



# My Lord and my God!

## SAINT MONICA PARISH

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF WYOMING & WEST WYOMING  
363 WEST 8TH ST., WEST WYOMING, PA. 18644

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### + + + MASS SCHEDULE + + +

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 PM  
Sunday Morning Mass 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM  
Monday Morning Mass 8:00 AM  
Tuesday Morning Mass 8:00 AM  
Wednesday Morning Mass 8:00AM  
Friday Afternoon Mass 12:10 PM  
(Adoration following Mass - Benediction 4:30 PM)

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### CONTACT US

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Parish Office Hours:  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday  
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

*Mission Statement – The Parish of Saint Monica, grounded in the Sacraments and Gospel of Jesus Christ, is called to serve by using God's gifts of time, talent, and treasure to inspire evangelization and provide for those in need.*

**Parish Membership** - New members are always welcome. Please call the Parish Office to register. Membership is necessary for anyone in our Religious Education & Sacraments Programs as well as anyone wishing to be a sponsor for Baptism & Confirmation  
**Sacraments** -

**Baptism** – Baptismal Instruction held each First Tuesday monthly; required for parents. Please call the Parish Office to register.

**Confession** - Saturday, 2:45 PM - 3:45 PM or by appointment.

**Marriage** - Diocesan Policy requires a six-month advance notification to the priest & participation in Pre-Cana Instruction.

**Religious Education** - Youth Program Sunday, 9:45 AM dismissal 10:45AM; IC Adults Wednesday, 6:00 PM.

**Diocesan Catholic Schools** - Elementary or High School for information call 714-9610.

**Pastoral Care of the Sick** – Please call the Parish Office for visitation & Sacrament of the Sick, at home, in the hospital or Health Care Facility. Local hospitals do not provide pastors with names of hospitalized parishioners.

**Bereavement Committee** - Meet the second Monday of the month. Joanne Austin coordinator 288-6785.

**Senior Citizens** - Meet the first & third Tuesday of the month at 1:30 PM in the Church Hall.

**Christian Society** - Meet the first Monday of the month after the 8:00AM Mass.

**Prayer Group** – Wednesdays 7:00PM.

**Pregnancy Help** - 24/7 call 1-800-723-8331 or 570-826-1819.

FEED  
MY  
SHEEP



## Divine Mercy Sunday

April 8, 2018



**+ Mass Schedule +**  
**Mass Intention**



Monday, April 9 8:00AM – Eleanor Krasniak  
by Joann Kwasny  
Tuesday, April 10 8:00 AM – Communion Service  
by Deacon Bill  
Wednesday, April 11 8:00 AM – Communion Service  
by Deacon Bill  
Friday, April 13 12:10 PM – Stanley Romanowski  
by Maryann Romanowski  
Saturday, April 14 4:00 PM – Norma Keiper  
by Pat Krubitzer  
Sunday, April 15 8:30 AM – Intention Parish  
11:00 AM – Mary & Joseph Rutkowski  
by Bernadine & Family

**Ministry Schedule**

**Ministry Schedule – April 14 & 15**

**Acolyte**

4:00 PM – Heck, Hindmarsh, Gravine  
8:30 AM – Rowlands, Janoskys  
11:00 AM – Dominick, Krakosky, Latoski

**Lector**

4:00 PM – Yamrick, Kwasny  
8:30 AM – Carlozi, Romani  
11:00 AM – Hindmarsh, Smith

**Eucharistic Minister**

4:00 PM – Deacon, Austin, Yamrick  
8:30 AM – Deacon, Gegelka, Lisewski  
11:00 AM – Deacon, Kelleys, Kruszka



**Sanctuary Candle**

**Apr 8-Apr 14 – Pat Ruger** by Mary Matani  
**Apr 15-Apr 21 – EJ Woolard** by Family  
**Apr 22-Apr 28 – Special Intention** by Family



Requesting the Sanctuary Candle or donating the Bread and Wine is a wonderful way to honor your loved one. It may also be offered in honor of a special occasion, intention or in thanksgiving. Please call the Parish Office for available dates and details.

**Bread & Wine April – Intentions of EJ Woolard** by Family

**Sunday Collection – April 1, / Easter 2018**

**\$4,748.88 - Weekend**  
**\$5,786.25 - Easter**

Weekly amount needed to  
Meet operational expenses:

**\$8,000.00**  
Difference  
**- \$3,251.12**



**Thank you and God bless your generosity!!!**



**Divine Mercy Sunday** will take place, April 8, 2018, at Saint Ignatius Loyola Church, 339 N. Maple Ave., Kingston, Pa. All are welcome.  
1:00PM - Sacrament of Reconciliation and Praying of the Holy Rosary 2:00PM - Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image, followed by the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, Celebrant/Homilist - Rev. Pio Mandato, F.M.H.J. Rev. Leo J. McKernan, Pastor, Concelebrant, 3:00PM - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Reciting of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Benediction and blessing with the first-class relic of Saint Faustina.

**Cub Scouts** - The Blue and Gold Dinner will be held in the Church Hall on Sunday, April 15th at 4 PM. Three young men will be awarded the highest rank in Cub Scouting, the Arrow of Light and will Cross Over the Bridge to join Boy Scout Troop 366. The boys are Jake Bonin, Justin Herrera and Dominic Mazza.



**BINGO**

14	29	38	52	74
4	18	33	46	62
7	16	★	60	71
9	27	44	51	67
12	23	35	47	79

**VARIETY BINGO** - Variety Bingo will be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 116 Hughes St., Swoyersville, on Sunday, April 15, 2018, in the school gymnasium. Doors open at 12pm, and Bingo begins at 1:00pm. Admission is \$10, which includes 3 cards for each of 15 regular games and 10 specials. Lunch, bake sale, Instant Bingo, Door Prizes, and Basket Raffles will be available. All are WELCOME!

**Pilgrimage** to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Basilica and the Lourdes Grotto, Emmitsburg, Maryland, is scheduled from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Swoyersville, Wednesday, April 18th. Bus cost is \$45.00. There will be a buffet dinner stop, on your own. Interested parties should call Chris Calore for details at 824-5621.



**The Catholic Charismatic Renewal** will be celebrating a Regional Prayer Meeting on Monday, April 9th, at 7:30 pm, and all are welcome to attend. The meeting will be held at Queen of Apostles Hall, 715 Hawthorne St., Avoca. There will be praise and worship with our combined music ministry, a witness and a teaching. The evening is being hosted by People of God Prayer Community, and refreshments will be served. Please come and join in the celebration of the Love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit!



**Little Sisters of the Poor to Sponsor Bus Trip** to Sight & Sound Theatre to see "Jesus," Tuesday, May 15. The cost is \$105 per person which includes transportation via a video bus with an on-board restroom, light refreshments served on the bus, and a balcony section ticket. Following the show, guests will stop for lunch at a restaurant near the theatre. For reservations contact Jackie Galvin: 343-4065 by Tuesday, April 17.





# Did You Know???

- 1. **Anointing of the Sick** Each First Saturday of the month immediately after the 4:00PM Mass.
- 2. **Adoration** Fridays after 12:10PM until 4:30PM.
- 3. **CCD** classes held Sundays, 9:45-10:45AM.

- 4. **Pastoral Council Meeting** April 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 in the hall
- 5. **Classes for Intellectually Challenged** held Wednesdays, in the Church Hall at 6:00PM.
- 6. **Christian Society** meeting Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:30AM.
- 7. **Newspaper Parish News:** please send to Maureen Carey 466-6696 or email to: mcarey197@comcast.net

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**Opioid Fact Forum** on Thursday April 19<sup>th</sup> at the Pittston Memorial Library from 6:30 to 8:00PM. Carmen Ambrosino, a Drug and Alcohol Specialist for 4 decades will moderate. Panelists will include Carol Coolbaugh, Community Education Advocate and mother who will discuss the loss of her son. Judge Michael Vough will take you through a day in his Court room. Coroner William Lisman will present his all too frequent role as the final destination for those afflicted with Opioids. The goal of this forum is to present information on what happens to families of faith when Opioids are abused. This impactful, hard hitting event is FREE and light refreshments will be served. Mark your calendar, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 to 8pm.



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**Diocese of Scranton Catholic Men's Conference** on May 5 at King's College in Wilkes-Barre. The conference will feature inspirational speakers, Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and a concluding Mass celebrated by Bishop Joseph C. Bambera. Many ministries will be represented and a variety of books, CDs and other material will be available. The Conference will bring together hundreds of Catholic men for good fellowship and a re-commitment to promoting and living out our Christian heritage in our homes, workplaces and society. You can register on line at: [www.beamanconference.com](http://www.beamanconference.com) For more information or to volunteer, please call or email Michael Kilmer at 570-746-0100 or [mkilmer@thekilmergroup.com](mailto:mkilmer@thekilmergroup.com).

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**Diocese of Scranton Catholic Women's Conference** will be held Saturday, June 23, at the University of Scranton, Byron Complex. The conference, intended to inspire women at all levels of faith, will include several noted speakers, uplifting music, the Sacrament of Penance, Eucharistic Adoration and a Mass with Bishop Joseph C. Bambera. Participants can also enjoy a continental breakfast, lunch and shopping at the Catholic Vendor Marketplace. For registration and information, go to [www.dioceseofscranton.org/catholic-womensconference](http://www.dioceseofscranton.org/catholic-womensconference)



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## Rummage Sale at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton School Gymnasium; 116 Hughes Street, Swoyersville.

Monday, April 23: 9am-5pm

Tuesday, April 24: 9am-3pm

- \$2/Bag Day

*Bake sale, refreshments, homemade haluski & wimpies, and more!*



**Art Show, Spring Concert and Senior Waltz** Holy Redeemer High School, Saturday, April 14 and Sunday, April 15 in McCarthy Auditorium. Art Show begins at 6:00PM and Concert/Waltz at 7:00PM. Tickets: Adults: \$5 - Senior Citizens/Students: \$3

### Historic Sites in the Diocese - there's an app for that!

One of the ways we can partake in the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese is through a visit to some of the historic sites here. The Office of Parish Life 2018 calendar features a number of those locations, and now there is a free app to guide you there. The Diocese of Scranton Pilgrimage app includes directions to each site, a description of what you will find when you arrive, a brief history, some photos and a "punch card" to help you keep track of the sites you have visited. Get the app and get on the road! (You can also use the app to enjoy a virtual pilgrimage without leaving home.) The app is easy to get: simply search for "Diocese of Scranton" on the Android/Google Play App Store or the iOS/Apple App Store.



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**Bulletin Announcement Policy** - Requests are best made two or three weeks prior to the event date and no later than the Monday before publication. Requests are not guaranteed inclusion and will be edited. Please do not submit graphics, information only. Material for requested announcement can be submitted by email, mailed to or dropped off to the Parish Secretary at the Parish office.

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This year I was prepared with my "Egg-hunting" app.

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Divine Mercy Sunday  
April 8, 2018



**JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU!**

# *Divine Mercy Sunday*

*April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018*



*On one occasion, I heard these words: My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day, the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day, all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy.*

*Let the greatest sinners place their trust in My mercy. They have the right before others to trust in the abyss of My mercy. My daughter, write about My mercy towards tormented souls. Souls that make an appeal to My mercy delight Me. To such souls, I grant even more graces than they ask. I cannot punish even the greatest sinner if he makes an appeal to My compassion, but on the contrary, I justify him in My unfathomable and inscrutable mercy. Write: before I come as a just Judge, I first open wide the door of My mercy. He who refuses to pass through the door of My mercy must pass through the door of My justice.*

*From all My wounds, like from streams, mercy flows for souls, but the wound in My Heart is the fountain of unfathomable mercy. From this fountain spring, all graces for souls. The flames of compassion burn Me. I desire greatly to pour them out upon souls. Speak to the whole world about My mercy.*

*~ Excerpted from Diary of Sr. M. Faustina Kowalska*