

**THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
OCTOBER 31, 2021**



**MASS INTENTIONS**



Sat	10/30	5:00 PM	Rosemarie Lindsey by Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy
Sun	10/31	10:15 AM	All Parishioners, Living and Deceased
Mon	11/01	6:00 PM	<b>ALL SAINTS - For All Deceased Priests and Deacons of Our Diocese</b>
Tues	11/02	8:00 AM	<b>ALL SOULS DAY</b>
Wed	11/03	8:00 AM	All Parishioners, Living and Deceased
Thurs	11/04	8:00 AM	Thomas Murmello by Lorraine and Tony Cusatis
Fri	11/05	8:00 AM	Tom Price by Ed and Jean
Sat	11/06	5:00 PM	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Ceol by Mr. & Mrs. Ed Jeziorski
Sun	11/07	10:15 AM	All Parishioners, Living and Deceased

**OFFERINGS: Wkly: \$3,065    Outreach: \$402    World Mission: \$107**



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

**First Friday Adoration is November 5. Sign-up sheet is on the table in back of the Church.**

**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.**



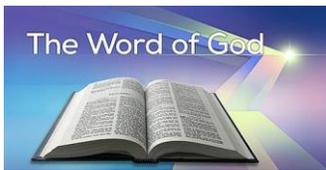
**St. Patrick offers Faith Formation (CCD) classes for students in Pre-School through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Classes are in person from 9 AM to 10 AM every Sunday in the Parish Center. Call the office for more information, 570-443-9944.**

**ALTAR SERVERS: St. Patrick Parish is in need of more altar servers to assist at Mass. Any child in grade 3 or older who would like to be a part of this important ministry is invited to attend a training session on Sunday, November 14 after the 10:15 Mass.**

**THANK YOU! I want to thank each of you for the prayers and get well wishes you have extended to me in recent weeks. Know that I miss all of you very much and hope to recover and see you in the near future. I will pray for you as you pray for me. -Mary Anne**



**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

You are probably focusing on Halloween this weekend: the costumes, the candy, the trick-or-treating. Halloween or All Hallow's Eve, ushers in the month of November, a time to reflect on Saints and Souls, the lives of those who have gone before us. As the earth prepares for winter sleep, look to the example of those the Church recognizes as saints, while praying for the souls in purgatory. How are we living up to the example of the saints? How are we preparing for eternal life?

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As you pray at home this week, spend some time with the readings for next Sunday, November 7, the Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time:

1 Kings 17:10-16 • Hebrews 9:24-28 • Mark 12:38-4

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:** "Rising Together in Christ." To those who have made a pledge to the Appeal, we offer a SINCERE thank you. If you have not given, please make a pledge in any amount to support the mission of the Church. Donate now at: [annualappeal.org](http://annualappeal.org) or mail your gift to Diocesan Annual Appeal, 300 Wyoming Avenue Scranton, PA 18505 or drop your Appeal gift in the weekly collection basket.



**ST. PATRICK TURKEY BINGO:** Wednesday, November 10. A turkey will be awarded every other regular game. Progressive jackpot is \$800 capped at \$1,000. Food is available at 5 PM. Games begin at 6 PM. Please join us. We need your support!

**LECTORS** are needed for both masses. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in back of the church or you can call the office, 570-443-9944. Please consider this important ministry.

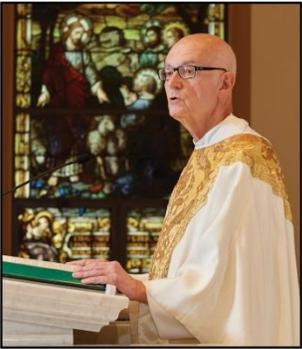
**Statement on Arrest of Diocesan Priest:** On October 22, 2021, the Diocese of Scranton learned that Father Gregory F. Loughney, Pastor, Most Holy Trinity Parish, Cresco, was arrested by members of the Pocono Mountain Regional Police Department. Four criminal charges - all connected to alleged inappropriate contact with a minor - were filed against Father Loughney on Saturday, Oct 23, 2021. Under its longstanding zero-tolerance policy, the Diocese of Scranton immediately removed Father Loughney from active ministry pending the outcome of the investigation. The Diocese of Scranton will cooperate fully with law enforcement officials in their investigation. Father Loughney will need to retain his own legal counsel, at his own expense.

Anyone who might have relevant information is urged to call the Pocono Mountain Regional Police Department at (570) 895-2400, the Monroe County District Attorney's Office at (570) 517-3052, or any local law enforcement agency. Information regarding any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor can also be reported to the Diocese of Scranton's Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Beth Pacuska, at (570) 862-7551.

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- Monsignor Dale R. Rupert  
Pastor, Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton



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