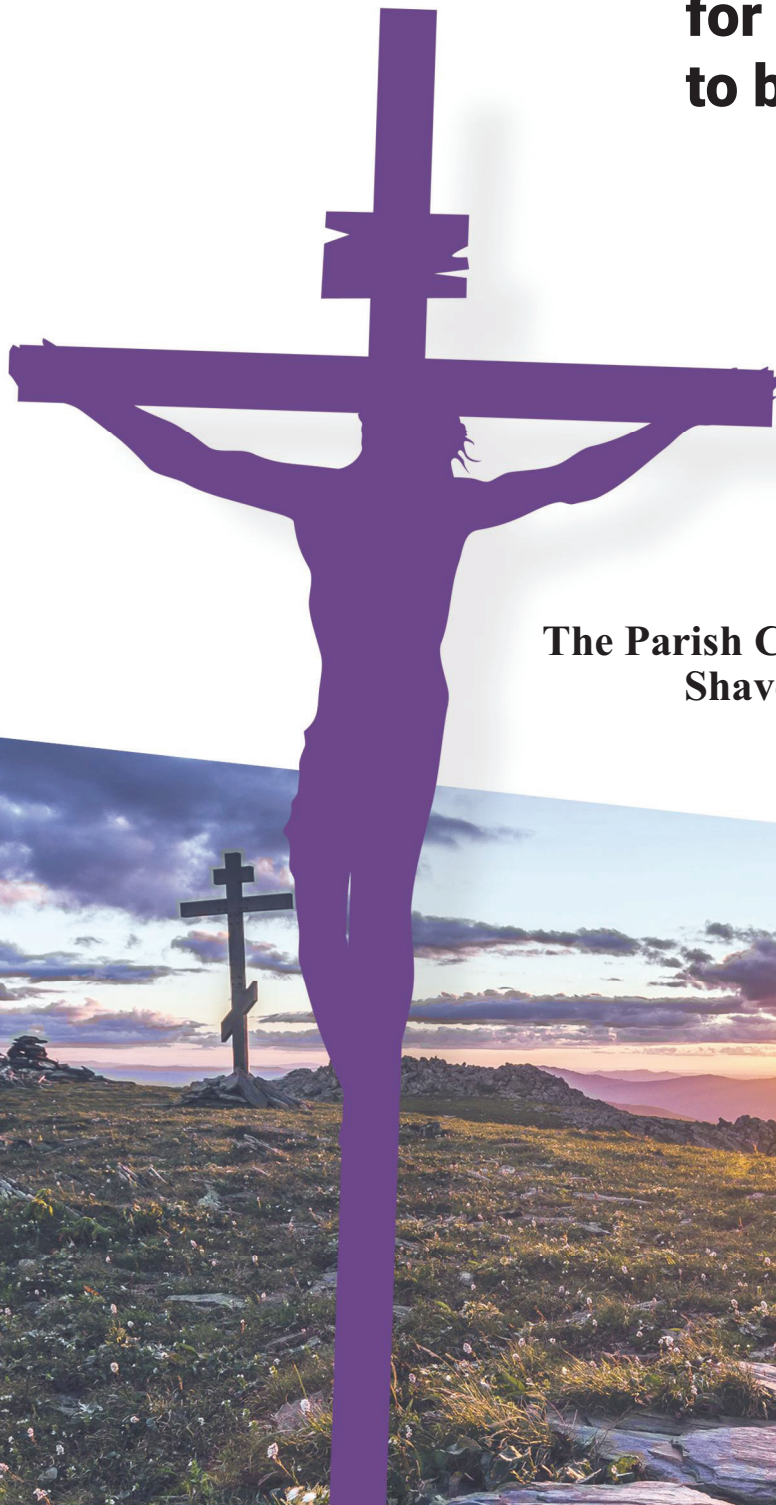


Fifth
SUNDAY OF
LENT

**The hour has come
for the Son of Man
to be glorified.**

JOHN 12:23

**The Parish Community of Saint Therese's
Shavertown, Pennsylvania**



5th Sunday of Lent March 17, 2024



St. Patrick shared the Christian belief in the Trinity with the Irish by using the shamrock. By using this readily available plant, St. Patrick was able to make the mystery of the Trinity easier to grasp. He explained that though the shamrock contains three individual leaves, these leaves grow from the same stem, making them into one plant as a whole. In the same way, he said, God is Three Persons: the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – yet, as the shamrock is one plant, the Three Persons of the Trinity are One God.

St. Patrick, bishop, evangelist, patron of Ireland, and trafficked slave, pray for us and victims of human trafficking everywhere.

Holy Week and Easter

Saint Frances Cabrini and Saint Therese's

Lenten Penance Service

Monday, March 25—7:00pm at St. Therese's

Holy Thursday—March 28

5:30pm Mass at St. Frances Cabrini

7:00pm Mass at St. Therese's

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, March 28 from 8:00-10:00pm at St. Therese's (in the church)

Good Friday Services—March 29

3:00pm at St. Frances Cabrini

7:00pm at St. Therese's

Holy Saturday—March 30

Blessing of Food Baskets:

12:00 noon at St. Frances Cabrini

1:00pm at St. Therese's (hall)

Easter Vigil: 8:00pm at St. Therese's

Easter Sunday Masses—March 31

8:00am (livestream), 9:30am, 11:00am at St. Therese's

8:30am and 10:30am at St. Frances Cabrini

The Vocations Office of the Diocese of Scranton invites you to join in:

Get Up and Pray: A Holy Thursday Prayer Challenge!

"Why are you sleeping?" he asked them. "Get up and pray so that you will not fall into temptation." (Luke 22:46) On Holy Thursday, Catholics are asked to pray in a special way for priests and seminarians to commemorate the night Christ instituted the priesthood. This Holy Thursday, we're inviting you on a prayer journey and asking you to share that journey with us on social media.

DIocese of SCRANTON
VOCATIONS OFFICE



"Get Up and Pray"

Luke 22:46

Join us in praying for our priests and seminarians Holy Thursday, March 28th!

1. Assemble a group to visit the Altar of Repose in as many churches as you can
2. Look for the "Add Yours" sticker on @Scrantonvoc stories Thursday night
3. Share photos using the sticker & tell us which priests and/or seminarians you're praying for!



***There is still
time to give!***

Remember, 75% of all the money we raise after reaching our goal of \$71,000 comes back to the parish of St. Therese. Thank you!

Current total \$88,255.00



The Men's Group of St. Therese's is organizing a silent weekend experience of praying with the monks at Mount Savior Monastery in Elmira, NY. The weekend is April 26-28. If interested contact Ted Mike at (570)406-6163. Space is limited.



When you're gathering information to prepare your taxes, don't forget your church contributions! Your contribution report is available to be emailed or mailed to you. To get yours, call the rectory at 570-696-1144.

Worship **The Celebration of the Eucharist**

Mon.	9:00AM	Kathleen Amey; sister, Margaret Baloga
Tues.	9:00AM	Mass at St. Frances Cabrini
Wed.	9:00AM	Grace Sherin; McClosky Family
Thur.	9:00AM	Elizabeth Karwaski; Marge Janosik
Fri.	7:00PM	Patrick Mazzaccaro; Joan Fannick
Sat.	5:30PM	Emilio & Anna Pedriani and Barbara Tino; Frank Pedriani
Sun.	8:00AM	Tom Youells (birthday); Wife & Children
	11:00AM	Sr. Mary James Yashkas; Rosalie Bigus

Water for Peace

Water is a human right, intrinsic to every aspect of life. When water is scarce or polluted, or when people have unequal, or have no access, tensions can rise between communities and countries. When we cooperate on water, we create a positive ripple effect – fostering harmony, generating prosperity, and building resilience to shared challenges. This World Water Day, we all need to unite around water and use water for peace, laying the foundations of a more stable and prosperous tomorrow.



Baptism

Teegan Mae Martin

Daughter of Derek & Jamie

You are a precious
child of God.
Welcome to your
faith family.

**Forming
Consciences**



"In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation." (*Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility from the Catholic Bishops of the United States*).

April 23 is Primary Election Day. **The last day to register is April 8.** For more information on registering and voting in Pennsylvania go to: vote.pa.gov.

**The parish collection for the week
of March 4– March 10**

\$17,375.80

Saint Therese's Free Legal Clinic

65 Davis St., Shavertown

(Please note, this is not in the church.)

10:00 A.M. to Noon

Upcoming dates: **March 30,**
April 13 & 27



DIocese of SCRANTON
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with Bishop Bambera

Monday, March 18
at 7:00 P.M.

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NATIONAL
Eucharistic
Revival

*Confessions at Saint Therese's With
Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament*



Mondays during Lent:
March 18
5:30 P.M.—6:30 P.M.

The main and ramp room doors will be
open for those wishing to attend.

Lenten Food Fundraiser

The Ladies of St. Therese's
Altar & Rosary Society

will be selling

PIEROGIES and
MAC & CHEESE

after all masses again on

March 16 & March 17

PIEROGIES (potato/cheese &
cabbage & farmer cheese)

\$12.00/dozen

MAC & CHEESE

\$10.00/32 oz.

Get there quick!

When they're gone, they're gone!

Lenten Penance Service



Monday, March 25
7:00 P.M.

St. Therese's Church

*"God never tires of forgiving us;
we are the ones who tire
of seeking his mercy."*

-Pope Francis



PRAY



FAST



GIVE

Stations of the Cross

Fridays during Lent at 7PM
with mass to follow.

A virtual presentation will
be posted on our parish
Facebook page at:
[Facebook.com/
1LittleFlower4U](https://www.facebook.com/1LittleFlower4U)
every Friday by 7PM.



DAY of FASTING and ABSTINENCE

The chancellor of the Diocese of Scranton asks the faithful who have reached the age of 14 to be aware of the Diocesan Statute No. 41, which addresses the penitential aspect of Lent.

FASTING is to be observed on Ash Wednesday, February 14 and Good Friday, March 29, 2024, by all Catholics over 18 years of age to the beginning of their 60th year. On days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together should not equal another full meal, unless dispensed or excused.

ABSTINENCE from meat is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 years of age or older. Ash Wednesday, all of the Friday's of Lent, and Good Friday are days of Abstinence.



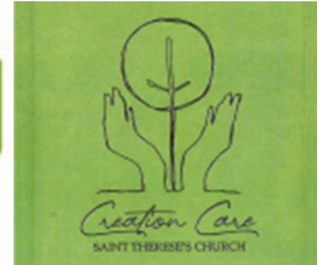
Providence Pregnancy Center is hosting its annual dinner at St. Mary's Center in Scranton on April 11th from 5:30-8:30pm. Our keynote speaker, Sr. Deirdre Byrne, is a retired Army Colonel, a surgeon, and a religious sister who will share a powerful message. The event includes raffles, live music, dinner, and dessert, making it an unforgettable night.

Tickets are \$23 and can be purchased at www.ppcscranton.org/events or by calling PPC at 570-341-7045.

All proceeds will benefit the critical work of helping pregnant mothers in crisis by offering material help, counseling, community referrals, and housing. Don't delay; last year's dinner sold out!

"3 in One" Lottery Game **February Winners**

**Mary Gilligan
Maureen Albrecht
Karen Renard**



OPPORTUNITY TO REDUCE AND RECYCLE/REPURPOSE

The Dallas High School Lock-in Rummage Sale supports the senior lock-in.

You can support this event by dropping off rummage sale items on Friday, March 22nd from 3:15 to 6:30 p.m. at the Dallas Middle School.

Students will be available to unload your items.

REFUSE, REDUCE, REUSE, REPURPOSE, RECYCLE!

REMEMBER!

**Our parish receives
HALF of what we earn during
RECTORY, SET, COOK !**



Knights of Columbus **Easter Food Sale**

Fetch's smoked or fresh kielbasa \$12/ring
NEPA—rogies—\$12 dozen
(POTATO & CHEESE, FARMER'S
CHEESE, OR CABBAGE)

**ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED
UNTIL March 17**

**A sign up sheet is in the vestibule and
the rectory office.**

For questions or **online orders**,
contact Bill Leandri at
570-417-1212 or wleandri@aol.com

Food Pickup is at GATE OF HEAVEN
PARISH CENTER
behind the church on
SATURDAY March 23 from 12-3

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