



# ***The Catholic Light***

DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

**Weekly E-Newsletter**

**September 1, 2022**

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**Mass in Italian to be celebrated Sunday in  
Scranton in connection with *La Festa***



The annual Mass in Italian will be celebrated this Sunday, Sept. 4, at 10 a.m. in the Cathedral of Saint Peter. All are welcome to attend.

The liturgy is celebrated in conjunction with *La Festa Italiana*, which occurs over the Labor Day weekend, Friday through Monday, Sept. 2-5, on Courthouse Square, one block away.

The Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, will preside. Father David P. Cappelloni, V.F., *La Festa* Chaplain and pastor of Saints Anthony and Rocco Parish in Dunmore, will be the principal celebrant. The guest homilist is Jesuit Father Joseph G. Marina, president of The University of Scranton.

Concelebrants will include Monsignor Constantine V. Siconolfi, *La Festa* Chaplain Emeritus, and priests from the Diocese of Scranton. Deacons from the Diocese will also participate.

The Mass will be broadcast live by CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton and will be rebroadcast on Tuesday, September 6, at 8 p.m., and Wednesday, September 7, at 10:30 a.m. In addition to airing live on CTV, the Mass will also be livestream on the Diocese of Scranton website, YouTube channel and a link will be provided across all Diocesan social media platforms. It will also be available at anytime after the live broadcast concludes.

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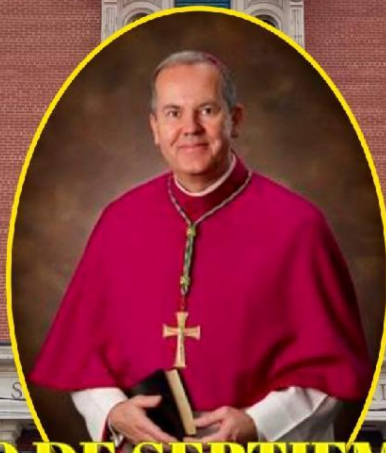
## **Bishop to celebrate Mass in honor of National Hispanic Heritage Month**



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## CELEBRANDO EL MES DE LA HERENCIA HISPANA

**UN SOLO SEÑOR, UNA SOLA FE,  
UN SOLO BAUTISMO  
EFESIOS 4,5**



**Sabado, 10 DE SEPTIEMBRE 2022**  
**CATEDRAL DE SAN PEDRO.**  
**315 Wyoming Ave, Scranton, PA 18503**

**Misa Solemne con el Reverendísimo Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.**  
**Obispo de la Diócesis de Scranton**  
**12:00 P.M.**

**Recepción y celebración cultural en el Centro Pastoral después de la Misa**  
**Ven a Celebrar con nosotros Nuestra Fe y Nuestra Cultura**

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National Hispanic Heritage Month begins on Thursday, Sept. 15 and ends on Saturday, Oct. 15.

In celebration of the many gifts and talents the Hispanic population brings to our parishes and Diocese, the Diocesan Office for Parish Life and Hispanic Ministry Office will be celebrating the beginning of this special month on Sept. 10, 2022 at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton.

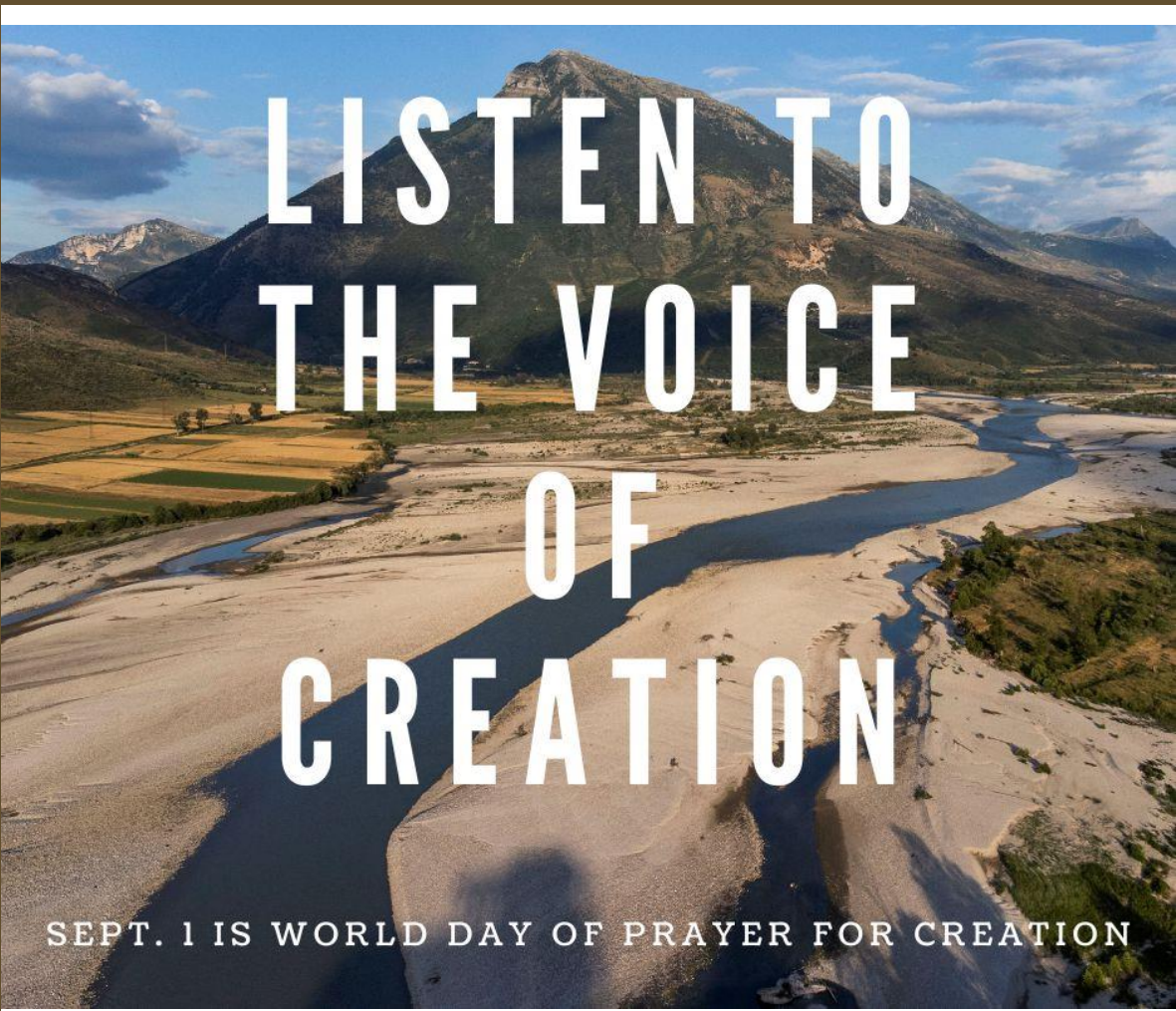
Bishop Bambera will celebrate Mass at 12:15 p.m. in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month. A reception with music and food will follow in the Diocesan Pastoral Center.

All are invited to attend. The Mass will also be broadcast on CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton.

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**In message for World Day of Prayer for  
Creation, Pope Francis calls on people to  
modify their lifestyles**





# LISTEN TO THE VOICE OF CREATION

SEPT. 1 IS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CREATION

Humanity can no longer ignore the cries of the earth that is suffering due to greed and the excessive consumption of its resources, Pope Francis said.

In his message for the World Day of Prayer for Creation, the pope said the current climate crisis is a call for men and women, especially Christians, to “repent and modify our lifestyles and destructive systems.”

“The present state of decay of our common home merits the same attention as other global challenges such as grave health crises and wars. Living our vocation to be protectors of God’s handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience,” he wrote in his message which was released by the Vatican.

The theme of the World Day of Prayer for Creation, celebrated Sept. 1, is “Listen to the voice of creation.”

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## **Knights of Columbus donate to seminarian**



The Knights of Columbus Abington Council 6611 recently presented Seminarian Bill Asinari with a \$500 check to further his vocational studies toward the priesthood.

Pictured in the photo above, left to right: Grand Knight Tony Dalasio, Financial secretary Duane Valance, Bill Asinari and Deputy Grand Knight Steve Guza.

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## **Ahead of Labor Day, U.S. Bishops urge support of bills to help children, women and families**



This year's annual Labor Day statement from the U.S. bishops touts two bills awaiting action in Congress as being helpful to children, women and families: the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act and an expansion of the federal child tax credit.

"Even before current economic uncertainties, women – especially women of African descent and Latina women – earned less than their male counterparts, including when doing the same work with the same qualifications," said Archbishop Paul S. Coakley of Oklahoma City, chairman of the bishops' Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development, in the statement.

"They filled the majority of direct care jobs, experiencing increased risk of injury, high stress, and exposure to illness while earning low wages. They were the majority of caretakers for their loved ones, yet many lacked adequate family and medical leave policies. These and other economic challenges continue to affect working families and children," Archbishop Coakley said.



The statement, “Building a Just Economy for Women and Families,” dated Sept. 5 – Labor Day – was released Aug. 31.

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## **Sister Suellen freed after five months of captivity in Burkina Faso**



Marianite Sister Suellen Tennyson, who was kidnapped from the convent of her educational and medical mission in Yalgo, Burkina Faso, in early April, has been found alive and is safe after nearly five months of captivity, a congregational leader of the Marianites said Aug. 30.

“She is safe,” Marianite Sister Ann Lacour said. “She is on American soil, but not in America. She is safe.” She said Sister Suellen was recovered Aug. 29 and the sisters in the congregation have spoken to her. “She eventually will get back to the United States,” she added.

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## **New duties do not diminish call to evangelize, Pope Francis tells Cardinals**



Jesus' call to spread the Gospel should fill all Christians, especially those within the church hierarchy, with a sense of wonder and gratitude, Pope Francis said.

Celebrating Mass in St. Peter's Basilica Aug. 30 with the College of Cardinals, the pope said this sense of wonder “sets us free from the temptation of thinking that we can ‘manage things.’”

“Today the church is big, it is solid, and we occupy eminent positions in its hierarchy. They call us ‘eminence,’” he told the cardinals and the estimated 4,500 people present. “There is some truth in this, but there is also much

deception, whereby the father of lies seeks to make Christ's followers first worldly, then innocuous."

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**Festivals and Picnics continue in the month of  
September!**





# PARISH Carnival

**September 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>**

**St. Boniface Church Grounds, 326 Washington Blvd.  
Williamsport, PA 17701**

## **NIGHTLY SIT-DOWN DINNERS IN THE SCHOOL GYM**

Served 4-7 pm Thursday-Friday-Saturday

**\*TAKE OUTS AVAILABLE EVERY NIGHT\***

### **FOOD ON THE GROUNDS:**

Roast Beef Sandwich, Hot Sausage, Meatball Sandwich, Hot Dog, Ham & Cheese on a Pretzel Roll, French Fries, Pizza, Funnel Cakes, Eder's Ice Cream, Soda/Water and...

### **OUR OWN HOMEMADE PIEROGIES**

**September 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>**

Rides, Games, and Outside Food – 6pm-?

Bingo inside the school gym – 7pm

White Elephant inside the school gym – 4pm-8pm


**September 10<sup>th</sup>**

Rides, Games, Outside Food – 5pm-?

Bingo inside the school gym – 7pm

White Elephant inside the school gym – 4pm-8pm

***Annual Raffle Drawing @10pm Need Not Be Present to Win***



Even though the calendar may almost be September - and kids are going back to school - parishes continue to hold festivals, bazaars and other popular events.

To help parishes publicize their events, the Diocese of Scranton has once again established a dedicated landing page on the Diocesan website to help promote events around the region.

Whether you are looking for delicious ethnic food - or simply crave the community and fellowship that these summertime events bring - this is the perfect place for you to check out all of the fun that is being planned.

The listing is constantly updated as parishes provide information to the Diocese of Scranton Communications Office.

[Visit the 2022 Summer Picnics, Festivals, Bazaars and Events Page](#)

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