

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 26, 2021



MASS INTENTIONS



Sat	09/25	5:00 PM	Alice Danenhower by Daughter, Cheryl
Sun	09/26	10:15 AM	All Parishioners, Living and Deceased
Wed	09/29	8:00 AM	Samuel Ryan, Sr. by Elaine Smith
Thurs	09/30	8:00 AM	All Parishioners, Living and Deceased
Fri	10/01	8:00 AM	All Parishioners, Living and Deceased
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

OFFERINGS: Wkly: \$2,686 Outreach: \$525



**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 August 6, Bishop Bambera issued the following guidelines for a safe environment at all weekday & weekend masses:

- **Strongly recommending all parishioners, vaccinated or unvaccinated, to wear a mask while attending Mass. While masks will not be mandated in our parishes at this time, we must continue to be vigilant against the emerging health threat.**
- **A non-contact exchange, such as a wave or nod may be given at the sign of peace.**
- **Hand sanitizing must continue.**

MASS OBLIGATION: The obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation has been reinstated by Bishop Bambera. Exceptions will be for those who are sick, have a serious health risk, living in a household with those at risk, primary caregivers to those at risk, have a significant fear or concerns of being in a crowd due to COVID-19, or unable to attend Mass in person.



OFFERTORY GIFTS: This weekend, we will resume bringing up the gifts of bread and wine to the altar. If the mass is for a loved one, and you wish to take up the gifts, please approach an usher at the door to let him know. Otherwise, the ushers or other parishioners will bring up the gifts.



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

The readings this weekend point to a very necessary aspect of the life of the Church: **Hospitality**. This is not just a virtue for the few, but for all. As Christians, we believe that God created everything and everyone. You may not be an usher or someone on the hospitality committee but you can offer a spirit of welcome to all who come to our church. If you notice someone you have never seen in church before, think about what it would be like for you to enter into a new community. "Do not neglect hospitality, for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels." Hebrews 13:2

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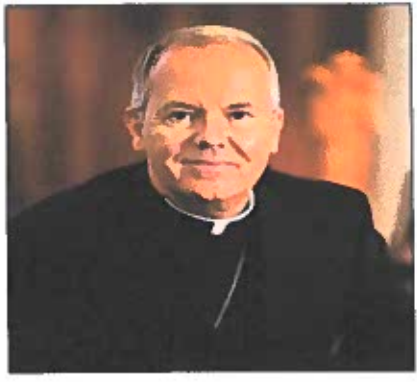
As you pray at home this week, spend some time with the readings for next Sunday (October 3, 2021), the Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Genesis 2:18-24 • Hebrews 2:9-11 • Mark 10:2-16

2021 VIRTUAL SUMMER FESTIVAL: Thank you for the generous response to the Virtual Summer Festival. The total raised at this time is \$10,453.

FAITH FORMATION (CCD) will begin on Sunday, October 3. Classes will be in person from 9:00 - 10:00 AM. Registrations are being accepted for Pre-School through 8th grade. Call the office for more information, 570-443-9944.

PARKING ALERT! As we welcome back the children in our Faith Formation Program (CCD) on October 3, the Marine Corps Breakfast will also take place on that day. Parking may be tight. Remember that we have a lot at the corner of Church and Northumberland Streets.

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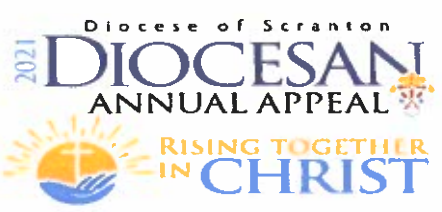


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— Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton

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THANK YOU: The Parish Pastoral Council thanks all who submitted nominations for the Council in the past few weeks. We are now in the process of calling each nominee to confirm their desire to serve on the Council.



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- Desiree Galdieri
Mother of Gianna, 7, student at Wyoming Area
Catholic School, Exeter

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