



SS. Peter and Paul Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 10, 2014

*Truth shall spring out of the earth,
and justice shall look down from heaven.*
-Psalm 85:12

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;
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

"The members of SS. Peter and Paul, as baptized Christians in concert with the faithful of the Diocese of Scranton and all Catholics, and in union with our Holy Father, the Pope, has as its' Mission to participate in the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. We strive to set Christian examples by sharing our faith, our love of Christ and our talents. We proclaim the Word of God through the celebration of the Sacraments, prayer and worship, acts of charity and Evangelization, all of which become living proof of our communion with God and one another."

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Office Hours

Monday thru Friday
8am to 4pm
All others by appointment only

Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 7am
Wednesday Prayer 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



August 11 through August 17

- Mon. 7am **Mary & John Zaniewski** by Mary Drew
- Tues. 7am **Victoria Jastremski (A)**
by Daughters, Karen & Phyllis
- Wed. 7am **Communion Service**
- Thurs. 7pm **Zigmund S. Koshinski**
by Jack & Donna Delaney
- Fri. 12:15pm **Frances Wanek** by Rosalie Eckert
- Sat. 4pm **Joseph Linker**
by Nancy Kazmierski & Family
- Sun. 8am **Parishioners**
- 11am **Irene Dillon (A)** by Theresa Everhart

Presence

It is difficult to be truly present to another. We speak of putting in an appearance or showing up. Even when we arrive, we are often distracted. We think ahead, or we review an unsettled past. Nonetheless, we are at our best when we truly show up, We are most fully ourselves when we are absorbed in something worthy of us: creative work, good conversation, prayer. In these instances we are wholly ourselves and wholly outside ourselves.

Elijah knew this kind of engagement. He was one of God's great prophets. In today's first reading, he follows God's command to journey to that most holy place, Mount Horeb. And there in great silence, Elijah encounters God. As for Peter and the apostles, they discover the presence of God after the storm at sea. They and the sea and the wind are stunned into silence reverence.

Pastor Rev. John Boyle	Pastor Emeritus Rev. Joseph Greskiewicz
Coordinator of Religious Education Sande Holena	
Eucharistic Minister/Lectors David Loiacono	
Food Pantry Pauline Makowski	Altar Servers Gloria Flynn
Youth Group Maryann and Michael Quinn	Security Shiloh & Kolbe Inc.

In Memory of

The Sanctuary Lamp

Erik Vannucchi

Votive by the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ted Wysocki

August 3, 2014	
Contributions	\$7,100
Dues	\$1,707
Education of Priest	\$655
School	\$1,361
Utilities & Air Conditioning	\$495
<i>A good place for the "buck to stop" is in the collection basket!</i>	

Today's Reading

First Reading – The Lord said to Elijah: “Stand on the mountain; the Lord will be passing by” (1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a).

Psalm – Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

Second Reading – To the Israelites belong the covenants, the law, and the patriarchs; and from them comes the Christ (Romans 9:1-5).

Gospel – As Jesus walked on the sea, the disciples were terrified (Matthew 14:22-33).

Saints and Special Observances

- Sun. Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Mon. St. Clare
- Tues. St. Jane Frances de Chantal
- Wed. Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus
- Thur. St. Maximilian Kolbe
- Fri. Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Sat. St. Stephen of Hungary;
Blessed Virgin Mary

Note: *There will be no morning Mass on Thursday and Friday of this week.*

The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, August 15th in observance of the Holy Day, The Immaculate Conception.



Justice Notes

Justice shall walk before him, and prepare the way of his steps.

Psalm 85:14

When I read this scripture passage, it reminded me of a poem I read many years ago that has always inspired me.

The Bridge Builder

by Will Allen Dromgoole

*An old man traveling a lone highway
Came at the evening cold and gray
To a chasm vast & deep & wide,
Through which was flowing a sullen tide.
The old man crossed in the twilight dim,
The sullen stream held no fears for him;
But he turned when safe on the other side,
And builded a bridge to span the tide.
"Old man" cried a fellow pilgrim near,
"You're wasting your time in building here.
Your journey will end with the closing day;
You never again will pass this way.
You have crossed the chasm deep and wide,
Why build you this bridge at even-tide?"
The builder lifted his old gray head;
Good friend, the path I have come," he said
"There followeth after me today
A youth whose feet must pass this way,
This stream which has been as naught to me,
To that fair-haired youth may pitfall be;
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim—
Good friend, I am building this bridge for him."*

Readings for the Week of August 3

Sun I Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33
Mon Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Mt 17:22-27
Tues Ez 2:8 – 3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wed Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Mt 18:15-20
Thurs Ez 12:1-12; Mt 18:21-19:1
Fri Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Sat Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15
Sun Is 56:1, 6-7; Pa 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Parish Activities

Aug. 9 – Aug. 15

Registration for Religious Education Parish Center

Sat. 5pm - 6pm

Sun. 9:30am - 11am

Mon	Quilting	5pm-9pm
	Rosary	6:30pm
	Faith Sharing	7pm
Tues.	Quilting	9am – Noon
Wed.	Grief Support	6pm
Thur.	Quilting	9am – Noon
	Food Pantry Prep	
Fri.	Office Closed	
	Food Pantry	9am

Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will take place this Friday, August 15th. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. All Catholics are to attend Mass for this feast day. Our Mass schedule is as follows: Thursday, August 14th, Mass will be held at 7pm. Friday, the feast day Mass will be at 12:15pm. There will be no morning Mass on Thursday or Friday.

The Festival Assessment is under way. We have initiated this assessment since the summer bazaar was discontinued. It has been a significant financial help in remaining financially solvent. We thank all who support the effort made for the good of all parishioners. To date 254 parishioners have returned a donation of \$50 or more. A breakdown of contributions is as follows: 2-\$1,000; 1-\$400; 2-\$300; 1-\$250; 8-\$200; 4-\$150; 1-\$121; 1-\$102; 51-\$100; 1-\$85; 7-\$75; 4-\$60; 170-\$50; 83-less than \$50. Total contributions are \$26,854. Again thanks for your generous response to the appeal.

The Sanctuary Safety Update

Below is a breakdown of contributions for the Sanctuary Safety Update: 2-\$1,000; 3-\$500; 1-\$400; 1-\$320; 2-\$300; 2-\$250; 9-\$200; 1-\$172; 1-\$150; 52-\$100; 2-\$75; 1-\$60; 266- \$50 or less. A total of \$19,777 has been raised for the Sanctuary Safety Update. A description of the current plan will be given in next week's bulletin.

Save the Dates

The Women's Society will hold their annual Communion Breakfast on October 12, 2014 following the 8am Mass. Details will follow. On November the Women's Society will hold their annual retreat – a Day of Recollection in the Parish Center. Father Thomas Looney of Kings College will be the Retreat Master. Further details will follow.

Lottery Tickets

Tickets for September are in the printing process and will soon be available. Awards will begin September 1st and end September 31st – a winner daily number (excludes the double draw). Prizes are \$50 Sunday to Friday, \$100 on Saturday and \$500 on Labor Day, September 1st. Anyone selling 25 or more will be entered into the \$50 Sellers drawing and 10 or more into the \$10 Sellers drawing. Reserve your numbers using the form below or calling the Rectory during Office Hours. We honor on first come first serve basis, so get your request in soon. Tickets will be sold in the back of the church starting next Saturday, August 17th.

Get yours before they are gone!!!!

Lottery Tickets for September

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Special Numbers: _____

Total Number of Tickets: _____

Mass Intentions

1. Masses for a particular deceased person must be taken from the Mass Intention Book first, before a new request can be made.
2. Only three Mass Intentions per year for person in the Mass Intention Book.
3. Only **one** Mass for a weekend Mass per year.
4. If the deceased person does not have any Masses in the Mass Intention Book, then only ONE Mass per year will be allowed.
5. Mass intentions only for parishioners will be accepted.
6. Some Masses in the Mass Intention Book will be distributed to other priest to be satisfied. Religious orders, retired priest or priests needing Mass Intentions will be recipients of some Mass Intentions.

Mass Book for 2015 Liturgical Year (1st Week of Advent, Nov. 30, 2014 until Nov. 27, 2015 will open on Monday, August 18th.

Lottery Winners

7-28 #428 M. Timek

7-29 #629 Michael Pehala

7-30 #743 Robert Voitek

7-31 #752 Sylvia Waskiewicz

Congratulations to all!!!!

Plains Lions 5th Annual "Dinner Outback"

The Plains Lions Club invites everyone to the annual Steak and Chicken Dinner with Outback Steakhouse on Tuesday, Aug. 12th, 5pm to 7pm. Dinner includes Chicken and Steak, Rice Pilaf, Caesar Salad, Soft Drinks and Cheesecake for dessert. Cost is \$10 for Adults and \$10 for Children under 13. Proceed help to fund annual Lions Products including: Plains Lions Newest Event "Trick or Trunk" Halloween Party, Our annual Santa Claus parade, and Holiday Fruit Basket Project. There will also be a raffle held by the Plains JLW Lady Lions. Tickets can be purchased through any Plains Lions member or contacting Chairman, Tom Mulhern @570-332-7606. The Lions would like to thank you in advance for your support.

Parenting Pointers

10 Life Skills Your Teen Needs Before Leaving Home.

#4 is *Good Social Skills and Manners*. #5 is *Auto Maintenance*. #6 is *Essential Domestic Skills*.

Only Auto maintenance needs to wait till the teen years. Start at whatever age your child is.

<http://imom.com/10-life-skills-your-teen-needs-before-leaving-home/>

-Susan Vogt

Catholic Cruise to Alaska

Come and sail away on a 7-night Catholic Alaska Cruise with Father William Gold, Sept. 7th – Sept. 14th, 2014 on Holland America Amsterdam out of Seattle, Washington. Ports of Call are Puget Sound; Tracy Arm; Juneau, Sitka, Ketchikan, Alaska; Victoria, British Columbia; Seattle, Washington. Prices begin at \$1,767 for two passengers this includes all port fees and taxes. Daily Mass offered. Deposits of only \$350 per person will reserve your cabin. Space is limited. For further info or to register, contact Doug or Eileen at [860-399-1785](tel:860-399-1785)/Doug@CatholicCruisesandTours.com.

Marriage Moments

Just as Elijah recognized the Lord in a “tiny whispering sound” (1 Kings 19:13) so we must attune ourselves to the sometimes subtle signals our spouse gives of distress, warmth, concern. Learn to read between the lines. *“Susan Vogt*

St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen, 39 East Jackson Street, Wilkes-Barre is now taking donations of school supplies. Items being collected are: backpacks, notebooks, binders, paper, pens, pencils, markers, erasers, glue sticks & crayons. Items will be collected up until August 11th.

Volunteers are needed for Distribution at Our Lady of Hope, 40 Park Ave., Wilkes-Barre on Monday, August 18th, 9-11am & 2-6pm. Please contact Diane at 570-406-9843 if you can help

Prince of Peace Parish in Old Forge will be sponsoring a Chicken BBQ on Sunday, August 10. It will be held in the parking lot of Arcaro and Genell Restaurant from noon to 4pm. The dinner is takeout/drive thru and a tent will be set up if you choose to eat at the site. The dinner will be prepared by Arcaro and Genell and included in the \$10 ticket price will be ½ BBQ chicken, a baked potato, corn on the cob, cole slaw and a roll. Tickets may be purchased in advance by calling the

rectory at 570-457-5900, Francis, 570-451-0112 or Joe at 570-457-9325 by July 20th. Walk ins are welcome also.

Catholic Cruise to the Caribbean

Come and sail away on a 9-night Catholic Caribbean Cruise with Father DiPerri, December 13th – December 22nd on Norwegian Cruise Line’s Gem out of New York City, New York – Ports of Call: San Juan – Puerto Rico, St. Thomas – U.S.V. I., Philipsburg – St. Maarten, Tortola – B.W.I. and back to New York City, New York. Prices begin at \$1,634 for two passengers this includes all port fees and taxes. Daily Mass offered. Deposits of only \$250 per person will reserve your cabin. Space is limited. For further info or register, contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785/Doug@CatholicCruisesandTours.com.

Sing

Alas for those who never sing, but die with their music within them.

- Oliver Wendell Holmes

