

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Parish Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Thursday ~ Office Closed
Friday ~ 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil ~ 4:00 p.m.
Sunday ~ 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Friday ~ 9:00 a.m.

Adoration

Monday ~ 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Confessions

Monday ~ 6:10 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
(during Adoration)
Friday after 9:00 a.m. Mass

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Notify the parish office
whenever someone is ill,
hospitalized, or homebound, who
wishes to receive Communion.

Parish Membership

New parishioners are
always welcome.
Please call the parish office
to register.

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Contact Susan Mann
#570-244-8133

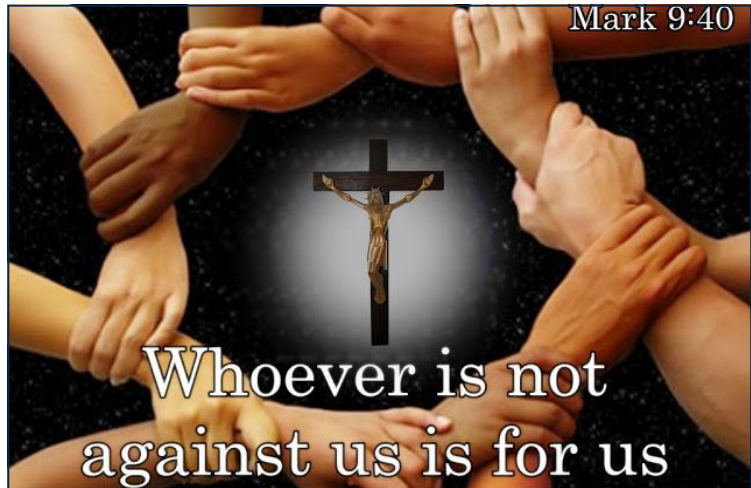
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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024



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Feast Of The Holy Guardian Angels *October 2nd*

Dear Parishioners,

Perhaps no aspect of Catholic piety is as comforting to parents as the belief that an angel protects their little ones from dangers real and imagined. Yet, Guardian Angels are not only for children. Their role is to represent individuals before God, to watch over them always, to aid their prayer, and to present their souls to God at death.

The concept of an angel assigned to guide and nurture each human being is a development of Catholic doctrine and piety based on Scripture but not directly drawn from it. Jesus' words in Matthew 18:10 best support the belief: "See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their Angels in Heaven always look upon the face of My Heavenly Father."

Devotion to the angels began to develop with the birth of the monastic tradition. Saint Benedict gave it impetus and Saint Bernard of Clairvaux, the great 12th-century reformer, was such an eloquent spokesman for the Guardian Angels that angelic devotion assumed its current form in his day.

A feast in honor of the Guardian Angels was first observed in the 16th century. In 1615, Pope Paul V added it to the Roman calendar.

Joyfully yours,

Fr. Michael



Two Prayers to your Guardian Angel

Prayer to our Guardian Angel

Angel sent by God to guide me,
be my light and walk beside me;
be my guardian and protect me;
on the paths of life direct me.
Amen.



Angel of God

Angel of God, my guardian dear,
to whom God's love commits me here,
ever this day (or night) be at my side,
to light, to guard, to rule and guide.
Amen.

September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows

The Week At A Glance

Sunday, September 29
~Front Porch Social

Monday, September 30
~Holy Hour & Confessions ~ 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 1
~Mass & Novena ~ 9:00 a.m.
~Coordinating Team Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 2
~Planning for Fr. Mike's 40th Anniversary Celebration 6:30 p.m.

Friday, October 4
~Confessions after 9:00 a.m. Mass
~Confessions ~ 5:00-6:00 p.m.
~Blessing of Animals 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 5
~1st Saturday Mass/Devotions/Confessions 9-10:30 a.m.
~Youth Activity @ the Nolan's House Time TBA

Mass Intentions

~**Saturday, September 28**
4:00 p.m. Josephine Arduini on Her 101st Birthday

~**Sunday, September 29**
8:00 a.m. John Null (By Daughter Alicia & Family)
10:30 a.m. The People of the Parish

~**Monday, September 30**
9:00 a.m. Patricia Bonus (By Dave & Wendy Bonus)

~**Tuesday, October 1**
9:00 a.m. Cheryl Marie Hook (By The Hook Family)

~**Wednesday, October 2**
9:00 a.m. May & Harry Hanna (By Gloria Renehan)

~**Thursday, October 3**
No Mass

~**Friday, October 4**
9:00 a.m. John Stetts (By Donna and Rev. John Bubb)

~**Saturday, October 5**
4:00 p.m. Kenneth Mann (By Family)

~**Sunday, October 6**
8:00 a.m. Robert Bamonte (By the Lee Family)
10:30 a.m. The People of the Parish

Offertory Collections: Weekend of Sept. 21-22 (Includes on-line contributions)

Loose	\$ 537.00
Offertory	\$ 5980.00
Maintenance	\$ 8.00
Utilities & Fuel	2.00
Religious Education	\$ 1.00
Votives	\$ 5.00
All Saints	\$ 222.00
TOTAL	\$ 6755.00
<u>Diocesan Collections</u>	
Care and Education of Priests	\$ 1.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 6756.00

Opportunities to Serve

Our Lady of Lourdes is currently seeking **Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors** for our weekend Masses. Please consider offering your *time* and *talent* to these beautiful ministries. If you have any questions please reach out to us at the parish office .

Women of Lourdes ~ Save the Dates

Capuchin Sisters of Nazareth: Nazareth Group: Young women, ages 9-12, who desire to make wholesome friendships and grow in their love for Jesus Christ, through prayer and hearing inspirational talks. RSVP to Sr. Clare @ 570-745-3334. Next meeting, *Oct. 12*, @ 11-4:30 at *Mother of the Eucharist Convent, 6100 Jacks Hollow Rd.*

Women of Lourdes ~ Dinner Night Out: October 9, 6:00 p.m. @ Johnsons Café! *Sign up at the Church office. Bring friends!*

Women's Retreat: Williamsport Deanery is hosting the retreat @ Immaculate Conception, Bastress, *Oct. 19*. Start @ 10am thru Mass @ 4:00 pm.

Collection Counter Schedule

Sept. 30 ~ Group 2 G. Farrington, M. McNamara, C. Everett
Oct. 7 ~ Group 3 J. DeGregorio, J. Ransdorf, G. Renehan

Blessing of Animals



Feast of Saint Francis
October 4th at 6 p.m.

Bring your pets for a celebration of God's creatures.

All your furry, feathered and leathered friends are most welcome! We will have treats for humans and animals alike.

Good Saint Francis, you love all of God's creatures. To you they were your bothers and sisters. Help us to follow your example of treating every living thing with love and respect.

Amen!

Gracie Agatha

Hopes to see you

all there!



Traveling Chalice For Vocations



Each week a parishioner or family will take home the Traveling Chalice as a visible reminder to pray for vocations to the priesthood.

For twenty years this Traveling Chalice was used here at Our Lady of Lourdes for daily Mass.

PLEASE SIGN UP TO BE A HOST!



Faith In Action

For the month of October we are collecting **canned fruit**. We continue to collect Peanut butter for the Montoursville Back Pack Program.

Prayer List for the Month of September

Dave Bonus, D. Jane Brown, Mark Brumbach, Gayne Campbell, Ann Dorin, Carisa Foulds, Margie Foulds, Cliff Hales, Oscar Hepburn Sr., Michael Hook, Janet Jean, Rita Koch, Lois O'Malley, Kathleen Maiolo, Al and Karen Marlett, Jessie McDevitt, Jason Mifsud, Mary Shuhler, Carl Ulsamer, Jim Wilson, Debbie Winterer



Our Lady of Lourdes Military Board

We are updating our Military Bulletin Board located at the front entrance of the Church. If you would like to honor a family member or Veteran, please do so by sending us your info and a picture to be displayed, so that we might keep them in our prayers.

Planning Meeting for Fr. Mikes 40th Anniversary

A meeting is scheduled, for October 2 @ 6:30 p.m. in the hall, to start the preparations for Fr. Mike's 40th Anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. Celebration date is scheduled for Saturday, June 7, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Annual Lycoming County Life Chain



The Life Chain will be held on Sunday, Oct. 6, from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. on the "Golden Strip" (East 3rd St) in Wmspt. This is a peaceful, prayerful and visible witness of Christ's love. *Choose Life! Deuteronomy. 30:19.*

Be A Catholic Man Conference ~ Oct. 5

Holy Redeemer High School, 159 South Pennsylvania Ave. Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701, from 8-3 pm. Register On-line: Contact Mike Kilmer @ 570-721-0872 or BeACatholicMan.com.

Pilgrimage to Fatima, Spain & Lourdes

Attention members of our Parish Family! OLOL is embarking on a Pilgrimage next Summer to Spain. Dates are July 7-16, 2025. See website for details. www.206tours.com/olol

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

Vocation Ministry

Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, our vocation ministry team strives to create an environment in the parish that promotes and encourages vocations to the Priesthood, Religious and Married life.

~On this Priesthood Sunday, please pray for all Priests~



God our heavenly Father,
You are the potter and we are the clay.
Mold our young people to be Your disciples. Give them courage to discern Your call to Priesthood and Religious Life. Give strength to those who serve Your Church. May they lead Your people to holiness. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Around the Diocese

Church of The Resurrection: Adult Education Program. Five part series on Vatican II. Dates of series: 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16 & 10/23, held in Social Hall @ 7:00 p.m.

EZRA 10:4 A Retreat for men discerning the priesthood by Rev. Alex Roche. October 11-12, 2024. Register at: DioceseofScranton.org/vocations.



Sunday, September 29th is Priesthood Sunday. We asked Fr. Mike a few questions that we might get to know him more personally: ~When is your Birthday? *August 2, 1956*

~ How many siblings do you have and what is your birth order? *I am the older brother to my one and only baby sister.*

~What attracted you to the Priesthood? *The short answer is Mary and the Eucharist, plus a desire to bring souls to Jesus.*

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