

The Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter

St. Michael the Archangel

1703 Jackson Street, Scranton, PA 18504

24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 24, 2019

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

Low Mass: 8:00am

High Mass: 10:15am

Weekdays

Mon - Thu: 7:45am

Friday: 6:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 8:00AM 24TH 24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST , II

April Scatena –Karen Scatena

SUNDAY 10:15AM *Pro Populo*

MONDAY 7:45AM 25TH ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA, MARTYR, III

Joseph Ranieli –Joe Ranieli

TUESDAY 7:45AM 26TH ST. SYLVESTER, ABBOT, III

+ *George Staudinger –Seeley Family*

WEDNESDAY 7:45AM 27TH OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL, IV

Teresa & Nick LaFata - LaFata Family

THURSDAY 9:00AM 28TH VOTIVE JESUS CHRIST HIGH PRIEST, IV

Sue Gillenkirk –Pheasant Family

FRIDAY 6:00PM 29TH ST. SATURNINUS, MARTYR, IV

George Spohr

SATURDAY 9:00AM 30TH ST. ANDREW, APOSTLE, II

Fr. Bartholomew

SUNDAY 8:00AM 1ST 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT , I

Mary & Michael Pheasant –Pheasant Family

SUNDAY 10:15AM *Pro Populo*

DEVOTIONS

Confession

45mins before

Weekend Masses

Benediction

Fridays: 5:00pm

Saturday: 8:00am

Daily Rosary

Mon-Thu: After Mass

Fri -Sun: Before Mass

Office Hours: Monday by appointment, Friday 9am -3pm.



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Diocesan Annual Appeal: Appeal envelopes are in the vestibule. Please make sure that you donate something to the Annual Appeal. The Parish Code is #060.

The pastor asks that you contribute to the Diocesan Annual Appeal. You may be receiving a form letter from the Annual Appeal office which is signed by the Pastor. You are to take this as a personal invitation to make an offering to the Appeal. The Pastor would like 100% participation in this year's Appeal and will be contacting those who have not already made a contribution. This year it is possible to specify in which way you wish your Appeal donation to be applied. Please make every effort therefore to give something.

Advent Recollections: In preparation for Advent the Pastor offers two short Advent recollection in the Church Hall between Sunday Masses beginning at 9:00am on Sunday 1 December (1st Sunday of Advent) and Sunday 15th December (3rd Sunday of Advent).

Thanksgiving Day Mass: Please note that due to the holiday the daily Mass will be offered at 9:00am on Thursday 28th November.

T h e I d e a l o f T r u e V i r t u e c o n t .

Jesus Christ bore with a never-failing gentleness the faults and the roughness of His disciples. According to our way of thinking, what must He not have suffered at having to live with men so imperfect and so ignorant of the things of God? Intercourse with our neighbour is perhaps one of the most difficult things in this life; even the saints have felt how much it cost them. And the nearer they are to God, the more need they have of condescension, to lower themselves to others, as it were, to unbend, to conceal and excuse in others a thousand faults which they see and feel more keenly than any one else. And this is a point upon which their practice must be continual, and it all depends upon how they acquit themselves with regard to it as to whether they will make virtue amiable or displeasing to others.

Jesus Christ suffered every kind of persecution at the hands of His enemies, but He never gave way. He only opposed to them His innocence and virtue, and He always confounded them by His spotless life. When the hour came that He allowed Himself to fall into their hands, He permitted their evil passions to act, and looked upon them as instruments of Divine justice. He kept silence when He saw them so obstinate in their malice; He sought not to justify Himself, although it would have been so easy; He allowed Himself to be condemned; He allowed them to enjoy their imaginary triumph; He pardoned them, He prayed for them, He shed His blood for them. This is the most sublime and the most difficult height of perfection.

Whoever aspires to true sanctity, and to be guided in everything by the Spirit of God, must expect to suffer from the tongues of men, to bear their calumnies, and sometimes their persecutions. In this, above all things, we must take Jesus Christ as our model; we must suffer, for His sake, as much as we can, in the interests of truth; our only answer to calumny must be the innocence of our life; we must keep silence when it is not absolutely necessary to speak; we must leave the care of our justification to God, if He sees fit to justify us; we must stifle in our heart every feeling of resentment and bitterness; we must try to soften our enemies by every kind of charitable actions; we must pray to God for their pardon; and we must try to see, in all they make us suffer, only the accomplishment of God's designs upon us.

And when virtue can thus sustain itself in contempt, in opprobrium, in ill-treatment, then we may look upon it as perfected, as consummate virtue. Therefore God generally reserves this trial to the last. Blessed are those who pass through it! When Jesus Christ comes in His glory, they will have a share in it proportionate to their share in His humiliations. To desire such a state as this, to accept it when it is offered to us, to bear it patiently and with joy when we find ourselves in it, this can only be the effect of grace, and of an extraordinary grace. As for us, let us rest content in our lowliness; let us never think we can attain of ourselves to anything so high; and let us only ask of God that human respect may never cause us to abandon His interests.

- taken from [Manual for Interior Souls](#), by Father Jean Nicolas Grou