

**Second Sunday of East-
er Divine Mercy**

April 28, 2019

Once I was dead, but now
I am alive forever and
ever. *Revelation 1:18a*



MOST HOLY TRINITY PARISH

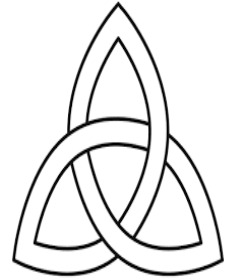
Parish Office located at:

15 E. Church St., Susquehanna, Pa. 18847

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www.saintslawrencemartinjohn.com



In case emergency call Fr. Dave at 570-604-0819

BAPTISM: The Church, as a norm, celebrates baptism on Sunday, the Lord's Day. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

PARISH REGISTRATION: We always welcome new members to our parishes. Registration is important so that we may serve your spiritual needs. Call the office to register. You must be registered to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage or be granted letters of eligibility for sponsoring a Baptism or Confirmation.

MARRIAGE: Couples contemplating marriage should contact the parish office at least six months before the anticipated date. This allows for proper preparation for this sacrament of commitment.

PENANCE: The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturday at St. John's after Mass, St. Lawrence at 4:15PM, and at 3:15 to 3:45PM at St. Martin's. Individual Confessions can also be arranged at another time by calling the parish office for an appointment.

HOSPITALS/NURSING HOMES AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please notify the parish office of anyone in the hospital, nursing home or seriously ill anticipating an operation or advanced in age. Members of the parish are available to bring communion to the sick and the homebound each Sunday.

MASS INTENTIONS: You can honor a deceased relative or friend by remembering them with a Mass intention. Please call the rectory if you would like to have a Mass said for someone. The stipend is \$10.00 per Mass.

CHURCH NEWS DEADLINE: Information for our weekly bulletin, inserts, and church announcements should be submitted to the parish office by **TUESDAY 11:00 AM**. If you or your organization has an announcement or prayer request to be read by the lector at mass, please have it to the parish office by our Tuesday deadline as well.

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The U.S. Senate recently failed to pass the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act— legislation that prohibits infanticide by ensuring that a child born alive following an attempted abortion would receive the same degree of care to preserve her or his life and health as would be given to any other child born alive at the same gestational age. Please join us in prayer for an end to infanticide:

"Jesus, Lord of Life, transform the hearts of all elected leaders to recognize that infanticide is wrong and must not be tolerated. Open hearts and minds to recognize and defend the precious gift of every human life."



Bible Study: Is postponed until further notice.

Divine Mercy Service Wednesday's at 3PM at St. Lawrence Church.

Email Prayer Chain, please send us your email! This prayer chain is not replacing the phone chain, it's just getting the prayers said to more people! jointoffice3@gmail.com

Eucharistic Devotions: Are held at St. John's on Sunday's at 2:30PM. All are welcomed.

Grief Support Group: Call the parish office for more information.

Holy Hour: Will be held after the Thursday morning Mass at St. Martin's. The hour will include the Mass and 30 minutes of private adoration. At 8:45 the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited.

Novena at St. Lawrence: Every Monday evening at St. Lawrence there will be a Novena and Adoration after the 7:00PM Mass.

Patriotic Rosary is said at St. John's Chapel every Thursday at Noon. All welcome to join us.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: If you know of anyone who is in need of one of these special lap shawls/quilts please call Toni Romanofski @ 853-4715 (St. John's), RoseMary Cosentino @ 756-2557 (St. Martin's) and Cheryl Tomeo: @ 607-761-3843 (St. Lawrence) or call the parish office at 853-4634. We have given out over **250** quilts/shawls. We make these for our joint baptisms as well! Quilters and knitters always needed. Next meeting is May 9th. COME!!!!

Pro-Life Ministry: Call parish office for more information.

Special Novena: On Thursday mornings at the 8:00 AM Mass at St. Martin of Tours there is a special novena after Mass to St. Peregrine, patron saint of cancer victims and those suffering from serious illness. There is a prayer box by St. Peregrine's statue where you can enter the name of a suffering loved one or yourself to be remembered. The box is emptied January 1st and July 1st. You are welcome to reenter names for those still suffering. Anyone in need of the Sacrament of anointing can receive the anointing that evening by calling the rectory at 570 853-4634.

THE GREATEST NEED

The world's greatest need is not more Christians but more Christians who practice their Christianity.

Rev. David Cramer, Pastor
Deacon Ron Maida
Mrs. Vickie Mulligan, Pastoral Associate/ DRE
Mrs. Judi Salinkas, Secretary

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST 15 E. Church St. Susquehanna, PA 18847



Food Bank Collections (Susq. Food Pantry)

Items may be left in the vestibule. All monetary gifts may be placed in an envelope marked "FOOD BANK" (cash only) and dropped in the collection. Canned veggies, soup & cereal.

We are still collecting rosaries for our troops. Please place them in the back of church.

Need a lift to Church? St. John's has a transportation Committee to help out parishioners who need a ride to church. Call JoAnn Barnes at 570-647-0833.

The **SANCTUARY LIGHT** burns for Child Abuse Prevention Month



Daughters of Every Age

You are cordially invited to the *Father Daughter Dance Saturday, April 27th, at 6:30PM until the fun ends.*

Hours oeuvres, desserts & bev. supplied.

Music by Jeff Decker, DJ Service

Cost: \$ 5.00 Fathers and Sponsors

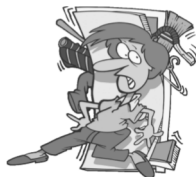
Daughters will be the HONORED

GUEST of the St. John's Men's Club



Save the Dates:

It's that time of year: Spring Cleaning!
June 5-7th. St. John's is having their
Annual Rummage Sale
Start cleaning out the garage and
spare rooms!



St. John's Men's Club Chicken BBQ Sunday, May 19th 2019 12PM-1:30PM \$10.00 each. See any Men's Club member for tickets.

SEEING IS BELIEVING

Seeing is believing! Since cellphone screens connect us instantly to social media, live TV, and loved ones' faces near and far, "Doubting Thomas" could be our patron saint: "Unless I see, I will not believe!" But how comforting for any of us who share Thomas's doubt, or love "doubters" who do, to see how kindly Jesus responds. By offering the very evidence that Thomas demanded, Jesus doesn't scold Thomas, but seems to understand such skepticism. Could Jesus have been thinking of us, who long to believe that "Jesus is risen!" but see so much suffering, and perhaps even cause some, that we wonder, how could something so wonderful be true? In today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles, the risen Jesus' healing love comforts through disciples who love others. In Revelation, "our brother John" doesn't just claim he saw Jesus alive, but passes on Jesus' life-giving words, "Do not be afraid." Seeing Jesus in others is believing!

Stewardship—St. John's

April 13th & 14th, 2019

Offering Env: \$ 1,912.00 Loose: 1874.00 Easter: 30.00
E. Flowers: 178.00 Rice Bowl: 40.00 Care & Edu: 48
Parish Imp: 20.00 Holy Land: 30.00 **Total: \$ 2,227.00.**

Please make checks payable to Most Holy Trinity Parish

Ministries—St. John

Saturday, May 4, 2019 5:30PM

Altar Servers: J. Burke, A. Nieradka

E.M.: S. Decker, C. Walker, J. McNamara

Lector: G. Chianese

Sunday, May 5, 2019 8:30PM

Altar Servers: M. Matis, L. Hilling

EM: B. Cook, B. Bucci

Lector: M. Cook

NEW FACEBOOKPAGE: @mostholyltrinitynepa
check it out and don't forget to "Like & Share"



For those who serve our country and community
At the close of our weekend Masses after the
Recessional Song, our community will all kneel and pray
three Hail Mary's for those individuals both living and
deceased.

Men's choir. It's never too late!! This would involve
men from all 3 churches. If interested, contact Kathy at
315-877-5815 or email kmatis14@gmail.com

Do You Want to Know More About the Annulment Process? In the Diocese of Scranton, the annulment process is now more "user friendly" than you might expect, and there is no longer a processing fee. Please contact your pastor or the Diocesan Tribunal Office (570-207-2246) to begin a conversation. It is possible to get clear answers to these questions and to renew your connection with the Church.

"Individual commitment to a group effort--that is what makes a team work, a company work, a church work, a society work, a civilization work." ..

ST. LAWRENCE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

380 FRANKLIN STREET GREAT BEND, PA. 18821



We at St. Lawrence ask you to *PLEASE* pray for those who have been placed on our prayer chain:
Jerry Stahl, Lorraine Smith, Karen Hartt, Cathy Johnson, Barry Corrigan Jr. J. Gill, Kathy Roe, Cheryl Butchta, Jim Malonis, John Vasina, Eddie Reddon, Rita Reavey, Carla Larson, Francis Canfield, Carla Benedict, Fr. Dave Cramer, Rihanna Ball & Less
**** when adding a person to the prayer list, PLEASE let us know when we should remove their name.**

Food Pantry: You can leave non perishable food items in the cry room for the Great Bend Food Pantry. All items are needed and greatly appreciated.

BIBLE STUDY: Is temporarily postponed until further notice.

Divine Mercy Wednesday's at 3:00PM at St. Lawrence Church during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The service will include hymns, prayers from St. Faustina's diary. Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet, as well as Veneration of the relic of St. Faustina. Please join us.

Flowers for the Altar: Anyone wishing to have flowers on the altar at St. Lawrence can call Lorraine James at 570-465-3393.

Divine Mercy: Sunday, April 28th, 2019 at St. Lawrence.
Confession 2:00PM
2:45: Chaplet
Mass 3:00PM. Light refreshment to follow.
All Welcome.

The Story of Us Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed. John 20:29

We all know the story of Thomas: He wasn't with the others when Jesus appeared post-resurrection, and he promptly declared his disbelief. It surprises us that Thomas wasn't willing to take the word of the other disciples. After all, why would they lie? Thomas was appropriately overwhelmed a week later when Jesus returned and invited him to touch his wounds.

Thomas' story is also the story of us. We can feel isolated and abandoned when we face struggle after struggle while the blessings bestowed on others seem so obvious. But the Lord's ways, and his love, don't always come in visual forms. If we summon up the faith and courage and patience to accept the Lord's timing and plans, even when we find them difficult to accept, the happy ending he is writing for us becomes more apparent—and believable.

Lord, help me to see you—and to believe and trust when I can't.

Stewardship— St. Lawrence

April 13th & 14th, 2019

Offering Env: \$ 1,759.00 Loose: 217.00 Maint: 108.00
Care & Edu: 13.00 Fuel: 20.00 Insurance: 20.00
Easter: 130.00 Holy Land: 25.00 **Total: \$ 2,427.00.**
*** Please make checks payable to Most Holy Trinity Parish**

MINISTERIES—ST. LAWRENCE

"A Disciple's Response of Time and Talent"

Saturday, May 4, 2019 5:00PM

EM: R. & D. Maida Lector: I. McCarthy

Sunday, May 5, 2019 9:30AM

EM: D. Horn, B. McGuire Lector: D. Shreffler

Greeters: 5/4: D. Vogel **5/5:** B. McKetta **5/11:** M. Holtzman
5/12: I. McCarthy **5/18:** B. Vaseleck **5/19:** K. Mangel
5/25: J. Persons **5/26:** L. Landes

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For those who serve our country and community At the close of our weekend Masses after the Recessional Song, our community will all kneel and pray three Hail Mary's for those individuals both living and deceased.

Spring Breakfast

Sunday, May 5th, 2019 8:30-11:30AM

St. Lawrence Trinity Center
\$8.00 per person includes:
pancakes, eggs, ham, sausage,
sweet breads, bev. and most of
all..Fellowship!



Save the DATE: SUNDAY, August 11, 2019 is the St. Lawrence Chicken BBQ 11:30-3:30PM. We need volunteers for LOTS! Cupcakes, water, soda, water slide, bounce house, set up, tear down. Vendors welcome. Call the parish office if interested in volunteering your time and talent. 570-853-4634.

Have you moved? Have you changed your phone number? It is very important to your church that you contact us with your changes. We are constantly trying to keep our parish records up to date. Also, if you come to one of our churches and would like to become a member, call the parish office for a registration form at 570-853-4634.

The Knights of Columbus meetings are still on the first Sunday of the month after the 9:30AM mass.

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

State Rts. 92 & 492 Jackson, Pa. 18825



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The St. Peregrine prayer box: If you have a loved one who remains in need of prayer you are welcome to put your request in the prayer box.

PLEASE JOIN US: Each First Saturday Mass at 8:00AM at St. Martin of Tours.

First Saturdays in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary include the following elements, performed with the intention of reparation for blasphemies against the Immaculate Heart, for at least five consecutive months: Confession (Father will be available) Holy Communion received on the first Saturday of each month; the Holy Rosary, five decades recited sometime during the day; meditating for 15 minutes on the Mysteries of the Rosary.

St. Martin of Tours will host it's annual **"Daughter Dinner"** on Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at 6PM. It is an evening of fellowship with the women of the parish along with friends in the community. It is a time to prepare your favorite dish to pass. **Please** make reservations for yourself or an entire table of friends. Call Betsy at 570-756-2586 or Fran 570-756-2468. Reservation deadline is May 9th.

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Ordinary Companions of Jesus ...perceiving them to be uneducated, ordinary men, the leaders, elders, and scribes were amazed, and they recognized them as the companions of Jesus. Acts 4:13

The religious leaders recognized two aspects of Peter and John. First, they were "ordinary." Would observers say the same thing about us? Would they see us as ordinary, that is, a normal, usual, real? If so, that's good. For God works through ordinary people—like the disciples—to accomplish extraordinary deeds. The leaders also recognized Peter and John as "companions of Jesus." Do we reveal that we, too, are companions of Jesus by the way we live our lives? How might we do this? By being a person of prayer, participating at Mass every week, volunteering our services? Perhaps by making choices consistent with the gospel and by being a person of kindness, hope and joy? How might I, in an ordinary way, reveal my companionship with Jesus today?

STEWARDSHIP ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

April 13th & 14th 2018

Offering Env: 682.00 Loose: 186.00 Easter: 45.00 Care & Edu: 25.00 Fuel/Utility: 50.00 Initial Off: 10.00 Ash Wed: 5.00 E. Flowers: 40.00 Rice Bowl: 33.00 Holy Land: 60.00 Home Mission: 20.00. **Total: \$ 1,465.27.**
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JOINT FACEBOOK PAGE: @stlawrencemartinjohn

Time, Talent & Treasure: Think of giving not as a duty but as a privilege.

MINISTERIES-ST. MARTIN'S

Saturday, May 4, 2019 4:00PM

Lector: M. Lingobardo EM: M. Czachor

Sunday, May 5, 2019 11:00AM

Altar Server: G. Whitehead Lector: B. Corrigan
EM: B. Kwader, B. Supancik, C. Kempa

St. Martin of Tours has an **Emergency Prayer Request** team that is ready to pray for the needs of her parishioners. Prayer requests can be made to Annette Corrigan at corrigan@echoes.net 570 280-2264 or Betsy Supancik at grannybets68@yahoo.com 570 756-2586.

Holy Hour: will be held after the Thursday morning Mass. The hour will include the Mass and 30 minutes of private adoration. At 8:45 the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited.

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Free Piano AND business size Cannon Copier in the church basement. If you can take it away..it's YOURS! Call the parish office.

Have you moved? Have you changed your phone number? It is very important to your church that you contact us with your changes. We are constantly trying to keep our parish records up to date.

Going away? www.masstimes.com will help you find a Mass that fits your schedule.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Our next meeting will be held on **May 9, 2019**. Baptism blankets/quilts are given out as well as regular sizes and colors. We have given away over 250!

Eucharistic Devotions are held at St. John's on Sunday's at 2:30PM. All are welcomed.

If you or a loved one are in the hospital or you are unable to attend Mass due to advanced age or sickness/disability and would like a home visit, please call the parish office at 853-4634. Fr. Dave is more than happy to pay you a visit!

Military Names Wanted: *If you have a loved one in the Military and would like our parish community to pray for them, you may submit their name to the office. We will place them on our new military board on the altar. ***Our military tribute is now up at each of our worship sites. Please take a moment to view our service men and women's names.*



Divine Mercy THIS Sunday:

Divine Mercy mass is at St. Lawrence on Sunday, April 28th. Confession 2:00PM 2:45: Chaplet & Mass 3:00PM. Light refreshment to follow. All encouraged to come.

Blood Drive: St. John's Hall on May 1st, 2019 12:30-5:30PM



No weekday Mass the week of April 29th due to Clergy Convocation. (Clergy meetings)



Our Triduum and Easter Sunday liturgies were inspiring and spiritually uplifting thanks to the participation of so many dedicated people: the liturgical ministers, the music ministry, the sacristans and MC's, the decorators and church cleaners, the ushers

and our office staff, the participants in the various roles, the many who attend and the generous financial contributions.

May the Risen Lord Bless you all!

Sat. April 27 St. Martin's	4:00PM	Andrew Banko req. by Louis and Karen Accello
St. Lawrence	5:00PM	Sparky Burton req. by the Burton family
St. John's	5:30PM	Jeffrey Boughton req. by Steve and Jenny Bixby
Sun. April 28 St. John's	8:30AM	Ellen Bixby req. by Jesse and Mary Gow
St. Lawrence	9:30AM	Albert Maholick req. by Mike and Carol Lutchko
St. Martin's	11:00AM	Andrew Banko req. by Diane Frye
St. Lawrence	3:00PM	Divine Mercy Irene Belcher req. by the parish community
Mon. April 29 St. Lawrence		NO MASS
Tues. April 30 St. John's		NO MASS
Wed. May 1 St. Lawrence		NO MASS
Thurs. May 2 St. Martin's		NO MASS
Friday, May 3 St. John's		NO MASS
Sat. May 4 St. Martin's	8:00AM	NO MASS
St. Martin's	4:00PM	Benedict XVI req. by the faithful
St. Lawrence	5:00PM	Deceased members of the Frailey family req. by Lorrie Frailey
St. John's	5:30PM	Ellen Bixby req. by Deb Zayas and Roy Williams
Sun. May 5 St. John's	8:30AM	Mary Ahearn req. by Bill and Mary Lynn Finnegan
St. Lawrence	9:30AM	Irene Belcher req. by Bill and Paulette Allen
St. Martin's	11:00AM	JoAnn Leonard req. by Betty and Frank Kwader

Confession

St. Martin of Tours, Jackson 3:15-3:35PM

St. Lawrence, Great Bend 4:15-4:45PM

St. John's, Susquehanna is Saturdays after Mass

We will have Anointing of the Sick at the First Friday, Saturday and Monday Masses of each month.