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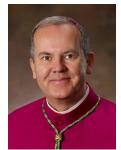
Bishop's Youth Award Mass

Sunday, April 7, 2024 at 2:30 P.M. and Sunday, April 14, 2024 at 2:30 P.M.

> Cathedral of Saint Peter Scranton, Pennsylvania

Principal Celebrant The Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L. Bishop of Scranton Dear Bishop Youth Award Recipients,

It is with great joy I write to congratulate you on your nomination for the Bishop's Youth Award. On behalf of the Church of the eleven counties of northeastern and north central Pennsylvania that make up the Diocese of Scranton, I want to express my appreciation for the ways you are putting your faith into action. I am always affected profoundly by the energy that emerges from among young people like yourself – the faith that you celebrate in your parish communities – and the hope that you proclaim as followers of Jesus.



The recipients of the Bishop's Youth Award are youth in either the 8th or 12th grade that have been identified by their Pastor, Principal, Director of Religious Education, Youth Minister or Parish Life Coordinator as individuals that embody at least one of the four key pillars of Word, Worship, Community and Service that support living out the Gospel of Jesus. Enclosed you will find the description of the four key pillars that people used to identify you as someone worthy of nomination for this year's Bishop Youth Award.

Together you have contributed to the mission of this local church by reaching out and touching lives in real and meaningful ways. This gospel service has no doubt also had a profound influence on you, your immediate family and your circle of friends, touching the many relationships that help to make you the person you are today, and influencing the person you are still becoming.

In 2023, Pope Francis addressed the young people of the world at the 38^{th} World Youth Day Pilgrimage. During this address Pope Francis said, "We can only find happiness by sharing the grace we have received with the brothers and sisters that the Lord gives us each day. Dear young people, do not be afraid to share with others the hope and joy of the risen Christ! Nurture the spark that has been kindled in you, but at the same time share it."

So, my friend, I thank you for nurturing the fire of the Lord that was given to you. And, like Pope Francis, I encourage you to go into the world and share it with those around you. Continue to spread the gospel and share your joy with a world that so desperately needs both. Stay united with those who support your commitment to the spirit of the early Church who "devoted themselves to the teachings of the apostles and the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers" (Acts 2:42, NABRE). Use generously the gifts you have been given in your service of one another. Be the Church – the Body of Christ – for our world today!

Faithfully yours in Christ,

+ Joseph C. Sanders

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L. Bishop of Scranton

INTRODUCTORY RITE



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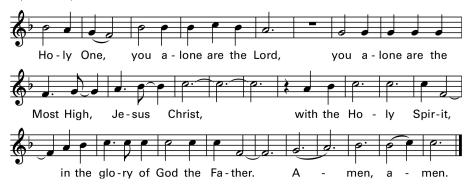
Sign of the Cross & Greeting





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Glory to God (continued)



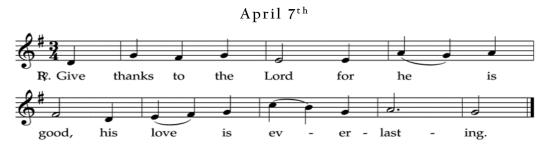
Collect

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

(April 7, 2024) Acts 4:32-35 (April 14, 2024) Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Responsorial Psalm





Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia No. VIII" Alstott



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Gospel Reading

(April 7, 2024) John 20:19-31 (April 14, 2024) Luke 24:35-48

Please remain standing after the Gospel until Bishop has venerated the Book of the Gospels and blessed the assembly with it.

Homily

(April 7, 2024) Reverend Bert S. Kozen, V.F.

Pastor, Immaculate Conception of the
Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Williamsport
Pastor, Saint Luke Parish, Jersey Shore

(April 14, 2024) Reverend James J. Paisley Pastor, Saint Ann Basilica Parish, Scranton

Profession of Faith

Universal Prayer

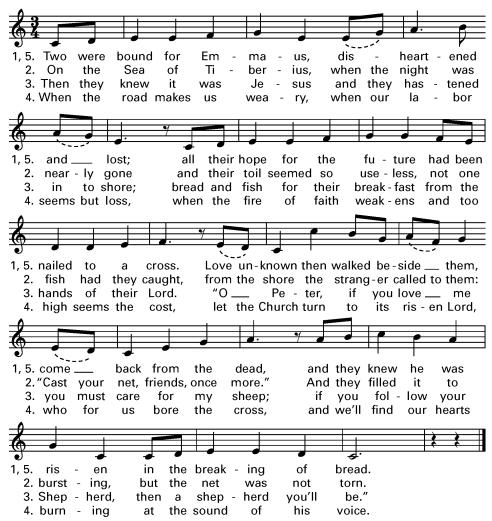
Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts "."

"Two Were Bound for Emmaus"

Hurd



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Invitation to Prayer

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings Preface Dialogue

Bishop: The Lord be with you. All: And with your spirit.

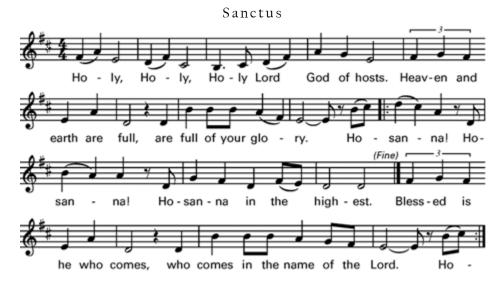
Bishop: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Bishop: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give him thanks and praise

The Eucharistic Prayer

acclamations from Mass of Christ the Savior
Schutte



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COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

The Rite of Peace

The Fraction Right

litany from Mass of Christ the Savior
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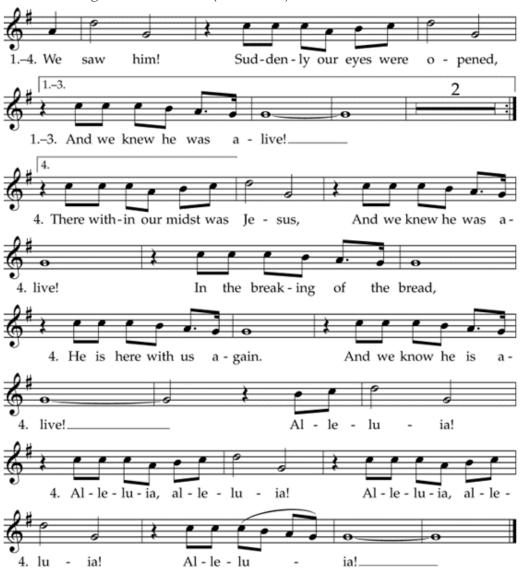
Invitation to Communion

Bishop: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the worlds. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.



"In the Breaking of the Bread" (continued)



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PRESENTATION OF THE BISHOP'S YOUTH AWARDS



CONCLUDING RITE

Greeting & Pontifical Blessing

Bishop: The Lord be with you. All: And with your spirit.

Bishop: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

All: Now and for ever.

Bishop: Our hope is in the Name of the Lord. All: Who made Heaven and earth.

Bishop: May almighty God bless you,

the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

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JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

Cyprian Consiglio



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