

# Diocese of Scranton Office for Parish Life Catechist Awards 2018

### Catechists Recognized on Catechetical Sunday; Commissioned for Ministry

Catechetical Sunday is celebrated annually on the third Sunday in September in parishes across the United States. This year, Catechetical Sunday falls on September 16, the Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The theme for 2018-2019 is: "Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ." Catechists in the parishes of our diocese are commissioned for their ministry as they begin a new year of faith formation with children, youth and adults. This is a time for all the faithful to answer the baptismal call to live the faith in an intentional way. The Diocese of Scranton recognizes this generous contribution of time and talent, and offers several Catechist Awards based on years of service. The following is a list of those who are honored this year.

#### Saint John XXIII Award for twenty-five or more years of service.

Peggy Harvey	Saint Therese	Shavertown
Ann Marie Kusmierz	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Wyalusing
Lorine Lemoncelli	Saint Ann Basilica	Scranton
Sandra Nardell	Saint Monica	West Wyoming
Lori Ostrowski	Queen of the Apostles	Avoca
David Parmelee	Gate of Heaven	Dallas
Mary Jo Wojiowicz	All Saints	Plymouth



#### Saint Katharine Drexel Award for twenty or more years of service.

Charles Barlow Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Jermyn Exaltation of the Holy Cross Hanover Township Rosemary Bator Deborah Callahan Queen of the Apostles Avoca Claire Harvey Saint John the Evangelist Honesdale Peter Lemoncelli Saint Ann Basilica Scranton Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Anthony Spataro Jermyn

#### Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Award

for five, ten, fifteen or more years of service as a parish coordinator or DRE.

Cathy Hagadorn Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wyalusing
Tiffany Haller Saint Ann Williamsport
Claire Harvey Saint John the Evangelist Honesdale

#### National Saint Pius X Award for ten or more years of service.

Charlene D. Andruzis Queen of the Apostles Avoca Jill Antall Larksville Saint John the Baptist Joan Cunard Exaltation of the Holy Cross Hanover Township Tracy Dupre Saint Ignatius Loyola Kingston Kathy Flaherty Exaltation of the Holy Cross Hanover Township Saint John the Baptist Larksville Mary Gabel Stephanie Gilbert Saint John the Evangelist Honesdale Claire Harvey Saint John the Evangelist Honesdale Lynda Juser Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wyalusing Debra Kester Saint John the Baptist Larksville Deborah Koss Saint Monica West Wyoming Rosemary Krzemieniecki Honesdale Saint John the Evangelist Cynthia Mihoch All Saints Plymouth Susan Polickar Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Jermyn Roberta Lee Robbins Saint John Bosco Conyngham Larksville Lucy Singer Saint John the Baptist Marie Spataro Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Jermyn Fran Stretch Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wyalusing Larksville Judy Toporcer Saint John the Baptist Kristen West Saint Peter Wellsboro Maureen Younger Saint John Bosco Conyngham

# Saint John Neumann Award for five or more years of service.

Mary Ann Barni	Saint Mary of the Lake	Lake Winola
Patricia Bednarski	Saint John Vianney	Scott Township
Makayla Biebel	Holy Family	Sugar Notch
Malinda Bilwin	Gate of Heaven	Dallas
Tami Broda	Saint Monica	West Wyoming
Katie Carr	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Wyalusing
Sara Dunay Cook	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Tunkhannock
Theresa Cronauer	Holy Family	Sugar Notch
Anne Faith	Saint Ann Basilica	Scranton
Maude Fawcett	Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary	Jermyn
Sarah Hallock	Saint Ann Basilica	Scranton
Lisa Hamill	Saint Ignatius Loyola	Kingston
Nancy Heffentrager	Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace	Hawley
Holi Heffron	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Christine Granahan	Saint Monica	West Wyoming
Rachel Kester	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Ann Knapp	Saint Ann	Williamsport
Audrey Kocher	All Saints	Plymouth
Louise Langan	Saint Ann Basilica	Scranton
Tyler Laput	Saint Ann	Shohola
Constance Malencore	Saint Ann	Williamsport
Deborah Mayer	Gate of Heaven	Dallas
Suzanne McCoy	Saint John Vianney	Scott Township
Michael Parmelee	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Wyalusing
Tina Poepperling	Gate of Heaven	Dallas
Jessica J. Renninger	Saint Ann	Williamsport
Faythe Roberts	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Wyalusing
Natalie Salsman	Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary	Jermyn
Ann Selvenis	Holy Name of Mary	Montrose
Mary Smith	Saint Monica	West Wyoming

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Kirsten Tellgren	Saint Peter	Wellsboro
Monica Thaler	Saint Ann	Williamsport
Gina Uvari	Saint Ann	Williamsport
Andrew Vaccaro	Most Holy Trinity	Cresco
Concetta Vinciguerra	Saint Ann Basilica	Scranton
Amberly Warner	Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary	Jermyn
Joann Wilson	Saint Ann	Williamsport
Julianne Zaleski	Saint Ann Basilica	Scranton

# Saint Therese Award for three or more years of service in Special Education.

Danielle Ambrose	Saint Ignatius Loyola	Kingston
Nicolette DeMarco-Burton	Saint Ignatius Loyola	Kingston
Elizabeth Gesualdi	Most Holy Trinity	Cresco
Kathleen Radkiewicz	Saint Ann Basilica	Scranton

# Saint Martha Associate Award for three or more years of service.

Ashley Arriaga	Saint Ann	Williamsport
Sydney Barbini	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Tunkhannock
Paul A. Binner, Jr.	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Tunkhannock
Michelle Bedosky	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Jennifer Borino	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Jim Borino	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Megan Brody	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Sophie Burke	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Tunkhannock
Mason Clark	Saint John the Evangelist	Honesdale
Shannon Clune	Saint Ann	Williamsport
Joseph Colavitti	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Tunkhannock
Gabriella Comes	Saint John Vianney	Scott Township
Thomas Elias	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Tunkhannock

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Christina Cherundalo Fisne	Saint Ann Basilica	Scranton
Marty Gabel	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Alyssa Green	Saint John Bosco	Conyngham
Ashley Griffin	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Tunkhannock
Carol Hatton	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Wyalusing
Abigail Hynes	Saint John the Evangelist	Honesdale
Jillian Landon	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Tunkhannock
Carolyn Lavelle	Saint Ann Basilica	Scranton
Dolores T. Lavelle	Saint Ann Basilica	Scranton
Jessica Lee	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Justine Leicht	Saint Ann	Williamsport
Kristen Majikes	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Kim Matthews	Saint Ann Basilica	Scranton
Mary Ellen Novick	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Sharon Prevost	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Wyalusing
Skylar Roerig	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Tunkhannock
Mary Ann Schmitt	Saint Ann Basilica	Scranton
Toni Shrawder	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Brett Sickler	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Tunkhannock
Barbara Strack	Saint Ignatius Loyola	Kingston
Kyle Toporcer	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Beth Trowbridge	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Wyalusing
Charity Udzella	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Karen Washicosky	Saint John the Baptist	Larksville
Kayla Weidick	Saint John Bosco	Conyngham

"We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves. Do not be afraid of holiness. You will become what the Father had in mind when he created you, and you will be faithful to your deepest self."

Pope Francis, Gaudete et Exultate