

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS



**Pentecost Sunday
May 20, 2018**

“Jesus stood up and exclaimed; ‘Let anyone who thirsts come to Me and drink. As Scripture says: Rivers of living water will flow from within him who believes in Me.’ He said this in reference to the Spirit that those who came to believe were to receive.”

The great event in Jerusalem, marked by wind, noise and fire, was a moment of fulfillment and at the same time of beginning for the life of the church. The signs and wonders of Pentecost are so familiar surrounding the radical change which took place in the upper room.

Jesus speaks to us today, leading me to ask myself: Do I thirst for the Lord? When we are thirsty we long for a drink, for refreshment, to be renewed. The reading from John, who always speaks about belief and believers, reminds me to pray ‘Come Holy Spirit’ in the events of my daily life. I am thirsty for the Lord, yes or no. The Spirit is part of my family life, of my home and work. The Spirit leads and guides me, but only if I ask and give in.

Speaking of thirst, remember the words on the lips of Jesus at Calvary, ‘I thirst’. He thirsts still for you and for your Spirit filled life.



Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrimage Statue

We would like to invite all our parish families to bring Our Lady of Fatima Statue into your home for a week. For more information and to reserve your week, please call Valerie at : (570) 972-7939.



Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal will be on Monday, May 21st, 2018 at 7p.m. in the Church. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Followed by rosary at 7:30 p.m. This will be the last Novena until September.



**Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mother of the Church**

Pope Francis recently added a Memorial for “The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church” to the General Roman Calendar. It will be celebrated each year on the Monday after Pentecost. This year that will fall on May 21, 2018. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Secretariat for Divine Worship has now posted information on the **USCCB website** about the readings and orations for Mass. It also provides information about the celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours on this new Memorial.

****Notice****

We ask that you please exercise all caution when entering or departing the church using the Main Street Entrance. Temporary repairs were preformed. A permanent solution will be soon forthcoming.



Come to our first **St. Paul Street Evangelization (SPSE)** team meeting on Friday, May 25th at 6:00 P.M. in the Youth Room of the Barrett Center.

Come learn about the ministry, non-confrontational methods to evangelize, and the different ways you can participate. If you are not comfortable evangelizing on the street, no worries we need prayer warriors to pray while the team is out. Pass this note on to a friend to spread the word. If you have further questions or you would like to attend, email me at: seanswf@yahoo.com



50th Anniversary Raffle Tickets

If you haven’t purchased your raffle ticket yet there is still time! Come to the Parish Office Tuesday thru Friday, from 9a.m.-5p.m. The cost is \$55.00 per ticket. We need

to sell 450 tickets so that we may start the drawings. Our goal is to sell ALL 1000 tickets. We can do this with your help!



Graduates Mass

It is a standing tradition at The Church of Saint Luke to recognize our graduating high school students. Mass will be celebrated for them and their family and friends as well as the whole church community. Sunday, June 3rd at 11:00A.M. Mass followed by luncheon for graduates and their family. Please call the Parish Office at (570) 421-9097 to make your reservation.

Baby Bottle Boomerang



Began on Mother’s Day! Fill your baby bottle with coins, cash or check. All proceeds go to Pregnancy Resource Center of the Poconos. Bottles are due back at church Father’s Day, June 17th. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council # 4084



May The Month of Mary

Mary is Mother-your mother, my mother, every-one’s mother- and because she cares for all of us day-in and-day-out without fail, interceding for us in even the tiniest matters. For that, she deserves an entire month in her honor.

Let us come together and pray the rosary. Our next Rosary Group will meet on, Wednesday, May 23rd. Rosary& Divine Mercy are prayed every morning after 7:30 A.M. Mass. **All are welcome!**

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Pentecost is this Sunday, May 20th. It is indeed a very special day of remembrance. It formally commemorates the gift of the Holy Spirit to the world. A gift that was witnessed in the scriptures as “tongues of fire”

which descended upon God’s people. We celebrate this gift as God’s grace is showered upon us, as individuals and as “the Church.” The Holy Spirit is a guide to us, a leader for us and a source of guidance in all things.



THE COUNTDOWN BEGINS!

Our Parish Festival is right around the corner. The festival will be held on July 28th & 29th. Now is the time to once again mark your calendar and plot out your times to volunteer and reflect on your best means to assist the parish. It is our hope that every-

one will offer their service to their church.

Our first festival meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 13th at 6:00 P.M. in the Jacques Center. Your HELP is needed! Volunteers are the backbone of any parish. The Annual Summer Festival is a great opportunity to work with others and to work for the growth of your parish. Every person, of every age, IS OF VALUE! We can utilize your talents in a hundred different ways.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

We hope to see you at our first Festival Meeting!

You may be doing some “Spring Cleaning”! We ask that you start putting those items you no longer want or need aside, for drop-off to the festival. PLEASE only donate items that are in good condition and have a resale value. *No Computers or Magazines*



PARISH FINANCIAL NOTES

The Parish Council and Finance Committees have asked that we post our weekly collection: Collections for May 6, 2018

Weekly Church Offering: \$ 11,621.00

Votives: \$57.00

Soup Kitchen: \$ 300.00

Religious Education Fee: \$ 500.00

Baptism Donations: \$ 150.00

Funeral Donations: \$ 150.00

Polish Mass: \$ 521.00

Diocesan Collections: \$ 2,077.00

50th Anniversary Raffle: \$ 550.00

Mothers Day: \$ 541.00

Capital Improvements: \$ 50.00

Easter: \$ 50.00

Ascension Thursday: \$ 87.00

Rice Bowl Offering: \$ 45.40

Mass Cards: \$ 50.00

Miscellaneous: \$ 74.00

Total Collections: \$ 16, 823.50

Please keep in mind that the above collection amounts represent 100% of the total Parish Collections for the period noted and do not contemplate the many operational costs incurred (including Diocesan or Notre Dame School Assessments) by The Church of Saint Luke.



**THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR:
RELIGIOUS FORMATION**

**NEXT WEEKEND WILL BE FOR:
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS**



The Catholic Faith On Demand

FORMED.ORG is up and running and has been well used by the parish. Again, the site is: **FORMED.ORG** and the Parish ID is **T7PZMT**

Don't forget that our "Big Tent" donations board is up in the front vestibule. If you are able to donate any of the items requested for the festival, your help is greatly appreciated! Also mark your calendars, June 13th at 6:00 P.M. In the Jacques Center is our first Festival Meeting. Your help is needed, please make it a priority to attend. MANY HANDS MAKE FOR LIGHT WORK!!



FAITH SHARING

Faith Sharing meets every Monday in the Driebe Center at 6:00P.M. Please join us as we read, reflect, and discuss the upcoming Sunday Mass readings. This is a wonderful opportunity to grow in faith while making new friends. All are welcome! please contact Alicia Lynch @ (570) 8071743 for more information.

ULTREYA

The next Ultreya will be on August 20th, from 2-4p.m. For more information or questions please call Pat @ (570) 422-1322

Villa of Our Lady Retreat House is in a **very great need** for volunteers to help in the dining room and kitchen during meals on the weekends. If you have 2 or 3 hours to offer please call or email sister Josandra at : (570) 839-7217 or josand64@ptd.net

Help Needed: Elderly man seeks assistance in light cleaning in home in East Stroudsburg. If interested please call (570) 420-8995.

For Sale: Teen Girl prom and fancy dresses, sizes 10-14. Various colors and styles. Only worn 1 time, cleaned and pressed. Call CJ (610) 297-6763.

For Sale: Hess Trucks with original boxes. Years 2003 thru 2009 and 50th year edition> \$15 each or all 8 for \$100.00. Call (272) - 200-2355.

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Can you guess who this ?



Give you a hint, the picture is from 1974. The family featured on 5-13-2018, Bob & Noreen Grivner.



Send out your Spirit



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Even though Religious Education Classes have come to an end for this school year, you can still come in and register your child for the 2018-2019 year. Parish Office hours are, Tuesday thru Friday, 9:30 A.M. until 4:00 P.M.

We wish all our families and students a very blessed, healthy and fun summer!!!! Stay well, see you all in September!



KIDS SAY THE FUNNIEST THINGS:



A mother took her three-year-old daughter to church for the first time. The church lights were lowered, and then the choir came down the aisle, carrying lighted candles. All was quiet until the little one started to sing in a loud voice, "Happy Birthday to you, happy birthday to you..."

Welcome 8th Graders
To
High School
Youth Ministry

MAY Events !!

Teen Meet : Sunday May 27th 12-2:30pm

GRADES 8-12 Welcome • BEING A FRIEND

Questions ? Call Val 570-912-7939

Quo Vadis Days—June 24-27
At Misericordia University, Dallas, PA

Quo Vadis Days 2018 is a camp for young Catholic men in High School (9-12th grade) to:

- Deepen their faith
- Learn more about all vocations
- Better discern God's call in their lives

The camp will feature dynamic talks, prayer, games, sports, activities, music and more. Participants will have the opportunity to meet priests and seminarians of The Diocese of Scranton. Register online: vocations.diocesofscranton.org For more information please contact Reverend Donald J. Williams at (570) 207-1452.


Zulenny Almonte	Matthew Filardi	Maureen O'Laughlin
Linda Anderson	Joan Ferretti	Bernadette O'Reilly
Emma Ayala	Corrine Desterdick	Dawn Mannino
Geovanny Bautista	Kevin Finn	Kerry Nelson
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Tina Berwick	Heather Anne Hamersly	Gary Palmer
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Jannesty DeLeon	Richard Maylander	Richard Waldron
Ruben DeLeon	Annie Nelson	Essie Walker
Dolores Dzydzofa	Glen Neihart	Catherine Webster




Last weekend we took great delight in welcoming 32 students to the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. This was a special day for them and their families. **MAY GOD BLESS THEM ALL**

*Andrew Ahnert
Julia Bankus
Chase Barno
Skyler Bradford
Anastasia Cameron
Emma Cassady
Chase Centeno
Brianna Cruz
Christopher DeCandia
Olivia Dul
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BY
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Altar Flowers In Honor of Our
Religious Education Teachers and
Teacher Aides



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OUR LITURGIES FOR

MONDAY, May 21
7:30 A.M.
Special Intention For All Mothers
Carolina Munoz by Martinez, Herrera & Garcia Families

TUESDAY, May 22
7:30 A.M.
Special Intentions For All Mothers
Marie Pattwell by The O'Dowd Family

WEDNESDAY, May 23
7:30 A.M.
Special Intention For All Mothers
Bernard Billick by Pat Grady

THURSDAY, May 24
7:30 A.M.
Anna Caron by Francois David
Johanna & Charles Barnes by Barnes & Gortych Families

FRIDAY, May 25
7:30 A.M.
Claire Gwiazdowski by Claire Coleman
Peggy McCormack by Elizabeth Keogan Ilch

SATURDAY, May 26
4:30 P.M.
Richard Donovan by Family
Eric Wilhelm by Ray, Betty & Debbie Hynoski

SUNDAY, May 27
8:00 A.M.
Christian Procopio by Family
Rose & Kathleen Tatu by Family

9:30 A.M.
John Quaresimo by Marianne & Terrence Snyder
Earl Burch by Alice Fessick

11:00 A.M.
For The Parish

Bon Venture Ads

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Kids Corner