

St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church Wyalusing

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Extends a Warm Welcome to All



Mission Statement: We bring together a 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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As we approach Ash Wednesday and the season of repentance and penitence, we hear how Jesus responded to a man who was considered unclean, both physically and spiritually. Over the following forty days, we will approach our Lord as sinners, in need of forgiveness, in need of being "made clean." May Jesus' response to the leper in today's Gospel assure us of his love and mercy for us despite our failings, despite our sinfulness.

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 11, 2024

Mass Schedule at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Wyalusing

Saturday Vigil - 6:00 PM Sunday - 11:00 AM Wednesday & Friday - 12:00 Noon

Holy Days: 12 Noon  $\overline{\lambda}$ 

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Confessions: 5:30 PM Sat. & 10:30 AM Sun.

\*\*\*OR AS SCHEDULED INSIDE BULLETIN

Mass Schedule at SS Peter & Paul Church, Towanda

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 PM Sunday - 9:00 AM

Monday- No Mass

Tuesday - 6:00 PM

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday - 8:30 AM

#### READINGS

FEBRUARY 12TH MONDAY JAMES 1:1-11 MARK 8:11-13

FEBRUARY 13TH TUESDAY JAMES 1:12-18 MARK 8:14-21

FEBRUARY 14TH ASH WEDNESDAY JOEL 2:12-18 2 CORIN 5:20-6:2 MATTHEW 6:1-6, 16-18

FEBRUARY 15TH THURSDAY DEUTER 30:15-20 LUKE 9:22-25

FEBRUARY 16TH FRIDAY ISAIAH 58:1-9A MATTHEW 9:14-15

FEBRUARY 17TH SATURDAY ISAIAH 58:9B-14 LUKE 5:27-32

FEBRUARY 18TH SUNDAY **GENESIS 9:8-15** 1 PETER 3:18-22 MARK 1:12-15

### PARISH BULLETIN CALENDAR

# COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, GATHERINGS, ETC.

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY: MASS TO END ABORTION, ROSARY AT 11:00 AM, ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT 11:30, MASS AT 12:00 NOON

FIRST FRIDAY & FIRST SATURDAY: MASS AT SS PETER & PAUL AT 8:30 AM

FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup> - FATHER JOSE - RECTORY, SET COOK BEGINS

FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> – ASH WEDNESDAY – 12:00 NOON ST MARY'S AND 8:30 AM & 6:00 PM AT SS PETER & PAUL

ALL FRIDAYS DURING LENT- ROSARY AT 11:00 AM, STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT 11:30, MASS AT 12:00

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup> - MASS AT 5:30 & PARISH MEETING AT 6:00 PM

 $\frac{\text{THURSDAY, MARCH 7}^{\text{TH}}}{\text{CAUSE AT 7:00 PM}}$  – LENTEN HOLY HOUR WITH BISHOP BAMBERA AT EPIPHANY PARISH,

SAT. & SUN., MARCH 9<sup>TH</sup> & 10<sup>TH</sup> – Crystal Salsman, Director of Endless Mountains Pregnancy Care Center will speak at Mass

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup> - MASS AT 5:30 & FINANCE MEETING AT 6:00 PM

SUNDAY, MAY 5<sup>TH</sup> – FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AT 11:00 AM MASS

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED – Ruth Bedard, who recently passed away AND

THOSE ENTRUSTED IN OUR PRAYERS FOR HEALING: Bob Franko, Ivette Gonzalez, Richard Bennett, Ginny Amoroso, William Walter, Jr., Chuck Bullock, Joan Abrey, John Armitage, Donna Elchin, Glenn Layaou SR., Suky Burgess, Kelly Kulsicavage, Joe Friery, Joyce Hussong, Irene McMahon, Grace George, Marian Miller, Ray Tenasco, Fred Storey, Stephanie McDevitt, Barbara Bodine, Cathy Stienbaugh, Sue Mullen, Mary Salay, Robert Gaumer, Silver Dempsey, Jean Caine, James Perella, Tammy Trauger, Paul & Sandra McIntyre, Keensley Middlecamp, Carmel Buneo, and Tina Clapper.

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the Sick, I turn to you in this time of illness. Dearest Comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. We place our worries in Your hands, "We ask that You restore Your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge Your holy will and know that whatever You do, You do for the love of us. Amen.

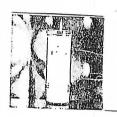
MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF FEB 12 <sup>TH</sup> - FEB 18 <sup>H</sup> 2024			MINISTRY
	INTENTION	OFFERED BY	Lector Schedule
Ash Wednesday Wednesday, Feb. 14 <sup>th</sup> 12:00 Noon – ST Mary's SS Peter & Paul 8:30 AM & 6:00 PM  Friday, Feb. 16th 12:00 Noon Saturday, Feb. 17(1)	Our Parishioners	Father Jose	Ash Wed., Feb.14th 12:00 Noon Connie Whren Saturday, Feb. 17 <sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM
	Repose of the Soul of Troy Trauger	John & Ellen Armitage	Scott Latoski
Saturday, Feb. 17th 6:00 PM Sunday, February 18th	Repose of the Souls of Norman & Doris Kunkle	The Family	Sunday, Feb. 18th 11:00 AM Justin Keblitsch
11:00 AM	Repose of the Soul of Alexander Zdon	Ethan & Tifany Kilmer	AEDI(ED 4

# **OUR WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Monthly Financial Obligations - \$4,000.00

General Collection February 3rd & 4th 2024 = \$3,938.00

Thank you for your continued generosity to our Parish!



The Sanctuary Lamp The light that symbolizes the Eternal Sacrifice

#### SANCTUARY CANDLES

The Sanctuary Candle burns in loving memory throughout the entire month of February 2024 for Lahman and Darleen Stoddard. Please remember them in your prayers.

#### SPECIAL BLESSING

Jeff Ross has decided to become a Catholic. On Sunday, February 18th, he will receive a special blessing as he is sent forth from us to a special Diocesan service for candidates and catechumens the same afternoon. He and Karen were married at St. Mary of the Assumption. Karen received the sacrament of confirmation at St. Mary's as a young woman. Jeff was baptized as a Methodist and has attended Mass with Karen. Jeff is planning to receive first Communion and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil Mass. Jeff along with wife Karen, Ron and Connie Whren and Mike Kilmer have been studying the Catholic Faith using the Symbolon program. That program is available to all parishioners on the internet using our Formed subscription. We congratulate Jeff on his decision and will pray that God will send his graces upon him. We invite others who have been thinking about becoming a Catholic to contact Mike Kilmer at <a href="mailto:mkilmer@thekilmergroup.com">mkilmer@thekilmergroup.com</a> or 570-721-0872.

SERVERS Sunday, Feb. 18th Shaffers

#### CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP WEEK OF 2/4/2024

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2/4/2024
Loose 128.00
Offertory Env 3,588.00

Dues

1st Offering

Sacristy Candles

Ash Wed.

70.00 44.00 40.00

63.00

5.00

Easter Flowers

Total Offering to Parish General Fund

\$3,938.00

**National Collections** 

Care & Edu. 133.00

Europe

40.00

Total

\$173.00

Building

100.00

Cemetery

42.00

Total

\$142.00

TOTAL DEPOSITS \$4,253.00

#### **BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN**

The baby bottle campaign is still continuing. If you can help support the Endless Mountains Pregnancy Care Center this year, please take a bottle and add coins, cash or a check and return to the church by the end of February. Thank you for your consideration and for helping the wee little ones and families.

#### **ASH WEDNESDAY**

On Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024, the Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, will be principal celebrant and homilist for the 12:10 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton.

Ash Wednesday marks the start of Lent, a 40-day season of prayer, fasting and almsgiving that ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It is a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter.

During Lent, the following fasting and abstinence regulations are observed:

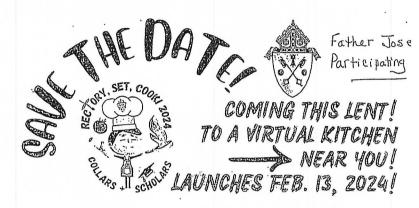
<u>FASTING</u> is to be observed on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 14, 2024) and Good Friday (March 29, 2024) by all Catholics over 18 years of age to the beginning of their 60th year. On days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together should not equal another full meal, unless dispensed or excused.

ABSTINENCE from meat is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 years of age or older. Ash Wednesday, all of the Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday are days of abstinence.

This year, Ash Wednesday falls on the same day as Valentine's Day. While there have been inquires if a dispensation from the obligations to fast and abstain from meat will be given this year, the Diocese of Scranton explains that the significance of Ash Wednesday takes precedence over Valentine's Day, just like in 2018.

"Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent, a season of grace that challenges us to deepen our relationship with Jesus through prayer, penance and works of charity. The obligations of fasting and abstinence are naturally the priority in the Catholic community. Its spiritual importance is evidenced by the large number of faithful choosing to attend Mass on this day," Bishop Bambera said. "Valentine's Day can appropriately be celebrated on another day, such as the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, which happens to be Mardi Gras, a time of celebration prior to the Lenten journey. That will allow Ash Wednesday to retain its appropriate significance."

#### RECTORY, SET, COOK!



WHO: DIOCESE OF SCRANTON PASTOR CHEFS AND STUDENT OR GUEST CHEF PARTNERS FROM ELEVEN COUNTIES

> WHAT: RECTORY, SET, COOK! III: COLLARS + SCHOLARS!

WHEN: FFB. 13, 2024, (FAT TUESDAY) THROUGH MARCH 26, 2024

WHERE: ANY COMPUTER SCREEN OR MOBILE DEVICE

WHY: RECTORY, SET, COOK! IS A DIOCESE
OF SCRANTON ANTI-HUNGER AND ANTI-HOMELESSNESS
INITIATIVE. ALL SPONSORSHIP PROCEEDS
WILL BENEFIT CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES'
FUOD KITCHENS; FOOD PANTRIES
AND MON'S AND WOMEN'S SHELTERS.



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