

**** Remember in your Prayers ****

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What's New

- **Our Financial Status:** Please take a moment to review the 5 year Trend Analysis included in this weeks bulletin. Although we ended the fiscal year 2023 with a surplus of \$1,162.00, please note that the amount of our Diocesan obligations (Parish assessment, School bill, Health insurance, etc.) continues to rise each year. As such, the end of year unpaid Diocesan obligations stands at \$464,806.00. Please feel free to contact Fr. Paisley with any questions or concerns regarding this matter. Thank you for your generosity to our parish.
- **Free Meal Program:** February 11th from 1:00 to 2:00PM, is the next scheduled free meal offering by our Parish. All are invited to join (families, elderly, and those in the neighborhood) for a free sit-down hot meal Location: Saint John Paul II Hall in the lower level of Sts. Peter and Paul (1309 West Locust St. Scranton) Call St. Ann's Rectory at 342-5166 and reserve a seat.
- **Purse Bingo is Back:** Our Purse Bingo is scheduled for April 13th at St. Stanislaus Center in Scranton. This year we are including CASH prizes too! Our first planning meeting is on Monday, January 22nd, at 6:30PM in the Shrine Dining Room. We welcome anybody who would like to help with this event. Call Debbie at 570-313-3175 for more information.
- **Sight & Sound Trip/St Ann Basilica Parish:** Our parish is sponsoring a trip to "Sight & Sound" to see a brand new original stage production of the musical "Daniel". A bus will depart from St. Ann's on Wednesday, June 12th, at 8:30AM. We will enjoy a family-style lunch at Hershey Farms at noon and arrive for the show at 3PM. The cost per ticket is \$170.00. To make a reservation, please call Kay at 570-333-7917. A \$50.00 deposit is required. You may cancel up to 30 days before the performance.
- **Feast of the Holy Spouses:** will be held at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, Route 315, Laflin, on Sunday, January 21, 2024 with a special Mass at 3:00 pm. This annual celebration honors the spousal role of the Blessed Virgin Mary & St. Joseph exalting the sanctity of marriage and family life within our modern world. This Feast was officially approved in 1989 by the Vatican for the Congregation of the Oblates of St. Joseph. Celebrant and homilist for this year's celebration is Rev. Anthony J. Generose, pastor of Most Precious Blood & Queen of Heaven Parishes, Hazleton. He also serves in the Tribunal Office of the Diocese of Scranton. The public is invited to attend, a social will follow the Mass. For more information, contact the seminary office at 654-7542.
- **2023 Diocesan Annual Appeal :** We are currently at 70% of our \$30,000.00 goal for the Diocesan Annual Appeal. If you are able, please make a donation of any size to help us reach this goal and thereby assist the needy in our Diocese.
- **Hospital Visitation:** If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital, please inform the parish at 570-342-5166 so that we can visit or hold you and/or your loved one close in prayer.
- **Adoration & Benediction Fridays from 2 to 3 PM with Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3.**
- **St. Ann Food Pantry:** Hours are the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month, from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM.
- **Prayer Line:** For information or prayer requests, call Carol at 344-2103.

ST. ANN'S BASILICA PARISH LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday January 20

4:00 PM Denise Truesdale

Sunday January 21

8:30 AM Kathleen Ferrett

11:00 AM Debbie Coval

7:00 PM Josh Manuel

A Bequest in your Will... A bequest in your will, no matter what the amount, will help the Parish continue its mission of serving God's people. Please consider us when making your will and we ask that you use our full legal name and address : **ST. Ann Basilica Parish, 1250 St. Ann Street, Scranton, Pa. 18504.**



Born To Eternal Life

*May they rest in the peace of the risen Christ
and may comfort be granted to their families*



**Margaret "Dolly" McGrail
James Vancosky**