

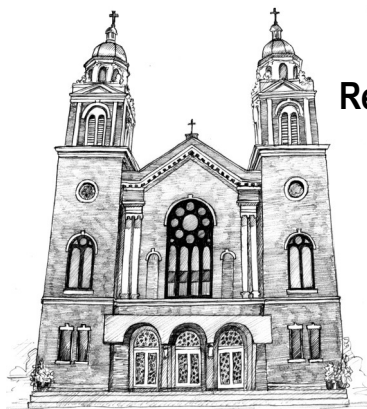
Parish of Saints Peter and Paul

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Deacon Don Crane
Permanent Deacon

Office Hours
Saturday and Sunday
by appointment

Saints Peter and Paul/Saint Benedict
Monday through Friday 8am-4pm
Office closed daily Noon—12:30pm

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday
4pm—Saints Peter and Paul
5:30pm—Saint Benedict

Sunday
7:30am—Saints Peter & Paul
10am—Saints Peter and Paul
11:30am—Saint Benedict

Parish of Saint Benedict

155 Austin Ave
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18705
Parish Web: www.stbenedictwb.org



Confession
By appointment anytime

Saints Peter and Paul
Daily 6:30am-6:45am
Saturday 3pm-3:30pm

Saint Benedict
after the 5:30pm Mass

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 Parishes of Saints Peter and Paul and St. Benedict open wide their doors
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ*

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

1039 Families receive envelopes

Feb. 2 286 attended the 4pm Mass
188 Families used their envelopes and offered \$3,251

Feb. 3 123 attended the 7:30am Mass
77 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,387

291 attended the 10am Mass

157 Families used their envelopes and offered \$2,876

Tithe from

411 Families was \$7,541

Care and Education of Priest \$1,413

The Second Collection this weekend will be for
Bernardine Hall

Next week's Collection will be for
Diocesan Annual Appeal

Please be generous!!!

Saint Benedict Parish

429 Families receive envelopes

Feb. 2 116 attended the 5:30pm Mass
87 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,236

Feb. 3 97 attended the 11:30am Mass
81 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,983

Tithe from

168 Families was \$3,219

Thank you for your continued generous Support!

Stewardship

God has entrusted us with many gifts: Time, Talent & Treasure. We hope and pray that all members will share their gifts, and continue to share the Good News of Jesus with all people.

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY

Jan. 28	#060	Chief Joe Coyne
Jan 29	#096	Saints Peter and Paul
Jan.30	#767	Eva Canterini
Jan. 31	#416	Mary Solomon
Feb. 1	#085	Sandra Molitoris
Feb. 2	#796	Bill Fender
Feb. 3	#774	Anna Mattei

Congratulations to all!!!!

Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict Staff

Diana Pehala, Parish Secretary & Cemeteries

Mary Ann Gottlieb, Parish Secretary

Nina Cinti, Faith Formation Coordinator

Michael Lambert, Maintenance

Greg Day, Maintenance

Chuck Unice, Festival Choir Director, Organist

Tom Zurla, Organist

Jill Fiedorczyk, Organist

Gina Macaravage, Organist

Ben Berrini, Sacristan

Dave Loiacono, Ministers Scheduler

Paul Muczynski, Ushers

Nathan Smith, Altar Servers

Bernardine Hall Renovation Fund

The Bernardine Sisters gave 104 years of service as teachers to the children of Saints Peter and Paul Parish. In 2015 the former cafeteria was renamed **Bernardine Hall** in their honor. It has been many years since any work has been done. For the next 3 years we will be focusing on sprucing it up and making the necessary repairs. (Lighting, heating, electrical, air and a cosmetic face lift) Please consider joining together to make this possible. Money can be sent in at any time throughout the next three years to fund this project.

To date we have received contributions from **207** families in the amount of **\$44,178**

Don't miss out on being a part of this endeavor!!!

Blessed Are the Merciful

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy." - Matthew 5:7

Twice in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus chides the leaders among the Pharisees to "go and learn the meaning of the words, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice'." In both instances, Jesus uses a quote from Hosea 6:6 about mercy and sacrifice to invite the Pharisees and all his listeners to reorient themselves, to focus on what truly matters rather than the external trappings of religious customs and rituals. In the first instance, Matthew 9:9-13, Jesus and his disciples are at table with "tax collectors and sinners" in the home of Matthew. Such bad company causes the Pharisees to question Jesus' discretion. In a culture that prizes honor and reputation, Jesus would be judged by the company he keeps. He is quick to assure the religious leaders that he prefers the company of the sick, those in need of a physician. In essence he is saying that the mercy of forgiveness is essential. In the second instance, Matthew 12:1-8, Jesus' hungry disciples are picking grain on the Sabbath and, once again, the Pharisees seize on the opportunity to question his judgement and wisdom. As their leader, how could Jesus allow his disciples to violate the Sabbath law? Jesus offers a history lesson about King David and his men violating a similar religious law, providing another opportunity for reorientation, directing the Pharisees away from legalism toward the mercy of addressing human need. The Gospel of Matthew relies heavily on references and allusions to the Old Testament. It honors the covenant first made between God and the people chosen as his own and shows that Jesus himself is the fulfillment of that covenant. This covenant, made in the Sinai desert, revealed the God who was their liberator. When renewing the covenant, God identified himself in this way: "The Lord, the Lord, a God gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in love and fidelity" (Exodus 34:6). God's very nature is mercy, and because of the covenant relationship, God's people are to become merciful as well. Little wonder that the Pharisees are later criticized (Matthew 23:23) for their attention to the small things of the law such as "paying tithes of mint and dill and cumin," while neglecting the weightier things, "judgement, mercy and fidelity." The ministry of Jesus, in fact, his very identity, makes it clear that mercy is a revelation of God's own self. Pope Francis, in the book "The Name of God is Mercy," says that mercy is "God's identity card;" it's God's "most fundamental nature;" It's "the divine attitude which embraces." So God's mercy is always moving toward embrace, always moving from attitude to action, from theory to relationship. Our lives must mirror this same movement. The beatitude we find in Matthew 5:7 blesses those who are merciful and promises they will be shown mercy. To be merciful requires action: the giving of compassionate care to one in need, forgiveness to one who has done wrong, loving kindness to one who is lonely, correction to one who is lost, fidelity to one who feels estranged, patience to one who is anxious and annoyed. Mercy is not a vague or abstract concept, something that exists in principle but not in reality. It comes in many forms, each of them acted out in the context of relationships. Throughout the Gospels, Jesus models this beautifully for us. He heals the blind and lame not simply to restore their health, but to restore them to acceptance within a community. Jesus pays attention to those around him so that he feels the woman touch his garment and offers her healing (Matthew 9:20-22), sees and speaks honestly and lovingly to the Samaritan who comes for well water in the heat of the day (John 4:4-26), notices the tax collector Zacchaeus and chooses to dine with him, (Luke 19:1-10), and encourages those who are anxious by assuring them of God's loving care (Matthew 6:25-34). Jesus does not simply feel pity; he is moved with pity, moved with compassion, moved with mercy.

Word

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8;
1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8,
11; Lk 5:1-11

Monday

Gn 1:1-19; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday

Gn 1:20—2:4a; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday

Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17;
Mk 7:14-23

Thursday

Gn 2:18-25; Mk 7:24-30

Friday

Gn 3:1-8; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday

Gn 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10

Faith Formation

Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict

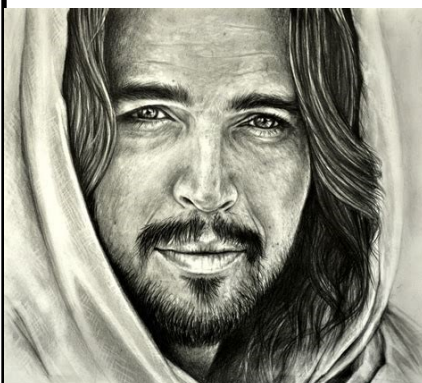
Holy Communion will take place Saturday, May 4 at noon

Confirmation will take place Sunday, June 9 at 5pm.

The Sunday Good News

Saint Benedict & Saints Peter & Paul

February 10, 2019



As we draw near to you,

Quiet our minds

Refresh our spirits

Inspire our hearts

Bind us together

With your truth,

*We dwell
in your promise*

*Rest
in your grace*

*Bathe
in your restoration*

*Meditate
on your goodness.*

Bind us together

With your love.

Amen

First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

Isaiah recounts the awe he felt the first time he saw the Lord, who was surrounded by angels. He began to feel despair because he was a man of unclean lips, until an angel touched an ember to his lips and pronounced them clean. The Lord asked who he should send forth, to which Isaiah replied, "Here I am, send me!"

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Paul reminds the Corinthians that Christ died for us to free us from our sins. He encourages them to remember the importance of Jesus' death and resurrection. He admits that he initially failed to believe, and therefore was very grateful to be called an apostle and preach in the name of Christ.

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

Luke tells of Jesus preaching to a crowd, then joining Peter who was about to end a fruitless day of fishing. He told Peter to lower his net back in, and a great number of fish were caught. Upon seeing this, Peter and his companions, James and John, immediately abandoned their nets to follow Jesus.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 10, 2019

"Woe is me, I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips, living among people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts! He touched my mouth...and said 'See now, that this has touched your lips, your wickedness is removed, your sin purged.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for me?' 'Here I am, I said, send me.'"

The call of the prophet and the new vocation of the fishermen can be the image of the call that Jesus makes for us today. We need to respond to the invitation He graciously gives us, to be sent to announce His message. It is easy for us to make excuses, to hesitate, or even flee.

The 'unclean lips' of Isaiah were purified to prepare him for his role. Our own lips are unclean when we use them to criticize, speak ill of others, or complain, or even use bad language. We can use the same tongue to pray, praise and show others His presence in our lives.

Peter speaks for us all as he says: 'but at your command I will lower the nets.' What a surprise, leading him to the humble confession 'depart from me Lord for I am a sinful man.' Jesus responds with the familiar phrase 'Do not be afraid...from now on...they followed Him.'

May we identify with Isaiah, seeking what the Lord asks of us. May we leave our tangled nets, acknowledge the Lord's call and forgiveness, and follow Him.

Worship

We Remember

A Communion Service will not be held at Saint Benedict 's this week

Masses at Saints Peter and Paul this week

Tuesday	2-12	7am	Stella Cybulski by Barbara Attardo Thomas Mulhern Sr. by Millie Shuleski
Wednesday	2-13	7am	Gerald Barr by Bernardine A. Moses Viola Vitali by Bernadine Banaszek
Thursday	2-14	7am	Irene Koschak by Joann S. Joan Snarski by Tony & Karen Menendez
Friday	2-15	7am	Helen Zawatski by Vincent Perta Carmella Bianconi by Mr. & Mrs. Francis Krushinski

Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

Saturday	2-16	4pm	Joseph Flynn & Ron Milgate by Clara Hoffman
Sunday	2-17	7:30am 10am	Jack Jescavage by Rose Gula Joseph & Lillian Januszko by Family

Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

Saturday	2-16	5:30pm	Michael Bart by Mr, & Mrs. John Stack
Sunday	2-17	11:30am	Living and Deceased Parishioners

Saints Peter and Paul Parish

Sanctuary Candle

John & Eleanor Binker

Lady of Lourdes

Joseph Sr. & Jr. Rowker

Saint Benedict Parish

Sanctuary Candle

James Bryson Wardle

Holy Family Votive

Glazenski Family

Service

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 **February** will be collecting **Pasta**.

Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry

Anyone in the Plains, Miners Mills and Parsons 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 Treasures is accepting new or gently used fall and winter clothing for men, women and children. Shoes and purses in excellent condition as well. Treasures strives to maintain current style trends and clean quality clothing. Thank you for your continued support.

Mark Your Calendars....Saturday, February 23

We will be making Pierogi for the upcoming Lenten Season. Please plan to attend, many hands make light work. All are needed (including men). We will start at 9am, lunch will be provided for all who come.

Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict Ministries

Pauline Makowski, Food Pantry

Janet Soller, Quilting

Mary Jo Marek, Prayer Shawl

Laura Rudloff, Treasures

Irene Martin, Women's Society of Saints Peter and Paul

Barbara Zirnhelt, Council of Catholic Women

Kathy Grinaway, Hospitality

Donna Mansfield, Hospitality



Indulge yourself before Lent begins!!

The Women's Society of Saints Peter and Paul will be taking orders for Krispy Kreme Donuts in the church vestibule before and after the Masses next weekend and on February 23/24. Cost for one dozen freshly baked original glazed donuts is \$8. payable at the time of your order. Donuts will be delivered on March 2/3 (the weekend before Ash Wednesday) just in time for a last splurge. When ordering be sure to specify if you will pick up Saturday or Sunday.



Council of Catholic Women

of Saints Benedict's will hold

their annual Bake Sale on March 2 and 3 before and after Masses.

Get your fill of home-baked goodies before Lent begins.

Saints Peter & Paul Spring Lottery Tickets

Awards will begin April 1st thru June 30th

Prizes are \$25 Monday through Sat. \$100 on Sun.

\$300 April 21 - Easter

May 30 - Ascension of the Lord

June 9 - Pentecost Sunday

Cost \$10. Help us sell the tickets and have a chance to win \$50 (25) or \$10 (10) If you wish to have a specific number, please call the office. Tickets will be sold in Church starting March 2/3.

Winners match the PA Lottery Pick 3 Evening Drawing

Spring Lottery

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Numbers requesting:

February/March Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10	11 Quilting 5pm Treasures 6pm Rosary 6:30pm Faith Sharing 7pm	12 Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	13	14 Quilting 9am Food Prep 9am	15 Treasures 9am Food Pantry 9am	16 Donut orders being taken at Mass
17 Donut orders being taken at Mass	18 Office Closed in Observance of President's Day	19 Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	20	21 Quilting 9am Women Society 6:30pm	22 Treasures 9am	23 Pierogi Making 9am Donut orders being taken at Mass
24 Donut orders being taken at Mass	25 Quilting 5pm Treasures 6pm Rosary 6:30pm Faith Sharing 7pm	26 Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	27	28 Quilting 9am Finance 6:30pm	1	2 Donut pick-up Bake Sale at St. Benedict's Lottery will be sold
3 Donut pick-up Bake Sale at St. Benedict's Lottery will be sold	4 Quilting 5pm Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 6pm Rosary 6:30pm Faith Sharing 7pm	5 Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	6	7	8 Lent to Go—Pizza	9 Lottery will be sold

2019 Lent To Go Calendar

Let us do the cooking and contribute to a good cause!!!

March 8—Nino's Famous Pizza

March 22—Haluski & Clam Chowder

March 29—Potato Pancakes

April 5—Baked Fish Dinner

April 12—Potato Pancakes

Complete menus and pricing details to follow.

All proceeds go directly to Bernardine Hall renovations.

Parish Cemeteries

Available plots in each of our Parish Cemeteries (Saints Peter and Paul, Sacred Heart, St. Joseph and St. Francis) for purchase.

For information contact the Parish Office.

Saints Peter and Paul Finance Committee

Don Prescavage, Chairman

Ben Berrini, Vice Chairman

Charlotte Dominick, Secretary

Gerald Cross, Capital Budget Chairman

Maryann Kropiewnicki, Revenue Coordinator

Tony Dente, On-Line Giving Coordinator

Cheryl Woloski, Internal Audit and Compliance

Tracy Schooley, Human Resources

Saint Benedict Finance Committee

Steve Yenchak, Chairman

Tom Kozerski

Jodi Gunari

Ed Yenchak

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Gospel Today

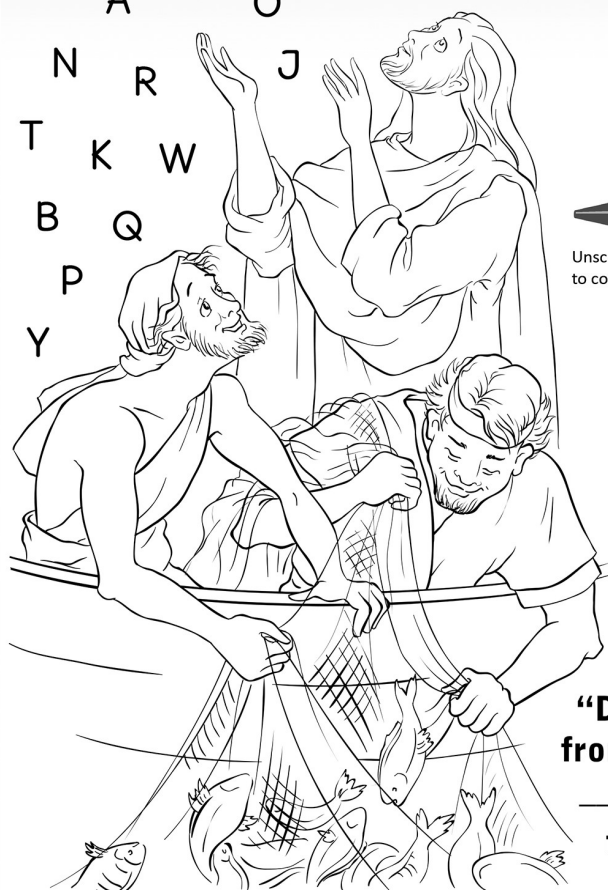
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Luke 5:1-11

Simon-Peter, James and John were uncertain about another attempt at fishing, since they were out all night and caught nothing. They faithfully obeyed Jesus' command and filled their nets overflowing. With belief and trust in Jesus, they left everything and followed Him.

Year C

U L M V E X
G A D O Z C
N R J
T K W
B Q
P
Y

Find and write the missing letters
(from A to Z) not found in the heart.



COLOR PAGE

Unscramble the letters and fill in the blanks
to complete the sentence below.

**"Don't be afraid;
from now on you will**

for people."

LUKE 5:10

Visiting the Sick Several members of Saints Peter and Paul Parish visit various nursing homes. If you have a family member from the parish in one of the local nursing homes and would like us to visit them please call the Parish Office with their information.

Every donation counts !!!

If you have not yet pledged,
please....

Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish
Goal!

**Saints Peter and Paul is at
42.5%**

We are grateful to the 197 parishioners who
supported the 2018 Annual Appeal to date. If
you have not yet given your support, please:

- Call the Development Office at 570-207-2250 to make a pledge or give a gift by credit card
- Mail a check to the Diocesan Appeal Office at 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, Pa 18503 or
- Give online at www.DiocesefScranton.org

***Our parish is reimbursed 75% for any gifts
made to the Appeal in excess of our Appeal***

Every donation counts !!!

If you have not yet pledged,
please....

Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish
Goal!

**Saint Benedict is at
37.2%**

We are grateful to the 85 parishioners who
supported the 2018 Annual Appeal to date. If
you have not yet given your support, please:

- Call the Development Office at 570-207-2250 to make a pledge or give a gift by credit card
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- Give online at www.DiocesefScranton.org

***Our parish is reimbursed 75% for any gifts
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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, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, 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 child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement.

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 victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well being. As such, information 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

Special Collection Next Weekend

Your help is needed. Join us with a gift to the Diocesan Annual Appeal so that our Diocesan ministries may continue to fully serve all those who come to us in need.

All donations to the Diocesan Annual Appeal are used solely to support the following ministries: Catholic Social Services, Catholic education, Clergy care and support; parish life programs, *The Catholic Light and Catholic TV*. Gifts to the Appeal will not be used to defray legal fees or to fund the Survivors Compensation Program.

Thank you for considering a gift to this Year's Annual Appeal.

The Journey Makes Us One

Maine Source's Give Back Program.

This program allows our parish to earn 5% of all purchase made by our participating members. To participate in this program just fill out a sheet located in the vestibule and give it to a cashier next time you shop at MaineSource. If you are not familiar with MaineSource which is located in Forty Fort, they are a large size grocery store/party warehouse that offers small and large quantity Items at affordable prices. When shopping at MaineSource you will find savings on your items while helping the parish by our receiving a percentage of the purchase amount back. There are no membership cards or fees required to shop.

Proceeds from this project have benefited the Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry. Please consider using Maine Source for your food needs and tell them you're from Saints Peter and Paul Church!!!

Community Happenings

St. Andre Bessette Parish in Wilkes-Barre will sponsor a Night at the Races on Saturday, March 2, 2019 at the St. Mary's Byzantine Social Hall, 522 Madison St., W-B. Doors open at 6pm and races begin at 7pm. Admission price is \$5. Food and beverages will be served. Must be twenty one years of age to attend. To purchase horses, admission tickets or for additional information call the Parish Office at 570-823-4988. Tickets will be available beginning Feb. 2.

St. Andre Bessette Parish in Wilkes-Barre will sponsor a Fish Dinner on Ash Wednesday, March 6 at Father Zolcinski Hall, 668 North Main Street. Dinners will be served from 4-6pm including takeouts. Cost is \$10 Tickets must be purchased in advance at 570-823-4988.

Saint Maria Goretti will hold it's Homemade Pasta and Sausage Dinner on Sunday, March 10, noon to 5pm with take-out until 4pm. Includes salad, beverage, dessert, bread and butter. Children 5 and under eat in for free. Donation are \$12.

The Holy Name Society of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish will sponsor its Annual Night at the Races on Saturday, March 30th in Colan Hall. Doors open at 6pm. Admission is free and seating is first come-first serve basis—no reserved seating. Food and refreshments are ALL included. Horses will be able to be purchased before and during the event. This is an adult only event. Please come out and support our society and the Church and have fun with your neighbors and parishioners. In anyone wishes to sponsor a race (\$25) or donate prizes, or bake treats, please call Tom Havrilak at 570-287-7768.



OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

300 WYOMING AVENUE
SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA 18503-1279

November 8, 2018

Dear Friends,

I wrote to you in August and pledged that I would do all that I can to restore your trust in the Church and to provide a safe environment for your children. This continues to be my priority.

This week, we announced our Independent Survivors Compensation Program, which I believe is another step along the path towards healing for survivors. I believe wholeheartedly that survivors deserve to have their voice heard. They deserve recognition of their pain and suffering. It is our responsibility to offer a solution of our own.

Several weeks ago, Pennsylvania's Bishops announced support of such a program, which was recently discussed but not enacted by the Pennsylvania Grand Assembly. We are therefore moving forward and offering this Program for survivors. Participation in the Program by survivors is entirely voluntary.

The Program will be administered by Kenneth Feinberg and Camille Biros, two leading experts in mediation and alternative dispute resolution. They will oversee the claim process and will have absolute autonomy in determining compensation for survivors. This firm has managed a number of high-profile compensation programs nationwide, including similar programs started by five Catholic Dioceses in New York. This Program will review cases quickly and efficiently to provide compensation to survivors, so they can continue along the path towards healing.

There will also be an Independent Oversight Committee to oversee the implementation and administration of the Program. To be clear, the Diocese will have no authority over this committee.

It is important for you to know that parish and school assets, as well as contributions and bequests from parishioners and donations to the Diocesan Annual Appeal, will not be used to fund the Program. Rather, we will use available reserves and will sell assets and borrow money as needed. We will strive to maintain our core mission to serve the local community. Our commitment to the people of the Diocese of Scranton remains true.

The Diocese continues to refine the Program so that it better serves survivors. Further details concerning the Program will be made available in the near future, including a website for survivors to obtain information and claim forms.

Thank you for your attention. Please continue to pray for survivors, their families and the community at large.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

† *Joseph C. Bambera*

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.
Bishop of Scranton

“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.

Pastoral Council Members

Saints Peter and Paul

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