

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 3, 2021**



MASS INTENTIONS



Sat	10/02	5:00 PM	Rev. Michael J. Stone by Marjorie
Sun	10/03	10:15 AM	All Catechists and Students of Saint Patrick Faith Formation Program
Wed	10/06	8:00 AM	All Parishioners
Thurs	10/07	8:00 AM	Thomas Murmello by Bernie and Joanne Perch
Fri	10/08	8:00 AM	Anna Pastore by Pastore Family
Sat	10/09	5:00 PM	All Parishioners, Living and Deceased
Sun	10/10	10:15 AM	Dr. Richard & Dolores Roque & Robert by Liz & Rich Roque

OFFERINGS: Wkly: \$2,892 Outreach: \$253 Natural Disasters: \$373



**CONFESSION SCHEDULE: Saturday, 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM
Sunday, 9:00 AM to 9:45 AM. You may also schedule an appointment.**

On September 27, Bishop Bambera issued the following guidelines for a safe environment at all weekday & weekend masses:

- **Strongly recommends all parishioners, vaccinated or unvaccinated, to wear a mask while attending Mass. We must continue to be vigilant against the emerging health threat.**
- **All Faith Formation (CCD) students, teachers and parents must wear a mask while in the Parish Center for class.**

RESPECT LIFE MONTH: October is Respect Life Month, and this first Sunday in October is Respect Life Sunday. In his message, "Life is a Gift to Respect," Bishop Bambera asks us to focus on Saint Joseph and his role within the Holy Family, defending the life of Jesus and his mother Mary. Let us pray for his intercession as we strive to respect and defend life. St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us!



ROSE FOR LIFE: In Loving Memory of Eva Jeziorski by Her Family

OFFERTORY GIFTS: If Mass is for a loved one and you wish to take up the gifts, inform an usher at the door prior to the start of Mass.

WOMEN OF ST. PATRICK will meet on Monday, October 4 at 6 PM in the Parish Hall to discuss having a Christmas Boutique this year.



SACRED SILENCE: As Catholics, we believe in the presence of Our Lord in the Tabernacle. Please observe a sacred silence before and after Mass. You can help to make our church a reverent space for prayer and worship.



Message from Mary Anne Malone, Parish Life Coordinator

First Day of Faith Formation Classes!

Welcome back to all of our students, parents, catechists and leaders in our Faith Formation (CCD) Program. As our students in Pre-K through 8th Grade return, keep in mind that faith formation is life-long. It is not just for children and it doesn't end with Confirmation. To quote Fr. Joseph Evanko, Pastor of St. Jude Parish: "The moment we think we know all we need to know about God, our religion and our spirituality, is the moment when we begin to forget about how God is the most important part of our life. The moment we think we have been totally spiritually formed, and do not need any more formation of our faith life and spiritual development, is the moment we start turning our back on God who created us to be spiritual beings."

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As you pray at home this week, spend some time with the readings for next Sunday (October 10, 2021), the Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Wisdom 7:7-11 • Hebrews 4:12-13 • Mark 10:17-30

2021 VIRTUAL SUMMER FESTIVAL: Thank you for the generous response to the Virtual Summer Festival. The total raised at this time is \$11,348.



ST. PATRICK BINGO is on Wednesday, October 13. Progressive jackpot is \$700 capped at \$1,000. Food is available at 5 PM. Games begin at 6 PM. Please join us. We need your support!

ST. PATRICK CHURCH CLEANING: We are looking for someone to clean the Church on a regular basis. If anyone is interested, please call the office for details @ 570-443-9944.

WEBINAR WITH DEACON ED SHOENER: Please join us for a one hour webinar on Tues, October 19 at 7 PM with Deacon Ed Shoener. Deacon Ed will be discussing the books he and Bishop John Dolan helped to create, *Responding to Suicide: A Pastoral Handbook for Catholic Leaders* (named Resource of the Year by the Association of Catholic Publishers) and *When a Loved One Dies by Suicide: Comfort, Hope, and Healing for Grieving Catholics*. Deacon will also speak about his continuing work in Grief and Bereavement Ministry at Cathedral Parish. To register for the webinar or to learn more, please contact Jennifer Housel (570-207-2213 x 1104, jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org).

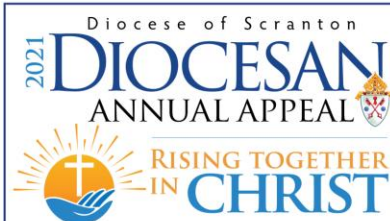
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— David Pirolli
Seminarian
Saint Jude Parish, Mountain Top

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