

# OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Rev. Joseph J. Evanko, Pastor  
Rev. William Asinari, Assistant Pastor



## *Mission Statement*

We are, Saint Mary, Our Lady Help of Christians, a parish committed to our Catholic identity, united to the church hierarchy, and inspired by the Grace of God available to us through the sacraments.

Therefore:

Through the Grace of Baptism, we have been made members of the Body of Christ;

Through the Grace of Reconciliation, we strive to be forgiving and charitable;

Through the Grace of Holy Eucharist, we will strive to sanctify our surroundings;

Through the Grace of Confirmation, we strive to promote and defend our faith;

Through the Grace of Anointing of the Sick, we strive to be healers;

Through the Grace of Matrimony, we embrace fidelity;

Through the Grace of Holy Orders, we strive to increase in Holiness.

We pray that God blesses these, our spiritual efforts, to the benefit of our families, our parish family and our community.

## *Contact Information*

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Facebook: Saint Mary's of Dorrance Parishioners &  
Saint Mary's of Dorrance Youth Group

## *Worship Schedule*

Daily Mass: Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday 8 AM

Saturday: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM

## *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Saturdays: 4:30-5:15 PM

or by Appointment

## **Parish Office**

3529 Saint Marys Road, Wapwallopen, PA 18660

## LITURGY SCHEDULE

### Feb 2 *The Presentation of the Lord*

Mon. SJ 7:00 AM

Patsy Miller—Patty & Marty Ritsick

SM 8:00 AM

Mary Wychock—John & Donna Kane

SJ 5:30-7:00 PM

**Confessions in church**

### Feb 3 *SS Blaise & Ansgar*

Tue. SJ 7:00 AM

Living & Deceased Members of the

Dino Galella Family—Eric & Josephine Helfrich

SM 8:00 AM

Miriam Dotzel—John Hollock

### Feb 4

Wed. SJ 7:00 AM

Carolyn Galante—Michael & Lorrie Yashowitz

### Feb 5 *Saint Agatha*

Thu. SJ 7:00 AM

Martha Saumo—Mark & Maureen Stair

SM 8:00 AM

John Wengrzynek—Family

SJ 6:30 PM

Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

### Feb 6 *Saint Paul Miki and Companions*

Fri. SJ 7:00 AM

Theresa Nixon—Bob & Mary Ann Metzger

### Feb 7 *Blessed Virgin Mary*

Sat. SJ 4:00 PM

Philip Jones—John & Maureen Rushkowski

SM 5:30 PM

Philip & Theresa Mylet—Grandchildren

### Feb 8 *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Sun. SJ 8:30 AM

Al Rice—Mr. & Mrs. William Tomalinas

SM 9:00 AM

Living & Deceased Members of

Saint Theresa's Guild

SJ 11:00 AM

Bernard Gasper—Wife & Family

**First Penance will be celebrated  
on Saturday, February 7,  
at 10:00 AM in Saint Jude.  
Please call the office if you would  
like to send a note of support or a**

The Sancturary Lamp,  
is lit in Loving Memory of  
**Frank & Lottie Zielinski**  
by Plesko & Baron Families

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 1, 2026

**Saint Mary's Website:** [stmarydorrance.org](http://stmarydorrance.org)

**Facebook Pages:** Saint Mary's of Dorrance

**Facebook Group:** Saint Mary's of Dorrance Parishioners

**Email:** [stmarysdorrance@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysdorrance@gmail.com)

**Phone:** 570-868-5855

*In case of emergency during off hours  
call 570-474-6315,*

*and follow the prompts for emergency.*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION K-6 Grades:** Welcome Back! This weekend the Family Newsletter and the Gertrude Hawk Chocolates booklets are going home.

**Gertrude Hawk Candy Sale:** We are selling Gertrude Hawk candy to support our Religious Education Families. Envelopes containing the booklet and order information can be found on the table in front of the Cherub Room. Pre-paid orders are due by Wednesday, February 11. Thank you!

**FAITH & FAMILY CLASS:** All families are invited to a Family Class on Sunday, March 8, immediately following Mass in the social hall. This invitation includes parochial school families and families with younger children who haven't yet started religious education classes. Breakfast will be served at the end of class. RSVP is appreciated, but not necessary.

**ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY:** The ladies will meet on Monday, February 16, at 7:00 PM, in the rectory dining room. All ladies of the parish are invited to join this wonderful organization.

**SAINT THERESA'S GUILD:** The ladies will meet on Tuesday, February 10, at 7:00 PM, in the dining room. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. The Guild supports the children of our parish.

**VALENTINE'S LUNCHEON:** The ladies will hold their annual Valentine's Luncheon on Sunday, February 15, at 1:00 PM, at the Lookout House in Drums. A limited menu for your selection will be available soon. Cost is \$25.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** The Knights of Columbus will meet on Wednesday, February 4, at 7:30 PM, in the social hall. For information on becoming a Knight please call Tony DellDonna at 570-430-1511.

**WINTER WEATHER:** For everyone's safety, weekday Masses at Saint Mary's will be canceled if Crestwood School District delays or cancels school. Weekend Masses are generally not canceled, but please use discretion and consider the safety of yourself and others before traveling.

**2026 LITURGY BOOK:** Our Liturgy Book for this year is open. Please schedule milestone anniversaries early.

**SANCTUARY LAMP:** We are also accepting Sanctuary Lamp intentions, in memory of, or in honor of a loved one. The donation is \$10 for both intentions.

**BAZAAR 2026**

**June 27~ 4:00-10:00 PM & June 28 ~ 2:00-9:00 PM**

**We are in in full Bazaar Mode!** We will continue with our Raffles due to their continued success. They include Cash, Truckload of Groceries, and Blackstone Grills. We will be accepting items for the Truckload of Groceries beginning Monday, May 18. We will also continue with our second collections to support the Truckload Raffle and the Gift Card Stand. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity

**SECOND COLLECTION DATES:**

February 14/15 – Truckload of Groceries

March 7/8 – Gift Card Stand

March 28/29 – Truckload of Groceries

**STAND CHAIRS:** Please call the office and advise if you plan to continue chairing your stand or if you would like to become a chair.

**PIEROGI STAND CHAIR:** Someone is needed to help coordinate the Pierogi Stand during the bazaar weekend. Responsibilities would include staffing and guiding volunteers in the stand. Please call the office for more information.

**NITE@RACES: Saturday, February 28**

**Doors: 6:00 PM ~ Post Time 7:00 PM**

The excitement has already started! The informational letter and horse sale sheet should have arrived in your mailbox this past week. We hope to have the baskets on display after Mass and on social media by next weekend.

**ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE:**

Place a business card ad in the program for \$25 or enjoy a full-page ad for only \$50. You can also highlight your business with a 18x24” sign for all to see.

**WEIS & CARONE’S GIFT CARDS:** Our parish sells grocery gift cards from Weis and Carone markets. Use same as cash. Our parish receives a percentage from each card sold. We all eat so why not support our parish? Call the parish office to place an order or stop in. Cards are sold in denominations of \$20, \$25, \$50, & \$100

**Parish Soup Sale:** A variety of soups will be available. Order form will be coming soon. Pick-up will be the weekend of March 21/22.

**PIZZA SALE:** The Altar and Rosary Society is having a sale featuring the delicious Pizza made by the famous Sanitary Bakery of Nanticoke. Each box includes 12 Thick Square Cuts. Great to eat Hot or Cold. Call Rita 570-678-7520, with any questions. Price per box is \$13. Pre-paid orders are due by February 22. Pickup is March 6, after 3:00 PM, in the meeting room. Bonus: pizza may be frozen, so buy a couple extra boxes for a quick Lenten Meal!

**Pizza Sale**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Boxes @ \$13. Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick**

*You may receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick whenever you are ill or hospitalized. Do not wait until the last minute to request this sacrament as a priest is not always immediately available.*



**Mass for Persons with Disabilities**

Sunday, February 8 ~ 12:15 PM

**World Day of Prayer for the Sick Mass**

Wednesday, February 11 ~ 12:10 PM

Mass will feature the Liturgy of the Anointing

**Both Masses will be celebrated at the Cathedral of Saint Peter**

**315 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton**

**Faith & Fitness**

exercise your body and spirit

Faith led discussion followed by a 30-minute Zumba class

First Tuesday of the Month

6:00-7:00 PM ~ Saint Jude School Cafeteria

**DIOCESE OF SCRANTON CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL**

**Saint Mary Parish Goal: \$21,228**

Pledged to Date: \$19,645.27 (92.54%)

Parishioner Participation: 17.75%

**Parish Collections**

**January 25, 2026**

Offering:	\$2,982.00
Loose:	\$186.00
Operation & Maintenance:	\$195.00
First Offering:	\$70.00
Christmas:	\$70.00
Holy Day:	\$120.00
Religious Education:	\$100.00
Online Giving:	\$210.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 3,933.00</b>

**Thank You for your continued generosity!!**

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THE ALZHEIMER'S  
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