

Parish of Saints Peter and Paul

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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 and Saint Benedict

*Due to an early submission
of the bulletin
Contributions will be listed
next week*

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

***The Mass Book for 2019
will open Thursday, July 5th.***

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY

***DUE TO AN EARLY SUBMISSION OF THE BULLETIN
LOTTERY WINNERS WILL BE LISTED NEXT WEEK.***

The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

Sunday

Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

Monday

2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday

2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday

2 Kgs 22:8-13, 23:1-3; Mt 7:15-20

Thursday

2 Kgs 24:8-17; Mt 7:21-29

Friday

Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19

Day: Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Saturday

Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Mt 8:5-17

Saints Peter and Paul & Saint Benedict

Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be held this week June 25-29, from 10am to 2pm,

The Sunday Good News

Saint Benedict & Saints Peter & Paul

June 24, 2018

*Gracious Father,
keep within me
that cheer and courage
which never
has a place
for weary murmurings;
and with peace
make the
hours of solitude
profitable
as they pass.
Help me
to seek those
who are in need
of sympathy
and encouragement,
that I
may help them
to have a tranquil life.
Amen*

First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-6

Isaiah tells how the Lord called to him from birth and gave him his name. He explains that although he thought he toiled in vain, his strength is in the Lord in Whose sight he has been made glorious. God made him a light to the nations so that salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

Second Reading: Acts 13:22-26

John heralds the coming of Jesus by proclaiming a baptism of repentance. He says, "Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet." The children of the family of Abraham and those who are God-fearing have received the word of salvation.

Gospel: Luke 1:57-66, 80

Elizabeth gave birth to a son whom she named John. On the eighth day, when her neighbors and relatives came to circumcise the child, they wanted to call him Zechariah, after her father, but Elizabeth's husband wrote on a tablet, "His name is John." Immediately he spoke blessing God and the people became afraid. All who heard of the incident knew that the hand of the Lord was with John.

His Word Today by Rev. William J. Reilly

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

June 24, 2018

"From this man's descendants God, according to his promise, has brought to Israel a savior, Jesus. John heralded His coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel; and as John was completing his course, he would say, 'What do you suppose that I am? I am not he. Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals on His feet. My brothers, children of the family of Abraham, and those others among you who are God-fearing, to us this word of salvation has been sent.'"

The church celebrates the birth of three persons – Mary, Jesus and John the Baptist. We spend time with John, especially during advent, recalling his conception, the meeting of his mother with Mary, and his ministry in the desert, preparing the way of the Lord. St. Paul today, in the reading from the Acts of the Apostles, helps us focus on the role of John.

He was a 'herald' announcing the coming of the Messiah, an arrow pointing out the One he would call the 'Lamb of God.' The church today is the herald of the Good News. In the 'Joy of the Gospel', Pope Francis points out that the kerygma, the announcement or proclamation of the Good News is vital for us today. We are to be like John the Baptist, announcing, being the herald that we have salvation in the person of Jesus Christ. 'Hear ye, hear ye.'

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.

Memorial Donation The following donations/memorials have recently been given to our

Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry

In Memory of Myron Yench

\$100 Linda & John Krumsky \$100 Sandra & Patrick Andrew
\$75 Suzanne & Eric Einhalt \$20 Kathleen Pilconis

In Memory of Lena Spagnuolo

\$25 Thomas & Elaine Salus \$25 John & Cheryl Woloski
\$25 Patty Sluchocki & Family \$25 Patrick Malys Family
\$20 Jane Biniek \$20 Susan Bechett

In Memory of James Orzechowski

\$65 Dr. Ann Orzek

We thank all who have made memorial and free-will donations. May God bless you for your generosity.

We Remember

A Communion Service will be held at Saints Peter and Paul at 7am Monday—Friday

Masses at Saint Benedict this week

T	6-26	8am	Father's Day Sophie Barna by Vital Family
W	6-27	8am	Father's Day Joseph Bitonti by Carol Keup
Th	6-28	8am	Father's Day Rosemary McCarthy by Husband
F	6-29	8am	Irma Ribacchi by Andrew & Arlene Katsock Joseph Kozemko by Mr. & Mrs. Francis Mamola

Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

S	6-30	4pm	Father's Day
	7-1	10am	Living and Deceased Parishioners

Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

S	6-30	1pm	Adzema & Kresge Wedding
		5:30pm	Patrick & Mary Kelly by Family
	7-1	8am	Lillian Walker by Bartoletti Family

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

Saints Peter and Paul Parish

Sanctuary Candle

John Kunicki

Holy Family Votive

John Kunicki

Saint Benedict Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Rosemary McCarthy

Parish Weekly Activities

June 25—July 1

Day	Date	Time	Activity	Building	Location
Mon.	6-25	5pm	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
		6pm	Treasures	Parish Center	Various Rooms
		6:30pm	Rosary	Parish Center	Prayer Room
		7pm	Faith Sharing	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
Tues.	6-26	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
Thurs.	6-28	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2nd Floor
Fri	6-29	9am	Treasures	Parish Center	Various Rooms
Sun.	7-1	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**

B I N G O					
10	17	44	56	71	
15	24	33	46	66	
12	19	FREE	50	64	
13	22	36	47	61	
11	21	41	58	73	

Designer Bag Bingo will be held on Sunday, Sept. 16th, 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 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 th 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 th Annual Anniversary Novena Closing Mass St. Ann's Basilica
Aug. 5	10:30am	Festival Mass St. Augustine (Silver Lake) est. 1828 194 th Annual Chicken Dinner
Aug. 13		CTV Special "Our Faith, Our Diocese"

Circle of Prayer

Many of us need the prayers of a faith community. To request prayers for your intention, or to join the circle of prayer contact Mary Jo Marek at 570-825-6969.

Ushers Needed

Who are the first people you meet who represent the church when you attend Mass on the week-end? 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

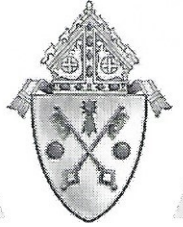
St. Maria Goretti Vacation Bible School will take place July 9—July 13 from 9am to noon. This year's theme is *Shipwrecked*. For more information call Michelle Pinto at 570-905-5713 or SMG Office at 570-655-8956.

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