



DECEMBER 23-24, 2017



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00AM

Pastoral Council: Diane Stone, Chair

Finance Council: James Mullen, Co-Chair
Chris DeMarco, Co-Chair

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00PM

Sunday: 9:00AM

Pastoral Council: Bernie Garvey, Chair

Finance Council: Don Ames, Chair

Rev. Patrick L. Albert, Pastor
Deacon Raymond A. Pieretti, Pastoral Associate
Rev. Robert J. Kelleher (Ret.)
Rev. Dennis Bajkowski (Ret.)

Parish Office: Fr. Nallin Hall, Tunkhannock
Business Manager: Dick Schwoebel (570)677-7634
Secretary: Mary Lou Chackan
Office hours: 9:00AM – 2:00PM

WELCOME: We warmly welcome all to join us in worship of our God. If you are new to our parish community, please be sure to tell Fr. Pat that you will be joining our parish community. Contact the parish office if you have any questions. Visitor envelopes are available at all entrances.

MARRIAGE: Christian marriage is a sacred and serious commitment. Couples contemplating marriage should notify a parish priest at least nine months before the date on which they intend to marry. This should be done before any other arrangements are made so that a couple may be suitably served by the parish and diocese. All couples are required to take part in a Pre-Cana program or Engaged Encounter Weekend. **Sunday Weddings are not permitted.**

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a community journey that leads to transformation of mind and spirit. Guided by the gospel and the examples of parish members, newcomers can find their place in the RCIA community of believers and discover their own relationship with Christ. The program runs from September through Pentecost with reception of the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Information is available at the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Knowing the Catholic faith and tradition is essential if faith and tradition are to continue to be nourishing facets of our lives. Religious formation is valuable for both youth and adults. Classes are conducted from September to May following the 9:00AM Mass on Sunday. Information on religious education programs for youth of all ages and educational opportunities for adults are available at the parish office.

BULLETIN: If you have information that you would like to place in the bulletin (community news, society/social news, etc.), please have it at the parish office no later than Tuesday morning.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Forty-five minutes before Saturday evening Mass or by appointment.

SHUT-INS: If someone you know is unable to attend Mass but would like to receive Communion or receive a copy of our weekly bulletin, please contact the parish office.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION PROGRAM: All parents must attend a Baptismal Preparation meeting before this sacrament will be celebrated. Contact Father Pat at the parish office (570-836-3275) to schedule an appointment to discuss your child's baptism.

HOSPITAL VISITS: Visits are made on a regular basis.
PLEASE NOTE: The new privacy laws limit the amount of information that we receive from the hospitals or nursing/convalescent homes. It is necessary that family or friends notify us of these admittances.

HANDICAPPED SEATING AREA: Please note that the front pew nearest to the side door is reserved to accommodate those who have need due to disability. Please be kind enough to leave this pew available for that purpose.

PARKING LOT: [St. Mary's] Please keep the emergency lane in front of the church clear at all times. It is essential that vehicles are able to get in and out of the parking lot in case of an emergency. Please adhere to the parking spaces as delineated. Please be considerate of your fellow parishioners when you are backing up or turning to park or to exit the parking lot. There is ample parking on the upper level and supplemental parking on the side of the church.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT
"TO KNOW, LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD
AND ONE ANOTHER
IN IMITATION OF MARY"

*Approved by both Parish Pastoral Councils
January 2007*

FROM THE PASTOR'S NOTEBOOK:

As the great feast of Christmas is now upon us, a season of gratitude and peace, I invite you to pause and reflect if only for a moment on your favorite memory or experience of Christmases past. To revisit that magical experience that brought such joy to your heart. It is at this special time of the year that I remember all the wonderful friends and family that shaped my Christmas memories. Take the time to relive those memories this year and to share the sheer joy of it all with family and friends.



May this Christmas be filled with kindness and joy, peace and gratitude for the many gifts that God bestows upon us all.

Merry Christmas!

Fr. Pat

NATIVITY BVM CHURCH GIVING TREE: We again have to send a heartfelt thank you to our wonderful parishioners; you have outdone yourself with your caring and generosity. So many Tunkhannock children and personal care adults will have a wonderful Christmas.

Thanks to **Ellen Gladys** and **Amy Rubbinaccio** for their help setting up. A special thanks to all the elves who helped carry the many packages to the hall. May you have a blessed and merry Christmas.

Carole Rubbinaccio

2018 CATHOLIC CALENDARS: Our 2018 Catholic Calendars are available at the doors to the church. Please take one on your way out of the church this weekend.

We want to express our sincere thanks to **Tom & June Kukuchka** and **Eric & Gretchen Kukuchka of Sheldon-Kukuchka Funeral Home** for once again donating these calendars for our faith community.

WANTED: **Nativity CCD** is in need of a few people who would like to be a **substitute CCD teacher**. CCD runs from **9:50AM to 10:50AM most Sundays from September through April**. We are blessed to have regular CCD teachers for Pre-school through Eighth grade but occasionally the teachers have to have a Sunday off and we need someone to fill in. So...If you would like to share your faith and time with our Parish children, please contact Judy Boyanowski by calling the Parish office and leaving a message. Assistance will be provided to get required clearances.

MISSING A RING? A unique mother's ring was found among the baby bottles that were donated in support of the Pro-Life Center. If it's yours, please contact the Parish Office (570-677-7634) and describe the ring. It may be picked up at the Parish Office during working hours.

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Clergy Care & Education January 7

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING: December 16-17, 2017

Nativity BVM Church:

Weekly Collection Goal* \$ 4,800.00
Actual Offertory** \$ 3,502.00
Difference:..... **\$(1,298.00)**

St. Mary of the Lake Church:

Weekly Collection Goal* \$ 2,000.00
Actual Offertory** \$ 1,796.00
Difference:..... **\$(204.00)**

*Weekly Collection Goal represents the amount needed weekly if we are going to make our 2017-2018 Parish Collections goal (envelopes and loose). It does NOT include Fundraising, Religious Education Income or any other income.

**Actual Offertory represents the total amount received in the weekly collection (not including Easter or special collections).

The generosity of our people is truly appreciated. We may not always reach our budgeted goals, but we are grateful to those who make a sacrifice on a weekly basis to sustain our parish ministries.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2017

Your gifts support the following ministries made possible by the Diocesan Annual Appeal:

- Catholic Social Services and Parish Social Justice Grants
- Catholic Education in Schools and Parishes
- Clergy Formation, Education and Support
- Parish Life and Ministry Formation
- Catholic Media and Communication

Please consider a gift to the 2017 Diocesan Appeal. Envelopes are available at the doors to the church. Thank you.

Fr. Pat

2017 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

As of December 18th

NATIVITY BVM CHURCH:

GOAL:..... \$34,000.00
PLEGGED:..... \$30,545.00
STATUS:..... 89.8%

UNDER GOAL:..... \$ 3,455.00
PARTICIPATION: 18.33% (178 FAMILIES OUT OF 971)

ST. MARY OF THE LAKE CHURCH:

GOAL:..... \$13,000.00
PLEGGED:..... \$ 7,560.00
STATUS..... 58.2%

UNDER GOAL:..... \$ 5,440.00
PARTICIPATION: 9.77% (47 FAMILIES OUT OF 481)



**LOCAL CATHOLIC RADIO STATION
JMJ RADIO 750AM or 98.9FM**

DIGITAL DISCIPLES MINISTRY

Like our Facebook Page

When you think about it, being a Digital Disciple is all about four things:

Information – learning what you need to know about our parishes

Education - learning about our Catholic faith and how we are implementing that faith here in our parishes

Communication - making sure we all know what's going on

Evangelization – spreading our faith to others

If you are on Facebook, THE biggest way you can help INFORM, EDUCATE, COMMUNICATE, and EVANGELIZE is by LIKING our Facebook page, @nativitystmary, and by LIKING and SHARING our Facebook posts. When you like our page, you affirm that you want to know about your faith and how we are practicing it at Nativity and St Mary. By liking and sharing our posts, you affirm that you want others to know about our faith as well.

We currently have about 150 "likes" for our page. Realistically, we should have many more likes for two parishes of our size. We have set a goal of doubling the number of likes for our page. Here's how you can help:

- If you are on Facebook and have not yet liked our page, by all means do so.
- If you have already liked our page, start liking and sharing our posts to your friends, and encourage them to like the page as well.
- If you are not yet on Facebook, create a Facebook profile and like our page. If you need help, ask a friend or family member to help you.
- If you are a "computer person", offer to help a friend or family member create a Facebook profile.

Liking our Facebook page is one way of being an active parishioner. Support your parish by helping us reach our goal.

PLEASE NOTE: We have begun to transition the email addresses for our parishes to take advantage of the options available through our website. While we will still receive emails through the frontier.com email addresses, we are also utilizing the following website email addresses for our outgoing communications and receiving emails through them as well. Please help us in this transition by making note of the following addresses in your email program's Address Book:

Fr. Pat Albert	pastor@nativitystmary.org
Deacon Ray	deacon@nativitystmary.org
Dick Schwoebel	busmgr@nativitystmary.org
Nativity Parish	nativity@nativitystmary.org
St. Mary Parish	smary@nativitystmary.org

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AT NATIVITY B.V.M.

Wednesdays in December

3:00PM to 7:00PM



This is a personal invitation to you from Jesus.
"Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love."

(Pope Saint John Paul II)

Holy Hour is the Roman Catholic devotional tradition of spending an hour in Eucharistic Adoration in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

Reasons

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament consoles a soul far beyond what the world can offer.

(St. Alphonsus Ligouri) 29

Benefits

In the course of the day the faithful should not omit to visit the Blessed Sacrament!

(Pope Paul VI) 51

Be Silent

Be Attentive

Be Alert

You are invited to spend an hour with Jesus
AT LEAST TWO PEOPLE NEEDED IN CHURCH
DURING EACH HOUR

(BE A REGULAR OR A SUBSTITUTE)

Call Cindy Brown (570) 836-4744 to sign up

INCLEMENT WEATHER:

- If school is closed for the day - No Adoration
- If there is early dismissal - No Adoration
- If there is a school delay (report 2 hours later) - there will be Adoration



REVELATION: If you are interested in learning more about the last book of the Bible, *Revelation*, please come and join the **Sunday evening Bible Study** group. **It's never too late to join us.** We meet in **Father Nallin Hall at 7:00PM.** All you need to bring is a Bible. If you have any questions, call Cindy at 570 836-4744.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that you inspire young people whom you call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow your will. Send workers into your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and your people are strengthened by the sacraments. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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& ALSO IN FR. NALLIN HALL



ST. MARY'S AED IS LOCATED IN THE FOYER
BETWEEN THE CHURCH & HALL



A WELCOMING COMMUNITY:
You enter this church ... not as stranger, but as a guest of God. He is your heavenly Father. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips

into His presence, offering Him your love and service. Be grateful to the strong and loyal ones who, in the name of Jesus Christ, built this place of worship, and to all who have beautified it and hallowed it with their prayers and praise.

NOTICE REGARDING REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR: It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis or at 1-800-932-0313.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Beth Pacuska, at 570-862-7551 or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Msgr. Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at 570-207-2269.

ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS: A Christmas gift from your parish community is available for your pickup this weekend. It is located at the back of the church and your name is on your gift. Thank you for your service at the altar of God.



WELCOME: We extend our prayerful congratulations to **GABRIELLA MAE STROKA AND ADELAIDE MARIE STROKA**, daughters of **Thomas & Kimberly (Murley) Stroka**, who will be baptized by Fr. Pat **this Tuesday, December 26th at 11:00AM** in **Nativity BVM Church**.



We offer our best wishes to Gabriella Mae and Adelaide Marie, their parents, godparents, grandparents and members of their family. May they continue to grow in age, wisdom and love before God and others.

Diocese of Scranton Real Estate Availability

The Property & Risk Management Division of the Diocese currently maintains a listing of real estate available for sale or use throughout the Diocese. If interested in learning about the available opportunities, please contact Ed Carlin, Property Assets Director, P&RM Division, at 570-558-4310.

ZUMBA & YOGAFIT: Zumba classes are held on **Wednesdays** in **St. Mary's Parish Hall** starting at **6:00PM** with a **Yogafit** class to follow at **7:00PM**. The cost for each is **only \$5.00 per session**. We hope to see you all there!!!

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Our daily Mass schedule is:
Nativity BVM Church
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 7:00AM
St. Mary of the Lake Church
Tuesday, Thursday 8:00AM
When there is a school delay or closure due to inclement weather, no Mass will be celebrated.

BOY SCOUT NEWS



**Next Committee Meeting:
January 8th**

Upstairs Classroom @ Father Nallin Hall
Alison Delano, Committee Chairperson
570-233-4000 adelano1230@gmail.com

CUB SCOUT NEWS

ADULT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Fr. Nallin Hall
January 8th



MARCH FOR LIFE BUS: Those wishing more information concerning a local Bus going to the **March For Life in Washington, Friday, January 19th**, may contact Christopher Calore, Pennsylvanians for Human Life Representative, at 570-824-5621.

St. Mary's Visitation Church
MONDAY NIGHT BINGO

In the school at
625 Dundaff St., Dickson City

Progressive Jackpot

Weekly Minimum \$1,200.00

Call 489-2091 for info!

Early Bird at 6:40PM

Regular Games at 7:00PM

2 Floors – main floor handicapped-accessible!

Doors open at 4:30PM

**Kitchen serving food and beverages
from 5:00PM!**

Homemade pizza available after 7:30PM

DIOCESAN NEWS

Sesquicentennial Celebration Begins!

Our year-long celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the Diocese was launched with a prayerful and joyful Opening Mass on the First Sunday of Advent in the Cathedral of Saint Peter. We were honored that Cardinal Justin Rigali, Archbishop Emeritus of Philadelphia and former Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Scranton, joined us for this special liturgy.

Coverage of the Mass will be featured in the December 21 edition of *The Catholic Light*, plus the next installment in our historical retrospectives, this one focusing on "Parishes as Communities of Faith." A report on the Opening Mass is also featured in the December edition of "Our Faith, Our Diocese" on CTV: Catholic Television. The first in a series of Anniversary video vignettes produced by WVIA-TV debuts on the show. Remaining air date for the program is Friday, January 5, 1:00PM. You can also view the program **on our website** – <http://www.nativitystmary.org> or at the diocesan website: <http://www.dioceseofscranton.org/ourfaith-our-diocese-dec.../>

There are many opportunities for all to participate in the Sesquicentennial Celebration:

* Be sure to "like" Diocese of Scranton 150th Anniversary on [Facebook](#). This will be the central location on social media with all information about the anniversary, pictures, videos and events going on in the different parishes and schools throughout the Diocese. Help us spread the word by sharing the page!

We encourage everyone to use the hashtag **#DoS150** on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram when posting about diocesan, parish and school events related to the 150th Anniversary Year.

* Thanks to the parishes who have been notifying us of your Anniversary-related events; we can post these on the 150th Anniversary Facebook page. **We are also collecting photos and visual effects** from your various Anniversary activities for an exhibit to conclude the year.

LIGHTHOUSE MEDIA: We want to remind you that our parishes are pleased to offer the Lighthouse Media bookracks in our churches and in Fr. Nallin Hall. Many of our parishioners have taken the opportunity to read one or more of the excellent printed materials and to listen to the CDs. There's a wealth of good information in these resources and we encourage all of our parishioners to pick up one of the items and give it a try. Be sure and let us know how you feel about these resources.

COMMUNITY HEALING SERVICES

First Sunday of each month @ 6:00PM

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Route 6, Tunkhannock

For more information or prayer contact:

Colleen Williams – (570) 836-5485 or

John Hardman-Zimmerman – (570) 289-5077

THE LOWER WYOMING COUNTY FOOD PANTRY: The food pantry is open the first and third Thursday of the month. **We are in need of dessert items (cake mixes, sugar, flour, pudding, bread mixes)** as these items are not purchased for the pantry shelves but will certainly be enjoyed for the upcoming holiday feasts! The food pantry will provide our clients with a \$25.00 gift card for Christmas to help with the ham and turkey purchase. If you or someone you know is in need, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your support.

Mary Lou

MONTHLY HOME VISITATIONS: On or near the First Friday of every month (weather permitting), Fr. Pat, Deacon Ray and Diane Stone visit the homebound and bring them Holy Communion. **If you or a loved one is unable to attend Mass due to advanced age, sickness or disability/handicap, and desire to receive communion at home, please contact Mary Lou at the Parish Office (570-836-3275) with your name, phone number and address and you will be placed on our monthly visitation list.**

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: All adult Catholics (age 18 and over) are expected to be officially registered in a Parish and participating at Mass and the other Sacraments on a regular basis. If you have graduated from College or High School and are now employed, you are expected to join on your own unless you are attending college or a trade school.

In order for a child to receive First Penance, First Eucharist or Confirmation, at least one of their parents or legal guardian must belong to and participate in our Parish. If you need to register or have any questions, please feel free to contact the Parish Office at 570-836-3275.

RESPECT LIFE MASS TO BE HELD AT SAINT FAUSTINA PARISH, NANTICOKE

The Annual Respect Life Mass, sponsored by the Wyoming Valley Councils, Knights of Columbus, will be held at Saint Faustina Parish, Hanover Street, Nanticoke, **Sunday, January 14, 2018, at the 11:00AM Mass.** The Knights of Columbus, along with Pro-Life Representatives, will offer prayer intentions during the Mass for a greater respect of all Human Life and to end abortion. January is Respect Life month as abortion was legalized, January 22, 1973. Since then, upwards of 60 million innocent unborn children have been aborted. Father Nash, Pastor, warmly invites all to attend and to pray for the most vulnerable of Human Lives, those with disabilities, the ill, and the unborn.

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR THE GLORY OF GOD: We like to see our altars reflect floral beauty all year long. You are encouraged to offer a floral bouquet in memory of a loved one, for a special intention or in thanksgiving. **Intentions and donors will be listed in the bulletin unless you request otherwise.**



Altus for Women Winter Read-Along



Are you looking for something meaningful and exciting to do during the cold winter months? Do you like to connect with other women? Are you looking for a good book to read? If you answered yes to any of those questions, then the Altus Winter Read-along is for you! Wondering what the Read-along is? It's a FREE Altus book club! So, you purchase & read the book, &...

- Cozy up under a blanket on your couch, and join the private online discussion forum at www.altusforwomen.com
- OR... discuss the book in person-- in a local Altus group, or with a friend.
- OR... start a local Altus Group yourself; don't worry ~ we can help you get started!

The book we have chosen to read for our first Altus Winter Read-Along is

My Sisters the Saints

By Colleen Carroll Campbell

For questions & to sign up go to

www.altusforwomen.com

PLANNING YOUR CHILD'S BAPTISM?

Here are a few things to keep in mind:

- Parents must participate in a Baptism Preparation Session with the Pastor before the Baptism date is scheduled.
- At least one Godparent must be a practicing Roman Catholic verified by the Godparent's parish.
- Parents must be registered and PARTICIPATING parishioners of Nativity BVM or St. Mary of the Lake for at least 6 months. If they are from another parish, they must have the written approval of their Pastor to have their child baptized here. The approval letter must state that they are registered and participating parishioners at that parish and provide the reason for having the baptism scheduled here (ex., out of town and family/relatives live in our area, etc.). Please call the Parish Office to schedule your Baptism appointment (570-836-3275) or for more information.

REMEMBER HIS WILL IN YOURS: You can express your commitment to our Church by making a bequest to either Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Tunkhannock or Saint Mary of the Lake Church at Lake Winola. Simply have the following statement included in your will:

"I leave to Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Tunkhannock, PA (or Saint Mary of the Lake Church, Lake Winola, PA), the sum of \$_____ (or ___ percent of the residue of my estate) for its religious, educational and charitable works" or words to that effect.



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Bold Choices Retreat

(Finding Your Passion and Living It Fully)

Join us for a young adult (18-35) retreat at **Saint Gabriel's Retreat Center, Clarks Summit on January 5th-6th**. The 24-hour retreat will include presentations and interactive sessions on prayer, making choices based in faith, finding your passion, the art of discernment, small group discussion & more. Cost is \$65.00. For more information and/or to register, visit vocations.dioceseofscranton.org or call 570-207-1452.

ST. JOSEPH'S CENTER SAYS "THANKS": St. Joseph's Center, Scranton, has asked us to express their gratitude to all of the parishioners of our parishes for the generous donation of baby clothing and baby articles that were collected in both of our churches during the month of October. Your generosity helps St. Joseph's fulfill its mission to assist newborns and their mothers to cope under less-than-optimal conditions.

2018 MASS INTENTIONS: Masses are really filling up fast! Mass intentions for the **2018** calendar year will be booked on a first-come, first served basis. To avoid delays, please be sure to indicate whether each intention is for a person living or deceased, Catholic or non-Catholic. The offering for an announced Mass is \$10.00; names will be printed in the parish bulletin and announced at the Mass.

Diocesan Certificate in Lay Ministry Program, 2018

The Office for Parish Life encourages parish leaders to consider application for the Diocesan Certificate in Lay Ministry for January 2018!

The Diocesan Certificate in Lay Ministry is a ministry formation program designed to equip and advance the servant leadership capacities of individuals serving their parish in areas such as:

- Pastoral Council
- Director of Religious Education and Catechist
- Liturgical Coordinator
- Parish Staff
- Volunteer Ministry teams and others!

Through independent online study with the University of Dayton's Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF), as well as regional skills workshops and opportunities for prayer and reflection, Diocesan Certificate candidates enrich their knowledge base, while also learning practical tools for effective parish ministry in their faith communities.

The Office for Parish Life anticipates welcoming new candidates into the Diocesan Certificate in Lay Ministry program in the New Year. Applications will be accepted until January 15, 2018. Prospective candidates are encouraged to contact Kitty Scanlan, Coordinator for Lay Ministry Formation, at 570-207-2213, or by email at Kitty-Scanlan@dioceseofscranton.org for application information, materials, and application submissions.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Today we light again the candles of **hope**, **love** and **joy** and the fourth **PURPLE** candle, the candle of **peace**. Christ is the Prince of peace, come to reconcile us with God and

others. Christ helps us to see that peace is possible. The Gospel reading is Matthew 1:18-24. It contains Matthew's account of Jesus' birth. It recounts how Joseph, being a righteous man, planned to divorce Mary quietly rather than put her to public shame when she was discovered to be pregnant by the Holy Spirit.

An angel intervenes, though, and appears to Joseph in a dream, telling him:

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."

Matthew then picks up on the prophecy of Isaiah 7 – the prophecy of Immanuel. He also adds the gloss that the name "Immanuel" means "God is with us." Finally, Matthew records that when Joseph awoke, he did as the angel told him.

What does this mean?

As is well-known, the fact that Joseph and Mary were "engaged" at this time meant that they were already legally married but had not yet begun to cohabit. This was normal at the time, and it is why Joseph would have had to divorce Mary, not simply break an engagement in the modern sense.

Pope Benedict XVI commented as follows on the statement that Joseph planned to divorce Mary when she was discovered to be with child "by the Holy Spirit":

"With regard to the child's origin, Matthew is anticipating something here that Joseph does not yet know. Joseph has to assume that Mary has broken their engagement, and according to the law he must dismiss her. He has a choice between a public juridical act and a private form. He can bring Mary before the court or he can issue her with a private writ of divorce. Joseph decides on the latter option, in order not "to put her to shame" (1:19) [Jesus of Nazareth 3: The Infancy Narratives, pp. 38-39].

The fact that he chose a quiet divorce rather than a public and humiliating repudiation reveals Joseph's character as a righteous man. Fortunately, his disposition as a righteous man also inclined him to listen to the message of the angel, so that the divorce was avoided.

Matthew also presents us with the prophecy of Immanuel – which under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit he recognizes as being fulfilled in the virgin birth of Jesus Christ. He also adds the clarification of the meaning of the name "Immanuel" so that the readers don't wonder why Jesus wasn't literally

named Immanuel. (In fact, the angel had just told Joseph to name him "Jesus.") The reason is that we are to look to the *meaning* of the name: "God is with us" – which in other contexts can simply mean "God is favorable toward us" but which in this case is a reference to Jesus as the incarnate Son of God. In Jesus, God is *literally* with us in incarnate form.

Ministry Skills Workshop

Save the Date for the new series of 2018 Ministry Skills Workshops, starting February 3! **"Rules and Regs': An Exploration of Canon Law, and Administrative Strategies for Ministry"** will be presented by **Father Jeffrey Tudgay and Catherine Butel on Saturday, February 3, 2018, from 9:00AM to 3:00PM at Divine Mercy Parish, Scranton.**

All parish ministers are welcome to attend! Stay tuned to the OPL Good News Notes and the Diocese of Scranton website in January for more information on registration, and other upcoming workshop opportunities!

DRE Network Meetings - January 2018

Every parish is invited to send its DRE and/or a parish catechetical representative to one of the January DRE Network Meetings. Meetings will be held in four locations, and every parish should be represented. Please choose one of these dates/locations and plan to join other parish DREs for an evening of prayer, fellowship, formation and information.

In this area:

Wednesday, January 17

Saint Ann Basilica, Shrine Dining Room
1250 Saint Ann Street, Scranton 18504

Each meeting will be held from 6:30-8:30PM. R.S.V.P. to Mary Anne Malone at (570) 207-2213, ext. 1100 or mary-anne-malone@dioceseofscranton.org.

Cantor & Accompanist Workshop Day

Cantors and accompanists: does your ministry help the assembly and YOU to pray? Many of us love to sing, but what skills are needed to transform us from mere singers into the musical leaders of the assembly's song? The Scranton Chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians (NPM) will hold a workshop for cantors and accompanists on **Saturday, January 13, 2018 from 9:00AM to 2:00PM at McCormick Campus Ministry Center at King's College, Wilkes-Barre.** This day session entitled, "Yours Is a Share...That Draws us Together into One" will cover the techniques, preparation, and skills necessary to be an effective cantor. Cantoring requires good vocal technique coupled with posture, presence, awareness and teamwork with your accompanist. There is no fee, but a free-will offering will be take up to help offset the cost of lunch. To register, please contact David Baloga, Scranton NPM Program Director, at 570-207-2213, ext.1158, or visit the Scranton Chapter of NPM website at ScrantonNPM.com. Please join us, bring music, and be prepared to sing!



MILITARY HONOR ROLL

PLEASE KEEP ALL MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY IN YOUR PRAYERS DURING THIS TIME OF UNCERTAINTY

If you have a relative or friend serving in the military, please let us know so that we can include their name on our Honor Roll



A Prayer for our Military

Father, we could never thank our military men and women enough for their courageous service and sacrifice to our country and its people. We lift up our voices to express gratefulness and honor to these military troops both from the past and present. Show us ways in our communities, churches, and families to thank and love them better. Keep and protect these heroes and their families, in the powerful name of Jesus.



NIGHT PRAYERS with DEACON RAY

Tuesday evening prayers 5:00PM @ Winola View Apartments All are welcome!



PRO-LIFE ROSE

The Pro-Life red rose in front of the statue of Mary at Nativity this week is in loving memory of

Seth & Eliza Overfield

Donated by Judy & Steve Boyanowski



If you would like to donate for a Pro-Life Rose at Nativity, please contact Diane Stone (570-836-3055)



Line Dancing

Wednesday evening **7:00-8:30PM Fr. Nallin Hall All are welcome**



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HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

<u>Nativity BVM</u>	
Sunday, December 24 th	5:30PM
.....	10:00PM
Monday, December 25 th	11:00AM
<u>Sunday, December 31st</u>	
Monday, January 1 st	11:00AM
<u>St. Mary of the Lake</u>	
Sunday, December 24 th	4:00PM
Monday, December 25 th	9:00AM
Sunday, December 31 st	4:00PM
Monday, January 1 st	9:00AM



Nativity BVM & St. Mary of the Lake Churches



2018 POST HOLIDAY PARISH POTLUCK DINNER Saturday, January 6th

6:00PM

Fr. Nallin Hall

Entertainment by Alan Thatcher

Everyone is welcome!

Bring family and friends. All that is required is for you to bring some food to share with others. Examples would be: A pot of baked beans...soup...rolls...a casserole...a plate of cookies...fruit...dessert...etc.,

R.S.V.P. BY JANUARY 4, 2018

Please call Cindy (570-836-4744) or the Parish Office (570-836-3275) to let us know what you are bringing.

THANKS!!! Hope to see you there!



Merry Christmas

THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT IS RESERVED WHERE MASS IS SAID
We respectfully ask that all observe a reverent silence and appropriate dress

Sacramental Preparation

BAPTISM

Parents must be registered in the Parish. In order to understand and appreciate the Sacrament of Baptism, first time expectant parents are required to attend one pre-Baptism instruction. A call to the Parish Office 4 months before your child is due will make the scheduling of your session easier and give you ample time to prepare for this Sacrament of Initiation to the life of grace.

MARRIAGE

The engaged couple is asked to call the Parish Office and arrange an appointment with the priest. Please allow 12 months for the completion of the necessary preparations. Do not enter into any other commitments before confirming a wedding date and time in the parish.

Confession Schedule

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is celebrated **every Saturday:**

- St. Mary of the Lake**
.....**3:15-3:45PM**
- Nativity of the BVM**
.....**4:15-4:45PM**

or **at any time by appointment.**
 Contact the Parish Office (836-3275).

Cemetery Lots Available

Pieta Cemetery, one of our Parish Cemeteries (located on Dark Hollow Road in Tunkhannock Township) **has burial lots available.** For further info, to view the map of available lots and to inquire about prices & regulations, please contact our Parish Secretary, Mary Lou, at the Parish Office (570-836-3275).



St. Mary of the Lake CCD News

There will be **no CCD the next 2 weeks.** Have a Blessed Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! God bless,
Jenny Sinker

Words of Life

"An unexpected pregnancy can be a difficult and frightening time, and it's important that your friend knows you are thinking of her and supporting her. ...Your support might be the only support she receives. Even if we never know how, the smallest things we do can change someone's life."

USCCB Sec. of Pro-Life Activities
"10 Ways to Support Her When She's Unexpectedly Expecting"

PRO-LIFE ROSE



Looking for a wonderful way to remember a loved one on a special day?

Why not donate the Rose that is placed before the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Nativity BVM Church? Simply **contact Diane Stone (570-836-3055) to schedule the date that you desire and how you want it listed in the bulletin.** Many weekends are available.

Parish Bulletin Advertising

Space is currently available in our weekly parish bulletin for your business advertisement. Contact our Parish Business Manager, Dick Schwoebel, at (570) 836-3275 or (570) 677-7634 for information and pricing. Various sizes are available; the cost is reasonable.

Have You Moved?

If you have recently moved or had an address change, please contact the parish office at 836-3275 so that our records may be updated. **If we don't have a mailable address on file for you, we will have to remove your name from our parish roster.**



CHRISTMAS WAFERS

Traditional Christmas wafers (Oplatek) are available at the doors to the church and also in the Parish Office.



Donation is \$2.00 per pack (6 wafers).

The breaking of the Christmas wafer is a custom that began in Poland in the 10th century and is practiced by people of Polish ancestry around the world. It is considered the most ancient and beloved of Polish traditions.

In Poland and some parts of **Central Europe**, these Christmas wafers are dyed and used as ornaments. They are also sent as small trinkets with greeting cards to loved ones who are away from home.

The **Christmas** wafer symbolizes the unity of the family, which many consider to be the main pillar of society. According to beliefs, the bond of unity should exist between family members. The father is seen as the link in the unbroken chain of One Body, One Bread, One Christ, and One Church, while other family members join him in this eternal procession. The wafer also symbolizes forgiveness and reconciliation.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

If a family member or friend has been hospitalized (especially if they were admitted through the Emergency Room or to Tyler Hospital or one of the hospitals in Scranton, Wilkes-Barre or Plains Township) or placed in a long-term care facility, please contact the Parish Office so that Fr. Pat or Deacon Ray may visit them.

Unfortunately, **the current privacy laws make it extremely difficult for us to know if a parishioner has been admitted to one of the local hospitals.**



NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MASS SCHEDULE - WEEK OF DECEMBER 24, 2017

SATURDAY	DEC.	23	5:00PM	BEN, CELIA & JOHN WHYTASHEK - OFFERED BY DAUGHTER & SISTER JANICE SUSZ & TOM
SUNDAY	DEC.	24	7:30AM	ROSE ANN WHITE - OFFERED BY JOHN & MARGE HOVAN
			9:00AM	CECELIA KOBYLSKI - OFFERED BY HARRY HUTCH
			11:00AM	JIM MANGANELLA - OFFERED BY DOLORES, CHERYL ANN & JENNIFER
			5:30PM	JAMES HOVAN SR. - OFFERED BY FRANK & PATRICIA WADAS
			10:00PM	PAUL KOMENSKY - OFFERED BY ART & ANN MARIE HENRY
MONDAY	DEC.	25	11:00AM	JOSEPH FRANK - OFFERED BY HIS PARENTS
TUESDAY	DEC.	26	7:00AM	NO MASS
WEDNESDAY	DEC.	27	7:00AM	HELEN BAKER - OFFERED BY HER SON JOHN BAKER
THURSDAY	DEC.	28	7:00AM	NO MASS
FRIDAY	DEC.	29	7:00AM	JOHN JURISTA - OFFERED BY GARY & JOAN STEPHENS
SATURDAY	DEC.	30	5:00PM	AGNES AMBRUTIS - OFFERED BY ED & MARY ANN OSTROWSKI
SUNDAY	DEC.	31	7:30AM	ELEANOR VISNESKI - OFFERED BY JOHN & ANGELA ANDREONI
			9:00AM	MICHAEL ZAPKO - OFFERED BY ELLEN DOYLE & BOB
			11:00AM	CYNTHIA LYNN LUBINSKI - OFFERED BY RICHARD & MARIAN DOMBROSKI
			5:00PM	THOMAS MIKOLS - OFFERED BY DONATO & RUTH NOLE

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

SAT. DEC. 23 & SUN. DEC. 24		SATURDAY 5:00PM	SUNDAY 7:30AM	SUNDAY 9:00AM	SUNDAY 11:00AM
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)	DEACON RAY SUSAN BARZILOSKI	DEACON RAY NAN DeMARCO AGNES MASSACESI	DEACON RAY NAN DeMARCO AGNES MASSACESI TAMMY NUDO JOSEPH CASEY PAUL DeMARCO GRACE HARDING	CARL SHINKO ROY BRODY JOHN KEEFE LYNNE BINNER AIDEN BURRY HANNAH MILNER JACOB POWERS	DIANE STONE DOLORES MANGANELLA LISA RANSOM TONY ZEME HEIDI WILLIAMS MATTHEW WILLIAMS SCOTT WILLIAMS
LECTOR ALTAR SERVER(S)	PAULA ECKERT BILLY PREBOLA MATTHEW PREBOLA MICHAEL PREBOLA				
OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS B. KIRBY, W. OLIVER, R. THORNE	SELECTION BY USHERS
SUN. DEC. 24 & MON. DEC. 25		SUNDAY 5:30PM	SUNDAY 10:00PM	MONDAY 11:00AM	
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)	SUSAN BARZILOSKI MARY ROBBINS		GARY TEWKSBURY JOHN KEEFE NAN DeMARCO EILEEN HEAD ELIZABETH DeMARCO LEAH DeMARCO ANTHONY ECKERT HANNAH ECKERT JACK ZEUNEN MARY ZEUNEN	DIANE STONE ROY BRODY LISA RANSOM SUSAN BARZILOSKI EVAN BRODY CORAL MILNER HANNAH MILNER	
LECTOR ALTAR SERVER(S)	DAVID KUFFA THOMAS ELIAS EMMA ELIAS ZACK KEISER ROBERT BURRY MAIA BURRY AIDEN BURRY				
OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS P. BROWN, A. DAVIS, C. KOVALCHICK	
SAT. DEC. 30 & SUN. DEC. 31		SATURDAY 5:00PM	SUNDAY 7:30AM	SUNDAY 9:00AM	SUNDAY 11:00AM
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)	DEACON RAY SUSAN BARZILOSKI JOAN CHAPDELAIN SABRINA TRAVER	DEACON RAY SUSAN BARZILOSKI ALISHIA NUDO AGNES MASSACESI JUSTIN ROTH JOSEPH COLAVITTI GRACE HARDING NOAH POWERS	DEACON RAY LYNNE BINNER CARL SHINKO ART DAVIS MARCUS BINNER PAUL BINNER EVAN BRODY	DEACON RAY GRACE STURDEVANT DOLORES MANGANELLA GLORIA PASTERNAK IAN BURKE SOPHIE BURKE ZACH KEISER	
LECTOR ALTAR SERVER(S)	ALYSSA KOVALCHICK LAUREN KOVALCHICK TORI KOVALCHICK				
OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS	SELECTION BY USHERS D. NOLE, G. LUPINSKI	SELECTION BY USHERS	

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

----- **THE SICK, THE SUFFERING AND HOSPITALIZED**, ESPECIALLY: CAROLYN MYERS, ELISSA ROSE, LYLE STURDEVANT, MARYN KUKUCHKA, LILLIAN KRISTUNAS, TRUDY FISK, RUTH KUKUCHKA, JENNIFER BUNNELL, RITA BERCHEM, MARIE STAIR, MARY ANN BROWN, ELIZABETH CALLAHAN, RICHELE MORTIMER, SHERI RAIL, DAVID TRESSLER, SR., CHERYL MacDONALD SWEET, AIDAN HOLMAN, TRISTAN EVANS, JOSEPH E. QUINN, ANGELIQUE ALEXANDRA PREVOST, HEATHER STEGNER, MARGE HOLUB, ELEANOR FOSTER, MATTHEW LEWIS, DONALD TRAVER, DAWN DOMMES, MICHELLE HUERBIN, CAROLYN ROZANSKI, MARGARET KINTNER, DON WHITE, MARY KUKUCHKA, MARY BOLOUSKI, EMMY COIA, DARRIN McGAVIN, FATHER BILL WILSON, EDWARD KIMBEL, CHERYL SANDS, MARY DELMAR, CHARLES CAREY, NANCY ROBINSON, SUSAN BOLOUSKI McANDREWS, GARRET CONOVER, CLETUS MacDONALD, ANALISA DOMINIC, LUCAS SETH BOYANOWSKI, BILL IVEY, VERA PRAWDZIK, MATTHEW FORTESI, JACOB WALTER CURTIS, ARTHUR BUNNELL, TED BUNNELL, HELEN TALARICO, PAUL GOODRICH, MYRON LaBAR, TIKI LYONS, CAROL McGINLEY, CAROL COBB, BRENT RANSOM, JEAN YABLONSKI, AUSTIN THOMAS, LYNNE BINNER, MAGDALENE FRONCZKIEWICZ, JIM BORDEN, JERRY STROKA, BEN BROWN, LINDA NIEMIEC, DIANE THOMPSON, ROSEANN GEORGE, SHELLIE SEYMORE, MARILYN BRODY, MONTANA COLE, CAROL GAYLORD, CHRIS OLSHAN, JR., DEBBIE GAY, HELEN RAIL, ANN ZACKARIAS, GRACE STURDEVANT, CHRISTOPHER BELL, CHARLOTTE SMITH, FLORENCE KEYES, LINDA RUEHLMAN, BONNIE LaFLEUR, ROY PREVOST, ALLEN KEYES, CATHERINE LITWIN, JUDI HOWE, LEAH WILSEY, NATHAN DELMAR, DONNA BROWN, JOE HARDISKY.

----- THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED AND THE NEEDS OF OUR PARISH AND PARISHIONERS.

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SANCTUARY LIGHT:

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN DURING THE WEEK OF
DECEMBER 24TH FOR **EUGENE NOONE**
OFFERED BY JOE & ANNA HARDISKY

YOUR CONTRIBUTION:

Weekend Offering

\$3,502.00

ST. MARY OF THE LAKE MASS SCHEDULE - WEEK OF DECEMBER 24, 2017

SATURDAY	DEC.	23	4:00PM	JOSEPH & MARY GANZ – OFFERED BY THEIR FAMILY
SUNDAY	DEC.	24	9:00AM	LOU POLLINI – OFFERED BY RICK, MARY LOU & JULIA FRANKO
			4:00PM	TERESA WALL – OFFERED BY LUCY MONNINGER
MONDAY	DEC.	25	9:00AM	JAMES FAHEY – OFFERED BY FRANK, KATHLEEN, DESIREE & JOSH FLAHERTY
TUESDAY	DEC.	26	8:00AM	NICHOLAS MIGLIORI – OFFERED BY MR. & MRS. RICHARD BARNI, ANGELA & JEWEL
WEDNESDAY	DEC.	27	8:00AM	NO MASS
THURSDAY	DEC.	28	8:00AM	EVELYN MATYLEWICZ – OFFERED BY ST. MARY OF THE LAKE ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY
FRIDAY	DEC.	29	8:00AM	NO MASS
SATURDAY	DEC.	30	4:00PM	GEORGIA ANN SCHIAVONE – OFFERED BY CARL, MARIE & KATIE PACKER
SUNDAY	DEC.	31	9:00AM	FRANCES DULNY – OFFERED BY RALPH & JoANNE BRUNONI
			4:00PM	PAUL DOUGHERTY – OFFERED BY GEORGE & ELEANOR DOUGHERTY

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

SAT. DEC. 23 & SUN. DEC. 24	SATURDAY 4:00PM	SUNDAY 9:00AM
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)	CAROL BALDO DOROTHY TRAUGER TOM WOLFF LISA JANOSKI	DEACON RAY HELEN FABIANI LEN NASH SEB NARO
LECTORS ALTAR SERVER(S)		
USHERS GREETERS OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS	BILL SHAW & JIM BILLINGS JANET SHAW SELECTION BY USHERS	JEFF PIERCE & STAN MALECKI BILL WATERS SELECTION BY USHERS JACK HADDOW & KAY NOREIKA
SUN. DEC. 24 & MON. DEC. 25	SUNDAY 4:00PM	MONDAY 9:00AM
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)	DEACON RAY CARMEL WILLIAMS	ANN MARIE GORKO LISA JANOSKI JOAN STROKA BILL WATERS STEVE ZDANIEWICZ ZACH ZELNA
LECTORS ALTAR SERVER(S)	STEVE FRANKO GEORGE KAMAGE DANIEL DRISCOLE ADRIEN FRANKO RACHEL KENIA JEWEL STOVER	
USHERS GREETERS OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS	CARL PACKER & BERNIE GARVEY ABBA FRANKO SELECTION BY USHERS	RANDY PIERETTI & JEFF PIERCE JOHN HARRIS SELECTION BY USHERS JACK HADDOW & FRAN MOLLUSKY
SAT. DEC. 30 & SUN. DEC. 31	SATURDAY 4:00PM	SUNDAY 9:00AM
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)	CAROL BALKO KAREN LEBER MARIE PACKER ASHLEY KENIA MICHAEL GREEN	ANN MARIE GORKO LISA JANOSKI JOAN STROKA BILL WATERS ZACH ZELNA
LECTORS ALTAR SERVER(S)		
USHERS GREETERS OFFERTORY GIFTS COLLECTION COUNTERS	BILL SHAW & JIM BILLINGS JONI JAMES SELECTION BY USHERS	RANDY PIERETTI & JEFF PIERCE PAT STEAD SELECTION BY USHERS DON & CAROL AMES

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole who healed those who believed. Amen.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

--- THE SICK, THE SUFFERING AND HOSPITALIZED, ESPECIALLY: SANDRA SLOWEY, LORI PIERCE, LISA FREITAS, TRACY IRISH, CHRISTINA REEVES, JACKI NIERATKO, CARMEN PIERCE, ELAINE HUG, CHARLIE RUSSELLO, ANNETTE SMITH, LYNN POLLINI, AVA MASON, LYNN McGLYNN, BONNIE KILGANNON, MSGR. DAVID L. TRESSLER, ANGIE HNATKO, RUSTY PERKINS, ANASTASIA TECHKY, JULIA KAIFER, MICHELLE HUERBIN, SHIRLEY DZIAK, JENNIFER BUNNELL, JOSEPH PIERCE, THELMA SHEBBY, EDD KILGANNON, AUDREY DAVIS, SHIRLEY ROCHA, DOT JOHNSON, JAMES DOUGHERTY, JESSICA MIGLIORI, STACIE MAGNECZ, TAMMY MIGLIORI, CAROLLYN DAVIS, LINDA ZALEWSKI, MELISSA HENNING HILL, MICHAEL BOGDON, JANET EVANS, ZACHARY WILLIAMS, KERSTIN LEE MIGLIORI, PAT STEAD, BILL STEAD, RON GORKO, KATIE PACKER, JOE IGNATOVICH, PETER POLINSKY, DAVID TRESSLER, SR., ANN SMITH, DELORES HEAGY, FRAN MOLLUSKY, PEARL PIERCE, BERNICE BURANICH, CEIL IGNATOVICH, MARY PETERSEN, LOUIS C. POLLINI JR., SUE MIGLIORI, JOE SCHIAVONE, JOSEPH FRANKO, LINDA NIEMIEC, JACK KARASACK, CAROLE GREENIP, JANE CAWLEY, FLORENCE KEYES, GINNY CLARKE, JEROME LAMONICA, JEAN LAMONICA, THEO FREAR, BROGAN PERFILO.

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SANCTUARY LIGHT:

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN DURING THE WEEK OF
DECEMBER 24TH FOR **MARYANN KASZUBA**
OFFERED BY HER HUSBAND GEORGE

YOUR CONTRIBUTION:

Weekend Offering	\$ 1,796.00
Adopt-A-Family	\$ 269.31