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Third Sunday in Lent *March 19, 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 3-20 7am **Communion Service**
5:30-7pm **Confessions**
T 3-21 7am **Rose Luckenbach**
by Marian Wanyo
W 3-22 7am **John & Mary Ann Kurlack**
by Charles Krulack
Th 3-23 7am **Joseph Segeda** by Liz Segeda
F 3-24 7am **Angeline Parise**
by Jerry & Rosalie Pudmonski
6:30pm **Stations of the Cross**
S 3-25 4pm **Leonard M. Kalinoski**
by Son, Lenny
S 3-26 8am **Parishioners**
11am **Donna Keil**
by Eddie & Eleanor Ciechoski & Family

THIRSTING FOR LIFE-GIVING WATERS

Especially during the Lenten, Holy Week, and Easter seasons, the prayer texts of the Eastern Church revel in paradoxical images of Christ: the eternal life who is put to death, the host of the supper who is also its meal, the thirsty crucified one with living water streaming from his side. These images flow from the evangelists' portrayals of Jesus and from his very ministry, during which he often upset or reversed people's expectations about him or the ways of God. This "reversal" is at play in today's Gospel, as Jesus speaks to an enemy foreigner who is also a woman beneath his status. In addition he, the thirsting one, shows the woman to be the one truly thirsting. He—whose parched lips will say "I thirst" before he dies—is the source of life and life-giving water. Lent calls upon us to dwell on how each of us is thirsting for Christ, and it leads us, ultimately, back to the life-giving waters of our baptism into his Body.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — When the people grumbled to Moses for water in the desert, the LORD heard and brought forth water from the rock for all to drink (Exodus 17:3-7).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8).

Gospel — Ask, and you will be given living water so that you will never thirst again (John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]).

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In Memory of
Sanctuary Candle
Ted Wysocki

Our Lady of Lourdes Votive Candle
John Kozik

Holy Family Votive Candle
Paul Binker

March 12, 2017

Contribution	\$6793
Dues	\$400
Ash Wednesday	\$85
Lenten	\$1,318
Maintenance	\$35
St. Vincent de Paul	\$41
Care of the Priest	\$149
Flowers	\$28
Utility	\$1,694

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent
Monday: St. Joseph; Spring begins
Thursday: St. Toribio de Mogrovejo
Friday: Abstinence
Saturday: The Annunciation of the Lord

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
March 19 – March 26

<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Location</i>
Sun.	9:30am 4pm 5:30pm	Faith Formation Taize Prayer St. Joseph Table	Faith Formation Center Church Faith Formation Center	Classroom Bernardine Hall
Mon.	5pm 6:30pm 5:30-7pm 7pm	Quilting Rosary Confessions Faith Sharing	Parish Center Parish Center Church Parish Center	2 nd Floor Prayer Room 2 nd Floor
Tues.	9am 6:30pm	Quilting Chess Club	Parish Center Parish Center	2 nd Floor Prayer Room
Wed.	7pm	Choir	Church	Choir Loft
Thurs.	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
Fri	6:30pm	Stations	Church	
Sun.	9:30am	Faith Formation	Faith Formation Center	Classrooms

**Easter Egg Hunt Right
Around the Corner**

The Youth Group will be sponsoring our Parish Annual Easter Egg Hunt, to be held April 9th, 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.

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.

Winter Lottery Winners

3-6	#954	Lorraine Toloczko
3-7	#381	Nancy Fedor
3-8	#917	Kathy Holena
3-9	#431	Pat Krulack
3-10	#168	K Lambert
3-11	#314	Rachel Holena
3-12	#625	Carmella

Congratulations to all!!!

Liturgy Corner
Did you know?.....

Readers

Readers are lay liturgical ministers who read the Scriptures other than the Gospel at Mass. If no cantor is available to sing the Responsorial Psalm and no deacon is available to read the Universal Prayer, it is the reader's responsibility to read those as well.

Readers must read the Scripture with understanding and clarity and, to this end, it is imperative that they spend time in study and rehearsal.

It is most appropriate for readers to take regular places in the congregation and come forward only to read in order to emphasize the fact that it is the entire assembly that is responsible for celebration.

In the past, the reader was one of the minor orders a man had to pass through on his way to ordination.

Pierogi on Sale

They will be on sale until they run out. Get them while you can. Potato are \$8 and Cheese and Cabbage are \$10 per dozen. They can be purchased through the Office during Office Hours.

Marriage Moments

If you don't do regular maintenance on your car, it may start spluttering and clanking. If your spouse is making noises (complaining, nagging etc.), maybe it's time to look under the hood. You may find that neglect is the culprit. Perhaps you haven't listening closely to what your beloved needs. Maybe work or the kids have become a priority. Ask.

Susan Vogt

Parenting Pointers

"The people grumbled against Moses" (Ex 17:3). It's normal in any family to grumble occasionally. Parents grumble about their kids and vice-versa. But what happens after the grumbling? Model apologizing for your child. "I'm sorry. I'll try to do better."

- Susan Vogt

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,...

Plaines United Methodist Church, 133 North Main Street, Plains, will hold a *Home Baked Fish Dinner* on Friday, March 24th 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 25th. Milk & dark - Peanutbutter, Coconut Cream and Butter Cream call 570-200-5040 or email plainsumc@susumc.org

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

Pasta Dinner will be held on Tuesday, April 4th 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.

Wyoming Area Catholic School is still enrolling for the 2017-2018 school year in Pre-K through Grade 8. Tuition Assistance is available. Please call the school at 570-654-7982 for more information and to set up a tour. You can also visit our website at wachs.com. We look forward to meeting you.

Holy Family Parish, 574 Bennett Street, Luzerne is having a Spaghetti Supper on Sunday, March 26 from 12 noon – 4pm. Tickets are \$10 for Adults; \$4 for children under 10. Take-outs will be available. Containers will be provided. Everyone is welcome!

XLT (Exalt!) High School, will be held Friday, March 24 from 7-9pm at Divine Mercy Parish, 312 Davis Street, Scranton, PA. The event, sponsored by the Diocesan Vocation Office, will consist of Eucharistic Adoration, praise & worship music by Countless Wonders, a talk by Shannon Kowalski, youth minister at Saint Catherine of Siena Parish in Moscow, reconciliation, and a social. All are welcome to attend, but the speaker's topic will be geared towards high school students. For more information, please contact Dominick Costantino at 570-780-2996.

All Saints Parish Fish Dinner will be held on Friday, April 7 from 3:30pm till 6:30pm at Holy Child Faith Formation Center, 119 Willow St., Plymouth. Dinner includes Breaded Haddock Filet, Mac & Cheese, Stewed Tomatoes, Cole Slaw, Dessert, Coffee & Soda. Tickets are \$10 children 12 to adult; under 12 - \$5. Take outs with curb service will be offered.

The Catholic Choral Society Schedules Lenten Concert on Sunday, March 26th 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 68th 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 or call 570-346-0759.

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal in the Diocese of Scranton is celebrating the 50th anniversary of the founding of the worldwide Catholic Charismatic Renewal by hosting a CCR Formation Day Video Mini Conference on Saturday, March 25th. The Golden Jubilee celebration event will be held at the Holy Family Center in Nanticoke, beginning with registration and breakfast from 8 to 9am. The video conference will be offered from 9am to 5pm. Guest presenters for the conference include Jim Murphy, founding president of Vera Cruz Communications and former chairman of the National Service Committee for the Catholic Charismatic Renewal; and Deacon Larry Oney, internationally known Catholic Charismatic speaker and preacher who serves as a permanent deacon in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Conference registration fee is \$25 per person, which includes three meals. For more information and registration details, including possible overnight accommodations, contact Bob Valiante, Catholic Charismatic Renewal, PO Box 3306, Scranton, PA 18505-0306; phone 570-344-2214 or at ccrenewal@comcast.net.

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