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Nativity of Our Lord Duryea

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Deacon André Kabacinski, Parish Deacon

Masses: Daily, M-F – 7:00 am • Saturday (Vigil)- 4:00 pm • Sunday- 8:00 am, 11:00 am and 7:00 pm

Confession: Daily, M-F~6:40-6:55 am • Saturday- 3:15-3:45 pm, and anytime upon request.

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord ✠ April 1, 2018

*“We do not pretend
that life
is all beauty.
We are aware of
darkness and sin,
of poverty
and pain.*

*But we know Jesus
has conquered sin
and passed through
his own pain to
the glory of the
Resurrection.*

*And we live in the
light of his Paschal
Mystery - the
mystery of his
Death and
Resurrection.*

*We are an Easter
People and Alleluia
is our song!”*

— St. John Paul II




LITURGICAL CALENDAR AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 2-8, 2018			
Mon	2	7:00am	Jennie O'Hop (30-Day--by Family)
Tue	3	7:00am	Walter Vincent Warunek (by Sons and Daughters)
Wed	4	7:00am	Lucy Polak (30-Day--by Family)
Thu	5	7:00pm	Genevieve Perrins (by Family)
Fri	6	7:00am	Marion Klobukowski (by the Waytul Family)
		9:00am	Brian Wychoskie (by Tim and Bert Welling)
Sat	7	4:00pm	Eleanore Molewski & Barbara Yankowski (by Sister, Regina Bernard & Fam.)
Sunday	8	8:00am	Dec'd members of the Lenartowicz Family (by Robert & Mary Ann Kelly)
		11:00am	Frank Maszeroski (by Marilyn and David Mlodzienski)
		7:00pm	For the Intentions of Our Parishioners
VOTIVE CANDLE OFFERINGS			
Sacred Heart of Jesus		Claire Gromelski (by Her St. Louis Family)	
Blessed Virgin Mary		Genevieve Perrins (by Family)	
St. Joseph		John Freas (by Wife, Diane)	

**Other Activities/Events
This Week:**

Monday
Bible Study, 6:30pm, Rectory Meeting Room


Tuesday
Bible Study, 9:00 am, Rectory Meeting Room
1st Communion Formation, 6:00-7:00 pm, HRC/H

Thursday
Yoga, 6:30 pm, Rectory



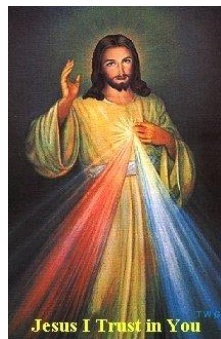
~ FINANCES AND ONGOING STEWARDSHIP ~ for the weekend of March 24-25, 2018
 \$4,694.32 Sunday; \$1,833.65 Secondary; \$749.85 Loose
 Online Giving: \$268 Sunday; \$142 Secondary; \$20 Easter; \$20 Easter Flowers; \$20 Care & Education of Priests

LOAVES AND FISHES April: Peanut Butter



PARISH CAMPAIGN - Please consider making your gift today! Thank you to those parishioners who have responded so far to the next phase of work here at Nativity - A) Easy handicap access to the hall and church, with a restroom for those with limited mobility; and B) Paving of the new lot directly behind the church.

12th ANNUAL REGIONAL DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



St. Ignatius Loyola Parish (339 N. Maple Avenue in Kingston) will host the 12th Annual Celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday on the Second Sunday of Easter, April 8 (previously held at St. Maria Goretti Parish in Laflin). We are honored to have as this year's Principal Celebrant and Homilist, Rev. Pio Mandato, FMHJ, a Franciscan Hermit of the Scranton Diocese. Rev. Leo J. McKernan, Pastor of St. Ignatius, will be Concelebrant. The Feast Day Coordinator is Cathy Mack. Itinerary as follows:

- 1:00 pm - Sacrament of Reconciliation and Holy Rosary
- 2:00 pm - Blessing of the Image of Divine Mercy/Mass
- 3:00 pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; The Divine Mercy Chaplet in Song

Benediction and Blessing with the first-class relics of St. Faustina.

This year's theme is "Prayer for Peace and Conversion of the Whole World."
 All are welcome to attend! Contact Cathy Mack at 570-654-6063 for more information.

WITH PARISH SYMPATHY Our prayers are requested for Sophie Lojewski whose Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Wednesday, March 28. May the Risen Lord embrace her in His eternal peace, and give His consolation and comfort to her family and friends. Our parish sympathy is extended to them in their loss.

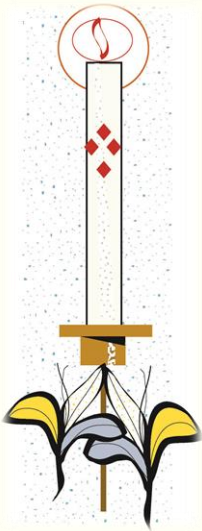
A special **THANKS** to the 8th Grade students of Holy Rosary School fro the beautiful and inspirational presentation of the Passion and Death of Christ last Friday. There were many favorable comments on how well the students led us in prayer through their presentation of "Mary's Way of the Cross." Thanks also to those same students who cleaned the church on Monday. They did a super job - their hard work is evident in how well the church looks!

CCD NEWS There are NO classes today (Sunday). Classes will resume next Sunday, April 8, at the usual time.

SACRAMENTAL NEWS First Communion Formation will begin on Tuesday from 6:00-7:00 pm in the church. Those preparing for First Communion should be attending the 11:00 am Mass each Sunday with the class. This includes all students of our parish, whether enrolled in a catholic school or a public school. This is part of their sacramental preparation, and we look forward to making this journey with them.

GIFT CERTIFICATES that support Holy Rosary School and our other Diocesan schools may be purchased on Thursday from 8:00-10:00 am in Holy Rosary Church Hall. What a nice way to do your spring shopping!

✻ EASTER BLESSINGS ✻



Father John, Deacon André and the pastoral staff of Nativity of Our Lord Parish extend to you and your family our prayerful and most sincere best wishes for a Blessed Easter Sunday and a Joyous Easter Season! May the Risen Lord give you His Easter peace, love and joy!

Our Lent is over! Rejoice now in this holy and glorious day! The beauty of the Easter Season is now with us. Let this time be opportunities where Christ embraces us during so much turmoil in our world and Church. We need His comforting presence that gives us hope and all the strength we need in our lives. Seek deeper trust, stronger faith and hope, so that God's love and our love for Him and each other will be felt in all we do and say.

Let our cry be Alleluia! He lives! He is with us!

CEMETERY NOTES Please be advised that it is still "thaw" season at our cemeteries. Rain, snow, cold and sun make for soft earth and sloppy walking conditions. Please stick to paths when possible, and stay far from newer graves that have yet to weather and settle – for your own safety. We miss our loved ones, and they miss us...but a twisted ankle or a broken wrist from a fall will not make things better. Please, be safe as you make visits and pray for their souls. Repairs are being planned for the fencing and gates of both cemeteries...we hope in time for Memorial Day.

PICNIC COMING - DESIGNER PURSES WANTED Last year's stand was a huge success thanks to so many kind donors! So, the coordinators of the Designer Purse Stand are again seeking new designer purses (Michael Kors, Vera Bradley, etc.) Please call Elaine at 570-451-1238 or Rose at 570-702-3543 for details or with ideas.

HOSPITALIZATION AND ILLNESS Parishioners, some hospitals do not give us names of parishioners who are patients. Other hospitals only give names when patients register as a Catholic and a parishioner of Nativity Duryea (not Holy Rosary, Sacred Heart of Jesus, St. Joseph's, St. Michael's, etc.) Families, PLEASE call the rectory to let Father know if a loved one is in the hospital, moved to a nursing home, or needs a visit for any illness. It is not an inconvenience to Father John or the staff or ministers – it is a Sacrament, and the work of the Church to care for those who are sick.



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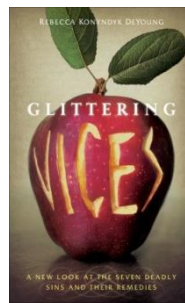
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SUNDAY APRIL 8@1pm-7pm

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Our next **PARISH BOOK CLUB** Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 17, at 6:30 pm** in the rectory. Avid readers of all ages as well as families are welcome to attend. The next book discussion will highlight "Glittering Vices", a new look at the Seven Deadly Sins and their Vices by Rebecca Konyndyk DeYoung. If you are unable to obtain the book



prior to the next meeting, please attend anyway to offer insight and help us choose our next book. Suggestions are always welcome! Our club seeks to read and discuss books or other literature to deepen our belief and understanding of our holy Catholic Faith. Contact Krista Pisano at 570-479-0473 with any questions. Happy Reading!!

IN THE COMMUNITY

HOMEMADE PASTA & SAUSAGE DINNER Church of St. Maria Goretti Banquet Center – Laflin Rd., Laflin, Sunday, April 8 – Noon to 5:00 pm. Take Outs: Noon to 4:00 pm. (container will be provided) Tickets available at the door \$12. Children 5 years and younger are FREE "eat-in only".

DESIGNER PURSE BINGO to benefit Tracey's Hope Hospice Care Program & Rescue for Domestic Animals, Inc.

April 15 – Doors open at 11:00 am with Bingo at 1:00 pm
Eagle McClure Hose Company, Old Forge
Tickets \$20 – call Denise at 570-457-1625

The **CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL** will be celebrating a **Regional Prayer Meeting** on Monday, April 9th, at 7:30 pm, at Queen of Apostles Hall, 715 Hawthorne St., Avoca. There will be praise and worship with our combined music ministry, a witness and a teaching. The evening is being hosted by People of God Prayer Community, and refreshments will be served. Please come and join in the celebration of the Love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit!!
ALL ARE WELCOME to attend.

Alleluia, Alleluia



The Lord is risen!



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