

SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS PARISH

at the
Church of St. Joseph
Hazleton, PA

~ *Welcome* ~

If you are a visitor to our parish community, we want you to know that you are welcome whether you have come from another state or another Parish.

Please feel comfortable in our Father's house and thank you for worshipping with us.

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Reverend Michael J. Piccola, V.F., M.Th., M.Ed., **Pastor**

Deacon Leonard Kassick, **Parish Deacon**

Deacon Thomas Kostic, **Parish Deacon**

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 2:45—3:30 PM

Thursday prior to First Friday:
as scheduled in the bulletin

Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening: 4:00PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM

Daily Mass: As scheduled in the bulletin

Holy Day Mass: As scheduled in the bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration

On the First Friday as scheduled in the bulletin

Devotions

Novena of the Miraculous Medal, St. Peregrine and the Infant of Prague following the morning Mass each Monday.

Tuesday mornings after Mass, the Novenas to St. Jude and St. Joseph are prayed.

The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet are prayed each weekday before Mass.

The Rosary is prayed each Saturday afternoon prior to the 4:00 Mass.

Sacrament of Marriage

Those interested in getting married should schedule an appointment with the parish priest at least 6 months prior to the intended wedding date. No wedding date will be given until the first appointment with the parish priest.

Hospital and Nursing Home Visitation

If your loved one is in the hospital or nursing home and you would like a parish priest to visit please call the rectory. If you would like your loved ones names to be printed in our bulletin please call the rectory. If you would like to be added to our monthly homebound communion visitation list, please call the rectory. Please keep all of our sick and homebound in your prayers.

A Community Who Shares The Word

Catholic Education: Please consider giving your children a Catholic Education. Our local parishes support Holy Family Academy in Hazleton. To register or for more information on Pre-K to 8th Grade, call 455-9431 or go to our website at: www.holyfamilyacademy.info

CCD Classes: Held every Sunday for grades K-8, from 9:00 - 10:00AM at Holy Family Academy.

JUNE 22, 2025

MOSY HOLY BODY AND BLOOD)
(OF CHRIST + CORPUS CHRISTI)

Mass  for the
Intentions Week



MONDAY, JUNE 23RD

8:00 AM Michelle and Larry Kpuschinsky
by Phil

TUESDAY, JUNE 24TH

(Nativity of St. John the Baptist)

8:00 AM Edward, Dolly and Kathy
Gombeda by Brother, Andrew Gombeda

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25TH

8:00 AM Benedicta Talkowski by
Children

THURSDAY, JUNE 26TH

8:00 AM Michael and Elizabeth Wedgie
by Family

FRIDAY, JUNE 27TH

(Most Sacred Heart of Jesus)

8:00 AM Camille Palermo by Family

SATURDAY, JUNE 28TH

(Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

(St. Irenaeus)

2:45 PM to 3:30 PM Confessions

4:00 PM Catherine and Michael
Kowalchick by Children

SUNDAY, JUNE 29TH

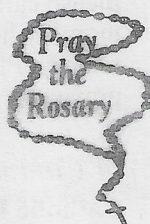
(Saint Peter and Saint Paul)

8:00 AM James Vajda by Mother, Janet

10:30 AM Health and God's Blessings for
Raymond Montoni by Wife, Lorraine



INVITE the Fatima Pilgrim Statue into
your home for a week. Call (570-454-
3341).



BIG BUCKS WINNERS FOR 2025:

6/13 (316) Not Sold, 6/14 (425) \$50-Ann
Schnauffer, 6/15 (699) \$50-M.E. Burgess & Co,
6/16 (605) \$50-Jan Ruth Franklin, 6/17 (917)
\$50-Richard Merrick, 6/18 (567) \$50-SSCM
CCW, 6/19 (846) \$50-Karl Miller

YOUR PRAYERS: are asked for all who are
confined to their homes, nursing homes and
the elderly. May God bless and keep them in
His tender care. Also, please remember in
your prayers all members of our Army, Navy,
Marines, Coast Guard and Air Force: may God
keep them from all harm.

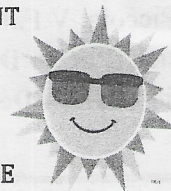
CONGRATULATIONS: to Ray Montoni who will
celebrate his birthday next weekend. May God
grant him many more happy and healthy years!

HOLY FAMILY ACADEMY: Registration for the
2025-2026 school year is being held. For more
information call the school (570-455-9431).

HOLY FAMILY ACADEMY has gift cards on hand at
the school. Contact the main Office (570-455-
9431) if interested in purchasing any.

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND
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SUNDAY	\$3,163.50
LOOSE	223.00
DUES	360.00
BUILD/MAINT	70.00
UTILITIES	102.00
MISSION	
CANDLES	397.00
CARE & ED	52.00
PETER PENCE	41.00
MIS	50.00
TOTAL	\$4,458.50



*Thank you! Our weekly collections continue to
be very important to the operation of our parish,
especially at this time. Thanks to all who are
generous and faithful in parish support!*

1950s-60s ALL NEW POP HITS music show
Friday, June 27th. All are invited for a night of fun
music hits performed by vocalist Jack James
with guest trumpeter, Frank Balon. Pre-show
instrumental hits start at 5:30 PM. The concert
begins at 6:30 PM. Inside the Freeland Dance
Hall Pavilion, Front Street next to the YM-YWCA.
The performance is indoors. Seating provided.
No admission. Free will offerings appreciated.
Refreshments, food and snacks will be
available.



THE MOST HOLY BODY
AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

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The Twelve approached him and said, "Dismiss the crowd so that they can go to the surrounding villages and farms and find lodging and provisions; for we are in a deserted place here." He said to them, "Give them some food yourselves." — Lk 9:12b-13a

June 22, 2025

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Luke 9:11-17

A Catholic friend of mine occasionally says, "The Eucharist is not a noun. It's a verb." In so saying, he is making the point that the Eucharist isn't simply Jesus' bodily presence given to us in holy Communion. It also manifests the dynamic pattern by which Christ actively loves and saves us. He teaches us to cooperate with that pattern. This Eucharist actually embodies four verbs: Jesus takes, blesses, breaks, and gives. Let's consider each one.

He takes: Do we acknowledge that we are totally in God's hands? Do we receive everything in our lives as a gift, and act responsibly with it?

He blesses: Do we actively reflect that Jesus makes us holy in our baptism? Do we embrace our bodies and souls as temples of God, worthy of love, peace, and joy?

He breaks: Do we run from failure and disappointment, from getting old or being ignored? Are we too worried about getting hurt or sick? Do we embrace our sufferings with confidence?

He gives: Are we willing to make our lives a gift for others? Are we confident that we will always have enough love to give to others, that God will always provide enough for us? Do we rejoice in giving away what we have to others, expecting nothing in return? This is the dynamic life the Eucharist empowers us to live.

— Father John Muir

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Mass in Remembrance of Victims of Violent or Tragic Death

The Diocese of Scranton is offering the annual Mass in remembrance of victims of violent or tragic death. This Mass is offered for the families and friends of those who have died in tragedy, especially through murder, suicide, and accident.

The Mass is scheduled for **Thursday, July 24, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in Saint Peter's Cathedral, 315 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton.** All persons who have lost a loved one through tragic and traumatic death are invited to this liturgy. The mass will be televised on CTV: Catholic Television and also by livestream on the diocesan website, www.dioceseofscranton.org.

Names of deceased loved ones will be inscribed in the Book of Remembrance. Visit www.dioceseofscranton.org to register the name of a loved one, or use the registration form available in the parish office. All forms must be received by July 11, 2025.



THE L. J. FERDINAND Malvern Retreat Group will hold their annual retreat on **JULY 11TH- 13TH** at the Malvern Retreat House. The group has been hosting retreats for over 80 years and includes men from our parish. New retreatants are always welcome and are encouraged to join them. Contact captain John M. Nonnemacher for more details (570-788-1012).



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