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

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

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



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

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY

Due to early submission of the bulletin. Lottery winners will be listed next week.

Save the Date—Upcoming Parish Events

Saints Peter and Paul in Bernadine Hall & Parish Grounds

August 11 & 12 — Ice Cream Social (after 4PM & 10 AM masses)

September 16—First Annual Purse Bingo 1PM

October 7—Annual Quilt Bingo 1PM

November 11—Senior Dinner 5PM

November 17— Night at the Races 7PM

December 22—Christmas Cookie Sale 2PM

more information will be in future bulletins

Visiting the Sick

Several members of Saints Peter and Paul Parish visit various nursing homes. If you have a family member from the parish in one of the local nursing homes and would like us to visit them please call the Parish Office with their information so that we can put them

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Ez 2:2-5;2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6a

Monday

Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday

Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday

Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday

Hos 11:1-4, 8e; Mt 10:7-15

Saints Peter and Paul & Saint Benedict

Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be rescheduled for August 2018. If interested, please email faithformation@sspeterandpaulplains.com or call 570-825-6663 (3,1)

The Sunday Good News

Saint Benedict & Saints Peter & Paul

July 8, 2018

First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5

Ezekiel is moved to respond to the call of God and to accentuate his teaching with a direct reference to the Word of God

Second Reading: II Corinthians 12:7-10

Paul had questioned the value of his suffering, and God replied, "My grace is enough for you, for strength is made perfect in weakness." Paul then realized that although he was weak against persecution, he was strong in faith.

Gospel: Mark 6:1-6a

Jesus could do little for those in his own part of the country, for their lack of faith in him was so great. Therefore, he spent much of his time teaching in neighboring villages instead.

Lord Jesus, today you call us to welcome the members of God's

family who come to our land to escape

oppression, poverty,

persecution, violence, and war.

Like your disciples, we too are filled with fear and doubt and even suspicion.

We build barriers in our hearts and minds.

Lord, we ask you to banish fear from our hearts, and embrace our brothers & sisters.

His Word Today by Rev. William J. Reilly Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Three times I begged the Lord about this. That it might leave me, but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you. For power is made perfect in weakness.' I would rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses..."

Are we not all plagued by difficulties and problems? Do we have courage to turn to the Lord as Paul did especially in moments of crisis? The litany of his hardships, and those of most people far exceed the troubles which come my way. The source of Paul's contentment is the remedy for our difficulties as well.

His grace, His life, His power is available to us, especially in time of need. I only need to turn and express my dependence upon Him, to face whatever comes my way, the good and the bad. Weakness is certainly not the so called American way. Yet, the secret is found in the Lord's hidden presence if we but seek it and use it. May I repeat Paul's mantra, 'I can do all things in Him who strengthens me.' Paul did not give up but asked three times. 'Do I persevere?'

Only when we respond to the evils around us will we return to live in the image of his own nature. Now is the time.

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 *July* 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.

Mother's Teresa's Haven

A temporary shelter for homeless men will be our quests again. The first night will be Monday, July 23rd and the last will be Sunday, July 29th. The men will sleep in the church hall of St. Benedict's using cots provided by the program.

We Remember

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

Masses at Saint Benedict this week

7-10 8AM Father's Day

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William Kowalski Sr.

by Mr & Mrs Chet Rhodes

W 7-11 8AM Joseph Wilkas (Anniversary)

by family

Anthony Bartoletti by Harry & Sharon

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Th 7-12 8AM **Father's Day**

Mary Seasock by Philip & Michelle Stortz

F 7-13 8AM **Robert Supey** by Mr & Mrs Anthony

Petroski

Charles Angelo Rinaldi by Mr & Mrs Charles Rinaldi

Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

Living & Deceased Parishioners 7-14

7:30AM Al Sienkiewicz

by Eric & Michael Pehala

7-15 10AM Peter Paul Olszewski

by Ms. McLaughlin

Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

7-14 5:30PM Allan Burritt by wife & family

S 7-15 11:30AM **Dorothy Stucker** by

Elizabeth Dunsavage

As with their past stays, our united parishes will provide evening meal for all seven nights. Showers and other personal care will also be provided. Due to your generosity from the last stay, we have enough socks. However, the men could use fresh underwear after a shower. Donations of men's boxer style underwear and tshirts (size M, L, XL) would be very helpful. Donations of soda, iced tea, lemonade; cans & gallon bottles. We do not need water.

Anyone interested in donating snacks or fruit is asked to contact Barb Zirnhelt 570-823-1491 or Mary Jo Marek 570-825-6969. Cash donations to buy personal care items are also acceptable, plain envelope in collection basket marked Homeless Shelter, checks payable to Deacon Don Crane. Any other questions contact Deacon Don 570-762-7541

Saints Peter and Paul Parish **Sanctuary Candle**

Joan A. Chukinas

Saint Benedict Parish Sanctuary Candle

Ann Marie O'Hara

Holy Family Votive Paul Binker

Parish Weekly Activities July 9—July 15 Day Date Time **Activity** Building Location 2nd Floor Mon. 7-9 5pm **Quilting** Parish Center 6pm Treasures Parish Center Various Rooms Rosary 6:30pm Parish Center Prayer Room 2nd Floor Faith Sharing 7pm Parish Center Tues. 7-10 2nd Floor 9am Quilting Parish Center Thurs. 7-12 9am Quilting Parish Center 2nd Floor 7-13 9am **Treasures** Parish Center Various Rooms Fri 7-15 Family Choir Church Choir Loft Sun. 9am

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 <u>handmade quilt!!</u>) 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 <u>you get</u> 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!!!!

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



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 pur-

chased 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

July 26 7pm St. Ann's 94th Annual Anniversary Novena

Closing Mass St. Ann's Basilica

Aug. 5 10:30am Festival Mass

St. Augustine (Silver Lake) est. 1828

194th Annual Chicken Dinner

Aug. 13 CTV Special "Our Faith, Our Diocese"

Communicating the Good News

Aug. 30 Catholic Light

Stewardship

Ushers Needed

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 and 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.

Altar Servers Needed

With the addition of a new Mass on Sundays, we are asking both young men and women who are interested in becoming Altar Servers to join this wonderful, fulfilling ministry. Youth parishioners who have received First Holy Communion through senior in high school are eligible for this ministry. Please contact Dave Loiacono 570-574-7842

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.

Marriage Moments

Susan Vogt

In a healthy marriage, both spouses strive to be good and strong. But, sometimes it is through recognizing our weakness that we grow stronger. What a mystery! "...for when I am weak, then I am strong." (2 Cor. 12:10) Can you identify a weakness in yourself that has punctured your pride and made you a better spouse."

Community Happenings

Holy Family Parish, 828 Main Street, Sugar Notch will take place July 14th from 5PM-10PM—Rain or Shine — under tents. Traditional ethnic and homemade food will be available. There will be Bingo, games of chance, childrens' games, instant bingo and a cash & prize raffle. Live entertainment — Sammich Kings

Saint Nicholas Church, 226 S Washington Street, Wilkes-Barre, will hold it's Annual Bazaar from Thursday to Saturday, July 19, 20, 21 beginning at 5:30PM on the parish grounds. Raffles, baskets, prizes & games for all ages. Flea Market & entertainment. Thursday—Flaxy Morgan, Friday—The Sperazza Band and Saturday—The Home Town Boyz

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 facer 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-HourChild 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