STEWARDSHIP

October 18, 2026

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Online	$763.00
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Diocesan	$75.00
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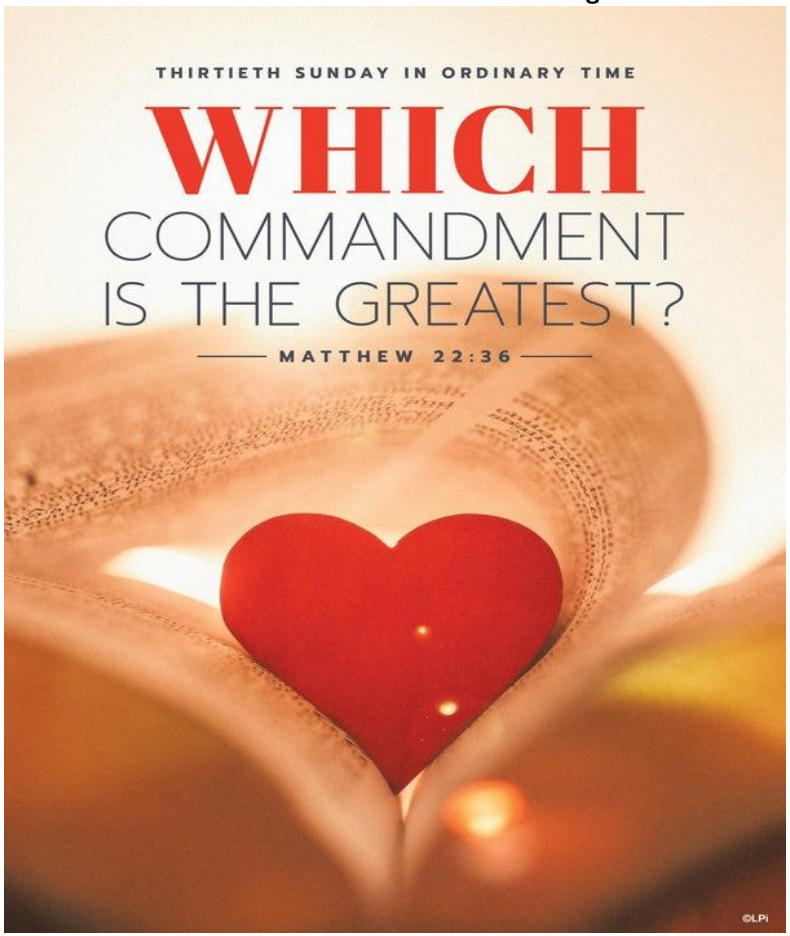


"We learned about the 10 commandments, but I bet my parents will add a few of there own!"

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October 25, 2026

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Worship Schedule:

Saturday – 4:00pm St. Mark
6:00pm St. Elizabeth
Sunday – 8:30am St. Mark
10:30am St. Elizabeth

Monday -Tuesday-Wednesday-Friday
9:00am St. Elizabeth

Mission Statement

Humbly guided by the Holy Spirit, our mission is to help people.

~Through prayer and worship, discover God's desire to be in a relationship with us

~ Discover and develop the gifts and talents God has bestowed on each person

~Share our faith in Jesus Christ through a welcoming community, beautiful liturgy and ongoing faith formation

~ Be of service to one another, to the communities in which we live and especially to those in need

FR. RAWEL'S CORNER

LET'S LOVE.....

Today's readings invite us to love our brothers and sisters. In the first reading, God is reminding the people of Israel of the slavery they experienced in the land of Egypt. He calls them to be considerate towards the people who lived among them like sojourners and invites them to be merciful, especially to those who are orphans and widows.

They are also given warning that if the poor are oppressed and their cries reach Him, He will stand for them and deliver justice to them by punishing the oppressors.

We can see a clear portrait of a loving and merciful God in this reading. Similarly, we can see how St. Paul is directing the church in Thessalonica on how to be role models for the people who are living in Macedonia and Achaia in loving others and being merciful to others. These two readings remind us how to show mercy to others as God is merciful to us. St. Paul affirms that being merciful to others is the identity of believers of Christ.

Today's Gospel summaries the message of both these readings. Jesus condenses the ten commandments of the Old Covenant into just two commandments: Love your Lord God with all your heart and mind and love your neighbor as yourself. Loving the neighbors is the way one can express their love for God. That is the greatest challenge in our life but at the same time, it is our vocation as Christians.

Dear Lord, help us to experience your unconditional love and lead us to share your love with everyone around us.

HAVE A BLESSED SUNDAY!!!

COMMUNION OF SAINTS PARISH
69TH ANNUAL NOVENA TO ST. JUDE
St. Mary of Christian Help Church
535 North Main Street Pittston

Continues and ends on the feast of Sts. Simon and Jude, Wednesday, October 28th. For more information, please contact the Communion of Saints Parish Office at 570-654-0053.



Young adults are invited to join the Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, and the Diocesan Vocations Office for the eleventh annual Leave a Mark Mass on Nov. 1, 2026, to kick off National Vocation Awareness Week!

Leave a Mark is the Diocese of Scranton's response to what Pope Francis said at World Youth Day in 2016: "Dear young people, we didn't come into this world to 'vegetate,' to take it easy, to make our lives a comfortable sofa to fall asleep on. No, we came for another reason: to leave a mark. It is very sad to pass through life without leaving a mark."

Please pray for Pope Leo XIV

A PRAYER FOR POPE LEO XIV

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Heavenly Father,
We humbly place our beloved Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV,
into Your loving and merciful hands.

Surround him with Your peace. Strengthen his body, comfort his heart,
and grant him courage in the face of uncertainty.

Guide the hands and minds of his doctors, bless those caring for him, and,
according to Your holy will, restore him to health.

May the Blessed Virgin Mary wrap him in her maternal mantle, and may
the Holy Spirit sustain him with unwavering faith and hope.

Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

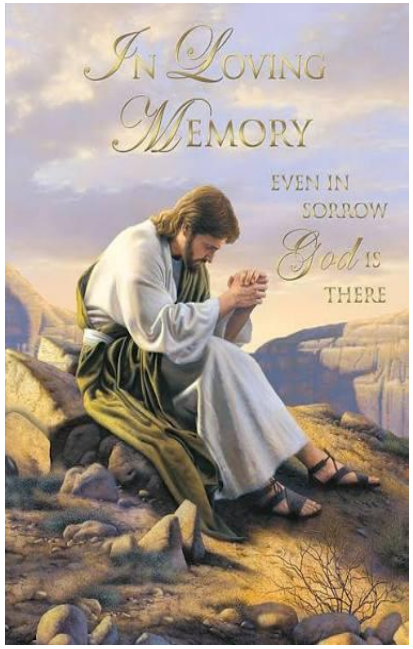
The ROYAL family is opening its doors!
Visit OPEN HOUSE Sunday, October 25, 1:00-3:00 p.m. Discover an enriching, supportive, faith-filled environment where academic excellence and servant leadership are pursued daily.
Talk to students, faculty, and coaches to learn why you belong in the Holy Redeemer family.
HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL
159 South Pennsylvania Blvd., Wilkes-Barre
570-829-2424

PLEASE NOTE..

No Weekday Masses

October 26th -October 30th

Please pray for Father Rawel he will be on Convocation.



Annual ***Remembrance Mass*** will be held Monday, November 2nd, All Soul's Day, at 9:00am at St. Elizabeth's Church. All parishioners who have passed away since November 1st of last year will be remembered in a special ceremony.

We will also pray for ***all*** deceased family and friends.



All Saints' Day (November 1) remains on the U.S. Holy Day list. When it falls on Sunday (as in 2026), Sunday Mass fulfills the obligation for that day. Still treat November as a season to invoke patron saints by name.



EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

Saturday, October 24 – Sunday, November 1, 2026

Saturday, Oct 24
4:00pm (M) Fulmani Toppo *Req. by John & Ann Tucker*
6:00pm (E) Charlotte Janc *Req. by Dr. Gary & Benedetta Lawrence*

Sunday, Oct 25
8:30am (M) For the Parishioners
10:00am (E) Charlotte Janc *Req. by Debbie & Rich Mitchell*

Monday, Oct 26
9:00am (E) **NO MASS**

Tuesday, Oct 27
9:00am (E) **NO MASS**

Wednesday, Oct 28
9:00am (E) **NO MASS**

Thursday, Oct 29
9:00am (E) **NO MASS**

Friday, Oct 30
9:00am (E) **NO MASS**

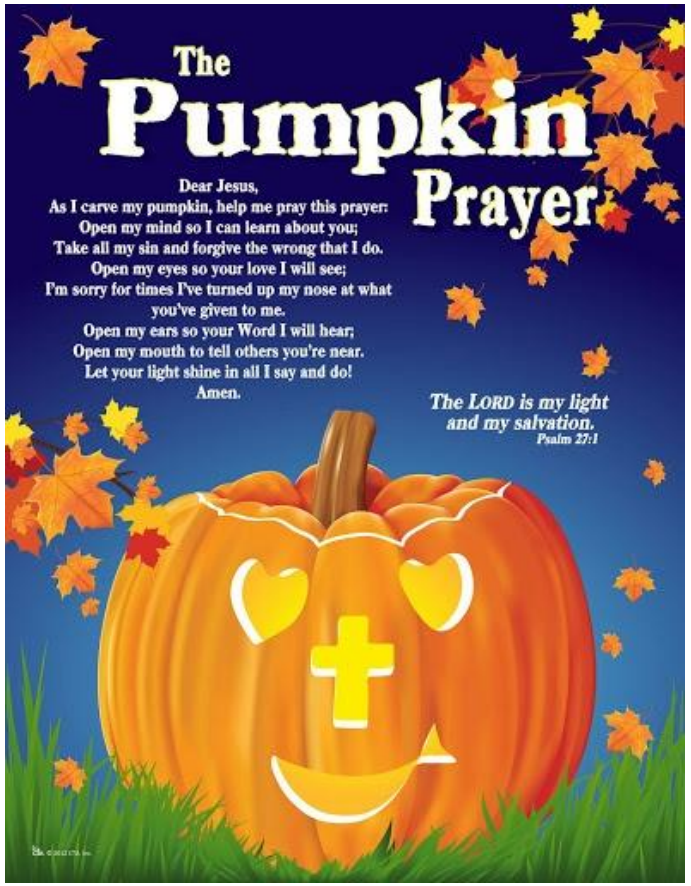
Saturday, October 31
4:00pm (M) George & Irene Cooney *Req. by Kathy & Steve Rector*
6:00pm (E) Virginia Corcoran *Req. By Dr. Gary & Benedetta Lawrence*

Sunday, Nov 1
8:30am (M) For the Parishioners
10:30am (E) Joseph S. Humanik *Req. by Mary Dec*



Pierogi Pick-Up

November 1st at St. Elizabeth Church from 11:45AM



Happy Halloween