

Diocese of Scranton
Office of Clergy Formation
2025 Lenten Day of Prayer and Recollection for Priests

Dear Brother Priests:

Our annual Lenten Day of Prayer and Recollection will be held **Tuesday, March 18th** at the Diocesan Pastoral Center. We are pleased to welcome Jesuit Father Joseph McShane, S.J. to lead us in our reflections.

The schedule for the Lenten Day of Prayer and Recollection is as follows:

12:00 PM – Arrival
12:15 PM – Lunch
1:00 PM – Conference I
2:00 PM – Conference II
2:45 PM – Eucharistic Holy Hour (w/Confessors available)
3:45 PM – Benediction & Departure

R.S.V.P. by Monday, March 3rd. You can e-mail Susie Ruane: sruane@dioceseofscranton.org.
Or leave a message at the Clergy Formation Office: 570-207-1452.

Please note the following about parking: the garage behind the Chancery is available. However, you must bring your ticket with you to the Pastoral Center where it will be validated for you online. Once validated, you will get the ticket back to use when you exit the parking garage. Also, all elevators in the parking garage are operational.

Thanks for your prompt response as we prepare for this upcoming day of prayer and fraternity.

In Christ,



Rev. Ryan P. Glenn
Director of Ongoing Formation of Priests

About the Speaker:

Fr. Joseph McShane, S.J., originally from New York City, entered the Society of Jesus in 1967 and was ordained a priest in 1977. With a doctorate in the history of Christianity, Fr. McShane has taught numerous courses in religious studies throughout his career. Fr. McShane had served as the President of the University of Scranton from 1998-2003 and most recently as President of Fordham University from 2003-2022.

Fr. McShane retired from Fordham University in 2022 and was named President Emeritus by the Board of Trustees. In 2024, Fr. McShane received the Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C. Award from the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities. Currently, Fr. McShane is the Superior of the Jesuit community in Scranton, PA.

