



Mass Schedule

MONDAY - January 14

8:00 A.M. - Rosemary Geffers - Ken & Marlene Maula

TUESDAY - January 15

8:00 A.M. - To the Holy Spirit for guidance -
Roma Douglas

WEDNESDAY - January 16

8:00 A.M. - Communion Service

THURSDAY - January 17

8:00 A.M. - Carmen Lee-Torres - The Family

FRIDAY - January 18

8:00 A.M. - Tony Rinaldis - Peter & Barbara Cooney

SATURDAY - January 19

8:00 A.M. - St. Joseph & Our Lady of Victory -
Maritza Gomez

5:00 P.M. - Barney O'Kane - His wife, Lourdes

SUNDAY - January 20

8:30 A.M. - DalKeith Swinney - His grandparents

10:30 A.M. - Helen Johns & Detective Steven McDonald-
Judy LaGuardia

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD: Jesus comes from an obscure background to take center stage in God's Plan of Salvation. His stories and message capture His audience as they hear a new teaching authority — clear, inviting, and filled with persuasive power. In the perfect setting of Heaven, in the perfect company of the saints, the perfect



story is that God loves us, forgives us, and calls us to Himself. It is God who sends Jesus, anoints Him as Messiah, and embraces Him as Son. Jesus' new beginning is marked by the Father's acknowledgment that on Jesus His favor rests. Witnessing the baptism of an adult inspires faith. The baptism of a child inspires hope. The baptism of Jesus inspires love. The fundamental sacrament initiates a marvelous new beginning, a perfect journey of faith that takes us ever closer to God's love. It brings us new life, a new start, a sense of hope with the knowledge that we share in God's favor.

ONLINE or ELECTRONIC DONATIONS: We are now set up to accept online donations to the Church. You can schedule recurring gifts or make one-time donations on any device: computer, tablet or smart phone. Visit the parish website (olvchurch.com) and click online giving where there is more information and the opportunity to sign up if you wish.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sunday Confirmation Class
Family Bowling Day, Noon-6:00 P.M.
Monday CCD Volunteer Gathering, 6:00 P.M.
Quilters Group, 7:00 P.M.
Tuesday Social Concerns Committee, 7:00 P.M.
Thursday Knights of Columbus, 7:30 P.M.

FUTURE HAPPENINGS IN THE PARISH

January 20 ... Hospitality Sunday!
Blood Pressure Screenings
Community Dinner
January 21 ... Liturgy Committee
January 22 ... Parish Finance Committee
January 24 ... Parish Pastoral Council

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION fully initiates one into the Church. You receive the fullness of the Spirit in the anointing with Sacred Chrism. Have you been confirmed? Our 8th graders are presently preparing for the Sacrament scheduled for Sunday, June 9, 2019. If there are any adults who wish to receive Confirmation this June, please call Father Rich. Classes will be set according to the number of candidates registered. Call soon as we would like to start these sessions in February.

FAMILY FUN BOWLING DAY

TODAY - SUNDAY

NOON - - 6:00 PM

Mountainhome Bowling Center

109 Golf Drive Cresco

Lanes open only to our parishioners

\$1.00 per game

Snacks - fun - laughter

Come for an hour or all afternoon!

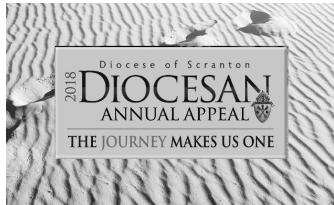
ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS: The Knights of Columbus are offering college scholarships to eligible high school seniors. There is a \$500 scholarship from our parish council and \$1,000 scholarship offered by the Fourth Degree Knights. Applications for both scholarships are available in the church office. The 4th degree deadline is February 15th and the parish knights is April 1st.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS will be offered after both Sunday morning Masses next weekend. There is no charge for this as our nurses and EMT's will offer this service. Keep track of your health.

BREAD and WINE: The bread and wine used in all the Masses from January 13th through January 19th are offered to honor RITA DWYER on the occasion of her 96th birthday at the requested of her good friend Jeanne Martin. We all wish RITA the best of everything in her 96th year.



DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: *"The Journey Makes Us One"* As the new year begins, what do you think about making a donation or pledge to this year's Diocesan Annual Appeal.



As a parish, we could use your help to make our goal of \$55,000. Presently, we have received donations or pledges from 207 families

totally \$38,597.00 or just about 70% of our goal. Your donation to the appeal can be paid over the next five months, so you don't have to give it all up front. This Appeal supports so many good things around our diocese and parishes. It gets the Word out to the homebound, especially the Mass. It provides funds to help those who are hungry, homeless or suffering in different ways. It helps to educate our children in the faith through Catholic School and parish religious education programs. It helps in the education of seminarians leading to priesthood. So your donation, no matter how large or small, helps in many areas. Donation/Pledge envelopes are on the table in the narthex. Make a donation or a pledge today and help on this journey that makes us one. If we work together, we can make our goal and do our part.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2019 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 30th. The event includes a 2:30 P.M. Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made through your pastor before April 2.

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER is offered monthly in our parish for those who may be in need. This need could be financial or maybe it's just a person who lives alone and could use a good meal and some company rather than being all by oneself. The next community meal is next Sunday, January 20th from 3:00 to 4:00 P.M. in the Hall.

9-DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYERS: January 22nd is the 46th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion in our nation. During this month we mourn the many children who lost their lives through abortion and we remember in prayer those who suffer the aftermath. Pope Saint John Paul II wrote: "A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world." There is an insert in this week's bulletin (and will conclude in next week's) which is entitled a 9-Day Novena of Prayer for Life. It includes a prayer, a reflection and an act of reparation that we can do everyday. Prayer is the most powerful instrument we have to combat this crisis in our nation where so many innocent lives are sacrificed and we have lost respect for life. I ask you to offer this novena with your family over the next 9 days. Maybe we can save some lives. To download a full copy of the novena, go to www.9daysforlife.com.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

THE SICK: Arianna Marinaro, Ed Tippel, Kathleen Cullen, Jose Padilla, Faith Harder, Philip Krkoska, Jack Burns, Barbara Doerflein, Toni-Lynn Aridas, Maureen Keller, Kathleen Peters, Katherine Aridas, Lysa Lindsey, Virginia Gogna, Emily Donovan, Emily Franks, Pauline Maurer, Charles Impellizzeri, Judi Albury, Tom Wolf, Lucille Constantino, Ralph Iasiello, Jr., Marie DeRobertis, Dana Fallano Melia, Marquia Fougry, Vincent Matheis, Ray and Rose Luyet, Cheryl Jannett, Matthew Martinell, Joe and Mary Talocka, Ronald Simpson, Joseph Kruk, Maureen Shindle, Victoria Napoli, Maelena Nogueira, Frank Ventre, Geri Witt, Salvatore and Giovanni Sereno, Carmella Calderone, Roy Strauss, Michael Byrne, Kelly Lynch, Ambrose Brown, Kylie, Darlene and Michael Landolfi, and **ALL THE SICK. LORD, HELP THEM IN THEIR TIME OF NEED.**

CHURCH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Collection - \$5,920.62

Second Collection - \$ 1,604.00

Special Envelopes - \$ 244.00

Online Giving - \$ 1,127.00

Total Collection (1-06-19) - \$8,895.62

Envelopes used – 324 – Issued – 1175

Thank You for your support & generosity

CARE/EDUCATION OF PRIESTS - \$917.00