



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*

Kristin Travis: *Director of Faith Formation*

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Samantha Guevrekian: *Director of Music Ministry*

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JoAnn Wilbur: *Adult Bible Study*



The Baptism of the Lord January 11, 2026

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Matthew 3:17

MASSES OF THE WEEK

Saturday	1-10	5:00 p.m.	C.C.	Mass Intentions:	Requested By:
Sunday	1-11	9:30 a.m.	S.P.	Shirley Garrick	Tom & Stephanie Dzwonczyk
		11:00 a.m.	C.C.	Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish	Andy & Lois Mallick
				Louis Paris, Sr.	
WEEKDAY MASSES WILL BE IN THE CHAPEL UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE					
Monday	1-12	8:30 a.m.	C.C.	Anna Mae Stracham	Lorraine Goodfield
Tuesday	1-13	12:00 p.m.	C.C.	Emily Byrne	Family
Wednesday	1-14	8:30 a.m.	C.C.	Sandra McHugh	Friends
		12:00 p.m.	S.P.	Joseph Krupovich	Ryan & Christie Krupovich & Family
Thursday	1-15	12:00 p.m.	C.C.	Kathy Davis	Family
Friday	1-16	8:30 a.m.	C.C.	Letha A. Babilon	Tom & Brenda Budzinski
Saturday	1-17	5:00 p.m.	C.C.	Kelli Doyle & Lym Scott Artwell	Family
Sunday	1-18	9:30 a.m.	S.P.	Jeffrey Bolcavage	Esther & Marty Semken
		11:00 a.m.	C.C.	For the Inter-parish Mental Health Ministry	



Fr. Gus's Famous Chili Superbowl Sunday

**Pick up February 8
under carport 3:30 - 5:00p**

\$15/quart

**Purchase at Mass or the Office
Pre-purchase only**

**Pick up: St. John Vianney Parish
704 Montdale Road
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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

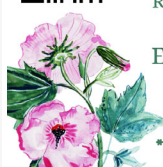


Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center
1000 Seminary Rd, Dalton, PA 18414

Register at dioceseofscranton.org

**EARLY BIRD SPECIAL
through
DECEMBER 5TH!!!**

Registration closes January 16, 2026



Annette Bergeon
Keynote Speaker



Michael Corsini
Worship Leader

Do you want a study program that can fit into the busyness of your life?

What about a study that is only five sessions long with five 30-minute videos and five concise chapters from the study book? Life Everlasting: Heaven, Hell, Death, and Judgment was created with you in mind. Whether you are balancing work, family, school, parish commitments, or simply a full schedule, this mini-study is easy to begin and even easier to complete. This study is perfect for anyone who wants a meaningful spiritual experience without the pressure of a long commitment. With only five sessions total, you can complete Life Everlasting in a few weeks, even with the busiest schedule. Along the way, you will explore what the Church teaches about the Four Last Things, and discover how keeping eternity in mind can shape the way you live today. If you have been wanting to deepen your faith but have struggled to find time, this study was made for you. Please join us for starting January 6 at 6:30 in the parish office. Cost for participant book is \$18. Please call 570-254-9502 ext. 3 to register.

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.

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.



NEW ALTAR SERVING TRAINING



Fr. Gus will hold training for new Altar Servers on Sunday January 11th after the 11:00a.m. Mass. Training should last about an hour. Third grade and older are invited to join us. If you are interested please talk to Fr. Gus after Mass.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN COMPLETING YOUR SACRAMENTS OR BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is a reflective process through which individuals become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation: baptism, confirmation, and the Eucharist. OCIA is a beautiful journey of faith and conversion that involves informal learning about the Catholic Church's beliefs, practices, and life. It includes not only those seeking to join the Church but also members of their parish communities, who are called to accompany them and who, it is hoped, experience a renewal of faith along with them. If you are not baptized, are baptized in another Christian tradition or are a baptized Catholic and seek full communion with the Catholic Church, consider OCIA for adults or children. It begins with inquiry sessions in which you can ask questions and discuss issues. The process continues with opportunities for learning and spiritual transformation. Contact Kristin Travis at 570-254-9502, ext. 3 or ktravis-stjvp@comcast.net

Our Appeal Goal this year is \$38,919.00. Currently we are at 63% of our goal with \$24,725.00 pledged.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

In addition to last week's list:
DONATOR IN MEMORY OF
Lanette Hosie Marla Hosie
Lanette Hosie Marie Fidatti

Trip to France, May 4 -13, 2026

Join us on a trip to beautiful France this spring visiting Paris, seeing the restored iconic Notre Dame Cathedral and so many famous sites in the City of Lights, travel through the Loire Valley visiting the renowned Chateau de Chambord, pray at the Shrine in Lourdes joining in the candlelight procession in the evening, stopping in Carcassone on the way to the Riviera! This trip is hosted by Msgr. Patrick Pratico and includes travel to and from the Newark Airport from Scranton. All arrangements for this all-inclusive trip are being handled by TravelWorld. For further information and reservations, please contact TravelWorld at 570-342-5790.

The Mental Health Ministry of the Clarks Summit Deanery invites you to join us for Mental Health Awareness Masses the weekend of 1/17 & 1/18

A reception with community resources will follow after the 1/17 4pm Mass at the Church of St. Benedict and after the 1/18 10am Mass at the Church of St. Gregory. All are welcome, including people affected by mental health challenges and their families, friends, caregivers, mental health practitioners, and those who wish to offer prayer and spiritual support. Please visit <https://catholicmhm.org/csdeanery-mhm> for more information.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS' SCHEDULE
READER EUCH. MIN. A. SERVER GREETER
January 17-18, 2026

5:00p L. Volk J. Piccini K. Smigiel M. Stchur R. Stracham
9:30a L. Hayes B. Sedlak
11:00a K. McClintock R. Toth N. Cibik C. Brophy J. Meoni-Comandy

PARISH COLLECTIONS
December 24-25, 2025

Christmas Adults	\$ 11,847.00	124/516
Christmas Children	\$ 7.00	2/22
Loose	\$ 1,092.00	
Total Collection	\$ 12,946.00	

December 27-28, 2025

Weekly Adults	\$ 3,564.00	124/516
Weekly Children	\$ 0.00	0/22
Loose	\$ 200.00	
Other	\$ 1,416.00	
Total Collection	\$ 5,180.00	

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

Parish Financial Report St. John Vianney - Scott Township TREND ANALYSIS					
	Fiscal Year July 1 - June 30				
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Revenue					
Collections	356,073	352,061	363,530	345,835	342,281
Faith Formation Fees	5,571	2,143	1,837	1,989	3,438
Fundraising/Development	70,646	16,927	5,426	398	259
Other Income	4,122	5,752	2,710	3,077	38,661
Designated Income/Grants/PPP Loan	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers Savings Account/Other	-	-	12,419	-	61,170
Diocesan Special Collections	11,923	11,938	7,213	8,063	7,730
Total Revenue	448,335	388,821	393,135	359,361	453,539
Expenses					
Administration	184,443	171,362	172,195	168,802	184,661
Rectory	10,627	8,989	11,541	4,711	-
Liturgy	33,888	34,642	36,914	9,070	13,829
Faith Formation	38,582	31,420	40,117	16,109	36,370
Social Justice	4,149	1,333	773	19,101	25,918
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	85,416	54,554	58,690	-	473
Fixed Expense	37,316	34,591	32,241	47,125	61,223
Debt Service	-	-	-	33,501	33,000
Capital Outlays	-	-	-	-	-
Designated Expenses /Transfers Out	2,363	-	2,624	-	-
Catholic School Assessment	46,202	47,258	51,128	61,329	63,042
Diocesan Special Collections Remittance	10,671	1,714	4,583	5,547	1,969
Total Expense	453,657	385,863	410,805	365,296	420,485
Parish Surplus/(Deficit) - CASH Basis	(5,322)	2,958	(17,670)	(5,934)	33,054
(Increase)/Decrease in Unpaid Diocesan Obligations	**(SEE NOTE)**	(32,528)	(12,406)	15,783	1,406
Actual Parish Net Surplus/(Deficit)	(37,850)	(9,448)	(30,960)	9,849	34,460
NOTE					
Outstanding Diocesan Obligations could include: Diocesan assessments, School assessments, health insurance, self-insurance, pension and other expenses.					
End of Year Unpaid Diocesan Obligations	58,224	25,696	13,290	-	15,783
Beginning of Year Unpaid Diocesan Obligations	25,696	13,290	-	15,783	17,189
(Increase)/Decrease in Unpaid Diocesan Obligations	(32,528)	(12,406)	(13,290)	15,783	1,406
Diocesan Loan/Debt	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Explanation of this report on next page

Understanding Your Parish Financial Report

Revenue

- **Collections** include all offertory envelopes, online giving and loose collections, including for holidays, Holy Days and any special collection (flowers) envelopes.
- **Faith Formation Fees** include all registration and program fees for both faith formation and adult programs.
- **Fundraising/Development** includes any gifts or donations that are not regular parish offertory, bequests and memorials, parish activities (dinners, picnics, bingo, lottery, etc.), donations from parish societies and any parish rebate from the Diocesan Annual Appeal (75% over goal is refunded to the parish).
- **Other Income** includes rental of facilities, insurance refunds, interest income, sale of assets, funeral/wedding perquisites or any other income.
- **Designated Income/Grants/PPP Loan** includes donations or grants specifically earmarked for a designated purpose, reimbursements from linked parishes to help cover expenses and any Paycheck Protection Plan grant income.
- **Transfers Savings Account/Other** includes transfers from bank accounts that are excluded from operating income or have already been reported as operating income.
- **Diocesan Special Collections** are special collections (Care & Education of Priests or Emergency collections following a natural disaster) which get remitted back to the Diocese.

Expenses

- **Administration** includes clergy salary and benefits, office staff salary and benefits, administrative expenses, telephone, computer services, postage, printing, envelopes and the Cathedralium (9.5% parish assessment to the Diocese) and Clergy Care and Wellness Assessment.
- **Rectory** expenses include the costs to run and maintain the rectory, as well as household expenses for the pastor(s).
- **Liturgy** includes salaries and benefits for musicians and liturgical staff including directors, musicians and sacristans. This also includes all liturgical equipment and supplies (printed materials, candles, flowers, decorations, etc.)
- **Faith Formation** includes salaries and benefits of faith formation director and staff, including family and/or youth director. This also includes the cost of all textbooks and supplies, retreats, etc.
- **Social Justice** includes all social justice salaries and benefits, as well as the cost of all social justice expenses.
- **Operation & Maintenance of Plant** includes salaries and benefits of all maintenance staff. This also includes the occupancy costs of the parish buildings, including electricity, heat, water, cleaning, janitorial, repairs and maintenance, and any plant and maintenance supplies.
- **Fixed Expense** includes insurance premiums from the Diocesan self-insured program for property, liability and workers compensation, real estate taxes (if any) and rental of facilities.
- **Debt Service** includes the interest and principal payments paid on outstanding parish debt.
- **Capital Outlays** includes any major repairs on the parish building or site or any new construction costs.
- **Designated Expenses/Transfers Out** includes all expenses designated for a specific purpose (i.e., food pantry) or transfers out to savings/building fund.
- **Catholic School Assessments** paid are included here. These represent the parish's portion allocated for the support of the Diocese of Scranton Catholic School System which are 14.5% for a parish with a Catholic School in its county and 8% if there is no school in its county.
- **Diocesan Special Collections Remittance** are the remittals of the Diocesan collections above.

Parish Surplus/(Deficit) - CASH Basis

- This line represents the **increase or decrease** in parish cash balances from the beginning of the year to the end of the year on a **CASH BASIS** based on actual expenses paid.

(Increase)/Decrease in Unpaid Diocesan Obligations

- This amount represents the change in the parish's **unpaid obligations** over the year. If there is an **increase** in unpaid obligations, this number will be **negative**. If the parish **reduced** its unpaid obligations, this will be a **positive** number.

Actual Parish Net Surplus/(Deficit)

- This value is the sum of the Parish Surplus/(Deficit) and the (Increase)/decrease of Unpaid Diocesan Obligations. The cash balance represents the net effect of operating activity on a cash basis. If a parish is current on all of its obligation, there would be no difference between the Cash and ACTUAL Parish Net Surplus/(Deficit). However, if a parish is unable to stay current on its obligations, the increase of unpaid obligations will reduce their CASH Basis Net Surplus/(Deficit) by the amount of the increase in unpaid Diocesan obligations.

This Actual Parish Net Surplus/(Deficit) reflects a parish's true ability to pay its current obligations.

Outstanding Diocesan Obligations

- This section highlights the change in a parish's unpaid Diocesan obligations over each fiscal year. If a parish has an increase in unpaid obligations for the year, this will result in a lower Actual Parish Net Surplus/(Deficit) as these are an annual obligation of the parish that was not paid in the current year.

Diocesan Loan/Debt

- This is the amount of outstanding loans of the parish.