

Parish of Saints Peter and Paul

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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 17 389 attended the 4pm Mass
213 Families used their envelopes and offered \$4,507

February 18 343 attended the 10am Mass
177 Families used their envelopes and offered \$4,072

Tithe from

732 Families was \$8,579

Ash Wednesday \$1,419

Saint Benedict Parish

560 Families receive envelopes

February 17 128 attended the 5:30pm Mass
80 Families used their envelopes and offered \$2,044

February 18 82 attended the 8am Mass
34 Families used their envelopes and offered \$644

Tithe from

114 Families was \$2,688.50

Collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe \$39

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

All Confessions at Saints Peter and Paul.
The Light is On For You

Confessions Monday from 5-7pm and
Saturdays of Lent from 1-3:30pm.

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY

2-12	#830	Patricia Koschak
2-13	#387	Maria Mattei
2-14	#775	Gary Lambert Jr.
2-15	#242	Joan Marchetti
2-16	#977	Harold Golomb
2-17	#132	J & C Holton
2-18	#182	Lia Vannucchi

Congratulations to all !!!

Second Sunday of Lent

Sunday

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

Monday

Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday

Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday

Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday

Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31

First Friday

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

First Saturday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Stations of the Cross

Saints Peter and Paul

6:30pm

Fridays in Lent

Saint Benedict

7pm Fridays in Lent

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 25, 2017

The Season of Lent



*Lord, without You
I can do nothing.
By your Spirit help me
to know what is right
and to be eager
in doing Your will.
Teach me to find new life
through penance.
Keep me from sin,
and help me live
by Your commandment
of love.
God of love,
bring me back to You.
Send Your Spirit
to make me strong
in faith and active
in good works.
May my acts of penance
bring me
Your forgiveness,
open my heart
to Your love,
and prepare me
for the coming feast
of the Resurrection
of Jesus.*

First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

God ordered Abraham to take his beloved only son to Moriah and offer him as a sacrifice. Abraham built an altar and took out a knife to sacrifice his son Isaac. But God called out to him and told him of blessings that would be bestowed on him and his descendants because he had been willing to do what God had asked.

Second Reading: Romans 8:31b-34

Paul reminds the people that God did not spare his only Son, but gave him up for the sake of all people. This proves God views us all as his children, and that no person can harm or condemn us because God will protect us.

Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

Jesus led Peter, James and John up a high mountain, where he conversed with Elijah and Moses. A voice proclaimed 'This is my Son, my beloved. Listen to him.' Then Jesus was alone and warned them not to tell anyone what they had seen until he had risen from the dead.

His Word Today by Rev. William J. Reilly

Second Sunday of Lent
February 25, 2018

"Then Peter said to Jesus in reply 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified. Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them, from the cloud came a voice, 'This is my beloved Son, Listen to him.' Suddenly looking around they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them."

Today we join the three apostles, the two prophets and Jesus on the Mount of the Transfiguration. A mountain in the bible is where God meets His people. The two great persons representing the law and the prophets, and Jesus, have a new experience of God's presence.

Like Peter today, it is good we are here for worship, or for private time reading, or reflecting on this scripture account. Like Peter we may not know what to say in the awesome presence of the Almighty. Following the voice from the cloud, we pause to listen. What is the Lord asking of me as I begin this second week of Lent? Is He offering me words of comfort and consolation in my life as I struggle to draw closer to Him? Is He wishing that I consider how special it is to spend some time apart to grow in holiness this Lent? As I descend from the mountain is it time for me to invite others to experience the great love Jesus has for us?

He is the Father's beloved and so am I. As I look around may I too see only Jesus.

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 is

accepting clean, gently used or new clothing. Our biggest need is children and men's clothing. Clothes can be dropped off at the Parish Center during business hours. Receipts available on the bulletin board.

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.

Mass Intentions

We Remember

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

Masses at Saints Peter and Paul this week

M	2-26	7am	Communion Service
T	2-27	7am	Conrad Sarnecki by Sheryl Ripa & Maryann Usaitis
			Joan E. Snarski by Mr. & Mrs. James Lepore
W	2-28	7am	Stanley Janis by John & Carol Wysocki
			David Burns by Mr. & Mrs. Charles Rinaldi
Th	3-1	7am	Edward Suchoski by Wife & Family
			Margaret Larkin by Jean & Frank Udiski
F	3-2	7am	Stella Susek by Raymond & Cathy Konecki
			Josephine Rogan by Stanley Suchoski

Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

S	2-17	4pm	Charles Zajackowski by Edward & Mary Suchocki
S	2-18	10am	Living/Deceased Parishioners

Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

S	2-17	5:30pm	Eric Speicher Jr. by Stanley & Rita Pohutsky
S	2-18	8am	Geraldine Daniels by Mary Ann Napersky & Eric Haines

Council of Catholic Women will meet on Monday, March 5 at 6:30pm in the church hall. All women are welcome!!!

The First Annual Catholic Women's Conference of the Diocese of Scranton will be held on Sat. June 23, from 8am-4pm in the Byron Complex, The University of Scranton. For more information or to register dioceseof-scranton.org/catholic-womens-conference.

Saints Peter and Paul Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Conrad Sarnecki

Lady of Lourdes Votive

Mildred Hanahan

Holy Family Votive

Mildred Hanahan

Saint Benedict Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Special Intention

Grotto Candle

Kathleen Stone

Parish Weekly Activities

February 25— March 4

Day	Date	Time	Activity	Building	Location
Sun.	2-25	9am 4pm	Faith Formation Taize Prayer	Faith Formation Center Church	Classrooms Church
Mon.	2-26	5pm 5-7pm 6pm 6:30pm 7pm	Quilting Confessions Treasures Rosary Faith Sharing	Parish Center Church Parish Center Parish Center Parish Center	2 nd Floor Confessional Back Porch Prayer Room 2 nd Floor
Tues.	2-27	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
Wed.	2-28	7pm	Festival Choir	Church	Choir Loft
Thurs.	3-1	9am 6pm	Quilting Family Choir	Parish Center Church	2nd Floor Choir Loft
Fri.	3-2	9am 6:30pm	Treasures Stations	Parish Center Church	Parish Center Church
Sat.	3-3	1-3:30pm	Confessions	Church	Confessional

Don't forget about the *Women's Society Cookbook*.
Get your recipes ready. Forms can be found on the
table in the vestibule near the Lady of the Lourdes.
For more information call Nina at 570-825-6663
ext. 3 then 1.

Lenten Dinner Take Out

Do you remember Nino's Pizza?

Well you can get it here for ONE DAY ONLY!!! - March 2

Large Regular Square Pizza (12cuts)

Or

Square Fresh Tomato, Basil & Mozzarella

Cost is \$15 per pizza

Orders and payment must be received by February 27

Add on \$5 garlic knots and

\$5 salad (lettuce, cucumbers tomatoes)

Ranch or Italian Dressing

Drop off at Office or in Collection Basket

2018 Lenten Dinner Take-Out

Mark your calendars, Pre-orders required.

March 16—Linguini & White Clam Sauce—\$12

**March 23—Baked Fish, Scalloped Potatoes, Green
Beans & Applesauce—\$15**

Proceeds go to Bernardine Hall renovations.

Lenten Dinner Take Out

March 9, 2018

Orders must be received by March 5

Haluski

\$4 pint or \$8 Quart

Minestrone

\$4/pint or \$8/quart

Lent To-Go Order Form—March 2

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Number of Pies _____ Regular

_____ Fresh Tomato

Add on _____ Garlic Knots _____ Salad

Circle One Ranch Italian

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Lent To-Go Order Form—March 9

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Haluski (circle) Pint or Quart

Minestrone (circle) Pint or Quart

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Pick up time: _____

Checks payable to Saints Peter and Paul 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.

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.



Calendar of Events

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| 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" "Ecumenism and Interfaith Relations" |
| Mar. 27 | 4pm | Chrism Mass
Cathedral of Saint Peter |
| Mar. 29 | | Catholic Light:
"Role of Laity/Clergy Leaders:" |

Community Happenings

St. Andrew Parish is holding a **Ham & Cabbage Dinner** on Sunday, March 4th from noon to 4pm or until sold out. The dinner will consist of ham, cabbage, potatoes, butter beans, bread, dessert and beverage. The cost is \$12 for adults, which includes the meal and a complimentary Theme Basket Ticket. All tickets at door. Take outs available.

St. Robert Bellarmine Parish is having their **Annual Spaghetti Dinner** on Sunday March 4th from noon to 4pm in Padden Hall (cafeteria). Dinner is sponsored by the Altar & Rosary Society. Adults is \$9, under 10 is \$4. All are welcome.

Evening of Reflection on the Paschal Triduum will take place on Tuesday, March 6 from 6-8:30pm at St. Ann's Basilic Parish, 1233 St. Ann Street, Scranton. The evening begins with dinner, followed by the presentation and then Night Prayers. There is no fee, but a free will offering will be taken to help offset the cost of dinner. For more information or to register, visit ScrantonNPM.com by Thursday, March 1.

Exaltation of the Holy Cross Church, will hold **Soup for the Souls Sale** on March 8. Soup of the month is Vegetable Beef. Pickup time is 8am to 6pm. Cost is \$8. Pre orders are appreciated. For more information call, 570-825-6370.

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