

Remaining Christmastide Worship & Events

In addition to these, Said Masses and 7 PM Sunday Masses will be offered according to the usual weekly schedule.

Sun 12/30, 2 PM • Christmas Caroling, Scranton Manor

Mon 12/31, 5:30 PM • Vigil of Mary, Mother of God

+ 7 PM • Family New Years Eve Party

Sun 1/6, 10 AM • Epiphany Sunday

+ 4 PM • Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

+ 5:30 PM • Three Kings Celebration Supper

Christmas Caroling Today!

The Parish's annual Christmas caroling ministry at Scranton Manor Assisted Living (across from the Regional Hospital parking deck) will take place **today, Sunday, December 30 at 2:00 p.m.** All are welcome, not just choir members! Please join us in undertaking this corporal work of mercy.

January 6 Bath Mass Moved to Today

Normally held on the first and third Sundays of the month, the next Mass for the Blessed John Henry Newman Society – our outreach congregation in Bath, PA – has been **moved one week earlier, to today, Sunday, December 30.** This will allow Fr. Bergman to officiate at Lessons & Carols – and to be present for the Three Kings Supper – next Sunday.

New Years Eve: Solemn Mass / Family Party

Tuesday, January 1 is the **Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God...** a Holy Day of Obligation. Our principal observance will be **Solemn Mass tomorrow evening, Monday, December 31 at 5:30 p.m.** Afterward, join us for a family-friendly New Years Eve gathering in the Parish Hall for potluck supper, fellowship, and a movie. **Said Masses** for the Holy Day will be offered at **7:00 and 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday.**

Lessons & Carols / Supper Next Sunday

The annual **Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols** – a beautiful service of readings and music recounting salvation history – will take place **next Sunday, January 6 at 4:00 p.m.** Afterward we will gather in the Parish Hall at **5:30 p.m.** for the annual **Three Kings Supper**, during which those who find a dime under their pound cake will be crowd our three kings and presented with gifts from the Parish. A potluck event, beverages and dessert will be provided. Please plan to join us, and invite a friend!

7 AM Masses Move to Convent Chapel Jan. 7

7:00 a.m. weekday Said Masses will make their annual switch to the Convent Chapel for the cold winter months on **Monday, January 7.** The chapel is newly renovated, featuring a clean new ceiling, improved lighting, and a private Confessional across the hall. On cold winter mornings, join us for Mass in this warm and intimate setting!

March for Life January 18

The 2019 March for Life will take place in Washington, D.C. on **Friday, January 18.** **Bishop Lopes** will be attending, and an **Ordinariate Mass** will be held that morning at **St. Luke's**, our community in the Nation's Capital. We have arranged for the most affordable transportation option by far – the bus from Sacred Heart Parish in Bath, host to our outreach congregation – will leave very early that morning in order to arrive at that Mass on time. Seats on that bus may be reserved by contacting Karen Brynildsen at nannybepop@ptd.net, or 610-762-2122.

Offering Envelopes

Offering Envelopes for 2019 are available at the back of the church, and their use is strongly encouraged... not least, so you can claim a tax exemption on the cash you place in the offering plate. If taking a box for the first time, please be sure to record your name next to the corresponding number on the list.

50/50 Raffle Tickets for Sale

The Upper School is raising funds through a 50/50 raffle! Tickets will be on sale (\$1 each, or \$5 for a booklet of 6) after all Sunday and Holy Day Masses until the **Epiphany Supper on January 6**, when the drawing will take place.

2019 Parish Calendars - \$5

Parish Calendars for 2019 – now available at the back of the church – are a great way to share information about our Parish and its liturgical tradition with family and friends. Pick yours up today for \$5 each!

Parish to Receive New Organ

After three months of due diligence and second opinions, we are pleased to announce that the parish organ – severely damaged by a lightning strike – will be replaced with a brand new \$140,000 instrument in three to four months' time. Thank you for your patience as we work with the limitations of the current instrument as we await the new installation.

Bishop's Appeal

God bless all of you who have contributed to this year's Bishop's Appeal! If you have not yet responded, please pick up a pledge card in your pew, or visit ordinariate.net/bishops-appeal to give. **Our Parish has yet to reach our end-of-year goal, which will be billed to the Parish if not met... so please pledge or give right away.**

2019 Mass Intentions

The 2019 Mass Book is now open for scheduling of Mass Intentions for 2019. Lists may be submitted by email, on paper, or over the phone. Requests for specific dates will be honored on a first-come, first-served basis. Please be sure to indicate whether the person is living or deceased, Catholic or non-Catholic.