FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME St. Joseph the Worker Parish "Please, Pray for Our Troops"

Dear Parishioners.

Obviously, this weekend will be filled with many memories and some tears for many of our people as we say goodbye to Ascension and Mater Dolorosa churches. Both of these parishes were founded within a year of each other, Mater Dolorosa in 1908 and Ascension in 1909. The churches we're saving farewell to were constructed close to each other in time as well. The current Ascension church was constructed in 1929, and the current Mater Dolorosa church was constructed in 1932—both during the Great Depression! For over 100 years these parishes served the needs of the people they served, and as the needs change, that is still the mission of the Catholic Church—to bring the presence of Jesus Christ to Williamsport. Called to Holiness and Mission had a single purpose, to strengthen and prepare the parishes of our Diocese for the future, and I believe that we have been and are being prepared for just that. Our goal of being a vibrant Catholic parish that attracts people to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the fullness of the Catholic faith is closer every day. But this weekend, let's pause at this moment to recall all the hard work and dedication to the same Gospel that generations of Catholics at Ascension and Mater Dolorosa have shown. This deserves our respect and attention, and I ask especially that all of you keep in your prayers those who are hurting because of these changes, that the consoling presence of the Holy Spirit will remind them that no matter what Catholic church we worship in or what changes occur in our lives, that Jesus Christ remains the same—yesterday, today and forever. —Father Kirby

# FAREWELL RECEPTION for FATHER SHANE KIRBY

SUNDAY, JULY 29th after the 10:30AM Mass

Weather permitting the reception will be held outside in the Court Yard

If inclement weather reception will be held in the parish center.

With Gratitude!



FINANCES AT ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER
PARISH—Your stewardship and generosity to
your parish are greatly appreciated.
Last Week's Collection—\$13,320.43

Weekly Collection Budget—\$14,500.00 Mission Collection—\$3,154.41

### FOUR LEAF CLOVER WINNERS:

06/26/12 #444 Marguerite Birch

\$ 50.00

BINGO Monday, July 9 in the Fleming Center. Doors open at 5pm. BINGO begins at 6:30pm. Volunteers are always NEEDED and WELCOMED to sell tickets, call Bingo, work in the kitchen, or help in any way. Give it a try!

OUR NEW ADDITION "THE PORTICO" WILL BE OPEN NEXT WEEKEND July 14 & 15. The restroom and handicap ramp will be available (the parish center restrooms will also be open for use). Ribbon cutting to officially dedicate the new Portico will be held after the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, July 29th.

All Are Invited to Participate in the Solemn NOVENA in Honor of SAINT ANN at St. Ann Church, Northway Road, Tuesday July 17 through Wednesday July 25, each evening at 7:00pm(EXCEPT Saturday July 21 & Sunday July 22—Novena Prayers will follow the Sunday Liturgies). The Devotions: Parish Life & Evangelization. His Excellency, the Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton will speak on July 25.

Hoss's Community Fundraiser Sunday JULY 29—All Day—All proceeds to benefit Auburn Segraves, a 14 year old parishioner with a brain tumor. Cards will be on the tables this weekend. Thank you for your support.

**PARISH YARD SALE** 

Saturday, AUGUST 11, 2012
Fleming Center
8am—1pm
Clothing
Appliances—Glassware
Curtains—Furniture—Household Items, etc.

**Drop off times at the Fleming Center** 

Tuesday—Thursday, August 7 –9 from 8:30am-11:45am AND 12:45pm-2pm (due to daily Mass) Friday, August 10 from 8:30am-11:45am AND 12:45pm-7pm

#### FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE—On September 15

The Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton will lead his first pilgrimage as Diocesan Bishop to the Basilica



of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C.

Bus fare: \$40.00 per person made payable to St. Joseph the Worker Parish with buses leaving from either our parish or our deanery. To assure bus transportation it is requested by the bus company to hold strictly to a <u>deadline THIS Tuesday</u>, <u>July 10 for reservations</u>. To make your reservation please contact Donna Ulsamer-Thomas (321-7476) our parish pilgrimage coordinator.

Annual Mass of Remembrance of Victims of Violent or Tragic Death will be held at St. Peter's Cathedral, 315 Wyoming Ave., Scranton on Thursday July 12 at 7:00pm. All families/persons who have lost a loved one through tragic and traumatic death—especially murder, suicide, and accident are invited to come to this liturgy. We ask that the names of deceased loved ones be registered by please calling the Office of Social Concerns at 570-207-2213, ext. 1130 or registration forms are available from the Diocesan webpage at www.dioceseofscranton.org.

St. John Neumann Regional Academy is still accepting Registrations for 2012-2013 school year for all grade levels (PreK-12 grade). SJNRA proudly provides a curriculum of spiritual & academic excellence, rooted in service. Please consider a Catholic education for your child. For more information, or a tour of any of the campuses, please call Kathy Bahr at 323-9953, ext. 205 or email: kbahr@sjnra.org.



# ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH SECOND ANNUAL PICNIC IN THE PARK SUNDAY, JULY 15TH AT THE SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT POOL COMPLEX Pavilion 1, 2, & 3

- Please fill out Registration Form below and return to the parish office.
- Picnic begins with Grace at 12:30pm
- Chicken, Coffee and Limburger provided.
- Bring a dish to share
- Bring lawn chair(s)
- Bring your own table service (paper plates, plastic ware & beverage (non alcoholic), etc.
- Many Give A-Ways and children's games
- Fun for the whole family

## **Masses For The Week**

**MONDAY**, July 9, St Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions martyrs

8:00 am Gloria Folmar Kephart (Sister, Patty)
12:10 pm For All Those in the Military (Bubb Family)

TUESDAY, July 10

8:00 am Roberto Rinaldi (Giannina Sammarco)
12:10 pm James L. & Mary F. Naughton (Family)

WEDNESDAY, July 11, St. Benedict, abbot

8:00 am Clementino & Marion Ciccarelli (Family)
12:10 pm Remembrance of Living & Deceased Fathers

THURSDAY, July 12

8:00 am Monti & DiMarco Families (Family)
12:10 pm Mary Catherine Murphy (Sister, Eileen)

FRIDAY, July 13, St. Henry

8:00 am Ellen Kilpatrick (Kathy & Tony DiSalvo)

**12:10 pm** Ray Swanson (Wife, Judi)

SATURDAY, July 14, Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, virgin

8:30 am Intentions of Priests 5:00 pm Michael Baidy (Family)

SUNDAY, July 15, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am
10:30 am
S:00 pm
Joseph Howlett (Wife, Irene)
Merrill Hostrander (Lisa, Dave & Jakob)
Living & Deceased Parish Members

Prayers for Healing: Please pray for and support those parish family members who are sick or with special medical intentions: Warren C. Houseknecht, Sophie Ross, Tom Derone, Lynn Marie Busch, Bernice Kuna, Lorenzo Minnella, Patricia Shuev, Joyce McMullen, Donna Magill, Kay Hunter, Chase Aderhold, Joann Nau, James Lusk, Mary Paulus, A.J.Asiello, Auburn Segraves, Vince Grazulis, Crystal Lacey, Lorie Noviello, Cobe Johnson, Charles Jean, Matt Tedesco, Joe Bacon, Theresa Sniffen, Ed Nolan, William Cummings, Jr., Lucile Morrison, Louis Hart, Mike Jones, Richard Hafer, Billy Greenawalt, Hank Colling, Richard Blee, Michael Gardner, Kevin Plocinski, Merrill "Moe" Johnston, Hannah Freezer, Mary Margaret Steinbacher, Josephine Ruch, Dorothy Pasukinis, Jim McNamee, Mary Hulse, Ron Groover, Chris Cupp, Nancy Charles, Kathie Tupper Brelsford. Shirley Grove, Eileen Markel, Annabelle Bennett, Mary Claire Hunter, Charlie Greenawalt, Thressa Rosato, Jean Hostrander, Jessica McKenzie, Irene Gohrig, Franklin Williams, Mary Grace Knepley, Greg Leta, Cassedy Way, Angie Salvatori, Bob Ardell, Maxine Lorson, Sam Hess, Jr., Arlene Salvatori, Marianna DiSalvo, Patty McCloskey, Richard Neatrour, Dan McNamara, Bev Hinkelman, Doris DiPalo, Chris Regland, Tom Morrison, Theresa Cioffi, Donna Potrzebowski, Mason Rogers, Rosemarie Beamer, Ted Bloomer, Deb Sheleman, Christy Haberstroh, Brice Goodell, Carolyn Martin, Wilma Finkbeiner, Michael P. Hahn, John Fitzsimmons, Sr., Lee Roy Whittington, Jake Moore, Patty Hammaker, Bob Kibler, Gail Waltman, Maureen Dolan Dincher, John Dudek, Dr. Kelly McBride, Erin

Wiliams.. Please call the parish office to add or remove names from the list.

Please complete the Registration Coupon below and place in the Collection Basket				
	PICNIC	IN THE F	PARK REGI	STRATION
Name				
Phone Email				
Number attending	How Many are age 10 & Under			
Please circle what you plan to bring:	Casserole	Salad	Dessert	Other