THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION



On Divine Mercy Sunday, April 3, 2016, at 4:00 PM, 42 candidates from St. John Bosco Parish will be confirmed by Bishop Timlin. All parishioners and friends are invited to join them at this celebration as they become adult Catholics and receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit. We extend to each of them our prayerful congratulations. May they continue to grow closer to Jesus and His Church throughout their faith journey.

PRAYER FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

God our Father,
complete the work you have begun
and keep the gifts of your Holy Spirit
active in the hearts of your people.
Make them ready to live His Gospel
and eager to do His will.
May they never be ashamed
to witness to all the world Christ crucified,
living and reigning forever and ever.
Amen.

THE LITTLE WHITE BOOK A GUIDE THROUGH EASTERTIDE

This weekend, April 2nd and 3rd, you'll receive a copy of **The Little White Book** to help you enjoy **six minutes of daily prayer** during the **fifty days of the Easter season** (Easter Sunday to Pentecost.) Each day we'll reflect on the daily readings from the Gospel of John. And, even though the stories are familiar ones, when we **pray with scripture** (*Lectio Divina*) we usually notice some things we hadn't

noticed before as God speaks to us through his word. Be sure to look for your copy and make it a part of your daily routine. You'll be glad you did!



MEN'S CONFERENCE

2016 Second Annual Catholic Men's Conference, "Be A Man: Jesus Christ, The Face of True Manhood", April 23, 2016, at King's College, Scandlon Physical Education Center, 149 North Main Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701. Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary at 6:00 AM, Registration/Continental Breakfast at 7:00 AM, and Conference 8 AM to 3 PM. Register online at www.BeAManConference.com or mail the completed conference brochure application with your check made payable to Diocese of Scranton and mail to Office for Parish Life, 330 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, PA 18503, Attn: Men's Conference. (Mark "Men's Conference" on the memo line of your check). For more information, contact Tom Pandolfi at (973) 943-3152.

BISHOP'S YOUTH AWARDS 2016

The following young people from Saint John Bosco Parish have been nominated to receive the 2016 Bishop's Youth Awards. These awards will be personally given to each student by Bishop Bambera on Thursday, April 14, during a Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral in Scranton. Students must report by 6:15 PM to the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Avenue in Scranton. Parents and friends will go directly to the Cathedral. We extend our prayerful congratulations to the following young parishioners on receiving this award and for their active involvement in the ministry of Saint John Bosco parish.

Our 8th Grade Award Recipients

John AshtonMichael FuccileJulia RuggieroChristian DeAngeloDante ManjoneAbigail Tomczak

Our 12th Grade Award Recipients

Michael Bednar Alexis Ciavarella Morgan O'Hara Geran Triano

QUO VADIS? "WHERE ARE YOU GOING?"

This is a camp for young Catholic Men in high school to: deepen their faith; learn more about all vocations; better discern God's call in their lives. The days include: dynamic talks, prayer, games, activities, and music. It's a great opportunity to meet priests and seminarians of the Diocese of Scranton. If you might be interested, contact Father Ric at (570) 788-1997 to discuss it. You will live on the campus of Misericordia University in Dallas, PA. All meals and lodging included. Sunday, June 26 through Wednesday, June 29, 2016. To register, contact: Diocese of Scranton Office of Vocations, www.scrantonvocations.com or call (570) 207-1452.

RETIREMENT CONGRATULATIONS

We extend our prayerful best wishes to Pastor Lynn B. Allhusen of United Church of Christ in Conyngham on her retirement, this weekend, April 3. May the Lord bless her as she begins another chapter in her life. We also prayerfully support the UCC as they discuss and plan for their future and prepare for a new Pastor.