### **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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Website: stmarydorrance.org

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

#### LITURGY SCHEDULE

Nov 3 All Martin de Porres

Mon. SJ 7:00 AM

Stanley & Mary Shukis—Bill & Norma Roche

**SM** 8:00 AM

Raymond Welgosh—Anita Moyer

**SJ** 5:30-7:00 PM

Confession in SJ Church

**SJ** 7:00 PM

**Bereavement Mass** 

Nov 4 Saint Charles Borromeo

Tue. SJ 7:00 AM

Sonny, Linda, Andy, Sharon, & James Yenchick

-Joseph & Marylu Smolinsky

**SM** 8:00 AM

John Pavlick-Wife, Johanna

Nov 5

Wed. **SJ** 7:00 AM

Paulette Hopper—Michelle Willis

Nov 6

Thu. SJ 7:00 AM

Terry Cormier—SMT

SM 8:00 AM

Edward Lukashewski-

Lukashewski & Mylet Families

SJ 6:30 PM

Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Nov 7

Fri. **SJ** 7:00 AM

William & Dorothy Metzger—Family

Nov 8 Blessed Virgin Mary

Sat. **SJ** 4:00 PM

William Fraser—Jan Fraser & Family

SM 5:30 PM

Living & Deceased Veterans—

American Legion Post 781

Nov 9 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Sun. SJ 8:30 AM

Stanley Cinoski-Brian, Loni & Connor

**SM** 9:00 AM

Katrina Konschnik Seferyn-

Phil & Dorothy Stortz

**SJ** 11:00 AM

Lester Haravitch—Solina & Lengel Families

# Bereavement Mass Monday, November 3 ~ 7:00 PM Saint Jude Church

We, the Parish Community of Saint Mary, continue to pray for you and your loved ones as you grieve and adjust to the loss your family has experienced. **All parishioners are invited to** a special liturgy to honor our friends and relatives who have passed in recent years.

### THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

November 2, 2025

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

Email: stmarysdorrance@gmail.com

Phone: 570-868-5855

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

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

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2025-26**

Parents and students please gather in the church.

Classes are held at Saint Mary on Sundays from 9:45-11:00 AM, for children in kindergarten through sixth grade.

**CONFIRMATION:** Grades 7 & 8

Classes are held at Saint Jude. A schedule was distributed at the parent meeting. Please call Seán if you have any questions 570-474-6315, ext. 228.

MASS ATTENDANCE SHEETS; Our students in second and eighth grades are required to sign the Mass attendance sheets every week. Please bring a bulletin if you attend Mass in a church other than Saint Mary or Saint Jude.

GERTRUDE HAWK: Orders are due this weekend. The orders will be in right in time for Christmas! Books are on the table in the back of the church. Please call the office if you forgot to bring your order.

**YOUTH GROUP:** There will be a meeting on Wednesday, October 29, from 6:00-8:00 PM, in the social hall. Youth group is for all students in seventh grade and older.

**SAINT THERESA'S GUILD:** The ladies will meet on Tuesday, November 11, at 7:00 PM, in the rectory dining room. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY: Children of the parish up to age 10, (through this year), are invited to a Christmas Party sponsored and hosted by Saint Theresa's Guild. There is a sign up sheet on the table in front of the Cherub Room. Please honor the deadline of Sunday, November 9. Please call the parish office if you have any questions.

### October 26, 2025 Parish Collection

 Offering:
 \$2,527.00

 Loose:
 \$287.00

 Operation & Maintenance:
 \$55.00

 Online Giving:
 \$160.00

 Total:
 \$3,029.00

Thank You for your continued generosity!!

For online giving please go to our website, click on "Donate" then follow the prompts. Please call the parish office for assistance.

### **National Vocations Week**





### Heavenly Father,

We give you thanks for bestowing your many gifts upon the Church of Scranton. Send your Holy Spirit upon the people of this Diocese. Help them to hear your voice and respond to your call.

Raise up priests, religious sisters, deacons, and brothers from among your flock to serve your people. Give them the knowledge to recognize the gifts you have given them, the courage to answer you, the wisdom to follow you throughout their life, and the wonder and awe to see your hand in all things.

Conform this local church into the mystical body of your Son, each taking up their unique place so that we may proclaim Christ always through our preaching, our service, and our very lives.

### Saint Theresa's Guild September, 2025 Lottery Ticket Winners

DATE	Winning#	Ticket Holder	<u> </u>	Prize
1-Sep	762	Vicki Duhasky	\$	100.00
2-Sep	94	Norb Dotzel, Jr	\$	25.00
3-Sep	233	Alberta Balliet	\$	25.00
4-Sep	272	Kimmie Hanko	\$	25.00
5-Sep	469	Jeff Stone	\$	25.00
6-Sep	354	Alisin Kerstetter	\$	50.00
7-Sep	681	Ryan Rogan	\$	75.00
8-Sep	856	Anita Moyer	\$	25.00
9-Sep	580	Ronnie Zielinski	\$	25.00
10-Sep	256	Ron Badman	\$	25.00
11-Sep	610	Myla Vnuk	\$	75.00
12-Sep	373	Mack Lukashewski	\$	25.00
13-Sep	756	Steve Williams	\$	50.00
14-Sep	532	Mack Lukashewski	\$	75.00
15-Sep	142	Stanley Gluc	\$	25.00
16-Sep	658	Colleen Douglas	\$	25.00
17-Sep	123	Andrea Engler	\$	25.00
18-Sep	458	Dianna Kock	\$	25.00
19-Sep	501	Julia Vencak	\$	25.00
20-Sep	128	Ted Koch	\$	50.00
21-Sep	987	Bill Erwine	\$	75.00
22-Sep	532	Mack Lukashewski	\$	25.00
23-Sep	193	Colleen Douglas	\$	25.00
24-Sep	612	Elaine Polak	\$	25.00
25-Sep	10	Ronald Stomtski	\$	25.00
26-Sep	97	Theodore Heller Podlaski	\$	25.00
27-Sep	303	Christopher Mackowski	\$	50,00
28-Sep	232	Theresa Shrader	\$	75.00
29-Sep	997	Kelly Rinehimer	\$	25,00
30-Sep	1	Mary Joan Petros	\$	100.00

Saint Theresa's Guild would like to thank everyone who supported this fundraiser. Proceeds are used for the benefit of our parish children.

Congratulations to the winners.

**THANKSGIVING MEALS:** Our parish is collecting turkeys and gift cards for parish families who could use a hand preparing their Thanksgiving Dinner. Turkeys may be placed in the freezer in the hall. Gift cards and monetary donations may be placed in the offertory basket.

Families, please call the parish office if you could use a turkey this year. All names are confidential.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who worked, donated items, and supported our *First Annual Potato Pancake Sale*!! Congratulations to our 50/50 raffle winner Michele Smith.

YEARLY RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE: Tickets are available from the parish office or after Mass. Donation is \$20. Cash prizes range from \$25-\$100. Get your tickets early to ensure you get your favorite number. They make great gifts especially for Christmas.

**THANKSGIVING RAFFLE:** We are again having our annual Thanksgiving 50/50 Raffe. All remaining envelopes were mailed to homes. Please call the office if you didn't receive your tickets.

**2026 CATHOLIC CALENDARS:** Calendars are on the table in the back of the church. Please help yourself. Thank you to Desiderio-Lehman for your generous donation.

**OCIA:** Would your or someone you know like to become Catholic? Classes have begun. To register email Father Bill ~ <u>basinari@stjc.org</u> or call the parish office. This class is for adults. We also offer a class for children who need to catch up on their sacraments. Please call the parish office.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** The Knights will meet on Wednesday, November 5, at 7:30 PM, in the social hall. For information on becoming a Knight please call Tony DellDonna at 570-430-1511.

#### **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP**

A Place of Understanding & Sharing

The death of a loved one brings with it a range of experiences & emotions. Join us for an open conversation about how you have experienced the death of a loved one. The support of a group of peers can be particularly helpful through the grief journey. Meetings will be on Tuesday nights: November 25, December 2, 9, & 16. Please call the office for more information.

# OUR CALL TO SERVE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Saint Mary Parish Goal: \$21,228 Pledged to Date: \$15,090 (71.09%) Parishioner Participation: 12.43%

The Sanctuary Lamp is lit in memory of *Dolly Mendofik*By Paul & Molly Mendofik *and* Family Saint Mary's Dorrance
3529 St Marys Rd ~ 570-868-5855

# Cash & Gift Card BINGO

Sunday, November 9, 2025 1:00 PM ~ Doors @ 12:00 PM Donation: \$10 Kitchen will be open!



### Christmas is coming quickly!

Do you know a family that could use a little elf help this year? Please call the office with the family name, children's ages and sizes, and contact information. All names are kept confidential and identified by number only.

### PIEROGI SALE

We are carefully considering a Pierogi Sale in time for Thanksgiving and Christmas meals. Please call the office and let us know your thoughts. Would you be like order potato pierogi and would you be available to help on November 13 & 14. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

#### CHRISTMAS ROLLS

The Altar and Rosary is selling Main Street Bakery Nut Rolls for Christmas. The cost is \$17.00 each. Prepaid orders are due by December 8, and pick up will be December 20, after 1:00 PM in the Meeting Room. Orders can be placed in the baskets with payment. Questions call Rita Kania at 570-678-7520.

Christ	mas Rolls		
Name:	Phone:		
Walnut	@ \$17	\$	
Poppy Seed	@ \$17	\$	
Almond	@ \$17	\$	
Apricot	@ \$17	\$	
Raspberry	@ \$17	\$	
Prune	@ \$17	\$	
Almond Raspberry	@ \$17	\$	
Walnut Raspberry	@ \$17	\$	
Total Rolls	@ \$17	\$	



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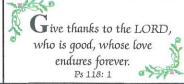
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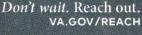




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