

SS. Peter and Paul Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) June 7, 2015

The cup of salvation I will take up, and I will call upon the name of the Lord - Psalm 1116:13

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; o 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 8am – 6pm Tuesday and Thursday noon – 6pm Wednesday 8am – noon Friday and Saturday by appointment

Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 7am Wednesday – 6pm Saturday 4pm Sunday 8am & 11am

Confessions

Daily 6:30am Saturday 3:15pm And by appointment

Parish Center (570)822-8761

Working Together to Build the Kingdom of God

Mass Intentions for the Week June 8 through June 14 Anthony Wilk by SS Peter & Paul Choir 7am Mon. Tues. 7am John Krulack by Harold & Audrey Golomb Wed. 7am Communion Service Thurs. 7am Anita Campanella by Peter & Jole Gelsomivi Fri. Chester & Stella Piontek 7am & Theresa Rinehimer by Stan & Elizabeth Miskiewicz & Family Sat. Albert Guzenski (A) 4pm by Mother & Family Robert Tomasetti (A) Sun. 8am by Sister & Family 11am **Parishioners**

Message of the Week *Matthew 28:16-20*

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

It's easy to take this formula for granted. Every time we attend Mass, we make the sign of the cross and say, "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Many of us also make the sign of the cross before meals or to begin our personal prayers. Because we are so used to hearing this Trinitarian reference to the one God in three persons, we might tend to gloss over its significance. But today, on the feast of the Most Holy Trinity, we stop to remind ourselves what this really means.

Perhaps the most beautiful part of this great mystery of God's nature is what it means for us. We believe in a God whose every essence is made up of loving relationships between three divine persons. It follows that, as people made in God's image (cf. Gn 1:27), we are to live in loving relationships. We are made to love: to love God, to love one another, and to love ourselves. Our God is not a force, a power, or an idea. Our God is personal God who loves each of us and calls us to do the same.

Cowardly

To know what is right and not to do it is the worst cowardice. - Confucius

In Memory of The Sanctuary Lamp

Allan Makowski

Votive by the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thomas Czekalski

May 31, 2015

Contribution	\$6,922
Care and Education of Priest	\$24
Charity	\$998
Dues	\$674
Maintenance	\$127
Cemetery	\$20
Catholic Communication Campaign	\$13
Ascension	\$24
Father's Day	\$143
Air Conditioning	\$299
Insurance	\$10

Questions of the Week? Matthew 28:16-20:

How well are you responding to the call to evangelize?

Deuteronomy 4:32-43, 39-40

What do you see as the key to prosperity for you and your family?

Romans 8:14-17:

How so you know when you are participating in the life of the Father, Son, and Spirit?

Pastor	Pastor Emeritus
Rev. John Boyle	Rev. Joseph Greskiewicz
Religious Education	Music
Sande Holena	Christine Katsock
Eucharistic Minister/ David Loiacono	Lectors Ushers Paul Muczynski
Youth Group	Altar Servers
Maryann and Michael Q	uinn Gloria Flynn
Food Pantry Pauline Makowski	Security Shiloh & Kolbe Inc.

Buildings/Maintenance/Properties

Michael Levandowski



Pope Francis' words on the New Evangelization

"The New Evangelization is this: to be aware of the merciful love of the Father so that we also become instruments of salvation for our brothers." Pope Francis made this statement when addressing participants in the plenary assembly of the Pontifical Council for Promoting the New Evangelization at the Vatican this afternoon, as they embark upon planning the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy the Pope has entrusted to their care. The jubilee begins Dec. 8, feast of the Immaculate Conception. The Holy Spirit, the 78-year-old Pope underscored, is "the protagonist of evangelization," as well as "the architect of the growth of the Church in understanding the truth of Christ." "It is He who opens the heart of believers and transforms it." he said, "so that the forgiveness received can become an experience of love for brothers." It is always the Spirit, Francis continued, that opens the minds of the disciples of Christ so they can understand better what is required of them and how they are to give witness. "We are in such need of the Spirit, to open our minds and our hearts," the Pope said, especially given challenges nowadays. "This is what men expect from the Church today: that she is able to walk with them offering the company of the witness of faith, which renders one in solidarity with all, in particular with those most alone and marginalized. How many poor – also poor in the faith – await the Gospel that liberates!" "How many men and women, in the existential peripheries generated by the consumeristic, atheist society, await our closeness and our solidarity!" Saved from weakness. "The help we invoke is already the first step of God's mercy to us," Francis said. "He comes to save us from the condition of weakness in which we live. And his help consists in making us grasp his presence and his closeness." The Holy Father thanked the participants for all they are doing to prepare the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, and reminded them that it is "a Holy Year that I have entrusted to you." In this time of great changes, Pope Francis highlighted, this holy year is to make the gift of mercy appear more evidently as the Church works toward further evangelization. The Holy Father concluded, entrusting them to Mary, imparting his blessing, and asking them to pray for him.

Parish Activities

June 7 through June 14

Sun.	Confirmation 2016	Noon
Mon.	Bible School Registration Quilting Rosary	Due 5pm 6:30p
Tues.	Quilting Finance Meeting	9am 6:30pm
Wed.	1 st Communion Meeting 2016 Confirmation	6:30pm 6pm
Thurs.	Quilting	9am

Bernadine Sisters of St. Francis Appreciation Day

Sat & Sun. Little Bethlehem Christians

I want to thank everyone who helped to make the Day of Appreciation so beautiful and meaningful. The Sisters were absolutely grateful for acknowledging their Community's 104 years of Ministry here at SS. Peter & Paul Parish. The women who worked so diligently in preparing the Reception in **Bernardine Hall** are to be commended for their time and effort in making everyone feel relaxed and well fed!

I pray that the Spirit of St. Francis will bless you and all you do for our Parish.

The Sacrament Of Confirmation

Bishop James C. Timlin, Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Scranton, will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation for SS. Peter & Paul Parish and St. Andre Bessette Parish. The date is Sunday, October 18, at 4:00 PM. Further information will be given when it becomes available.

Father's Day Card are available in the vestibule and side entrance of the church. If you wish to remember you father or relatives in the Father's Day Masses you can obtain the card for the living fathers and the envelope for the deceased fathers, place the envelope in the collection basket or bring it to the Rectory during Office Hours.

New Assignment for Your Pastor

On Saturday, May 30, I received a call from Bishop Bambera to inform me that I will become the Pastor of Most Holy Trinity Parish, Cresco, on June 29. This new parish is the result of three parishes merging. The Bishop told me that I will be the third Pastor in an 18 month period. It will be challenging since a new church building, hall and rectory have to be built. The makeup of the parish necessitates someone who is able to minister not only in English, but also Spanish and Polish. Being able to communicate in these languages, along with my familiarity with the area and people made the Bishop and the Priest's Personnel Board determine I would be the ideal candidate for the pastorate. People may ask: "Weren't you happy at SS. Peter & Paul Parish?" The answer is a resounding "YES". Eighteen months is not a very long assignment – especially in light of my two predecessors and the time Msgr. Pilny served here. I would have been content to remain here until my retirement – in 10 more years. Needless to say, that is not to be. I ask for your prayers as I prepare for this new assignment. I pray that my successor will be someone who is ready and willing to make the message of Jesus Christ alive and vibrant for this great Parish.

Parish Picnic – SS Peter and Paul Feast Day

The date for our Annual Mass and Picnic at Frances Slocum Park is quickly approaching. The date – June 28, will be here before we know it. Mass will take place at 1pm followed by our annual picnic. We will supply the meats and drinks. Those who wish to bring sides dishes, such as salads, veggies, desserts etc... There will be games for the children and bingo for the adults. All are invited to come and enjoy the festivities. Parishioners are free, \$10 for non-parishioners who wish to attend. Please fill out the form below and return it to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

Parish Picnic	
Name:	
Phone:	
Number Attending:	

Little Christians from Bethlehem, Palestine

We are pleased to welcome to our Parish this weekend, Christians from Bethlehem in Palestine. These Christians are providing us with the opportunity to purchase hand carved religious items, made from Olive Wood. These Christians not only support themselves through this ministry, but also help support other Christian Communities in Palestine. Please take time to look at their offerings and assist them is preserving the Christian Presence in the Holy Land. They will be located in the Parish Center, 1st Floor. (where the Rosary is said on Mondays)

Trip to Hershey Park: Once again this year, the Parish will host a day at Hershey Park for the Altar Servers, the young people involved in the Music Ministry, Bible School and the active Members of our Youth Group. The Trip will take place on Tuesday, June 23. The bus will leave our lower parking lot at 7:45 and will return to Plains between 8 & 9 PM. In order for you to take part in this "Appreciation Day", please call the Parish Office by June 11 to make reservations. Parents and siblings are invited to accompany us, the discounted rate is \$50 per adult and \$45 for children (3 to 8). This a "first come – first served" situation. When all the tickets that have been ordered are gone – a waiting list will be started.

The Holy Name Society is sponsoring a trip to see the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Railriders on Sunday, August 2nd. Gates open at 12pm, game time is 1:05pm. Cost is \$31 per person and incudes admission to the game, seats in the third base party box, food and non-alcoholic beverages. Transportation will not be provided. If you are interested in attending the game please fill out the slip below and return to the Parish Office along with your check payable to SS Peter and Paul Parish. Any questions contact Ben Berrini at 570-829-3822.

Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Railriders	
Name:	
Phone:	_
Number attending:	

Lottery Winners

5-26 #458 Thomas Caffrey 5-27 #408 Jerry Yozwiak Mary Ann Mikelski 5-28 #266 5-29 #077 Harold Golomb 5-30 #294 Ronnie Stavish 5-31 #410 Cindy Kane

The winners from the last lottery are as follows \$50 Seller is Mary Drew and \$10 Seller is Regina Klepadlo.

Congratulations to all!!!

Bulletin Briefs

"The fundamental human right, the presupposition of every other right, is the right to life itself. This is true of life from the moment of conception until its natural end. Abortion, consequently, cannot be a human right – it is the very opposite. It is a 'deep wound in society." Pope Benedict XVI Sept 7, 2007

Meeting with the Authorities and the Diplomatic Corps,

Lottery Tickets

Tickets for July are in the printing process and will soon be available. Awards will begin July 1 and end July 31 – a winner daily number (excludes the double draw). Prizes are \$50 Sunday to Friday, \$100 on Saturday and \$500 on July 4th. Anyone selling 25 or more will be entered into the \$50 Sellers drawing and 10 or more into the \$10 Sellers drawing. Reserve your numbers using the form below or calling the Rectory during Office Hours. We honor on first come first serve basis, so get your request in soon. Tickets will be available in the church next weekend. (June 13th & 14th) Together we can make it another great fundraiser.

Lottery Tickets for July
Name:
Phone:
Special Numbers:
Total Number of Tickets:

Summer Chess Camps will be held during the weeks of July 13 through July 17 and August 3 through August 7 for students in grades 2 through 8. The camps will be held in Bernadine Hall (formerly the School Hall). Students do not need to know how to play chess before signing up; chess instruction will be given. For registration, cost and additional information, go to www.academyofchessllc.com or call 570-829-0828.

Saint Andre Bessette Parish, Wilkes-Barre will sponsor a pilgrimage to Montreal Canada this Columbus Day Weekend, October 10 thru 12. Full payment is not due until the end of August, but a small down payment and a registration form is needed now. For further information call Sr. Madonna at 570-823-4988.

The Catholic Tour has secured only 52 air seats and hotel beds for the last "Fatima Special" on Nov. 4-10, 2015. The pilgrimage pricing will be only \$1,499 dollars which includes your transatlantic airfare from Newark NJ Airport, hotel, all breakfasts and dinners, tour escort, deluxe motor coach and all airline fees and taxes. This "at cost" will be offer for the last time and will not be repeated in the future. Call toll free 1-877-627-4268 or e-mail to jimadair@thecahtolictour.com.

Parenting Pointers

Don't think that you have to rush in with a solution to every problem your child has. Sometimes all that a child needs is your listening presences to figure out his or her own solution.

Construction Begins This Spring New Mausoleum Garden at Cathedral Cemetery

Additional above-ground entombment options are available at comparable or less than traditional burial costs.

Pre-Construction Discounts of 10% until July 1, 2015

Visit DioceseofScranton.org or call 570-347-9251

Cathedral Cemetery, 1708 Oram Street, Scranton, PA 18505