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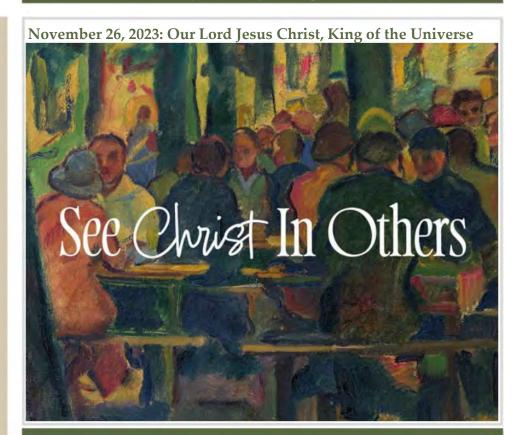
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Masses: Mon-Th 8:30am* | Saturday 4pm | Sunday 8:30am and 10:30am*

Adoration & Confession: Monday 6-7pm | Confession: Saturday 3-3:45pm

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9am-2pm | Friday 9am-Noon



Missionary Creativity

"The parish is not an outdated institution; precisely because it possesses great flexibility, it can assume quite different contours depending on the openness and missionary creativity of the pastor and the community. While certainly not the only institution which evangelizes, if the parish proves capable of self-renewal and constant adaptivity, it continues to be the Church living in the midst of the homes of her sons and daughters"

Pope Francis in EVANGELII GAUDIUM #28

Saint Eulalia Parish Mission Statement
We are an evangelizing Catholic community
living and spreading the Gospel values of faith, hope, and love.





ALTAR SERVER

Mass Intentions ~ Nov. 27-Dec. 3

Monday	8:30 AM	Deceased members of St. Eulalia Parish	
Tuesday	8:30 AM	Deceased members of St. Eulalia Parish	
Wednesday	8:30 AM	William Crane (Dorothy Crane & Family)	
Thursday	8:30 AM	Linda DeScipio (Tony DeScipio & Family)	
Friday	8:30 AM	Alyce Farrell (Debbie Kakareka)	
Saturday	8:30 AM	Deceased members of St. Eulalia Parish	
	4:00 PM	Albert Pehanick (Family)	
Sunday	8:30 AM	All Parishioners living & deceased	
	10:30 AM	Jane & William Noll (Ken, Lois Noll & Family)	

The 2024 Mass Intention book is open and available for scheduling masses.

Mass Intentions can be requested by stopping in the Parish Office, giving us a call (570-842-7656) or sending an email to secretary@saint-eulalia.com. We'll do our best to accommodate your requested date.

LECTOR

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Saturday December 2	4:00 PM	John Docalovich Catherine Kochis	Amy Croom Deborah Guzy Carol Laboranti	AJ Croom Alex Croom Cole Lafferty
Sunday December 3	8:30 AM	Lois Draina Mollie Magnotta	Ann Arcurie Susan Danna Mary Farley-Mell	Avery DeRenzis Lucas Goul Joshua Magnotta
	10:30 AM	Mark Lemoncelli Ann Quinnan	Mem Petriello Lois Runco Teri Taynton	Gabe DeScipio Zander Kinney Sam Lemoncelli

Next Welcome Weekend — December 2-3

Plan to join us for a casual gathering after each mass next weekend -- December 2-3

Volunteer tasks such as setting up, smiling, and cleaning up help everyone feel welcome at these gatherings. Donations of savory snacks and baked goods, soft drinks or juice are always appreciated!

Breakfast & Boutique Thank You

Thank you to all who attended our parish breakfast and craft boutique last Sunday. And our continued gratitude to the tireless volunteers who make it such a success.

Welcome to Saint Eulalia Parish

EMOHC

Thank you for joining us for Mass

Whether you are visiting or are new to the area we are grateful you have chosen to worship with our faith community. We invite you to become a member of our parish family.

To join, please call the office, download the registration forms on our website, or ask an usher for a registration form.



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Hospital Ministry

Ann Arcurie and Helen Hilborn will serve GCMC Hospital Ministry on Sunday, December 3.

A Note from Father Dave

Dear friends and parishioners of St. Eulalia parish,

Recently we had to replace our well as the one installed in 1984 was failing. It turns out the cost of the replacement was \$11,200.00. If anyone would like to make a donation to defray the cost of the well I would greatly appreciate it.

In addition, Bishop Bambera has decided to replace the diocesan vestments priests and deacons wear to masses at the cathedral and other diocesan events. We will need to purchase the chasuble and dalmatic Deacon Nick and I wear for these events. If anyone would like to memorialize either or both of these vestments the cost is \$650.00 for the priest's vestment and \$1,100.00 for the Deacon's vestment. The Deacon's dalmatic costs more because the design is more complicated.

If you have questions or would like additional information please contact me.

Thank you, Father Dave 570-604-0819 frdaye@hotmail.com

PS — Thank you for the donations to purchase the new Paschal candle. We appreciate the generosity.

Scranton Prep Scholarship Exam

Scranton Preparatory Scholarship Entrance Exam will be held on Saturday, 12/2 for eighth grade students interested in applying for the fall term of 2024. Students should register by applying online at www.scrantonprep.org/preptest. Please call 570 -941-7737, extension 1141 with any questions.

Weekly Financial Report

Nov 11-12

Offertory Envelopes & Loose	\$6,974.00	
Weekly Electronic Average	\$2,328.00	
Total Offertory Income	\$9,302.00	
Care & Education of Priests	\$121.00	
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$100.00	

Electronic giving options available on our website

Special Collections

12/2-3: Care & Education of Priests 12/9-10: Retirement Fund for Religious

Diocesan Annual Appeal Update

A recent report from the DAA office shows 81 pledges totaling \$12,465.00 toward our goal of \$40,000.00. This leaves a giving opportunity of \$27,535.00.

ShopRite Gift Card Program

ShopRite gift cards will be sold following masses on Sat., 12/2 & Sun., 12/3. Gift cards are available for sale in the parish office during the week.

Hospital Visits

If you or a family member are hospitalized and would like a pastoral visit from Father Dave, please call the parish office. Hospitals and healthcare facilities do not make the parish aware when someone is admitted.

Communion for the Homebound

If you or someone you know is homebound and would like to receive communion, please call or email the parish office.

First Reconciliation Class of 2023

Please keep these 27 students in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Saturday, December 2.

Alessio Arcurie Tessa Mitsakos

Carmela Bilotta Tripp O'Hara

Jamie Braunsberg Nathan Peil

Austin Coalson Liliana Pellegrino

Peyton Edwards Chloe Preate

Olivia Fidiam Maddox Pronko

Kayleigh Hill Adam Rutkowski

Henry Hinz Olivia Schirg

Tucker Keegan Lucas Schmidt

Bruce Ketten Colin Seltenheim

Kate Kurilla Monroe Singer

Lorenzo Leiva-Cascio Cooper Stracka

Lucas McConnell Kameron Zeiler

Anthony McNulty

Hot Meal Program: Every Tuesday 12-12:30pm

In conjunction with the Saint Francis of Assisi Kitchen, St. Eulalia's provides a free, hot, nutritious meal to members of the North Pocono community.

All in our community are welcome to come for the meal and enjoy the company of others.

Please keep our Week #4 team in your prayers as we serve our Free Community Meal on Tuesday, November 28th.

If you'd like to volunteer for this program or have any questions, please contact the Parish Office at 570-842-7656 (#7) or office@saint-eulalia.com.

Dates for Decorating Ministry

Please join us at 10am to decorate the church for these upcoming holidays: Friday, Dec. 1 for Advent Thursday, Dec. 21 for Christmas

New members always welcome.

Questions? Contact the parish office or Linda Naro (570-498-1444).

Get Your Parish T-Shirts

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To place your order:
- Use the online store

stores.theshirtladyonline.com/st eulalia parish

OR

- Complete an order form in the parish office



How Can We Pray for YOU This Week?

Everyone is encouraged to fill out a *prayer request form* at any entrance and add it to the basket in the back of the church. Or submit your request on our website. All intentions are prayed for at all masses.

Social Concerns Updates

- Next meeting is set for Friday, Dec. 8 after mass.
 If you cannot attend please call 570-842-7656 or email office@saint-eulalia.com and we will update you on our plans.
- We are collecting 2024 wall calendars as well as unused Christmas and greeting cards.

Thank you for your continued generosity to our outreach programs. If you have suggestions or new ideas please contact us!



Adult Choir

Membership is open to all students who have received confirmation and all adults.

Anyone who can carry a tune and commit to our rehearsal/singing schedule is welcome. **Ability to read music is not necessary**. More information as well as a rehearsal schedule can be found at https://www.sainteulalias.com/music. If interested in joining, email Josh Carey at music@saint-eulalias.com or call the parish office.

Free Anthracite Hi-Railers Holiday Open House

View the holiday display of an O Gauge model railroad Sun. 11/26 1-4pm | Sat. 12/2 1-4pm | Sat. 12/9 1-4pm

Located in the ShopRite Plaza. Free admission. Bring non-perishable food items and dry goods items to benefit the North Pocono Food Pantry and Dry Goods Pantry. Follow Anthracite Hi-Railers on Facebook for announcements, updated open houses, pictures, and videos of our O scale layout. The building is handicap accessible.

Saint Eulalia's Sleigh

Our parish family will be bringing Christmas joy again to the needy of our community

We will be providing gifts to residents of St. Mary's Villa, the children of local prisoners as well as those in need in our local parish community.

New and unwrapped items needed (please place unwrapped items in/near the sleigh in the atrium):

- Body Lotions- Hand Lotions- Body Wash- Puzzle Books- Colored Pencils- Individual Crafts

Soap
 Costume Jewelry — ie stretchy
 Shampoo
 Perfume
 Baseball Caps
 Costume Jewelry — ie stretchy
 bracelets, long necklaces, rings,
 earrings (pierced & clip on)
 2024 Wall Calendars

- Winter Hats- Adult Coloring Books- Winter Scarves- Large-piece puzzles- Pencil sharpeners

- Crayons, Markers

Gift Cards: We are also collecting \$25 gift cards from Target, Walmart, ShopRite and Gerrity's. ShopRite cards can be purchased at the church. Place gift cards and monetary donations in the red and white "mailbox" near the sleigh in the atrium.

All items must be retuned no later than noon on Monday, Dec. 4th

Angel Tree

Tags with specific requests from children are found on the tree in the atrium of our church. If you would like to buy a gift for a child please select a tag, remove the colored part from the angel tag, fill in your name and phone number, and place the tag with your information in the container by the tree.

Be sure to include a gift receipt for all Angel Tree presents inside the wrapped package & adhere the Angel Tag on the gift. Place packages in Eulalia's Sleigh by noon on Monday, Dec. 4th.

Thank you in advance for bringing some joy to these children. God bless!

Classes held Sundays from 9:30-10:30am

Call/email/text Alysia Clancy with any questions religioused@saint-eulalia.com_or 570-574-9535.

Upcoming Dates:

- 11/26: No class. Thanksgiving break
- 12/2: First Reconciliation @ 10am
- 12/3: Class. First Sunday of Advent
- 12/10: Class. Second Sunday of Advent 10:30am: 4th Grade mass
- 12/17: Class. Third Sunday of Advent 10:30am: 3rd Grade mass
- 12/24: No class. Christmas holiday
- 12/31: No class. New Year's holiday

Service Hours:

For 7th and 8th graders or high schoolers

• Sat. 12/2 @ Noon: Meet in the church to switch out the song books in the pews



Thank you to all who donated to our trip!

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday this bulletin is due before we return from our pilgrimage to Indianapolis for the National Catholic Youth Conference. Even before leaving we know that this trip with strengthen our faith and help us incorporate our faith into our daily lives.

We thank your for your prayers, and we will be praying for you!

Ella S., Sam, Olivia D., Gabe, Roland, Nora, Hailey, Hannah, Ella J., Olivia J., Kyle, Zoe, Sophia

Gospel Reflection for Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:31-46

What's happening? Jesus teaches that when the Son of Man comes in glory he will judge the nations.

Today's Gospel could be seen as an example of what St. Paul is explaining in the second reading. Since death came into the world with the sin of Adam, Christ's death saved us from sin and his resurrection saves us from death. And since Christ had to die before he could rise, the last enemy to be subjected is death; so too do we have to die before we can rise.

When all this happens, God will be seen in all of creation. Jesus will be seen as equal to God, not just a man, but the Son of God. The Gospel gives us the image of a king on his throne, surrounded by his subjects. And then comes the final judgment.

I always thought the point of this parable was that we recognize God in the poor, the sick, the homeless, prisoners, etc. But the people in the parable who helped all those in need did not recognize Christ in the needy. That's why he tells them that whatever we do for "these least ones," we do for Christ.

That is actually good news, because it is not always easy to recognize Christ in others. I used to think that once I start seeing Christ in all people, I'll be more willing to help them. But it also works the other way. When you help someone in need, you begin to see Christ there, too. Whether it is a death-row prisoner or a homeless family, we take that leap of faith to help, not because we see Christ in them but just because they need help. *Remember, God forgives and saves us because we need God, not because we deserve it.*

- Tom Schmidt

Our Exposition Tabernacle is Here

In the St. Therese Chapel



4pm Christmas Eve: Ha
 10pm Christmas Eve M

Anyone can stop in the chapel for prayer and adoration after daily mass, on Sunday mornings, and during parish office hours (Mon.-Th. 9am-2pm, Fri. 9amnoon). There will also be some evening opportunities available as we move ahead.

12pm Free Hot Meal

No key is needed. Simply open the round silver door marked with the letters HIS on the door of the tabernacle.

Note: You have to pull the round door hard, it will open.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

On Sunday, December 10 at 4pm we will host an appreciation dinner at Elmhurst Country Club for all adult parishioners who have volunteered in any capacity throughout the past year.

This is an evening of gratitude and celebration for all parishioners who share their time and talents with our parish. We look forward to a wonderful evening of community and fellowship.

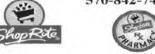
RSVP before December 1.

Email Mary Mullen: <u>secretary@saint-eulalia.com</u> or call the parish office at 570-842-7656.

St. Eulalia's Bereavement Support Session

Join us on **Mon. 12/4** at 12:30pm for prayer, reflection, and conversation, as well as a light luncheon. Anyone who grieves a loss is welcome to this session. Call the parish office 570-842-7656 email office@saint-eulalia.com if you plan to attend.

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