

# **SS. Peter and Paul Parish**

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

Fífth Sunday of Easter Apríl 24, 2016

"Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race." — Revelation 21:3

# 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.

# Office

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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



М	4/25	7AM	Communion Service
Т	4/26	7AM	Joseph Pascucci
			by Gentile Pascucci
W	4/27	7AM	Ceil Toloczko by Daughter, Sandy Toloczko
Th	4/28	7AM	Robert Yakaski
			by Mr. & Mrs. Frank Kowalski Jr.
F	4/29	7AM	Jack, Mary & Jack Jr. Tomshack
			by Isabelle Pawloski
S	4/30	4PM	Frances Wanek
			by Pat Stella
S	4/31	8AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners
		11AM	Theresa Marchak
			by Husband & Children

### TRUE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Can you imagine a world such as the one put before us in today's scripture readings? Communities of believers everywhere would support and encourage one another and be identified as Christians by the way they love each other. It would be a world with no tears, no death and mourning, no crying out in pain. "Behold, I make all things new," we hear the Son of God say in the second reading from the book of Revelation (21:5).

Is this world of John's vision only imaginary? Are these faithful followers for whom Jesus prayed only a savior's dream? Today they are put before us as a worthy goal. How much closer can we come to this vision of a true Christian community in our lives today? Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

First Reading — Paul and Barnabas continue their travels, spreading the faith and unifying the churches (Acts 14:21-27).

Psalm — I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — John's vision of God dwelling with the human race (Revelation 21:1-5a).

Gospel — As Jesus has loved us, so we must love one another (John 13:31-33a, 34-35).

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# Blessed Virgin Mary Votive Candle

Dominick & Josephine Baracci

#### April 17, 2016

Contribution	\$8,290
Dues	\$3,220
Easter	\$768
Insurance	\$150
Utility	\$11
Care of the Priest	\$52
St. Vincent de Paul	\$21

#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Fifth Sunday of Easter;
	Julian Calendar Palm Sunday
Monday:	St. Mark
Wednesday:	Administrative Professionals Day
Thursday:	St. Peter Chanel;
	St. Louis Grignion de Montfort
Friday:	St. Catherine of Siena; Arbor Day;
	Julian Calendar Good Friday
Saturday:	St. Pius V

#### Pastor

Rev. John C. Lambert Rev. Joseph Greskiewicz

Liturgical/Musical Consultant and Choir Director Joan Turel

Faith Formation Sande Holena

Facilities Engineer Michael Levandowski

Pastor Emeritus

Eucharistic Minister/Lectors David Loiacono Ushers Paul Muczynski

OrganistsAltar ServersChristine Katsock & Charles UniceGloria Flynn

Food Pantry	Youth Group
Pauline Markowski	MaryAnn and Michael Quinn

## Parish Activities April 24 through May 1

Sun.	9:30AM	Faith Formation Confirmation 2016	School
Mon.	5PM 6:30PM 7PM	Quilting Rosary Faith Sharing	Parish Center 2 <sup>nd</sup> FL Parish Center 1 <sup>st</sup> FL Parish Center 2 <sup>nd</sup> FL
Tues.	9AM	Quilting	Parish Center 2 <sup>nd</sup> FL
Wed.	7PM	Choir	Church
Thurs.	9AM	Quilting	Parish Center 2 <sup>nd</sup> FL
Sun.	9:30AM	Faith Formation Confirmation 2016	School

#### **Spring Lottery Winners**

4/11	#925	M Kozick
4/12	#005	Marion Koneski
4/13	#602	Lisa Giovannini
4/14	#119	Denise Scalzo
4/15	#700	Anthony Szymanski
4/16	#048	Joe Kropiewnicki
4/17	#816	Laura Kosco
	C	Congratulations to all!!!!!!

# 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.

The Passtoral Council is continuing to hold focus groups in order to listen to the parish community to plan for the future of our Parish. Recently we heard from the Food Pantry Volunteers. A few areas they shared with us were: more oppportunity for individuals to volunteer, inexpensive social activities for families of the parish to enjoy, a makeover of Bernardine Hall, a shuttle or transportation for evening activities held at the Parish, limit handicap parking areas to those who are handicap and inforcing proper parking in our parking lots.

### **Marriage Moments**

"Love one another." (John 13:35) You're married. Of course you love your spouse. But Jesus keeps repeating this command to love. Perhaps it is because love is never finished. Look for a new opportunity to show your love today. Surprise your beloved.

- Susan Vogt

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.



# Liturgy Corner: Did You Know?

# Fifth Sunday at Easter

Our first reading today and for all the Sundays of Easter Time is from the Acts of the Apostles.

This book is considered to be a continuation of the Gospel of Luke – composed by the same author and similarly meant for a Gentile audience.

It is a theological essay about the growth and development of the early church as it spread from Jerusalem to Rome.

Though its title sounds as if it is about the twelve apostles, it is primarily concerned with the activities of Peter and Paul.

# **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.

# **Bulletin Briefs**

"Assisted suicide may sound like it provies choices for individuals, but instead, it's taking choices away from people by radically weakening the promise of care and support at the end of life for terminally ill patients like me."

> Maggie's Story: Living like Dad USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

# Wyoming Area Catholic School 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf

**Tournament** will be held on Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at Blue Ridge Golf Course in Mountaintop. Registration begins at 11:30AM – Shotgun Start at 1:30PM. Further information n sponsorship and particiapation is available at <u>www.wacsh.com</u> or by calling the school office at 570-654+-7982.

# **Parenting Pointers**

Gratitude can be an overused word these days, but that doesn't mean we should neglect it. Play a "Gratitude Game" with your child. See if each of you can list 10 things you're grateful for today. If something bad happens, see if you can find a silver lining. - Susan Vogt **10 Day Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** will be offered over 5 different departure dates. We will be departing JFK Airport on November 6, December 5, January 9, February 6 and March 6 at the all land and air inclusive costs of \$2,200 - \$2,249 in twin accommodations and depending on the date you choose. Air can be made available from your home city. We will be visiting Tel Aviv, Jaffa, Caesarea, Acre, Nazareth, Cana. Tiberius, Sea of Galilee, Tagba, Capernaum, Mt. Tabor, Bethlehem, Jerusalem, and more. Brochures and reservations forms available at the Catholic Tour at 877-627-4268 toll free or simply email at jimadair@thecatholictour.com

Holy Family Parish, Sugar Notch will hold their Derby Day Night at the Races on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. It will be held in the church hall. Doors open at 5PM, dinner is at 5:30PM and post time is 6:30PM. Buffet is included with horse sponsorhip of \$10. Menu will be chicken scampi with pasta, ziti lasagna, American pierogi, cole slaw, pasta salad, ham, copper penny salad, baked beans, lazy piggies and desert. For more information or to sponsor a horse please contact the rectory at 570-822-8983.

# King's College Cantores Christi Regis Spring

**Concert** will be held on Friday April 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM, and Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:30PM in the Chapel of Christ the King. The choir will present their annual Spring Concert, which will include a wide varitey of choral selections, such as "Listen to the Music," "Battle of Jericho," "A Jubilant Song," and many others. The concert will be a fun and enjoyable way to begin the Spring Season. The concert is free. For more information please contact Rob Yenkowski at 570-208-6044 or by e-mail at <u>robertyenkowski@kings.edu</u>.

# **Graduate Discernment Retreat**

Hve you ever felt that you might be called to be a priest or a brother? If you are a college graduate, and would like to learn more about how to discern whether God might be calling you, we would like to invite you to join us at Moreau Seminar on May 20-22. Come stay with us for the weekend, and set aside some time for Mass, prayer and presentations from Holy Cross Priests focused specifically on discernment. Contact the Office of Vocations at 570-631-6385 or email us at

<u>vocation@holycrossusa.org</u> for more information or to register.

