

# Parish of Saints Peter and Paul

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# Parish of Saint Benedict

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**Deacon Don Crane**



## Office Hours

Saturday and Sunday  
by appointment

## Saints Peter and Paul

Monday through Friday 8am-4pm  
Office closed daily Noon—12:30pm

## Saint Benedict

Monday through Friday 8am-2pm

## Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday

4pm—Saints Peter and Paul

5:30pm—Saint Benedict

## Sunday

8am—Saint Benedict

10am—Saints Peter and Paul

## Confession

By appointment anytime

## Saints Peter and Paul

Daily 6:30am-6:45am  
Saturday 3pm-3:30pm

## Saint Benedict

after the 5:30pm Mass

**Eucharist Adoration at Saints Peter and Paul** - First Friday of every month—Noon till 3pm

**First Saturday Rosary at Saint Benedict**—First Saturday of every month at 4:45pm

*Working Together to Build the Kingdom of God*



**Sunday Stewards**  
**Saints Peter and Paul Parish**

1229 Families receive envelopes

**January 6**                      322 attended the 4pm Mass  
196 Families used their envelopes and offered \$3,247

**January 7**                      328 attended the 10am Mass  
202 Families used their envelopes and offered \$3,949

*Tithe from*

398 Families was \$7,196

Care and Education of Priest \$884

**No Festival Collection**

309 Families Contributed \$18,160 to date.

**Diocesan Annual Appeal**

Goal \$70,000      Raised to Date \$44,577

**Saint Benedict Parish**

560 Families receive envelopes

**January 6**                      105 attended the 5:30pm Mass  
52 Families used their envelopes and offered \$3,512

**January 7**                      135 attended the 8am Mass  
116 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,306

*Tithe from*

168 Families was \$4,817

Care and Education of Priest \$386

**Diocesan Annual Appeal**

Goal \$22,000      Raised to Date \$13,295

*Thank you for your continued generous  
support of our parishes!*

**SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY**

1-1	#389	David Loiacono
1-2	#253	Sandra Molitoris
1-3	#313	Diana Pehala
1-4	#481	Mary Ann Gottlieb
1-5	#750	Loree & John Gerich
1-6	#116	Jane Welebob
1-7	#630	Mary Flaherty

*Congratulations to all !!!*

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday**

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

**Monday**

1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday**

1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday**

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday**

1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12

**Friday**

1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19

**Saturday**

2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21

*Saints Peter and Paul & Saint Benedict*

In January Edge and Life Teen Youth Groups will start call Nina for more information at the Faith Formation Center 570-825-6663 ext 3-then 1.

# The Sunday Good News

Saint Benedict & Saints Peter & Paul

January 14, 2017

## First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19

This powerful story describes Samuel, who at the time was the servant of the high priest. The Lord called out to Samuel, who twice thought Eli had called him. They gradually realized that it was the Lord who called for him. So the third time Samuel answered and the Lord remained with Samuel as he grew.

## Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20

Paul explains to the Corinthians that their body is a temple of the Holy Spirit. He tells them to avoid lewd conduct, and glorify God by keeping their bodies pure.

## Gospel: John 1:35-42

John told two of his disciples that Jesus is the Lamb of God. They turned and followed him, immediately curious and attracted to him. Andrew told his brother Simon about Jesus. Simon also came to meet Jesus, who renamed him Cephas, or Peter.

## His Word Today by Rev. William J. Reilly The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**"John was standing with two of his disciples and as he watched Jesus walk by he said 'Behold the Lamb of God.' The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following Him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to Him, 'Rabbi...where are you staying?' He said to them 'Come, and you will see.'"**

The scene from John's gospel is simple and clear. John, the arrow, points out Jesus, with words we hear as we celebrate the Eucharist. It aroused the curiosity of Andrew. The conversation continues, as He asks, 'what are you looking for?' The same question is posed for the followers of Jesus today but we can change the what to who. 'Come and you will see.'

This encounter with Jesus led Andrew to bring Peter to Jesus, and the rest is history. Pope Francis in his beautiful book 'Walking with Jesus' points out for us today the way of Jesus. May we look and find Him.

*Thank you  
for the gift of today  
Refresh me.  
Invite me to discover  
your presence  
in each person that I meet  
and every event  
that I encounter.  
Teach me when to speak  
and when to listen.  
When to ponder  
and when to share.  
In moments of challenge  
and decision  
attune my heart  
to the whisperings  
of your wisdom.  
As I undertake  
ordinary  
and unnoticed tasks,  
gift me with simple joy.  
When my day goes well,  
may I rejoice.  
When it grows difficult  
surprise me  
with new possibilities.  
When life is overwhelming,  
call me to Sabbath moments  
To restore your  
Peace and Harmony  
May my living today  
reveal your Goodness  
Amen.*

### Saints Peter and Paul Parish

**Sanctuary Candle**

*Dorothy Nestorick*

### Saint Benedict Parish

**Sanctuary Candle**

*Raymond Cherpak*

## We are Called to Serve...

*"Do you understand what I just did for you? You address me as 'Teacher' and 'Lord' and fittingly enough, for that is what I am. But if I washed your feet—I who am Teacher and Lord—then you must wash each other's feet. What I just did was to give an example: as I have done, so you must do."*  
(John 12:2-15)

### Saint Benedict's Loaves and Fishes Program

For the month of **January** will be collecting **Hot Chocolate Mix**. This program benefits St. Vincent de Paul in Wilkes-Barre.

### Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry

Anyone in the Plains, Miners Mills area in need of food can contact Pauline at 570-592-6798 to register. Food is distributed to the community on the third Friday of every month. **Non perishable** food donations are always accepted, place in the basket in the Vestibule of the Church.

**Saints Peter and Paul's Treasure** is accepting clean, gently used or new clothing. Our biggest need is men's and women's casual clothing. All children's and teen clothing – casual and dressy! Clothes can be dropped off at the Parish Center during business hours. Receipts available on the bulletin board.

### Circle of Prayer

Many of us need the prayers of a faith community. To request prayers for your intention, or to join the circle of prayer contact Mary Jo Marek at 570-825-6969.

## Mass Intentions

A Communion Service will be held at Saint Benedict at 8am Tuesday—Friday

### Masses at Saints Peter and Paul this week

M	1-15	7am	Communion Service
T	1-16	7am	<b>Joseph Drako</b> by Herbert Family <b>Viola T. Vitali</b> by Bernadette & Terry Warren
W	1-17	7am	<b>Mary Mido (A)</b> by Chris & Joe Madison <b>Joan E. Snarski</b> by Tom & Deb Roccograndi
Th	1-18	7am	<b>Thomas Janiszewski</b> by John & Carol Wysocki <b>Carmella Bianconi</b> by Kim Sprau & Al LaLuna
F	1-19	7am	<b>Fred Ceccoli III</b> by Zukashewski Family <b>Helen Josulevich</b> by Mr. & Mrs. Frank Josulevich

### Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

S	1-20	4pm	Living/Deceased Parishioners
S	1-21	10am	<b>Beth Bonn</b> by Family

### Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

S	1-20	5:30pm	<b>Barra Gartley</b> by Mr. & Mrs. William Spagnola
S	1-21	8am	<b>Rudolph Ciprich</b> by Agnes Siskovich



Indulge yourself before Lent begins! The Women's Society will be taking orders for Krispy Kreme Donuts in the church vestibule before and

after the Masses on the weekends of January 27/28 and February 3/4. Cost for one dozen is \$8 payable at the time of your order. Donuts will be delivered on the weekend before Ash Wednesday, February 10/11 in time for a splurge before Lent begins. When ordering please be sure to specify Saturday or Sunday pick-up

### Krispy Kreme Donuts Order Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Boxes: \_\_\_\_\_

X cost of \$8.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
enclosed with order.

PICK UP DAY : SATURDAY—Feb. 10

SUNDAY—Feb. 11

**Parish Weekly Activities**  
**January 14— January 21**

<i><b>Day</b></i>	<i><b>Date</b></i>	<i><b>Time</b></i>	<i><b>Activity</b></i>	<i><b>Building</b></i>	<i><b>Location</b></i>
Sun.	1-14	9am <b>4pm</b>	Faith Formation <b>Appreciation Dinner</b>	Faith Formation Center <b>Faith Formation Center</b>	Classrooms <b>Bernardine Hall</b>
Mon.	1-15	<b>OFFICE AND FAITH FORMATION CENTER CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY</b>			
Tues.	1-16	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
Wed.	1-17	<b>Noon 2:15pm</b>	<b>Plains Seniors Mass</b>	<b>Faith Formation Center Riverstreet Manor</b>	<b>Bernardine Hall</b>
Thurs.	1-18	9am <b>9am 6:30pm</b>	Quilting <b>Food Pantry Prep Women's Society</b>	Parish Center <b>Faith Formation Center Parish Center</b>	2nd Floor <b>Bernardine Hall Dining Room</b>
Fri.	1-19	<b>9am 9am</b>	<b>Food Pantry Treasures</b>	<b>Faith Formation Center Parish Center</b>	<b>Bernardine Hall Parish Center</b>
Sun.	1-21	9am	Faith Formation	Faith Formation Center	Classrooms

**His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambara, D.D., J.C.L.,** Bishop of Scranton and the Office Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in 2018 to a ***Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass*** on Sunday, June 10. The event includes a 2:30pm Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address should be made through the parish office.

Please call the parish office to register.



**What Goes Up Must Come Down**

With the Holiday Season coming to a close, the decoration in **Saint Benedict Parish** must be taken down. So please join us on **Sunday, January 14 after the 8am Mass** to undecorate the church and store the decorations for next year. **REMEMBER, once again many hands will make light work!**

**2017 Financial Statements** are now available at both parishes. Please call the parish office if you would like to receive a statement. We are grateful for the financial support you provide to enable the church to continue our mission as a viable parish.

**Holy Redeemer High School Grade 8 Placement/ Scholarship Test Results Night and Registration Night** for incoming Freshmen will be held January 24 at 7pm in the Auditorium. (snow date Jan. 25) Appointments for class scheduling for new students for the 2018-2019 school year will be held on February 8, 12 and 13 from 3-6pm. Call Holy Redeemer High School's Guidance Department at 570-829-2424 to set an appointment.

**Sock for the Sock** The last time Saint Benedict's hosted the homeless men's shelter (Mother Teresa's Haven) they learned they have a need for socks. To help with their need there will be a **BIG RED CHRISTMAS STOCKING BOX** in the back of the church. Donation's of new men's socks (black or white) would be appreciated. Saint Benedict's Parish will be hosting the homeless men's shelter the week Jan. 22 through Jan. 29, 2018.



**Altus for Women Winter Read-Along** Are you looking for something meaningful and exciting to do during the cold winter months? Do you like to connect with other women? Are you looking for a good book to read? If you answered yes to any on those questions, then the Altus Winter Read Along is for you. Wondering what the Read-along is? It's a FREE Altus book club! So, you purchase & read the book, and join the private online discussion forum at [www.altusforwomen.com](http://www.altusforwomen.com) or ...discuss the book in person in a local Altus group or with a friend or... start a local Altus Group yourself; don't worry we can help you get started. MY SISTERS THE SAINTS by Colleen Carrol Campbell has been chosen for the first read. For questions & to sign up go to [www.altusforwomen.com](http://www.altusforwomen.com).



### Calendar of Events

Jan. 15		CTV Special: "Our Faith, Our Diocese"
Jan. 25	12:10pm	Christian Unity Prayer
Feb. 1		Catholic Light: "Catholic Education"
Feb. 12		CTV Special: "Our Faith, Our Diocese" "Catholic Education"
Feb. 18	3pm	RICA Rite of Election Cathedral of Saint Peter
Feb. 22		Catholic Light: "Ecumenism and Interfaith Relations"
Feb. 25	10am	Developmental Disabilities Mass Cathedral of Saint Peter
Mar. 1		Premiere of WVIA-TV Documentary

## Community Happenings

**March for Life Bus** going to Washington, Fri., Jan. 19th, interested contact Christopher at 570-824-5621.

**Feast of the Holy Spouse** will take place at the Oblates of St. Joseph on Sunday, January 21st with a Holy Mass at 3pm. A triduum (three days of prayers) will be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday with a Holy Mass at 7pm and Novena Prayers. The Rosary and Confessions will be before the Mass.

**St. Robert Bellarmine (St. Al's Church) Altar & Rosary Bingo** will be held on January 21st at 1pm. \$10 per person in Padden Hall. Food and Beverage for purchase.

**Annual Respect Life Prayer Breakfast** will be held on Saturday, January 27th at 9am at Fiorelli's Catering, 1501 Main Street, Peckville. The principle speaker will be Ryan Bomberger. Reservations are \$21 for Adults, \$10 for children 6-12, children 5 & under are free. Group reservations also welcome. Deadline for reservations is January 22. Sent reservations in advance with check payable to Pennsylvanians for Human Life to Joseph Alinoski 9B Rachel Dr., Archbald, PA 18403. Phone for additional information call 570-876-4087.

**The Catholic Charismatic Renewal** will be celebrating a Regional Prayer Meeting on Monday, January 29th at 7:30pm. The meeting will take place at Queen of Apostles Hall, 715 Hawthorne St. Avoca. There will be praise and worship with our combined music ministry. Refreshments will be served. Please come and join in the celebration of the Love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit!

**Mardi Gras Party** at St. Aloysius Church Hall on Saturday, Feb. 3rd from 6-10pm. Doors open at 5:30pm. Dinner, dancing, games, prizes all for \$25 per person. Beer & Soda will be provided & BYOB. Must be 21 or older to attend. Tickets are on sale in the Parish Office.

**“By our Baptism, I firmly believe that we are called to servant leadership here in the Diocese of Scranton. We are called to a servant leadership that helps us to transform our hurting world through compassion, solidarity, justice, and love.”**

From Bishop Bambera's pastoral letter,  
Wounded and Loved: Regathering the Scattered

### **Mission Statement**

As members of Saints 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

### **Mission Statement**

Saint Benedict

Building a Catholic Community where all are  
welcome, respected, needed and appreciated;  
where we incorporate and share the word of  
God in our daily lives and the lives of others.”



### **Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor**

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (Childline) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551 or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V. G., at 570-207-2269