



# Church of Saints Peter and Paul

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## *Second Sunday in Lent* *March 12, 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*

<b>M</b>	3-13	7am	<b>Communion Service</b>
		<b>5:30-7pm</b>	<b>Confessions</b>
<b>T</b>	3-14	7am	<b>Ceil Toloczko (A)</b>
			by Jim Dyann & Jason Wasilewski
<b>W</b>	3-15	7am	<b>Altha Swelgin</b> by Jane Martha & Gordon
<b>Th</b>	3-16	7am	<b>John Torony</b> by Nancy Rodriguez
			& Judge Arthur Dalessandro
<b>F</b>	3-17	7am	<b>Louise Jones</b> by Robert Jones
		<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
<b>S</b>	3-18	4pm	<b>Edward &amp; Elizabeth Galzewski</b>
			by Stan & Elizabeth Miskiewicz & Family
<b>S</b>	3-19	8am	<b>Walter Burko Sr.</b> by Wife
		11am	<b>Parishioners</b>
		<b>4pm</b>	<b>Taize Prayer</b>
		<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>St. Joseph Table</b>

### THE JOURNEY OF TRANSFIGURATION

“We used to be such good friends. How is it that you’ve moved so far away?” one man asked another. “Perhaps,” the other replied, “you have moved away. By standing still.” This exchange very well could have happened between Peter and Jesus, had Peter been allowed to erect tents to stay on the mount of the Transfiguration. He nearly succumbed to the temptation to stay in a place of wonder and light. But Jesus knew the hard truth: we are on a continual journey when we are walking the paths of God’s will. It is not good for us to stay in one place on our faith journey. Equally unhealthy is staying put in times of joy and wonder to avoid life’s difficulties, or to wallow in our trials and temptations and fail to be companions for our sisters and brothers who are also suffering—or celebrating! The pilgrim Church is required to do one thing on its Lenten journey: to walk continually with Christ as his Body born of water and the Spirit, seeking God’s will, helping the reign of God to be known on earth, being led to the end of our journey, transfigured for all time into the company of heaven.

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### TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading** — The LORD said to Abram: All the families of the earth shall find blessing in you (Genesis 12:1-4a)

**Psalms** — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

**Second Reading** — God has called us to a holy life, not because of our works but according to grace (2 Timothy 1:8b-10).

**Gospel** — Atop a high mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John. (Matthew 17:1-9).

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*In Memory of*  
**Sanctuary Candle**  
*Patrick & Sara Delasandro*

*Our Lady of Lourdes Votive Candle*  
*Patrick & Sara Delasandro*

*Holy Family Votive Candle*  
*Larry Swetz*

**March 5, 2017**

<b>Contribution</b>	<b>\$7266</b>
<b>Dues</b>	<b>\$434</b>
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	<b>\$371</b>
<b>Lenten</b>	<b>\$876</b>
<b>Maintenance</b>	<b>\$161</b>
<b>St. Vincent de Paul</b>	<b>\$130</b>
<b>Care of the Priest</b>	<b>\$1917</b>
<b>Flowers</b>	<b>\$50</b>
<b>Utility</b>	<b>\$84</b>
<b>School</b>	<b>\$225</b>

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent;  
Daylight Saving Time begins;  
Girl Scouting Sunday  
Friday: St. Patrick; Abstinence  
Saturday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem

<b>Pastor</b>	<b>Pastor Emeritus</b>
Rev. John C. Lambert	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**  
March 12 – March 19

<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Location</b>
Sun.	9:30am	Faith Formation	Faith Formation Center	Classroom
Mon.	5pm	Quilting	Parish Center	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
	6:30pm	Rosary	Parish Center	Prayer Room
	<b>5:30-7pm</b>	<b>Confessions</b>	<b>Church</b>	
	7pm	Faith Sharing	Parish Center	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
Tues.	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
	6:30pm	Chess Club	Parish Center	Prayer Room
Wed.	Noon	Plains Seniors	Faith Formation Center	Bernardine Hall
	<b>2:15pm</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>Riverstreet Manor</b>	
	7pm	Choir	Church	Choir Loft
Thurs.	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
	<b>9am</b>	<b>Food Pantry Prep</b>	<b>Faith Formation Center</b>	<b>Bernardine Hall</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Women's Society</b>	<b>Parish Center</b>	<b>Prayer Room</b>
Fri	<b>9am</b>	<b>Food Pantry</b>	<b>Faith Formation Center</b>	<b>Bernardine Hall</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Stations</b>	<b>Church</b>	
Sun.	9:30am	Faith Formation	Faith Formation Center	Classrooms
	<b>4pm</b>	<b>Taize Prayer</b>	<b>Church</b>	
	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>St. Joseph Table</b>	<b>Faith Formation Center</b>	<b>Bernardine Hall</b>

**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.

### Marriage Moments

"Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk" (Gn.12:1)  
Moving to a new home can be exciting, exhausting, and scary – all at the same time. Share the best and worst part of a move you've made together.

*Susan Vogt*

### Saints Peter and Paul Clothing Closet

**"Treasures"** will be accepting gently used adult and children clothing. Clothes can be drop off during office hours at the Parish Center.

### *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,..

**Liturgy Corner**  
**Did you know?.....**

**Lay Ministry**

Lay ministry is an important concept in the life of today's church.

The Second Vatican Council began to recognize that those lay Catholic Christians who answer their baptismal call to serve the church in an on-going way can indeed be considered ministers. Although lay ministers serve the church in other capacities, those in liturgy usually include lectors, cantors and other music ministers, altar servers, extraordinary ministers of communion, and ministers of hospitality.

Because they serve the community in order to build up the kingdom of God, lay ministers should exemplify the values of the Gospel in their everyday lives and do all they can to carry out their ministerial responsibilities with care.



**Easter Egg Hunt Right  
 Around the Corner**

The Youth Group will be sponsoring our Parish Annual Easter Egg Hunt, to be held April 9<sup>th</sup>, Palm Sunday for our children, ages 1 thru 10 years of age.

We are gratefully accepting any help that you can give us to defray the cost of putting our "Bunny Bags" together. We will be looking for small items that can fit in an average size gift bag, candy to put in the bags or monetary donations to purchase the items would be greatly appreciated. We DO NOT need baskets, straw or large plush. The Youth Group is providing all the plastic eggs, candy and some items for the Bunny Bags for the Egg Hunt. Last year we had about 70 children. Anyone wishing to help us out can drop an envelope with a monetary donations in the collection basket marked Easter Egg Hunt. If you wish to donate any candy or items for the "Bunny Bags" you can either drop it off at the Parish Office during Office Hours or contact Michael or Maryann Quinn at 570-821-6121 and we can make arrangements to pick it up. Your help in making our Egg Hunt a success as always is most appreciated.

**Parenting Pointers**

If your child is old enough to choose a Lenten sacrifice, help them to see beyond just giving up candy. Consider how the devil tempted Jesus with food, power, and money. Let the tangible sacrifice be a reminder to love someone who is hard to love

- Susan Vogt

**Thanks to All Who Came Out To Make Pierogi**

For the Lenten Season 535 Potato, 304 Cabbage and 150 Cheese Pierogi were made. They will be on sales until they run out. Get them while you can. Potato will be \$8 and Cheese and Cabbage are \$10 per dozen.

**Easter Goodies**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Apple Pie \$12

\_\_\_\_\_ Chocolate/Peanut Butter Pie \$14

\_\_\_\_\_ Pumpkin Pie \$12

\_\_\_\_\_ Nut Roll \$8

\_\_\_\_\_ Poppy Seed Roll \$8

\_\_\_\_\_ Plain Paska Bread \$7

\_\_\_\_\_ Raisin Paska Bread \$7

**Total Ordered** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount Paid** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment due upon ordering  
 checks payable to Saints Peter and Paul

**Winter Lottery Winners**

2-27	#904	Avery White Stashis
2-28	#241	Theresa Mycko
3-1	#012	Ben Kirwan
3-2	#915	Mary Ann Mikelski
3-3	#957	Baldo Vinciarelli
3-4	#727	Tim Lambert
3-5	#938	Sylvia Chronowski

*Congratulations to all!!!*

**Plaines United Methodist Church**, 133 North Main Street, Plains, will hold a *Home Baked Fish Dinner* on Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm . Dinner includes Baked fish, Baked potato, Homemade coleslaw, Ice Cream Dessert Bar. Cost is \$8. Limited tickets at the Door. Homemade Manhattan Clam Chowder for sale - \$2 per bowl. For more information call 570-200-5040

**Also...**

**Chocolate Easter Eggs** will be made. Orders due by March 25<sup>th</sup>. Milk & dark - Peanutbutter, Coconut Cream and Butter Cream call 570-200-5040 or email plainsumc@susumc.org

**St. Andrew Parish** is having their annual *Ham and Cabbage Dinner* on Sunday, March 12 in the church hall (St .Patrick's), 318 Parrish Street, Wilkes-Barre. Serving is from 11:30am – 3pm. Menu includes ham & cabbage, boiled potatoes, butter beans, rolls, dessert and beverage. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children age 12 and under. Tickets can be purchased at the door. Take-outs will be available. A Bake Sale will also be featured.

**Help the Plains Lions Feed Children by filling the Food Pantries of Plains.**

Pasta Dinner will be held on Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> from 4:30pm-7pm in Saints Peter and Paul Faith Formation Center, Bernardine Hall. Cost of ticket is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. All proceeds will be distributed to the food pantries in Plains Township. Eat In and Take Out are available. Tickets can be purchased at Saints Peter and Paul Parish Office or through any Plains Lions member. As always, thank you for all your help in the past. Plains Lions truly look forwards to seeing you at their Pasta Dinner.

**Catholic Men's Conference – “Be a Man: Mary's Call to Battle”** will be held on May 6 at King's College, Scandlon Physical Education Center, 149 North Main St. Wilkes-Barre. Experience a prayerful, spirit-filled, life changing day featuring kenote presentations by Father Andrew Apostoli CFR of the Franciscan friars of the Renewal, EWTN host and Fatima Expert, Steven Ray, a Catholic Speaker, film producer and pilgrimage leader, frequently featured on EWTN, and Matt Fradd, Catholic apologist and author, as well as executive director of the *The Porn Effect*. The Most Reverend Joseph Bambera will celebrate the closing Mass.

Cost is \$35, \$30 early bird, \$15 for students.

Register on line at [www.beamancoference.com](http://www.beamancoference.com) or call 570-207-2213.

**The Catholic Choral Society Schedules Lenten Concert** on Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> will be held at 3pm at the First Presbyterian Church, 97 S. Franklin St. Wilkes-Barre. The concert is open to the public free of charge. There will be a good will offering available. The group, is marking its 68<sup>th</sup> season, is composed of 60 members from both Luzerne, Lackawanna, Wayne, Susquehanna and Wyoming counties who will perform inspirational music in the Lenten tradition at the March concert. Further information may be obtained by calling 570-575-1040.

**Registration Open for UNC's Camp Kelly (Formerly Camp St. Andrew)**

Registration is now open for 2017 summer camp programs at United Neighborhood Center of NEPA's Camp Kelly (formerly Camp St. Andrew). Week-long Girls Resident, Girls Basketball, Boys Resident, and Boys Basketball camps are all available, as well as a Father/Son Weekend and Women's Weekend. For more information, or to register online, visit [www.uncnepa.org/campkelly](http://www.uncnepa.org/campkelly) or call 570-346-0759.

**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