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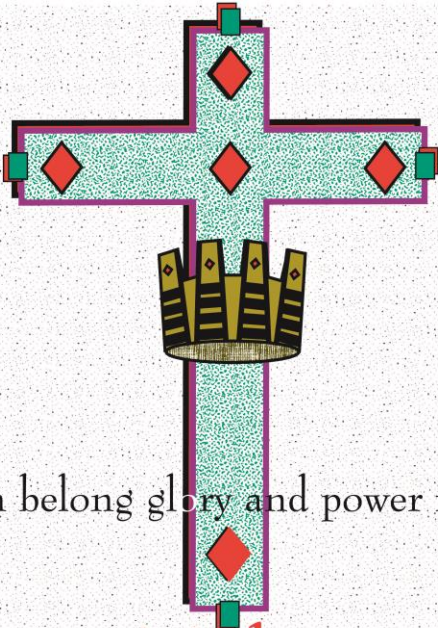
Rev. John V. Polednak, V.E., Pastor

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.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe ❖ November 26, 2017



To him belong glory and power forever

CHRIST the KING

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Questions for personal reflection based on this Sunday's Readings...

The Final Judgement

[The Son of Man] will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me."

(Matthew 25:45)

Who are the least of your sisters and brothers for whom you do care? Who are those whom you ignore?

To which person did you especially try to show the love and care of Jesus?

ADVENT begins next week – don't get to Christmas unprepared! Next Sunday we begin the Holy Season of Advent. This time of preparation for celebrating the Nativity of Our Lord should be marked with prayer and reflection, especially in the midst of the hustle and bustle of decorating, cooking and baking and Christmas shopping. Perhaps adding an Advent Wreath to our dinner table, or use of an Advent Calendar on our refrigerators can help us to reflect on the meaning of the season, especially in homes with children. Also, Advent Daily Reflection Books will be available on the railing nearest St. Joseph's Altar. If we don't celebrate our Catholic faith, who will???



❖ Parish Information ❖

EDUCATION/FORMATION

Religious Education (CCD) and Sacramental Formation

Mrs. Rose Rava, Director

For information concerning Religious Education and Sacramental preparation of children not enrolled in a Catholic School, please call the rectory at (570) 457-3502, or Rose at (570) 702-3543.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS (for a complete list, go to www.dioceseofscranton.org)

Holy Rosary School, PK-8

Mrs. Melissa Skutack, Principal

125 Stephenson Street

Duryea, PA 18642

Tel: (570) 457-2553

Fax (570)-457-3537

E-mail: hrrsduryea@hotmail.com

Holy Redeemer High School

Mr. Michael Reese, Principal

159 S. Pennsylvania Ave.

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

Tel: (570) 829-2424

Fax: (570) 829-4411

Web: www.holyredeemerhs.org

HOSPITAL VISITS NURSING HOME AND HOME VISITS—If you or a loved one is hospitalized, please call the rectory with the information, and Father John will visit when possible. PLEASE REMEMBER, hospitals no longer provide information concerning who is hospitalized. HOME VISITS, Communion calls, Frist Friday visits, and the Anointing of the Sick are an important part of the healing process, and are not reserved for the dying only. It is no inconvenience, so please let Father and the staff know.

CEMETERIES: Our parish is responsible for two Catholic Cemeteries: Holy Rosary Cemetery and St. Joseph Cemetery: For information on burial or availability, please call the rectory at (570) 457-3502

LITURGICAL CALENDAR AND INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 20-26, 2017

Mon	27	7:00am	Donald Ferranti (30-Day--by Family)
Tue	28	7:00am	Anthony Rincavage (by Daughter, Mary Ellen and Son-in-Law, Tom)
Wed	29	7:00am	Allen Morris (by Beverly and James Scalise)
Thu	30	7:00am	Walter Zavrotny (by Wife, Carol and Family)
Fri	1	7:00am 9:00am	William Odell (by Wife, Eleanor) Helen Rava (by Mr. & Mrs. Edward Rehoski)
Sat	2	4:00pm	Christine Secula (by Sister, Ann Frances Kurzweil and Nieces, Dena and Robyn)
Sunday	3	8:00am 11:00am 7:00pm	Walter Dzieciol (by Linda and Robert Dzieciol) Claire Gromelski (30-Day--by Family) and Edmund Gromelski (by Family) Robert S. Bolock (by Regina and Louise Bartush)
VOTIVE CANDLE OFFERINGS			
Sacred Heart of Jesus		Dec'd members of the O'Malley & Yachna Families (by Catherine O'Malley and Ryan)	
Blessed Virgin Mary		Mr. & Mrs. Julius Bushinski (by Daughter, Mary Alice)	
St. Joseph		Christine Secula (by Ann Frances, Dena and Robyn)	

Other Activities/Events
This Week:

Wednesday –
Choir, 6:30 pm

Sunday –
Women's Society Party, 2:00 pm
CCD, 9:45-10:45 am
8th gr. CCD, 5:30-6:45 pm, rectory

His
Kingdom
is the
hearts of
all people



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~ FINANCES AND ONGOING STEWARDSHIP ~

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS for the weekend of November 18-19, 2017

\$4,244.25 Sunday; \$2,531.50 Secondary; \$230 Loose; \$355 Cemetery
Online Giving: \$132 Sunday; \$95 Secondary; \$30 Cemetery

Our **SECOND COLLECTION** next weekend will be for the Care and Education of Priests.

LOAVES AND FISHES December: Non-Dairy Creamer

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.



The Men's Society of Nativity of Our Lord Parish invites you to our

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST

on Sunday, December 10, from 8:30am-12:30pm at Sacred Heart Hall

Menu Includes: Scrambled Eggs, Home fries, Kielbasa & Ham, Pancakes, Danish & Beverage

Tickets: Adults- \$9 Children (5 yrs to 12 yrs)- \$5 (4 & Under)-Free

Contact: Jef Bauman (570) 881-6006 or Mike Wasko (570) 885-6267.

For pre-orders, or if delivery is needed, please return by Sunday, December 3rd. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

Name: _____ Address: _____

Number of Tickets: _____ Delivery? Yes _____ No _____

Adults (\$9) _____ Children 5 to 12 (\$5) _____ Children (4 & under) (free) _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

(Checks payable to NOOL Men's Society)

WITH PARISH SYMPATHY—Our prayers are requested for Mary Ann Ryczak whose Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Tuesday, November 21. May the Risen Christ embrace her in His eternal love and peace, and give His comfort and consolation to her family and friends. Our parish sympathy is extended to them in their loss.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS--There are NO classes this Sunday while our students and teachers observe the Thanksgiving holiday with their families. Classes will resume next Sunday, December 3, at 9:45 a.m. for Pre-K to 7th grade and at 5:30 p.m. for Grade 8.

The **GIFT CERTIFICATES** that support Holy Rosary and our other Diocesan schools will be available on Thursday from 8:00-10:00 a.m. in the Holy Rosary Church Hall.

FIRST FRIDAY—This week is the First Friday of the month. Visits to your homes will be made according to the usual schedule. Telephone calls will be made to set up convenient times of the home visits. The 9:00 a.m. Mass on First Friday is Holy Rosary School's First Friday Mass. Parishoners are invited to attend this Mass.



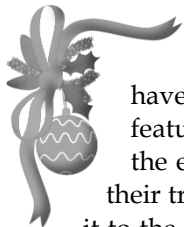
CHRISTMAS TREE OF HOPE—A heartfelt **THANK YOU** to all who took a tag from the Tree of Hope these past two weekends. Over 225 tags disappeared! Please remember to return the item wrapped, with the tag attached, and place it in the totes in the vestibule of the church.



We will have a **PARISH CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE** after all the Masses on Saturday, December 16, and Sunday, December 17, in the church hall. Homemade cookies of all varieties will be available for purchase right in time for the Christmas holidays. We ask the bakers of our parish to contribute by baking some of their favorite cookies and sharing them with us. If you are able and willing to do this, please contact Lois Hanczyc at 570-457-2482 or 570-313-8188.

...Remember your loved ones in a most special way this year...place an ornament in their name on our

NATIVITY MEMORIAL TREE



As was announced last weekend, we will have a Memorial Tree in our church to honor those special people who have passed from our lives. The tree will remain in the church throughout the beautiful season of Christmas, and will feature various colors of ornaments with tags listing the names of your relative or friend. Our tree will be displayed in the entrance of the church near the Crucifix shrine, in order to allow family members an opportunity to privately view their treasured ornaments. If you would like to purchase an ornament for the tree, please fill out the form below and return it to the Nativity of Our Lord Rectory by Wednesday, December 13th. You can place your order in the collection, mail it or stop by our office during regular business hours. The Memorial Tree will be placed in the church on the weekend of December 16th and 17th. We invite you to consider becoming a part of this beautiful custom. If you have any questions, please call the rectory at 570-457-3502.

Red Ornament - \$15.00 _____ Inscription on Tag: In Loving Memory of: _____
 Green Ornament - \$25.00 _____
 Blue Ornament - \$50.00 _____ Requested by: (Name) _____
 Silver Ornament - \$75.00 _____ (Address) _____ (Phone) _____
 Gold Ornament - \$100.00 _____

FROM HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL

Holy Rosary School PTO is hosting the Annual



on Friday, December 1, 2017 -- Doors open 5:00 pm. Bingo starts at 6:00 pm. \$10.00 admission includes 1 bingo packet for regular bingo games. Extra bingo packets, specials, raffles & food for purchase are available. Come join us for a fun night of bingo. Any questions, please call Anne McDonnell @ 570-885-0475.

STUFF THE STOCKINGS



The 7th grade class and the Student Council of Holy Rosary School are collecting items to stuff stockings for the kids at the Janet Weis Research Hospital in Danville. The items needed are candy, small toys, books, and plush toys; greeting cards are optional. Also, if you can bring in stockings to fill, that would be absolutely great! The goal is to make about 100 stockings for the children. The items and stockings are due to the school by December 4 with delivery made the week of December 11.

NEIGHBORING EVENTS...

REQUEST: The Free Clothing Room at St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen is in need of winter clothing for men, women and children. Donations can be dropped off at the Kitchen each day between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Access to the Kitchen for dropping off donations is easiest from Bennett Street in the rear of the building.

THE SOUND OF MUSIC - Presented by Holy Redeemer High School - Friday, December 1, and Saturday, December 2 - 7:00 p.m. - Reserved seating - Adults \$10 - Senior \$9 - Students \$8 All are welcome! Call to pick up presale tickets: 570-829-2424.

COOKIE WALK A Cookie Walk for the Christmas holiday will be offered at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 215 Lackawanna Avenue in Dupont, on Sunday, December 10, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the church hall. Homemade cookies, fudge and candies will be offered for \$7 per pound. Coffee, tea and hot chocolate will be available.



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