

# The Linked Parishes of Corpus Christi and St. Barbara



*“As members of the Body of Christ, the linked parishes of St. Barbara and Corpus Christi celebrate the presence of God in all people through our thoughts, words and deeds. We answer Christ’s call as a community of believers to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless and love one another.”*

**July 16, 2023**

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Immaculate Conception Church  
Holy Redeemer Church  
St. Anthony Church**

**Msgr. John J. Sempa, Pastor**

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## Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday

4:00PM St. Anthony

5:30PM Immaculate Conception

Sunday

7:30AM St. Anthony

9:00AM Holy Redeemer

10:30AM Immaculate Conception

**Confession**

Saturday

3:00PM to 3:30PM

St. Anthony Church

## Daily Mass Schedule

Mon 7:30AM Immaculate Conception

Tues 7:30AM Immaculate Conception  
8:30AM Holy Redeemer

Wed 7:30AM Immaculate Conception  
12:10PM St. Anthony

Thurs 7:30AM Immaculate Conception  
8:30AM Holy Redeemer

Fri 7:30AM Immaculate Conception  
12:10PM St. Anthony

*Watch Sunday & Daily Mass on  
Corpus Christi Facebook*

[www.facebook.com/corpuschristiparishpa](http://www.facebook.com/corpuschristiparishpa)

## **Weekly Collection July 9, 2023**

### **St. Barbara**

**Weekly.....\$3,378.15**

**E-Giving.....\$635.00**

**Total                 \$4,013.15**

### **Corpus Christi**

**Weekly.....\$8,272.62**

**E-Giving.....\$3,281.93**

**Total                 \$11,554.55**

## **Corpus Christi “No Bazaar” Collection**

Once again this year we are replacing our parish bazaar with a “No Bazaar” Collection. A letter was mailed to each parishioner with information on donating to our “No Bazaar” Collection. Please know if you use **E** giving, you have the option of making your donation on line. To date our “No Bazaar” collection is **\$6,935.00**. Thank you to everyone for your generosity.

## **St. Barbara Parish**

### **Flea Market & Potato Pancake Sale**

**Fri, July 21st 4:00PM–8:00PM**

**Sat, July 22nd 12:00PM-5:00PM**

**Sun, July 23rd 12:00PM-4:00PM**

While you are shopping, you can enjoy our delicious potato pancakes under the pavilion or, if you prefer, take them home. We are still accepting clean and gently used household and yard items which can be left at the back door of St. Anthony’s Parish Center. This week volunteer help is needed **Mon, July 17, Tues, July 18 & Thurs, July 20 from 6:00PM-8:00PM.**

## **Corpus Christi Parish Holy Name Society**

Hey all you Penn State Football fans, our Holy Name Society is raffling off a Penn State Football which is autographed by the Penn State Football Team (including local high school graduates). Tickets will be sold after all Masses. The donation is \$1.00 per ticket or \$10.00 for 15 tickets. Profit from this raffle directly benefits the children from our parishes through the Society’s donations toward gifts and parties for all children. You may also call the rectory 570 654 2753 for tickets.



## **Training Session for New Altar Servers**

Boys and girls from both parishes who are interested in becoming altar servers are invited to attend the training sessions on **Thursday, July 20 & Tuesday, July 25 at 6:00PM in Immaculate Conception Church**. Gabe Snyder will be training the new servers. If your child cannot attend either session, please contact Jennifer Snyder at [jenjag75@comcast.net](mailto:jenjag75@comcast.net). Thank you.

## **Scheduling Masses for 2024**

Our 2024 Mass books are now open. If you would like to schedule Masses for Corpus Christi or St. Barbara’s Parish for 2024, please call Dorothy at the rectory Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays between 10:00AM and 2:00PM. Thank you!

## **Visitation Ministry**

To be sure we are reaching all parishioners from Corpus Christi and St. Barbara Parishes who are now confined to their homes or residing in nursing homes, we need your help. If you, or someone you know, perhaps a neighbor or relative is homebound, please let us know. Through a phone call or a home visit, a volunteer in this ministry will reach out to them to establish a connection for any needs they may have. If needed, a visit from Monsignor or one of our deacons will be arranged. Communion will be offered to those who want it. Please call the rectory 570 654 2753 or e-mail [jceccconi50@gmail.com](mailto:jceccconi50@gmail.com) if you know of someone who would benefit from contact through this ministry. Thank you.

## Social Concerns “Project, Back to School”

This summer our Social Concerns Committees from Corpus Christi and St. Barbara Parishes are teaming up to collect donations of new back-to-school supplies, new hygiene products and all non-perishable food. Our goal is to enable local families, who may be struggling financially, to equip their children with the back-to-school supplies they need. Donations may be left in the vestibules of the churches or dropped off at the rectory.

► Establishing proper hygiene is key to a sense of self and better health. If you can help, we are asking for donations of personal hygiene products for children aged toddler thru teen. Some suggested items could include: **brushes, combs, chapstick, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, dry shampoo, ponytail holders, shaving cream, soap, bodywash, toothbrushes, toothpaste and mouthwash.**

► Some suggestions for back-to-school supplies could include: **pens, pencils, folders, composition books, spiral notebooks, wide ruled and college ruled paper, binders, pencil sharpeners, highlighters, pencil pouches, calculators, ear buds, staplers, rulers and hand sanitizers.**

► Suggestions for non-perishable food donations could include: **peanut butter, jelly, pastas, sauces, rice, canned meats and tuna, breakfast foods including hot and cold cereals, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, breakfast bars, puddings, jello, cookies and crackers.**

## Courtesy News

### WAC “Summerfest 23”

Philadelphia Freedom, a Tribute to Elton John, will perform at Wyoming Area Catholic School on Saturday, July 22, 2023. Cost is \$25.00. A food truck vendor will be on site....BYOB. Opening Act is “Burn the Jukebox.” Doors open at 6:00PM and concert begins at 7:00PM. Tickets can be purchased at the school, online on WAC’s Facebook page or at the gate.



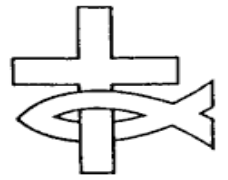
### Mass in Remembrance of Victims of Violent or Tragic Death Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 7:00PM Saint Peter’s Cathedral, Scranton

The Diocese of Scranton is offering the annual Mass in remembrance of victims of violent or tragic death. This Mass is offered for the families and friends of those who have died in tragedy, especially through murder, suicide, and accident. All persons who have lost a loved one through tragic and traumatic death are invited to this liturgy. You can register the names of deceased loved ones on registration forms which are available in the parish office or on this website, [www.dioceseofscranton.org](http://www.dioceseofscranton.org). All names must be received by July 19, 2023.

### Cemetery Administrative Assistant

The Diocese of Scranton is looking for qualified applicants for a full-time position at St. Mary’s Cemetery, Hanover Twp. This position interacts with families, funeral directors and others who are in need of various cemetery services. Interested applicants are asked to send a complete resume with a minimum of 3 references by July 28, 2023 to James Burke, Diocesan Secretary for Human Services, 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, Pa. 18503 or please e mail [Jim-Burke@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:Jim-Burke@dioceseofscranton.org).

## Liturgy Intentions For The Week



July 17 thru 23, 2023

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| <b>Mon 7:30AM (ICC)</b>   | <b>Ellen Brown</b><br>By Mary Finkernagel                           |
| <b>Tues 7:30AM (ICC)</b>  | <b>Tony Kleinhans</b><br>By Dave Gavigan & Family                   |
| <b>8:30AM (HRC)</b>       | <b>John Borzell, Sr.</b><br>By Dolores Sandroski                    |
| <b>Wed 7:30AM (ICC)</b>   | <b>Gina Sramek</b><br>By Frank & Carolyn Swickel                    |
| <b>12:10PM (SAC)</b>      | <b>Dec’d Members of Hatrak Family</b><br>By Paul & Josephine Hatrak |
| <b>Thurs 7:30AM (ICC)</b> | <b>Patsy Yunkunis</b><br>By Family                                  |
| <b>8:30AM (HRC)</b>       | <b>Giuliano Petraccini</b><br>By Michael Seman                      |
| <b>Fri 7:30AM (ICC)</b>   | <b>William Langan</b><br>By Family                                  |
| <b>12:10PM (SAC)</b>      | <b>Louise Castellani</b><br>By Joyce DeAngelo & Family.             |
| <b>Sat 4:00PM (SAC)</b>   | <b>Dec’d Membs of the Pizano Family</b><br>By Family                |
| <b>5:30PM (ICC)</b>       | <b>Paul Karasinski</b><br>By Family                                 |
| <b>Sun 7:30AM (SAC)</b>   | <b>John R. Seman</b><br>By Eileen & Ed Slavinski                    |
| <b>9:00AM (HR)</b>        | <b>Cheryl Devers</b><br>By M/M Marc Phillips                        |
| <b>10:30AM (ICC)</b>      | <b>Margaret &amp; John Hoover</b><br>By Family                      |

## Candles

These candles, which will burn July 16 thru 22, 2023, are donated in loving memory of the following:

### Altar Candles at ICC

**Jamie Oliveri**.....By Sister, Janine & Family

### Holy Family Candle at ICC

**Caroline & Joseph Just**.....Dtgr. Geraldine

### Sanctuary Candle at ICC

**Ross DeNisco, Jr.** .....By Rosemary & Family

### Sanctuary Candle at HR

**Paul Zongilla**.....By Christine

### Altar Candles at SA

**Barbara Sowa**.....By Leonard & Linda Blandina & Family

### Sanctuary Candle at SAC

**John Petrucci**.....By Family