

By the grace of God

Bishop ordains two new priests for service to Diocese

In a Mass embodying spirituality, tradition and gratitude, Bishop Bambera ordained Reverend Edward J. Casey of Archbald and Reverend Ryan P. Glenn of Mountain Top to the priesthood for the Diocese of Scranton. The Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton on June 9 was filled with worshippers – clergy, religious, lay faithful, family and friends – as the two men received the Sacrament of Holy Orders. The Bishop told Fathers Casey and Glenn that if they truly desire to effectively lead God’s people, “always hold in your heart the same selfless commitment to love and service that so characterized Jesus’ ministry.”

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Left: Bishop Bambera recites a prayer during the Ordination Rite.

Above: Fathers Ed Casey and Ryan Glenn participate in the Eucharistic Prayer at the altar for the first time as priests.

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Faith Refreshed

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They were inspired to “refresh their faith.”

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'A call initiated by Jesus himself'

Edward J. Casey and Ryan P. Glenn Ordained to Priesthood

Two new priests joined the presbyterate of the Diocese of Scranton on June 9 when they were ordained by Bishop Joseph C. Bambera in a morning Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton.

Fathers Edward J. Casey and Ryan P. Glenn are now engaged in holy service to this local Church, ministering to the People of God as missionary disciples of the Lord.

Following is Bishop Bambera's homily:

By the grace of God – our brothers Edward Casey and Ryan Glenn – are to be ordained priests today for service of God's people in the Diocese of Scranton. In response for this great gift, I join with this local Church to give thanks – first, to God – for the call to the priesthood that was planted in the hearts of these two men – a call initiated by Jesus himself, as noted in today's Gospel passage: "It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain."

I offer thanks as well to so many of you who gather in our Cathedral today who have helped these men discern and respond to God's call. Thank you to their pastors and the faithful of the parish communities in and through which their faith has been nurtured. Thank you to those who have been involved in Ed's and Ryan's formation – Monsignor David Bohr, Father Don Williams, and priests, deacons, religious and members of the Christian faithful from throughout the Diocese of Scranton; the Congregation of the Holy Cross and particularly Father Brian Kiely, rector of Saint John XXIII Seminary in Weston, Massachusetts; Father Phil Brown, rector of Saint Mary's Seminary in Baltimore; and the faculties of the seminaries they represent. I especially thank Ryan's and Ed's families – and of course Ryan's parents, Jim and Maria, and Ed's parents, Ed and Marcella. Ed, even though your parents join us from the vantage point of God's eternity, having known them for many years myself, their gifts to you and to the Church this day are cause for much gratitude and joy.

Finally, Ed and Ryan, on behalf of the Church of Scranton, I thank you for saying "yes" to the Lord's call to serve his Church as priests. Thank you for your willingness to walk with the Lord through incredible journeys that have enabled you to know the rich blessing of God's presence in your lives – from the midst of challenging academic environments to multi-cultural ministerial opportunities, to service to the poorest among us through the blessed work of Catholic Social Services ... We are *so* blessed this day!

Father Michael Fallihee was born in Susquehanna County on August 15, 1844 and was ordained for service to the Church of Scranton by Bishop William O'Hara in September 1869. He was one of the first native priests ordained one year after the founding of the Diocese of Scranton, 150 years ago.

In James Earley's *Envisioning Faith*, the author writes about Father Fallihee, who became rector of Saint Ann's Parish in Freeland. Quoting *The Catholic Light Historical Issue of 1916*, Father Fallihee's personal involvement in the growth of his parish is described. "The excavation of the church cellar was done by the men and boys of the parish



The candidates lie prostrate on the floor in a gesture of solemn petition. The assembly, through the intercession of all the saints, asks God's blessing for them.



All priests who are present lay their hands on the heads of the elect, including, foreground, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., Vicar General of the Diocese, and Reverend Donald J. Williams, Diocesan Director of Vocations and Seminarians.

on idle days and evenings with little or no expense to the congregation. ... The young priest too could be seen swinging his hammer with the air of an expert, and it was a matter of general comment among the miners of the congregation he was the best rockman on the job."

The point of this historical recollection of one of the first priests ordained for service to this local Church is hardly that I would expect either of you to hone your skills at being "rockmen." Yet, Father Fallihee teaches every priest a very valuable lesson. Be close to the people God entrusts to your care. Walk with them. Work with them. And never set yourself apart from them. Don't ever think for a minute that your hands are too sacred to join with their hands in the sacred work that *they* do to eke out a living, to raise their children, to care for their sick and to build the domestic Church rooted in their lives and in their families.

These recollections, however, teach something else that's even more significant. Father Fallihee is further described as a priest with a great love for the poor and the sick, with a deep commitment to prayer and profound devotion to the Eucharist. For as much as his people appreciated the time and effort that he expended on their behalf in the building of their new house of worship, they treasured Father Fallihee's presence as their priest – as the one set apart to speak to them about God ... to celebrate the sacramental life of the Church ... and to herald of the gospel of Jesus.



Ryan Glenn in a moment of reflection.

Reflect with me upon words from the second reading taken from Saint Paul's letter to the Church of Corinth and chosen by Ed and Ryan. "Since we have this ministry through the mercy shown us, we are not discouraged. ... For we do not preach ourselves but Jesus Christ as Lord." Ed and Ryan, for all that you have personally invested in the journey that has brought you to this altar – remember that this day is really not about you! It's about Jesus.

Saint Paul realized from the moment of his conversion that it wasn't because of his own determination or resolve but because of the power of God shining within his life that he, in turn, could be used as an instrument to bring hearts to experience the glory of God. The essence of Paul's mission, then, was to proclaim not himself but Jesus Christ as Lord. For Paul, it was not in the one who worked showy deeds, but in the one who led a humble and honest life dependent upon Jesus – that the true "servant of Christ" – the true Christian – was to be found.

The words of Saint Paul are quite poignant as we celebrate the ordination to the priesthood of these two men who will devote their lives to proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus and serving the people of God. Ed and Ryan, the priestly ministry that you embrace this day will bear fruit only if you understand that your ministry is a gift from God and that it is Jesus whom you must preach and his life and example that you must make your own. The ministry you are given today will never make sense to our world if it is about you. It will always be a source of fulfillment, meaning and joy for you, however, if it is about Jesus Christ.

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Some time ago, Pope Francis reflected the message of Saint Paul. “Being a Christian does not mean primarily belonging to a certain culture or adhering to a certain doctrine, but rather binding one’s own life, in all its aspects, to the person of Jesus and, through him, to the Father.” ... Being a priest demands the same. Only when you come to appreciate and live this unique relationship given to you through the mercy and love of God will all that you are called to do and to be as priests be possible.

In Saint John’s gospel proclaimed a few moments ago, on the night before he died as he shared a meal with his disciples, Jesus reflects upon this relationship. First, he describes the *quality* of love that serves as its essence. “This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.”

Then Jesus goes on to insist on the *priority* of this love in the lives of his disciples. “It was not you who chose me but I who chose you” – for a purpose: “to go and bear fruit that will remain” ... to engage the mission of the good news of God’s love and mercy through the selfless gift of their own lives.

Ed and Ryan, today you declare your willingness to engage this mission within the life of the Church. You affirm your desire to participate in Jesus’ work as Teacher, Priest and Shepherd, by embracing his priesthood and so joining as co-workers with the Order of Bishops in service of the People of God. In so doing, trust in the grace of God present to you in this sacrament. Always remember, when you teach in the name of Christ the Teacher – when you work for justice, truth and freedom – when you gather others into the Church through Baptism – when you forgive sins in the name of Christ and the Church – when you comfort the sick and the dying – when you serve the poor – and when you celebrate the sacraments, particularly the Eucharist – you are both a servant of the Church and a member of the People of God. So be faithful to the teachings of the Church. And, remember too, that while you are appointed on behalf of the Christian faithful for those things that pertain to God, you, like all of us, are in need of God’s presence, God’s life and God’s saving grace. So continually nurture your relationship with the Lord and listen carefully as he speaks to your heart.

As a priest, you will be called by the Church “another Christ.” Understand, however, that this title has little to do with rank or status among the People of God. Instead, it carries with it a perpetual challenge to be *like Christ*. If, then, you truly desire to effectively lead God’s people, always hold in your heart the same selfless commitment to love and service that so characterized Jesus’ ministry. Seek to live with integrity the life of celibacy, obedience and simplicity. Lead a life that is characterized by the way of thinking and acting that is proper to Christ. And embrace the spirit of mercy that is the heart of Christ.

Finally, Ed and Ryan, if you take nothing else from this homily, remember these words offered by Pope Francis to newly ordained priests like yourselves. You’ve heard them before – not just from Pope Francis but from me. “Never tire of being merciful! Please! You have the capacity of forgiveness that the Lord had, who did not come to condemn, but to forgive! Have much mercy! And if the scruple comes to you of being too forgiving, think of the priest who would go in front of the tabernacle and say: ‘Lord, forgive me if I have forgiven too much. But it is You who has given me the example!’”

Ed and Ryan, God’s people are looking for meaning, purpose and peace in their lives. In these difficult days, they want priests whom they can trust – priests who will convey to them the love and mercy of God. ... Give them a reason



Principals at the Ordination Mass included, from left: Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., Vicar General of the Diocese; Very Reverend Brian Kiely, of Pope Saint John XXIII National Seminary, Weston, Mass., where Father Casey completed his formation; Reverend Donald J. Williams, Diocesan Director of Vocations and Seminarians; Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus John M. Dougherty; Reverend Ryan P. Glenn; Bishop Joseph C. Bambera; Reverend Edward J. Casey; Bishop Emeritus James C. Timlin; Monsignor David Bohr, Diocesan Secretary for Clergy Formation; Sulpician Reverend Philip Brown, of Saint Mary’s Seminary and University, Baltimore, Md., where Father Glenn completed his formation; and Reverend Jeffrey J. Walsh, V.E., Episcopal Vicar for Clergy.

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Father Casey gives one of his first blessings as a priest.



Father Glenn with his parents, James and Maria DeRojas Glenn.

to trust and to believe that God’s grace and goodness still abound in our world and in our lives. ... And you will – we know you will – if you are wise and humble enough to root your lives and your ministry in Jesus, who first chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain.

So brothers and sisters, join with me in giving thanks to God who calls these two men today to serve the Church as his priests. ... Ed and Ryan – know and believe in your heart – as we do – that God who has begun the good work in you will bring it to fulfillment.

“Ed and Ryan, today you declare your willingness to engage this mission within the life of the Church. You affirm your desire to participate in Jesus’ work as Teacher, Priest and Shepherd, by embracing his priesthood and so joining as co-workers with the Order of Bishops in service of the People of God. In so doing, trust in the grace of God present to you in this sacrament. Always remember, when you teach in the name of Christ the Teacher – when you work for justice, truth and freedom – when you gather others into the Church through Baptism – when you forgive sins in the name of Christ and the Church – when you comfort the sick and the dying – when you serve the poor – and when you celebrate the sacraments, particularly the Eucharist – you are both a servant of the Church and a member of the People of God.”

– Bishop Bambera

Faith Refreshed

Catholic Women's Conference Inspires, Energizes Large Crowd

They came from near and far, by bus and car, in groups and individually.

The First Annual Catholic Women's Conference, sponsored by the Diocese and Altus for Women, was held last Saturday, June 23, at the University of Scranton Byron Complex. More than 800 women participated.

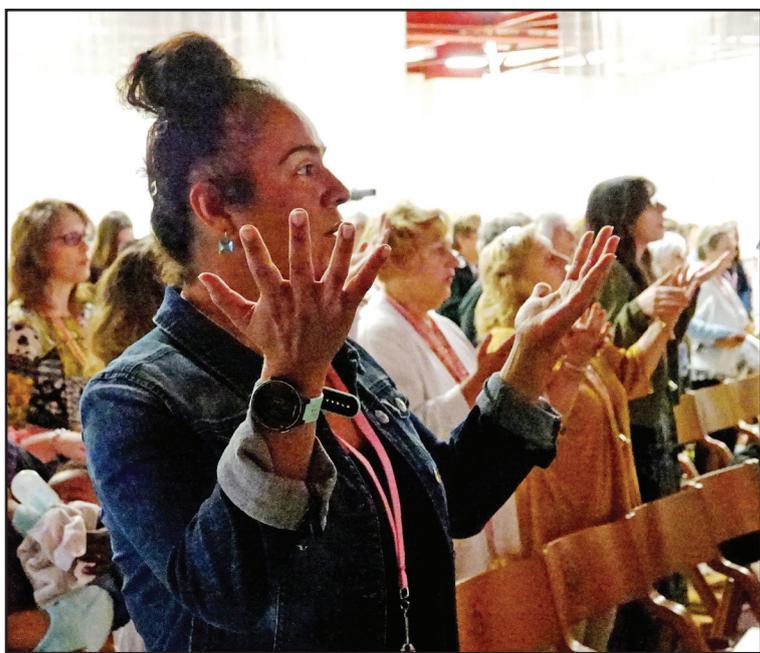
They heeded the call of the conference theme, "Refresh Your Faith," and were inspired by gifted speakers, uplifting music, the Sacrament of Penance, Eucharistic Adoration and a Mass with Bishop Joseph C. Bambera. They also enjoyed a continental breakfast, lunch and shopping at the Catholic Vendor Marketplace.

"What an incredible gathering – what a great day to celebrate our faith in Jesus – what a powerful sign your presence is to our world as we resolve to live that faith as disciples of Jesus," Bishop Bambera exclaimed in his homily.

He referred to the gospel mandate given to all of the baptized to embrace the gifts that God has given to us and to build the Church, and that the responsibility to evangelize is not solely the work of bishops or priests or deacons or faithful religious; it is the task of every person who professes faith in Jesus – every soul who seeks to live as a disciple – a follower of the Lord.

This conference, the Bishop said, "is an example of what we are all called to do and to be as Christians. ... This conference is not about being passive observers but engaged Christians in the midst of a world that so often diminishes the values of the gospel message. ... This conference is evidence of the Church ALIVE and filled with hope – even and especially in the midst of our broken world!"

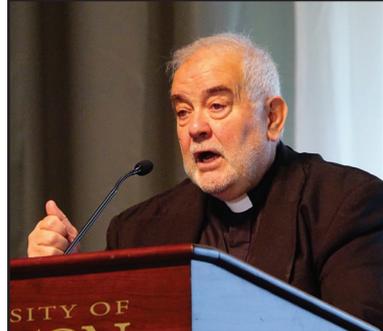
Bishop Bambera expressed his gratitude to the women for their courageous witness, their desire to refresh their faith, and for their commitment to living the good news of Jesus.



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– Bishop Bambera





Keynote speakers were Judy Landrieu Klein, theologian and author; and Father Richard McAlear of Ministry of Hope and Healing. The Christian music group, "His Own," from Nashville, Tenn., provided uplifting music.



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Megan Murphy, Catholic teacher, speaker, and evangelist, guided the program for the day.

"It was amazing and it made me feel very strong. We're not alone. There are so many of us here that love Jesus and love our faith. It brings out the universality of our faith and also the struggles and joys of being a woman. Maybe I'll make a friend today that I can lean on later."

– Danita Evans, Saint Ann's Parish, Williamsport

"The church is a community, so being able to be around people who share the same faith and desire to develop their relationship with God...it does energize you."

– Jessi Huffer, Maryland

"Every bit of it has been just amazing, exceeding my expectations..."

– Debbie Telatovich, Saint Jude Parish, Mountain Top



A group of nearly 40 women, mostly from Saint Joseph the Worker, Saint Ann's, and Saint Boniface/Saint Lawrence parishes in Williamsport, travelled by bus to the conference.

For more photos, please visit:
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CLERGY APPOINTMENTS

His Excellency, Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, announces the following appointments, effective as indicated:

PASTOR

Reverend Anthony J. Generose, J.V., to Pastor, Most Precious Blood Parish, Hazleton, effective August 1, 2018. Father Generose will continue to serve as Pastor, Queen of Heaven Parish, Hazleton, and as Judicial Vicar for the Diocese of Scranton.

Reverend Joseph J. Manarchuck, from Pastor, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Wyalusing, and Pastor, Saint Joachim Parish, Meshoppen, to Pastor, Saint Joseph Parish, Matamoras, and Saint Patrick Parish, Milford, effective July 2, 2018.

PASTOR EMERITUS

Reverend Louis A. Grippi, from Pastor, Most Precious Blood Parish, Hazleton, to Pastor Emeritus, Most Precious Blood Parish, Hazleton, effective August 1, 2018.

ASSISTANT PASTOR

Reverend Edward J. Casey, to Assistant Pastor, Our Lady of the Snows Parish, Clarks Summit, effective June 25, 2018.

Reverend Ryan P. Glenn, to Assistant Pastor, Saint John Neumann Parish, Scranton, effective June 25, 2018.

Reverend Seth D. Wasnock, from Assistant Pastor, Our Lady of the Snows Parish, Clarks Summit, to Assistant Pastor, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish and Saint Rose of Lima Parish, Carbondale, effective June 25, 2018.

SENIOR PRIEST

Reverend John C. Ruth, from Senior Priest, Saint John Neumann Parish, Scranton, to Senior Priest, Saint Patrick Parish, Scranton. Father Ruth will continue to serve as Chaplain of the Lackawanna County Prison. Effective June 25, 2018.

Reverend Peter Tran, from Senior Priest, Church of the Epiphany Parish, Sayre, to Senior Priest, Christ the King Parish, Archbald. Effective June 25, 2018.

CHAPLAIN

Reverend Richard G. Ghezzi, to Chaplain, Saint Luke's Villa, Wilkes-Barre, effective June 25, 2018. Father Ghezzi will continue to serve as Chaplain, Little Flower Manor, Saint Therese Residence, Wilkes-Barre.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Deacon Stephen B. Frye, from diaconal ministry Saint Ann Parish, Williamsport, and Master of Ceremonies for the Diocesan Bishop, to leave of absence for service at Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina, effective June 4, 2018.

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

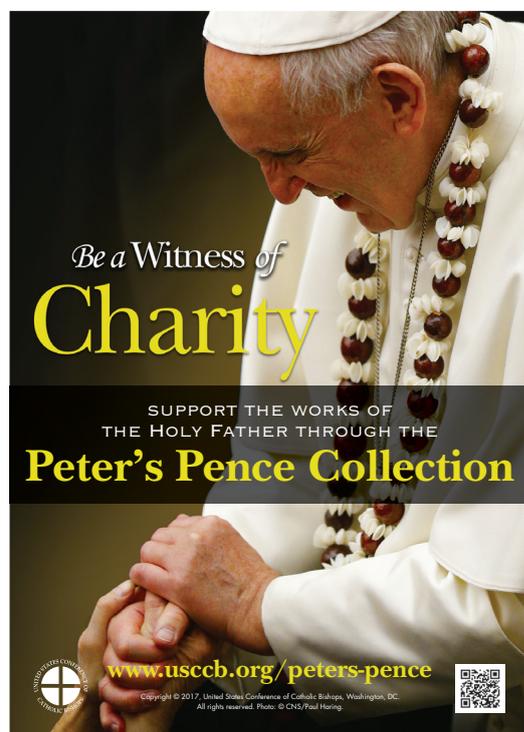
Deacon Andrew A. Fazio, to Master of Ceremonies for the Diocesan Bishop, effective June 21, 2018. Deacon Fazio will continue his diaconal ministry at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Dunmore.

Collection Supports Charitable Works of Pope Francis

The purpose of the Peter's Pence Collection is to provide the Holy Father with the financial means to respond to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and disease. This special collection will be taken up in parishes in the Diocese of Scranton on the weekend of July 7-8.

This annual endeavor offers Catholics the opportunity to support the humanitarian and charitable works of Pope Francis that reach out to the marginalized and poor.

The Peter's Pence Collection has raised nearly \$190 million to support our suffering brothers and sisters around the globe. Thank you for standing in solidarity with the Holy See through your generosity. Please continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in faith who are facing adversity.



BISHOP BAMBERA'S SCHEDULE

June 28 – Clarks Summit State Hospital Mass, Clarks Summit, 10:00 a.m.

June 30 – Mass and Dedication of New Parish Center, Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Transfiguration Church, West Hazleton, 4:00 p.m.

July 8 – 50th Anniversary Mass and Procession, Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church, Brodheadsville, 11:00 a.m.

July 9 – 9th Annual Vocations Golf Classic, Blue Ridge Trail Golf Course, Mountain Top

July 12 – Mass of Remembrance, Diocesan Pastoral Center, Scranton, 7:00 p.m.

July 14 – Consecration of the Altar and Mass, Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Dupont, 4:00 p.m.

July 15 – Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Carbondale, 10:00 a.m.

July 17 – Lay Ministry Formation Commissioning Mass, Diocesan Pastoral Center, Scranton, 7:00 p.m.

Very Rev. Richard Burke, C.P., Rector of Saint Ann's Monastery in Scranton, announces the preachers for the annual Solemn Novena to Saint Ann. These special days of prayer and preaching extend from Tuesday, July 17, through the Feast of Saint Ann on Thursday, July 26.

The preachers for the novena are Passionist Fathers Michael Rowe and Donald Ware.

Father Michael was born and raised in Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies. He entered the Passionist formation program in Jamaica, West Indies, and professed his Passionist vows in Kingston in 2006. After attending Catholic Theological Union in Chicago where he earned his Master of Divinity degree, Father Michael was ordained to the priesthood in Mandeville, Jamaica, in 2011 and was assigned to the Passionist Community in Mandeville.

For the past seven years, he has ministered at Mount Calvary Retreat House giving retreats to Youth, Parishes, Religious Sisters and Permanent Deacons. Currently, Father Michael is the only native-born Jamaican priest in the Diocese of Mandeville. He serves as rector of Saint Paul of the Cross Cathedral, the center of the Mandeville Diocese, and also teaches in an adjacent Catholic High School and participates in

the life and community of the Passionist Volunteers International. Most recently, Father Michael was appointed Vicar General of the Diocese of Mandeville.

Father Don, a Pittsburgh native son, professed his vows as a Passionist religious in 1965. After completing his Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy and his Master's Degree in Theology and Pastoral Counseling at Saint John's University, New York City, Father Don was ordained to the priesthood in 1972. He spent his earlier ministry in youth ministry and faith formation among young adults. He then was assigned to Passionist Retreat teams in Jamaica, N.Y.; Baltimore, Md.; Riverdale, N.Y.; Pittsburgh and West Springfield, Mass.

In many of these locations, Father Don was the Director of the Retreat Centers and their multi-dimensional ministries. More recently, he has been assigned to Saint Paul of the Cross Monastery in Pittsburgh where he was the As-

sistant Superior for four years. He takes part in the Retreat ministry and for those in Alcoholics Anonymous. Father Don serves as the Province Director of the Passionist Associates program which fosters a covenanted bonding of the Passionist Community with laity who find their spirituality focused on the suffering and death of Jesus.

All are invited to join the Novena and Feast Day celebrations at Saint Ann's Basilica for the 10-day period of prayers and devotion.

Services, which include Mass and Novena, are at 8 a.m., 11:45 a.m., 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. A Novena service only is at 3:30 p.m. each day. Confessions are available before and after each Mass and Novena service. An individual blessing with the relic of Saint Ann takes place after each Novena devotion.

For a complete schedule of special Masses and services for the 2018 Saint Ann's Novena, please see Page 30.

Novena on CTV

CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton will broadcast a daily Mass and Novena service Monday through Friday at 12:00 p.m., 3:30 p.m., and 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, July 21, at 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, July 22, at 5:00 p.m.

The Closing Ceremony being held on Thursday, July 26, will air on CTV on Friday, July 27, at 12:00 p.m., 3:30 p.m., and 7:00 p.m.

Mass Honors Priests Celebrating Ordination Jubilees



Bishop Bambera recently celebrated a Mass for priests who are observing their 70th, 60th and 50th years of ordination. Pictured after the Mass are, from left: Reverend Jeffrey J. Walsh, Vicar for Clergy; Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., Vicar General of the Diocese; Reverend Joseph S. Sitko (50 years); Monsignor Vincent J. Grimalia (50 years); Reverend Patrick D. McDowell (50 years); Bishop Bambera; Reverend Robert S. Hochreiter (50 years); Monsignor Peter P. Madus (50 years); Reverend James E. McGahagan (50 years); Reverend Michael J. Zipay (50 years); Monsignor Stephen D. McGough (50 years). Jubilarians who were not able to attend the Mass are Reverend Patrick S. Cortese (70 years); Reverend William D. Campbell (60 years); Reverend Charles J. Cummings (50 years); and Reverend John K. Manno (50 years). Further coverage of Diocesan priests celebrating their Golden Jubilees this year can be found on Page 23.

Monsignor Bernard E. Yarrish, a resident of Little Flower Manor in Wilkes-Barre, died on June 6, 2018, at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center.

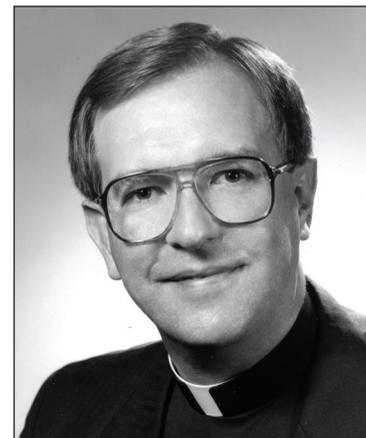
Monsignor Yarrish, son of the late Stanley A. and Blanche Kaminski Yarrish, was born in Wilkes-Barre on January 8, 1951. He received his early education at Marymount Grammar School and Marymount High School. He graduated from King's College in Wilkes-Barre in 1972.

He completed his formation for the priesthood at the Pontifical North American College in Rome, where he was ordained to the priesthood on June 6, 1976 by Bishop Leo T. Maher, then Bishop of San Diego, Calif. Monsignor Yarrish remained in Rome to continue his studies at the Pontifical Gregorian University, receiving his Licentiate in Sacred Theology with a specialization in Biblical Theology in June 1977.

Monsignor Yarrish returned to the Diocese of Scranton and served as an assistant pastor at Saint John's in Wilkes-Barre; the Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton; and Holy Family, Scranton. He was appointed Assistant Chancellor and Secretary to Bishop J. Carroll McCormick on September 6, 1977. Simultaneously, he served as adjunct lecturer in Fundamental Theology at the University of Scranton.

He remained in his position as Secretary to Bishop McCormick until Bishop McCormick's retirement in 1983, assuming the same responsibilities under the seventh Bishop of Scranton, Bishop John J. O'Connor. Monsignor Yarrish was appointed to serve on the staff of the Apostolic Nunciature in Washington, D.C., serving as a local collaborator to Archbishop Pio Laghi, the first Apostolic Nuncio to the United States.

Monsignor Yarrish was named a Chaplain to His Holiness on July 10, 1990, and given the title of Monsignor. As his tenure at the Apostolic Nunciature was nearing its end, Bishop James C. Timlin received a request from Monsignor Edwin F. O'Brien, then rector of North American College in Rome. In answer to this request, Monsignor Yarrish was appointed to the faculty of the North American College in Rome on August 27, 1991, where he served as Vice-Rector. Monsignor Yarrish was named a Prelate of Honor on July 14, 1996, by Pope John Paul II.



Monsignor Bernard E. Yarrish

As Monsignor Yarrish's health began to decline, he left his position as Vice-Rector of the North American College in 2000, after nine years of generous service, to return to his beloved home Diocese and his appointment as pastor of Saint Boniface Parish in Wilkes-Barre. It was during this time he served as Dean of the Wilkes-Barre/Central South Deanery and was elected as the Region 4 Representative to the Council of Priests. He also served as an advisor to the Board of Continuing Education for Priests.

On July 3, 2003, he was appointed Vice-Rector of Saint Pius X Seminary in Dalton and, in addition, his tremendous knowledge of the Church in the United States led to his appointment as Director of the Office of Continuing Education for Priests on November 11, 2003. During the years after his return from Rome, Monsignor Yarrish also served as spiritual director for many of the Diocesan priests. He has continued to serve his brother priests often times by his courageous example of heroic service despite his failing health.

He is survived by two brothers, Stanley and wife, Nancy; and Joseph and wife Mary; and several nieces and nephews.

A Pontifical Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by His Eminence, Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan, Archbishop of New York, and concelebrated by Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, on June 11 in Saint Mary Maternity Church, Wilkes-Barre. Interment was in Saint Mary of the Maternity Cemetery, Wilkes-Barre.

The family suggests memorial donations be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, www.NationalMSSociety.org, or www.msfocus.org to aid in research to combat the disease.

Diocese of Scranton Catholic High Schools -- Class of 2018

Notre Dame High School



**Allison
Rawson**

EAST STROUDSBURG -- Commencement exercises were held June 2 for Notre Dame High School in East Stroudsburg, during which 45 graduates received their diplomas from Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, who also offered the principal address and closing benediction.

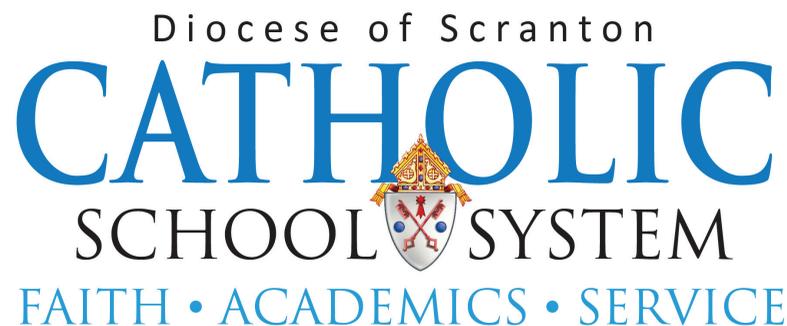
The school theater provided the setting for the graduation ceremonies for the Class of 2018 at Notre Dame, where Jeffrey N. Lyons serves as principal.

The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated May 30 in the school's theater by Monsignor John Bergamo, chaplain of Notre Dame High School.

Earning valedictorian honors for this year's Notre Dame graduating class was Allison Rawson, daughter

of Frank and Amy Rawson of Saylorsburg. Class salutatorian is Christian Peeney, son of John and Nicole Peeney, Stroudsburg.

Nearly the entire 2018 Notre Dame senior class will continue their education at the university/college level, including nine students who will be attending Catholic institutions of higher learning. The class received a total of 146 scholarship awards valued at nearly \$5.7 million.



**Christian
Peeney**

Holy Redeemer High School

WILKES-BARRE — Holy Redeemer High School was the first Diocesan secondary school to hold spring commencement exercises when graduation ceremonies were staged on May 30 at the F.M. Kirby Center for the Performing Arts in downtown Wilkes-Barre.

A total of 125 Holy Redeemer seniors, led by Principal Michael S. Reese, were conferred their diplomas by Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, who also addressed the graduates and offered benediction.

The class' Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated May 29 at Saint Nicholas Church in Wilkes-Barre. Serving as principal celebrant and homilist was Father Alex Roche, chaplain of Holy Redeemer High School.

The 2018 Holy Redeemer class valedictorian is Scott Williams II, son of Scott and Amy Lynn Williams of Shavertown. This year's Holy Redeemer salutatorian is Thalia Charles, daughter of Leroy and Stephanie Charles, who reside in Wilkes-Barre.

Of the total number of graduates, 121 will be enrolling in colleges or universities to further their education, including 43 who will be attending Catholic institutions of higher learning. The 2018 Holy Redeemer senior class merited more than 360 scholarship awards worth nearly \$18 million.



**Scott
Williams II**



**Thalia
Charles**

Diocese of Scranton Catholic High Schools -- Class of 2018

Holy Cross High School

DUNMORE — The Sette LaVerghetta Center on the campus of Marywood University provided the setting for the annual commencement of Holy Cross High School in Dunmore.

Graduation ceremonies for the 88 members of the 2018 Holy Cross senior class were held on June 1, led by school Principal Benjamin D. Tolerico.

Presiding over the commencement exercises and conferring the high school diplomas was Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, who addressed the Holy Cross graduates and gave the benediction.

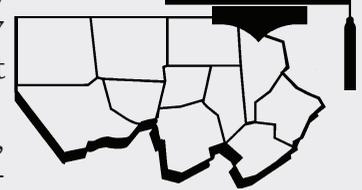
The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated May 31 at Saint Peter's Cathedral in Scranton, with Father Cyril D. Edwards, school chaplain, serving as principal celebrant and homilist.

The 2018 Holy Cross valedictorian is Christina Shaffern, daughter of Elizabeth and Robert

The four Catholic high schools operated by the Diocese of Scranton graduated a total of 277 young men and women in spring commencement exercises conducted in May and June.

According to Monsignor David L. Tressler, Diocesan Secretary for Catholic Education/Superintendent of Schools, more than 95 percent of the total number of graduates comprising the Class of 2018 will continue their education at the college or university level. Of that number, 31 percent will attend Catholic institutions of higher learning.

The four Diocesan Catholic high schools reported that, cumulatively, their graduates merited nearly 1,000 scholarship awards — worth approximately \$42 million.



Shaffern of Scranton. Class salutatorian is Allison McGee, daughter of Maria and Daniel McGee, Peckville.

Nearly 95 percent of the Holy Cross graduation class will be attending institutions of higher learning, with 26 graduates planning to enroll at Catholic colleges or universities. As a whole, the class earned 387 post-secondary scholarship awards totaling more than \$16.6 million.

Saint John Neumann Regional Academy

WILLIAMSPORT — Graduation ceremonies were conducted for the Saint John Neumann Regional Academy Class of 2018 on June 5 in the Klump Academic Center at the Pennsylvania College of Technology in Williamsport.

Saint John Neumann Principal Richard Cummings presided over the presentation of diplomas to the 19 members of this year's graduating class, which were conferred by Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, who also offered remarks and the closing benediction.

The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated June 4 at the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Montoursville, with Father Michael McCormick, host pastor, serving as principal celebrant and homilist.

This year's Saint John Neumann valedictorian is Kaycie Gerrity, daughter of Andrew and Stacy Gerrity of Williamsport. Salutatorian honors were bestowed upon Casey McKimpson, daughter of Craig and Marianne McKimpson, also of Williamsport.

Nearly all of the 2018 Saint John Neumann graduates will be pursuing further education on the university/college level. As a class, the Saint John Neumann seniors amassed 73 academic scholarships worth nearly \$1.9 million.



**Christina
Shaffern**



**Allison
McGee**



**Kaycie
Gerrity**



**Casey
McKimpson**

Graduation Day 2018

Graduates of the four Diocesan Catholic high schools celebrated their commencements and set forth on their journeys into the future with pride and hope.

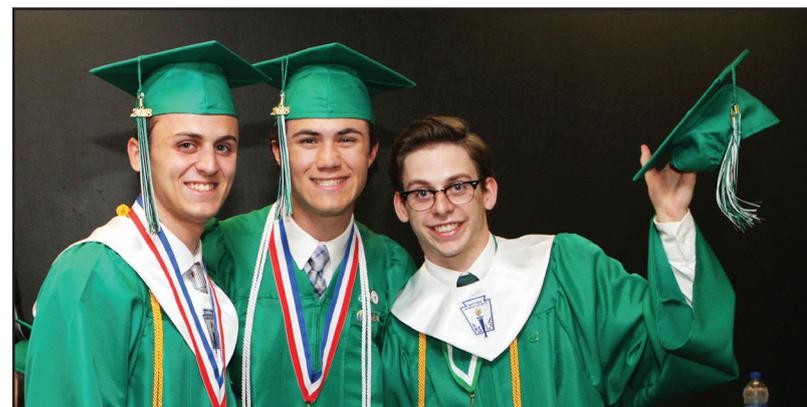
Bishop Joseph C. Bambera noted that since the founding of the Diocese of Scranton 150 years ago, “we have been blessed with an outstanding system of Catholic Schools that have prepared young people to embrace the mission of the Church and to take their place in God’s great plan for their lives and our world.”

He told the graduates, “You have been given all that you need to go forth to build a better world – a world grounded in the values of the Gospel of Jesus – values that set you apart and values that make you who you are as Christians.”

As they enter the next phase of their lives, Bishop Bambera reminded them they do not journey alone: “We walk with you and commend you always to the loving protection and presence of God.”



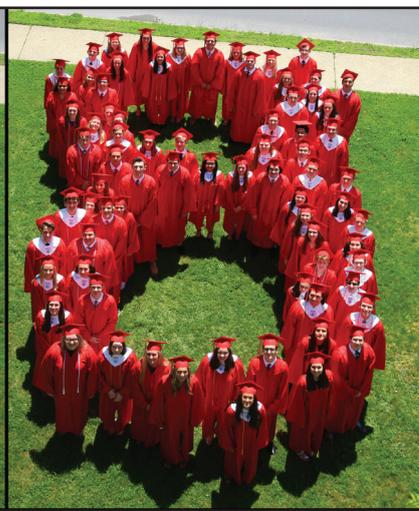
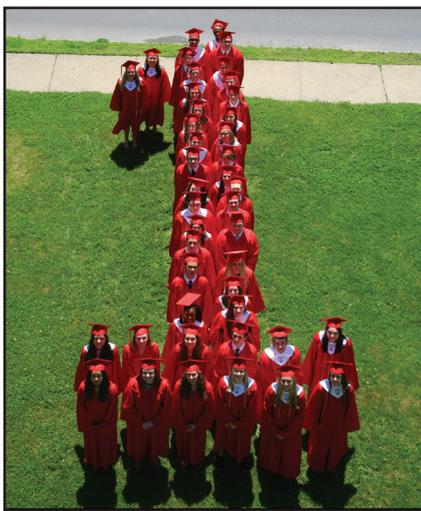
HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL



NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL



HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL



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Congratulations Catholic High School Graduates!

Class of 2018

HOLY CROSS

Amanda Michelle Alfano
Neena Beggin
Rosalie Catherine Bennie
Christian Alexander Bloom
Anna Mary Boles
Thomas Logan Bright
Mollie Lynn Burda
Carson Anthony Cacioppo
Angelo James Calciano
Matthew Thomas Cerep
Nicholas Charles Cerep
Nicholas Cicci
Christian Colaiezzi
Emma Rose Connolly
Brigit Coolican
Ashlynn Celia Cox
Cameron Kanani D'Andrea
Harleigh Christina Davis
Joseph James DeGrazia
Ryan Michael Dugan
Alexis Dutkevitch
Debbie Duverge
John Charles Egan
Hannah Helen Evans
Megan Rose Farrell
Nick Ferraro
Jaclyn Rachel Finnerty

* Valedictorians

Patrick Shane Galvin
Jennifer Ann Gillern
Kirsten Marie Gillern
Nicole Gillette
Anthony King Gilliotti
Griffin John Gilroy
Jared Emanuel Griffin
Alicia P. Griffiths
Sarah Lyndal Hankee
Quinn Harrison
Eric Earl Hartman
Kelsey Sueann Hartman
Brendan Eugene Herbert
Abigail Hoban
Bryce John Hughes
Juliana Seraphina Innocenti
Ronald James
Elisabeth Johnson
Casey Linda Bridget Joyce
Anysia Jurgiewicz
Jason Edward Kopf
Karli Ruth Bernadette Kozel
Tyler Robert Kuchwara
Lindsey Marie Leppo
Alex Lopez
Isabel Lopez
Destiny Kay Marino
Angelica Marie Matthews
Allison Marie McGee †
Michael David Minich
Aurora Monacelli
Conor Joseph Nealon
Madeline Nicoll Neville
Thomas Roland Niemiec
Juliano Alexander Nieto
Nicholas Joseph Novobilski
Megan Shalyne O'Brien
Kevin Michael Parchinski
Maura Ann Perri

† Salutatorians

Mariah Ann Elizabeth Petrucci
Carl Joseph Pettinato IV
David Pfoestl
Matthew John Piccoletti
Dominic Luciano Possanza
Ryenne Danielle Rocco
Emily Theresa Romanski
Morgan Ann Sewack
Christina L. Shaffern *
Daniel P.F. Shields
Cassandra Lynn Sporko
Kayla Elizabeth Stelma
Daniel Aaron Stolten
Nathaniel Mark Talbot
Matthew James Troiani
Laurelai M. Vanston
Alexis Nicole Walsh
Jillian Marie Warabak
John Robert Warner
William Robert White
Soren Darby Yadlosky
Karly Jean Zindle

HOLY REDEEMER

Dominic Michael Adameck
Jake Patrick Adonizio
Aidan Michael Barney
Dayna Elizabeth Belsky
Patrick Mcquaid Benway
Yoseph Noah Bere
Morgan Lee Bienkowski
Christian Robert Black
Emily Catherine Blaum
Matthew A. Bojanowski
Thomas Michael Borum
Mykolas Anthony Bozentka
Laura Lynn Buckman
Emily Elizabeth Bush
Colleen Cavanaugh

Tommy Chan
Thalia Kathrina Veronica Charles †
Ethan Edward Charney
Kyle William Chromey
Gavin Patrick Claherty
Tyler Nicholas Coletti
Jo Anna Marie Cox
James A. Cunningham
Joseph Daoud
Ireland Annabelle Davies
Julianna Xingyan Davis
Devin Nicholas Dougherty
Tucker John Ell
Mezue K. Eneh
Sophia Coimbra Eskelsen
Emily Ann Evans
Jada Lynn Exter
Katherine Elise Finnegan
Katie Marie Flanagan
Maria Lucia Gereda
Christopher Joseph Gibbons
Isabella Gabrielle Greer
Madison Rose Guido
Christa Elizabeth Gumbravich
Dennis James Harrison
Chao Ching (Lisa) Ho
Lindsey Veronica Hoover
Jeffrey Homlein
Madisyn Leigh Irace
Irelyn Rain Jannuzzi
Ryan Michael Januszko
Mallory Catherine Jones
Hannah Elizabeth Judge
Joseph John Judge
Francesca Ann Kalie
Emily Taylor Ann Kaluzny
Nicole Marie Kerestes
Christopher Michael Kocon
Marc Philip Kolendowicz

Elizabeth Rose Kolojejchick
Jocelyn Kosik
Kaylee Marie Kotsko
Nicholas Kreidler
Kayla Kruk
Alicia Marie Kugler
Daniel Joseph Kultys
Lauren Elizabeth LaMarca
Mackenzie Rose LeBeux
Alexis Rose Legg
Morgan Michele Luksic
Nicholas Taylor Lutz
Kara Lynn MacIntyre
Connor Joseph Maloney
Molly Eileen McAndrew
John Richard Morris IV
Leah Marie Mullery
Alexandra Lee Nockley
Vivian J. Novitski
Taylor Marie Oakes
Stephen Olson
Jessica Elizabeth Omoski
Isabel Madison Panganiban
Adam Paul Pawlowski
Paige Petlock
Brianna Morgan Phillips
Matthew John Piontkowski
Joseph Andrew Pisack
Jerod L. Price
Kobe Michael Price
Benjamin James Rachilla
Samantha Judith Rajza
Christine Marie Revitt
Jocelyn Elizabeth Rogers
Michael A. Sankey
John Nelson Sartin
Makenzie Catherine Savner
Eric Paul Joseph Schramm
Debra Rae Scott
Erika Lynne Serafin
Erica Theresa Shay



Jeffrey Robert Siegfried
 Alyssa Marie Charlotte Siejna
 Abigail Juliet Slavish
 Benton Charles Smith
 Colton Gray Smith
 Corinne Marie Smith
 Alyssa Stegura
 Connor John Stevens
 Kaylen Grace Stone
 Maria Rose Strish
 Sydney Jordan Swales
 Paige Elizabeth Tavella
 Bridget Shea Thole
 John Daniel Turosky
 Nial J. Vender
 Zachary Michael Walker
 Kenneth M. Wallace Jr.
 Nyasha Paris Walters
 Madeleine Jane Waiting
 Ryan John Andrew Ward
 Mitchell David Warnick
 Lauren Wasiakowski
 Lindsey A. Williams
 Scott Michael Williams II *
 Sean Patrick Wills
 Jonathan Winter
 Haily Anne Yakimowicz
 Bryce Alan Yencha
 Anthony Michael Zarola
 Madison Abby Zulkoski

MARIAN CATHOLIC

Aaron Adams
 Gianna Agosti
 Hailey Andrejco
 Ethan Antalosky
 Kobie Arndt

Erica Baba
 Elena Beckett
 Sarah Berube
 Kyle Binder
 Preston Biros
 Isabella Blasko
 Christina Capparell
 Cassandra Casella
 Matthew Cervasio
 Ryan Chapman
 Regina Cullen
 Corrin Dagostin
 Joseph DeLash
 Hannah DeLeo
 Jacob Dembinski
 Madison Dembinski
 Giovanna Digilio
 Zoryana Duda
 Michael Ecker
 Carter Eckman
 Reese Erbe
 Alexis Eschbach
 Zachary Falls
 Gabrielle Frask
 Antonia Galasso
 Julia Glitzer
 Cole Grink
 Aidan Hinchey
 Julia Hoben
 Timothy Holt
 Joshua Hurst
 Joseph Jordan III
 Joshua Jurick
 Carly Kosciolk
 Henry Kreis III †
 Nicholas Kurzinsky
 Joseph Maguschak

Shay-Lynn Mahon
 Jarred Maylath
 Colin McCarrie
 Michael McLaughlin
 Jacob McNelis
 Emily Meier
 Jasmine Mooney
 Anna Nelson
 Max Nolter
 Dyllan O’Gurkis
 Abigail Pazdon
 Edward Pulaski
 Mikhaila Racho
 Emily Roberti
 Zaccary Roberts
 Star Rotzell
 Dalton Rupert
 Nathan Shiner
 Aaron Srinivasan *
 Noah Stauffer
 Jeremy Stock
 Claudia Stroia
 Alexander Tate
 Brayden Webb
 Megan Weber
 Brady Whildin
 Danielle Williams
 Danielle Wimmer
 Kaleb Yahner
 Tyler Zakrzewski
 Alexi Zukas

NOTRE DAME

Caroline L. Bahara
 Kenya Andrea Barbee-Coates
 Andrew Lawrence Beers
 Jessika Lee Buenaventura

Kayla Marie Chamberlain
 Angelina Chatiburus
 Adam James DeSilva
 Anthony Romeo DiFonzo
 Kirsten A. Erickson
 Samantha A. Flor
 Jhonson Metelus Francis, Jr.
 Royce Marion Frazier
 Dillon Graber
 James Joseph Gregory
 Amanda J. Hoppaugh
 Adrian Kudryk
 Dalina Cecilia Lehman
 Joseph Michael Long
 Sarah Faith Marino
 Anna P. Martinetti
 Emma D. Martinetti
 Laura K. McAbee
 Morgan E. Miceli
 Daniela Lucia Mutis
 Maggie Anne Nordstrom
 Tracy Marie Norris
 Kaylee Anne O’Connor
 Kyle Emrys Pacheco
 Christian John Peeney †
 Natalie Perez
 Alyssa Cristina Pipolo
 Rosemary Lynn Porter
 Allison Francis Rawson *
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Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Award

The Diocese of Scranton Catholic Schools Office recognizes these Seton Award winners for their achievement on the high school entrance examination and their enrollment in a Diocesan high school for the 2018-2019 school year. Families of these individuals are commended for their commitment to Catholic education, and the students are congratulated for this distinguished honor. For these students and for all young people in our Catholic schools, Catholic education impacts their formation by incorporating a strong emphasis on the spiritual that is evident in all components of the learning process. Our vision for these students is to provide them an educational experience that promotes a lifelong learning in the faith, and one that prepared them to be responsible, competent, and confident persons as citizens of our country and world. In addition, our schools are dedicated to providing a loving, safe and nurturing environment where the young learn respect for themselves and for all persons.



Emily Clark
All Saints Academy



Krista Carachilo
La Salle Academy



Christina Monroe
Our Lady of Peace School



Caitlin Bestrycki
St. Clare/St. Paul School



Jonelle Symonies
St. Mary of Mount Carmel School



Aubrey Curley
Good Shepherd Academy



Ryan Legg
All Saints Academy



Samuel Mulvey
La Salle Academy



Mya Schimelfenig
Our Lady of Peace School



Leila Moran
St. Clare/St. Paul School



Matthew White
Good Shepherd Academy



Walter Pavlik
Holy Family Academy



Evan Cooper
Epiphany School



Tyler Moncinelli
Our Lady of Peace School



Joel Dominic Pelachik
St. Agnes School



Sofiya Myronyuk
St. Clare/St. Paul School



Jack R Riley
Good Shepherd Academy



Eviana Jimenez
Holy Family Academy



Elizabeth Shaw
Epiphany School



Emma Clause
Our Lady of Peace School



Tanner Green
St. Agnes School



Nathan McAndrew
St. Mary of Mount Carmel School



Derek Kasmak
Good Shepherd Academy



Andrew Francis
Holy Rosary School



To the students who have benefited from a Catholic education, and to those who continue their educational journey in a Catholic environment, we salute you and pray that God, through the intercession of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, guides you in

Faith, Hope and Love.



Dana Mackin
Holy Rosary School



Zachary Kane
St. Nicholas/St. Mary School



Jordan Molitoris
Wyoming Area Catholic School



Jorge Morales
Notre Dame Jr/Sr High School



Mary Warnagiris
Notre Dame Elementary School



Emma Logue
St. John Neumann High School



Christopher Papciak
St. Jude School



Jack Trybulski
St. Nicholas/St. Mary School



Aaron Bailey
Notre Dame Jr/Sr High School



Tyler Thompson
Notre Dame Jr/Sr High School



Emily Brown
Notre Dame Elementary School



Michelle Pierce
St. John Neumann High School



William Wolfgang
St. Jude School



Dean Hudak
St. Nicholas/St. Mary School



Kido Douglas
Notre Dame Jr/Sr High School



Nehadrishti Matta
Monsignor McHugh School



Natalie Van de Loecht
Notre Dame Elementary School



Blaine Farr
St. John Neumann Elementary School



Teresa Martin
St. Nicholas/St. Mary School



Andrew Phillips
Wyoming Area Catholic School



Sebastien Durand
Notre Dame Jr/Sr High School



Trevor Hardy
Monsignor McHugh School



Isabella Siciliano
Notre Dame Elementary School



Sophia Reid
St. John Neumann Elementary School



Images shown above: Bishop William J. Hafey ordains priests, 1948 | A seminarian at Saint Pius X Seminary | Bishop Bambera with participants at Quo Vadis Days camp, 2017 | Permanent Deacon ordination at the Cathedral of Saint Peter, 2017

Laborers in the Lord's Vineyard

PRIESTS AND PERMANENT DEACONS SERVE FAITHFUL IN DIOCESE

The gift of the priesthood can be as broad and diverse as the men who are ordained. However, all priests share one bonding element — the dedication in the name of Christ to serve others.

While French refugees who came to Bradford County in 1793 constituted the first verifiable Catholic presence in our region, historical records indicate that Father Jeremiah Francis O'Flynn (1788-1830) came from Ireland to become the first priest to labor permanently in the territory now known as the Diocese of Scranton. He is credited with building the first Catholic Church in the region — Saint Augustine's at Silver Lake in Susquehanna County.

Since those pioneer days, more than 1,000 priests have ministered to the faithful of Diocese during its 150-year history. Today, there are approximately 195 active Diocesan priests in the Church of Scranton, including retired clergy who are still able to assist in parishes throughout the Diocese. Included among their ranks are two of the newest members of the presbyterate and Diocesan sons — Father Edward Casey, of Christ the King Parish, Archbald, and Father Ryan Glenn, from Saint Jude Parish in Mountain Top — who just were ordained priests for

service to our local Church on June 9. The Diocese has also been blessed by the presence of religious order and foreign-born priests and brothers.

According to available Diocese of Scranton files, 22 native priests of the Diocese have been elevated to the Episcopacy and served or are serving as Bishops or Auxiliary Bishops in the Catholic Church in the United States. Of that number, six Diocesan native sons have served the Scranton Church, including the current and tenth Bishop of the Diocese, Joseph C. Bambera.

Due to their devout service and spiritual and intellectual acumen, numerous Diocesan priests have been chosen to occupy high offices at prestigious religious shrines, Catholic institutions of higher learning and formation, and Church apostolates and ministries throughout America and around the world.

A VOCATIONS CULTURE

While priestly vocations across the country are not at the levels they were years ago, the Diocese of Scranton continues to be very proactive in nurturing and fostering vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life in collaboration with the

various religious communities. Headed by the current Diocesan Director of Vocations and Seminarians, Father Don Williams, and his team of priests serving as assistant vocation directors around the Diocese, the Vocations Office offers a myriad of programs, retreats and gatherings to cultivate more and more laborers to serve "in the Lord's vineyard."

These endeavors include the Quo Vadis (Where are you going?) Days summer camp, the Project Andrew Dinner hosted annually by Bishop Bambera following the Christmas holiday, the Annual Vocations Golf Classic to support seminarians' education, celebrating the Church's annual World Day of Prayer for Vocations, and collaborating with the Office for Parish Life, Office for Catholic Schools and area colleges and universities to engage young people at events such as #leaveamark, days of service and spiritual evenings of worship and praise.

Whether a person's calling is to ordained ministry, the religious life, marriage, lay ecclesial ministry or being single, all are encouraged to pose the question: "Lord, what do you want me to do for you?"



Priests at the Chrism Mass, Cathedral of Saint Peter, 2017

PERMANENT DEACONS PROVIDE VITAL SERVICE

The ordained deacon serves as a representative symbol of the inner connections of the three great areas of the Church's life: Word, Sacrament, and Service. With the permission of the Holy See, the permanent diaconate was restored in America in 1968. In June 1988, an Office for the Permanent Diaconate was established in the Scranton Diocese at Saint Pius X Seminary in Dalton. At that time, Monsignor David Bohr was appointed as its first director, and on Nov. 27, 1993, the first class of 24 permanent deacons was

ordained for service in the Diocese, joining the original four deacons who first began ministering to faithful here after being ordained elsewhere around the country.

In July 2011, Bishop Bambera appointed Monsignor Bohr to once again lead the important ministry as Secretary for Clergy Formation, including directing the Permanent Diaconate Formation Program. Today, 78 deacons, some having transferred from other dioceses, actively serve our parish faithful — including the most recent class of 10 men who were ordained to the Diaconate in November.

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FAITH FACTS:

- Since being established in 1868, the Diocese of Scranton, its parishes and faithful have been ministered to by nearly 900 Diocesan priests before going to their eternal rest.
- Scranton's fifth prelate, Bishop Jerome D. Hannan, founded Saint Pius X Seminary in Dalton. The institution trained more than 1,100 graduates pursuing the priesthood from 1962 to 2004.
- The Diocese of Scranton is currently home to approximately 50 religious order priests from six congregations who are serving in parishes, institutions of higher learning, and dedicated ministry within their communities.
- Twelve seminarians are presently in formation and pursuing preparatory and theological studies for ordination to the priesthood for the Diocese of Scranton.

NEXT ISSUE:
Catholic Communications



1824

Silver Lake - Father Jeremiah Francis O'Flynn arrives to become the first priest to labor permanently in the Diocese.



1883

Stroudsburg - Father Francis Craft, first pastor of Saint Matthew's in Stroudsburg, is ordained — 20 years after he fought in the Battle of Gettysburg at the tender age of 11.



1962

Dalton - Saint Pius X Seminary in Dalton opens and served over 1,100 seminarians as a Diocesan Seminary.



2015

Scranton - Permanent deacons are ordained for service to the Church.



2018

Scranton - Bishop Bambera ordains two new priests, Father Ryan Glenn and Father Edward Casey.



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JULY SCHEDULE

CTV LOCAL ORIGINATION IS BOXED IN BOLD BORDER, OTHER PROGRAMMING IS FROM EWTN

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
12:00 AM	EWTN SPECIALS	SUNDAY MASS (Encore)	DAILY MASS (Encore)				Fr. SPITZER'S UNIVERSE
1:00 AM	AT HOME WITH JIM & JOY	(1:10AM) LITANY OF THE SACRED HEART	THE JOURNEY HOME (Encore)	MOTHER ANGELICA LIVE CLASSICS	EWTN LIVE (Encore)	THE WORLD OVER (Encore)	AT HOME WITH JIM & JOY
1:30 AM	PRAYING AS A FAMILY	EWTN GALLERY	EWTN NEWS NIGHTLY (Encore)				THE BIBLE & VIRGIN MARY
2:00 AM	TOTAL CONSECRATION TO JESUS THRU MARY		EWTN GALLERY	EWTN GALLERY	EWTN GALLERY	EWTN GALLERY	EWTN GALLERY
2:30 AM	CATHOLIC ANSWERS LIVE	AT HOME WITH JIM & JOY	EWTN GALLERY	REAL LIFE CATHOLIC	LIFE ON THE ROCK	BATTLE READY	LONG RIDE HOME W/ BEAR WOZNICK
3:00 AM	EWTN ON LOCATION			ANGELUS FROM NAZARETH	SAINTS VS SCOUNDRELS	EWTN RELIGIOUS CATALOG	CATHOLIC VIEW FOR WOMEN
3:30 AM	EWTN LIVE (Encore)	SUNDAY NIGHT PRIME	WHERE GOD WEEPS	RIVER OF LIGHT (4AM)	BOB AND PENNY LORD PRESENT	WEB OF FAITH 2.0	SAVORING OUR FAITH
3:40 AM		DEFENDING LIFE	FOURTH RUPTURE		CRASH COURSE IN THE SAINTS		MATTHEWS TESTIMONY TO JESUS
3:50 AM	EWTN LIVE (Encore)	SUNDAY NIGHT PRIME	WHERE GOD WEEPS	RIVER OF LIGHT (4AM)	BOB AND PENNY LORD PRESENT	WEB OF FAITH 2.0	AUTHENTICALLY FREE AT LAST
4:00 AM							THE BEATITUDES
4:30 AM	BEAUTY TRUTH & GOODNESS	EWTN BOOKMARK	THE CHURCH UNIVERSAL	GENESIS TO JESUS	EWTN SPECIALS	LIVING RIGHT WITH DR. RAY	THE HOLY ROSARY FROM LOURDES
5:00 AM	LIFE IS WORTH LIVING	A FORCE FOR GOOD	APOSTOLATE FOR FAMILY CONSECRATION	HE DARED SPEAK THE TRUTH			SAINTS vs. SCOUNDRELS
6:00 AM	ANGELUS WITH POPE FRANCIS	EWTN ORIGINAL PRODUCTIONS					
6:30 AM	OUR FAITH IN ACTION	EWTN CATALOG	CHURCH AND THE POOR	MATTHEWS TESTIMONY TO JESUS	THE WILD GOOSE	THE CHOICES WE FACE	THE CHAPLET OF ST. MICHAEL
7:00 AM	THE CHAPLET OF ST. MICHAEL					STATIONS OF THE CROSS	THE CHAPLET OF ST. MICHAEL
7:30 AM	HOLY LAND ROSARY						THE HOLY ROSARY FROM LOURDES
7:50 AM	ROSARY FROM LOURDES	LITANY OF LORETO	LITANY OF THE HOLY NAME	LITANY OF ST. JOSEPH	LITANY OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD	LITANY OF THE SACRED HEART	THE HOLY ROSARY FROM LOURDES
8:00 AM	SUNDAY MASS (Live)	DAILY MASS (Live)					
9:00 AM	(9:10AM) LITANY OF THE SACRED HEART	SUNDAY NIGHT: PRIME (Encore)	LIVING RIGHT WITH DR. RAY	SCRIPTURE AND TRADITION (ENCORE)	EWTN LIVE (Encore)	THE WORLD OVER (Encore)	ROAMIN' CATHOLIC
9:30 AM	EWTN BOOKMARK	THE FUNDAMENTALS OF CATHOLICISM	LIVE WITH PASSION	CTV SPECIAL PRESENTATION	FOCUS	WEEKLY NOVENA TO ST. ANN	HERMIE & FRIENDS
10:00 AM	PRO LIFE WEEKLY	MOTHER ANGELICA LIVE CLASSICS			FAMILY THEATER	FOCUS	FOCUS
10:30 AM	AT HOME WITH JIM AND JOY	MOTHER ANGELICA LIVE CLASSICS	LIVE WITH PASSION	CTV SPECIAL PRESENTATION	FOCUS	WEEKLY NOVENA TO ST. ANN	AT HOME WITH JIM AND JOY
11:00 AM	CATHOLIC VIEW FOR WOMEN						WOMEN OF GRACE
11:30 AM	HOLY ROSARY FROM LOURDES	THE CHOICES WE FACE	WEEKLY NOVENA TO ST. ANN	MUSIC AND THE SPOKEN WORD	MASTERPIECE DONUT SHOP	LIVE WITH PASSION	HOLY ROSARY FROM LOURDES
12:00 PM	SUNDAY MASS (Encore)	THE DAILY MASS FROM ST. PETER'S CATHEDRAL, LIVE AT 12:10 p.m. "DIOCESAN DATEBOOK" airs before and after Mass.					EWTN DAILY MASS (Encore)
12:30 PM	(1:10PM) LITANY OF THE SACRED HEART	AT HOME WITH JIM & JOY	PRO LIFE WEEKLY	AT HOME WITH JIM & JOY	PRAYING AS A FAMILY	AT HOME WITH JIM & JOY	EWTN RELIGIOUS CATALOGUE
1:00 PM	IN CONCERT	THE BIBLE AND THE VIRGIN MARY	HAIL HOLY QUEEN	OUR LADY IN SCRIPTURE AND TRADITION	KNOWING MARY THROUGH THE BIBLE	TOTAL CONSECRATION TO JESUS THRU MARY	EWTN BOOKMARK
1:30 PM		THE BIBLE AND THE VIRGIN MARY	HAIL HOLY QUEEN	OUR LADY IN SCRIPTURE AND TRADITION	KNOWING MARY THROUGH THE BIBLE	TOTAL CONSECRATION TO JESUS THRU MARY	EWTN BOOKMARK
2:00 PM	IN CONCERT	CALL TO COMMUNION	SCRIPTURE AND TRADITION	FR. SPITZER'S UNIVERSE	THE JOURNEY HOME	SPECIALS	EWTN ON LOCATION
2:30 PM		CALL TO COMMUNION	SCRIPTURE AND TRADITION	FR. SPITZER'S UNIVERSE	THE JOURNEY HOME	SPECIALS	EWTN ON LOCATION
3:00 PM	THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY IN SONG						
3:15 PM	REFLECTIONS						
3:30 PM	THE HOLY ROSARY IN STAINED GLASS	THE DAILY MASS FROM ST. PETER'S CATHEDRAL, (Encore)					ROSARY FOR LIFE
4:00 PM	GRAB YOUR CATECHISM	THE HOLY ROSARY DIOCESAN DATEBOOK					CALL TO COMMUNION
4:30 PM	LIFE IS WORTH LIVING	HERMIE & FRIENDS	ROAMIN' CATHOLIC	CHILDRENS SPECIALS	CAT CHAT	WAY OF THE CROSS FOR KIDS	CALL TO COMMUNION
5:00 PM	THE CHURCH UNIVERSAL	EWTN BOOKMARK	THE CHOICES WE FACE	CONVERSATIONS FROM THE WORLD OVER SHOW	BOB & PENNY LORD PRESENT	LIFE ON THE ROCK	CATHOLIC ANSWERS LIVE
5:30 PM	SAINTS VERSUS SCOUNDRELS	SPECIALS					THE FUNDAMENTALS OF CATHOLICISM
6:00 PM	PASSIONIST SUNDAY MASS	EWTN NEWS NIGHTLY (Live)					OUR FAITH IN ACTION
6:30 PM	VATICANO	CATHOLICS COME HOME	REAL LIFE CATHOLICS	CHURCH UNIVERSAL	TBA		CHURCH AND POOR
7:00 PM	THE DAILY MASS FROM ST. PETER'S CATHEDRAL, (Encore)						
7:30 PM	THE JOURNEY HOME	THE HOLY ROSARY		POPE'S AUDIENCE	THE HOLY ROSARY		DAILY MASS
8:00 PM	SUNDAY NIGHT PRIME (Live)	THE JOURNEY HOME (Live)	CTV SPECIAL PRESENTATION	EWTN LIVE	THE WORLD OVER (Live)	SPECIALS	DAILY MASS
8:30 PM	CATHOLICS COME HOME	THE JOURNEY HOME (Live)		EWTN LIVE	THE WORLD OVER (Live)	SPECIALS	DAILY MASS
9:00 PM	LIFE ON THE ROCK	EWTN NIGHTLY NEWS (Encore)	CTV SPECIAL PRESENTATION	EWTN NIGHTLY NEWS (Encore)			EWTN CINEMA
9:30 PM	HOLY ROSARY W MOTHER ANGELICA	WEEKLY NOVENA TO ST. ANN		THE CHOICES WE FACE	FOCUS	LIVE WITH PASSION	WEEKLY NOVENA TO ST. ANN
10:00 PM	EWTN SPECIALS	THE WORLD OVER LIVE (ENCORE)	SCRIPTURE AND TRADITION (ENCORE)	FR. SPITZER'S UNIVERSE	PRO-LIFE WEEKLY	A FORCE FOR GOOD	LIVING RIGHT WITH DR. RAY
10:30 PM		EWTN SPECIALS	THE WORLD OVER LIVE (ENCORE)	SCRIPTURE AND TRADITION (ENCORE)	FR. SPITZER'S UNIVERSE	EWTN RELIGIOUS CATALOG	GENESIS TO JESUS
11:00 PM	DEFENDING LIFE	BATTLE READY	LONG RIDE HOME	CROSSING THE GOAL	REAL LIFE CATHOLIC	YOU'RE AMAZING	WEB OF FAITH 2.0
11:30 PM	CATHOLIC VIEW FOR WOMEN	WOMEN OF GRACE					

The Diocese of Scranton Congratulates the 2018 High School Graduates of Marian Catholic and Scranton Prep

Marian Catholic High School

TAMAQUA -- Commencement ceremonies were held recently for the 2018 Class of Marian Catholic High School in Schuylkill County, Diocese of Allentown, where a number of students from the Scranton Diocese attend high school.

Marian's graduation took place on June 2 at the Catholic high school in Tamaqua, with 73 seniors receiving their diplomas — 26 of whom reside in lower Luzerne County in the Diocese of Scranton, including this year's class valedictorian and salutatorian.

Marian Catholic Principal Jean Susko also announced that Baccalaureate ceremonies were conducted on June 1. Serving as principal celebrant for the Mass was Father Brian Miller, chaplain of the Catholic high school.

Garnering top academic honors as this year's Marian Catholic valedictorian was Aaron Srinivasan, son of Dr. Arvind and Renee Srinivasan, Sugarloaf. The class salutatorian is Henry Kreis III, son of Gary and Alexis Kreis of West Hazleton.



Aaron Srinivasan



Henry Kreis III

Scranton Preparatory School

SCRANTON -- The Jesuit-run Scranton Preparatory School in downtown Scranton conferred diplomas to 185 seniors at commencement ceremonies June 3 in Scranton Prep's Saint Francis Xavier Center. The graduation exercises were led by Principal Matthew R. Bernard.

The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated earlier in the day in the Saint Francis Xavier Center. Serving as main celebrant was Jesuit Father Ryan J. Maher, school president.

Scranton Prep's 2018 valedictorian is Charles Kulick, son of Mark and Sharon Kulick of Pittston. The salutatorian is Megan Elizabeth Dillon, daughter of Edmund and Ann Marie Dillon, who reside in Exeter.

All members of the Scranton Prep Class of '18 will go on to further education, with 90 graduates attending Catholic colleges or universities.



Charles Kulick



Megan Dillon

President halts family separation policy after outcry from faith leaders and many citizens

WASHINGTON (CNS) – The U.S. bishops “cannot, in good faith, endorse” an immigration bill submitted by the House’s Republican leadership, said Bishop Joe S. Vasquez of Austin, Texas, chairman of the bishops’ Committee on Migration.

Bishop Vasquez said the bill would bring about “large structural changes to the immigration system that detrimentally impact families and the vulnerable.” He said the new bill “contains several provisions that run contrary to our Catholic social teaching.”

He made the comments in a letter dated June 18 and sent to each member of the House. It was posted June 19 on the U.S. bishops’ website justiceforimmigrants.org.

Two days later, lawmakers on Capitol Hill turned down one immigration bill and postponed a vote on a second proposal, which also has a slim opportunity of passing. Each side blamed the other for the failure to advance the first piece of legislation, which did not clear the initial hurdle of passing in the House of Representatives.

Bishop Vasquez said the GOP bill would “undermine asylum protections by significantly raising the hurdle applicants face during the ‘credible fear’ review, lead to increases in child and family detention ... eliminate protection for unaccompanied minors through the proposed changes to the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act, includes part of the DACA (Deferred Action on Childhood Arrivals)-eligible population but does not include same population eligible in the USA Act and the DREAM Act, make sweeping cuts to family-based immigration and unilaterally implement a safe third country agreement without a bilateral or multilateral treaty or agreement.”

Nor would the bill “end the practice of separating families at the U.S.-Mexico border,” he added. “Instead, this bill would increase the number of children and families in detention, which is not acceptable.”

Statement by Bishop Bambera Regarding Persons Seeking Asylum

In conjunction with a visit to Scranton on June 15 by Attorney General Jeff Sessions and his recent statements about persons seeking asylum in the United States, Bishop Joseph C. Bambera issued the following statement:

The development of a sound immigration policy that respects both the concerns of our nation and the needs of those individuals seeking asylum in our country for themselves and their children is a challenging task.

Sadly, current immigration policies have reached a critical point, with children and families with children who are seeking asylum being separated from one another. These individuals are fleeing violence and chaos in their homelands, only to face policies that are destroying their families and unduly burdening their children.

While our borders must be protected and we must support the rule of law, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has asserted that “at its core, asylum is an instrument to preserve the right to life.” Separating children from their parents is an affront to the right to life. We must do all that we can to preserve and respect this right.

(Editor’s Note: President Donald Trump signed an executive order June 20 that halts his administration’s family separation policy for families who have crossed the U.S.-Mexico border illegally.)

President Donald Trump subsequently signed an executive order June 20 that halts his administration’s family separation policy for families who have crossed the U.S.-Mexico border illegally.

The executive order seeks to work around a 1997 consent decree that bars the federal government from keeping children in immigration detention -- even if they are with their parents -- for more than 20 days. The executive order instructs the attorney general to seek federal court permission to modify the consent decree.

The crisis was spawned when Attorney General Jeff Sessions announced a “zero tolerance” policy for border crossers. Under the policy, adults would be charged with a felony rather than a misdemeanor for crossing the border. Under federal statute, those charged with felonies cannot have their children detained with them.

The government earlier in June said 1,995 minors had been separated from 1,940 adults who had crossed the U.S.-Mexico border, although some minors had crossed without their parents or adult kin.

The policy and its upshot stirred some of the most hostile reaction yet of any Trump initiative.

Hours before the executive or-

der was signed, Pope Francis said he stood with the U.S. bishops, who had condemned the family separation policy, which has led to children being held in government shelters while their parents are sent to federal prisons.



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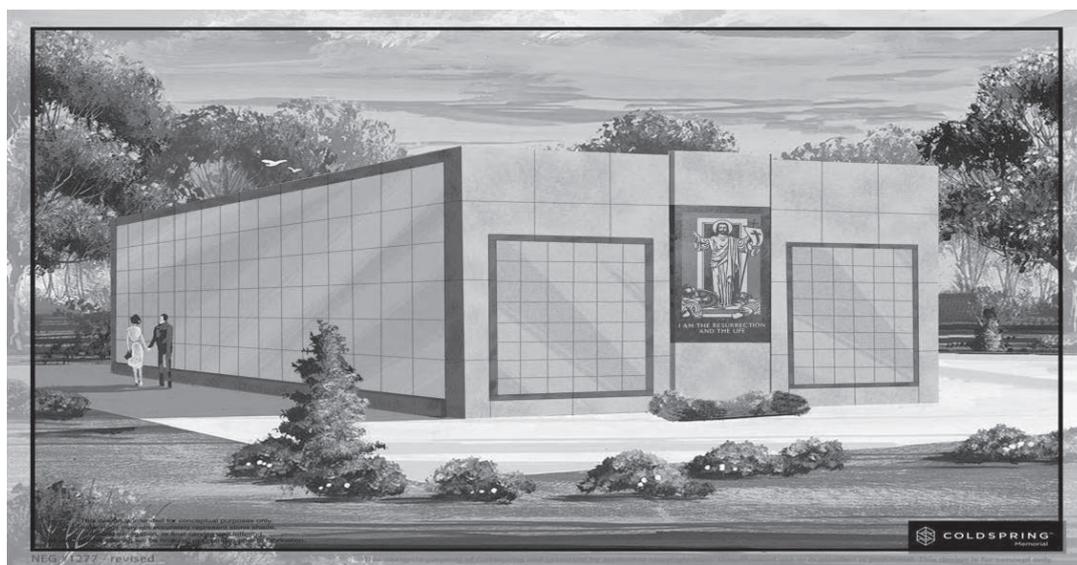


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Monsignor Bernard E. Yarrish: Editorial Eulogy

How appropriate that the consoling gospel passage we just heard is from our Lord's great priestly prayer at His Last Supper, for Bernard E. Yarrish was a true priest after the heart of Christ.

As he would say, "Thank you, Jesus" that all of you are here.

Yes, how appropriate that the gospel passage we just heard comes from our Lord's priestly prayer that first Holy Thursday.

(Monsignor Yarrish's) humility made him blush when I would relate the incident that occurred at the North American College in June, 2000, during Mass in the crypt.

The MS was obvious then, and he had decided to return home. His legs could be wobbly. He was the celebrant at Mass. After the gospel, he slowly descended the three steps to get to the pulpit, and down he went, only to catch himself at the last moment on the rock altar. A gasp went up from us all, as he steadied himself and regained his composure.

He looked at us and said, "I better stay right here and hold on to the altar." He paused, and then remarked, "Maybe that's homily enough for today." A seminarian told me after Mass that was the best formation he ever had for the priesthood.

To cling to the altar, which stands for Jesus, and for the cross on Calvary.

Bernie's only instruction to me ten years ago when he asked if I would preach his funeral was that, one, it would be short — advice he never heeded in his own sermons! — and that it would be, not about him, but about Jesus.

That's easy, I told him, because to speak of you is to talk about Jesus.

Jesus is of course the Eternal High Priest. His priesthood was radiantly evident, sure, in His preaching, His miracles, His actions.

Yet, never was He more a priest than on a Hill called Calvary, on a Friday strangely called Good, with strong hands and legs pinned to a cross, a mouth barely able to speak, eyes unable to see because of the blood covering them, a sturdy, agile, able man rendered physically immobile by suffering.

On that altar, a man who at first glance appeared so weak, paralyzed, and helpless achieved the salvation of the world. His strength on that cross made the earth quake, the sun hide, the temple tremble, graves open; His power at a moment He was thought powerless put Satan on the run; His pierced hands and pinioned arms threw open the locked gates of paradise.

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Monsignor Yarrish: Eulogy

Rarely did I hear Monsignor Yarrish complain about his crippling infirmities. I did listen as he would wonder if those infirmities had robbed him of his priestly effectiveness.

"Bernie," I would assure him, "just the opposite. You in that bed, in that mobile cart, are more united than ever to Jesus on the cross. Take my word for it, dear friend, you are a better priest than ever. You are an icon for us; you, through your suffering, are saving more souls than ever, than any of the rest of us."

His mentor, model, and friend, Pope St. John Paul II, called it redemptive suffering, as he taught that suffering bonded to the cross of Christ redeems, not only the victim bearing it, but those of us who gaze upon it with our Sorrowful Mother, Mary.

A couple I married some fifteen years ago were off to Rome for their honeymoon. I asked if they wanted to attend the Wednesday audience of Pope John Paul, with the chance they might personally greet him at the end of the audience, as was his custom for newlyweds. She was enthusiastic in accepting my invitation; he was more interested in a list of restaurants and good wine.

But, when they returned, it was he who teared-up relating how moved he was.

"We were close to him because of the good seats. You know he could hardly walk; he was in obvious pain; and I watched as he began to talk, merely a whisper. After awhile, I saw him reach into his pocket and take out a handkerchief. Then he wiped his mouth because he was . . . drooling. Never

did I feel closer to God . . ."

Bernie, you helped us get closer to God!

We bury him on the feast of St. Barnabas, the apostle. That wasn't his real name; the early Church gave him that nickname because it meant "Son of Encouragement."

Those of us who knew him in his healthy days admired his selfless charity. Those of us who knew him in his suffering depended upon his encouragement.

As he would say, "Thank you, Jesus." We thank you, dear Jesus, for him, a true priest after your heart.

Excerpted from the homily by His Eminence, Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan, Archbishop of New York, at the Mass of Christian Burial celebrated for Monsignor Bernard E. Yarrish on June 11 at Saint Mary Maternity Church in Wilkes-Barre.

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Men's Summer Retreat in Malvern Set

L.J. Ferdinand Men of Malvern will host their annual retreat for men from Friday, July 20, through Sunday, July 22, at the Malvern Retreat House of Saint Joseph in the Hills, located in Chester County.

This year's summer retreat will be the 77th sponsored by the Men of Malvern, which was founded in 1941.

The retreat experience will allow retreatants the option of choosing which scheduled events to participate in, depending on individual needs. Spiritual offerings provided during the weekend retreat include Mass, Rosary and Stations of the Cross devotions, along with group conferences.

Enhancing the retreatant's opportunity for private/reflective prayer and meditation, the Malvern Retreat House features walking trails throughout the 160-acre property, in addition to numerous shrines, resting areas and chapels.

All men attending the retreat will be scheduled a designated time for private Eucharistic Adoration.

Anyone interested in participating in the retreat may contact Jeff Leskosky (610-710-5216), Bill Kilner (570-454-2886), Steve Guza (570-468-7144), Atty. John Rodgers (570-401-8136), Remo Molino (570-459-5920), Chris Calore (570-328-2430), or Ron Meleski (570-929-1173).

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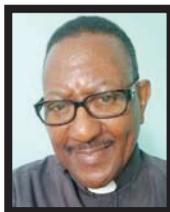
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By Father Brian J.T. Clarke
Diocesan Director,
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This past Sunday, we celebrated the Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist, a distinct celebration this saint shares with only two others whose births we commemorate annually — our Lord Jesus Christ, whose birth we celebrate at Christmas, and our Blessed Mother, on September 8.

John the Baptist is in pretty impressive company and rightfully so since he has the singular honor of being the prophet among the prophets, because in him “the Holy Spirit concludes his speaking through the prophets” (CCC 719). Through John, the coming of Jesus, the Messiah, was announced with urgency, joy, and hope. John embodies the call of the missionary to go forth with “Baptist-like” zeal to proclaim that Christ has died, is risen, and will come again. Salvation has come to us all (cf. Rom. 11:11; Acts 28:28).

The figures in the life of John situate the missionary call of each disciple of Jesus in a stunning way. From Mary’s visitation to Elizabeth when John stirred pas-

sionately in his mother’s womb inspiring her to proclaim “who am I that the mother of my Lord should come to me” (Lk. 1:43) to the angel calming Zechariah’s incredulity in saying “do not be afraid” (Lk. 1:13), the tone is set for the Christian to go forth into the world to announce that we have seen the Lord and to enjoin all in the biblical tradition spoken by the angels not to be afraid.

It’s likely that we also need to embrace that angelic consolation of having no fear; for, so often, we might be pressured by forces within and without to remain silent when the very heavens are calling us to “prepare the way of the Lord” (Mk. 1:3).

While the Holy Spirit concludes His speaking in John, the mission of God continues in each one of us in the spirit and mode of the Baptist. In his Angelus homily on Sunday, Pope Francis touched on this reality of the people of God being a prophetic voice like John proclaiming an urgent message of joy, of salvation, of mercy.

Pope Francis zeroed in on the reaction of the crowd that gathered with Zechariah and Elizabeth in celebration of the fulfillment of the angel’s promise that “nothing is impossible for God” (cf. Lk. 1:37). In amazement and awe, the crowd seems to say in one chord “what then will this child be” (v.

66). Pope Francis points out how important their example is for the prophetic voice we share as Christians. He asks, “how is my faith? Is it joyful? Is it open to surprises from God?”

What powerful considerations for each of us to make! The birth and the later life of John the Baptist would have us dig deeply to take each of those questions in turn and respond honestly. Each has an influence on how we carry ourselves each day and the answers will really determine with what urgency, joy and hope our proclamation of the Gospel will take.

More than anything, Pope Francis points out that to be prophetic and to be a convincing preacher of truth and mercy we need to be open to God surprising us. God surprised many in the lives surrounding John the Baptist and it was through him that a still-more-unexpected-surprise came to the fore, the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ.

As Jesus is borne in us anew each day, let us pray to be ready and open to that surprise and to accept it with joy. Then, our missionary voice will sound in a higher and joyful key so that many may hear through us that He is alive and lives with us.

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Williamsport Area Golden Jubilarians



Four Scranton Diocesan priests in the Williamsport area recently celebrated their 50th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood together at a Golden Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving on May 13 at Saint Joseph the Worker Parish in Williamsport. The priest-jubilarians included Monsignor Stephen McGough, pastor emeritus of the parishes of Saint Boniface, Williamsport, and Saint Lawrence, South Williamsport; Father Michael Zipay, recently retired senior priest from Saint Boniface Parish; and retired priests Father Charles Cummings and Father John Manno. All were ordained together on May 25, 1968, during the 100th anniversary celebration of the establishment of the Diocese of Scranton. The golden jubilarians pictured at the altar concelebrating the special liturgy with principal celebrant, Bishop Emeritus James C. Timlin, are, foreground, from left, Father Cummings, Father Zipay, Bishop Timlin, Monsignor McGough and Father Manno. Also shown in the background (left) is Father John Victoria, pastor of Saint Ann Parish in Williamsport.

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Catholic Women Hosting Day of Reflection August 1

The Scranton Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will sponsor a Retreat Day of Reflection on Wednesday, Aug. 1, at The Villa of Our Lady Retreat House, 245 Mead-owside Road, Mount Pocono.

The women's retreat offering begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at 3 p.m. Monsignor Vincent Grimalia, Diocesan Coordinator for Ecumenism and Inter-Faith Affairs, will conduct the retreat and present two program sessions.

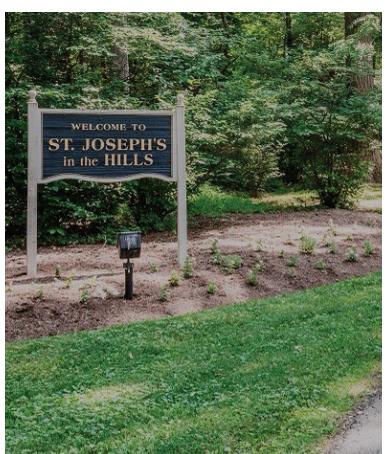
Mass will be celebrated during the day-long event, which will also include the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confessions), private time, and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

All Catholic women of the Diocese are invited to attend. Cost is \$35 per person and includes a continental breakfast and luncheon.

Deadline for reservations is July 25 and may be secured by forwarding payment to: Helen Oravec, 814 Theresa St., Peckville, PA 18452. Checks should be made payable to Scranton DCCW.

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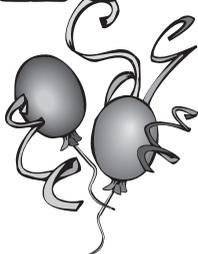
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Monthly Monday Night Worship — **JULY 2**, hosted by St. Faustina Kowalska Parish in Nanticoke; monthly devotion begins at 7 p.m. at the parish worship site of Holy Trinity Church, 520 South Hanover St., Nanticoke. All faithful are welcome to join together for a Holy Hour of praise and worship with word and music; includes Eucharistic adoration. For more information, contact Paul Walters at (570-332-2963).

Evening of Marian Devotion & First Friday Healing Mass — **JULY 6**, hosted by the Diocesan Legion of Mary in response to the Blessed Mother's request

at Fatima for prayers for world peace; devotion begins at 6 p.m. at St. Lucy Church, 949 Scranton St., west Scranton. Prayer service will include recitation of the Rosary, Fatima prayers, hymns and newly composed music for the Scriptural mysteries, led by Ernie Pappa. Regularly scheduled First Friday Healing Mass will follow at 7 p.m. All are invited to attend and offer devotional prayers to Mary for peace throughout the world.

Padre Pio Prayer Ministry — **JULY 11**, hosted by St. Faustina Kowalska Parish in Nanticoke; begins with celebration of Mass at 6 p.m. in the parish worship site of Holy Trinity Church, 520 South Hanover St., Nanticoke, followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, intercessory prayers to St. Padre Pio, recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and benediction. All faithful are welcome.

Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration — **JULY 11**, hosted by Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in Tunkhannock; exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament offered every Wednesday from 3 to 5 p.m. in Nativity BVM Church, 99 East Tioga St., Tunkhannock. All faithful are welcome.

Evening of Marian Devotion — **JULY 13**, hosted by the Diocesan Legion of Mary in response to the Blessed Mother's request at Fatima for prayers for world peace; devotion begins at 6 p.m. at Most Holy Trinity Parish Center Chapel, 236 Route 390, Cresco. Prayer service will include recitation of the Rosary, Fatima prayers, hymns and newly composed music for the Scriptural mysteries, led by Ernie Pappa. All are invited to attend.

Bereavement Support Gatherings — **JULY 15**, hosted by Our Lady of the Snows Parish in Clarks Summit; support group meetings held in the Gathering Room (lower level) of Our Lady of the Snows Church, 301 South State St., Clarks Summit, on the first Wednesday of the month, at 10 a.m., and the third Sunday of the month, at 2 p.m. All are welcome.

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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, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).

Aviso al Respecto de Reportar el Abuso Sexual de Un Menor de Edad

Es la norma de la Diócesis de Scranton reportar cualquier alegación de abuso sexual de un menor de edad a las autoridades. Si usted es una víctima de abuso sexual cometido por un sacerdote, diácono, religioso o empleado laico, o voluntario de la Diócesis de Scranton, usted está obligado a reportar el asunto inmediatamente a las autoridades de la ley.

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Por eso, información respecto a una alegación del asunto sexual de un menor de edad, debe ser reportada a la Coordinadora Diocesana de Asistencia para Las Víctimas, Mary Beth Pacuska, a (570-862-7551) o a los oficiales diocesanos incluyendo El Vicario General, Monseñor Thomas M. Muldowney, a (570-207-2269).

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6, 7, 8 — Nativity of Our Lord, Duryea, parish picnic grounds at Sacred Heart Church, 529 Stephenson St., Duryea.

7, 8 — Good Shepherd, Drums, church grounds, 87 South Hunter Highway.

12, 13, 14 — St. Joseph Mareello, Pittston, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church grounds, 237 William St., Pittston.

13, 14 — St. Patrick's, Scranton, parish grounds, 1403 Jackson St., West Scranton.

13, 14, 15 — Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Lake Silkworth, church grounds, State Route 29.

14 — Holy Family, Sugar Notch, parish grounds, 828 Main St., Sugar Notch.

14, 15, 16 — Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Carbondale, school grounds, Farview St.

19, 20, 21 — St. Eulalia's, Roaring Brook Township (Elmhurst), church grounds, 214 Blue Shutters Road.

19, 20, 21 — St. Nicholas, Wilkes-Barre, church/school grounds, 226 South Washington St.

20, 21, 22 — Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Hanover Township, church grounds, 420 Main St. (Buttonwood).

20, 21, 22 — Holy Name of Jesus, West Hazleton, Transfiguration Church grounds, 213 West Green St., West Hazleton.

21, 22 — St. Barbara's, Exeter, parish center grounds, Erie St., Exeter.

27, 28, 29 — Christ the King, Archbald, St. Mary of Czestochowa Church grounds, Betty & Main streets, Eynon.

27, 28, 29 — St. Maria Goretti, Laflin, church grounds, Laflin Road.

27, 28, 29 — St. Joseph's Center, Scranton, Marywood University campus grounds, Scranton.

AUGUST

2, 3, 4 — St. Robert Bellarmine, Wilkes-Barre, St. Aloysius Church grounds, Barney & Division streets, Wilkes-Barre.

3, 4, 5 — St. Mary's Byzantine, Wilkes-Barre, church grounds, 695 North Main St.

5 — St. Augustine's, St. Brigid Parish at Neumann Hall, Route 267, Choconut.

9, 10, 11 — St. John the Evangelist, Pittston, church grounds, Church & Broad streets.

10, 11, 12 — St. John the Baptist, Larksville, parish grounds, 126 Nesbitt St.

10, 11, 12 — SS. Anthony & Rocco, Dunmore, St. Rocco Church grounds, 122 Kurtz St., Dunmore (Bunker Hill section).

17, 18, 19 — Blessed Sacrament, Throop, parish grounds & hall, 215 Rebecca St., Throop.

18 — St. Juliana's, Rock Lake, church grounds, Route 247-North (Creamton Drive).

18, 19 — Queen of Heaven (St. Mauro Festival), Hazleton, parish grounds, 750 North Vine St., Hazleton.

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Catholic Charismatic Regional Prayer Meeting — **JULY 16**, sponsored by local Charismatic prayer groups; begins at 7:30 p.m. in Queen of the Apostles Parish Hall, 715 Hawthorne St., Avoca. Gathering includes songs, praise, spiritual gifts, teaching and witness; fellowship with refreshments will conclude the meeting. All faithful are welcome.

Monthly Evening of Marian Devotion — **JULY 16**, hosted by the Oblates of St. Joseph, Diocesan Sacred Heart Enthronement Guild, and the Legion of Mary; devotion begins at 6 p.m. in the chapel of St. Joseph's Oblate Seminary, Route

315, Laflin (Pittston). Prayer service will include recitation of the Rosary, Fatima prayers, hymns, and newly composed music for the Scriptural mysteries led by Ernie Pappa, who will facilitate the evening. All are invited to attend and offer devotional prayers to Mary for world peace.

Pre-Picnic Flea Market — **JULY 5**, hosted by Nativity of Our Lord Parish in Duryea; flea market open from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Upper Hall, 529 Stephenson St., Duryea. All are welcome.

Annual Pig Roast — **JULY 8**, hosted by Queen of the Apostles Parish in Avoca; held from 12 noon to 4 p.m. at the parish hall and grounds, 742 Spring St., Avoca. Take-out dinners available throughout the day. Dinner features all-you-can-eat pork (pig on the spit); menu also includes picnic foods, including wimpies, hot dogs, corn on the cob, salads, desserts and soft beverages. Event includes cash grand prize raffle drawing, basket raffle, children's games and bake sale. Dinner cost: adults, \$20; children (ages 6 to 12), \$10; tickets available in advance or at the event. For more information or advance tickets, call the parish office (570-457-3412).

Meeting of Lay Carmelites — **JULY 21**, hosted by Our Lady of the Mountains Lay Carmelite Chapter; meetings held on the third Saturday of each month at Little Flower Manor, 200 S. Meade St., Wilkes-Barre. For more information, contact Rose Bordi at (570-445-5457).

Catholic Women's Retreat — **AUG. 14-16**, sponsored by the St. Raphael Society; retreat hosted at the San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch, N.J. Bus trip departs from Dunmore. Cost: \$295 per person, includes lodging and meals. For more information, call Barbara McCarthy at (570-347-8314).

Catholic Happenings

Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary Bingo — **JULY 18**, sponsored by Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary Parish, Jermyn; games held on the first and third Wednesdays of the month in the parish center, 624 Madison Ave., Jermyn. Doors open at 5 p.m.; early-bird games start 6 p.m. (regular games, 6:30). Event includes homemade foods and desserts; specialty games, refreshments, door prizes and progressive jackpot. Free admission; for more information, call (570-876-1061).

Sixth Annual Lady Crusader Girls Basketball Camp — **JULY 23-27**, sponsored by the Lady Crusaders basketball program of Holy Cross High School in Dunmore; held at the Holy Cross High School gymnasium, Drinker St., Dunmore. Open to girls entering grades 4 thru 9. Camp sessions held each day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and include instruction in all facets of basketball fundamentals and competitive games; instructors include high school coaches and players. Fee: \$60 per camper, includes commemorative camp T-shirt and end-of-camp pizza party. For more information,

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Take-Out Chicken Barbecue Dinner — **JULY 28**, hosted by Holy Rosary Parish in Hazleton; held from 5 to 7 p.m. (dinner is take-out only). Featuring Kundla's Open Pit Barb-Q Chicken; includes half chicken, potatoes, cole slaw, cornbread muffin & butter. Cost: \$10 per dinner. Tickets available following all weekend Masses. For more information and advance tickets, contact the parish office from Monday thru Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at (570-454-6693).

St. Augustine's 194th Annual Picnic — **AUG. 5**, hosted by St. Brigid Parish at Neumann Hall, Route 267 in Choconut; featuring family-style barbecue chicken dinner, including half chicken, cole slaw, baked beans, macaroni salad, rolls & butter, assorted home-baked pies and other desserts (take-outs available). Event also includes live music, games & raffles, and picnic refreshments. Dinner cost: \$10 per person. Tickets sold at the door.

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Gift Shop to Host Catholic Journalist

SCRANTON — Heaven & Earth Gift Shop in downtown Scranton will host a free book-signing event featuring award-winning Catholic journalist Sue Brinkmann on Saturday, June 30, from noon to 4 p.m.

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thor and writer. Her latest book is *A Catholic Guide to Mindfulness*.

She has also published several additional books, including two historical novels, and served for six years as a correspondent for *The Catholic Standard and Times*, newspaper of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

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Catholic Happenings

Gate of Heaven Summer Youth Music Camp—AUG. 6-10, hosted by Gate of Heaven Parish, 40 Machell Ave., Dallas; open free of charge to children ages 8 to 15. Summer camp sessions held each day from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon at Gate of Heaven Church; daily schedule includes choir rehearsals, faith lesson, games and snacks. Camp concludes with special Youth Liturgy, featuring music by camp participants, on Sunday, Aug. 12, at 11:30 a.m. in the parish church. For more information and registration, call (570-675-2121).

Chicken Barbecue & Cash Raffle—AUG. 11, sponsored by St. John Vianney Parish, Montdale; hosted from 12 noon to 5 p.m. at St. Pius X Church, 3615 State Route 106, Clifford Township. Featuring Kundla's chicken and 50/50 cash raffle prize. Dinner cost: \$10 per person; raffle tickets cost \$10 each. Tickets available at the door. For advance tickets, call Tina at (570-254-0502).

St. Juliana's Rock Lake Picnic—AUG. 18, sponsored by St. Katharine Drexel Parish, Pleasant Mount; held on the

grounds of St. Juliana Church, Route 247-North (Creamton Drive), Rock Lake. Featuring family-style ham & turkey dinner served from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (take-out orders available until 3 p.m.); supper served at 5 p.m. Mass will be celebrated in the church at 6:30 p.m. Square-dancing entertainment provided by "Just Us" from 8 to 11 p.m.

Misericordia Open House—AUG. 18, open house event sponsored by Misericordia University in Dallas (Back Mountain section of Luzerne County); for high school students and their parents. Program begins with registration at 9 a.m. in the Anderson Sports and Health Center, followed by "Meet the Coaches" session from 9 to 10 a.m.; open house events continue until 3 p.m. For more information and registration, contact the Misericordia Admissions Office at (570-675-4449 or 1-866-262-6363) or by email: admiss@misericordia.edu.

Annual Festival for the Intellectually Disabled—AUG. 19, sponsored by the local Alhambra Caravan (No. 4) of Alhambra, an

international Catholic group of men and women dedicated to serving persons with special needs; held from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Plains American Veterans Pavilion in the Wilkes-Barre area. For more information or to volunteer, contact Ray Kownacki, Alhambra Grand Advocate, at (570-823-2894).

Parish Concert: French Boys Choir—AUG. 19, featuring "Les Moines," the world-renowned French boys choir on summer tour in America; hosted by St. Joseph Marelo Parish at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 237 William St., Pittston, beginning at 7 p.m. Concert performance will include musical selections from the 16th century and French folklore; conducted by Francois Olivier, titular organist of the choir organ at St. Eustache Church in Paris, France. All are welcome; free-will offering will be taken.

16th Annual Parish Golf Classic—AUG. 25, sponsored by St. John Bosco Parish in Conyngham; hosted at Sugarloaf Golf Course in lower Luzerne County. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.; followed by tournament play with 9 a.m. shotgun start. Individual, foursome and partial team registrations accepted. Cost: \$85 per golfer (\$340/foursome), includes refreshments and awards banquet. For more information and registration, contact Tom Lagana or Pat Raico by calling the parish office (570-788-1997 ext. 3).



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**SUNDAY
JULY 22, 2018**

MASSES

8:00 A.M., 9:30 A.M., 11:45 A.M.
5:30 P.M. & 7:30 P.M.
9:30 A.M. in **TAMIL** Language
in Lower Basilica

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After 8:00 A.M. & 11:45 A.M. Masses
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**SAINT ANN'S FEAST DAY
THURSDAY, JULY 26**

CONFESSIONS 4:00 AM

MASSES & DEVOTIONS 4:30 AM,
6:00 AM, 7:00 AM, 8:00 AM, 9:00 AM,
10:00 AM, 11:45 AM, 5:30 PM, 7:30 PM

DEVOTIONS ONLY 3:30PM

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SOLEMN CLOSING THURSDAY, JULY 26, AT 7:30 P.M.

Pontifical Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.

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CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton, Monday through Friday at 12:00 p.m., 3:30 p.m., and 7:00 p.m.; on Saturday, July 21 at 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, July 22 at 7:00 p.m.

The Closing Ceremony being held on Thursday evening, July 26, will air on CTV on Friday, July 27 at 12:00 p.m., 3:30 p.m., and 7:00 p.m.



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"Christ, the Church and the Role of Women" will be presented on Saturday, July 28, from 1 to 3 p.m. in Our Lady of Victory Church Hall, 16 Second St., Harveys Lake.

According to organizers, the discussion program featuring three guest presenters will include

an overview of the Church's doctrine on religious ordination and the positive impact Catholicism has had on women.

Featured panelists for the day's program include:

Maura Hearden Fehlner, Ph.D., theologian and professor of Catholic Theology at DeSales University, Center Valley, Pa., and Saint Joseph's College, Standish, Maine; Annie Houn-sokou, Ph.D., adjunct professor of philosophy at Misericordia University, Dallas, and the Uni-

versity of Scranton; and Lynn Marie Busch, S.T.L., R.Ph., moral theologian, bioethicist, pharmacist and member of the consecrated life in the Diocese of Scranton, who is a doctoral candidate at the University of Dayton's International Mariological Research Institute.

For more information, contact Gate of Heaven Parish at (570-675-2121) or goh@epix.net; or Our Lady of Victory Parish at (570-639-1535) or olvhl309@aol.com.

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