

Welcome to the Catholic Communities of

St. Ann, St. John Neumann & St. Vincent de Paul

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8 FEBRUARY 2026

The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.

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Today's readings from Isaiah and Matthew evoke the powerful metaphor of light as an image of the community gathered by God. Jesus speaks of his followers as "light of the world": they are not the source of light, but a mirror reflecting the brightness of God. This light does not call attention to itself, but enables beauty to be revealed and celebrated, and sinfulness to be exposed and healed. The light of this community is not primarily for itself, but fulfills its purpose when it shines upon the world. The light that we the Church bring to our world can be hidden by "bushels" sometimes imposed by others and sometimes of our own making. Our lights may flicker and die under stress. What might sustain the brightness of our own small light? Our ongoing practices of community prayer, discernment, and action allow God to illumine our Church, day by day.

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Reverend Edward J. Casey
PASTOR

Reverend Binesh Joseph Kanjirakattu
SENIOR PRIEST



I DO NOT PROMISE YOU HAPPINESS IN THIS WORLD, BUT IN THE NEXT.

Our Lady of Lourdes

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

As soon as Christmas ends, people begin planning for Easter. In the early Church, the Paschal Triduum was a single liturgy stretching from Saturday sundown to sunrise on Easter Sunday. The two preceding days were strict fasts, observed not only by the elect preparing for baptism, but by the entire Church. A fifth-century pope explained that Christians imitated the apostles, who hid in grief after Jesus' arrest; during this time even sacraments, including penance, were forbidden.

Over time, the faithful desired to gather in prayer, and a Good Friday Liturgy of the Word developed. This marked the first step toward the Triduum as we know it today, gradually incorporating the veneration of the cross and a simple Communion service. The Word remained central to the celebration.

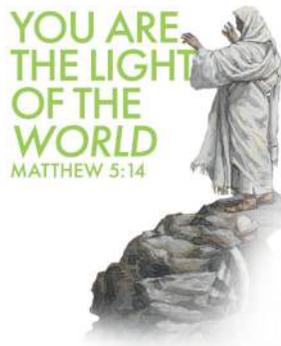
Although these customs took hold, the great Holy Week liturgies slowly unraveled in the Middle Ages. With few books available and no formal seminaries, most priests could celebrate only a simple Mass, and many parishes could not sustain the complex Triduum rites. Holy Week remained important in private devotion, but for a time the public liturgies nearly disappeared.

~James Field

- R** MONDAY
1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13
Ps 132:6-7, 8-10
Mk 6:53-56
- E** TUESDAY
1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30
Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11
Mk 7:1-13
- A** WEDNESDAY
1 KINGS 10:1-10
PS 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40
MK 7:14-23
- D** THURSDAY
1 Kings 11:4-13
Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40
Mk 7:24-30
- I** FRIDAY
1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19
Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15
Mk 7:31-37
- N** SATURDAY
1 Kings 12:26-32, 13:33-34
Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22
Mk 8:1-10
- S**

LATER . . .

ONE WHO WAITS TO DO A GREAT DEAL OF GOOD AT ONCE, WILL NEVER DO ANYTHING.
~SAMUEL JOHNSON



GIVING
WHEN YOU GIVE,
SEE THAT YOU
GIVE THAT WHICH
MULTIPLIES IN GIVING.
~Raymond Lull

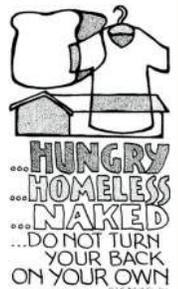
TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Isaiah 58:7-10
If you share your food with the hungry, provide housing for the homeless, then light shall break forth upon you.

Psalm — Psalm 112
The just man is a light in the darkness to the upright

Second Reading — 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
My message to you, says Paul, was the proclamation of Christ crucified.

Gospel — Matthew 5:13-16
You are the salt of the earth, the light of the world. In your good deeds your light shines before others, leading them to glorify God.





ST. JOHN NEUMANN'S PARISH

705 Route 739
 Lords Valley, PA 18428
 570-775-6791 Fax: 570-775-1527
 Good Shepherd Church, Blooming Grove

Office Hours: Thursday & Friday
 9:30am to 2:00pm

Email: sjnf@ptd.net
www.sjneumannchurch.com

Joan Dingee
 Administrative and Bookkeeping Specialist

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday (February 9)
Ordinary Weekday

9:30 a.m. (S)

† Andrew Anderson

Tuesday (February 10)
Saint Scholastica, Virgin

9:30 a.m. (S) *Special Intentions for*

♥ Frank Fanelli

Wednesday (February 11)
Our Lady of Lourdes

9:30 a.m. (S)

† No Mass

Thursday (February 12)
Ordinary Weekday

9:30 a.m. (S)

† Benedetta Giovanniello

Friday (February 13)
Ordinary Weekday

9:30 a.m. (S)

† J. Richard Carle

Saturday (February 14)
Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop

Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:15-3:45p.m. Confessions (S)

4:00 p.m. (S)

† Barbara Schwartz

Sunday (February 15)
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:30 a.m. (S)

♥ For the People



(S) - St. John's (GS) - Good Shepherd

Offertory and Mass Attendance

Offertory includes money from weekly envelopes and loose checks from registered parishioners.

January 18th	4:00pm	52	82
	11:30am	30	

Offertory to Date \$98,825

Weekly Average \$3,294

AUTOMATED TITHING

Choose the convenience of online giving more information can be found at www.sjneumannchurch.com.

Thank you for your generosity!



FOODS OF THE MONTH

BLOOMING GROVE FOOD PANTRY

Please consider including these items with your food donations. Thank you for your continued support and generosity to this worthwhile cause.

Bottled Juice, Cereal & Tuna

We have several clients who are also in need of pet food- for both cats & dogs. Please consider including these items with your food donations. Thank you for your continued support and generosity to this worthwhile cause.

Love is a marvelous and heavenly thing. It never tires and never thinks that it has done enough.

~St. Robert Bellarmine



HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY



The Sanctuary Votive Candle will burn the week of February 8th at St. John Neumann Church in Loving Memory of Vincent Caputo, Jr.



SAINT ANN'S PARISH

121 Richardson Avenue
Shohola, PA 18458
570-832-4275

St. Mary's Church, Lackawaxen

Office: 125 Richardson Avenue
Tuesday - Thursday 8:00am to 2:00pm
Email: stann@ptd.net
www.stannshohola.org
Carol Laput, Administrative Manager

Offertory and Mass Attendance

Offertory includes money from weekly envelopes and loose checks from registered parishioners.

January 18th	5:30pm	49
\$1,910	8:30am	18 87
	10:15am	20

Offertory to Date \$94,200
Weekly Average \$3,248

AUTOMATED TITHING

Choose the convenience of online giving more information can be found at www.stannshohola.org

Thank you for your generosity!

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CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL REPORT

Goal	\$22,038
Committed	\$20,261
Raised	\$15,374
Goal Reached	91%
Number of Donors	63

WALKER LAKE WOMEN'S CLUB

A group of ladies with a common interest ... quilting!

If you're interested in participating in future charitable projects, please feel free to reach out to Chris Cancemi.

570-296-7216 (home)
570-228-8442 (cell)
or sewchris@ptd.net

ST. ANN'S FOOD PANTRY

*Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal
Canned Fruit*

Seeking volunteers to help unload trucks and stock pantry. Contact Laura at 845-239-3605 if you are interested.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (FEBRUARY 9)

Ordinary Weekday

8:30 a.m. (SA)

† Mary Joseph Kanjirakattu

TUESDAY (FEBRUARY 10)

Saint Scholastica, Virgin

8:30 a.m. (SA)

† Mary Joseph Kanjirakattu

WEDNESDAY (FEBRUARY 11)

Our Lady of Lourdes

No Mass

THURSDAY (FEBRUARY 12)

Ordinary Weekday

8:30 a.m. (SA)

† William Bratkovics

FRIDAY (FEBRUARY 13)

Ordinary Weekday

8:30 a.m. (SA)

† Agnes Wilson & John Dorney

SATURDAY (FEBRUARY 14)

Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop

Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 p.m. (SA)

† Rev. John Turi

SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 15)

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. (SA)

† Jean Riccardi

9:30-10:00a.m. Confessions (SA)

10:15 a.m. (SA)

† David Gregory



(SA) - St. Ann's (SE) - St. Eligius Room (SM) - St. Mary's

Pastor Al



"Did you have to set up right next to my 'Secret Chili Recipe' booth?"

*The Sanctuary Votive Candle
will burn the week of February 8th
at St. Ann's Church
in Honor of
The Esposito Family*



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH

Pastores Emeriti: Rev. Paul M. Mullen & Rev. John B. Boyle

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Office Hours: Tuesday - Thursday 9:00am to 1:00pm

stvoff@ptd.net www.stvdepaulchurch.org

Lorraine Schmidt, Administrative Assistant
Jo-Ann Fay, Financial Secretary

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (FEBRUARY 9)

Ordinary Weekday

No Mass

TUESDAY (FEBRUARY 10)

Saint Scholastica, Virgin

8:45 a.m. (C)

† to be announced

WEDNESDAY (FEBRUARY 11)

Our Lady of Lourdes

8:45 a.m. (C)

† Brittany Heaney

THURSDAY (FEBRUARY 12)

Ordinary Weekday

8:45 a.m. (C)

† Mary Joseph Kanjirakattu

FRIDAY (FEBRUARY 13)

Ordinary Weekday

8:45 a.m. (C)

† Ed Peck

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3:15-3:45p.m. Confessions (SV)

4:00 p.m. (SV)

† Andrew John Bernard

SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 15)

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. (SV) *Special Intentions for*

♥ Thomas Caporole

11:15 a.m. (SV)

† Louis Angelo



(SV) - St. Vincent de Paul (C) - Chapel

The Lifestyle of Generous Hearts

Offertory and Mass Attendance

Offertory includes money from weekly envelopes and loose checks from registered parishioners.

January 18th

Envelopes	\$1,198	4:00pm	50
We Share	\$797	8:30am	20 105
		11:15am	35

Offertory to Date \$143,208

Weekly Average \$4,938

Online Giving

Choose the convenience of online giving more information can be found at stvdepaulchurch.org

Thank you for your generosity!



CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL REPORT

Goal	\$35,583
Committed	\$22,280
Raised	\$20,710
Goal Reached	63%
Number of Donors	70



SPEND A HALF HOUR WITH YOUR MOTHER

St. Vincent de Paul Church Come Pray the Rosary 1st Saturday of the month 10am in the Chapel. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus #9832 Lady of the Mountain. Rosaries provided if needed.

IN-PERSON COFFEE HOUR



After 8:30am Mass Reconnect with other parish members with coffee, tea, baked goods and fellowship. Held in the parish hall each Sunday.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LOAVES AND FISHES GIFT CARDS

Support our parish! Buy gift cards in the narthex before and after weekend Masses. Order or view available cards by scanning the QR code or call 570-686-4545.



OUR PARISH COMMUNITIES



MINISTRY TRAINING SCHEDULE

All training and meetings begin at 6:30pm

ALTAR SERVERS

Meeting & Reflection (all servers, new and experienced)
Thursday, February 12th at St. John Neumann

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

New Minister Training

Thursday, February 26th at St. Ann's

Meeting & Reflection (all ministers, new and experienced)

Thursday, March 5th at St. Ann's

Register for classes on line or by calling your Parish Office
registering online by scanning code or visit www.stannshohola.org



MARY JOSEPH MEMORIAL MASS

We invite the parish communities to join Father Binesh in prayer at a Memorial Mass for his mother, Mary Joseph, on Monday, 16 February at 10:30am at St. Vincent's. Please keep Father Binesh and his family in your prayers as we commend Mary to the loving mercy of God.

LENTEN SCRIPTURE STUDY

The Witness of the Cloths



This Lent, our Friday evening Scripture study will examine The Shroud of Turin and the Sudarium of Oviedo (Spain); ancient burial cloths long venerated for their connection to the Passion

of Christ. Through careful reflection on Sacred Scripture, historical testimony, and theological insight, we will consider how these silent witnesses illuminate the Gospel accounts of Christ's suffering, death, and burial, and invite deeper meditation on the mystery of the Incarnation and Redemption.

**FRIDAYS DURING LENT
6:30PM | MULLIGAN HALL**

COLLECTION OF OLD PALMS



We invite you to bring your Blessed Palms from previous years to be burned and prepared as Ashes for Ash Wednesday. Palms can be placed in the receptacles near the church entrances through February 15th.

Thank you for being part of this meaningful tradition!

FRIDAY NIGHTS DURING LENT

LENT CALLS FOR
Soup!

SOUP MAKERS NEEDED!

sign-up at stannshohola.org

FRIDAYS
February 20th to March 27th



Name: _____ Parish _____

Phone: _____ email: _____

Name of soup: _____

Friday(s) you are available to make soup: _____

drop in collection basket

OUR PARISH COMMUNITIES



Ash Wednesday, February 18th, marks the beginning of Lent.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence; all Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence. Catholics 14 and older are to abstain from meat on these days. Catholics 18 through 59 are bound to fast, taking one full meal and two smaller meals, unless excused.

St. Ann’s Church

Mass: 8:30am and 6:00pm
Liturgy of the Word 4:00pm

St. John Neumann Church

Mass: 9:30am and 5:00pm

St. Vincent de Paul Church

Mass: 9:00am and 7:00pm

*Ashes will be distributed only during Mass and the Liturgy Service.
 To receive ashes please attend one of the Services above.*

SUNDAY READINGS DISCUSSION

Tuesdays at 3:00pm in Saint John’s Hall.

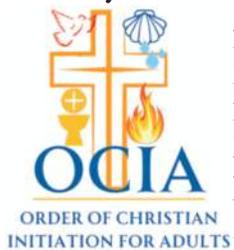
The meetings usually last about 90 minutes.

All are welcome to come and participate.

Call Peter at 570-775-1647 for more information.

**ARE YOU CONSIDERING
 BECOMING CATHOLIC?**

Sundays at St. Ann’s 9:20am - St. Iggy Room (Parish Office)



Are you unsure about the Catholic Church but want to know more about it? Do you know someone who would be interested in becoming Catholic? Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is a program which serves to guide people in their faith journey into the Catholic Church. Classes start soon. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office 570-832-4275.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL

Cor Ad Cor Loquitur

SATURDAYS DURING LENT

The Knights of Columbus Council Our Lady of the Mountain No. 9832 is sponsoring an Lenten Cor Program, a formation and fraternal opportunity for all men of the parishes to help prepare you for the Resurrection of Christ at Easter. Cor aims to strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue through prayer, formation, and fraternity. The event will be held starting on Saturday February 21st through March 28th at 8:00am in St. Vincent de Paul Hall and/or resource center, where attendees can enjoy coffee and donuts, prayer, and fraternity. Come for one week or all 6 weeks.

For more information, contact Peter Briody at PDB144@gmail.com

Reasons of the Heart

The heart has its reasons of which reason knows nothing.

~Blaise Pascal

THE LITTLE BLACK BOOK

Reflections on Christ's life based on the Passion narrative in the Gospel of Mark.

Lent, the journey to Jerusalem will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 18th. As we approach this Holy Season and to help us prepare our hearts and minds for the journey, our Parish is inviting you to spend some quiet time with the Lord by picking up a copy of "The Little Black Book" for Lent.

These Reflections on Christ's life based on the Passion narrative in the Gospel of Mark will guide you on your Lenten Journey.

Books are FREE and will be located at the entrance of the church beginning February 15th

SAINT JOHN NEUMANN

Saint John Neumann Parish

Saint John Neumann Church, Lords Valley
 Good Shepherd Church, Blooming Grove

Pastor: Rev. Edward J. Casey

Senior Priest: Rev. Binesh Joseph Kanjirakattu

Honesdale Deanery

- Queen of Peace, Hawley
- Saint Ann, Shohola
- Saint John Neumann, Lords Valley
- Saint John the Evangelist, Honesdale
- Saint Joseph, Matamoras
- Saint Patrick, Milford
- Saint Thomas More, Lake Ariel
- Saint Vincent de Paul, Milford

PARISH DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Number of Households	296	291	295	302	372
Number of Parishioners	601	598	597	615	837
Total Number of Weekend Masses	2	2	2	3	-
Total Average Weekend Mass Attendance	239	240	242	260	217

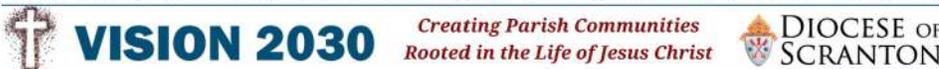
SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Baptisms	7	5	10	8	6
First Holy Communions	4	8	6	12	13
Confirmations	5	4	7	0	10
OCIA/Baptism	1	0	0	0	0
OCIA/Full Communion	0	0	0	0	0
Marriages	3	1	2	3	2
Funerals	16	14	11	12	17

FAITH FORMATION PARTICIPATION

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Religious Education K-8	43	56	54	46	41
Religious Education 9-12	0	0	0	0	0
Catholic School Students	1	0	0	0	0
Adult Faith Formation	2	0	0	0	0

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Stations of the Cross

11:30am followed by a Soup Lunch in the Parish Hall
 Sign up sheets are posted in the kitchen for anyone who would like to volunteer to make soup or salad for Friday mornings. If anyone is interested in volunteering to read the Stations with us, post a note there as well and we will contact you.

Knights of Columbus Friday Night Fish Dinner

As we begin a time of Lenten reflection and look towards renewal, consider joining us at SJN for fellowship, community and yes, delicious fish!

Dinner will be served at 5:30pm in the Parish Hall followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm.

COST \$15/PP, CHILDREN UNDER 12 FREE

FOOD FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS



1:00pm - 2:30pm

February 1st at St. John Neumann
 Swedish Meatballs over Noodles

February 8th at St. Ann's
 Mild Chili over Rice

SA Parish Office 570-832-4275
 SJN Parish Office 570-775-6791

text or call 347-446-9631 or 201-575-6100
 Orders due by the Wednesday prior to the dinner.

SAINT ANN'S

Saint Ann Parish

Saint Ann Church, Shohola
 Saint Mary of the Assumption Church, Lackawaxen

Pastor: Rev. Edward J. Casey

Senior Priest: Rev. Binesh Joseph Kanjirakattu

Honesdale Deanery

- Queen of Peace, Hawley
- Saint Ann, Shohola
- Saint John Neumann, Lords Valley
- Saint John the Evangelist, Honesdale
- Saint Joseph, Matamoras
- Saint Patrick, Milford
- Saint Thomas More, Lake Ariel
- Saint Vincent de Paul, Milford

PARISH DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Number of Households	296	257	251	248	290
Number of Parishioners	664	635	602	580	655
Total Number of Weekend Masses	3	3	3	3	-
Total Average Weekend Mass Attendance	208	191	181	196	170

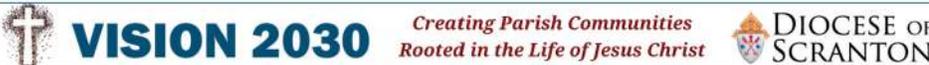
SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Baptisms	10	7	14	12	17
First Holy Communions	8	8	5	8	6
Confirmations	10	4	3	6	4
OCIA/Baptism	0	0	0	0	0
OCIA/Full Communion	2	0	0	0	0
Marriages	0	0	0	0	4
Funerals	8	11	22	9	25

FAITH FORMATION PARTICIPATION

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Religious Education K-8	44	42	39	47	52
Religious Education 9-12	11	6	5	5	0
Catholic School Students	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Faith Formation	30	45	3	0	40

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EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION



There is a real need for Eucharistic Ministers

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion assist the priest at weekday and weekend Masses, on Holy Days, and in bringing the Eucharist to the home-bound and to those in nursing homes or hospitals.

Ministers must be practicing Catholics who have received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist; if married, the marriage must be valid in the Church. Those interested in this ministry are invited to contact the Parish Office.

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MASSES AVAILABLE!

We currently have openings for Mass intentions. If you would like to have a Mass offered for a loved one, living or deceased, please visit our website stannshohola.org or contact Carol at the Parish Office 570-832-4275.

ST. ANN'S CCD WEATHER REMINDER

Weather cancellation notifications will be by email as well as being posted on our webpage or our St. Ann's Shohola Facebook page.

As always, if your roads are bad but we have not yet cancelled, please don't risk your life to get to!

ST. ANN'S EMAIL PRAYERLINE

If you would like to join our email prayerline please email Mary Agnes at: prayerlinemary@gmail.com

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

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 - Saint Vincent de Paul, Milford

The meeting to share ideas for celebrating the 50th Anniversary year of St Vincent de Paul church has been rescheduled to Sunday February 15th in the parish hall during coffee hour from 9:30-11:00.

PARISH DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Number of Households	432	373	376	376	396
Number of Parishioners	1075	1071	1069	1069	1055
Total Number of Weekend Masses	3	3	3	3	3
Total Average Weekend Mass Attendance	343	299	292	261	240

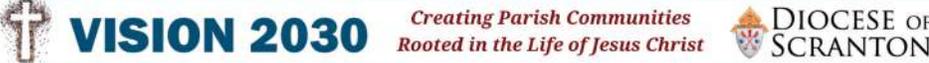
SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Baptisms	11	17	12	9	6
First Holy Communions	13	13	14	13	15
Confirmations	14	11	8	12	15
O CIA/Baptism	0	9	0	0	0
O CIA/Full Communion	0	4	0	1	0
Marriages	1	6	6	1	1
Funerals	10	11	17	20	21

FAITH FORMATION PARTICIPATION

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Religious Education K-8	68	75	64	64	67
Religious Education 9-12	0	0	0	0	0
Catholic School Students	1	0	0	0	0
Adult Faith Formation	5	26	2	46	2

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LITE FARE AND STATIONS

Gather with us in the Parish Hall *Fridays* during Lent for a light supper at 5:30pm followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm.

STELLAR SAINTS

Second Thursday of the Month
 Learn some interesting tidbits about some of the lesser-known saints. The sessions will be available through Zoom. the Parish Office 570-686-4545 to register and receive the connection information.

FAITH FORMATION PRESCHOOL

Children ages 3–5 are invited to join us in the parish hall during Sunday Faith Formation time (9:45–11am) for Bible stories, crafts, and lessons about Jesus in a joyful, caring setting. Parents are asked to remain in the hall.

SHARING THE SUNDAY READINGS

Tuesdays 6:30pm via Zoom

Relax at home and join us online - PJs welcome! Each week, we reflect on the Sunday scriptures, exploring their meaning and how they guide our lives. No commitment—share your thoughts or simply listen. For details, call the Parish Office at 570-686-4545.

St. Vincent de Paul
 Our Lady of the Mountain Council #9832

KNIGHTS BREAKFAST

Breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus **second Sunday** of each month from 9:00am to 11:00am. Join fellow parishioners for a full hot breakfast.

Cost \$5/person maximum
 \$20/family

KID'S CORNER

God tells us to share our bread with those who are hungry. God also wants us to give shelter to people who are homeless and clothing to people in need (see Isaiah 58:7).
 Let's take a trip to the grocery store!
 Unscramble the letters in the cart to spell foods we could purchase to donate to a food bank.

reelca _____
 usop _____
 luorf _____
 ijeuc _____

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Jesus told his disciples,
 "You are the salt of the earth" (Matthew 5:13a).
 He wanted them to show excitement about their faith so that others would glorify God!
 Hidden in each row is the name of a seasoning.
 To find them, cross out the first salt shaker, then every other one after that.
 When you're done, think of ways to spice up the world by showing God's love!

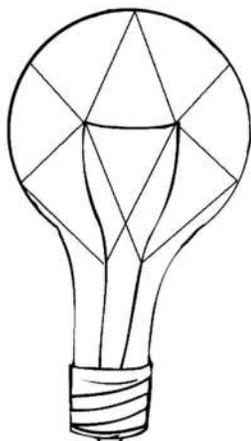
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Shine Your Light

Color in a section of the light below with yellow crayon or marker every time you do something nice for someone else to show that God's light shines through you.

Cut the light out and put it in a special place in your home when it is all colored.



GOD'S WORD FOR CHILDREN!

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

*Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth."
 If salt loses its taste, it is no longer good for anything.*

Is 58:7-10
 1 Cor 2:1-5

Ps 112:4-9
 Mt 5:13-16

Directions: Draw something you might sprinkle salt on to improve its taste.



**NOTICE REGARDING REPORTING
SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR**

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hot-line (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. This end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being.

Information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

The icon on the cover...

Our Lady of Lourdes by French iconographer Jean-Luc Théallet depicts the Blessed Virgin as she appeared to St. Bernadette in 1858. During the apparitions Mary revealed her identity with the words, "I am the Immaculate Conception," which are inscribed above her. She stands in quiet prayer, inviting us into the same spirit of humility and trust. Her white garments express purity and grace, while the gold background symbolizes the light of heaven shining into the world. The rosary at her side reminds us of her call to prayer and conversion, central messages of Lourdes that continue to speak to the faithful today. Théallet's luminous use of gold leaf and gentle lines draws the viewer into contemplation, presenting Mary as both mother and guide, always leading hearts toward her Son.

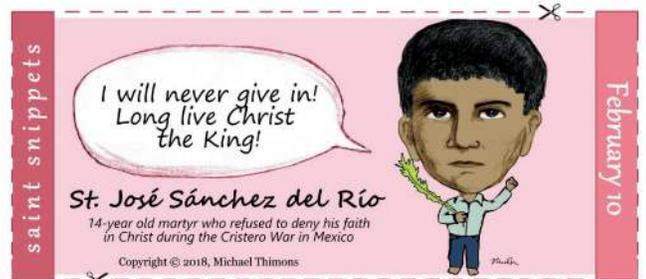
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Do you serve your fellow parishioners?
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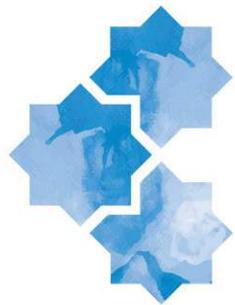
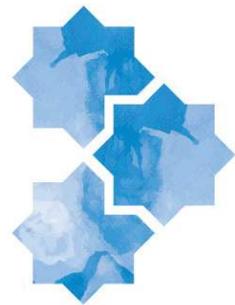


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