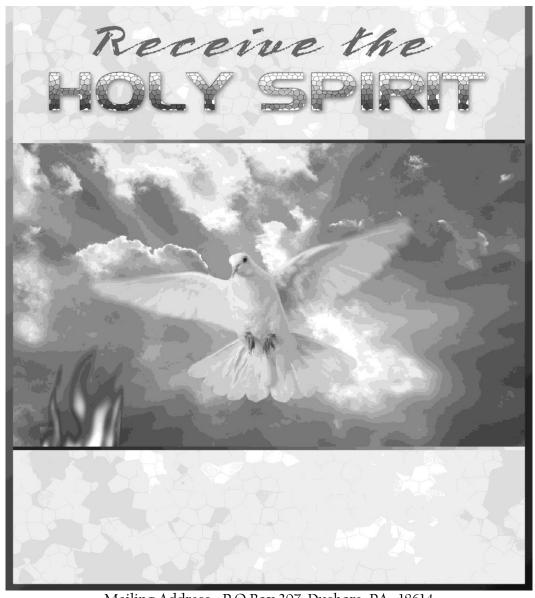
THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH

May 20 ~ Pentecost Sunday



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Mass Schedule

Saturday

4:00 PM St. Basil's Church, Dushore

Sunday

7:30 AM St. Francis of Assisi Church, Mildred 9:30 AM St. Basil's Church, Dushore

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays ~ 3:15 – 3:45 PM St. Basil's Church, Dushore Sundays ~ 7:00 – 7:15 AM St. Francis of Assisi Church, Mildred Or by appointment A Welcoming Community: You enter this Church ... not as stranger, but as a guest of God. He is your heavenly Father. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into His presence, offering Him your love and service. Be grateful to the strong and loyal ones who, in the name of Jesus Christ, built this place of worship, and to all who have beautified it and hallowed it with their prayers and praise. Ask His blessing on those who love His house of faith as the inspiration of their labor, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, and may that blessing rest on you, both in your going out and your coming in.

Parish Registration: You must be a registered member of The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish to receive Baptism, Confirmation, First Penance, First Holy Communion, Marriage and to receive sponsor letters from the pastor.

New Members: Please stop by or call the parish office and register. (If you are relocating to a new parish, please notify the office before you move.) Thank you.

Change of Address: Please notify the parish office as soon as possible if you have had a change of address.

Inactive Catholics: As a welcoming parish, we ask every parishioner to ask God to put in your heart people whose hearts we need to reach out and touch with God's love. "Before you talk to men about God, you talk to God about men." Please, call, write, leave in an envelope in the collection the name, address and phone number of the person. Father would be delighted to meet with them.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process to bring non-Catholics into the faith. Anyone seeking information or interested in becoming a part of this community of faith can call the parish office.

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptisms are scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month following the 9:30 AM Mass. In order to understand and better appreciate this special sacrament, parents are required to attend the Pre-Baptismal Program, which is held on the last Saturday of each month at 7:00 PM in St. Basil's Rectory. Please contact the rectory to schedule your child's baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage: Couples contemplating marriage should notify the rectory at least six months prior to the date to allow necessary time for proper preparation.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: Urgent calls will be attended to at any time of the day or night.

Visitation of the Sick: Please call the parish for visitation of the sick at home, in the hospital, or health care facility.

Parish Mission Statement: We, the Catholic faithful of The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, in union with our Holy Father, the Pope, and our Bishop, are called through Baptism to share in the ministry which Jesus Christ has entrusted to the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. As priest and lay faithful in a rural area, we utilize our energy to serve the spiritual needs of the Kingdom of God to promote a culture of life, justice, and peace to this generation and the generations that follow us.

Prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, Heavenly beauty and splendor of the Father, you are the most valued Heavenly treasure.

New Eve, immaculate in soul, spirit and body, created of the godly seed by the Spirit of God, you are the spiritual Mother of mankind.

Pure Virgin, full of grace then and now, your whole being was raised Heavenly in full glory, to be elevate-d above all the hosts within the Kingdom of God.

O Heavenly Mother, Queen of Heaven and earth, I recognize the glory of your highest title, the Immaculate Heart of Mary!

Loving Mother, dispenser of endless blessings, you who continually intercede on our behalf, please present my need before your loving Son, Jesus.

(Mention your request)

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, I know that you are now presenting my need before Jesus, for you have never turned away those in dire need.

Mother dearest, I await your favorable answer, submitting myself to the Divine will of the Lord, for all glories are His for ever and ever. Amen.

Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, May 20, 2018

The **First Reading** is from the Acts of the Apostles (2:1-11). Luke situates the coming of the Holy Spirit on the Jewish Feast of Pentecost. In John's Gospel, the Holy Spirit comes on Easter Sunday evening. In Scripture, it is the theological meaning of events that matter and not their historical chronology. In Jewish tradition, Pentecost is a harvest feast celebrating the giving of the Law on Mt. Sinai. It commemorates Israel's covenant with God, the birth of Israel. Pentecost (meaning fifty) takes place 50 days after Passover. Luke has the Holy Spirit come on Pentecost to announce the beginning of a new Israel. The Church will be universal in scope. People of every nation will be invited to join this new People of God. The arrival of the Holy Spirit is described in both visual and auditory terms reminiscent of the Old Testament theophanies, (i.e., appearances of God). God appeared to Moses in a burning bush and God spoke to Job from a whirlwind (Job 38:1). The first gift the Spirit imparts is the gift of tongues. Perhaps the most miraculous thing about this whole event is the inner change it works in the disciples. A group of fear-filled disciples now become bold proclaimers of the Gospel.

The Responsorial Psalm (104:1ab, 24ac, 29bc-30, 31, 34) This is a hymn of praise to the Creator—God, the One who gives us new life in the Spirit.

The **Second Reading** is from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Galatians (5:16-25). Paul contrasts life in the spirit to life in the flesh. Life in the flesh follows earthly passions. Paul names fifteen such passions. When living life in the Spirit, one bears good fruit. Paul lists nine virtues or fruits of the Spirit.

The **Gospel Reading** is from the Gospel of John (20:19-23). "On the evening of that first day of the week...Jesus came." This appearance happens on Easter Sunday evening, the evening of the Resurrection. Jesus comes to a group of frightened disciples. "The doors were locked for fear of the Jews." The fact that Jesus can come through locked

doors shows that the "resurrected life" is totally different—not confined by physical obstacles. Yet, by showing them his hands and side, Jesus is saying that there is a connection and continuity between the crucified Christ and the resurrected Christ. Also, by showing them his pierced hands and side, Jesus is communicating the cost of glory. Jesus imparts three gifts: peace, joy and the Spirit. The "peace" or shalom which Jesus brings replaces the feelings of guilt the disciples must have had for abandoning Jesus in his hour of greatest need. This gift restores harmony to a broken or wounded relationship. 'Joy' is what the disciples experience when they see Jesus. This joy at the presence of Jesus replaces the feelings of depression the disciples must have felt during Jesus' absence. Then Jesus imparts his Spirit: "He breathed on them." This gesture is reminiscent of God breathing life into Adam (Gen 2:7). Pentecost is the beginning of a new creation. By his gesture of breathing, Jesus brings to birth his Church. He then commissions those gathered to go 14 forth and forgive sins. "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them and whose sins you retain are retained." Originally, these words were probably seen as the Church's prerogative to confer or withhold baptism from those seeking entry into the Church. People who were judged as not truly repentant of their sin or who do not embrace the message of Jesus were refused baptism which, among other things, cleansed the recipient of sin. Later, our Church saw in these words of Jesus the foundation of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Monday

Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29 **Tuesday**

Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11, 23; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday Ps 49:2-3 6-11: MI

Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40 Thursday

Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50 Friday

Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12

Saturday ~ Saint Philip Neri, Priest | as 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22; Rom 8:14-17; Mr 28:16-20

<u>Liturgical Ministers for May 26-27</u> Special Ministers of Communion

4:00 PM Dushore R. Finan, J. Lambert, R. Tourscher 7:30 AM Mildred J. Doyle, H. Clark, K. Bohensky 9:30 AM Dushore D. Fite, J. Krakoski, T. Hembury

Lectors

4:00 PM Dushore A. Hudzinski, R. Green R. Gumble, S. Moyer 9:30 AM Dushore J. Fite, J. Lambert

Altar Servers

4:00 PM Dushore S. Braisted 7:30 AM Mildred R. Thomas 9:30 AM Dushore Z. & S. Pedro

Weekly Liturgical Celebrations

Saturday, May 19

3:15 ~ 3:45 PM Dushore Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:00 PM Dushore Dane Tourscher by Mae & Jack Barnosky Sunday, May 20

7:00 – 7:15 AM **Mildred** Sacrament of Reconciliation 7:30 AM **Mildred** Mass for the People

9:30 AM Dushore John Cosgrove by Maureen Cosgrove Tuesday, May 22

9:00 AM Mildred William Perry Poplin by Roseann Bailey Wednesday, May 23

9:00 AM **Dushore** Kathleen Crumley by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph McDonough

Thursday, May 24

9:00 AM Mildred Lee Sharrow by John & Linda Caccia Friday, May 25

9:00 AM **Dushore** Gerald & Alice Taylor family by Alice Taylor Carey

Saturday, May 26

3:15 ~ 3:45 PM Dushore Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:00 PM Dushore John & Delores Jerkes by Mary Rose Berfield

Sunday, May 27

7:00 – 7:15 AM **Mildred** Sacrament of Reconciliation 7:30 AM **Mildred** Mass for the People

9:30 AM Dushore Alan Kaier by Suzanne Kaier

Patron of the Week

Mobile Dog Grooming
Please support our patrons!

PARISH DATES TO REMEMBER

May 25 – Knights of Columbus Chicken BBQ

June 9 – Knights of Columbus Clam Bake

June 29 – Knights of Columbus Chicken BBQ

July 1 – Mass at St. John Neumann Shrine

July 8 – IHM Parish Picnic 12:00–5:00 St. Basil's Picnic Grounds

August 5 – Mass at St. John Neumann Shrine

August 31 – Knights of Columbus Chicken BBQ

September 2 – Mass at St. John Neumann Shrine

Our Weekly Parish Offertory Collection
The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish
Ascension-May 10, 2018

\$1,202.00

May 12 & 13, 2018 \$3,868.20

Catholic Communications Campaign

\$470.05

May Second Collections May 20 ~ Heat & Eat Fund May 27 ~ Building & Maintenance **Thank you for your generosity!**

Appeal Update:

Our Parish Goal: \$41,000 Total Raised: \$30,914.38 Percentage of Goal Pledged: 75% (171 out of 452 families pledged)



Thank you for helping us reach our \$5 million goal to maintain Diocesan ministries and services

By walking together in the light of Christ, you bring joy and hope to all who seek our assistance.

When we open our hearts to extend God's mercy and love to our sisters and brothers, we grow as disciples of Jesus Christ.



MOST REVEREND JOSEPH C. BAMBERA BISHOP OF SCRANTON

BABY BOTTLES

There will be baby bottles in the back of the churches to be used for donations to the **Endless Mountains Pregnancy Care Center.** Please take a bottle and return it to either church or the parish office no later than Father's Day, June

17th. If you have any questions, please contact Barb Muller at 570-928-8425.

All Donations The Ninth Annual OCATIONS Benefitting MONDAY Our Future 11:00 a.m. Lunch **JULY 9, 2018** Priests 12 p.m. Start Blue Ridge Trail Club Awards Dinner Following Mountain Top

Donate or Register by Credit Card or Check...

- Call 570-207-2250 to make a credit card donation or ask for a brochure
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"Refresh Your Faith" 1st Annual Catholic Women's Conference

Does your faith need a boost? Looking to be inspired and uplifted? Then join hundreds of women, at all levels of faith from Northeast PA and beyond as they gather at the 1st

Annual Catholic Women's Conference. Conference includes Mass with Bishop

Joseph Bambera, Keynote speakers include: Judy Landrieu Klein, "Faith Through It All", Father Richard McAlear, "Ministry of Hope and Healing", and music by "His Own". Enjoy a continental breakfast, lunch, and shopping at the Catholic Vendor Marketplace.

The University of Scranton, Byron Complex, June 23, 2018 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. For registration and information go to www.dioceseof scranton.org/catholicwomens-conference

World Youth Day 2019



World Youth Day will be held in Panama City, Panama from January 22 - 27, 2019. World Youth Day is an initiative from St. John Paul II to gather Young Catholics of the world every two to three years in a celebration of faith and culture. The World Youth Day events gather millions, including Pope Francis, young Catholics, clergy, and religious brothers and sisters.

The Diocese of Scranton is sponsoring two separate pilgrimage packages for young adults ages 18 -35. If you, or a young adult you may know, are interested in learning more about the World Youth Day Pilgrimage, contact Shannon Kowalski, Coordinator for Youth & Young Adult Ministry at (570) 207-2213 x1155 or email Shannon-Kowalski@dioceseofscranton.org.

<u>Knights of</u> <u>Columbus Annual</u> <u>Clam Bake</u>

Saturday, June 9, 2018 2:00 PM-6:00 PM St. Francis Pavilion, Mildred, PA

Donation: \$25

Ticket includes: 6 dozen clams, steak and sausage sandwich, beer and soda



Tickets available at:

Dushore Agway and Bill's

Hardware Dushore

or call Doop Tourscher at 570-350-787

or call Donn Tourscher at 570-350-7877 or John Armitage at 570-869-1027 or Paul Metzger at 570-928-8911.

Only a limited number of tickets will be sold.

Donate to the Heat & Eat Fund

Donate to the Heat and Eat fund which was established by Father Joe to help parishioners and those in need of food or fuel oil. The second collection this weekend is for the Heat & Eat Fund. Our current balance for the Heat & Eat Fund is \$352.87. We receive many requests in the winter when heating oil is high and our parish has been able to help those in our community through those difficult times. This year so far, the parish has been able to assist people in the amount of \$3,367.98. The generosity of our parishioners has made this possible. Please consider contributing to this fund with any size gift. Contact the parish office at 570-928-8865, or write on your check, "Heat and Eat Fund" and include it with your offering.

Theme Baskets have arrived!
There are empty baskets in the back of each church. Please take one and fill it with new items. You might create a "Movie Night" basket, "A Day at the Beach", or "Family Fun Night", etc. Use your imagination! After you have filled your basket, please write on an index card the items in the basket, the approximate value of the basket, and who it is donated by. Please return filled baskets to the back of either church or the parish office in Mildred! Help

make the upcoming picnic a success!

If you have any questions, please call

the parish office at 570-928-8865.

IHM Parish Picnic Meeting

Tuesday, May 29th at 12:30 PM St. Francis Rectory, Mildred