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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

February 10 360 attended the 4pm Mass
233 Families used their envelopes and offered \$4,561

February 11 347 attended the 10am Mass
221 Families used their envelopes and offered \$4,251
Tithe from
454 Families was \$8,812

Saint Benedict Parish

560 Families receive envelopes

February 10 145 attended the 5:30pm Mass
106 Families used their envelopes and offered \$2,609

February 11 130 attended the 8am Mass
70 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,421

Tithe from
176 Families was \$4,030

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

Stations of the Cross

Saints Peter and Paul

6:30pm

Fridays in Lent

Saint Benedict

7pm Fridays in Lent

All Confessions at Saints Peter and Paul.

The Light is On For You will begin this Monday
from 5-7pm and continue through the last full
week of Lent on Monday, March 19.
Additionally, Confessions will be heard on the
Saturdays of Lent from 1-3:30pm.

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY

2-5	#083	Pat Mravak
2-6	#003	Maryann Kropiewnicki
2-7	#094	John Woloski
2-8	#844	Joseph Kropiewnicki
2-9	#282	Jane Binick
2-10	#154	Nina Cinti
2-11	#575	Leona Svab

Congratulations to all !!!

First Sunday of Lent

Sunday

Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

Monday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday

Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday

Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday

1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

Friday

Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday

Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

Saints Peter and Paul & Saint Benedict

*Anyone interested in Edge and Life Teen Youth Groups call Nina
at the Faith Formation Center 570-825-6663 ext 3-then 1.*

The Sunday Good News

Saint Benedict & Saints Peter & Paul

February 18, 2017

*The
Season
of
Lent*



*When the journey
is hard,
strength is failing,
we stumble or fall,
you raise us up,
refresh,
encourage,
give hope.
You enable us
to continue,
and walk with you
day by day.
Thank you,
gracious Lord
for your presence
and you help
along the way.*

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

God made a promise to Noah that he would never again devastate the entire planet with a flood. He also told Noah that the symbol of this promise would be a rainbow in the clouds.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

This letter from Peter reminds all people that Christ died for us so that we might be led to God. We have been saved by our baptism; not a physical cleansing, but a promise to continually strive to obey God.

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

Mark briefly tells of Jesus' stay in the desert, where he was tested by Satan. He did not give in to temptation, but reappeared in Galilee to proclaim the good news.

His Word Today *by Rev. William J. Reilly*

First Sunday of Lent

February 18, 2018

"Beloved, Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit... This prefigured baptism, which saves you now.... 'The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the gospel.'"

Lent, often described as a journey, is the opportunity for all to come closer to the Lord. In a baptismal sermon Peter tells us that the suffering of Christ, which we recall during these days of prayer, has but one purpose to lead us to God. It is not what I do, but the work of the Lord, bringing me on my desert journey. The gospel tells us Jesus was led by the Spirit for His desert experience to announce that the kingdom is at hand.

God's word spoke of a special moment in time, a moment which speaks to me today. Lent is that special time for me to meet the Lord in a new and different way. Through the threefold steps of prayer, sacrifice and good works, the kingdom becomes more present for me.

My journey began on Wednesday. Be honest, where is the Spirit leading you?

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 **Sugar and Sweeteners**. 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 donation are always accepted, place in the basket in the Vestibule of the Church.

Saints Peter and Paul's Treasure would like to thank you for all your donations. We have been able to provide winter clothing to many families and shelters because of your generosity.

The Women's Society is sponsoring a bus trip to **Sights and Sounds** in Lancaster to see "**Jesus**" on Wednesday, August 22nd. The cost is \$115 for adults and \$60 for children, includes the Martz bus, grand smorgasbord lunch at Hershey Fam Restaurant, ticket for 3pm show and bus driver gratuity. There will be time for shopping at the Hershey Farm Boutiques. Reservations may be made by calling Irene Martin at 570-825-4464. Payment is required at the time of reservation. No reservations will be accepted after July 15th. Tickets to "Jesus" are in great demand.

The Women's Society would like to thank all who ordered Krispy Kreme donuts. A net profit of \$500 was made. Hope everyone enjoyed them!

We Remember

A Communion Service will be held at Saints Peter and Paul at 7am Monday—Friday

Masses at Saint Benedict this week

T	2-20	8am	Dorothy Murray by Dorothy Musko Charlotte Partash by Allabaugh Family
W	2-21	8am	Janice Britz by Neil Shemo Edward Pistack by Mr. & Mrs. Charles Rinaldi
Th	2-22	8am	Lucille Budziak by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Lamooney Frank & Mary Klogy by Family
F	2-23	8am	Terry Mataruzzi by Carolyn & Joseph Guzinski Mary Loomis by Richard Loomis

Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

S	2-24	4pm	Living/Deceased Parishioners
S	2-25	10am	Peter Jastremski (A) by Daughters

Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

S	2-24	5:30pm	Michael McGivney by Steve & Arlene Kadelock
	2-25	8am	Bernard Prevuznak by Tom Rogish

Taize Prayer Around the Cross will be celebrated on Sunday, Feb. 25 here at Saint Peter and Paul at 4pm. This form of prayer is a meditative style of communal prayer. Sung repetitive refrains create a gentle rhythm. The beauty of your voices united in song become a doorway to reflection and meditation. This particular prayer will focus on the Passion of Christ, with time to venerate the cross. Rob Yenkowski, music director at King's and the Cantores Christi Regis choir will be our ministers of music for this prayer. A free will offering will be taken up at the end of the service to show our appreciation for their time and ministry to our parish.

Saints Peter and Paul Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Joseph Flynn & Ron Milgate

Holy Family Votive

Joseph Januszko

Lady of Lourdes Votive

Concurso & Slocum Families

Saint Benedict Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Beatrice Colleran

Parish Weekly Activities
February 18— February 25

Day	Date	Time	Activity	Building	Location
Sun.	2-18	9am	Faith Formation	Faith Formation Center	Classrooms
Mon.	2-19	Office and Faith Formation Office Closed in observance of Presidents Day			
		5-7pm	Confessions	Church	Confessional
Tues.	2-20	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
Wed.	2-21	7pm	Festival Choir	Church	Choir Loft
Thurs.	2-22	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2nd Floor
		6pm	Family Choir	Church	Choir Loft
Fri.	2-23	9am	Treasures	Parish Center	Parish Center
		6:30pm	Stations	Church	Church
Sat.	2-24	1-3:30pm	Confessions	Church	Confessional
Sun.	2-25	9am	Faith Formation	Faith Formation Center	Classrooms
		4pm	Taize Prayer	Church	Church

The Women's Society of Saints Peter and Paul will sponsor a **Lenten Retreat** on Saturday, March 10 from 9am to 3pm at the Parish Center. Cost is \$25 a person. Coffee and Danish will be served upon arrival and lunch will be provided. Msgr. Grimalia will be the guest speaker. Confession will be heard followed by Mass. To register call Betty Jean Hession at 570-822-9448 or Mary Jo Marek at 570-825-6969. RSVP by March 2nd.

Saints Peter & Paul Spring Lottery Tickets

Awards will begin April 1st through June 30th
Prizes are \$25 Monday through Sat, \$100 on Sun.

\$300 on April 1 — Easter,
May 20 - Pentecost and
June 29—Feast of Saints Peter and Paul

Cost \$10. Anyone selling 25 or more will be entered into the \$50 Sellers drawing and 10 or more into the \$10 Sellers drawing.
Lottery tickets available March 3 & 4.

2018 Lenten Dinner Take-Out

Mark your calendars, Pre-orders required.

March 9—Haluski & Minestrone

March 23—Baked Fish, Mac n'Cheese & Coleslaw

Complete menus and pricing details to follow.
All proceeds go directly to
Bernardine Hall renovations.

Memorial Donation The following donations/memorials have recently been given to our

Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry

\$500 JLW Mountain Laurel Lions Club

\$100 Anonymous

\$100 Robert & Dorothy Gaiteri

\$55 Joseph & Deborah Bronack

\$25 Elizabeth Segeda

\$25 In Memory of Joan Yanko by Joe & Barb Salus

\$20 In Memory of Anthony Casagrande
by Tom & Elaine Salus

In Memory of Theresa Floyd

\$25 Isabel O'Elick

\$25 Joseph Milanch

In Memory of Camille Evans

\$10 Margaret Evans

\$30 Maryann Kropiewnicki & Connie Szustak

In Memory of Harold Golomb

\$25 Josephine Kline

\$25 Paula & Sharon Wojcik

\$25 George & Dolores Krizenoskas

\$15 Lillian McGrady

\$10 Daniel Savitsky

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.

Easter Fundraiser with Bakery Delite

You can order your delicious Easter Baked Goods directly from the church and pick them up on Holy Saturday, March 31 from 1-3pm in Bernardine Hall. The church will receive a percentage of the sales. All donations received will go to the Bernardine Hall renovation fund! Order and payment are **due by March 3, 2018**. Questions contact Nina at the Faith Formation Office 570-825-6663-3 then 1. Want to order? Place your order in the collection basket, or send into the church office. Please include your name and phone number.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

_____ Apple Pie \$12 \$_____

_____ Chocolate/Peanut Butter Pie \$15 \$_____

_____ Pumpkin Pie \$12 \$_____

_____ Nut Roll \$8 \$_____

_____ Poppy Seed Roll \$8 \$_____

_____ Paska Bread (Plain) \$7 \$_____

_____ Paska Bread (Raisin) \$7 \$_____

Total _____ Items

Amount Enclosed \$_____



**DIOCESE OF
SCRANTON**
THE JOURNEY MAKES US ONE

Calendar of Events

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 Celebrating the 150 th Anniversary of the Diocese of Scranton with a documentary and interviews
Mar. 3	3pm	Diocesan-wide Day of Community Service
Mar. 4		150th Anniversary Commemoration of the Founding of the Diocese of Scranton Pontifical Mass at the Cathedral
Mar. 12		CTV Special "Our Faith, Our Diocese"

Plains Senior Citizens will meet
Wednesday, March 7th at St. Dominic
Church Hall, 155 Austin Avenue in the
Parson section of Wilkes-Barre. For
further information please contact Michael
Boncheck at 570-823-2871.

Community Happenings

A Lenten Concert, "I Thirst" which is the Crucifixion Story through music and scripture quotes. presented by Tatiana "Tajce" Cameron will be held on Sunday, February 25, at 3pm at St. Ann's Basilica. No admission charge, however, a free will collection will be taken.

PGC - VIRTUS program is scheduled for Wednesday, March 7 at King's College. To register go to the diocesan website.

Catholic Choral Society will present their annual Lenten Concerts. The first concert will be on Sunday March 11 at 3pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, 116 Hughes St. Swoyersville and the second on Sunday, March 18 at 3pm at the Forest City Historical Museum. Concerts open to public. There will be a good will offering.

The Holy Name Society of St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Parish will hold its ham and kielbasa bingo on Sunday, March 18 in the church hall. Doors open at noon, games start at 1pm. Admission is \$5 and includes baby cards. Specials and door prizes will be offered. The kitchen will be open. Soups, haluski, hot dogs & more!

“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