



# SS. Peter and Paul Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

*Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*June 19, 2016*

*There is neither Jew nor Greek,  
there is neither slave nor free person,  
there is not male and female;  
for you are all one in Christ Jesus.  
— Galatians 3:28*

## *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*



**M** 6/20 7AM **Communion Service**  
**T** 6/21 7AM **Father's Day Novena**  
**W** 6/22 7AM **Father's Day Novena**  
**Th** 6/23 7AM **Father's Day Novena**  
**F** 6/24 7AM **Father's Day Novena**  
**S** 6/25 4PM **Father's Day Novena**  
**S** 6/26 8AM **Father's Day Novena**  
11AM **Living and Deceased Parishioners**

### FOLLOW IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST

The great fifty-day celebration of Easter has concluded, as have the feasts honoring the Holy Trinity and the Body and Blood of Christ. Last week we began a long stretch of Ordinary Time that will bring us to late November. Saint Paul tells us today that those who are baptized "have clothed yourselves with Christ" (Galatians 3:27). This scripture is echoed in the Church's baptism ritual when we sing, "You have put on Christ, in him you have been baptized." This message is inspiring and sobering at the same time, for in today's Gospel, we get to the heart of what it means to be clothed in Christ. The Lord tells us, "If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me" (Luke 9:23). For the next twenty-two weeks we are called to take up the cross and, with Saint Luke as our guide, follow in the footsteps of Christ.

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### TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Zechariah foretells the Messiah (Zechariah 12:10-11; 13:1).

Psalm — My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God (Psalm 63).

Second Reading — There are no distinctions or divisions; we all belong to Christ (Galatians 3:26-29).

Gospel — Peter proclaims Jesus as the Christ; Jesus speaks of his great suffering to come (Luke 9:18-24).

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***Our Lady of Lourdes Votive Candle***  
John Kunicki

***Our Holy Family Votive Candle***  
*Health and Blessings*  
John & Regina Levandowski

**June 12, 2016**

<b>Contribution</b>	<b>\$7876</b>
<b>Dues</b>	<b>\$568</b>
<b>Air Conditioning</b>	<b>\$193</b>
<b>Holy Day – Ascension of the Lord</b>	<b>\$22</b>
<b>Cemetery</b>	<b>\$60</b>
<b>Maintenance</b>	<b>\$1402</b>
<b>Peter Pence</b>	<b>\$25</b>
<b>Care of the Priest</b>	<b>\$170</b>
<b>St. Vincent de Paul – Charity</b>	<b>\$108</b>

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Father's Day; Julian Calendar Pentecost  
Monday: Summer begins  
Tuesday: St. Aloysius Gonzaga  
Wednesday: St. Paulinus of Nola;  
Ss. John Fisher and Thomas More  
Friday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist  
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

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

## Parish Activities

June 19 through June 26

<b>Mon.</b>	5PM	Quilting	Parish Center 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl
	5PM	<b>Prayer Shawl</b>	<b>Parish Center LL</b>
	7PM	<b>Women's Meeting</b>	<b>Parish Center LL</b>
	6:30PM	Rosary	Parish Center F Fl
	7PM	Faith Sharing	Parish Center 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl
<b>Tues.</b>	9AM	Quilting	Parish Center 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl
<b>Thurs.</b>	9AM	Quilting	Parish Center 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl
<b>Sun</b>	1PM	<b>Meeting for Rome Trip</b>	<b>Parish Center LL</b>
	6:30PM	<b>Evening Prayers</b>	<b>Church</b>
		<b>SS Peter and Paul Feast Day</b>	

### Mass Intentions

1. Masses for a particular deceased person must be taken from the Mass Intention Book first, before a new request can be made.
2. Only three Mass Intentions per year for a person from the Mass Intention Book.
3. Only ONE weekend Mass intention per year.
4. If the deceased person does not have any Masses in the Mass Intention Book, then only one Mass per year can be offered.
5. Mass intentions can be offered only by parishioners.
6. Some Masses in the Mass Intention Book can be distributed to another priest to be offered. Religious orders, retired priest or priest needing Mass Intentions may be recipients of some Mass Intentions.

***The Mass Book for 2017 will open Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup>.***

**Father's Day Cards** are available. If you wish to remember your father or relatives 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 Rectory during Office Hours.

### Feast of Saints. Peter and Paul

We will celebrate the feast of our patron Saints, Peter and Paul with evening prayers on Sunday, June 26 at 6:30PM. Flowers to honor our patron Saints can be placed at the beginning of the evening prayers. ***Save the date!!!***

### A New Addition to Memorial Candles

has been added. The candle will be placed by the Holy Family, Mary and Joseph with child Jesus. Cost is \$10 per week. Anyone wishing to purchase the lighting of this votive is asked to call the office.

**The Women's Society** will conduct their monthly meeting on Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 7PM in the lower level of the Parish

Center. Joan Turel, Liturgical /Musical Consultant and Choir Director will be the guest speaker. Meetings are open to all women of the parish and new members are always welcome.

**The Womens Society** will be sponsoring a trip to New York to enjoy the popular Broadway Musical "An American in Paris" on Wednesday, September 14, 2016. The bus will leave Plains at 8AM and leave New York at 7PM. Show starts at 2PM. Meals are on you own. Cost is \$130 and includes tickets (Orchestra Seating) and bus fare. **Full payment is due when reservations are made.** . For more information or to make reservations contact Joanne Nixon at 570-235-0777.

**The Women Society of SS Peter and Paul** will hold a Parish Pilgrimage Cathedral on Saturday, August 13. Parishes from around the diocese are invited to make a pilgrimage to the Cathedral of Saint Peter in observance of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy. Plans are being made to car pool from the Bank Street Parking Lot leaving at 8AM. They will arrive at Diocesan Pastoral Center for registration at 9AM. The day includes Presentation on the Extraordinary Jubille of Mercy, Confessions, Recitation of the Rosary, Mass, Lunch and Tour of the Cathedral. Cost for the Pilgrimage is \$10 per person to cover the cost of lunch. Departure from Scranton will be at 2PM. To register or for additional information contact B.J. Hessions at 570-822-9448.

### **Liturgy Corner: Did You Know? Fire**

Fire is a potent symbol in liturgical usage.

Moving, sonorous, warm – seemingly alive, the new fire lit at the Easter Vigil bursts out of the darkness as a symbol of the risen Christ

Lit immediately from this flame, the new paschal candle carries this symbol of the risen Christ with it each time it is lit again during all the celebrations of Easter Time and at baptisms and funerals throughout the year.

### **Discern Your Gift**

By virtue of the fact that we have all been baptized we are called to Christian Ministry.

When it comes to the liturgy we are all called to participate fully, actively and consciously in the liturgy ... whether it be the Mass or Evening Prayers or other forms of the liturgy. When we come together we all exercise the ministry of the assembly: those in the pews and those with other specific ministries.

The ministry of the assembly is very important...so we put away our cellphones, Novena books and rosaries during the Mass and immerse ourselves in the beauty of the prayer as we listen to the Word of God and prayers, we enter into dialogue with the presider. Think about this when you come to church next weekend.

### **Vacation Bible School**

In planning this year's VBS we are open to making some recently suggested changes but need both your feedback and help. VBS is currently being planned for the week of August 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in help or sending your child call Sande at 570-822-8761.

**Tickets for Summer Lottery** will be sold at all Masses next weekend. Awards will begin July 1<sup>st</sup> through Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> – a winner daily. Prizes are \$25 Mon. through Sat. \$100 on Sun and \$300 on the Fourth of July, The Assumption - Aug 15<sup>th</sup> and, Labor Day - Sept 5<sup>th</sup>. Cost of the ticket is \$10. Anyone selling 25 or more will be entered into the \$50 Sellers drawing and 10 or more into the \$10 Sellers drawing.

**Mark Your Calendar...Save the Date 11-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 Tuscany, Florence, Siena & Rome. For reservations/information call TravelWorld at 570-342-5790 Vatican, Sistine Chapel, Masses at the 3 Major Basilica's. Visit Lago Maggiore, Padova, Venice, *A meeting for anyone attending or those interested will be held on Sunday June 26 at 1PM in the Parish Center*

### **Marriage Moments**

June 20 is the Summer Solstice which means it's a long day. Use the light to do something outdoors to renew your love in the early morning or late evening

- Susan Vogt



### **Summer Chess Camp**

will be held during the weeks of June 27 through July 1<sup>st</sup> and July 25<sup>th</sup> through July 29<sup>th</sup> for students in grades 2 through 8. The camps will be held in Bernardine Hall. Students do not need to know how to play chess before signing up; chess instructions will be given. For registration, cost and additional information, go to [www.academyofchesslic.com](http://www.academyofchesslic.com) or call 570-829-0828.

### **Parenting Pointers**

June 19 is Father's Day and June 20 is the Summer Solstice. You have an extra long "day" to celebrate these. Did you also know that June 19 is Juneteenth which celebrates the emancipation of slaves throughout the Confederate South. Teach your children. <http://www.juneteenth.com/>

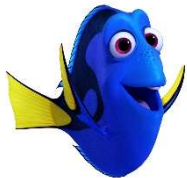
### **SPRING LOTTERY WINNERS**

6-6	#410	Eva Canterini
6-7	#807	M Murphy
6-8	#510	Emily Kennedy
6-9	#580	John Kosco
6-10	#716	Leona Nesterak
6-11	#630	G Marchetti
6-12	#861	Kenley Graboske

*Congratulations to all!!!*



**The Parish Council** would like to invite all Ushers to a focus group meeting on Tuesday evening June 21 at 7pm in the Parish Center. Light refreshment will be served.



**The Diocese of Scranton** will hold a **Catholic Schools Movie Night** on Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup> featuring the new film "Finding Dory" at the Circle Drive In, Scranton-Carbondale Highway, Dickson City. The cost is \$10 per car and includes 1 free popcorn and 1 free soda per person. The event is open to the public and all are welcome to attend. Gates open at 7PM and the film will begin at about 8:45PM.



**Rotary Club of Plains** will hold their Annual Pasta in the Park on Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Plains Municipal Park, Birchwood Hills from 4-7PM. Tickets are \$8 per person and can be obtained from any Rotarian or the day of the event. Take out are available. Our Youth Group will be serving.

#### **VIRTUS:**

##### **Protecting God's Children for Adult Program**

This training session is required for all adult employees and volunteers who have direct contact or routine interaction with children.

Please consider joining your community on Tuesday, September 13 at St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, Wilkes-Barre, to take part in this vital program to help safeguard our most vulnerable and precious gift: our children. To register call Heather in the Safe Environment Office or register using the website. Thank you for your cooperation and your willingness to protect all our children and to keep them safe.

##### **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. In accordance with the 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 at [www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis)

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).

## KID'S KORNER

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**Gospel Today**  
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Luke 9:18-24

Jesus asks His disciples, "Who do you say I am?" Peter responds, "The Messiah of God." Jesus tells the disciples not to tell anyone this until after He has risen on the third day. Jesus invites everyone to "follow me."

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### TIME-TOGETHER-TICKET

TICKET GOOD FOR QUALITY TIME  
TOGETHER WITH THE ONE I LOVE.

Thank you \_\_\_\_\_, for  
your love and support every day.

Love,

No expiration date.

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**Together time can be eating, praying, playing or just being together!**

**SWEET as HONEY**

We follow Jesus by loving Him and everyone around us. By living life the way He tells us in the Bible.

J.D., how can we follow Jesus if He rose to Heaven on the third day?

I follow Honey...