



ST. PAUL PARISH

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 2, 2023



ST. PAUL CHURCH

Closed for Painting (Re-opening in August)
Daily Mass: Mon.-Sat. 8:00am at the
SC/SP School Auditorium: 1527 Penn Ave.

ST. CLARE CHURCH

2235 N. Washington Ave.
Saturday 4:30 p.m.- Vigil Mass
Sunday 8a.m. & 10:30a.m.

Rev. Mon. Neil J. Van Loon, V.F., Pastor

St. Paul Staff

Rita Cicco - Director of Religious Education

Robert Fitzsimmons - Sacristan

Eugene Mentz - Director of Liturgical Music

Marci Stevens-Scanlon - Administrative Assistant

Phoebe Wilson - Operations Manager



**St. Paul Church will temporarily be closed for painting
Daily Mass (Monday-Saturday 8am)
will be celebrated across the street at
St. Paul School Auditorium**

**Saturday 4:30 Mass & Sunday 8am & 10:30am Mass
will be celebrated at
St. Clare Church
*until the completion of the project.***

**Thank you for your patience as we
work to make these necessary
improvements!**



St. Paul Church

Corner of Penn Avenue
and Marion Street,
Scranton, PA 18509

St. Paul Rectory

1510 Penn Ave.,
Scranton, PA 18509
Phone: 570-961-1549
Fax: 570-961-0335
Office Hours: Mon-Fri
8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

CONFESSIONS- Sat.-4pm
8 am Mass ~ Mon.-Sat.
4:30 Mass ~ Sat. (Vigil)
8 am & 10:30 am ~ Sun

St. Clare Church

2235 N. Washington Ave.
Adoration and Rosary
Monday ~ Friday
4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Rosary at 4:30 p.m.

FOOD PANTRY

FRIDAYS: 12pm ~ 1:30 pm
St. Clare Church Basement

JOIN US FOR MASS

Join us on Facebook at St.
Paul's Parish for our
live-streaming of the
Celebration of Mass.
info@stpaulscranton.org
Facebook ~ Saint Paul's
Parish Scranton
www.stpaulscranton.org

**Sacrament of
Baptism**

All first time parents are
asked to attend
a baptismal preparation
meeting prior
to the Baptism.
Please call the parish
office to schedule dates.

**Sacrament of
Matrimony**

A meeting with the
parish priest should
precede all other
wedding plans.
Contact the parish
office at least six months
before
date of the intended
marriage.

**Sacrament of
Holy Anointing**

All who are seriously
sick, hospitalized,
or having surgery can
receive this sacrament.
Please call the rectory
if you wish to be
anointed.

Sponsor Cards

Sponsor cards for
Baptism or Confirmation
will be issued to
parishioners who attend
Mass regularly;
are Baptized and
Confirmed Catholics;
are married in
conformity with the
laws of the Church.

ST. PAUL MASS INTENTIONS

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, July 1 Vigil: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. † The Mullen Family (The Auriemma Family)

Sunday, July 2 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish

† Ruth & Agnes Sirgany (Karin)

10:30 a.m. † Clare & Clarence Granville (Family)

Monday, July 3 St. Thomas, Apostle

8:00 a.m. † Maryclaire Jordan (Dr. Arthur Jordan, Sr.)

Tuesday, July 4 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Agnes & Ruth Sirgany (Karin)

Wednesday, July 5 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † John C. Barrett (Barrett Family)

Thursday, July 6 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † James Volz (Family)

Friday, July 7 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Deacon John Hanni (The Shaffern Family)

Saturday, July 8 Vigil: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Connie & Jean Skaluba (Family)

4:30 p.m. † John M. Dougherty (Maureen Sunders)

Sunday, July 9 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Frank, Veronica & Lucille Shimkus (Family)

10:30 a.m. † Giovina & Joseph Salerno (Salerno Family)

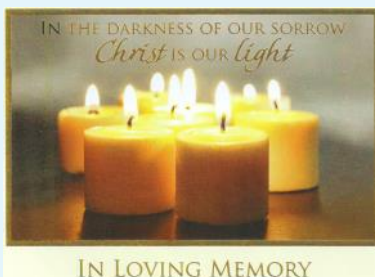
RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of recently deceased. May their souls and all of the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace!



St. Paul Parish 2024 Mass Book will be opening on Friday July 14th !

Call or stop by the Parish Office to request a Mass or Candle in your loved one's name.



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Happy Anniversary
to a beautiful couple!

God's Blessings on
your wedding
Anniversary
Bob and
Rosalie Mesko!



REMEMBERED AT THE ALTAR:

Week of: June 24-July 1

St. Paul's Sanctuary Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Paul Dougherty

With Love From:

Alicia Dougherty

St. Paul's St. Joseph Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Jerome P. Flynn

With Love From:

Family

St. Paul's Marian Candle

In Loving Memory of

† Mollie Conway

With Love From:

Kerry, Jody & Family

St. Paul's Wine & Host

In Loving HONOR of

♥ Jim & Paula Eshelman

Happy 50th Anniversary!

With Love From:

Joanne Cantafio



Food Pantry Hours: Fridays 12-1:30pm

Food Pantry Volunteers for Friday July 7th

**Sandi Cadden, Sharon LaBelle, Marilyn Carlonis,
Jody Maloney & Barbara Burkhouse**

St. Paul Food Pantry Donations: June 25-30th

In Loving Memory of:

Henry Taylor

With Love,

Susan Conway



In Loving Honor of:

Sr. Kathryn Clauss

With Love,

John Acculto

This Week's REMEMBERED AT THE ALTAR:

St. Paul's Sanctuary Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Jack Malloy

With Love From:

Malloy Family

St. Paul's St. Joseph Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Clarence Granville

With Love From:

Family

St. Paul's Marian Candle

In Loving Memory of

† Clare Granville

With Love From:

Family

St. Paul's Wine & Host

In Loving Memory of

† Mary Louise Haggerty

With Love From:

Haggerty Family

June 18th Collection

Offertory Total: \$ 3,949.00
Online Total: \$2,423.00



June 25th Collection

Offertory Total: \$ 3,446.00
Online Total: \$ 2,541.91

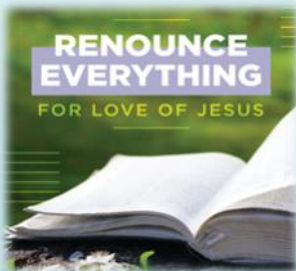


SAVE TIME & DONATE ONLINE: We are so very grateful to all who financially sacrifice every week to support our parish and its ministries! We are especially grateful to those who faithfully use their weekly parish contribution envelopes. However, if you find that you tend to forget your envelope more often during the less structured weeks of summer or if you know you will be away for the Summer, please consider our electronic giving program. Go to stpaulscranton.org and click the **online giving** link. You can create an account in minutes and set up weekly or monthly contributions with ease. You can also stop or pause payments at any time!

For more info or help, call 570-961-1549.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

July 2, 2023- 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time



As a boy my favorite board game was “Chutes and Ladders.” The players roll dice to move from the start to the finish, from the bottom of the board to the top. If you land on a chute, you slide back and down. It was a bummer. Land on a ladder, and you jump well up the board and near the goal. It was a thrill to find a ladder and draw closer to the goal. That’s life, isn’t it? At every moment, we’re either moving closer or farther from the goal of our lives.

How do we win? Jesus tells us the secret of life’s chutes and ladders hinges on getting our loves rightly ordered. What we love in life is meant to be a ladder, drawing us up into God’s love — including our family, friends, work, play, food, and drink. Even to give your water to someone out of love for Christ leads to a sure reward.

But those ladders of our loves can become chutes. If we love even our family members more than Christ, we slide down and back. If we love the persons and things in our life for the sake of Christ, He says we “surely will not lose our reward.” The key difference between a chute and ladder, between our spiritual regression and advancement, is our willingness to renounce everything — even our own life — for the love of Jesus. To allow everything and everyone we love to draw us to love him more — that’s the difference between chutes and ladders. -Father John Muir ©LPi



Reverend Mr. Michael J. Boris was ordained to the Order of the Priesthood for the Diocese of Scranton on June 24th
May God bless and keep His face shining on him every day of his priesthood!

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.

Blessings to all for the Summer Season...Enjoy!



RINGOLD POPS ORCHESTRA AT NAY AUG PARK: Nay Aug Park celebrates Independence Day with a RingGold Pops Orchestra performance at 10:30 AM. As part of their weekly outdoor summer concert series, the show is free and open to the public and held on the stage past the pool area. Be sure to check out Nay Aug Park's weekly Wednesday & Sunday Concerts for the 2023 Season at nayaugpark.org/concerts

MONDAY, JULY 3RD @ 4PM COURTHOUSE SQUARE • DOWNTOWN SCRANTON



Courthouse Square in Scranton comes alive as Lehigh Valley Hospital Dickson City Presents the Lackawanna County **Scrantastic Spectacular!** Bring the family and enjoy great foods, games and bounce houses for the kids, local bands on The Scranton Recycling Side Stage, and a LIVE performance from Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic Brass and Percussion Members beginning at 8PM. Then sit back and enjoy the best fireworks display in NEPA!

NOTE: Fireworks launch location is now at the Linden St. Garage above Catch 21. See online map for best viewing locations.

Queen of Angels Parish- July 4th Celebration Jessup

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

Sponsored by Jessup 21st Century Association Fourth of July events beginning at 4pm at Jessup Veterans Memorial Field on Hill Street including Queen of Angels Parish Basket Raffle. Fireworks at dusk!

St. Patrick's Parish Summer Social

Jackson St. Scranton, PA- July 9th

St. Patrick's Parish will host a Summer Social on the church grounds following the 11am Mass and continuing until 5:00 pm. The event will include food trucks, a Basket Raffle, Instant Bingo, a Bake Sale, a Bouncy House and music.



Saint Eulalia
— PARISH —

SUMMER FESTIVAL | JULY 21-22 5-10 p.m.

Homemade Food, Grandma's Attic, & more...

WEEKEND ENTERTAINMENT:

FRI., JULY 21

6-7 PM

» Electric City Steel
Drum Project

7-10 PM

» Between the Velvet Lies
(classic rock)

SAT., JULY 22

5-6:30 PM

» Alex the Crooner

7-10 PM

» Electric Rewind
(classic rock)

214 Blue Shutters Road, Roaring Brook Township
sainteulalias.com

Saint Joseph Marello Parish

237 William Street ~ Pittston, PA

Annual Summer Picnic

July 13, 14, 15 from 5pm to 10pm

Live Entertainment

Thursday - The Taxmen
Friday - The Luongo Bros.
Saturday - Flaxy Morgan

Picnic Favorites

Ethnic Foods, Pizza Fritta,
Potato Pancakes, Indoor Flea
Market, Basket Raffles, Kid Games
and more!

LACKAWANNA COUNTY SENIOR FARMER'S MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM 2023

If you are age 60 or older by 12/31/2023, a Lackawanna County Resident, and meet the income eligibility guidelines listed below, you are eligible for the Senior FMNP vouchers.

2023 Household Income Eligibility

1 person - \$26,973	5 people - \$65,009
2 people - \$36,482	6 people - \$74,518
3 people - \$45,999	7 people - \$84,027
4 people - \$55,500	8 people - \$93,536

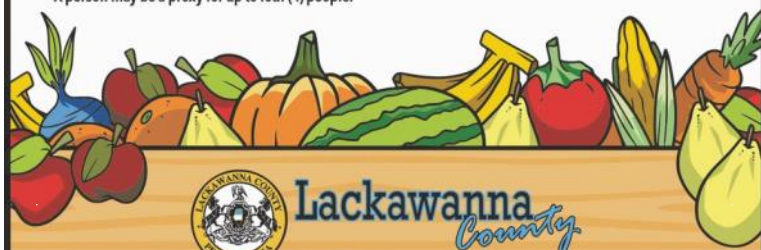
The PA Department of Agriculture announced a delay in the FMNP/SFMNP checks shipment.

New 2023 Distribution Schedule

July 14	1 pm - 3 pm	Covington Park
July 17	9 am - 12 pm	Mid Valley Senior Center
July 17	1:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Jefferson Twp. Senior Center
July 18	9 am - 12 pm	Scranton Jewish Community Center
July 20	9 am - 12 pm	Hillside Healthy Aging Campus
July 21	1 pm - 3 pm	Merli-Sarnoski Park - Upper Pavilion
July 22	10 am - 1 pm	South Side Farmer's Market
July 25	9 am - 12 pm	Nay Aug Park Community Room
July 26	11 am - 4 pm	Scranton Co-Op Farmer's Market
July 27	9 am - 12 pm	Dunmore Senior Center
July 27	1:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Throop Senior Center
August 7	9 am - 12 pm	Taylor Senior Center
August 8	9 am - 12 pm	Oppenheim Healthy Aging Campus
August 10	10 am - 1 pm	Fallbrook Healthy Aging Campus

People who reside in a nursing home, personal care home, domiciliary home, or convent are not eligible. Each eligible senior may receive five \$10 checks for a total one-time benefit of \$50 during the program year. Distribution will begin in July 2023 and will be in-person only. Mailed applications will not be processed. Please bring your ID or documents proving residency and age.

If an eligible senior cannot attend a distribution event in person, a proxy can act in their place, with a completed proxy form. Blank Proxy forms are available to print at LackawannaAging.org or can be mailed upon request. A person may be a proxy for up to four (4) people.



Lackawanna County
Commissioners
Jerry Notarianni • Debi Domenick, Esq. • Chris Chermak

www.LackawannaAging.org

PRAYER FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

God, source of all freedom,
this day is bright with the
memory of those who declared
life and liberty are your gift to
every human being.

Help us to continue a good
work begun long ago.

Make our vision clear and our
will strong: that only in human
solidarity will we find liberty,
and justice only in the honor
that belongs to every life
on earth.

Turn our hearts toward the
family of nations: to understand
the ways of others, to offer
friendship, and to find safety
only in the common good of all.
We ask this through Christ
our Lord.
Amen.

- Prayer from "Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers"



dosp.org

PRAYER FOR SUMMER

FATHER, CREATOR OF ALL, THANK YOU
FOR SUMMER!

THANK YOU FOR THE WARMTH OF THE SUN
AND THE INCREASED DAYLIGHT.

THANK YOU FOR THE BEAUTY I SEE ALL
AROUND ME AND FOR THE OPPORTUNITY
TO BE OUTSIDE AND ENJOY YOUR
CREATION.

THANK YOU FOR THE INCREASED TIME I
HAVE TO BE WITH MY FRIENDS AND
FAMILY, AND FOR THE MORE CASUAL
PACE OF THE SUMMER SEASON.

DRAW ME CLOSER TO YOU THIS SUMMER.
TEACH ME HOW I CAN PRAY NO MATTER
WHERE I AM OR WHAT I AM DOING.

WARM MY SOUL WITH THE AWARENESS OF
YOUR PRESENCE AND LIGHT MY PATH
WITH YOUR WORD AND COUNSEL.

AS I ENJOY YOUR CREATION, CREATE IN
ME A PURE HEART AND A HUNGER AND A
THIRST FOR YOU.

AMEN.

