

SS. Peter and Paul Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 9, 2015

Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life John 6:27a

Welcome

To all who are tired and need rest; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are friendless and need friendship; to all who are discouraged and need hope; to all who are homeless and need sheltering love; o and to all who sin and need a Savior; and to whomsoever will, the Parish of SS. Peter and Paul opens wide its doors in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

Mission Statement

As members of SS. Peter and Paul,
we have as our mission the sharing of our faith and our talents.
We proclaim the Word of God through
compassion for our community and sharing of our treasures as Disciples of Christ.

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Office Hours

Monday 8am – 6pm Tuesday and Thursday noon – 6pm Wednesday 8am – noon Friday and Saturday by appointment

Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 7am Wednesday – Communion Service – 7am Saturday 4pm Sunday 8am & 11am

Confessions

Daily 6:30am Saturday 3:15pm And by appointment

Parish Center (570)822-8761

Working Together to Build the Kingdom of God

Mass Intentions for the Week August 10 through August 16 Anthony Wilk by Ed & Jean Pienta 7am Mon. Tues. 7am Mary Zaniewski by Mary Drew Wed. 7am Communion Service Thurs. 7am Edward Neishell Sr. by Isabelle Neishell Fri. 7am Verda Wachella by Joe & Grace Gisolfi Sat. Francis & Ann Boyle by Family 4pm Sun. 8am Barbara Javick by Gerald & Bernadine Ritsick

Parishioners

Message of the Week John 6:41-51 "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever." Three astonishing claims in one sentence. First: Jesus announces that he came from heaven; he wants them to believe that he was sent by God the Father. Second: he refers to the miraculous manna and then claims that he is the new manna. He is the true bread; his flesh, in fact, is this bread. His body will become food. Third; he goes so far as to say that in receiving him as bread, they will live forever. Yes, these three claims work together: Jesus is God. The bread of Communion is God. And this God we receive is the source of eternal life.

What a lineup! If we ever struggle to believe this, just imagine how much harder it must have been for these folks who knew him as a normal guy. We have the benefit of Scripture, the tradition of the church, thousands of years of Christian witness, and the sacraments to convince us of who Jesus is. They didn't. What tremendous faith he expected of these people to believe such radical statements.

Make Deposits

11am

Friendship is like a bank account. You can't continue to draw on it without making deposits.

- Anonymous



In Memory of The Sanctuary Lamp Erik Vannucchi

Votive by the Blessed Virgin Mary Florence Baczmarge

August 2. 2015

Contribution	\$7,875
Care for the Priest	\$501
Cemetery	\$10
Charity	\$12
Dues	\$530
Utilities	\$170
Maintenance	\$64
Catholic Relief Services	\$103
School	\$708

Questions of the Week? John 6:41-51

Why do you think some people are resistant to Jesus' saving message?

1 Kings 19:4-8

Why do you think Elijah "prayed for death"?

Ephesians 4:30-5:2

How does your faith community accentuate the positive?

Administrator	Pastor Emeritus						
Rev. Daniel Yenkevich	Rev. Joseph Greskiewicz						

Religious EducationSande Holena

Music
Christine Katsock

Eucharistic Minister/LectorsDavid Loiacono

Ushers
Paul Muczynski

Youth GroupMaryann and Michael Quinn

Altar Servers
Gloria Flynn

Food PantryPauline Makowski

Buildings/Maintenance/Properties

Michael Levandowski

Rev. John Lambert, V.E. has been officially named Pastor of SS. Peter and Paul, Plains. His assignment will begin on Monday, August. 17th. *Join in welcoming Rev. Lambert to our parish!*

Annual Festival Assessment

To date \$15,530.00 has been collected for the Annual Festival Assessment. Thus far 243 families has contributed. Thanks to all who have so far contributed generously to this assessment.

The Mass Book for 2016 is now open

Hershey Park Tickets are available at the Parish Office. Cost per ticket is \$35. Tickets can be used any day throughout the 2015 season. There a limited amount so get them while they last.

The Miracle of Christmas Trip will take place on Nov. 18 in Lancaster. Cost of the trip is \$110. Bus will leave from the Bank Street Parking Lot. Cost includes transportation, ticket into show and dinner at Shady Maple. Contact Joan Pisack at 570-822-3815 for more information or to make reservations. The fee is due by Sept 14th and can be made to Women Society and mailed to Joann Melman, 22 Garden Drive, Hudson, PA 18705. If payment is not received by the 14th your reservations will be cancelled and name removed from the list.

Lottery Winners

7-27 #424 Geri Langdon

7-28 #173 Patricia Koschak

7-29 #353 John Melman

7-30 #850 Gerald Stefanoski

7-31 #523 Elsie Kosmach

25 Seller winner was Jane Biniek and 10 went to Betty Tkach. Congratulation to all winners!

Lottery Tickets

Tickets for Sept. are now available. Awards will begin Sept 1 and end Sept. 30^{th} – a winner daily (pick 3 evening). Prizes are \$50 Sunday to Friday, \$100 on Saturday and \$500 on Sept. 7^{th} . Anyone selling 25 or more will be entered into the \$50 Sellers drawing and 10 or more into the \$10 Sellers drawing.

Together we can make it a great success.

Parish Activities

August 10 through August 16

Mon. Quilting 5pm Rosary 6:30pm

Tues. Quilting 9am

Thurs. Quilting 9am



Religious

Education Registration for Religious

Education Classes are held for children in Pre-School through 12th grade and should be attended by any child in those grades who attend a public school. Children who will turn four before September 30th can enroll in our Pre-School/Kindergarten class. Classes for the 2015-16 School Year will begin on Sept. 13th. In order to compile accuate class rosters and supplies, parents are asked to register their child(ren) even if they have previously attended the program. To register contact Sande Holena at the Parish Center or via email at sandeholena@epix.net.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7-9, 12;

Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17;

Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6;

Mt 18:21 — 19:1

Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24;

Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7,

9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;

Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Sunday: Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34:2-7; Eph 5:15-20;

Jn 6:51-58

VIRTUS: Protecting God's Children for Adults

Program. This training session is required for all adult employees and volunteers who have direct contact or routine interaction with children. During the three-hour training, a facilitator, who will teach you the tools and show you the resources to maintain a safe environment for all children, will incorporate techniques in a discussion-format to help you recognize the warning signs of child sexual abuse and how to respond to it appropriately and effectively. Please consider joining your community on Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2015, at 6pm. at St. Joseph Marello Parish, Pittston, to take part in this vital program to help safeguard our most vulnerable and precious gift: our children. To register, please contact the parish office at 570/654-6902.

Bulletin Briefs

"It's scary, and it knocks the breath out of you. It takes a long time to come to terms with a disase, especially a terminal illness. And then you start thinking, 'Okay, this is the new me, this is the new normal, and I can still appreiciate every moment."

Maggie Karner in "Maggie's Story," a 3 minute vidoe available at www.bit.ly/MaggiesStory (wife, mother of three, living with terminal illness)

Marriage Moments

Reinventing Date Night. "Novelty is more important than just doing the familiar." (Arthur Aron) Dinner, a movie, the usual aren't bad, but often a quirky, weird date can bring pleasure because it's different Take turns surprising each other.

- Susan Vogt

Back to School Supplies for St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen, 39 East Jackson St., Wilkes-Barre is now taking donations for school supplies. Item s being collected are: backpacks, notebooks, binders, paper, pens, plastic scissors, pencils, pencil sharpeners, markers, erasers, glue sticks & crayons. Item will be collected up until August 18th. Volunteers are needed for distribution at Our Lady of Hope, 40 Park Ave., Wilkes-Barre on Tuesday, Aug. 25th from 9 – 11am & 1-4pm. Please contact Deb at 570-822-7118 ext. 305 if you can help.

Parenting Pointers

Have a memory party. Pull out old photographs or songs from your youth. Enjoy. Maybe even organize those loose photos or digital files.

- Susan Vogt

St. Monica Parish 3rd Annual Golf Outing

Benefiting projects of the Parish's Christian Society will be held on Sunday, August 23rd at Emanon Country Club, Falls, Pa with 1pm Registration and 2pm Shotgun Start. \$60 per person or \$240 per foursome includes: Dinner following the event in the church hall, catered by Pasquale's Ristorante. Refreshments on the course and prizes. Golf limited to the first 120 golfers. Registration due before August 20th Make checks payable to St. Monica Parish, 363 W. 8th Street, Howard Kelley at 570-574-1677, John Piszak at 570-313-8586 or Frank Casarella at 570-313-5515. Contributions or Hole Sponsors are welcome.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In an age given to slogan T-shirts, one of the last bastions of "dressing up" is the wedding. Everyone seems to stretch toward the old ideal of "Sunday best" for these moments. In our tradition, clothing is immensely important. Coming out of the baptismal water, we are immediately vested with a white garment. "You have clothed yourself in Christ," the new Christian is told, and a white garment is the token of being born into God's family. Sadly, this is the last time most Christians wear this garb until their funeral, when the family spreads a pall as a reminder of of baptismal identity.

Increasingly today, we are seeing the alb as the proper garb for liturgical ministers, men and women. In ancient Rome, sleeveless tunics of varying colors were worn by everyone, and so at baptism the new Christians could be expected to wear their new garb under their everyday clothes. Sleeves were a problem for ancient Romans, who thought they were a barbarian fashion. As is so often the case, eventually the barbarians won the day, and by the third century the long-sleeved garment worn by ministers today was familiar liturgical garb.

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Gospel Today

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | John 6:41-51

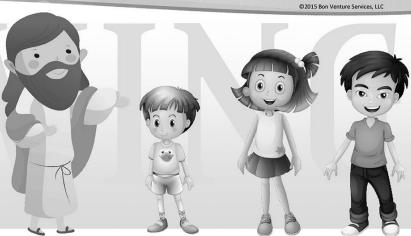
Jesus continues trying to make the people understand, "I am the bread that came down from Heaven". John 6: 41

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE.

John 6:48

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