

May 10, 2026 / Sixth Sunday of Easter



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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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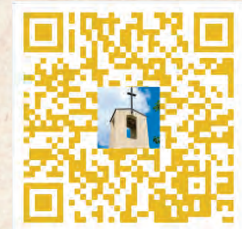
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Word, Worship and Prayer

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, May 9

4:00 pm Louis & Rosemary Knaub by Kaitlin Pecha

SUNDAY, May 10 Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

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

MONDAY, May 11 Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16:4a

7:00 pm Czeslaw & Jozef Wardach
by The Lisek Family

TUESDAY, May 12 Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11

12:00 pm Richard Maurer by Bob Noonan

Wednesday, May 13 Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15

7:00 pm Alina Byra by Gabriella Zmuda

THURSDAY, May 14 Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17 & Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

12:00 pm Vicky & Henry Boersma by the Bilyj Family

5:00 pm Petronila Valentiny/Dulce Reyes Gutierrez
by Milka Gutierrez

FRIDAY, May 15 Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

9:00 am Benido Sandana/Virgilio Peralpa
by Sandana Family

SATURDAY, May 16

4:00 pm Consuelo Accomasso
by Lori & John Benzinger

SUNDAY, May 17

8:30 am Christopher Scavone by Matthew Marciano

11:00 am Deacon Eduardo Sencion
by The Sencion Family &
Leonidas & Constantina
by The Garces Family

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.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Peace and Unity Around the World
by The Church of St. John
May 9, 2026 — May 15, 2026

TABERNACLE CANDLE

Souls of the Faithful Departed
by The Church of St. John
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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 Two: Everyday Mission

Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence (1 Peter 3:15-16). These words from Peter remind us that living as a follower of Christ isn't reserved for special seasons or missionary trips; it's a daily calling. Wherever we find ourselves, in ordinary conversations and quiet acts of kindness, we carry the presence of Christ into the world.

The Mission Field series invites us to see that mission is not something the Church merely does; it's who the Church is. Each of us is placed intentionally by God into our families, workplaces, neighborhoods, and communities to influence others for good. Peter doesn't tell us to wait until conditions are perfect or until we feel fully prepared. Instead, he encourages us to sanctify Christ as Lord in our hearts and let that relationship shine naturally through how we live. When we live with integrity, do good even when it's hard, and treat others with gentleness and respect, we quietly fulfill our mission. The way we respond to challenges, extend forgiveness, speak with kindness, and act with love can be the strongest testimony of our faith. The mission field is right where your feet are at this moment. Every interaction has the potential to plant a seed of hope or healing in someone else's life.

At St. John's, this means our mission work goes beyond formal programs or partnerships, though those remain vital. It means recognizing how our everyday lives reflect God's love and restoration in tangible ways: a word of encouragement to a coworker, a meal shared with someone in need, or a prayer lifted on behalf of a struggling neighbor. Christ's mission flows through the ordinary, and when we choose love over indifference, patience over irritation, or hope over cynicism, we join God's restoring work. As we continue in this series, may this week's reflection remind us that the mission field isn't far away or beyond reach. It's wherever God has placed us today. Small acts, offered with great love, can reveal the heart of Christ to those around us. You may never fully know how your quiet faithfulness impacts others, but God does, and he delights in using the ordinary to accomplish extraordinary things.

Small Group Questions:

1. How do you understand Peter's call to “sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts”? What does this look like in daily life?
2. In what ordinary situations, home, work, school, community, might God be calling you to share hope or extend kindness this week?
3. How do you balance speaking about your faith with showing it through action? What helps you keep both in harmony?
4. Think about someone in your life who modeled this kind of everyday mission. What can you learn from their example?
5. What simple, intentional act could you take this week to bring Christ's presence to the people around you?

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Middle Smithfield 4: Community & Cultural Center, 5200 Milford Road
 More information: www.middleSmithfieldtownship.com/212/voting
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