

May 3, 2026 / Fifth Sunday of Easter



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PARISH VISION

To both welcome the unchurched in the Eastern Pocono Region and beyond, and to nourish and challenge all current church members by forming leaders and creating an irresistible weekend experience at the Church of St. John.

Mass Schedule

Monday – 7:00 PM
Tuesday and Thursday – 12:00 PM
Friday – 9:00 AM
Saturday – 4:00 PM
Sunday – 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM, and First Sunday of each month at 1:30 PM (Spanish Mass)

Live stream available on Saturday and Sunday on our YouTube channel, Facebook page, and church website.

Parish Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Eucharistic Adoration

Mon, Wed, Thurs & Frid: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Tuesday 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM &
4:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Sacrament of Confession

Saturdays: 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Or by appointment

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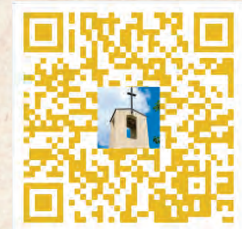
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Word, Worship and Prayer

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, May 2

4:00 pm Louis & Rosemary Knaub
by Kaitlin & Joe Pecha

SUNDAY, May 3 Acts 6:1-7; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

8:30 am Jan & Antoni Wardach by the Lisek Family

11:00 am Carole Lippold by Carole Lippold and
Ania Regman by Cecil Regman

MONDAY, May 4 Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26

7:00 pm John Paul Bilyj by The Bilyj Family

TUESDAY, May 5 Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a

12:00 pm Bogdan Wilczewski by James Johnston

THURSDAY, May 7 Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11

12:00 pm Jonathan Marc Ginsberg by Mom & Dad

FRIDAY, May 8 Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17

9:00 am Rev. Connell A. McHugh
& Rev. John Francis Turi
by St. Johns Parish

SATURDAY, May 9

4:00 pm Louis & Rosemary Knaub by Kaitlin Pecha

SUNDAY, May 10

8:30 am Kathleen Gabel by Gabel Family

11:00 am Grace Durant by Zoom Word of Life Group

1:30 pm Arnaudy Camilo by The Camilo Family,
Jason Aprecu by German Castro, and
Jean Illescas by Tannia Illescas

For Those In Need Of Hope, Healing & Health

Niko Franz, Andrew Thomas,
Brian Olney Junior, Lenny Rapisardi,
James Goetz, Irene Chee, Dana McCarthy,
Joe Clampet, Marilyn Brizzi, Grellita Sipalay,
Karter Reid-Tullis, CJ and Chey, Lisa Felipe,
Susan Skidmore, Kevin Overbey,
Johawn Sebastian Rodriguez, Erin Padilla

For The Souls Of Our Dearly Departed

Elizabeth White, Anthony Zanella,
Anthony DeRobertis, Virginia Khan,
Michael Carcaterra, Ann Cirillo,
Mary Galayda, Blanche Gallo,
Josephine Dominguez, Antonio R Gonzalez,
Julie Jupin, Miriam Bruno

*To add to this list, please email:
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Announcements for this Week

2026 Wedding Anniversary Mass

His Excellency, the Most Reverend
Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.,
Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish
Life invite couples celebrating their
10th, 25th, 40th, or 50th
wedding anniversary in 2026 to a Diocesan
Wedding Anniversary Mass on
Sunday, June 28, 2026. The celebration will
include a **2:30 PM Mass at the**
Cathedral of Saint Peter, followed by
a light reception.

The registration deadline is
Sunday, June 7, 2026. To register,
please visit <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org>
or contact **Bridget Maille** at
(570) 207-2213 ext. 1133 or
familylife@dioceseofscranton.org.

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May 2, 2026 — May 8, 2026

TABERNACLE CANDLE

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You may reserve a candle for your special intentions—
whether in memory of a loved one, for healing, or to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, and other
meaningful occasions. A special card is available to accompany the reservation.
To arrange this, please contact the Parish Office.



“Mission Field” Week 1: The Church is a Movement, not a Destination

The early Church was still young when a practical challenge emerged (**Acts 6:1-7**): some widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. The apostles, guided by the Spirit, recognized that this was not a distraction from their mission, but an opportunity to live it more faithfully. They discerned how best to serve by appointing others who could focus on this ministry, so the Word of God could continue to spread. Here we witness a Church in motion. It doesn't stay still, nor does it hide behind walls. The apostles understood that the Church was never meant to be solely a destination where people simply come to receive, but a movement of people sent to serve and restore what had been broken. This is the pattern Christ gave us: we are gathered together to be strengthened and sent out again into the world as his witnesses of healing, hope, and renewal.

At St. John's, we share in that same calling. Our parish exists to be a place where disciples are formed and the love of Christ is made visible, not only through our weekend worship, but also through active engagement beyond our doors. Our Partners in Mission, community outreach, and daily acts of compassion are all ways we join Christ's restoring work. Like the apostles, we discern where God is calling us to serve, trusting that we cannot do everything, but we can do some things well; and we can do it with love.

This week, we are invited to see our parish as part of God's larger movement of restoration. Each of us plays a role – through prayer, presence, time, and talent. Every act of service, no matter how small, becomes part of Christ's redeeming work in the world. The mission field isn't some faraway place; it begins right where we are – in our homes, workplaces, schools, and neighborhoods. As we reflect on this week's message, may we feel both encouraged and included. God doesn't wait until we have it all figured out to call us into his mission. Instead, he meets us in our everyday lives, inviting us to be part of the ongoing story of restoration. The Church isn't a building or a program; it's us – a movement of people empowered by Christ to bring his love to the world.

Questions for Small Groups:

1. In Acts 6, the apostles discerned where to focus their energy. Where might God be calling you to focus your gifts and time in this season?
2. How does thinking of the Church as a movement rather than a destination change the way you view your faith and parish community?
3. What helps you feel connected to the broader mission of St. John's? What challenges make it hard to stay engaged?
4. Where have you recently seen signs of God's restoration or renewal, in your own life or within our community?
5. What's one small, concrete way you can join in Christ's restoring work this week, perhaps through an act of service, prayer, or encouragement?

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Middle Smithfield 3: Middle Smithfield Presbyterian Church 5205 Milford Road	Middle Smithfield 4: Community & Cultural Center 5200 Milford Road

More information:
www.middleSmithfieldtownship.com/212/voting

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