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;

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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.

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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

MASS INTENTIONS

Jul 21 Saint Lawrence of Brindisi

Mon. SJ 7:00 AM

Paul Burick—Daughters, Lynne & Lisa

SM 8:00 AM

Sharon Gorka—Mountain Top Social Club

SJ 5:30-7:00 PM

Confessions in Church

Jul 22 Saint Mary Magdalene

Tue. **SJ** 7:00 AM

Helen Louise Rose—Lee Ann Torres

SM 8:00 AM

John Pavlick-Mr. & Mrs. Wally Stryczynski

Jul 23 Saint Bridget

Wed. **SJ** 7:00 AM

Special Intentions for MZ & DY

Jul 24 Saint Sharbel Makhlūf

Thu. SJ 7:00 AM

Deceased Members of the

Vitaliano Family—Marianne Vitaliano

SM 8:00 AM

Becca McCallick-Mommy, Tom, & Claire

SJ 6:30 PM

Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Jul 25 Saint James

Fri. **SJ** 7:00 AM

Johanna C. Trinovitch—Dr. & Mrs. David Vrba

Jul 26 SS Joachim & Anne

Sat. SJ 4:00 PM

Frank Reatini—Maggie Zurawski & Family

SM 5:30 PM

Tony Stec—Marty & Lisa Bodek

Jul 27 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun. **SJ** 8:30 AM

Irving Loveless—Allen & Michele Foust

SM 9:00 AM

Karen Gogick—Sandy Gogick

SJ 11:00 AM

Deceased Guesto Family Members-Marie



The Sanctuary Lamp is lit for Birthday Blessings upon *Gabrielle Konopczyk* by The Mendofik Family

SANCUARY LAMP: We have a few weeks open if you would like to place an intention for the Sanctuary Lamp. Cost is \$10 per week and can be made in honor of, or in memory of someone.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 20, 2025

Saint Mary's Website: stmarydorrance.org Facebook Pages: Saint Mary's of Dorrance

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Phone: 570-868-5855

Parish Office Hours
Monday – Thursday 8:30AM-4:30PM
Or by appointment

The Parish Office will be closed July 22-28. The office will reopen Tuesday, July 29 at 8:30AM.

In case of emergency during off hours call 570-474-6315, and follow the prompts for emergency.

Welcome visitors! We are happy to have you with us!

STUDENT REGISTRATION FOR 2025-26: Registration is open for the upcoming year. Forms are in the file folder in the entrance of the church or online. Confirmation students can register at stjc.org.

CATECHISTS NEEDED: We need catechists and aids for this coming year. Please call the office if you would like to volunteer. Requirements: you must have or be able to obtain background checks and take *VIRTUS* training. Classes are held on Sundays from 9:45-11:00AM. Team teaching is definitely an option. Call the parish office for more information. Thank you for supporting our parish children!

EMERGENCY INFORMATION: There are bottles of water in the sacristy, and inside the closets at the main entrance and the sacristy entrance. Hot and humid weather is predicted for our area. Please help yourself or others if needed. Water is kept there throughout the year.

July 13, 2025 Parish Collection

 Offering:
 \$2,413.00

 Loose:
 \$176.00

 Operation & Maintenance:
 \$484.00

Online Giving:

\$170.00

Total:

\$ 3,243.00

Thank You for your continued generosity!!

For online giving please go to our website, click on "Donate" then follow the prompts.

BAZAAR 2025 WRAP-UP

We are currently working on the profit/loss for this year's bazaar. Please forward any receipts to the parish office as soon as possible. We are planning a wrap up meeting for August. Watch the bulletin for a specific day and time. We will also begin planning for next year's bazaar at this meeting. Please come with ideas for next year!

All parishioners are welcome & encouraged to attend.

Summer in the Diocese & Community

Slocum Township Fire Company Bazaar:

July 19, 6-11PM ~ July 20, 3-10PM

Exaltation of the Hoy Cross, Buttonwood: July 19, 5PM-12AM ~ July 20, 5-11PM

Saint Joseph's Center, Marywood University July 25 & 26, 4-10PM ~ July 27, 12-7PM

Saint Jude Picnic Mountain Top:

August 8 & 9, 4-10PM ~ August 10, 12-8PM

SAINT MARY'S FOOD PANTRY: With children home from school your pantries may be less full. Our pantry is available to all families. There is no income limit or proof of income needed. The pantry is open during office hours. Call ahead to ensure privacy, if possible.

SAVE THE DATE: The 10th Annual Be a Catholic Man Conference will be held on Saturday, October 4, 2025 at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S Pennsylvania Ave. Wilkes Barre. This year's theme is Christ Is King.

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY: The ladies will meet on Monday, July 21, at 7:00 PM, in the rectory dining room. All ladies of the parish are invited to join A&R.

KIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 6, at 7:30 PM, in the social hall.

SAINT THERESA'S GUILD: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 12, at 7:00 PM, in the rectory dining room. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. The ladies will be planning fall events.

SEPTEMBER MONTHLY CALENDAR RAFFLE: Saint Theresa's Guild is selling raffle tickets for cash prizes for the month of September. The winning daily number will be based on the PA Pick 3 evening drawing. Tickets will be sold after Mass or call the parish office for information.

WEIS CERTIFICATES: We continue to sell Weis Gift Certificates in \$25, \$50, & \$100 denominations. Use same as cash. Our parish gets a percentage of all sales.

Mental Wellness: Pope's Prayer Intention for July For Formation in Discernment

Discernment is crucial to being able to understand the relationship between our mental health and our spiritual life. Discernment helps us to pursue paths which lead us closer to God and to true flourishing, deeper meaning, and better mental health. Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

Pastor's Corner

Martha and Mary

Today's Gospel depicts a great interaction of friendship. Jesus has an evening dinner with his close friends Mary and Martha. Many of us tend to identify with Martha – a dedicated hard worker and not very patient with those who work differently. Initially we probably heard this passage as a message to slow down and make time for quiet prayer.

Maybe we need to hear this passage in a new way. Jesus says to us more directly, "only one thing is necessary now. Let go of your pile of worries and anxieties. Be attentive to me as loving and forgiving you." Take time to feel comforted by Jesus and just listen and be in His presence. We all are called to be Martha and Mary at various times in our lives. Be who Jesus is calling you to be right now.

God bless,

Fr. Joe

A Pilgrimage of Hope
In Celebration of the Jubilee Year of Hope

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Washington, DC

Wednesday, August 13, 2025

Cost \$75 includes Bus, Buffet Dinner at Mountain View Restaurant in Thurmont, MD.

Breakfast stop - on your own.

Call SM parish office <u>ASAP</u> to reserve your spot or for more information.

This trip is hosted by Good Shepherd, Drums.

Diocese of Scranton Pilgrimage of Faith Jubilee Year of Hope

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Washington, DC

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, will lead the Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC. The day will include opportunities for public as well as private prayer, confession, touring the National Shrine as well as the Campus of The Catholic University of America concluding with Mass. Register either on the Diocese of Scranton Webpage or by contacting the Parish office. Bus fare: \$80.00 per person made payable to Saint Mary, OLHC with buses leaving from either our parish or our deanery. To ensure bus transportation it is requested by the bus company to hold strictly to a deadline of AUGUST 18, 2025, for reservations.



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