



# The Catholic Light

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## Newly Ordained Deacons Reminded of Need to be Servants to Others

As they celebrated the Rite of Ordination, eight men who became permanent deacons in the Diocese of Scranton on Nov. 28, 2020, were reminded of the need to put others before themselves.

During his homily, Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, reminded the men that they have opened their lives to the Lord's love and because of it, they seek to love him in return through service to His people.

"To be a disciple of Jesus means to put ourselves in the humble, demanding role of servant to others, to intentionally seek the happiness

and fulfillment of those entrusted to our care, regardless of the cost to ourselves,” Bishop Bambera said.

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### Bishop Bambera's Reflection for the First Week of Advent



### Saint Francis of Assisi Kitchen resumes weekly outreach meals in Carbondale



On Thursday, Dec. 3, 2020, Saint Francis of Assisi Kitchen in Scranton resumed its weekly meal that is distributed every Thursday beginning at noon at Saint Rose of Lima Parish in

Carbondale. The meals were temporarily suspended earlier this year because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The meals are now being served in to-go containers and are available for anyone in the community that is in need.



### Pope creates 13 new Cardinals, including Washington Archbishop

One by one 11 senior churchmen, including two U.S. citizens - Cardinals Wilton D. Gregory of Washington and Silvano M. Tomasi, a former Vatican diplomat - knelt before Pope Francis to receive their red hats, a cardinal's ring and scroll formally declaring their new status and assigning them a "titular" church in Rome.

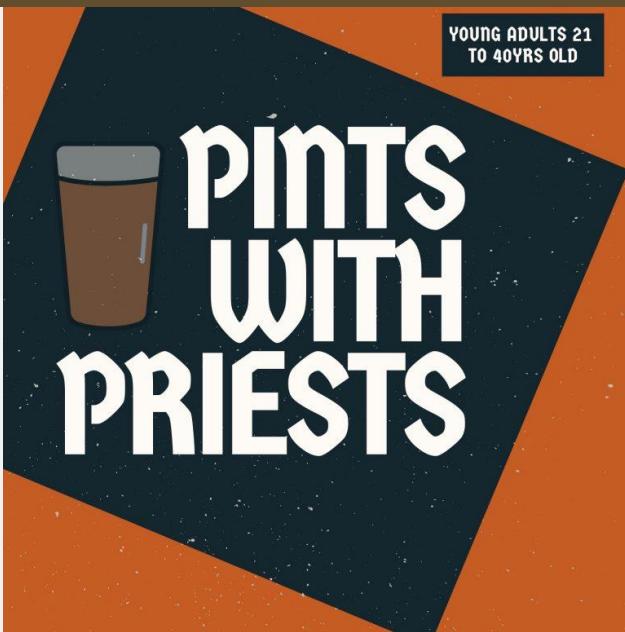
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### Pope: Make Your Heart Accessible to People with Disabilities

Marking the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, Pope Francis again insisted that all Catholics with disabilities have a right to receive the sacraments, and he suggested that Catholic parishes make real efforts to welcome and train persons with disabilities to serve as catechists.

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“Pints with Priests” is a monthly gathering for young adults in the Diocese of Scranton. Come and enjoy a pint of your favorite drink or ice cream and engage in light-hearted spiritual or theological conversations with your peers and some priests, right from the comfort of your own home!

This month’s guests on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 are:  
Fr. Alex Roche, Fr. Jeff Tudgay, and Fr. Brian JT Clarke.

Each gathering will be hosted by video conferencing. You will receive an email with details on how to join the meeting once you register. Must be between the ages of 21 and 40 to attend.

[Click Here to Register for the December 16 Pints for Priests Event](#)

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