



Church of Saints Peter and Paul

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Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time *February 26, 2017*

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 Saints Peter and Paul opens wide its doors
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!*

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.

Office Hours

Monday 10AM – 4pm
Tuesday through Friday 8am – 4pm
Office closed daily Noon – 12:30pm
Saturday by appointment

Mass Schedule

Monday – Communion Service – 7am
Tuesday through Friday – 7am
Saturday 4pm
Sunday 8am & 11am

Confession

Daily 6:30AM – 6:45am
Saturday 3PM – 3:30pm
By appointment anytime

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of every month – noon till 3pm

Working Together to Build the Kingdom of God

M	2-27	7am	Communion Service
T	2-28	7am	Joseph Serino by Marie & Christine Katsock
W	3-1	7am	Catherine Ann Havrilla by Maryann Rodeghero
		12:15pm	Lucille M. Budziak by Mr. & Mrs. Charles Rinaldi
		7pm	Edward Bednar by Sue Wesbrook
Th	3-2	7am	Alice Benzi by Elmo & Naomi
F	3-3	7am	Raymond Deiter by Lukashewski Family
		6:30pm	Stations of the Cross
S	3-4	4pm	Joseph Flynn by Joe & Morgan Gayton
S	3-5	8am	Parishioners
		11am	Irene Louis Bechetti by Family

DON'T BE ANXIOUS

People have, it seems, a natural penchant for misplaced emphasis on unimportant things. They can easily get caught up with what they're having for dinner or what they will wear.

Often it is a tragedy that helps people to refocus on what is really important. What I shall wear is an irrelevant question when I am facing surgery or chemotherapy. What's for dinner is immaterial to those living through grief or unemployment.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us not to worry. He doesn't say, "Don't eat. Don't cook. Don't buy clothes." He says, "Don't worry." Jesus asks us not to relinquish our responsibilities but to let go of our anxiety. Anxiety betrays a lack of trust and Jesus reminds us that "Your heavenly Father knows" all that you need (Matthew 6:32).

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God will never forget you (Isaiah 49:14-15)

Psalm — Rest in God alone, my soul (Psalm 62).

Second Reading — Make no judgments; the Lord will judge (1 Corinthians 4:1-5).

Gospel — God feeds the bird and clothes the flowers. Do not be anxious; God knows all your needs (Matthew 6:24-34).

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Stations of the Cross will be held at 6:30pm on Fridays during Lent.

*In Memory of
Sanctuary Candle*

Ted Wysocki

Our Lady of Lourdes Votive Candle

John Kozik

February 19, 2017

Contribution	\$7,703
Dues	\$3,730
Initial Offering	\$85
Maintenance	\$189
St. Vincent de Paul	\$77
Care of the Priest	\$49
Catholic Campaign	\$10

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: Julian Calendar Lent begins
- Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Fast and Abstinence
- Friday: St. Katharine Drexel; Abstinence; First Friday; World Day of Prayer
- Saturday: St. Casimir; First Saturday

GOOD TIMING

The best time to do something worthwhile is between yesterday and tomorrow.

—Anonymous

Pastor Rev. John C. Lambert	Pastor Emeritus Rev. Joseph Greskiewicz
Liturgical/Musical Consultant and Choir Director Joan Turel	
Faith Formation Sande Holena	Custodians Michael Lambert Michael Levandowski
Extraordinary Ministers/Readers David Loiacono	Ushers Paul Muczynski
Organists Christine Katsock & Charles Unice	Altar Servers Gloria Flynn
Food Pantry Pauline Makowski	Youth Group MaryAnn and Michael Quinn

Weekly Activities
February 26 – March 5

<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Location</i>
Sun.	9:30am	Faith Formation	Faith Formation Center	Classroom
Mon.	5pm	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
	6:30pm	Rosary	Parish Center	Prayer Room
	7pm	Faith Sharing	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
Tues.	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
	6:30pm	Chess Club	Parish Center	Prayer Room
Wed.	Noon 2:15pm	Plains Seniors Mass	Faith Formation Center Riverstreet Manor	Bernardine Hall
Thurs.	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
	6:30pm	Liturgy Meeting	Parish Center	Conference Room
Fri	6:30pm	Stations of the Cross Church		
Sat.	9am	Pierogi Making	Faith Formation Center	Bernardine Hall
Sun.	9:30am	Faith Formation	Faith Formation Center	Classrooms

Ash Wednesday Schedule

Masses will be at 7am, 12:15pm and 7pm.
Ashes will be distributed at all Masses.

Every Monday evening during Lent, each parish throughout the Diocese of Scranton will have their “**Lights On**” from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for confession so that Catholics can come to or return to this incredible source of God’s grace, mercy and healing.

Reminder: Fridays in Lent are Obligatory Days of Abstinence from meat

Marriage Moments

“Do not worry about your life.” (Mt 6:26) Worries come naturally into most couple’s lives. It may seem unrealistic not to worry. Try watching some birds today. It’s winter, but somehow they are surviving. Do they look sad? Learn from the birds.

Susan Vogt

Our Lenten Dinner is scheduled for Fri, March 10th in Bernardine Hall. The dinner will include baked fish, pierogi, haluski, potato pancakes, homemade pizza, french fries, cole slaw, dessert and beverage. Dinner and take outs will be served from 4pm until 6:30pm. Cost is \$12 per adult and \$6 for children 12 and under, children under 3 are free. Names of families will be at the door. ***This year’s dinner will be served so we are looking for a few hands to help. Anyone wishing to lend a hand is asked to call the Parish Office.***

Lenten Buffet

Family Name _____

Phone _____

Number of Adults _____

Number of Children _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Liturgy Corner
Did you know?.....

Ordained Ministry.... Bishops

The highest ranked among our church's ordained ministers are the bishops.

When we consider these individuals, we probably think of them in their role as *ordinaries*; that is, primary administrators of our dioceses.

The essential power of the bishop; however, resides in his ability to ordain deacons, priests, and other bishops.

We believe that our bishops are the successors of the Apostles and that the power to ordain has flowed in an unbroken line from the apostolic era to our own day.

In the early church, bishops were the usual liturgical ministers. The priesthood and the diaconate developed out of the bishops' need for help as the church grew.

Lottery Tickets

Tickets for Spring Lottery will be available next weekend. Awards will begin April 1st through June 30th – a winner daily number. Prizes are \$25 Mon through Sat, \$100 on Sun and \$300 on April 16, Easter, June 23 the Feast of the Sacred Heart; and June 29th Saints Peter and Paul Feast Day. Cost of the ticket is \$10. Anyone selling 25 or more will be entered into the \$50 Sellers drawing and 10 or more into the \$10 Sellers drawing. Reserve your numbers using the form below or calling the Rectory during Office Hours. Together we can make it another great fundraiser.

Taize Prayer will again be held in our parish on Sunday, March 19 at 4pm. The students from King's College under the direction of Rob Yenkowski will offer the special Taize Prayer. Last year was extremely well attended and very much appreciated. The music, the solemnity, the silence all contributed to a very special prayer time for each person to present his/her needs to God. Once again you are invited to attend this service and encouraged to bring a friend or relative. There is no admission fee. If you so desire you may contribute a freewill offering before or after the service. ***Our traditional St. Joseph Table will follow at 5:30pm in Bernardine Hall.***

St. Joseph Table will be held on March 19th from 5:30pm (after Taize Prayer) in Bernardine Hall. The custom of the St. Joseph's Table is to bless bread and other simple foods and share them with the poor. Our St. Joseph's Table will consist of a variety of soups, salad and bread. All are invited to join us in this celebration. We will begin with the Blessing Prayers for St. Joseph Table. Anyone able and willing to donate soups should contact Ben Berrini at 570829-3822. A free will offering will be taken up for the Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry

Parenting Pointers

Children whine and complain. (OK, adults do this too) Join with your child to make a "Gratitude List." See how many things you can each think of for which you are grateful. - Susan Vogt

Saints Peter and Paul Clothing Closet

"**Treasures**" will be accepting gently used adult and children clothing on March 4 during pierogi making and from 3pm to 4pm, March 5 from 9:30am – 10:30am in Bernardine Hall. Sign up to be a part of *Treasures* during item drop off or contact a planning committee member. Members of the planning committee are Laura Rudloff 570-498-2656, Kathy Grinaway 570-498-2093, Margie Minnick, Michaela Mininck, Nina Cinti, JoAnn Chukinas, Melissa Piccola.

Food Pantry Shopping List

We are in need of ...
peanut butter,
tuna, canned meats,
pasta, Chef-boy-r-dee pasta
coffee
spaghetti sauce,
cereal, potatoes.
soup,
carrots, bake beans, mixed veggies
fruit, tomatoes, beets,

Winter Lottery Winners

2-13	#162	Joseph Perkowski
2-14	#293	Katie Lambert
2-15	#334	Joe Spagnuolo
2-16	#272	Emily Kolojejchick
2-17	#655	Maryann Korpiewnicki
2-18	#270	Paul Chromey
2-19	#044	Anthony Rubin

Conaratlutions to all!!!

The Altar & Rosary Society of St. Robert Bellarmine Parish will hold their Annual Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, February 29th from noon to 4pm in Padden Hall. Adults are \$8, children 6-12 \$4, children under 6 are free.

Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, Wilkes-Barre will hold a take-out Piggie/Holubtsi Dinner on Sunday, February 26th. Dinners may be picked up between 11:30-2pm at the Parish School Hall, corner of North River and West Chestnut Streets. Dinner includes piggies, 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.

Exaltation of the Holy Cross Church, 420 Main Road, Buttonwood, Soup of the Souls is set for March 2nd. Soup of the month is Tortellini Soup. Pickup time is 8am to 6pm. Cost is \$8. Pre orders are appreciated. For more information, please call 570-825-6370. A final book and bake sale will be held on April 27 and 28 from 10am to 6pm and April 29 from 10am to 3pm.

The Holy Name Society of St. Leo's/Holy Rosary, 33 Manhattan St, Ashley is selling potato pancake batter. Orders must be placed by 11am Monday, Feb. 27 by calling 570-825-6669. Batter is \$6/quart. Pick up will be after the 8am and 12pm Masses on Ash Wednesday, March 1st. They will also hold Lenten Food Sales on Fridays from 12pm to 5pm starting March 3 through April 7. The menu will include a special feature each week, Manhattan Clam Chowder, Mushroom Soup, Pirohy, Halushki, Tuna Hoagies and beverages. Eat in or take out. Call 570-825-6669 to place take-out orders.

Night at the Races which benefits Catholic Underground and the parishes of Our Lady of Victory and Gate of Heaven, Mardi Gras theme, will be held on Sat, Feb. 25th. Doors open at 6:30pm and post time is 7:30pm. Must be 21 to enter. Admission is \$10 or free with the purchase of a horse (\$10). Event will be held at Gate of Heaven Gym, 40 Machell Avenue, Dallas. For more information call OLV at 570-639-1535.

Prince of Peace Parish Society of Old Forge will sponsor a Manhattan Clam Chowder and Tuna Hoagie Sale on Ash Wednesday, March 1st. Please specify with tomato and lettuce or plain for the hoagie. Price is \$6 per quart of Clam Chowder and \$6 per 12 inch hoagie. Orders may be placed by calling the Rectory at 570-457-5900 or Francis Riviello at 570-451-0112 by Feb. 18th. When ordering please leave your name and home phone or cellular number. Pickup and payment is on Ash Wednesday at 4:30pm to 6:30pm in the church auditorium located at the corner of Grace and Lawrence Streets.

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