

LITURGY SCHEDULE		
Sat, April 23 Saturday within the Octave of Easter VIGIL: DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 4:00 pm, Canton † Jeff Wynne (Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Hamm)		
Sunday, April 24DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo9:30 am, Canton † Kathie Lepper (Joy & Jerry Brann)11:15 am, Troy † Ethan Michael Woodward (Jayne Cleveland)		
Monday, April 25SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST7:00 am, Rectory † Carol Ann Gergel (James Gergel)		
Tuesday, April 26Easter Weekday5:30 pm, Troy † Thomas J. Karaban		
Wednesday, April 27Easter Weekday5:30 pm, Canton † Kathie Lepper (Christina Fleury)6:00 pm Holy Hour		
Thursday, Apr 28Easter WeekdayNo Mass		
Friday, April 29Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church7:00 am, Rectory † Jefferey Wynne (His Estate)		
Saturday, April 30Easter WeekdayVIGIL: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER4:00 pm, Canton † Kathie Lepper (Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Hamm)		
Sunday, May 1THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER8:00 am, Ralston - For the special intentions of Alden & Rosemary Fitzwater for the 55th wedding anniversary 9:30 am, Canton † Patricia Pessoni 11:15 am, Troy † Pro Populo		
Fellowship is held in St. Michael's Church hall following the 9:30 am Mass each Sunday.		



The sanctuary lamps in all three churches burn this week for those who have participated in an abortion and feel they have committed an unforgiveable sin to come to know the Lord's limitless mercy, and turn to Him for forgiveness and healing.

SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS April 11 - 17, 2022 Weekly Offerings: 1.878.25

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Easter Offerings:	2,967.00	
Electronic Offerings:	520.00	
Other Parish Income:	118.00	
Total Parish Income:	5,483.25	
Average weekly expenses:	3,762.36	
Difference:	1,720.89	
Good Friday - Holy Land:	196.25	
Care & Education of Priests:	25.00	
Catholic Relief Services	1.00	
Thank you for your continued support.		



ST. MICHAEL catholic parish

(covering worship sites in Ralston, Canton & Troy) Reverend Joseph P. Kutch, MA, Pastor 106 N. Washington Street, Canton, PA 17724 E-mail: office@stmichaelscanton.com Office phone: (570) 673-5253 website: www.stmichaelscanton.com Office Hours: Mondays & Wednesdays 8 am - 3:30 pm, Thursdays 8 am - 1 pm

NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS

We will hold our Mothers Day Breakfast on Sunday, May 8th from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. in St. Michael's Church hall.

Menu: Pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, beverages.



FREE TO ALL WOMEN IN HONOR OF MOTHERS DAY. Adult Men: \$8 School-aged children: \$5 Preschool children: Free



Sunday, June 19th, we will be serving sausage egg and cheese sandwiches after the 9:30 Mass in honor of Father's Day. Donations will be accepted.

Knights of Columbus welcomes any Male member of our parish over the age of eighteen to join our organization. The first year of membership dues will be waived until January 1, 2023. If you would like to become a Knight please



contact: Ralph Lepper, John Rushin, Jim Ross, or any Knight in the Parish. If you are a visiting Knight please join us for meetings or events.

SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST Barby, John Adams, Peggy Adams, Jason Bellows, Allura Booker, Tom Ambruch, Betty Brown, Jeremy Colony, Paul Dean, Carlene Eck, Dorland Eck, Melissa Gowan, Robert Dale Hostetter, Ben Kopetan, Ralph Lepper, Lanny Lutz, Creighton MacGill, Tom McBlane, Darlene McCurdy, Bunny Meuse, Bernadette Moore, John Orr, Cathy Ostaszewski, Pauline Pazzaglia, Mike Slocum, Andrea Smith, Rich Stankiewicz, Rev. Joseph Staszewski, Frank Sullivan, Elias Vroman, Wanda Wennerholt, Steven Wilber, Anthony Wolf, Donna Wolf, Johnathan Wolf, Nicholas Wolf, Barb Yanak Contact the parish office to add a name to the prayer list. Names remain on the list for 3 months per request.

THE MOST REVEREND JOHN M. DOUGHERTY, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Scranton, dies at 89

April 16, 2022

SCRANTON - The Most Reverend John M. Dougherty, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Scranton, died April 16, 2022, at his family's home in Scranton.

He was born April 29, 1932, in Scranton, the son of the late Edward A. and Irene C. Kern Dougherty. He was installed as the sixth auxiliary bishop of Scranton on March 7, 1995, and served until August 31, 2009, when Pope Benedict XVI accepted his resignation two years after reaching the mandatory retirement age.

As a member of Saint Paul Parish, Scranton, Bishop Dougherty attended the parochial grade school and graduated from Saint Paul High School in June 1949. In September of the same year, Bishop Dougherty entered Saint Charles College, Catonsville, Md., where he studied for two years.

In the spring of 1951, Bishop Dougherty applied to become a seminary student for the Diocese of Scranton. He began his priestly studies on September 19, 1951, at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, Md. Bishop Dougherty earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from St. Mary's in June 1953. Three years later, he received a Master of Arts in Philosophy from the University of Notre Dame. Bishop Dougherty returned to further studies at St. Mary's where he earned a Licentiate in Sacred Theology in 1957.

Bishop Dougherty was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Scranton in the Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton, on June 15, 1957, by Bishop Jerome D. Hannan.

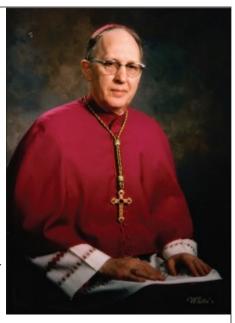
On June 29, 1957, Bishop Dougherty was appointed assistant pastor of Saint Ann Parish, Tobyhanna, a community he served for more than seven years. In preparation for the opening of St. Pius X Seminary, Dalton, in September 1962, he was named Professor of Ascetical Theology by Bishop Hannan on March 28, 1962.

Bishop Dougherty was given an additional responsibility in September 1964, which brought him to his first post in the Chancery. He was appointed Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith by Bishop Hannan.

On May 19, 1968, Pope Paul VI named Bishop Dougherty a Chaplain of His Holiness with the title of Monsignor. In the same year, he was appointed Vicar for Religious by Bishop J. Carroll McCormick. Four years later, Bishop McCormick appointed him Assistant Chancellor of the Diocese. A further responsibility was placed on Bishop Dougherty when he assumed the duties of the Diocesan Pro-Life Director in February 1976.

The following year, on September 6, 1977, Bishop Dougherty was appointed Chancellor of the Diocese of Scranton by Bishop McCormick. He was named a Prelate of Honor on November 2, 1978, by Pope John Paul II. On June 7, 1984, the day of Bishop James C. Timlin's installation as the Eighth Bishop of Scranton, Bishop Dougherty was appointed Vicar General, Moderator of the Curia and Diocesan Consultor.

Bishop Dougherty was named pastor of Saint Patrick Parish, Scranton, on Septem-



ber 4, 1985. The parish community included the churches of Saint Patrick, Holy Cross, Saint John the Baptist and Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Pope John Paul II named Bishop Dougherty the Titular Bishop of Sufetula and Auxiliary to the Bishop of Scranton on

February 7, 1995. His episcopal ordination took place on March 7, 1995, in the Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton, with Bishop James C. Timlin serving as consecrator.

At the time of his Episcopal Appointment, Cardinal John O'Connor, seventh Bishop of the Diocese of Scranton, lauded Bishop Dougherty's wisdom, pastoral concern, deep spirituality and profound respect for every human person, saying no one was more respected or admired by the priests, deacons, religious and people of Scranton.

On June 30, 1995, Bishop Dougherty was appointed Rector of Villa Saint Joseph, Dunmore, a position he held for nearly nine years. On March 1, 2004, Bishop Joseph F. Martino gave him significant additional collaborative responsibility in the daily administration of the Diocese by naming him Vicar for Administration, a newly created central administrative post at the time.

Bishop Dougherty continued his service to the Diocese through appointments on the Council of Priests and Board of Consultors between 2005 and 2010. Even after retirement, as Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus, Bishop Dougherty served in residence at Christ the King Parish in Archbald prior to Bishop Joseph C. Bambera appointing him to serve as Administrator, pro tem, at Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Parish in Jermyn in June 2019.

Since his ordination to the priesthood in 1957 and the various pastoral, teaching and administrative positions within the Diocese, Bishop Dougherty also was a member of the American Catholic Historical Association and was elected by Catholic Distance University in Hamilton, Va., to serve on its board of trustees.

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Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera's Statement on the Passing of Bishop John M. Dougherty, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Scranton

"Bishop Dougherty's passing brings to a close a rare example of priestly ministry and service so generously shared for 65 years as a priest and 27 years as a bishop. While Bishop Dougherty's retirement was accepted a year before my appointment as Bishop of Scranton, his willingness to continue to be of service to the faithful of our Diocese never diminished throughout his almost 90 years.

"Bishop Dougherty will be remembered as a thoughtful, quiet presence in the administrative mission of the Diocese of Scranton, having tirelessly served my four predecessors as Chancellor, Vicar General and Auxiliary Bishop. His greatest legacy to this local Church, however, won't be as a leader in the spotlight but as a pastor – a servant in the shadows – visiting hospitals in the middle of the night, feeding the poor, sharing the sacraments and offering hope to broken souls who looked to him for help.

"Until his final days of life, even while challenged with diminishing health, Bishop Dougherty never shrank for a moment from his priestly ministry to the People of God, regardless of the situation or circumstance. His deep respect for both the leadership of the Church and for every baptized soul was evident in his words, his demeanor and in his willingness to assume any position of service with humility and grace.

"Bishop Dougherty was one of a kind, with an unexpected dry wit that could fill your heart with laughter in an instant and a selflessness that made the greatest to the least feel at home in his presence.

"Above all else, Bishop Dougherty was a good and faithful priest who served God and the people given to his care with every fiber of his being. May God give him the rest and peace that he so richly deserves."

The funeral arrangements for the Most Reverend John M. Dougherty, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Scranton, who died on Saturday, April 16, 2022, have been finalized.

Cathedral of Saint Peter 315 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton, PA <u>Monday, April 25, 2022</u> Reception of the Bishop followed by public visitation: 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Solemn Vespers: 7:00 p.m. <u>Tuesday, April 26, 2022</u> Public visitation: 9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Pontifical Mass of Christian Burial: 11:00 a.m. Presider & Homilist: The Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton Both the Vespers Service and Funeral Mass are open to the public. Both services will be televised on CTV/ Cethelia Television of the Discourse of

CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton for those unable to attend in-person.

Internment will be in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

David Beahm, David Brann, Beth Cole, Leslie Debach, Will Hawrylo, Jean Herman, Ralph Lepper, Sherry Vargson, Sarah Watson - youth representative

Thank you to Donna Wolf and Anna Bradford for serving on the Parish Pastoral Council for many years. We welcome David Beahm as a council member and Sarah Watson as the Youth Representative.

Any concerns, ideas or suggestion for the parish can be directed to Father Joe or any Parish Pastoral Council member. The Parish Pastoral Council meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:15 pm in St. Michael's Church hall.

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"As members of the parish community of Saint Michael, Saint John and Saint Aloysius, we are rooted in a relationship with Jesus Christ passed on to our Holy Father and in communion with our Bishop. We joyfully proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ and his real presence in the Eucharist. We serve the Lord through acts of faith, hope and charity by the graces given through the Sacraments. It is our intention to carry out this mission so that we may be the face of Jesus Christ in the world."

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Rosary Roundup

This is the final weekend for rosary donations! Thank you to Goya Foods and to everyone for your generosity in this project!

Parishes from all over the Western Pastoral Region of the Diocese of Scranton have been collecting rosaries. The Diocese of Scranton included this project in their April 7th e-newsletter to parishes as well as the April edition of *The Catholic Light*. As a result, rosaries have arrived from all over the Diocese of Scranton - including from Clarks Summit, Greeley, Jessup, Pittston, and Stroudsburg!

As of April 20th, well over 4,000 rosaries have been contributed! The final number of how many rosaries were donated and shipped will be printed in next week's bulletin.

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CRS RICE BOWL

THANK YOU Our community changed lives this Lent through CRS Rice Bowl, and we want to say THANK YOU! Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl or donate online at: crsricebowl.org/give

Additional Easter Mass Intentions

††† Joseph Shon, Rita Shon and Alan Kelley by Mrs. Terri Kelley.

††† Private Intentions by Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Lepper.

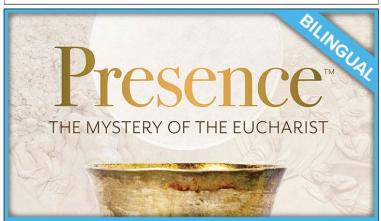
ADDITIONAL EASTER FLOWERS INTENTIONS ††† Private intentions by Carole Parker.



POPE QUOTE: "While worldly power leaves only destruction and death in its wake, Christ's peace builds up history, starting from the heart of every person who welcomes us."

POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTION:

APRIL - FOR HEALTH CARE WORKERS: We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.



For the Easter Season on **FORMED**, small groups and individuals are encouraged to check out **Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist**. There are 3 regular episodes, one bonus episode, a special episode for children and one for parents preparing children for First Holy Communion. Study guides are also available for purchase, currently at 60% off.

Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life. *Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist* explores the truth and beauty of Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture to its profound role in the life of the Church and its members. The Eucharist is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation. This series is also available in Español.

Not on **FORMED**? We have several months left on our parish subscription. Visit https://formed.org/signup today. Our parish zip code is 17724. It's FREE!

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April 18 - 24, 2021 Readings

Mon - 1 Pt 5:5b-14 Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 Mk 16:15-20 Tues - Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Jn 3:L7b-15 Wed - Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-9 Jn 3:16-21 Thurs - Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20 Jn 3:31-36 Fri - Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15 Sat - Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21 Sun - Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13 Rv 5:11-14 Jn 21:1-19

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at *www. usccb.org/home-missions*



Purchase tickets online at: https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/ parish-life/catholic-womens-conference-2022/

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE "BE A CATHOLIC MAN" 2022 EVENT

The 7th annual Catholic Men's Conference, sponsored by "Be A Catholic Man", is planned for Saturday, October 8, 2022, at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Blvd, Wilkes-Barre. From 8 am to 3 pm. Registration details will soon be available, so mark your calendar to save the date!

If you have a family member who will be graduating from High School or receiving a College Degree, please contact the parish office.



by Gary Cangemi



