



# The Catholic Light

DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

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## Young adults 'March for Life' through East Stroudsburg



Young adults from Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish in Brodheadsville help to kick off a local 'March for Life' along Ridgeway Street in East Stroudsburg on Jan. 29, 2021.

Bundled up in jackets, hats and gloves, dozens of people took to the streets of Monroe County on Jan. 29 to call for an end to legalized abortion.

After youth groups from Saint Matthew Parish and Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish determined they could not make their annual trip to Washington for the 2021 March for Life, they decided to co-organize a local "March for Life" throughout East Stroudsburg.

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## *World Day of the Sick Mass*

**Wednesday, February 10 at 12:10 p.m.  
Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton**

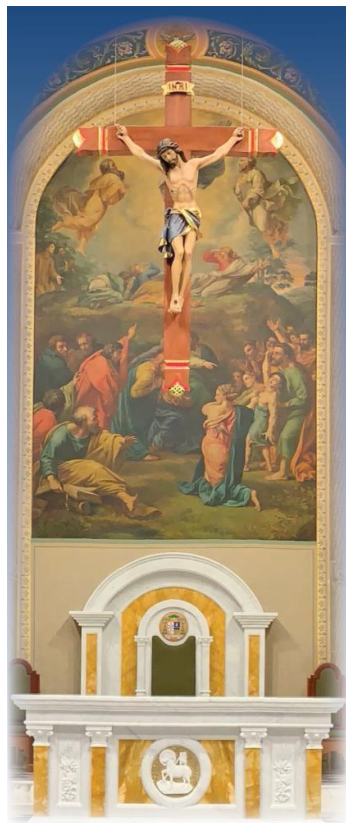


Mass is open to the public with COVID-19 precautions, including wearing face masks and remaining physically distanced. The Mass will also be broadcast live on CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton and made available on the Diocese of Scranton website and social media platforms

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, will celebrate Mass for the 29th World Day of the Sick on Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2021 at 12:10 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton.

The annual Mass is an opportunity for the faithful to offer prayers for those suffering from illnesses. The Mass will be open to the public and also be broadcast on CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton and livestream on the Diocese of Scranton website and across all social media platforms.

Parishes around the diocese are also encouraged to offer a Mass for the Sick either on Feb. 11 or another convenient day near it.



# DEVELOPMENTAL & INTELLECTUAL

## *Disabilities Mass*



Sunday, February 14 at 10:00 A.M.  
Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton

Mass is open to the public with COVID-19 precautions, including wearing face masks and remaining physically distanced

The Mass will also be broadcast live on CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton and made available on the Diocese of Scranton website and social media platforms

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, will celebrate the Diocese of Scranton's annual Developmental & Intellectual Disabilities Mass on Sunday, Feb. 14, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton.

The liturgy prayerfully celebrates the many gifts those with developmental or intellectual disabilities bring to the Church and the community. The Mass will be sign-language interpreted for the hearing impaired.

The Mass will be open to the public following COVID-19 guidelines and will also be broadcast live on CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton and livestream on the Diocese of Scranton website and across all social media platforms.



### **World must realize common humanity or fall apart, pope says**

Pope Francis was among several world and religious leaders who took part in a virtual event today recognizing the International Day of Human Fraternity.

The world must begin to realize its shared humanity in order to live peacefully, otherwise it risks falling apart in endless conflicts, Pope Francis said during the event.

"Today, there is no time for indifference," the pope said. "We cannot wash our hands of it, with distance, with disregard, with contempt. Either we are brothers and sisters or everything falls apart."

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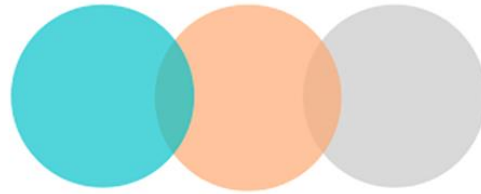
### **Pope adds Martha, Mary and Lazarus, Church Doctors to Universal Calendar**

Recognizing their welcome of and witness to Christ, Pope Francis has approved changing the liturgical feast of St. Martha to include her sister and brother, Mary and Lazarus, on the church's universal calendar of feast days.

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**'The Together Project' to host kickoff meeting on Feb. 15**





# The Together Project

**A CLICKABLE COMMUNITY FOR  
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

During the COVID-19 pandemic, young adults from across the Diocese of Scranton developed a new way to stay connected - even while following physical distancing guidelines.

'The Together Project' was launched in the Summer of 2020 and now that the holidays are over - students in Grades 9-12 are welcome to take part in the next session.

Registrants will meet in virtual small groups for one hour a week for four consecutive weeks starting with a kick-off meeting on Monday, February 15th.

Small group discussions will be moderated by ISLI-trained young adults and will focus on aspects of faith, community building, and support.

[Learn More About 'The Together Project' and Register Online Now](#)

**Celebrate**  
**National Catholic Schools Week!**  
Purchase a large fry between January 31 and February 21 and we will donate a portion to the Diocese of Scranton Catholic School's Scholarship Fund!

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### **Fundraiser serves up support for Catholic Education**

To help add excitement to Catholic Schools Week 2021, more than a dozen McDonald's locations in northeastern Pennsylvania are once again helping to raise money for scholarships so that students can attend Catholic Schools!

Through February 21, a donation will be made to the Diocese of Scranton Scholarship Foundation for every large fry order purchased at one of 16 participating locations.

The money raised will help students and their families continue to experience the academically excellent and faith-filled communities

found in the Diocese of Scranton's four high schools and 15 elementary schools.

[To Find the Participating McDonald's Locations](#)



### Vatican stamps highlight papal engagement in interreligious dialogue

Pope Francis' ongoing efforts to promote interreligious dialogue will be highlighted in a new series of Vatican stamps.

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