

# Parish of Saints Peter and Paul

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# Parish of Saint Benedict

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**Office Hours**  
Saturday and Sunday  
by appointment

## **Saints Peter and Paul/Saint Benedict**

Monday through Friday 8am-4pm  
Office closed daily Noon—12:30pm

## **Weekend Mass Schedule**

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

## **Sunday**

8am—Saint Benedict  
10am—Saints Peter and Paul

**Confession**  
By appointment anytime

## **Saints Peter and Paul**

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

**Saint Benedict**  
after the 5:30pm Mass

**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**

1204 Families receive envelopes

**June 9**      313 attended the 4pm Mass  
165 Families used their envelopes and offered \$3,403

**June 10**      315 attended the 10am Mass  
289 Families used their envelopes and offered \$4,184

Tithe from  
454 Families was \$7,587

**Saint Benedict Parish**

560 Families receive envelopes

**June 9**      116 attended the 5:30pm Mass  
100 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,993

**June 10**      122 attended the 8am Mass  
96 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,882

Tithe from  
238 Families was \$3,875

*Thank you for your continued generous  
Support of our parishes!*



**SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY**

6-4	#050	Kelly Segeda
6-5	#977	Lousie Yanoshak
6-6	#328	Cody Januszko
6-7	#820	Catherine Smith
6-8	#421	Thomas Vearling
6-9	#822	L Matous
6-10	#496	M Lambert

*Congratulations to all !!!*

**Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday**

Ez 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

**Monday**

1 Kgs 21:1-16; Mt 5:38-42

**Tuesday**

1 Kgs 21:17-29; Mt 5:43-48

**Wednesday**

2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday**

Sir 48:1-14; Mt 6:7-15

**Friday**

2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Mt 6:19-23

**Saturday**

2 Chr 24:17-25; Mt 6:24-34

***Saints Peter and Paul & Saint Benedict***

**Vacation Bible School (VBS)** will be held June 25-29, from 10am to 2pm, Monday thru Friday. VBS is open to all children from pre-K to 6th grade. There will be activities, fun and friends, come join us. To register or to ask any question call Nina at 570-825-6663 ext 3, then 1.

# The Sunday Good News

Saint Benedict & Saints Peter & Paul

June 17, 2018

*Loving God,  
you who are  
father and mother,  
we thank you  
that you have shown us  
how important it is  
to follow your example  
as we grow in faith.  
Teach us  
to be obedient  
to your will,  
respecting you  
as children ought.  
Thank you  
for your mercy  
despite our disobedience.  
Strengthen us  
to stand up  
against the challenges  
of this world,  
honoring your name  
and trusting your grace.  
In the name  
of your Son,  
we pray.  
Amen*

## **First Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24**

God will restore the kingdom of Judah, as symbolized by the cedar. The deed is emphasized by the words, "As I, the Lord have spoken, so will I do."

## **Second Reading: II Corinthians 5:6-10**

Paul acknowledges "that we are, in a sense, away from the Lord while in this life and bound to our bodies." We will be fully united with God in the next life, if we please him in this life.

## **Gospel: Mark 4:26-34**

The reign of God is compared to a mustard seed which is the smallest of seeds yet grows to become the largest of shrubs. Similarly, God's community grows gradually until it becomes large and strong.

## **His Word Today** *by Rev. William J. Reilly* **Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time** **June 17, 2018**

**"Therefore, we aspire to please him, whether we are at home or away. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil."**

In recent years we have heard calls for transparency and accountability. Whether in politics, the corporate world or the church, demands are being made on the activities of others. Judgments follow. The television is filled with many court room cases being exposed and decisions made – guilty, non guilty, fines and recompense. That is entertainment.

St. Paul reminds us that we all will experience the same accountability for reward or punishment. Sometimes we try to avoid finding ourselves as the subject of such scrutiny, yet it is only as a result of our goodness, our prayer life, our service to others, that the reward will come.

For many, it is quite convenient to pass over the idea of judgment. Maybe we should spend a moment to judge ourselves, ask forgiveness and reap the reward. Remember Matthew 25, 'Come blessed of my Father inherit the kingdom prepared for you....'

## 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 Program

For the month of **June** will be collecting **Coffee**. This program benefits St. Vincent de Paul in Wilkes-Barre.

### Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry

Anyone in the Plains, Miners Mills 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 donation 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.

### 2019 Mass Book for Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict

Each family will be allowed two (2) Mass Intentions per year. If you are requesting a Mass for a family member, may I suggest that you combine several family members in your intention for example the Lambert Family and McGettigan Family rather than individual family members.

Masses must first be taken from the Mass Intention Book, before a new request may be made.

Only **ONE weekend Mass** intention per family can be honored.

Only parishioners may request Mass Intentions

Thank you Father Jack

## Mass Intentions

### We Remember

A Communion Service will be held at Saint Benedict at 8am Tuesday—Friday

### Masses at Saints Peter and Paul this week

M	6-18	7am	Communion Service
T	6-19	7am	<b>Albert Janerich</b> by Family <b>Joseph Snarski</b> by Jean Drutchal
W	6-20	7am	<b>Joseph Hirko (A)</b> by Family <b>John McGowan</b> by Rosemary Sheridan
Th	6-21	7am	<b>Father's Day</b> <b>Mary Ryan</b> by Council of Catholic Women
F	6-22	7am	<b>Dorothy R. Murray</b> by Marian Polachek <b>Charles Didgeon</b> by Rosary Makers

### Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

S	6-9	4pm	<b>Mary S. Ryma (A)</b> by Jean Marie, Robert, & Regina Rymar
	6-10	10am	<b>Living and Deceased Parishioners</b>

### Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

S	6-9	5:30pm	<b>Michael McGinney</b> by Jerry & Gertrude Jock
	6-10	8am	<b>Dorothy Stucker</b> by Lillian Drust

***The Mass Book for 2019***  
***will open Thursday, July 5<sup>th</sup>.***

### Mass Schedule Starting July 7 and 8

*Saturday - 4pm Saints Peter and Paul Parish*

*5:30pm St. Benedict Parish*

*Sunday – 7:30am & 10am Saints Peter and Paul Parish*

*11:30am Saint Benedict*

### Saints Peter and Paul Parish

#### Sanctuary Candle

*Michael L. Quinn*

#### Lady of Lourdes Votive

*Birthday Blessings*

*Mary Barbacci*

### Saint Benedict Parish

#### Sanctuary Candle

*Lorraine Penksa*

#### Holy Family Votive

*Paul Binker*

## Parish Weekly Activities

**June 18 –24**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Location</b>
Mon.	6-11	<b>9am</b> 5pm 6pm 6:30pm 7pm	<b>Chess Camp</b> Quilting Treasures Rosary Faith Sharing	<b>Parish Center</b> Parish Center Parish Center Parish Center Parish Center	<b>Prayer Room</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Various Rooms Prayer Room 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
Tues.	6-12	9am <b>9am</b>	Quilting <b>Chess Camp</b>	Parish Center <b>Parish Center</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor <b>Prayer Room</b>
Wed.	6-13	<b>9am</b>	<b>Chess Camp</b>	<b>Parish Center</b>	<b>Prayer Room</b>
Thurs.	6-14	9am <b>9am</b> <b>6:30pm</b>	Quilting <b>Chess Camp</b> <b>Women Society</b>	Parish Center <b>Parish Center</b> <b>Parish Center</b>	2nd Floor <b>Prayer Room</b> <b>Prayer Room</b>
Fri	6-15	9am <b>9am</b>	Treasures <b>Chess Camp</b>	Parish Center <b>Parish Center</b>	Various Rooms <b>DiningRoom</b>
Sun.	6-17	9am	Family Choir	Church	Choir Loft



The Date has been set for the 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 7 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 5 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!!!!

The focus of the continuing development of our Parish Pastoral Plan centers on hospitality. There will be **mandatory** meetings for the following ministries in the month of June. Ministers of both Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict parishes are required to attend. The schedule is as follows:

*Readers*—Tuesday, June 26th at 6:30pm  
at Saint Benedict Parish

*Altar Servers*—Thursday, June 28th at 6:30pm at  
Saints Peter and Paul Church

**Designer Bag Bingo** will be held on Sunday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, doors open at 11:30am and games begin at 1pm. Advance tickets are \$20 and \$25 at the door. Includes 20 regular games of bingo. Advance ticket can be purchased at the Parish Office or fill out the form below and return to Nina via the collection basket. Anyone interested in helping or donating food, or baskets please call Nina at 570- 825-6663 (ext. 3 then 1). All proceeds benefit the Bernardine Hall Renovation Fund. Tickets are selling fast





### Calendar of Events

June 23		Diocese of Scranton Women's Conference University of Scranton
June 26	7pm	Lay Ministry Formation Commissioning Mass
June 27	7pm	Light the Fire Misericordia University (Dallas)
June 28		Catholic Light Priesthood, Diaconate and Vocations
July 8	11am	50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass Parish of Our Lady Queen of Peace
July 9		CTV Special "Our Faith Our Diocese" "Priesthood, Diaconate and Vocations"
July 26	7pm	St. Ann's 94 <sup>th</sup> Annual Anniversary Novena Closing Mass St. Ann's Basilica
Aug. 5	10:30am	Festival Mass St. Augustine (Silver Lake) est. 1828 194 <sup>th</sup> Annual Chicken Dinner
Aug. 13		CTV Special "Our Faith, Our Diocese" Communicating the Good News
Aug. 30		Catholic Light Stewardship

### Ushers Needed

Who are the first people you meet who represent the church when you attend Mass on the weekend? The Ushers! This cheerful, mannerly, well presented group faithfully come early to attend Mass so that they can open the door for you, greet you and smile. They gather our offerings for the financial needs of the church and assist us in an orderly fashion with Communion. If anyone needs special assistance, either regularly or on the spur of the moment they are ready to spring into action. Those who do not attend our church regularly are welcomed and feel at home. Lest we forget to pick up a bulletin they are there distributing them as we leave the church. If needed for another type of prayer service or event they are always available. It might be a fair guess that we, the members of the parish, take this group for granted and yet we should not do so. Will you join this ministry? All you need to do is come early, smile and assist. With the addition of a new Mass on Sundays, ***we are asking both men and women to join the ministry of hospitality*** by becoming an Usher. All you need to do is send an email along with your email address to parishoffice@sspeterandpaulplains.com stating you want to become an Usher and what Mass you prefer. The Parish Office will place you on the Usher Schedule. If you have any questions send an email to Paul Muczynski at pmuczynski@epix.net.

### Community Happenings

***The First Annual Catholic Women's Conference of the Diocese of Scranton*** will be held on Sat. June 23, from 8am-4pm in the Byron Complex, The University of Scranton. For more information or to register [dioceseofscranton.org/catholic-womens-conference](http://dioceseofscranton.org/catholic-womens-conference).

***World Refugee Day*** will be held on June 24 at Nay Aug Park from 2-4pm. World Refugee Day honors the strength, resilience and courage of millions of refugees throughout the world. Everyone is welcome to this free event to share in the rich cultural heritage of the refugee communities in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

***Breathe Deep NE Pennsylvania 5K Walk & Fun Run*** to stop Lung Cancer. In memory of Allan Makowski, will be held at Kirby Park, Kingston on Sunday, June 24. To register and donate go to [LUNgevity.org/nepa](http://LUNgevity.org/nepa)

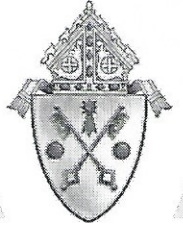
***VIRTUS*** will be held on Thursday, July 19 at 6:30pm at Gate of Heaven Parish, Dallas. To register, please contact Dede Scafella at [gohccd@aol.com](mailto:gohccd@aol.com) or call 570-207-1453.

***Play for the Kids Golf Tournament***, sponsored by the Sister of Mercy, will be held on Friday, July 10 at Mountain Laurel, White Haven. Proceeds benefits services provided to vulnerable children living in low income housing projects. Contact Peggy Nork at 570-824-8891.

***Plains Lions Golf Tournament***, will take place on Sunday, July 15, 1pm at Sand Springs. For more information contact the Plains Lions Club.

THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

# A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP BAMBERA



As you may already know from media reports, the Diocese of Scranton has been the subject of a statewide Grand Jury investigating child sexual abuse in six of the eight dioceses in Pennsylvania. Public release of the report is expected in the coming weeks.

I want to take this opportunity to offer my deepest apologies to the victims of such abuse, to their families, to the faithful of our Church and to everyone impacted by the behaviors described in this report. While difficult to face this is the only way for us to move forward in a more positive way as we learn from the past.

You will be kept apprised of new developments through various channels of communication as more information is released. Once again, I am deeply sorry for these past actions and the pain caused by the behaviors described in the report, and I will continue to do all that I can to ensure the safety and well-being of our children.



## 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."

## 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