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Fourth Sunday in Lent *March 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	3-27	7am	Communion Service
		5:30-7pm	Confessions
T	3-28	7am	Irene Koschak
			By Charlotte Burko & Vince Dombroski
W	3-29	7am	Tony Sluhocki (A)
			by Wife & Sons
Th	3-30	7am	Fred Spanulol by Family
F	3-31	7am	Thomas Phillips by Rich Musko
		6:30pm	Stations of the Cross
S	4-1	4pm	Regina & Anthony Patte
			by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Merlie
S	4-2	8am	Liz McGough by Family
		11am	Living and Deceased Parishioners

CHILDREN OF THE LIGHT

The future king, David, in today's first reading, is an example of a type of character present throughout the Hebrew scriptures. He is the child born out of place (not the eldest or most favored) who ends up receiving the promise of the covenant. The spirit of God's anointing rushes upon him. In this way, he is similar to the man born blind from today's Gospel. David's family and the blind man's community did not expect the miraculous grace of God's love to work through them. Perhaps they, too, were "blinded" by the expectations and assumptions of those around them. Yet, after being touched by God, they both came to "see" the presence of God's will for them. Both became messengers of God's will. That same Spirit of God's anointing rushed upon us at our baptism; we were given a candle as a sign of our membership in the Body of Christ, the Light from Light. Our vocation, then, is to fulfill that enlightenment, that anointing, as Ephesians tells us, by living as "children of the light."

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As the prophet Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David and remained with him from that day forward (1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a).

Psalm — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord. Live as children of light (Ephesians 5:8-14).

Gospel — The man who was blind from birth proclaimed: The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me to wash. When I washed, I was able to see! (John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38])

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*In Memory of
Sanctuary Candle
Tony Sluhocki*

*Our Lady of Lourdes Votive Candle
Fred Spagnuolo*

*Holy Family Votive Candle
Frank Jagodinski*

March 19, 2017

Contribution	\$6,009
Dues	\$2,780
Ash Wednesday	\$16
Lenten	\$1,155
St. Vincent de Paul	\$30
Care of the Priest	\$20
Flowers	\$90
Utility	\$261

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent
Friday: Abstinence
Saturday: First Saturday

LIGHT AND SHADOW

In faith there is enough light for those who want to believe and enough shadows to blind those who don't.

—Blaise Pascal

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 26 – April 2

Day	Time	Activity	Building	Location
Sun.	9:30am	Faith Formation	Faith Formation Center	Classroom
Mon.	5pm	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
	6:30pm	Rosary	Parish Center	Prayer Room
	5:30-7pm	Confessions	Church	
	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.	7pm	Choir	Church	Choir Loft
Thurs.	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
	7pm	Youth Group	Parish Center	Dining Room
Fri	6:30pm	Stations	Church	
Sun.	9:30am	Faith Formation	Faith Formation Center	Classrooms
	2pm	Confession	Church	

Memorial Donations

The following donations and memorials have recently been given to our Parish:

Saints Peter and Paul Parish

In Memory of Angela Trentowski
by MaryAnn Kropiewnicki

In Memory of Mary Jo Paciga
by Friends & Family

Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry

\$150 Anonymous
\$25 Joseph & Deborah Bronack
\$20 Patrick & Doria Moore
\$100 In Memory of Rose Luckenbach
by Marion Wanyo
\$20 In Memory of Emily DeAngelis
by John & Evelyn Thomas
In Memory of Conrad Sarnecki
\$350 GAR High School Faculty & Staff
\$170 Geisinger Kingston Staff
\$110 Geisinger Luzerne Department Clinic
\$100 Sarnecki Family
\$50 Irene Zelinski

\$25 John & Mary Ann Stopay
\$25 Jane Biniek
In Memory of Angela Trentowski
\$30 Joseph & Barbara Salus
\$20 Pauline Makowski
In Memory of Irene Koschak
\$122 Saints Peter and Paul Rosary Group
\$25 MaryAnn Kropiewnicki
\$20 Joan Pisack
\$20 Jane Biniek
\$10 Marlene Grassi

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.

Thank you to All Who Helped make the Lenten Dinner a Success. Over 230 dinners were served. The profit made is \$2,351.

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.

Liturgy Corner
Did you know?.....

Cantor

A cantor is a liturgical singer who intones psalms and antiphons and leads the rest of the assembly in the singing of hymns, acclamations, and other music used at worship.

A cantor should have a pleasing voice, a personable manner, knowledge of the mechanics of music, and a willingness to develop a style of singing that is appropriate to worship and different from secular performance.

As leaders of song, the cantor works from a podium other than the ambo. He or she may, however, use the ambo for the singing of psalms, particularly the Responsorial Psalm at Sunday Mass.

Cantor is the Latin word for singer, but another word, precentor, is also used to refer to this minister. Sometimes a separate person sings the psalm and is referred to as the psalmist.

Parish Easter Egg Hunt Sponsored by the Youth Group for children 1 thru 10years old, will take place on Sunday, April 9th. Registration will take place at 2pm in Bernardine Hall with the parade to the Parish Center Yard starting at 3pm. Bring your camera to take pictures with the Easter Bunny. Must be registered to win. Prizes will be drawn immediately after the Egg Hunt. Come join us for an afternoon of fun!!!

Easter Flower

In Memory/Honor of

Frank Sabatini	Martha Rudda
Frances Meehan	Mary Yench
Walter Rudda	John Yench
Grisko Family	Shuleski Family
Corrigan Family	Wysoski Family
Shiro Family	Frances Voit
Stephen Voit	Andy King
Domenico Sarlano	Mary King
Kubic Family	Raymond Deiter II
Raymond "Butch" Deiter	Ida Stess
Oaul & Garry Mattiucci	John & ALvira Panatieri

Pierogi on Sale

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

Marriage Moments

"Not as humans see does God see, because humans see the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart." (1 Sam. 16:7) Yes, love can be blind, but deep love sees beneath annoying habits to the inner goodness. Name one positive quality that you see in your beloved that others might not see.

Susan Vogt

Treasures' Grand Opening will take place on Sunday, April 2 from 10:30am to 12:30pm and on Sunday, April 9th from 1-4pm in the Parish Center. (use the handicapped ramp) Look for the balloons! For children's gently used spring clothes. Adult's spring clothes will be in the future.

Winter Lottery Winners

3-13	#197	Magdalen Benish
3-14	#705	Shirley Sitck
3-15	#663	Linda Matous
3-16	#032	J. Prushinski
3-17	#745	Libby Kirdutis
3-18	#093	Tracy Root
3-19	#747	Janet Soller

Congratulations to all!!!

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.

Parenting Pointers

Teach your child two contradictory life lessons: 1. How to stand up for themselves. 2. How to forgive someone who has hurt them. Model it. Role play potential situations. - Susan Vogt

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.

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.

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

Holy Week Schedule



April 9th – 4pm Saturday, 8am and 11am
11AM Solemn Procession will begin from
Bernardine Hall



Holy Thursday

Mass of the Supper of the Lord

April 13th – 7pm

The Blessed Sacrament will be at the Repository
until 10pm
Knights of Columbus will provide an honor guard
Night Prayer at 10pm



April 14th

Morning Prayer 9am
**Celebration of the
Passion of Our Lord**
1pm

Holy Saturday

April 15th

Morning Prayer 9am



Blessing of Easter Food Baskets
1pm in the Church



Easter Vigil 8PM

Easter Sunday

Resurrection of the Lord

April 16th

8am & 11am