



St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church Wyalusing

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

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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Following The Narrow Path

Anyone who has driven often on highways can recall times in which traffic has slowed to a standstill because of a bottleneck, when multiple lanes of traffic must funnel down to a single open lane. This contemporary phenomenon is analogous to Jesus' words today about getting into heaven. Jesus says people will come from every direction but must pass through a narrow gate to enter. Let us accept this challenge, patiently following that narrow path.

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time August 24, 2025

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 – 12:00 Noon** OR Scheduled Inside Bulletin

Confessions – 5:30 PM Saturday and 10:30 AM Sunday

Mass Schedule at SS Peter and Paul Towanda

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

Monday – No Mass

Tuesday – 6:00 PM

Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday – 8:30 AM

Confessions – 3:45 Saturday AND 7:45-8:15 Wed., Thurs., Fri.
And by Appointment #570-357-1619

Website: sspeterandpaulchurch.net (570-265-2113)

Readings

Monday – Aug. 25th
1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8b-10
Gospel-Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday – Aug. 26th
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
Gospel- Matthew 23:23-26

Wed., Aug. 27th
Saint Monica
1 Thessalonians 2:9-13
Gospel:Matthew 23:27-32

Thursday, Aug. 28th
St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of Church
1 Thessalonians 3:7-13
Gospel-Matthew 24:42-51

Friday, August 29th
The Passion of Saint John the Baptist
1 Thessalonians 4:1-8
Gospel-Mark 6:17-29

Sat., August 30th
1 Thessalonians 4:9-11
Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Sunday, August 31st
Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a
Gospel- Luke 14:1, 7-14

PARISH BULLETIN CALENDAR

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

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

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28TH PRO-LIFE PICNIC AT 6:00 PM AT MICHAEL & LOU ANN KILMER'S HOME.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH & 31ST - HOLY FAMILY WOODCARVINGS FOR SALE AFTER MASS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH - AMERICAN RED CROSS COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE FROM 1:00 TO 6:00 PM IN HALL

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH & 7TH - SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR HUMANITARIAN AID TO GAZA

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 10TH - 5:30 MASS & 6:00 PM PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH - JOSEPH FRIERY MEMORIAL MASS AT 12:00 NOON - VISITATION FROM 11:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST - CATECHETICAL SUNDAY - CCD CLASSES BEGIN - 9:45 - 10:45 AM - IN THE HALL

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND - PENNSYLVANIA MARCH FOR LIFE, HARRISBURG

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4TH BE A CATHOLIC MAN CONFERENCE AT HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL, WILKES-BARRE FROM 8:AM - 3:00 PM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH - FATHER JOSE PULL WINNING FALL RAFFLE TICKETS AFTER MASS

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED - Donald Palmer, Joseph Polomski, Joseph Friery - Eternal rest grant unto them, Oh Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

THOSE ENTRUSTED IN OUR PRAYERS FOR HEALING: Joyce Hussong, Pastor Joseph Kilmer, Bradley Shatinsky, Larry Burke, Joan Abrey, Tolise Otis, Gene & Jane Ryan, Pete Solowiej, Robert Hagadorn, Father Peter Tran, Bill Walter, Noel, Lou Ann Kilmer, Harry Weaver, Patricia Holzschuh, Edith Gonzalez, Carol Niewinski, Radlee Hale, Pat Cokely, Jessica Lawrence, Steve Stoddard, Cindy Pickett, Charlene Smith, Ken Taylor, David Keeler, Elaine Greenlief, Robert Stabinsky, Jacob Hoffmann, Chris, Leona Fitzgerald, William DiMascio, Terry Ruhf, James Schnure, Rafael Delgado, Dave Green, Glenn Layaou, Jr., Bob Franko, Richard Bennett, Ginny Amoroso, Chuck Bullock, Donna Elchin, Kelly Kulsicavage, Irene McMahon, Grace George, Marian Miller, Fred Storey, Stephanie McDevitt, Barbara Bodine, Cathy Stienbaugh, Sue Mullen, Robert Gaumer, Tina Clapper

We pray 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.

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

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE burns in loving memory throughout the month of August 2025 for Anthony and Dorothy Ferritti by Daughter, Ann Marie. Please keep them in your prayers.

A Memorial Mass for Joseph Friery will be held on Friday, September 12th at 12:00 Noon at St Mary's Church. Visitation is from 11:00 AM - 12:00 Noon. Joseph was a faithful member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish.

Mass Schedule for Week of August 25th - August 31st

	INTENTION	OFFERED BY
Wednesday, August 27th 12:00 Noon	Healing for Pastor Joseph Kilmer	The Kilmer Family
Friday, August 29th 12:00 Noon	Repose of the Soul of Alice Armitage	John & Ellen Armitage
Saturday, August 30th 6:00 PM	Healing for Lillian Blackman	The Decker Family
Sunday, August 31 st 11:00 AM	Repose of the Soul of Don Abrey	The Kilmer Family

OUR WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

WEEKLY Financial Obligations - \$4,000.00

General Collection August 16th & 17th = \$2,971.00

Next Weekend, August 30th & 31st after Mass, the Holy Family Carvings Group are proud to represent the Christian woodcarvers of Bethlehem. These artisans rely on tourism, but due to the war in Israel, they have lost their jobs and are unable to provide for their families. Their goal is to sell beautiful hand-carved Olive Wood religious items, including Nativity Scenes, Crucifixes, Rosaries, and Statues, to Catholic Churches in the United States. By purchasing one of these items, you will be supporting the Christian families in the Holy Land and helping them provide for their families and maintain their jobs.

The American Red Cross is holding a Community Blood Drive in St. Mary's Hall on Thursday, September 4th from 1:00 to 6:00 PM. Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Wyalusing to schedule an appointment. Thank you to our volunteers for helping!

Pope Leo XIV has expressed deep concern for the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Gaza, calling on the global Catholic community to respond with mercy and solidarity. Parishes in the Diocese of Scranton are holding a special collection to support Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA), which are providing vital emergency aid, medical care, and relief to those suffering in the region. Our parish will take up this special collection on September 6th and 7th. Despite staggering challenges, Catholic Relief Services and its partners have reached 1.7 million people in Gaza since 2023 with food, shelter, water, sanitation, and hygiene support. Thank you for your generosity!

MINISTRY Lector Schedule

Sat., August 30th
6:00 PM
Lou Ann Kilmer

Sun., August 31st
11:00 AM
Eva Weaver

SERVERS

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CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Aug. 15,16,17

Loose- 353.

Env.- 2,200.

Dues- 14.

Assump 404.

Total- \$2,971.

National Coll

Care & Ed- 5.

Total - \$5.

Building- 110.

Cemetery-100

Total-\$210.00

Total Deposits

\$3,186.00

CCD Program

The 2025/2026 CCD Program will start on Catechetical Sunday, September 21st from 9:45 – 10:45 AM in the Hall. To aid in accurate planning for classes and ordering appropriate workbooks, the parents of any child who will be in Kindergarten, First Grade or any child who will be new to our CCD program are asked to contact Director of Religious Education, Cathy Hagadorn at 570-250-2311 by August 31st. Family registration forms and the 2025/26 calendar will be available inside the doors of the church on August 30th.

The Diocese requires two years of religious education before the reception of the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion, and three years of religious education before the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Do you want to learn more about the Catholic faith, but you're not sure if being Catholic is for you? Please contact the office for more information at 570-746-1006.

PENNSYLVANIA MARCH FOR LIFE

The 5th Annual Pennsylvania March for Life will place on Monday, September 22nd in Harrisburg. Join fellow Pennsylvanians from across the Commonwealth as we stand up for the rights of the unborn by attending the rally and marching for sanctity of life. A bus sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and Congressman Dan Meuser will transport people from Bradford County as we stand for the unborn. There will be NO COST to ride the bus!

Reservations are requested. Please call Frank Socha at 570-772-6524 or fes701@yahoo.com and leave your name, contact number and number of seats requested. A confirmation call will be made.

The bus will pick up at the following times and locations:

6:15 AM – Depart Sayre from the old Kmart Plaza

6:50 AM – Depart Towanda from the Bradford Towne Plaza, Wysox (behind McDonalds)

7:30 AM – Depart Dushore

The day's activities will start with a Rally on the steps of the Capitol beginning at 11:00 AM which will be followed by a March around the Capitol Complex which is an easy walk of around a mile starting at noon. Following the March, the bus will load for the return trip with a dinner stop at a restaurant near Shamokin Dam at your own expense. Return to the area should be between 6-7 PM.

ANNUAL PRO-LIFE PICNIC

The annual Pro-Life Picnic is scheduled for Thursday, August 28th at 6:00 PM at Michael and Lou Ann Kilmer's home. This meeting is where officers are elected for the next year and summarize the activities for this year and next. We will discuss the hot issues concerning the protection of human life from conception to natural death. Even if you have never attended one, you are cordially invited to join. Meat and beverages will be provided. Bring a dish to pass if you are able. This is always a fun event, so plan on joining us!

Fall Raffle – Food Basket & Christmas Lottery Tree

The Fall Raffle is our fundraiser and will take place of the Holiday Bazaar. Donated items for the holiday food basket can be placed in the box at the entrances of the Church. Lottery tickets for the Christmas tree can be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the office. Raffle tickets will be on sale soon. The winning raffle tickets will be pulled on Sunday, November 9th just in time for Thanksgiving!

BE A CATHOLIC MAN CONFERENCE – SATURDAY, OCT. 4TH – 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL – WILKES-BARRE, PA - CONTACT MIKE KILMER



CHRIST IS KING

One hundred years ago, Pope Pius XI instituted the Feast of Christ the King in response to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempts to "thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law" out of public life would have disastrous consequences. Today, as our Catholic faith becomes increasingly marginalized by society, we publicly acclaim that Jesus Christ is King of our hearts, our homes, our work, and our public actions.

Viva Cristo Rey!

10TH ANNUAL DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

BE A CATHOLIC MAN CONFERENCE



Saturday, OCT. 4, 2025

8 AM - 3:00 PM Holy Redeemer High School
159 South Penna. Ave., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701



Bishop Joseph Bambera



Mike Aquilina, originally from Kingston, Pa., is a Catholic author of more than 70 books, has hosted 11 television series on EWTN, and is co-founder of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology in Steubenville, Ohio. He has co-written songs performed by many headliners. He and his wife Terri have 6 children.



David Berelt founded 40 Days for Life, a movement responsible for 14,643 lives saved, 177 abortion employees quitting, and 96 abortion centers closing. Today he directs the Life Leadership Conference, a National coalition which seeks to maximize the impact of the Pro-Life Movement. David is a husband and father.



Fr. Charles Connor, a Scranton Diocesan priest, is an expert in Church history. He is the host of several television series on EWTN including Historic Catholic Converts. He has authored many books including Defenders of the Faith in Word and Deed and Classic Catholic Converts.

Information & Online Registration: **BeACatholicMan.com**

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\$40 (Early Bird \$30 until 9/15/25), Student \$15, Priest/Deacon FREE Morning coffee & box lunch included

