



St. John Vianney
PARISH COMMUNITY

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Building God's Community: As disciples of Jesus Christ, we the members of **St. John Vianney Parish** join together to proclaim God's Word, celebrate the sacraments, and serve others with compassion and generosity.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday at Corpus Christi Church: 4:15–4:45 PM or by appointment.

PASTORAL TEAM:

Rev. August Ricciardi: *Pastor*

Rev. Michael J. Kirwin, Ph.D.: *Pastor Emeritus*

Deacon Edwin L. Salva, Sr.: *Permanent Deacon*

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
December 28, 2025

*“And let the peace of Christ control your hearts,
the peace into which you were also called in one body.”*

Colossians 3:15

MASSES OF THE WEEK

				Mass Intentions:	Requested By:
Saturday	12-27	5:00 p.m.	C.C.	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	
Sunday	12-28	9:30 a.m.	S.P.	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	
		11:00 a.m.	C.C.	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	
WEEKDAY MASSES WILL BE IN THE CHAPEL UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE					
Monday	12-29	8:30 a.m.	C.C.	Marlene Toczydlowski	Kim & Alan Stanton
Tuesday	12-30	12:00 p.m.	C.C.	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	
Wednesday	12-31	6:00 p.m.	S.P.	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	
Thursday	1-01	12:00 p.m.	C.C.	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	
Friday	1-02	No Mass			
Saturday	1-03	5:00 p.m.	C.C.	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	
Sunday	1-04	9:30 a.m.	S.P.	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	
		11:00 a.m.	C.C.	Christmas Novena Mass Intentions	



**THIS CHRISTMAS,
GIVE THE GIFT OF HOPE**



As we celebrate the birth of Christ, we are reminded of God's greatest gift to us. Through the Catholic Ministries Appeal, your generosity brings hope, mercy, and help to those in need throughout our Diocese.

Please consider making a gift this Christmas season at
AnnualAppeal.org

Our Appeal Goal this year is \$38,919.00.
Currently we are at 62% of our goal with
\$24,315.00 pledged.



FIRST RECONCILIATION

Congratulations to those who received **First Reconciliation** on December 6, 2025. They are: Christopher Dukerich, Emma Grecco, Luke Kirby, Shepherd Leschak, Natalie Trichilo and Gabriel Zadzura

Dear Parishioners:

I wish to express my prayers and best wishes to you and your families for a blessed and holy Christmas. I want to thank you for the warm welcome and support you have shown me since I came in July. You have made me feel right at home, as if I was a member of this community for years. I also want to thank you for your sacrifices and contributions you have made to our parish.

Thank you to: Samantha Guevrekian and John Olcese for doing extra practices with our Christmas Choir and all who joined together to bring beautiful music to our celebrations. Morgan Maiolatesi and the children who attended all of the practices for the Nativity on Christmas Eve.

Decorations are always important for the holiday, and once again, Billy Wagner, Julianna & Ed Piccini at Corpus Christi and Donna Getz and Norma Genevich at St. Pius X organized a group to decorate. The Knights lit the way with the star and luminaries at Corpus Christi.

We collected over \$1,700 worth of gift cards for our Giving Trees. Mary Ann Doyle and Linda Hughes saw that all the gift cards were delivered to Catholic Social Services of Carbondale and to United Cerebral Palsy of Scranton.

Thank you to Kim Fron who oversaw getting poinsettias from the parish delivered to all of our homebound. And, of course I am grateful to the many Lectors, Altar Servers, Greeters and Eucharistic Ministers who offer their service at worship not only at Christmas, but throughout the year.

Thank you for helping to make St. John Vianney a vibrant parish. As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, may his love bring you and your family comfort, peace and joy. May you and your family be blessed with a most blessed and holy Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Father Gus



Office for Parish Life

Bold and Beloved

Women's Retreat

Inspired by the teaching of St. Hildegard of Bingen

January 30-February 1, 2026

For more information, call (570) 207-2213 x1100



Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center
1000 Seminary Rd, Dalton, PA 18414

Register at dioceseofscranton.org

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL
through
DECEMBER 5TH!!!

Registration closes January 16, 2026



Annette Bergeon
Keynote Speaker

Michael Corsini
Worship Leader

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

The first day of our year begins with a celebration to Mary, Mother of God, a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated for Mary, Mother of God on Wednesday, December 31 at 6:00p.m. at St. Pius X Church and on Thursday, January 1 at noon at Corpus Christi Church.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS' SCHEDULE

READER EUCH. MIN. A. SERVER GREETER

December 31-January 1 2026

6:00p	L. Conrad	B. Sedlak		
	S. P.			
12:00p	M. Volk	B. Brophy	J. Sokso	B. Budzinski
	C.C.			R. Koruszko

January 3-4 2026

4:30p	H. McAndrew	C. Calafut	K. Calafut	M. Stchur
				R. Stracham
9:30a	G. Jones	K. Shostek		
11:00a	Kids	K. Lafferty	L. Lafferty	F. Kelly
				D. Snyder

HOMEBOUND, SICK
OR IN THE HOSPITAL

Please call the parish office if you are in the hospital and would like a visit from Fr. Gus or if you are homebound and would like Communion brought to you. Volunteers bring Communion on a regular basis and the Pastor visits a few times a year, or as needed. If you are seriously ill and would like to be added to the prayer list we place on the Altar, please contact the parish office. We also have a prayer chain in the back of the church where you can fill your prayer request. If you are having a treatment or surgery is planned consider asking Fr. Gus to anoint you.

DEBT REDUCTION \$1,842.00 was collected
for debt reduction on December 13 & 14th.

ADORATION ON TUESDAYS

The Chapel will be open for Adoration on Tuesdays 12:30p to 6:30p. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed during this time and you may come when it is convenient. Please use the ramp entrance. If there is inclement weather Adoration will be cancelled.

JOINING THE PARISH

If you would like to join the parish please call the parish office and make an appointment with Fr. Gus. Father would like to meet with all new parishioners to get to know them and let them know about areas that might interest them. We look forward to welcoming you to our parish family.

PARISH COLLECTION

December 8, 2025 (HOLY DAY)

Weekly Adults	\$ 517.00	31/516
Loose	\$ 105.00	
Other	\$ 593.00	
Total Collection	\$ 1,215.00	

December 13-14, 2025

Weekly Adults	\$ 3,039.00	73/516
Weekly Children	\$ 1.00	1/22
Loose	\$ 269.00	
Other	\$ 190.00	
Total Collection	\$ 3,499.00	

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.