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St. John the Evangelist Mission Statement

"The parishioners of St. John the Evangelist Church, in conjunction with the Diocese of Scranton, are committed to maintaining the rich Catholic heritage handed down by our past priests, religious sisters, and ancestors in the greater Susquehanna area. Imitating the love of Jesus Christ and based on the foundation of the twelve apostles, we recognize that we are called to proclaim the Gospel by word and deed in our daily lives, to celebrate the Eucharist, and to devote ourselves to prayer and education so as to promote an arena of grace, justice, and peace for all of our brothers and sisters."

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH
ST. MARTIN OF TOURS CATHOLIC CHURCH**



The Most Holy Trinity

May 30th, 2010



*The
Most
Holy
Trinity*

Gospel: Jesus tells his disciples that the promised gift of the Holy Spirit will guide them into all truth and glorify Jesus. The truth is not a series of verifiable propositions or claims about reality, but a relationship with the one who is God's truth. We are invited to share in a relationship with the one who exists in the communion of love that is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Today is the first of the three doctrinal feasts celebrated after Pentecost, which commemorate not a person but a theological tenet, doctrine, or devotion. Today's solemnity celebrates the doctrine of the Triune God, one God in three divine persons, *Father, Son and Holy Spirit*.

In the fourth century, the Church underwent a serious crisis when Arius, a priest of Alexandria, denied the divinity of Christ, and as a consequence, faith in the Trinity and the equality of the Three divine Persons. This heresy, called Arianism, was condemned by the councils of Nicaea (325) and Constantinople (381). The result was the formulation of the Creed that we recite at Mass today.

In the celebration of Eucharist, notice how frequently we articulate our belief in the Trinity: with the Sign of the Cross, the Doxology at the end of the presidential prayers, the Gloria, the Profession of Faith, and the Eucharistic Prayer culminating in the Great Doxology above, and finally with the Solemn Blessing at the end of Mass.



**Memorial Day
Monday, May 31st**

*Lord, hold our troops
In your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families
For the selfless acts they perform
For us in our time of need.
And give us peace.
I ask this in the name of Jesus,
Our Lord and Savior. Amen*

St. Lawrence Mission Statement

We are a family of faith in union with Christ and His Church to grow in holiness through the celebration of the inspired Word of God and the reception of the Sacrament. We are called through our Baptism to share in the ministry of Jesus Christ and glorify God through proclaiming the Gospel in our community.

St. Martin of Tours Mission Statement

We, the Roman Catholic Parish of St. Martin of Tours are a faith community of rich, diverse talents and cultures. We are called to encourage all to share God's gifts, in partnership with Him, for the good of the Body of Christ.

We are a worshipping, Eucharistic Community, united with the Holy Father, our bishop and our Pastor, to make Christ present in our world, through the Mass, and united in Him, to proclaim the Word of God in works of hospitality, charity, and mercy. We are committed to serving one another in the name of Jesus Christ, so that the Kingdom of God becomes more visible in our world today.

Rev. David Cramer, Pastor

Rev. Alfhones Perikala,
Assistant Pastor

Mrs. Eileen Hartman, St. John,
St. Martin Parish Secretary
Mrs. Judi Salinkas, St. Lawrence
Parish Secretary

Ms. Virginia Phillips, St. John
Mr. Mark Lipschutz, St. Martin
Bookkeepers

Mr. Fred Huyck, Mr. Mark Matis
Maintenance

Mrs. Vickie Mulligan, DRE
Mr. Jeffrey Keyes, Organist
Mrs. Susan Lee, Organist
Mrs. Irene Brassard, Organist

Parish Office: 853-4634
Fax 853-3356

St. John Parish Center 853-4787

Weekend Masses

	St. John	St. Lawrence	St. Martin
Sat.	5:30 PM	5:00 PM	4:00 PM
Sun.	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM

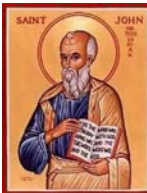
**Listen to Catholic Radio
JMJ 750 AM**

Men/Women Wounded By Abortion 1-800-5-WE-CARE
Pregnancy Counseling 1-800-550-4900

Emergency number at St. Lawrence Rectory: 267-1366

*ST. JOHN

THE EVANGELIST



Memorial Day Mass—9:00am at St. John's Church.

Blessing of St. John's cemetery will be at 10:00am.

Men's Club Meeting—Tuesday, June 1st, 7:00pm

First Friday Mass, June 4th at St. John, 8:30am Mass with Adoration from 9:00am to 12 Noon.

First Saturday Mass, June 5th at St. John, 8:30am. Our Lady of Fatima Prayer Group will pray the rosary after Mass.

Corpus Christi Sunday—we will have a Eucharistic Procession & Benediction at St. John's, Sunday, June 6th at 6:00pm.

Altar & Rosary Meeting—Monday, June 7th, at 6:30pm

Pro-Life Meeting—Thursday, June 10th after morning Mass.

St. John's Finance Council Meeting, Tuesday, June 5th, 7:00pm

St. John's Pro-Life Large Rummage Sale—Wednesday & Thursday, June 2nd & 3rd, 10am-4pm, and Friday, June 4th, 10am-12pm, at St. John's Parish Center.

Items should be dropped off on Tuesday, June 1st, 9am to 4pm. Large articles (furniture items, etc) can be dropped off at the church garage Tuesday, 9am to 11am.

Michael Herbert, son of Chris & Millie Herbert is serving over in United Arab Emirates. He is in the United States Air Force. Michael would appreciate hearing from our parishioners or friends. His mailing address is:

Michael Herbert
380 AEW/963 EAACS
APO, AE 09853

Baccalaureate Mass—a Mass to honor our 2010 Graduates will be held Sunday, June 13th, 8:30am, at St. John's.

Tent Rental—St. John's Men's Club has tents available for rental for graduations, picnics, etc. for a fee of \$75.00 each, which includes setup and teardown. Contact Bill Lawrence at 853-3093.

Welcoming Committee Greeters:

June 5th Jerry & Carolyn Gow	June 19th M. Snyder, P. Nataline
June 6th Nancy, Sal, & M. Pelicci	June 20th John & Carol Bushong
June 12th John Mann, Jim Grande	June 26th B. Morehead, C. Hall
June 13th John & Mary Brown	June 27th V., C. & A. Mulligan

MINISTRIES—ST. JOHN

Sat. June 5th, 5:30 PM

Michael Armitage, Tom Maby, Ben Kane (Altar Servers)
Mary Snyder, Chet Walker, Mike DeWitt (Eucharistic Min.)
Marti Stanford (Lector)
Barb Wolf, Carolyn Rinker (Cantors)

Sun. June 6th, 8:30 AM

Charles & Ambrose Mulligan, Aaron Cook (Altar Servers)
Mary Jo Weaver, Vickie Mulligan, Mike DeWitt (Eucharistic Min.)
Karen DeWitt (Lector)
Barb Wolf, Carolyn Rinker (Cantors)

***STEWARDSHIP—ST. JOHN'S**

Sat./Sun. May 22-23, 2010

Offertory Envelopes	\$1,866.00
Loose	276.00
Candles	66.00
Church Dues	54.00
Diocesan Charity	1.00
Improvements	333.00
Ascension Thursday	70.00
Catholic Communications	20.00
Day's Wage	25.00
Insurance	10.00
Total:	\$2,721.00

*ST. MARTIN

OF TOURS



Memorial Day Cemetery Blessing, Monday, May 31 at St. Paul's cemetery, 10:45am

There will be NO weekday Mass at St. Martin on Tuesday & Thursday of this week.

Corpus Christi—St. Martin's Eucharistic Procession and Benediction, Sunday, June 13th at 6:00pm.

Community Prayer Chain—St. Martin of Tours has a computer prayer chain for community prayer in time of need. If anyone has a prayer request, they can call Annette Corrigan, 756-2915 with details. Anyone wishing to join the group is invited to do so.

Coffee Klatch—St. Martin's will have a coffee klatch every **Wednesday** after the 8:00am Mass.



Holy Hour Schedule at St. Martin's

Every Thursday (except the 3rd Thursday) of the month will be the Holy Hour at 7:00pm. The 3rd Thursday of the month will be the Charismatic Mass.

Welcoming Committee Greeters:

June 5th	Helen Castronova
June 6th	David Lee
June 12th	Diane Frye
June 13th	Christina Button
June 19th	Rachael Gilleran
June 20th	Kim Marco

St. Martin's Directory Photography dates are Friday, June 4th, 2pm-9pm, and Saturday, June 5th, 9:30am-5:10pm. **There will be no pictures taken on Thursday, June 3rd.**

Group pictures after the 11:00am Mass at St. Martin's. If you are an altar server, lector, or minister of Communion, choir, CCD teacher, parish council, finance council, we need a group picture, for the new joint parish directory. Please plan on attending.

MINISTRIES—ST. MARTIN'S

Sat. June 5th, 4:00 PM

RJ & Nicholas Klein (Altar Serv.)
Miriam Pepe, Mary Lake (E. Min)
Bonnie Klein (Lector)

Sun. June 6th, 11:00AM

Liam & Genna Maloney (Altar S)
Katherine & Charlene Kempa
Betsy Supancik (Euch. Min.)
Maureen Maloney (Lector)

We are need of more volunteers to clean the Church!! Please call 853-4634 to volunteer. Thank you.

***STEWARDSHIP—ST. MARTIN'S**

Sat./Sun. May 22-23, 2010

Offertory Envelopes	\$1,055.00
Loose	179.50
Ascension Thursday	20.00
Cemetery	152.00
Total:	\$1,406.50

* PARISHES' MASSES

*MASS INTENTIONS—ST. JOHN May 29-31, June 1-6, 2010

Sat. 5/29	5:30 PM	All Parishioners
Sun 5/30	8:30 AM	Mother's Day Intentions
Mon 5/31	9:00 AM	Memorial Day Veterans Intentions
Tues. 6/01	8:30 AM	Louis Melkulcok (The Family)
Wed. 6/02		NO MASS
Thurs. 6/03	8:30 AM	Bessie & Hugh O'Rourke (Frances Miller)
Fri 6/04	8:30 AM	Jim & Helen Luciana (Joanne McIntrye)
Sat 6/05	8:30 AM 5:30 PM	All Parishioners (first Saturday) Jane Schneider (Joe & Family)
Sun. 6/06	8:30 AM	Joseph Ficarro (Vi & Family)

MASS INTENTIONS—ST. LAWRENCE May 29-31, June 1-6, 2010

Sat. May 29	4:15 PM	Confession
Sat. May 29	5:00 PM	For our parish community
Sun May 30	9:30 AM	Franks and Engall Families req by Barbara Engall Franks
Mon May 31		NO MASS
Tues. June 01	7:00 PM	Adoration & Evening Prayer (No Mass)
Wed June 02		NO MASS
Thur. June 03		NO MASS
Fri. June 04		NO MASS
Sat. June 05	4:15 PM	Confession
Sat. June 05	5:00 PM	Evelyn G. Brush req. by Henry Joe Parsons
Sun. June 06	9:30 AM	For our parish community

MASS INTENTIONS—ST. MARTIN May 29-31, June 1-6, 2010

Sat. 5/29	4:00 PM	Eleanor Lubinec (Ruth Cole)
Sun 5/30	11:00 AM	Mother's Day Intentions
Mon 5/31		NO Mass
Tues. 6/01		NO Mass
Wed. 6/02	8:00 AM	Lori Misuraca Healing (Mary McGuire)
Thurs. 6/03		NO Mass
Fri 6/04		NO Mass
Sat 6/05	4:00 PM	All Parishioners
Sun. 6/06	11:00 AM	Martin Petroski, Sr. (Helen Petroski & Family)

**Confessions are held on Saturdays before Mass at St. Martin
And St. Lawrence; after Mass at St. John**

St. John 6:15pm-6:45pm St. Martin 3:15pm-3:45pm
St. Lawrence 4:15pm-4:45pm

*ST. LAWRENCE



Memorial Day Cemetery Blessings:

St. John's Cemetery (New Milford) 12:00 Noon
St. Lawrence Cemetery 12:30 PM

Sunday Morning Social: Coffee and donuts will be held in the Trinity Center EVERY 1st Sunday morning after 9:30 A.M. mass. Stop in and warm up with coffee and good company.

Baccalaureate Mass-We will have a Mass to honor our 2010 Graduates on Sunday, **June 13th** at the 9:30am Mass. If you are a graduate and have not received your letter yet, please call the rectory.

Fr. Alfones: Would like to plant a small garden here at St. Lawrence. If anyone has a tiller to help him get the lawn prepared, please call the rectory or see Fr. after mass.

Corpus Christi—St. Lawrence Eucharistic Procession and Benediction, Sunday, June 13th at 6:00pm.

Attention St. Lawrence: Finance, Pastoral Council, Implementation, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors and Altar Servers:

Group Photo will be taken on Sunday, June 20th at 9:00am BEFORE Mass. These pictures will be going in our church directory. Please try to make it!!

St. Lawrence Chicken Bar-B-Q, Sunday, June 27th at Green Gables @ 12 Noon.

St. Lawrence Church Greeters

June 5th Chuck & Joanne Bower June 12th Ann Rudick
June 6th Brian & Theresa Hinkley June 13th Barb McGoldrick

Church Greeters: Check your times and dates!! We will be starting over in July with the March schedule. Watch your bulletin for your week!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Grand Knight- Mark Guinan, Great Bend Council #356

MONTHLY MEETING: Held the first Sunday of each month following 9:30am Mass

Altar Flowers: The flowers that decorate the altar at St. Lawrence are for the parents of Al and Marcy Maholick.

Altar Flowers: If you wish to order altar flowers for St. Lawrence, please call Paulette at 879-4181 and leave a message.

JMJ 750 AM, Catholic Radio: You may at times also hear Fr. Dave who is a frequent guest speaker on MJM Radio

****When Mass is over, kindly place your Breaking Bread missal back in the pew holder. The pages are getting bent and torn.**

MINISTRIES—ST. LAWRENCE

"A Disciple's Response of Time and Talent"

Sat. June 5th, 5:00 PM

D. Maida, C. Lake (Altar S.)
R. & D. Maida (Eucharistic Min.)
F. O'Connor (Lector)

Sun. June 6th, 9:30 AM

E. & M. Mangel (Altar Servers)
L. James (Eucharistic Ministers)
I. McCarthy (Lector)

*STEWARDSHIP— ST. LAWRENCE

Sat./Sun. May 22-23, 2010

Offertory Envelopes	\$1,730.00
Insurance	194.00
Fuel	10.00
Ascension Thursday	34.00
Total:	\$1,968.00

**St. Lawrence
Church Needs
Lectors and Altar
Servers!!!!**

**PLEASE consider
serving your
church.**

**Call the rectory as
soon as possible!**

* PARISH CLUSTER NEWS

Memorial Day Mass—St. John's, 9:00am

Memorial Day Cemetery Blessings:

St. John's, Susquehanna 10:00am
 St. Paul's, Starrucca 10:45am
 St. John's, New Milford 12:00 Noon
 St. Lawrence, Great Bend 12:30pm



First Friday Mass at St. John, 8:30am Mass with Adoration from 9:00am to 12 Noon.

First Saturday Mass at St. John, 8:30am. **Our Lady of Fatima Prayer Group** will pray the rosary after Mass.

Corpus Christi Sunday—we will have a Eucharistic Procession & Benediction at St. John's, Sunday, June 6th at 6:00pm.

St. Martin Procession, Sunday, June 13th at 6:00pm
 St. Lawrence Procession, Sunday, June 13th at 6:00pm

Joint Confirmation Class @ St. John's, Monday, June 21st, 6:30pm

Coffee Klatch—St. Martin's will have a coffee klatch every **Wednesday** after the 8:00am Mass.

St. John's Pro-Life Large Rummage Sale—Wednesday & Thursday, June 2nd & 3rd, 10am-4pm, and Friday, June 4th, 10am-12pm, at St. John's Parish Center.

Items should be dropped off on Saturday, May 29th, 9am-12pm, and Tuesday, June 1st, 9am to 4pm. Large articles (furniture items, etc) can be dropped off at the church garage any day from now until the sale, 9am to 11am. Please see Mark or Fred to open the garage.

Note: Please call the office at St. John or St. Lawrence if you or a homebound family member wishes to receive holy communion. Also, communion is available for the sick, the hospitalized, those in nursing homes, or anyone anticipating an operation.



Baccalaureate Mass—a Mass to honor all of our 2010 Graduates will be held Sunday, June 13th, 8:30am, at St. John's Church. St. Lawrence will have their Baccalaureate Mass on Sunday, June 13th, 9:30am Mass.

Brothers of the Sacred Heart will be at all masses on June 12th and 13th to speak to us about their mission work in Africa. Please be generous.

Tent Rental—St. John's Men's Club has tents available for rental for graduations, picnics, etc. for a fee of \$75.00 each, which includes setup and teardown. Contact Bill Lawrence at 853-3093.



Rosa Mystica House of Prayer—Fr. John Campoli, Director of "His Love Ministries" will celebrate Holy Mass and be the Speaker on Saturday, June 12th, in Edmeston, NY. There is transportation available for a fee. The theme for this conference is "**Healing the Wounded Heart**". For more information, please call Cathy Grausgruber at 853-4573 or Mary Smith 570-346-6802.

Food Bank Collections—The following are the suggested weeks for donated items:

May 24-May 30	Cereal, juice
May 31-June 6	Mac Cheese, soup
June 7-June 13	Detergent, body soap
June 14-June 20	Toilet tissue, toothpaste



PRAYER:

"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.
 Protect them
 as they protect us. Bless them and
 their families for the selfless
 acts they perform for us in our time of need.
 I ask this in the name
 of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen

Colleen Rafferty	Scott T. Ball
William G. Emmons	Nicholas Ott
Chad M. Kovitch	Jack Kilcoyne
Christopher Emmons	Lynne Norris
Richard Kilcoyne	Justin Mascenik
Steve McNamara	Michael Herbert
Jed Stewart	Joan Valdes
Adam Schiffer	Ben Barnard
Michael Banning (Fancher)	Paul Dreater
Travis McArthur	Christopher Serra

If anyone would like to add a troop's name to our prayer list, please contact the office.

PARISHES' CALENDAR

Mon.	5/31	Memorial Day Mass at St. John's Church at 9:00am Cemeteries' Blessings, St. John 10:00am, St. Paul 10:45am, St. John (N.M.) 12:00pm, St. Lawrence 12:30pm
Tues.	6/1	St. John's Men's Club Meeting, 7:pm
W.-Th.	6/2 & 3	St. John's Pro-Life Rummage Sale, 10am-4pm
Fri.	6/4	First Friday Mass at St. John, 8:30am, Adoration 9am-12pm St. John's Pro-Life Rummage Sale, 10am-12 Noon St. Martin's Directory photography dates. 2pm-9pm,
Sat.	6/5	First Saturday Mass at St. John, 8:30am Our Lady of Fatima Prayer Group after Morning Mass St. Martin's Directory photography, 9:30am-5:10pm
Sun.	6/6	Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ Sunday (Corpus Christi) Eucharistic Procession & Benediction, St. John, 6:00pm
Mon.	6/7	St. John's Altar & Rosary Meeting, 6:30pm, Parish Hall
Thurs.	6/10	St. John's Pro-Life Meeting, after morning Mass
Sun.	6/13	Baccalaureate Mass for 2010 graduates, St. John, 8:30am Baccalaureate Mass at St. Lawrence, 9:30am Mass Eucharistic Procession & Benediction, St. Martin, 6:00pm Eucharistic Procession & Benediction, St. Lawrence, 6:00pm St. Martin Ministries group pictures after the 11:00am Mass.
Tues.	6/15	St. John's Finance Council Meeting, 7:00pm
Thurs.	6/17	Charismatic Mass, St. Martin, 7:00pm
Sun.	6/20	St. Lawrence Ministries group picture before the 9:00am Mass
Mon.	6/21	Joint Confirmation Class at St. John's Hall, 6:30pm
Tues	6/22	St. John's Ministries and Implementation Team group pictures at 7:00pm



BAPTISM: The Church, as a norm, celebrates baptism on Sunday, the Lord's Day. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: Parish membership is based on regular attendance at Sunday Eucharist and participation in parish activities. Active parishioners are involved in stewardship of time, talent and treasure.

MARRIAGE: Couples contemplating marriage should contact the parish office at least **six months** before the anticipated date. This allows for proper preparation for this sacrament of commitment.

HOSPITALS/NURSING HOMES AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please notify the parish office of anyone in the hospital, nursing home or seriously ill anticipating an operation or advanced in age. **Members of the parishes are available to bring communion to the sick and the homebound each Sunday or on request.**

BULLETIN: Announcements should be submitted by **Wednesday** each week