



St. Mary of the Assumption Wyalusing

Our Lady of Catholic Parish Perpetual Help



Extends a Warm Welcome to All

LK 6:17, 20-26

Mission Statement: We bring together a new parish family to worship God, to evangelize the community, to encourage participation of youth and young adults in parish life, to pass on our faith to the next generation, to respect life and be good stewards of God's gifts.

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Not Just a Set of Rules

The law of God is our strength. It challenges us to establish a right order with God (the first three commandments) and with our fellow human being (the last seven commandments). Our sins are signs of weakness that we must overcome.

"Christ is the power of God", his weakness is more powerful than our strength. Our dying with Christ in Lent is an identification with the power of Christ crucified.

Our calling, then, is to be strong, not weak. The commandments represent not just a set of rules, but an ideal of a social order for which we are to give our lives, as Christ did on the cross.

We cannot stand by idly as the world rides roughshod over the ideal established by God's law. We must be strong. We must overthrow injustice, just as Jesus overturned the tables of the money-changers.

The oppressors of people and their evil systems must arouse our anger, "Get them out of here!"

"(Christ's) message is an invitation to orient every act in accordance with the dictates of divine law, which demands the unflinching adherence of all, despite sacrifice.

Along with such a deepened understanding must go action. It is utterly intolerable for Catholics to restrict themselves to the position of mere observers."

Pope John XXII, 1959 Christmas Broadcast

READINGS

APRIL 24
MONDAY
ACTS 6:8-15
JOHN 6:22-29

APRIL 25
TUESDAY
1 PETER 5:5B-14
MARK 16:15-20

APRIL 26
WEDNESDAY
ACTS 8:1B-8
JOHN 6:35-40

APRIL 27
THURSDAY
ACTS 8:26-40
JOHN 6:44-51

APRIL 28
FRIDAY
ACTS 9:1-20
JOHN 6:52-59

APRIL 29
SATURDAY
ACTS 9:31-42
JOHN 6:60-69

APRIL 30
SUNDAY
ACTS 2:14A, 36-41
1 PETER 2:20B-25
JOHN 10:1-10

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 23, 2023

Parish Worship, The Lord's Day

Vigil: 6:00 PM

Sunday: 11:00 AM

Weekday Mass 12 noon Wednesday & Friday

Holy Days: 12 noon

Confessions: 5:30 pm Saturdays

Sundays 10:30 am

* or as scheduled in this bulletin

MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF APRIL 24TH - APRIL 30TH

	INTENTION	OFFERED BY
Wednesday, April 26th 5:30 PM	Parishioners	Father Jose
Friday, April 28th, 12:00 Noon	Repose of the Soul for June Kinney	Kusmierz Family
Saturday, April 29th 6:00 PM	Repose of the Soul for Victoria Fetlock	Kusmierz Family
Sunday, April 30th 11:00 AM	Repose of the Soul for Donna Shandra	Sister, Ann Marie

MINISTRY
Lector Schedule
Sat., April 29th 6:00 PM Eva Weaver
Sun., April 30th 11:00 AM Connie Whren

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle will burn in loving memory throughout the month of April for Louise and Herbert Wildrick by Nancy Newell and Maureen Fenton. As they shared in the sufferings of Christ, so may they now share in the glory of the risen Savior in heaven.

FIRST COMMUNION SUNDAY MAY 7TH

A big congratulations go out to the following St. Mary's students who will receive First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 7th: JOSHUA DOUGLAS, ETHAN SHAFFER, ETHAN NEUBER, and MATTHEW TROWBRIDGE. We are so thankful for the First Holy Communion instructors and volunteers at St. Mary's that prepared the students for this Sacramental celebration! Please keep them in your prayers.

EASTERTIDE MORNINGS WITH JESUS

St. Mary's will be open for you to continue celebrating Jesus' Resurrection throughout the Easter season (50 days). The church will be open at 7 AM. What a perfect way to start your day in front of the tabernacle where Jesus continues to wait for us to spend time with him. The church will close early afternoon (around 2 PM). A special thanks to Alice Berger and Kathy Stoddard for their help with opening and locking the church. **THE CHURCH CELEBRATES THE EASTER SEASON (ALSO KNOWN AS "EASTERTIDE") FOR 50 DAYS, CULMINATING WITH THE FEAST OF PENTECOST, WHERE Scripture (acts 2: 1-31) tells us that the holy spirit descended on the apostles.**

TIPS FROM A MOM OF 13

TIP #343 Spring will be here soon. My husband loved planting season. We had an enormous garden. The only reason it was so large was because the children helped with the weeding, pruning, and reaping. They never complained probably because the vegetables were so delicious!

Extraordinary
Ministers of Communion

Sat., April 29th-6:00
John & Ellen Armitage
Sun., April 30th -11:00
Ellen Armitage &
Ann Marie Kusmierz

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Loose	225.51
Offertory Env	2,184.00
Dues	4.00
Easter	492.00
Donation	2,000.00
Total Offering to Parish	
General Fund	5,020.51
Building Fund	100.00
SA Cemetery	15.00
NAT'L COLLECT FUNDS TO DIOCESAN OFFICE	
Home Missions:	25.00
Total	25.00
TOTAL DEPOSITS	
	\$5,045.51

PARISH BULLETIN CALENDAR

COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, GATHERINGS, ETC.

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY: Mass to end abortion, Rosary at 11:00 AM and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament before the 12:00 Noon Mass

APRIL 26th- Wednesday – Finance Council Meeting after 5:30 Mass

MAY 7TH – Sunday – First Communion

MAY 24TH – WEDNESDAY – Combined Confirmation at SS Peter and Paul Towanda 5:00 PM

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

In the kindness of your prayers, please pray for the repose of the soul of Richard Bedard. As he shared in the suffering of Christ, so may he now share in the glory of the risen Savior in heaven.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE ENTRUSTED IN OUR PRAYERS FOR HEALING:

Lilly Salsman,, Grace George, Marian Miller, Victoria Rayappan, Ray Tenasco, Fred & Doris Storey, Theresa Ann VanDeMark, Betty Kitchnefsky, Stephanie McDevitt and Barbara Bodine.

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE IF THERE ARE SICK, HOSPITALIZED, HOMEBOUND, OR ANY CHANGES TO THE LIST ABOVE – THANK YOU

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION NEEDED!

Beginning Holy Week, Father Jose has requested Eucharistic Ministers to once again serve at Mass. Since COVID, one of our Ministers moved and several others, for health reasons, can no longer serve. We are presently looking for volunteers to help our parish in this capacity, and training will be provided. Please call the Parish Office at 570-746-1006 or contact Ellen Armitage at 570-903-0563 and leave your name and number and we will return your call. Thank you for “answering the call” to keep our Parish active.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

You must be a registered member of the Parish to receive Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Marriage and to receive Sponsor Certificates/letters etc. Anyone who is not registered, is asked to contact the Parish Office. New parishioners are always welcome!

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS

Next weekend we will take up the collection for the Catholic Home Missions. Today, 40% of the dioceses in America and its territories are unable to fund even the basic pastoral work needed by their communities. Your support to this collection helps them meet these sacramental and faith formation needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can help next weekend.

"MOVING FORWARD IN FAITH"

Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted your Commitment Card. We are grateful for your support! All cards need to be returned to the parish by Sunday, April 23rd.

ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC

Plans are in the works for our summer picnic to be held July 16th. There will be food, Basket Raffle, Cash Raffle, and Happy Wagon. Mark your calendars, & more information to come!

2023 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Baramba, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life with to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50 wedding anniversary in 2023 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 4th. The event includes a 2:30 PM Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral, followed by a reception. Pre-registration is necessary before May 7th; register directly online at the Diocesan Website: dioceseofscranton.org or you may contact the parish office at 570-265-2113.

2023 WOMEN'S Conference

Ladies, mark your calendar now for the 5th Annual Diocese of Scranton Catholic Women's Conference on Saturday, June 10th, at Marywood University. The theme this year is REFRESH YOUR FAITH....WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT. Guest speakers include author and radio broadcaster, Kathleen McCarthy; and the Founder and President of WOMEN OF GRACE, Johnette Benkovi Williams.

WORD OF LIFE PRAYER

"VIRGIN OF Guadalupe, Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. ...Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen."
(USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "A Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe")