



SS. Peter and Paul Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 6, 2015

*Did not God choose those who are poor in the world
to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom?*

James 2:5

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.

Office

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Office Hours

Monday 10am – 3pm
Tuesday through Friday 8am – 3pm
Saturday by appointment

Mass Schedule

Monday – Communion Service – 7am
Tuesday through Friday – 7am
Saturday 4pm
Sunday 8am & 11am

Confessions

Daily 6:30am – 6:45am
Saturday 3:00pm - 3:30pm
And by appointment anytime

Parish Center

(570)822-8761

Working Together to Build the Kingdom of God



September 7 through September 13
Communion Service
Chester Baginski (A)
 by Children, Grandchildren, & Great Grandchildren
William Jones
 by Michael & Georgia Lapsansky
Walter Gottlieb
 by Mr & Mrs. Gordon Maxwell
Theodore Wysocki by Emma Esopi
Frank Kaminski (A)
 by Joseph Kozak Jr.
Arthur Kline (A) by Josephine Kline
Parishioners



In Memory of
The Sanctuary Lamp
Ted Wysocki

Votive by the Blessed Virgin Mary
Ron & Ceil Phillips

August 30, 2015

Contribution	\$6,825
Care for the Priest	\$25
Cemetery	\$20
Charity	\$99
Dues	\$467
Utilities	\$10
Maintenance	\$109
Holy Day	\$50
Eastern Europe	\$1,433

Message of the Week

Mark 7:31-37

“He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man’s ears and, spitting, touched his tongue.” Jesus could have healed this deaf man another way. He could have spoken a powerful word, or for that matter, just silently willed that the man’s health be restored. It wasn’t uncommon for Jesus to cure people simply by a quick touch. But instead, Jesus chose to heal him in this unique way. Clearly, this was not for Jesus’ sake. And since it was away from the crowd, it wasn’t for their sake either. This particular healing was for this particular man. Jesus knows what we need. His care for each and every one of us is not some standardized package of generic charity. He loves us all as unique individuals and understands us. He sees our weaknesses and knows our strengths. When we come to him with our hopes and answers us...in the way he knows is best. It might be unexpected or different from what we have seen him do for others. But we need to trust that Jesus does care, that he does listen, and that he does act on our behalf.

Parish Office and Center will be closed on Monday, September 7 in observance of Labor Day.

Questions of the Week?

Mark 7:31-37

Why do you think the healed man disobeyed Jesus’ command to silence?

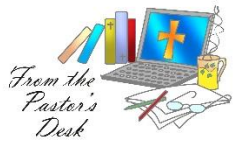
Isaiah 35:4-7a:

How does your faith give you courage?

James 2:1-5:

In what ways do you show partiality toward the rich?

Pastor Rev. John C. Lambert	Pastor Emeritus Rev. Joseph Greskiewicz
Religious Education Sande Holena	Music Christine Katsock
Eucharistic Minister/Lectors David Loiacono	Ushers Paul Muczynski
Youth Group Maryann and Michael Quinn	Altar Servers Gloria Flynn
Food Pantry Pauline Makowski	
Buildings/Maintenance/Properties Michael Levandowski	



Memorial Donations

The following donations and memorials have recently been given to our Parish:

SS. Peter and Paul Parish

- \$100 Mary Ann Kaminski
In Memory of Peter Paul Olszewski
- \$75 Gerald Yanoshak
In Memory of Clementine Cross
- \$100 John Gosciewski
In Memory of Madlyn Gosciewski

SS. Peter and Paul Food Pantry

In Memory of Victor Nardone

- \$150 Kelly Mulroy, Kathleen & Jeff Rossi,
Anne Dubon, Jeannie Petrucci, Kristen,
John Mallon, & Mary Haumacher
- \$150 Untracht Early LLC
- \$100 Anonymous
- \$50 Plains Township Fire Department
- \$50 Maryrose & John Stanton
- \$50 Ryuth Polk & Peggy Smith
- \$30 Jane Biniek
- \$25 Joseph & Barb Salus
- \$25 Ann & Thomas Pellegrini
- \$20 Patricia & Stanley Neishel
- \$20 Robert & Shirley O'Malia
- \$20 Mary Drew
- \$20 Elizabeth Segeda
- \$10 Ken & Mary Ann Augustine
- \$10 Joan Rossi
- \$100 In Memory of Gene & Santina Berti
- \$20 Val & Colleen Apanovich & Family
In Memory of Joseph Krokos
- In Memory of Edward Januskevitz
- \$25 Jane Biniek
- \$20 Richard & Lauren Dudick
- \$20 Marianne & TJ Jasonis
- \$20 Robert & Karen Dudek
- \$15 Angela Trentowski
- \$10 Mr & Mrs. Joseph Salus
- \$10 Lorraine Talmon
- \$10 Hanahan Family
- \$10 Nancie Conlon

Parish Activities

September 6 through September 12

Mon. Parish Office and Parish Center Closed

Tues. Quilting 9am
Finance Meeting **6:30pm**

Thurs. Quilting 9am
Parish Council **6:30pm**

In Memory of Catherine Stec

- \$20 Richard Yozwiak
- \$15 Jane Biniek
- \$10 Antony & Patrica DeCinti

In Memory of Anita Campanella

- \$100 Elizabeth Capanella
- \$30 Florence Warabak
- \$25 Louise Tontini
- \$25 Jane Filipini
- \$20 Harriet & Tom Seroka
- \$10 Ann Mae Lavan

We thank all who have made memorial and free-will donations. May God bless you for your generosity. We will keep your intentions and love ones in our prayers.

Father Jack is interesting in forming for an Adult Choir. Anyone interested is asked to see Fr. Jack. Remember singing is praying twice.

Reminder:

Confirmation is Sunday, October 18 at 4pm.

The Church in Central and Eastern Europe

Thank you for your generous contributions to the Collection for the Church in Central Eastern Europe. Your gift is an expression of solidarity with the suffering people of this region. Through joining in the work of this collection, you are helping to **restore the Church and build the future.** Please visit www.usccb.org (search "Church in Central and Eastern Europe") to learn more about the important projects funded by the collection.

Registration for Faith Formation

(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 next week - Sept. 13th. In order to compile accurate 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.

Annual Festival Assessment

With summer coming to an end please consider making a contribution to the Festival Assessment. To date \$ 19,210.00 has been collected for the Annual Festival Assessment. Thus far 288 families has contributed. Thanks to all who have contributed generously to this assessment.

Hershey Park Tickets are available at the Parish Office. Due to the limited weekends left we are lowering the cost of the tickets to \$25 each. They can be used for the following dates: Sept 12-13, Sept 19-20, and Sept 26-27,

The Miracle of Christmas Trip will take place on Nov. 18 in Lancaster. Cost 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. 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.

The Women's Society of SS Peter and Paul will hold their annual Communion Breakfast on Sunday, October 18th the Parish Center. They will meet at 7:30am to recite the Rosary and attend the 8am Mass. Breakfast will be served in the Parish Center after the Mass. Guest speaker will be the Director of Ruths Place. Each participant is asked to bring an item that is needed for Ruth's Place. Cost of the breakfast is \$15 payable to Mary Jo Marek and Mailed directly to Mary Jo Marek, 75 Helen Street, Plains, PA 18705. Please contact Mary Jo at 570-825-6969 to make reservation. All members and guest are invited to attend. Reservations and payment is needed by October 12th.

SS Peter and Paul's Food Pantry Shopping List for August

Cans: Potatoes
Fruit
Pasta (Spaghetti O's etc...)
Carrots
Mixed Veggies
Bottles -
Spaghetti Sauce

Thanks for all your support!!!

Chess Club for Students

Academy of Chess, LLC invites students in grades 2 through 8 to join the Regal Rook Chess Club for the upcoming school year. We specialize in teaching beginner students in grades 2 through 8 as well as student that already know the game. We also have customized programs for school districts. Details at www.academyofchessllc.com or call 570-829-0828.

Father Jack is planning a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, April, 2016. More information to follow.

Marriage Moments

“And people brought Jesus a deaf man who had a speech impediment.” (Mark 7:2) Sometimes in marriage it seems like one of us is deaf or at least not listening. Other times the speaker mumbles (or so I tell my husband). Which of you is better at speaking; which at listening? Practice each other's gift.
- Susan Vogt

Fall Festival Roasted Turkey Breast Dinner

Is being held at St. Andrew on Sunday, September 20, in the church hall (St. Patrick's), 318 Parrish St. Wilkes-Barre. The dinner includes real roasted turkey breast, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy green beans, coffee/tea and dessert. There will also be a bake sale, theme basket raffle and instant bingo. Serving is from 11:30am to 4pm. Take-outs will be available. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children age 12 and under. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

St. Andre Bessett Parish will hold a Dancing Under the Stars fundraiser on Sat., Sept 19th from 7-11pm. The event will be DJ'd by Rockin Father Mike Kloton, & will be held in St. Mary's Byzantine Social Hall(522 Madison St. Wilkes-Barre). The donation to attend is \$20 per person, which includes a homemade dinner & dessert buffet & coffee/soda/water. BYOB ok. Tickets can be reserved by calling (570)814-9227. Doors open at 6:45 & no tickets will be sold at the door. Please join us for a fun evening of dinner and dancing.

Forming Intentional Disciples: The Path of Knowing & Following Jesus.

This is a seminar presented by nationally acclaimed author Sherry A. Weddell. It will be presented at St. Monica's Parish, 363 W. 8th Street, West Wyoming, Pa on Saturday, October 24, in the Church Hall. Registration before October 1st is \$25 and \$30 after the date. The day will begin with coffee and pastries from 7am to 8am. The seminar will begin at 8am until 3:40pm with lunch included. You can register on the Diocese of Scranton web site, go the Parish Life Office and click on the icon of Forming Intentional Disciples. Please call the Office at 570-693-1991 for any additional information. This is open to any interested people in the Diocese.

Symbolon & RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adult)

Symbolon is a program dealing with knowing the Faith. The sessions will be Wednesday evenings from 7 – 8:30pm beginning Wednesday, Sept. 16th at St. Monica's Church, 363 W. 8th Street, West Wyoming, Pa. The first ten sessions will focus on the "big picture" of the Catholic Faith; the next ten on the sacramental life of the Church. The sessions will be led by Deacon Bill Jenkins. Each session has a video presentation and then a discussion period. More information will follow or call the Parish Office at 570-693-1991.

The Oblates of St. Joseph will host their annual Labor Day Triduum and Mass in honor of St. Joseph the Worker during the upcoming Labor Day Weekend, September 4-7, at the Oblates' Seminary Chapel, located on Route 315 in Laflin. Masses during the Triduum Sept 4 – 6th, will be celebrated each evening at 7pm. Following the Mass, prayers will be offered to St. Joseph for all workers, the unemployed, and blessings for a new school year. Confessions and recitation of the Rosary will precede each Mass. The Triduum will conclude with a special Labor Day Mass honoring St. Joseph the Worker on Monday, September 7 at 10:30am,

with Bishop Emeritus James C. Timlin serving as principal celebrant and homilist. The Oblate Fathers will concelebrate, and liturgical music will be provided by the Queen of the Apostles parish choir of Avoca. At the conclusion of the Mass, bread will be blessed and distributed to the faithful as a symbol of the "fruit of our labor." All are welcome to attend the Triduum services and Labor Day Mass.

The Scranton Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is conducting a Fall Fundraiser. If you are a gardener and plant fall flower/garlic bulbs please consider ordering online. Go to www.flowerpowerfundraising.com then to the top right corner to "Find a Group," Type in Scranton Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. Then start shopping. All bulbs are 100% guaranteed and will be shipped directly to the customer. Top quality bulbs are guaranteed and you will not be

billed until the bulb are shipped. You may order now or until October 5, 2015. Please consider supporting our organization as we will receive a percentage of the profits. If further information is required, please call Judy at 570-470-1536 or Nancy at 570-357-1790.

Labor

Without labor nothing prospers.

- Sophocles

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