

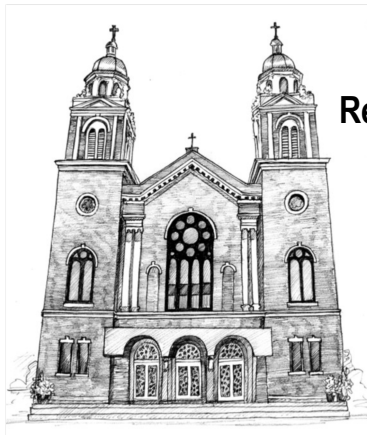
Parish of Saints Peter and Paul

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Saints Peter and Paul/Saint Benedict

Monday 8am—7pm
Tuesday 8am—4pm
Wednesday 8am—7pm
Thursday 8am—4pm
Friday 8am—12 Noon

Office closed daily Noon—12:30pm

Weekend Mass Schedule **Saturday**

4pm—Saints Peter and Paul
5:30pm—Saint Benedict

Sunday

7:30am—Saints Peter & Paul
10am—Saints Peter and Paul
11:30am—Saint Benedict

Confession

By appointment anytime

Saints Peter and Paul

Daily 6:30am-6:45am
Saturday 3pm-3:30pm

Saint Benedict

after the 5:30pm Mass

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 Parishes of Saints Peter and Paul and St. Benedict open wide their doors
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ*

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

Saints Peter and Paul Parish

1039 Families receive envelopes

May 25 276 attended the 4pm Mass
175 Families used their envelopes and offered \$3,475

May 26 124 attended the 7:30am Mass
106 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,505

240 attended the 10am Mass

123 Families used their envelopes and offered \$2,812

Tithe from

404 Families was \$7,792

Bernardine Bucks \$354

The Second Collection this weekend at SsPP will be for

Catholic Communications Campaign

Next week's Collection at SsPP will be for

Care and Education of Priests

Please be generous!!!

Saint Benedict Parish

429 Families receive envelopes

May 25 109 attended the 5:30pm Mass
84 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,405

May 26 85 attended the 11:30am Mass
72 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,770

Tithe from

156 Families was \$3,175

Thank you for your continued generous Support!



Stewardship

God has entrusted us with many gifts: Time, Talent & Treasure. We hope and pray that all members will share their gifts, and continue to share the Good News of Jesus with all people.

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY

May 20	#141	Saints Peter and Paul
May 21	#603	Barbara Lipka
May 22	#587	Len Romanecz
May 23	#095	Elsie Kosmach
May 24	#596	Joe Spagnuolo
May 25	#697	Saints Peter and Paul
May 26	#242	Jim Slocum

Congratulations to all!!!!

The Staff of

Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict

Diana Pehala, Parish Secretary & Cemeteries

Mary Ann Gottlieb, Parish Secretary

Nina Cinti, Faith Formation Coordinator

Michael Lambert, Maintenance

Greg Day, Maintenance

Chuck Unice, Festival Choir Director, Organist

Tom Zurla, Organist

Jill Fiedorczyk, Organist

Gina Macaravage, Organist

Ben Berrini, Sacristan

Dave Loiacono, Ministers Scheduler

Paul Muczynski, Ushers

Nathan Smith, Altar Servers

Bernardine Hall Renovation Fund

The Bernardine Sisters gave 104 years of service as teachers to the children of Saints Peter and Paul Parish. In 2015 the former cafeteria was renamed **Bernardine Hall** in their honor. It has been many years since any work has been done. For the next 3 years we will be focusing on sprucing it up and making the necessary repairs. (Lighting, heating, electrical, air and a cosmetic face lift) Please consider joining together to make this possible. Money can be sent in at any time throughout the next three years to fund this project.

To date we have received contributions from **236** families in the amount of **\$46,460**

Don't miss out on being a part of this endeavor!!!

Word

6. The Gift of Piety

Also known as the gift of “Reverence”, here we serve God purely out of love, trust, and admiration. A bitter truth is that many of us profess our love for God, yet forcefully abide by the Biblical way of living, as if compelled to do so only because we are Christians. However, upon receiving this gift, we include God in everything, in matters big and small. Under the blessing of the Holy Spirit, we don’t pray, help, or minister by force, or because it’s the law, but because we love God and want everyone to witness His mercy. Pretty much like how a child follows the footsteps of his father, because that is the path that will keep him safe.

7. The Gift of Fear of the Lord

The gift of the ‘Fear of the Lord’ doesn’t imply to be fearful in terms of being punished or persecuted by the Lord, in fact, it implies being fearful as to not offend our dear Lord because He is the reason we are. As believers, we have witnessed His help, love, protection, and mercy in our lives numerous times. And, in our hearts we also know that we can’t exist without His loving hand on us. Therefore, the Fear of the Lord is a gift, a belief that we will be given the grace and protection in times of trial, so as to not offend our Lord in any manner. We are His children and He is our loving Father. Why would children offend a Father who loves them so much?

Saint Thomas Aquinas divided these seven gifts into two categories. 1) Gifts that direct the intellect, and 2) Gifts that direct the will towards God. The gifts of wisdom, understanding, knowledge, and counsel come in the intellectual category, while fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord draw our will towards the Lord. If you observe closely, all these gifts are quite interrelated to each other, and one seems impossible without the other. For instance, without knowledge there cannot be understanding and wisdom. Also, piety, fear of the Lord, and fortitude are closely interlinked.

Seventh Sunday of Easter or The Ascension of the Lord

Sunday

The Ascension of the Lord:

Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or

4:1-7, 11-13; Mk 16:15-20

Seventh Sunday of Easter:

Acts 7:55-60;
Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20;
Jn 17:20-26

Monday

Acts 19:1-8;
Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday

Acts 20:17-27;
Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday

Acts 20:28-38;
Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday

Acts 22:30, 23:6-11;
Jn 17:20-26

First Friday

Acts 25:13b-21;
Jn 21:15-19

Saturday

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31;
Jn 21:20-25

Faith Formation

Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict

Confirmation practice will be on Wednesday, June 5th at 6pm.

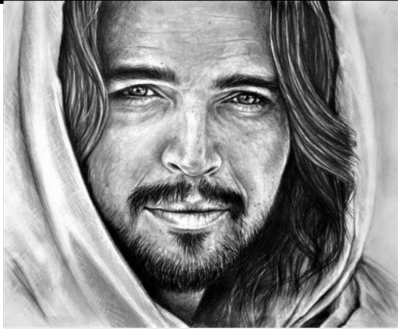
Have you ever thought about teaching Faith Formation to the next generation of Catholics? We are looking for a few volunteers to join us for the 2019-2020 school year as both teachers and as aides or substitutes. We’ll provide the training! Please email Nina at faithformation@sspeterandpaulplains.com or call 570-825-6663



The Sunday Good News

Saint Benedict & Saints Peter & Paul

June 2, 2019



*O Lord Jesus,
I adore You,
Son of Mary,
my Savior and my
Brother,
for You are God.
I follow You in my
thoughts,
O first fruits of our race,
as I hope one day by
Your grace
to follow You in my
person
into heavenly glory.
In the meantime,
don't let me neglect the
earthly task
that You have given me.
Let me labor diligently
all my life
with a greater
appreciation for the
present.
Let me realize
that only by
accomplishing
true human fulfillment
can I attain Divine
fulfillment
and ascend to You at the
completion of my work.
Amen*

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 7:55-60

Stephen was filled with the Holy Spirit, and described seeing Jesus standing at God's right hand. Then he was dragged away and stoned to death before many witnesses who did not believe his words. Before dying he cried, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them."

Second Reading: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

John hears a voice saying, "Remember I am coming soon!" This messenger for Jesus says that he will come to reward those who are deserving. Those who hear the call of the Spirit are encouraged to answer by accepting Jesus.

Gospel: John 17:20-26

Jesus prays for all the people who will believe in him through the words of his disciples. His prayer is that the world will live in unity, with Jesus living in us as he lives in God. Although we have not known God, we know Jesus was sent by God because of his love for us. He prays that this love will live on in all people.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Seventh Sunday of Easter or The Ascension of the Lord June 2, 2019

"The witnesses laid down their cloaks at the feet of a young man named Saul. As they were stoning Stephen, he called out, 'Lord Jesus receive my spirit. Then he fell to his knees and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord do not hold this sin against them,' and when he said this he fell asleep."

On many occasions we are touched by an event. Someone does something heroic, or shows great kindness. We might not remember their name or the circumstance. The two individuals singled out by St. Luke, we remember one for his heroism and one for his eventual conversion.

The deacon Stephen suffered martyrdom. Saul eventually met the Lord and became the great St. Paul. Like Jesus at Calvary, Stephen entrusted his life to the Lord and offered forgiveness for his murderers. The persecutor became the great preacher and apostle.

As we reflect upon the life of the early church, may we see that Christians are persecuted in countless places today. Martyrdom continues in Syria and Iraq. St. Oscar Romero in El Salvador, and the Oklahoma priest Blessed Stephen Rother, in our own time tell us the blood of Christians is still being shed. As members of the body of Christ, we pray for all who suffer as victims of religious oppression, and offer our own forgiveness to those who offend us.

Jesus promised the apostles and promises us: 'stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.'



Worship

We Remember

A Communion Service will be held at Saint Benedict this week.

Masses at Saints Peter and Paul this week

Monday	6-3	7am	Communion Service
Tuesday	6-4	7am	Kathleen Lanza by Friends Dorothy Stucker by Marie Lalko & Family
Wednesday	6-5	7am	Bert & Fran DeSimone by Ernest & Dolores Tresse Sophie Barna by Janice Presaverto
Thursday	6-6	7am	Francis Gavin by Michael & Phyllis Jacewicz Joseph Bitonti by Dawn Evans
Friday	6-7	7am	Michael & Frances Wanek by Jarvie Family Joseph Kozemko by Comparetta Family

Weekend Masses at Saints Peter and Paul

Saturday	6-8	4pm	Joseph Guzinski & Albert Guzinski by wife, mother & Joseph
Sunday	6-9	7:30am	Dorothy Murray by Bernard & Sandy Frantz
		10am	Anthony Wilk by Kimberly Coley
		5pm	Confirmation Mass

Weekend Masses at Saint Benedict

Saturday	6-8	5:30pm	Living and Deceased Parishoners
Sunday	6-9	11:30am	Mark Merlie by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Merlie

Mass Intentions

Each family will be allowed two (2) Mass Intentions per year. All requests must be done personally.

1. Masses must first be taken from the Mass Intention Book, before a new request may be made.
2. Only **ONE** weekend Mass intention per family will be honored.
3. Only parishioners may request Mass intentions.



*Confirmation Sunday, June
9th 5pm.*

**The Mass book for 2020 will open
Tuesday, July 2nd, starting at 10am.**

Holy Family Votive

John & Stanis Kunicki



Lady of Lourdes

Mary Weiss

Saints Peter and Paul Parish Sanctuary Candle

John & Stanis Kunicki

Service

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 give an example: as I have done, so you must do."
(John 12:2-15)

Saint Benedict's Loaves and Fishes

For the month of **June** will be collecting **canned fruit**.

Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry

Anyone in the Plains, Miners Mills and Parsons 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 donations are always accepted, place in the basket in the Vestibule of the Church.

Saints Peter and Paul's Treasures is accepting new or gently used spring and summer clothing for men, women and children. Shoes and purses in excellent condition as well. Treasures strives to maintain current style trends and clean quality clothing. Thank you for your continued support.



Annual Choose Your Own Quilt Bingo

The women of Saints Peter and Paul have been working hard all year long and are ready to share their talent with you!!!

On Sunday, October 13 we will hold our ANNUAL QUILT BINGO. Doors will open at 11:30am and games will begin at 1pm. There will be 10 regular games played and 6 specials (extra). Pre admission tickets are \$20 (that is just \$2 per regular game to win a handmade quilt!!) and \$25 at the door. Tickets can be purchased through the office or any quilter. A raffle will be held in conjunction with the bingo. Anyone wishing to place a handmade item on the raffle is asked to contact Janet Soller 570-824-5906 or drop off the item at the office. Tickets for the raffle will be made up and sent to each family of Saints Peter and Paul Parish. We will display a different quilt each week in the vestibule until the bingo so you can view all the quilts for this year's bingo! If you are a winner *you* get to choose the quilt you want. Consolation prizes will be awarded if there is more than 1 winner, with homemade items as giveaways throughout the bingo. The kitchen will be open and many of our favorite foods will be featured. So spend the afternoon with us and maybe you'll be lucky enough to win a homemade treasure!!!

Upcoming Events - Save the Date

Ice Cream Social - To be announced
Stewardship Ministry Fair - September 7
Fall Lottery - Sept 7—September 29
Pierogi Making - September 21

Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict Ministries

Pauline Makowski, Food Pantry
Janet Soller, Quilting
Mary Jo Marek, Prayer Shawl
Laura Rudloff, Treasures
Irene Martin, Women's Society of Saints Peter and Paul
Barbara Zirnhelt, Council of Catholic Women
Kathy Grinaway, Hospitality
Donna Mansfield, Hospitality

Summer Lottery

Awards will begin July 1st through September 30th
Prizes are \$25 Monday through Sat., \$100 on Sunday.
\$300 on July 4-Independence Day
August 15— The Assumption and
September 2— Labor Day
Cost \$10. Anyone selling 25 or more will be entered into the \$50 Sellers drawing and 10 or more into the \$10 Sellers drawing. Lottery tickets available starting June 1 & 2

Circle of Prayer

Many of us need the prayers of a praying faith community. To request prayers or to join our circle of prayer please contact Mary Jo Marek at 570-825-6969.

June Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Lottery Sold	3 Quilting 5pm Prayer Shawl 5pm <i>Treasures 6pm</i> Rosary 6:30pm Faith Sharing 7pm	4 Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	5 Festival Choir 7pm	30 Quilting 9am	7 <i>Treasures 10am</i>	8 Lottery Sold
9 Lottery Sold Confirmation Mass 5pm	10 Quilting 5pm Prayer Shawl 5pm <i>Treasures 6pm</i> Rosary 6:30pm Faith Sharing 7pm	11 Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	12	13 Quilting 9am Pastoral Council 6:30pm	14 <i>Treasures 10am</i>	15 Lottery Sold
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23 Lottery Sold	24 Quilting 5pm Prayer Shawl 5pm <i>Treasures 6pm</i> Rosary 6:30pm Faith Sharing 7pm	25 Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	26	27 Quilting 9am Finance 6:30pm	28 <i>Treasures 10am</i>	29 Lottery Sold



Summer Chess Camp for Students

Attention students in grades 2 through 8, **The Academy of Chess, LLC**, will again host chess camps from June 17-21 and July 15-19, in the Parish

Center of Saints Peter and Paul.

Meetings will take place from 9am-11:30am.

You don't need to know how to play chess; we will teach you all of the basics and even strategy and tactics. You will make new friends and learn a fun and challenging game. Parents and guardians are also invited to attend and stay for a short lesson.

To register and RSVP go to

www.academyofchessllc.com and click on the "Chess Camp" link.

Questions, call: 570-574-4603

Parish Cemeteries Plots are available in each of our Parish Cemeteries, for purchase (Saints Peter and Paul, Sacred Heart, St. Joseph and St. Francis) . For information contact the Parish Office.

Father's Day Cards

If you wish to remember anyone in the Father's Day Masses you can obtain the card for living fathers and the envelope for deceased fathers (on the table in the back of the Church and side entrance), place the envelope in the collection basket, or bring it to the Parish Office.

Saints Peter and Paul Finance Committee

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Cheryl Woloski, Internal Audit and Compliance

Tracy Schooley, Human Resources

Saint Benedict Finance Committee

Steve Yenchak, Chairman

Tom Kozerski

Jodi Gunari

Ed Yenchak

Community Happenings

Individualized One-Hour Instruction Sessions will be available for students in various subjects throughout the summer. Areas include Math, Reading, Science, English, and Social Studies. Remedial or preparation for new school year in the fall. For more information, email: lamp1148@hotmail.com or call 570-417-1100 between 1-4pm, or in the evenings after 6:00.

The Wyoming Valley Barbershop Harmony Chorus will be presenting its 2019 Spring show, "HARMONY ROAD TRIP" Saturday, June 8 at Wyoming Seminary's Kirby Center for Creative Arts, 295 North Sprague Ave. in Kingston. \$15 General Admission. Group Pricing..10 or more tickets at \$10 each. For tickets call (570) 285-4810 or visit...singwb.com. Doors open at 6:45pm. Showtime is 7:30 pm.

Protecting God's Children (Virtus) a training program for adults is scheduled for Wednesday, June 12, 2019, at 6pm., at the Catholic Youth Center (CYC), Wilkes-Barre. If you are an adult employee or volunteer who has direct contact or routine interaction with children, please make every effort to participate in this training.

The 2nd Annual Catholic Women's Conference of NEPA "come to the well- refresh your faith". Buy your tickets today \$40.00/person. Saturday, June 22, 2019, University of Scranton, Byron Complex, Scranton, PA. For details and registration: www.cwcnepa.com

ISLI Leadership Retreat – July 8-11, 2019 The International Student Leadership Institute (ISLI) is a peer-facilitated faith-based leadership retreat developed at the University of Notre Dame. The ISLI retreat is designed to provide the knowledge and skills necessary to excel in both the leadership and membership roles of task oriented groups. During the retreat, participants take part in small group tasks. Complete applications are required by Monday, July 1 2019. Apply early as there are a limited number of spaces available for I.S.L.I. If the spaces fill quickly, applications may close before July 1st. For further information, please call Shannon Kowalski at 570-207-2213, ext. 1155.



Notre Dame Collection The world watched with sadness as fire destroyed the historic Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, causing severe damage to the centuries-old structure. The Bishop's Office has received calls from many seeking ways to support the rebuilding of this historic church building. The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. has set up a fund to help rebuild the cathedral. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has assured us that all proceeds received through the Shrine fund will be used solely for the restoration of Notre Dame Cathedral. Proceeds can be sent to: Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception; Attention: Monsignor Walter Rossi, Rector; 400 Michigan Avenue, NE; Washington, D.C. 20017. Checks should be made payable to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Indicate "Cathedral of Notre Dame Fund" in the memo portion of the check.

All Donations
Welcome

The 10th Annual VOCATIONS Golf Classic 2019



Benefitting
Our Future
Priests

**MONDAY
JULY 8, 2019**

Blue Ridge Trail Club
Mountain Top

11:00 a.m. Lunch
12 p.m. Start
Awards Dinner Following

Your gift fosters vocations, benefits seminarians directly and helps ensure no man hesitates to answer God's call due to prior financial obligation.

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Please make checks payable to Diocese of Scranton "Vocations Endowment."



Quo Vadis Days 2019 will be held June 23-26 at Misericordia University, Dallas. This camp is for young Catholic men in High School (9-12th grade) to deepen their faith, learn more about all vocations, and better discern God's call in their lives. The camp will feature dynamic talks, prayer, games, sports, activities, music and more. Participants will have the opportunity to meet priests and seminarians of the Diocese of Scranton. Online registration is now open at vocations.dioceseofscranton.org. For more information, call 570-207-1452.

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, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, 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 child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement.

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 victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well being. As such, information 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



OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

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November 8, 2018

Dear Friends,

I wrote to you in August and pledged that I would do all that I can to restore your trust in the Church and to provide a safe environment for your children. This continues to be my priority.

This week, we announced our Independent Survivors Compensation Program, which I believe is another step along the path towards healing for survivors. I believe wholeheartedly that survivors deserve to have their voice heard. They deserve recognition of their pain and suffering. It is our responsibility to offer a solution of our own.

Several weeks ago, Pennsylvania's Bishops announced support of such a program, which was recently discussed but not enacted by the Pennsylvania Grand Assembly. We are therefore moving forward and offering this Program for survivors. Participation in the Program by survivors is entirely voluntary.

The Program will be administered by Kenneth Feinberg and Camille Biros, two leading experts in mediation and alternative dispute resolution. They will oversee the claim process and will have absolute autonomy in determining compensation for survivors. This firm has managed a number of high-profile compensation programs nationwide, including similar programs started by five Catholic Dioceses in New York. This Program will review cases quickly and efficiently to provide compensation to survivors, so they can continue along the path towards healing.

There will also be an Independent Oversight Committee to oversee the implementation and administration of the Program. To be clear, the Diocese will have no authority over this committee.

It is important for you to know that parish and school assets, as well as contributions and bequests from parishioners and donations to the Diocesan Annual Appeal, will not be used to fund the Program. Rather, we will use available reserves and will sell assets and borrow money as needed. We will strive to maintain our core mission to serve the local community. Our commitment to the people of the Diocese of Scranton remains true.

The Diocese continues to refine the Program so that it better serves survivors. Further details concerning the Program will be made available in the near future, including a website for survivors to obtain information and claim forms.

Thank you for your attention. Please continue to pray for survivors, their families and the community at large.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

† *Joseph C. Bambera*

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.
Bishop of Scranton

**“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 Disciples 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.

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