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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

March 3 353 attended the 4pm Mass
232 Families used their envelopes and offered \$3,672.

March 4 342 attended the 10am Mass
245 Families used their envelopes and offered \$4,056

Tithe from
477 Families was \$7,728
Care and Education of Priest \$1,008

Saint Benedict Parish

560 Families receive envelopes

March 3 134 attended the 5:30pm Mass
158 Families used their envelopes and offered \$2,163

March 4 127 attended the 8am Mass
101 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,661

Tithe from
259 Families was \$3,824

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

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY

2-26	#659	Isabel Elick
2-27	#710	John Keil
2-28	#816	Helen Dula
3-1	#752	Kathy McGrady
3-2	#082	Lorraine Healey
3-3	#891	Linda Ceccoli
3-4	#913	Thomas Bonn

Congratulations to all !!!

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sunday

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

Monday

Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday

Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday

Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday

Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

Friday

Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday

Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53

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.

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

March 11, 2018

*The
Season
of
Lent*



*Father,
our source of life.
I reach out
with joy
to grasp Your hand;
let me walk
more readily
in Your ways.
Guide me
in Your gentle mercy,
for left to myself
I cannot
do Your will.*

First Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

The people of Judah practiced many abominations, even polluting God's temple in Jerusalem. They mocked the messengers he sent among them, until he grew so angry he delivered them to the King of the Chaldeans. Those who weren't killed were exiled and became servants for seventy years. Cyrus, King of Persia, was ordered to build a temple to God in Jerusalem, and he freed the servants as God had inspired him to do.

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10

Paul declares that God brought us to life in Jesus, though we had been dead from our sins. He reminds us that it was not a reward for our good service so no one should take credit. Instead, we must remember that it was not our doing, but a sign of God's mercy and love for us.

Gospel: John 3:14-21

God so loved the world, he sent us his only Son so that all who believed would have eternal life in him. The light came into the world, but those who were wicked avoided it, for fear that their evil deeds would be exposed. But those who believed were unafraid of the light, where it would be clear that their deeds were done in God.

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

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 11, 2018

"God who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ – by grace you have been saved, raised us up with him and seated us with him... for by grace you have been saved, and this is not from you it is the gift of God."

Perhaps a great difficulty for us, is to appreciate the need we had for Jesus' saving work. Because we have been redeemed by Him, and experience His presence and love, we forget the great need which existed for all time for a Savior. Maybe we should change the words of St. Paul, and write 'the great love He has for us.'

We might place on a back burner, the effects of Superstorm Sandy, the earthquake in Mexico, the hurricanes of last fall, the California wild fires, while the devastating effects are still being felt. So too our sinfulness and need for redemption today.

Our Lenten practices call us to acknowledge our need today and through prayer, good works, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Eucharist, we are to move ourselves closer to the Lord. Remember, it is God's gift to us and we open our hearts today to receive it. May we seek forgiveness and grace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, making it to confession before Easter.

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 **March** will be collecting **coffee**. 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 Marts bus, grand smorgasbord lunch at Hershey Farm 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	3-12	7am	Communion Service
T	3-13	7am	Michael Jerry Gildea by Wife & Daughter Jeanette Dominic by Richard Loomis
W	3-14	7am	Ceil Toloczko (A) by Mr. & Mrs. Dave Kluger Rosemary McCarthy by John McClosky
Th	3-15	7am	John & Maryann Krulack by Rosalie Eckert Frank & Mary Klogy by Family
F	3-16	7am	Condo, Bonn and Gardjulis Families by Family Jule Novakoski by Mary Jane Hazzard Nolan

Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

S	3-17	4pm	Living/Deceased Parishioners
S	3-18	10am	Mary Kalinosky by Son, Lenny

Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

S	3-17	5:30pm	Irene Petroski by William & Judy Tovey
S	3-18	8am	Laura Angeli by Maureen Roberts

Several members of SS 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 so that we can put them on our list

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

Fred & Jean Loiacono

Lady of Lourdes Votive

Shirley Cook

Holy Family Votive

Hugh Drew

Saint Benedict Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Special Intention

Parish Weekly Activities

March 11—March 17

Day	Date	Time	Activity	Building	Location
Sun.	3-11	9am	Faith Formation	Faith Formation Center	Classrooms
Mon.	3-12	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.	3-13	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
Wed.	3-14	7pm	Festival Choir	Church	Choir Loft
Thurs.	3-15	9am 9am 6pm 6:30pm	Quilting Food Pantry Prep Family Choir Women's Meeting	Parish Center Faith Formation Center Church Parish Center	2nd Floor Bernardine Hall Choir Loft Dining Room
Fri.	3-16	9am 9am 6:30pm	Treasures Food Pantry Stations	Parish Center Faith Formation Center Church	Parish Center Bernardine Hall Church
Sat.	3-17	9-3pm 1-3:30pm	Women's Retreat Confessions	Parish Center Church	Dining Room Confessional

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.

Lenten Dinner Take Out/March 23

Pick up time 5-7pm

Fish Dinner

Baked Fish, Scalloped Potatoes
Green Beans & Applesauce
\$15

All proceeds go directly to
Bernardine Hall renovations.

Lent To-Go Order Form—Due by March 19

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Number of Dinners: _____

Total Enclosed: _____

Pick up Time on March 23 _____

Checks payable to Saints Peter and Paul Church

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

Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry

\$145 Anonymous \$25 Tony & Karen Albert
\$10 Elizabeth Kupstas \$20 Elizabeth Segeda
\$30 Joseph & Deborah Bronack
\$25 in Memory of Kathleen Lanza by Barb & Herb Dutt
\$20 in Memory of Dolores Salvatore by Elizabeth Segeda

Saints Peter and Paul Bernardine Hall

\$25 Bernadine & Joseph Burnett
In Memory of Harold Golomb
\$1080 Friends and Family \$100 John & Lynne Murphy
\$100 Rita O'Malia & Family \$50 Bernadine Tarasek
\$50 Norman & Mary Darling \$25 Monica Ciolek
\$40 Joe & Matte Haczewski \$25 Mary Ann Kropiewnicki
\$25 Monica Ciolek \$20 Connie Szustak
\$20 Tom & Elaine Salus \$20 Barb & Joe Salus
\$20 Betty Jean Hession \$20 Florence Paciga
\$20 Tim & Sharon Westawski \$10 Lisa Bocci
\$25 John & Regina Levandowski
\$25 Tom & Maria Scappaticci

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.

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

How do you walk with loved ones during difficult times? Do you have a hard time releasing family members to God's care? Join **Altus for Women** as we meet in small groups all over the Diocese, reading **Mary's Way** by Judy Klein. With her son's addiction to drugs and her daughter's anxiety. Klein discovered she couldn't handle life not measuring up to her expectations. Through her heart-warming story, Klein shows us how to be powerful intercessors for ourselves, our children, and those we love. You'll be filled with hope as you learn to turn to Mary, entrusting those you love to God. **Interested in starting an Altus Group in your parish?** We can help! We're hoping to add many new Groups throughout the Diocese. We'd love your parish to one of them! Contact tracy@altusforwomen.com if you'd like to form a Group. Groups meet for 6 sessions from April 18 to May 23 with a Tea Party finale on May 23 at the Diocesan Pastoral Center in Scranton. Registration fee is \$25 (plus the cost of the book) For more information go to www.altusforwomen.com



Calendar of Events

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| Mar. 27 | 4pm | Chrism Mass
Cathedral of Saint Peter |
| Mar. 29 | | Catholic Light:
"Role of Laity/Clergy Leaders:" |
| April 8 | | Mass for World Day for Consecrated Life
Cathedral of Saint Peter |
| April 9-12 | | Diocesan Clergy Convocation |
| April 17 | | Bishop's Youth Award Mass
Cathedral of Saint Peter |
| April 18 | | Regional School's Mass
St. John Neumann System, St. Boniface |
| April 19 | | Bishop's Youth Award Mass
Cathedral of Saint Peter |
| April 21 | | Diocesan Catholic School Alumni Mass |

Meetings being held at Saint Benedict's Church Hall, 155 Austin Ave Wilkes-Barre.

- Parsons/Miners Mills Crime Watch on Thursday, March 15 at 6pm
Plains Seniors Citizens on Wednesday, March 21 at noon

Community Happenings

King's College Reginas' 2018 Penny Auction will be held on Sunday, March 18 from 2-4pm. The auction will be held in the Snyder Room, Sheehy Farmer Center. \$2 admission includes refreshments. Household goods, gift baskets, gift certificates and much more! 50/50 drawing and door prizes. Proceeds benefit local students through The Reverend Clement J. Podskoch C.S.A.C. Scholarship.

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!

Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, Route 315, Laflin, will celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph on Monday, March 19 with a solemn Mass at 11am with His Excellency, Bishop Joseph Bambera. There will also be a Holy Mass at 7pm. Everyone is welcome to participate and offer prayers to St. Joseph.

VIRTUS will be held on March 19 at Misericordia University, Dallas. Session will take place in Mercy Hall, Room 200. To register and for directions, please contact Dr. Steve Broskoske at 570-674-6761 or sbroskos@misericordia.edu.

Homemade Pasta & Sausage Dinner will be held at St. Maria's Goretti on Sunday, April 8 from noon to 5pm. Take out available from noon to 4pm. Tickets available at the door for \$12. Children 5 years old and younger are free to eat in only.

“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