

The Catholic Light

Weekly E-Newsletter February 3, 2022

National Marriage Week to take place between Feb. 7-14



The week of February 7-14 is a unique time for parishes and couples to celebrate the blessing of marriage.

From suggestions on ways for people to be especially kind and loving toward their spouse, to date night materials, the Diocese of Scranton has established a dedicated webpage filled with resources and prayers for anyone to utilize.

We also invite everyone to participate in a Couples' Novena beginning on Feb. 5 and ending on Saint Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, 2022. Each day, we'll pray for a different intention and commend our prayers to the intercession of powerful married Saints! The Couples' Novena will be shared each day on the Diocese of Scranton's social media platforms.

The theme for the 2022 National Marriage Week is "Called to the Joy of Love."

<u>Visit the Diocese of Scranton's Dedicated Webpage for National Marriage</u>

Week featuring prayers, resources and many other materials

Clergy and lay faithful create Virtual Rosary for Life for second year



For the second year in a row, clergy and lay faithful from across the 11 counties of the Diocese of Scranton have participated in a Virtual Rosary for Life to observe and honor the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn.

While the March for Life and the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn have passed, please feel free to share the virtual rosary as a way to continue to pray for life.

Scranton students put principal in 'sticky' situation



As the 19 Catholic Schools across the Diocese of Scranton continue to celebrate Catholic Schools Week – one event at All Saints Academy was "stickier" than the rest.

On Thursday, Feb. 3, 2022, students had the opportunity to duct tape their principal, Brittany Haynos-Krupski, to a cafeteria wall. The event was a fundraiser for the school's Parent Teacher Organization.

"We were researching and found this idea on Pinterest and she (Haynos-Krupski) was like, 'Sure, I'll do it,' and the rest is history," JoAnn Lameo, All Saints Academy PTO President, said.

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<u>Visit the Diocese of Scranton Catholic School's Facebook Page to see</u>
photos from events at all 19 Catholic Schools

Bishop Bambera to celebrate World Day of the Sick Mass Feb. 11 at Cathedral of Saint Peter



World Day of the Sick Mass

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2022 12:10 P.M. CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PETER

Principal Celebrant

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera
Bishop of Scranton

CTV: Catholic Television will broadcast the Mass live

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, will celebrate Mass for the 30th World Day of the Sick on Friday, Feb. 11, 2022, at 12:10 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton.

The annual Mass is an opportunity to devote special attention to the sick and to those who provide them with assistance and care both in health care institutions and within families and communities.

This year, the faithful will once again pray in a particular way for those who have suffered – and continue to suffer – the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Mass is a special time to pray for healing and recovery of those sickened by the virus and for the medical community that has been on the frontlines of battling the coronavirus.

While in-person participation is encouraged, those who are unable to attend will be able to view the World Day of the Sick Mass live on CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton. A livestream will also be made available on the Diocese of Scranton website and across all Diocesan social media platforms.

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Mass for Developmental & Intellectual Disabilities Awareness to take place Feb. 13



DEVELOPMENTAL & INTELLECTUAL

Disabilities Awareness Mass



Sunday, February 13 at 10:00 A.M. Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton

The Mass will 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

All people, including those with special abilities, have gifts to contribute to the life of the Church. The Diocese of Scranton embraces and welcomes the talents of all individuals in building up the Kingdom of God.

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, will serve as principal celebrant for a Mass for Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities Awareness on Sunday, Feb. 13, 2022, at 10 a.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton.

The Mass is open to everyone. It will be broadcast live on CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton. A livestream will also be made available on the Diocese of Scranton's website and YouTube channel and a link provided on all Diocesan social media platforms.

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Winter/Spring Eucharistic Adoration series to begin Feb. 10 in Williamsport



One week from today, the Diocesan Offices for Parish Life and Vocations will begin the winter/spring Eucharistic Adoration series in Williamsport at Saint Boniface Parish, 326 Washington Blvd.

All are welcome to join at 7 p.m. for prayer, a dynamic talk from Father Alex Roche, Diocesan Director of Vocations and Seminarians, praise & worship music, opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and a social.

Diapers donated during Vigil Mass for Life distributed to mothers in need



Many of the diapers donated at the Vigil Mass for Life on Jan. 20 were delivered to the Saint Joseph's Center Baby & Children's Pantry in Dunmore on Thursday, Jan. 27, 2022. Pictured at the donation, from left: Mary Griffin, Saint Joseph's Center; Dominick Costantino, Vocation Program Coordinator; and Shannon Kowalski, Diocesan Director of Service and Mission.

The Saint Joseph's Baby & Children's Pantry is visited by thousands of families in need each year. They are currently in need of baby food and formula (especially Similac Alimentum), diapers (size newborn, 5, 6, 4T pull-ups, 5T pull-ups), baby wipes, baby bottles, baby wash and baby lotion, newborn/o-3 sleepers, baby bath towels, diaper bags, pacifiers and bibs.

Anyone would is able to make a donation to the Saint Joseph's Baby & Children's Pantry can visit 320 South Blakely Street in Dunmore or call (570) 207-6640.

Pope talks about devotion to saints, prays for man who interrupted prayer



Pope Francis said that when he was little, he thought the phrase "the communion of saints" in the Creed meant that the saints in heaven were receiving Communion.

Instead, the communion of saints expresses how "every member of the church is bound to me in a profound way and this bond is so strong that it cannot be broken even by death," he said Feb. 2 during his weekly general audience.

Concluding his series of audience talks about St. Joseph, Pope Francis recited a prayer he said he has recited every day for more than 40 years.

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