

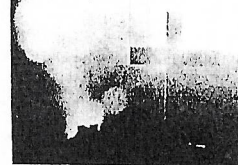


St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church Wyalusing

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Extends a Warm Welcome to All

We Wish to See Jesus
John 4:20-23



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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Introduction to Liturgy of the Day

As we celebrate the final scrutiny and approach the holiest week of the year, we face a fundamental choice. We can live as we are used to or we can choose to live in the spirit of Christ, with the Holy Spirit giving new life by dwelling in us and guiding us to the One who gives eternal life. Let us use this opportunity to look into our hearts to find the attitudes, habits, and drives that bind us to our mortal, sinful selves and resolve to break these “burial bands.”

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 17, 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

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

Website: sspeterandpaulchurch.net -570-265-2113

READINGS

MARCH 18TH

MONDAY

LENTEN WEEKDAY

DANIEL 13:1-9, 15-17,
19-30, 33-62

GOSPEL: JOHN 8:1-11

MARCH 19TH

TUESDAY

ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

2 SAMUEL 7:4-5A, 12-14A, 16

ROMANS 4:13, 16-18, 22

GOSPEL: MATTHEW

1:16, 18-21, 24A

MARCH 20TH

WEDNESDAY

LENTEN WEEKDAY

DANIEL 3:14-20, 91-92, 95

GOSPEL: JOHN 8:31-42

MARCH 21ST

THURSDAY

LENTEN WEEKDAY

GENESIS 17:3-9

GOSPEL: JOHN 8:51-59

MARCH 22ND

FRIDAY

LENTEN WEEKDAY

JEREMIAH 20:10-13

GOSPEL: JOHN 10:31-42

JOHN 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

MARCH 23RD

SATURDAY

LENTEN WEEKDAY

EZEKIEL 37:21-28

GOSPEL: JOHN 11:45-56

MARCH 24TH

PALM SUNDAY

ISAIAH 50:4-7

PHILIPPIANS 2:6-11

MARK 14:1-15:47

PARISH BULLETIN CALENDAR

COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, GATHERINGS, ETC.

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

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

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

FEBRUARY 13TH THRU MARCH 25TH - FATHER JOSE – RECTORY, SET COOK – DONATIONS WELCOME!

MARCH 12TH – DECEMBER 12TH – NINE-MONTH NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

TUESDAY, MARCH 19TH- ANNUAL PICNIC MEETING AT 5:30 PM IN HALL

FRIDAY, MARCH 22ND – ST. AGNES STUDENTS' LIVING STATIONS AT 1:30 PM AND AFTER 6:00 PM MASS AT SS PETER & PAUL

SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH –**PALM SUNDAY** – 11:00 AM PROCESSION WITH PALMS FROM THE HALL TO CHURCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH- PENANCE SERVICE AT 2:00 PM AT ST. BASIL'S DUSHORE

HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28TH – MASS AT 6:00 PM OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH- MASS AT 3:00 PM PASSION OF THE LORD

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH – BLESSING OF THE BASKETS AT 10:00 AM AT SS PETER & PAUL GROTTO HALL

HOLY SATURDAY VIGIL – MARCH 30TH – MASS AT 8:30 PM

EASTER SUNDAY – MARCH 31ST – MASS AT 11:00 AM RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17TH – MASS AT 5:30 & FINANCE MEETING AT 6:00 PM

SUNDAY, MAY 5TH – FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AT 11:00 AM MASS

St. Mary's Church is open from 8 AM to 2 PM weekdays. Please stop in and enjoy the real presence of Jesus in the tabernacle, especially during this Lenten season.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF MARCH 18TH – MARCH 24TH 2024

	INTENTION	OFFERED BY
Wednesday, March 20th 12:00 Noon	Our Parishioners	Father Jose
Friday, March 22nd 12:00 Noon	Repose of the Soul of Victoria Rayappan	Kilmer Family
Saturday, March 22nd 6:00 PM	Repose of the Soul of Donna Shandra	Sister, Ann Marie
Sunday, March 24th 11:00 AM	Repose of the Soul of Carlton Repsher Jr.	Rose Repsher

MINISTRY

Lector Schedule
Palm Sunday

Sat., Mar. 23rd
6:00 PM
Bill Prichard
Lou Ann Kilmer

Sunday, Mar. 24th
11:00 AM
Connie Whren
Justin Keglitsch

OUR WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Monthly Financial Obligations - \$4,000.00

General Collection Mar. 9th & 10th 2024 = \$2,437.00

Thank you for your continued generosity to our Parish!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

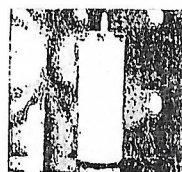
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PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE ENTRUSTED IN OUR PRAYERS FOR HEALING: Tolise Otis, Bob Franko, Ivette Gonzalez, Richard Bennett, Ginny Amoroso, William Walter, Jr., Chuck Bullock, Joan Abrey, John Armitage, Donna Elchin, Suky Burgess, Kelly Kulsicavage, Joe Friery, Joyce Hussong, Irene McMahon, Grace George, Marian Miller, 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, we ask that You restore Your servants 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.

Sick, Hospitalized and Homebound, Please call the office or notify Father Jose.

SANCTUARY CANDLE will burn in loving memory throughout the entire month of March 2024 for Rose Belcher by the Kusmierz Family. Please remember Rose in your prayers.



*The Sanctuary Lamp
The light that
symbolizes the
Eternal Sacrifice*

SERVERS

Sunday, March 24th
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CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP WK OF 3/10/24

Loose	367.00
Offertory Env	1,883.00
Dues	26.00
Easter Flowers	150.00
Mother's Day	11.00
Total Offering to Parish General Fund	
	\$2,437.00

National Collections	
Care & Edu.	30.00
Catholic Relief	85.00
Total	\$115.00
Cemetery	29.00
Total	\$29.00

TOTAL DEPOSITS
\$2,581.00

PALM SUNDAY is next Sunday, March 24th at 11:00 AM. There is a very special procession from the Hall to the Church with our CCD class that you will want to be part of. If you are unable to walk, please wait inside the Church and you can still enjoy the procession.

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

It's time to start planning our annual picnic fundraiser. A meeting will be held Tuesday, March 19th at 5:30 PM in the Hall. Please come and share your ideas and offer help. We need some younger bodies to be able to carry on this tradition or ideas for an alternate fundraiser. Thank you for supporting our Church!

A VOLUNTEER FORM is included in the bulletin for various ministries of the Church. Please take time to fill it out and drop off in the basket or office. This is a way to serve our Lord and to make our Church active and thriving. Thank you for considering.

INQUIRING ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Do you have questions about God or the Catholic faith or do you know someone who does? If you are interested in entering the Catholic Church or receiving Confirmation, or you're just curious about Catholicism, please contact Mike Kilmer at 570-721-0872 or mkilmer@thekilmergroup.com to get started.

RECTORY, SET, COOK CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS TO FATHER JOSE AND TEAM BRADFORD FOR PLACING 6TH SO FAR AND RAISING \$7,750 IN THE COOK-OFF. (Fr. Jose, Fr. Shinu, Fr. Tony Mathew, Fr. Toomey, and Fr. Binesh) We still have time to donate through March 25th.

Please help Father Jose and Team Bradford by donating on-line to Diocese of Scranton and select your "favorite Chef" and complete the donation information. You can also vote by writing a check to Father Jose Kuriappilly and on the memo line write TEAM BRADFORD. You may put your check in the offertory basket or drop off at the Office. Donations will benefit Catholic Social Services', Food Kitchens and Pantries, and Men's and Women's Shelters. All donations are tax deductible. Please support Father Jose and Team Bradford!

The Fifth Week of Lent

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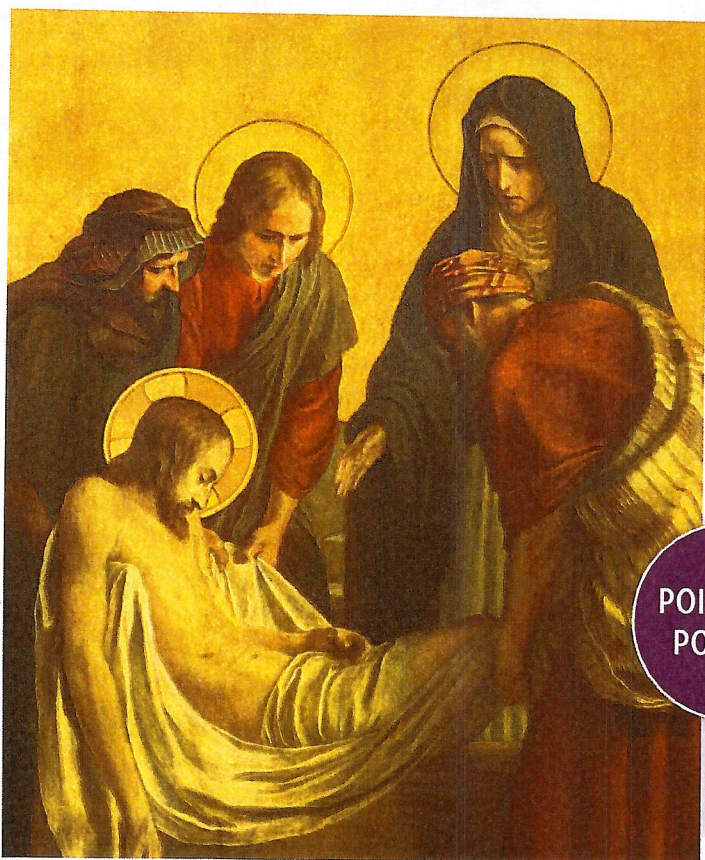
Meditations for the
Season of Lent

AND BELIEVE

Jesus Predicts His Own Death

John 12:20–33

As the Gospel opens, Jesus is well aware that his time on earth is coming to a close. In fact, he admits that he is “troubled,” but adds, “Yet what should I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Upset as he admits he is, he still puts the Father first.



POINTS TO PONDER

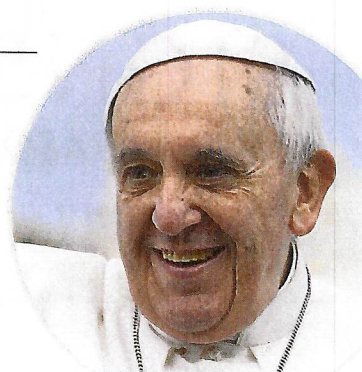
In today's Gospel, a voice responds to Jesus' prayer by saying, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." Also, Jesus tries to explain to the crowds his true identity, the Son of Man, and the real meaning of the cross — the salvation of all the world.

Through his obedience to the Father, Jesus reveals God's glory. He foreshadows his crucifixion and death through the language of service: "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will be my servant" (Jn 12:26). As we enter the final weeks of Lent, we are called to bring forth the glory of the Lord as we follow Christ in service to God and one another. Let us remember not just the pain of Christ's passion, but the reason for his death — to bring us the gift of reconciliation with God the Father.

- Have you ever considered that Jesus might have been "troubled" about what was going to happen to him? How can the way he dealt with his anxiety help you deal with your own worries and fears?
- Is there someone in my life that I need to forgive? Do I keep in mind that it is as we forgive that we are forgiven?
- How am I doing on keeping my Lenten discipline?

“When Jesus stepped into the waters of the Jordan and was baptized by John the Baptist, he did so not because he was in need of repentance, or conversion; he did it to be among people who need forgiveness, among us sinners, and to take upon himself the burden of our sins.”

— Pope Francis



The Sacrament of Reconciliation

According to Church law, all Catholics “having reached the age of discretion” are required to confess all “grave sins” at least once a year. It is also recommended that they confess venial sins. Lent is the ideal time to make a good confession. Most parishes offer extended confession times and even special penance services.

LENT PRAYER

Unto to you, I cry, my God!

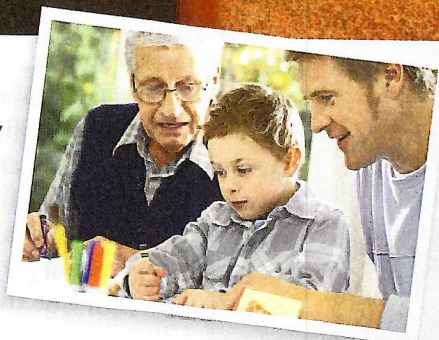
“This is the promise that he made us: eternal life.” — 1 John 2:25

Thank you, my God, for your steadfast love, which guides me in this life and waits to welcome me home to the next.

FamilyActivity

Random Acts of Kindness

We are called to serve one another with joyful hearts! As a family, write out on slips of paper several random acts of kindness that can be carried out over the week. Include things like smiling at someone, picking up trash, making a phone call to a grandparent, and helping someone carry a package. Throughout the week, have each family member draw a slip and complete the action. When everyone has completed their random act, talk about what happened and how it felt.



SIGNS OF THE SEASON

Fasting

Fasting, one of the Lenten practices, is often observed as fasting from food. It is not because our bodies need to be punished (or that we need to go on a diet). We fast to allow our physical hunger to remind us of our spiritual hunger, our need for God. We fast to remind ourselves of our baptismal commitment and need for renewal.

Catechism CONNECTION

“It is called the **sacrament of confession**, since the disclosure or confession of sins to a priest is an essential element of this sacrament. In a profound sense it is also a ‘confession’ — acknowledgment and praise — of the holiness of God and of his mercy toward sinful man.

“It is called the **sacrament of forgiveness**, since by the priest’s sacramental absolution God grants the penitent ‘pardon and peace.’

“It is called the **sacrament of Reconciliation**, because it imparts to the sinner the love of God who reconciles: ‘Be reconciled to God’ (2 Cor 5:20). He who lives by God’s merciful love is ready to respond to the Lord’s call: ‘Go; first be reconciled to your brother’ (Mt 5:24).”
— *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1424

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP VOLUNTEER

NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE #:

EMAIL:

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN:

_____ CHOIR

-----EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

-----ALTER SERVER

-----COUNT TEAM

-----LECTOR

-----HELPING WITH CCD YOUTH

-----PRAYER WARRIOR

-----SET UP/TAKE DOWN – PICNIC

-----HELP IN THE KITCHEN – PICNIC

-----SERVICE WEEKEND

ANY SPECIAL TALENTS OR JOB SKILLS?

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THE FORM!