

SS. Peter and Paul Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

Thírd Sunday of Easter Apríl 10, 2016

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing." — *Revelation 5:12*

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 SS. Peter and Paul opens wide its doors in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

Mission Statement

As members of SS. 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.

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Office Hours Monday 10AM – 3PM Tuesday through Friday 8AM – 3PM Saturday by appointment

Mass Schedule

Monday – Communion Service – 7AM Tuesday through Friday – 7AM Saturday 4PM Sunday 8AM & 11AM

Confessions

Daily 6:30AM – 6:45AM Saturday 3:00PM - 3:30PM And by appointment anytime

> Parish Center (570)822-8761

Working Together to Build the Kingdom of God



Μ	4/11	7AM	Communion Service	
Т	4/12	7AM	Charles & Thelma Mendola	
			by Caroline Gazenski & Family	
W	4/13	7AM	Michael Wanek	
			by Ben, Francine & Candice Berrini	
Th	4/14	7AM	Mary Mido by Mr. & Mrs.I Joseph Madison	
F	4/15	7AM	Elizabeth Wysocki	
			by Hannah & Gene Lazarus	
S	4/16	4PM	John & Pearl Woloski	
			by Stan & Elizabeth Miskiewiccz	
			& Family	
S	4/17	8AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners	
		11AM	Bernard Frantz by Wife, Lilian & Family	

REDEMPTION

Do you remember Peter on the night Jesus was arrested? He claimed he had never heard of Jesus. Today we are called to join Peter in testifying to the name of Jesus as he does in the first reading, and in proclaiming our love for him as Peter does in the Gospel passage. The powerful imagery of John's vision in the second reading from the book of Revelation shows us the company we keep when we have faith in the name of Jesus. We join all living creatures, "countless in number" from "heaven, earth, under the earth, in the sea; everything in the universe" (Revelation 5:11, 13). The dignity and majesty described in each reading are in stark contrast to the dark and pitiful image of Peter and the other apostles at the time of Jesus' arrest, trial, and crucifixion. What a relief that we can all be redeemed so completely! Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Brought before the Sanhedrin, the apostles give witness to Jesus Christ. (Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41).

Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

Second Reading — In his vision John sees all in heaven and on earth give honor and glory to the one on the throne and to the Lamb (Revelation 5:11-14).

Gospel — Jesus appears to the disciples by the sea of Tiberias (John 21:1-19 [1-14]).

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Sara Delasandro

Blessed Virgin Mary Votive Candle Sara Delasandro

April 3, 2016				
Contribution	\$7,381			
Dues	\$238			
Easter	\$1,009			
Easter Flowers	\$15			
Utilities	\$15			
Insurance	\$72			
School	\$222			
Care of the Priest	\$1,330			
St. Vincent de Paul	\$157			

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Third Sunday of Easter	
Monday:	St. Stanislaus	
Wednesday:	St. Martin I	
Friday:	Income Tax Day	

Pastor	Pastor Emeritus				
Rev. John C. Lambert	Rev. Joseph Greskiewicz				
Liturgical/Musical Consultant and Choir Director Joan Turel					
Faith Formation	Facilities Engineer				
Sande Holena	Michael Levandowski				
Eucharistic Minister/Le	ctors Ushers Paul Muczynski				
Organists	Altar Servers				
Christine Katsock & Char	les Unice Gloria Flynn				
Food Pantry	Youth Group				
Pauline Markowski	MaryAnn and Michael Quinn				

/	·	Parish Activities April 10 through April 17					
	Sun.	9:30AM	Faith Formation Confirmation 2016	School			
	Mon.	5PM 6:30PM 6PM 7PM	Quilting Rosary Grief Support Faith Sharing	Parish Center 2 nd FL Parish Center 1 st FL Parish Center LL Parish Center 2 nd FL			
	Tues.	9AM	Quilting	Parish Center 2nd FL			
	Thurs.	9AM 9AM	Quilting Food Pantry Prep	Parish Center 2 nd FL Bernardine Hall			
	Fri.	9AM	Food Pantry	Bernardine Hall			
	Sun.	9:30AM	Faith Formation Confirmation 2016	School			

Memorial Donations

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

SS. Peter and Paul Parish Organ Fund

In Memory of Ceil Toloczko

- \$50 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Bilski & Family
- \$50 Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Osmanski
- \$30 Lucy Bilski

SS. Peter and Paul Food Pantry

- \$100 Anonymous
- \$100 Elizabeth Kupstas
- \$40 In Memory of Sophie Konieczng by Andy & Elsie Kasmch

In Memory of Ceil Toloczko

- \$125 Walter & Sandy Bilski
- \$100 Jim, Dyan & Jason Wasilewski
- \$100 Sandy Toloczko
- \$100 Angelica bunker
- \$100 Regina Klepadlo
- \$50 Bob & Karen Hoceeins
- \$25 Rhona & Robert Conway
- \$25 Robert & Christine Abbey

We thank all who have made memorial and freewill donations. May God bless you for your generosity. We will keep your intentions and love ones in our prayers.

Mark Your Calendar...Save the Date11-Day Holy Year Italy Pilgrimage Tour Oct. 12-21, 2016 Including the Papal Audience

Visit Italy during the Holy Year of Mercy with Fr. Jack. Walk through the Holy Doors, Mass at the Vatican, Sistine Chapel, Masses at the 3 Major Basilica's. Visit Lago Maggiore, Padova, Venice, Tuscany, Florence, Siena & Rome. For reservations & information call TravelWorld at 570-342-5790.

Happy Spring... With the start of spring we have begun to tidy up our cemeteries. Below are the Graveside Rules for our Cemeteries....

Flower planting is limited to 8" in front of the tombstone. No planting is allowed in the back or on the sides of the tombstone.

Low borders, no higher than one inch above ground level, are permitted in front of hillside graves in order to prevent erosion. Borders interfere with the maintenance of the property and can be hazardous. No dumping on the cemetery grounds or beyond its perimeter.

All decorations, including unplanted and artificial flowers, must be removed at the end of a three week period or be subject to removal. Any holiday decorations once unsightly must be removed. Christmas decorations must be removed by January 31

No shrub, bush or tree planting is allowed. Existing plantings that become unsightly or uncontrollable will be removed by the cemetery without notice.

Loose stone and/or gravel are prohibited on any grave plot. Stone and/or gravel currently in place must be removed for safety purposes. During mowing they can become projectiles dangerous to people and damaging to surrounding monuments and machinery used for cemetery maintenance.

No trespassing on cemetery property after hours. Cemetery hours are 8 am to sundown.

Liturgy Corner: Did You Know?

Third Sunday at Easter

The paschal candle should stand in the sanctuary during the entire seven weeks of Easter Time.

This candle symbolizes the risen Christ who conquers sin and death and, for that reason, is lit during baptisms and funerals as well.

Each year, a new paschal candle is prepared during the opening rites at the Easter Vigil. It is marked with a cross, an alpha and omega, and the numerals of the year. Five grains of incense, representing the wounds of Christ, are also embedded into the wax.

Spring Lottery Winners

4/1 #330 G. Zdanowicz
4/2 #256 Lena Spagnuolo
4/3 #806 Florence DePolo
The winner of the seller's tickets are Liz Segeda
\$50 and Kevin O'Connor \$10 Congratulations to all!!!!!!

The Youth Group would like to extand a BIG THANK YOU to everyone who gave so generously to help make our Easter Egg Hunt a success this year. Thank you to the members for donating over 2,000 eggs and candy for the Egg Hunt, to the parents that were able to help out that day. The members did an over the top job! The 2016 Easter Egg Hunt was a success. It was held inside due to the cold weather. We hope everyone had a great time! Over 70 children participated this year. We could not have done it without your support and generosity.

Holy Redeemer High School announces its Art Show, Spring Concert and Senior Waltz on Saturday, April 16th and Sunday, Apirl 17 in McCarthy Auditorium. Art Show begins at 6PM and Concert/Waltz at 7PM.

SS Peter and Paul Parish is excited to announce that we are organizing a **Bereavement Ministry** and we are looking for committee members. The Bereavement Ministry will serve and comfort members of our parish family when a loved one passes away. The members of this ministry will be guided to successfully implement our mission to give comfort and support to grieving families. Depending on the need of a family we may, visit the funeral home, attend the funeral mass, host a luncheon in Bernardine Hall, offer grief support, provide grief literature, celebrate a Blue Mass, send cards, provide personal visits and contact during the holidays. This ministry will offer you the opportunity to grow spiritually by showing your love and compassion. Come be a part of this wonderful ministry of service. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.

Marriage Moments

"Talking to your man is different from talking to your girlfriend. By and large, a man wants the bottom line. Cut the amount of prelude by approximately 90%, and you'll get it just about right." (from Smart Marriages). Yes, this is a stereotype but stereotypes often hold a kernel of truth. Does this fit your marriage?

- Susan Vogt

Please return your Rice Bowls, they can be given to the ushers before Mass or placed in the collection basket. Thank you for your support.

The Diocese of Scranton currently has an opening for a Full Time Administrative Assistant at Mount Olivet Cemetery, Carverton. This Position will staff the cemetery office interacting with Families, Funeral Directors, etc. in need of cemetery services. Applicant must possess good communication skills and prior computer softwar experience such as Microsoft Word and Excel. The postion is 37.5 hours per week working one half day every other Saturday. The position also includes a comprehensive benefits package. Applications can be obtained at the Cemetery office located at 612 Mount Olivet Road, Carverton, by email, mtolivet@epix.net or by contacting the Diocesan Human Resources Office at 570-207-1453. **Registrations are taking place now at Holy Redeemer High School**. Any student who is interested in shadowing or registrating for high school may call Guidance for information at 570-829-2424.

Homemade Pasta & Sausage Dinner will be held at St. Maria Goretti, Laflin Road on Sunday, April 10 from noon to 5PM. Dinner includes salad, rolls/butter, beverage and Dessert. Take outs begin at noon to 4PM. Tickets available at the door, adults \$11, children 5years old and under are free for "eat in only." Facilities are Handicapped Accessible, ample and free parking available.

Exaltation of the Holy Cross, 420 Main Road,

Hanover Township is sponsoring a Book and Bake Sale on Thursday, Apirl 14th and Friday, April 15th from 10AM to 6PM and Saturday, April 16th from 10AM to 4PM. Gently used books at bargain pricing. For information please call Barry at 570-200-5634 or Sylvia at 570-825-6370

Bulletin Briefs

All of us are called to offer others an explicit witness to the saving love of the Lord, who despite our imperfections to offer us his closeness, his word and his strength, and gives meaning to our lives.

High School Juniors Are Invited to 'Come and

See' if the Old College Undergraduate Seminary program is the right fit for you. Spend the weekend with the current Old Collegians, meet with a vocations director, and tour the Notre Dame and Holy Cross College campuses. Visit holycrossvocatons.org to learn more. April 14-16, 2016.

Plains Little League will hold a Nite at the Races on Friday, April 22 *at SS Peter and Paul Church, in Bernardine Hall.*. Sponsors for the races are needed cost is \$75. Food & raffle prizes basket donations are also welcome. Donation/horse pruchase flyers are available thru the Plains Baseball website. Any help or questions can contact Phil Latinski at 570-212-1105. Thanks for your support!

NECESSARY

Grace is necessary to salvation, free will is equally so; but grace in order to give salvation, free will in order to receive it. ____St. Bernard

The Pennsylvania Northeast Chapter of the American Cuild of Organists $(A \subseteq O)$ is

American Guild of Organists (AGO) is conducting its sixth annual "Pedals, Pipes and Pizza" program for children and adults on Sunday, April 17th from 2 to 4PM at Saint Nicholas Chruch, 226 South Washington Street in Wilkes-Barre. Are you uplifted by the sound of organ music you hear in church? Have you ever wondered how this instrument is played and what make it work? Come and learn about the many different types of sounds the organ can make, and listen to some music! Those who play the piano are encouraged to bring some music to play on the organ. Pizza will be served at the end of the day's activities. The event is informal, free of charge and open to all. Please register online at www.agopane.org.

Parenting Pointers

"Together were Simon Peter, Thomas, Nathanael, Zebedee's sons, and two others...": (John 21:2) Jesus' friends decide to go on a fishing trip. At first they don't recognized Jeuss on shore. How many of your child's friends can you name? Talk together about their personalities and strengths.

Susan Vogt

Second Annual Catholic Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, April 23 at King's College in Wilkes-Barre. This year Dr. Scott Hahn, Msgr. Charles Pope and Michael McGlynn will be our speakers. Bishop Joseph Bambera will celebrate the closing Mass for the day. For on-line information and to register go to <u>www.BeAManConference.com</u> or for other questions go to Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213 or contact Mike Kilmer at 570-746-0100 or <u>michaelkilmer71@gamail.com</u>.

Annual Pro-Life Spring Flea Market will be held on Friday, April 15th from 2pm to 6pm and Saturday, April 16th from 8am to 4pm at Wyoming Valley Presbyterian Fowler Hall, 2 Lockhart Street, Wilkes-Barre. There is plenty of free parking and treasures for everyone. \$5 a bag on Saturday from 2pm to 4pm. Featruing jewelry, dolls, Belleek, Lenox, Staffordshire Ironstone, Paden City Pottery, Quoizel Lighting, silverware, houseware, home décor, knick knacks, linens, purses, toys, holiday items, dishes, vases, glassware, DVDs, CDs, VHS, luggage, small appliances, picture frames, and much more! Proceeds benefit the Pro-Life Cneter, Wilkes-Barre. If you would like to donate items please call 570-826-1819.