570 586-4957 or email kporter@epix.net.

Website: www.passionistnunsclarkssummit.org

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

Friends of the Poor is seeking volunteer drivers to help with its expanding program. Need a Ride provides free transportation to medical appointments and medical procedures for patients who live in the Carbondale, Pennsylvania area For more information call 570-877-4045.

Cornerstone Experience

Are you a woman 21 or older looking to renew your faith and deepen your relationship with God? If so, you are invited to attend a 24-hour Cornerstone Experience from Friday October 4th to Saturday October 5th given by the women of St. Maximilian Kolbe in Pocono Pines, PA. The gathering provides an outstanding opportunity to meet and interact with the women of the parish. It is a welcoming and nonjudgmental environment, an opportunity to step out of the hustle of daily life to relax, pause, and reflect. Registration forms on the St. John Vianney website & the back of the church. Registration is \$60. Please contact Rosanne Stracham (rms719@yahoo.com) or Gloria Konzman (mgbk01@gmail.com) if you register, so we can coordinate transportation, or if you have any questions.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

"By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net"



Many marital arguments focus on "Who is right." It's natural to want to be right in an argument but it doesn't serve your love. Even if you can fact check your position and prove you are right, it's better to come up with a "win/win" solution. Practice looking for creative alternatives during your next argument.

NEEDED: EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

We are in great need of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, especially for the 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. If you feel you are called to serve our parish in this capacity, you are invited to attend an all-day training session on Saturday, August 24, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Diocesan Pastoral Center in Scranton. There is no fee for the training and lunch will be provided. You can call the Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213 to register. Registration is due by August 20th. Please contact Joan Sczesniak at joan.sczesniak@gmail.com or Tina Bjork at the parish office to let us know when you complete your training so that we can add you to our schedule."

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



**Liturgical Ministers' Schedule
Aug. 31-Sept. 1 2019**

5:00p	P. Kozlowski M. Matous	M. A. Paulukonis	J. Cassaro E. Piccini J. Piccini
8:00a	J. Dunstone M. Dunstone	N. Galvin	P. Griffiths F. Tancredo
9:30a (St. Pius)	V. Sedlak	K. Shostek	E. Semken M. Semken
11:00a	I. Bagnuolo J. Bagnuolo	J. R. Salva	M. L. Racht R. Stracham A. Swarts

JOIN THE CHOIR OR FOLK GROUP!

Practices start September 11th.
Wednesdays at Corpus Christi
Folk Group practices at 6:00p.m.
Family Choir/Cantor practices at 7:00p.m.
Call Heather for more information
570-947-2040

Catholic Choral Society

The Catholic Choral Society will begin its 71st year on Tuesday, September 3rd, with rehearsals on Tuesday evenings from 6:15 PM to 8:30 PM at the IHM Center at Marywood University. The Choral Society is nondenominational and composed of members from Luzerne, Lackawanna, Wayne, Susquehanna, Pike and Wyoming counties. The chorus performs sacred, classical, and secular music at performances in Northeastern PA counties. New members are welcome and no auditions, excepting for voice placement, are required. The Catholic Choral Society's first concert is the annual November Generations Concert on Sunday, November 10th at 7PM when the chorus will host regional choral groups from elementary school through college at Holy Rosary Church in Scranton. Additional choral programs are scheduled for the Advent, Christmas and Lenten and spring seasons. For further information please see www.catholicchoralsociety.org and call 570-575-1040 and like us on Facebook.

COLLECTION ENVELOPES

With the collection now being counted by all volunteers, we ask that you always use the envelopes mailed to you for your offering. With volunteers doing the collection they will not know if a loose check belongs to a parishioner or a visitor. All loose checks will be included in the loose collection and will not be credited to parishioners. If you do not receive your envelopes in the mail, we ask that you write your name and address on a regular envelope (or use return address labels) and put your offering in that. Even for special collections, always make your checks out to St. John Vianney Parish.

Don't forget about e-giving: If you find automatic payments easier please consider e-giving. Go to: <https://giving.ncsservices.org/dl/?uid=ncs-3836> or our parish website: www.stjvp.org

PARISH COLLECTION

August 10-11, 2019

Adults	\$ 3,167.00	188/586
Children	\$ 39.00	22/189
Loose	\$ 449.80	
Other	\$ 258.00	
Total Collection	\$ 3,913.80	

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish Community.

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Bulletin for Sunday August 25, 2019
Special Instructions: