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

Due to an early submission of the bulletin Contributions will be listed next week

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sunday

Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Monday

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Tuesday

Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday

Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday

Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday

Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY

| 3-5 | #942 | Courtney Bedren | |
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| 3-6 | #306 | Clarence Ozgo | |
| 3-7 | #383 | Kathy McGrady | |
| 3-8 | #674 | Tina Kayden | |
| | Conc | Congratulations to all !!! | |

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

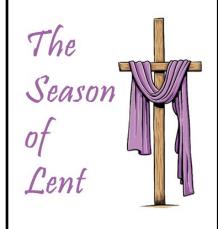
Saints Peter and Paul & Saint Benedict

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 18, 2018



Father of love, source of all blessings, help me to pass from my old life of sin to the new life of grace. Prepare me for the glory of Your Kingdom. I ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ. Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever.

Amen

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The Lord comforted his people, who were exiled to Babylon, by telling them of the new covenant he planned to make with them. The Lord declared he would write his law upon their hearts, and that he would forgive their evil and forget the sins they had committed in the past.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9

Though God could have heeded his Son's prayers and spared him suffering, Jesus accepted his Fathers will. Through his suffering, he learned obedience and became the source of eternal salvation for all people.

Gospel: John 12:20-33

Jesus was afraid of the suffering he knew he must face. Yet he explained just as a grain of wheat must die to be harvested, he had to face his hour of suffering to glorify his Father's name. Jesus explained that once he was lifted from earth, he could draw all people to himself, lifting them to eternal life.

His Word Today by Rev. William J. Reilly Fifth Sunday of Lent March 18, 2018

"Some Greeks who had come to worship at the Passover Feast came to Philip who was from Bethsaida in Galilee and asked him 'Sir we would like to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew, then Philip and Andrew went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them 'the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat, but if it dies, it produces much fruit.""

It is not rare for someone to use another to get help to get a job, admission to school, or even just to meet someone of importance. In the political field we call them lobbyists. Today we find some Gentiles using Philip, and he another apostle to gain access to Jesus. The same Andrew is the one who told Peter he had met Jesus and we know how important that meeting was.

How many other persons are seeking Jesus, today without knowing it or Him. They have need for access to the Lord. Our restless world turns, but people do not know to whom to turn. Each one of us can assume the role of Philip or Andrew, to bring them to Jesus or Jesus to them. The grain of wheat will then produce much fruit.

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 Masses at Saint Benedict this week 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 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.

We Remember

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

| Т | 3-20 | 8am | Stanley Szustak by Flynn Family |
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| | | | Mary Ann Boris by Dinan Family |
| W | 3-21 | 8am | Antoinette Adesso by Husband, Children & Grandchildren |
| | | | William McDermott by Michael & Pat Boncheck |
| Th | 3-22 | 8am | Dorothy Luchetti by Gerry Mirko & Sons |
| | | | James O'Donnell by Theresa Beretski |
| F | 3-23 | 8am | William Katsak by John & Janice Weiss |
| | | | Bernard Prevuznak by Polacheck Family |
| Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul | | | |
| S | 3-24 3-25 | 4pm 10am | Living/Deceased Parishioners Elias & Clementine Cross by Cross Family |

Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

S 3-24 3-25 5:30pm Jennie Dechman by Children Millard Gross Jr. by Wife & Daughter 8am

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.

Saints Benedict Council of Catholic Women will be delivering Easter flowers to the homebound parishioners and those in nursing homes on the weekend of March 23, 24 and 25.

Plains Seniors Citizens will meet on Wednesday, March 21 at noon in St. Benedict's Church Hall, 155 Austin Ave, Wilkes-Barre.

Saints Peter and Paul Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Paul Binker

Saint Benedict Parish Sanctuary Candle

Special Intention

Lady of Lourdes Votive

Edward & Mary Mido

Holy Family Votive

Jean & Lottie Ann Serafin

| Parish Weekly Activities | | | | | | |
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| March 18—March 25 | | | | | | |
| Day | Date | Time | Activity | Building | Location | |
| Sun. | 3-18 | 9am | Faith Formation | Faith Formation Center | Classrooms | |
| Mon. | 3-19 | 5pm 5-7pm 5pm 6pm 6:30pm 7pm | Quilting Confessions Prayer Shawl Treasures Rosary Faith Sharing | Parish Center Church Parish Center Parish Center Parish Center Parish Center Parish Center | 2 nd Floor Confessional Dining Room Back Porch Prayer Room 2 nd Floor | |
| Tues. | 3-20 | 9am | Quilting | Parish Center | 2 nd Floor | |
| Wed. | 3-21 | 7pm | Festival Choir | Church | Choir Loft | |
| Thurs | . 3-22 | 9am 6pm | Quilting Family Choir | Parish Center Church | 2nd Floor Choir Loft | |
| Fri. I | 3-23 | 9am 6:30pm | Treasures Stations | Parish Center Church | Parish Center Church | |
| Sat. | 3-24 | 1-3:30pm | Confessions | Church | Confessional | |
| Sun. | 3-25 | 9am | Faith Formation | Faith Formation Center | Classrooms | |

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.

Divine Mercy Sunday is Sunday, April 8

Saints Peter and Paul Church will be hosting the Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski D.D., Bishop of Springfield (The home of the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy) Confessions, Prayers and Rosary before the Divine Mercy image will begin at 12:30pm. Mass will be held at 1:30pm with Bishop Rozanski as celebrant. Divine Mercy Novena and Chaplet will take place at 3pm



Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict will hold an Easter Egg Hunt for children, infants to 6th Grade on Sunday, March 25th at Parson's Park, corner of Scott and Austin. The hunt will take place at 1pm.

All children of both parishes are welcome!!!



Calendar of Events

| Mar. 27 4pm | Chrism Mass Cathedral of Saint Peter |
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| 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 Cathedral of Saint Peter |
| April 22 5pm | World Day of Prayer for Vocations |

Visiting the Sick

Several members of Saints 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



Holy Thursday Mass of the Supper of the Lord

 $March\ 29^{th} - 7pm$

at Saints Peter and Paul

The Blessed Sacrament will be reposed at Saint Benedict's until 10:30pm at which time we will pray Night Prayer (Knights of Columbus will provide an honor guard)

Good Friday

9am Morning Prayer at Saint Benedict



The Passion of Our Lord

March 30th – 1pm at Saints Peter and Paul and 1pm at Saint Benedict

Holy Saturday

March 31st – Morning Prayer 9am at Saints Peter and Paul



Blessing of Easter Food Baskets

Saturday, March 26th

11am in Saint Benedict's Church Hall 1pm in Saints Peter and Paul Church

Easter Vigil Services

March $31^{dy} - 8pm$ at Saints Peter and Paul

Easter Sunday

April 1st

8am & 10am at Saints Peter and Paul

8am & 10am at Saint Benedict



Community Happenings

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.

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.

Catholic Men's Conference "Be A Man: Christ is Here, Come and See"

will take place May 5 at King's College, Scandlon Physical Education Center. Eucharistic Adoration/Rosary at 6am; Registration/Continental Breakfast at 7am. Conference main program 8-3pm. Register online at www.beamanconference.com or 570-207-2213.

"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

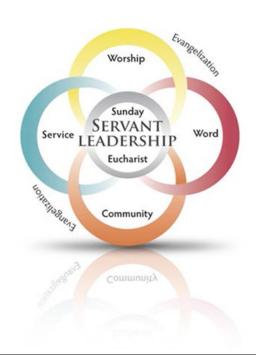
As members of Saints Peter and Paul,
we have as our mission the sharing of our
faith and our talents.
We proclaim the Word of God through
compassion for our community and sharing of our

treasures as Disciplés 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-HourChild 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