



SS. Peter and Paul Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

*The Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
January 24, 2016*

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.
- Luke 4:18a*

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

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 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



January 25 through January 31

- M 1/25 7AM *Communion Service*
- T 1/26 7AM *James Wincek* by Kenneth Wincek
- W 1/27 7AM *Alvida Eustice (A)*
by Mr. & Mrs. Ben Berrini
- Th 1/28 7AM *Lottie Silvi (A)*
by Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Philips
- F 1/29 7AM *Catherine Weishell*
by Frank Filippini
- S 1/30 4PM *Mary M. Baginski (A)*
by April Jones
- S 1/31 8AM *Robert Pisack (A)*
by Wife, Joan & Sons
11AM *Living and Deceased Parishioners*

LIVING AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

Some of Saint Paul's best known and most beloved imagery is contained in the passages from First Corinthians that we have heard last week and this week: the many gifts granted by the one same Spirit and the many members making up the one Body of Christ. Few passages from sacred scripture more accurately sum up how Christian vocations work together.

Unlike some of Paul's other writings, which are a product of the social and religious conventions of his time, these enable us to look at our own lives and the lives of those around us to discern what gifts, what vocations the Holy Spirit has given for the good of all. We can likewise know the joys and sorrows of the other members of the Body and share in them for the strengthening of the whole Body of Christ.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Ezra read from the book of the law of God to the assembled people. They understood and accepted the law (Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10).

Psalm — Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life (Psalm 19).

Second Reading — As the body with its many parts is still one body, so it is with Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]).

Gospel — While attending worship in the Nazarean synagogue, Jesus reads from the prophet Isaiah and declares himself to be the fulfillment of the prophecy (Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21).

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In Memory of

The Sanctuary Lamp
Beth Bonn

Votive by the Blessed Virgin Mary
George & Mary Magda & Sons

January 17, 2016

Contribution	\$7,924
Dues	\$4,847
Diocesan Charities	\$17
Care of the Priest	\$122
St. Vincent de Paul	\$665
Holy Day	\$44
Christmas	\$50
Initial Offering	\$190
Maintenance	\$300

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Catholic Schools Week
- Monday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle;
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends
- Tuesday: Ss. Timothy and Titus
- Wednesday: St. Angela Merici
- Thursday: St. Thomas Aquinas
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Pastor Rev. John C. Lambert	Pastor Emeritus Rev. Joseph Greskiewicz
Liturgical/Musical Consultant and Choir Director Joan Turel	
Faith Formation Sande Holena	Facilities Engineer Michael Levandowski
Organist Christine Katsock	Eucharistic Minister/Lectors David Loiacono
Ushers Paul Muczynski	Altar Servers Gloria Flynn
Food Pantry Pauline Makowski	Youth Group Maryann/Michael Quinn

Children Envelopes

If your child used envelopes last year you will be receiving them in the near future.

Anyone wanting children envelopes for their child/children are asked to call the Rectory.

Financial Statements for 2015 are now available by calling the Rectory.

In Celebration of Catholic School's Week, all children attending Catholic Schools are asked to wear their school uniform and attend the 11am Mass on Sunday January 31.

Holy Week Choir is begin formed to sing at the Holy Week Liturgies. All who participated in the Christmas and Confirmation choirs are invited to return and new members are welcome.

The first rehearsal will take place on Wednesday, January 20 at 7pm in the choirloft.

The Holy Week Liturgies are the high point of our liturgical celebration as a church . Giving the gift of your musical talent will richly enhance these liturgies.

Lottery Winners#

1-11 #421 Tom Vearling
 1-12 #216 Mary Drew
 1-13 #023 Suzann Kelly
 1-14 #387 John Binker
 1-15 #797 Laurie Kane
 1-16 #453 Noah Mangan
 1-17 #450 Armond Angeli

Congratulations to all!!!!

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Our parish goal is \$70,000, 394 parishioners made a pledge contributing \$58,912. Please consider making a pledge if you haven't already.

Marriage Moments

Does a typical date night in your marriage start with "What do you want to do tonight?" "I don't know. What do you want to do?" "I don't know..." Repeat. Try something besides a dinner and a movie. Google Making Love On A Budget for ideas.

- Susan Vogt

Parish Activities

January 25 through January 31

Sun.	Faith Formation	9:30AM
	Youth Group Christmas Party	
Mon.	Quilting	5pm
	Prayer Shawl	5pm
	Rosary	6:30pm
	Women's Meeting	7pm
Tues.	Quilting	9AM
Wed.	Choir	7PM
Thurs	Quilting	9AM
	Men's Meeting	6:30PM
Sun.	Faith Formation	9:30AM

ELUSIVE HAPPINESS

Happiness will never be ours if we do not recognize to some degree that God's blessings were given us for the well-being of all.

—Anonymous

Food Pantry

We can use all types of
 Can goods
 Pasta
 Peanut Butter
 Tuna
 Jelly
 Fruit
 Spaghetti Sauce
 Vegetables
 Coffee
 Paper products
 Plastic Bags

Liturgy Corner: Did You Know?

Paten

A paten is a plate used to hold bread to be consecrated during the celebration of a Eucharistic liturgy.

Woven baskets and plates made of common materials such as glass, wood, pottery, and bone were the vessels used in the early church for this purpose.

The medieval church in which people felt more worthy to reverence than to receive the consecrated elements saw the diminishing of the paten into a very small plate to hold a single wafer of bread for the priest. Vessels of common material disappeared entirely as regulations governing all things liturgical began to proliferate.

Secure containers such as ciboria and tabernacles date from this same period of increased reverence and decreased participation as does the monstrance which is a vessel for showing rather than a vessel for serving.

Though smaller patens are something used for daily mass, most of our bread plates today are larger and made of any material that is noble, solid, and not likely to break or deteriorate.

Within the context of liturgy, the terms paten and plate are interchangeable.

Israel: A Biblical Journey with Optional 4-Night Discover Jordan Post Tour Extension, April 11th – 19th, 2016. Highlights...Jaffa, Caesarea, Nazareth, Cana, Tiberias, Sea of Galilee, Mount of Beatitudes, Capernaum, Golan Heights, Caesarea Philippi, Mount Tabor, Tel Megiddo, Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Mount of Olives, Mount Zion, Ein Karem, Via Dolorosa, Western wall, and Garden Tomb. Price for double is \$3,859, Single is \$4,509 and Triple is \$3,829 per person. Please contact Karen at Sea the World Travel at 570-714-5566.

Ecumenical Celebration of God's Word on Monday, Jan. 25th at 12:10PM in the Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton." All are welcome to attend. The Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., will preside, and Bishop Jeremaih Park of the Susquehanna Conference, Methodist Church will deliver the homily.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass, for couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary will be held on Sunday, June 5. 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 by calling our Parish Office before Marcy 7th.

Northeast Bearcats present a Night at the Races on Saturday, January 30th at SS Peter and Paul Bernadine Hall. Doors Open at 6PM and races begin at 7PM. Adults only – 21 and over. Free food and refreshments will be provided. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

Holy Redeemer HS Grade 8 Placement/Scholarship Test Results Night and registration night for incoming freshmen will be held on Jan. 27th at 7pm in the auditorium.

Parenting Pointers

The body is one, though it has many parts. (1 Cor 12:12) Each part of our body is important and connected. So too, is each member of the human family. Remember today the value of each life, born/unborn, neighbor/refugee, friend – even enemy. Let us march to protect all human lives

- Susan Vogt

St. Andre Bessette, Wilkes-Barre will sponsor an Ash Wednesday Fish Dinner on Feb. 10 at Father Zolcinski Hall, 668 N. Main Street. Dinners will be served from 4pm to 6pm including take-outs. Cost is \$8.50. Tickets must be purchased by Feb. 3. For tickets call Mary at 570-823-4988. Proceeds will benefit the parish Social Justice Ministry.

The Oblates of St. Joseph will host the Annual Feast of the Holy Spouses, the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph, on Sunday, January 24th with a special Holy Mass at 2pm at the Oblates Chapel, Route 315. Everyone is invited to attend especially all married couples and future married couples as a special blessing will be imparted upon them. A light reception will follow in the seminary community room for all to enjoy.

A triduum (3 Days of prayers) will be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 21st – 23rd. with a Holy Mass at 7pm and Novena prayers. The Holy Rosary and Confessions will be before the Holy Mass. Come early.

You are invited to attend. Offer your personal petitions to the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph as we are celebrating the Year of Mercy.

Wyoming Area Catholic School Open House

You are invited to spread the good news about Wyoming Area Catholic School by joining us for an Open house at 1690 Wyoming Exeter on Sunday, January 31st from 12pm to 2pm. Come and see what we have to offer. Tours will be given by students, parents, teachers and administrators who will answer all your questions and concerns.

Saints Peter & Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, Wilkes-Barre will hold a take-out Piggie/Holubtsi Dinner on Sunday, Feb. 7th.

Dinners may be picked up between 11:30am and 2pm at the Parish School Hall. Corner of North River and West Chestnut Street, W-B. Dinner includes Piggies (meat stuffed cabbage), mashed potatoes, vegetable, bread and butter and dessert. Dinners will be \$11 for adults and \$5 for children (12 and under). Walk-ins welcome but reservations are encouraged. Call 570-829-3051.

22nd Annual National Memorial for the Pre-Born and Their Mothers and Fathers will take place on January 22nd at DAR Constitution Hall, 1776 D. St. NW (18th & D St.), Washington DC from 8:30-10³⁰am. (A short walk to the March for Life rally starting point). This will be the premier prayer event marking the tragic commemoration of Roe vx. Wade. For those who wish , there will be a Catholic Mass at 7:30am. Doors open at 7am. Admission is free, no tickets are required, and large groups are welcome. For more information go to www.NationalPrayerService.com.

Catholic Cruise to the Western Caribbean

Come and sail away on a 7 night Cruise. Sept 10 – Sept 17, 2016 on the Carnival Freedom out of Galveston, Texas. Ports of Call: Montego Bay (Jamaica), Grand Cayman, Cozumel, Mexico and back to Galveston, Texas. Prices begin at \$1085 for two passengers this includes all port fees and taxes. Daily Mass offered. Deposit of only \$300 per person will reserve your cabin. Space is limited. For further info or to register, contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785 /Doug@CatholicCruiseTours.com.

St. Nicholas –St. Mary School PTG will hold its annual Winter Bazaar on Friday, January 22 from 8am to 9pm in the school gymnasium, 242 South Washington St. W-B.. The bazaar is open to the public from 3pm to 9pm. There will be traditional bazaar food for sale, including potato pancakes, pierogis, haluski, etc. In addition, there will be plenty of games for the children. Please join the school community in helping raise funds for various projects the school is interested in completing for the students.

KID'S KORNER

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Gospel Today
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time | Luke 1: 1-4; 4:14-21


Jesus is teaching in the synagogue in Nazareth, his home town, and the people were amazed at what they heard.

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"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because He has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord."

Luke 4:18-19



1) Luke was one of the original 12 disciples.	T / F
2) Luke's narrative of events in the life of Jesus came from eyewitnesses.	T / F
3) Luke is one of the four Gospel writers along with Matthew, Mark and John.	T / F
4) According to Luke, "Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit and news of Him spread."	T / F
5) Jesus went to the synagogue on Sabbath in Nazareth where He grew up and did not speak.	T / F
6) Jesus read from the scroll of the Prophet Isaiah.	T / F
7) Jesus chose the passage He read from the scroll and the people thought He too was a prophet.	T / F
8) People in the synagogue ignored Jesus.	T / F
9) Jesus said to the people looking intently at Him, "Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." Luke 4: 21	T / F
10) Jesus is the fulfillment of the scriptures.	T / F