Parish of Saints Peter and Paul

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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 Parishes of Saints Peter and Paul and St. Benedict open wide their doors in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ

Office Hours

Saturday and Sunday by appointment

Saints Peter and Paul

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

St. Benedict

Monday through Friday 8am-2pm

Weekend Mass Schedule

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

Sunday

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

Confession

By appointment anytime

Saints Peter and Paul

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

St. 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

1182 Families receive envelopes

August 5

328 Attended the 4pm Mass

167 Families used their envelopes and offered \$ 3,131

August 6

358 Attended the 10am Mass

258 Families used their envelopes and offered \$3,931

Aug 5/6's Tithe from 425 Families was \$7,063

Care and Education of Priest \$1,198

Saint Benedict Parish

585 Families receive envelopes

August 5

158 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,809

August 6

105 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,279

Aug 5/6's Tithe from 263 Families was \$3,088

Care and Education of Priest \$356

Thank you for your continued generous Support of our parishes!

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY

7-31	#539	Kathy Pilconis		
8-1	#940	Saints Peter and Paul		
8-2	#016	Kiley Graboske		
8-3	#957	Saints Peter and Paul		
8-4	#493	Jill Robastello		
8-5	#342	Denise Scalzo		
8-6	#709	Anita Rudda		
Congratulations to all !!!				

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

Monday

Dt 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday

Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16, 16:1-2; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday

Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20

Thursday

Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday

Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12

Registration for Faith Formation will take

place on August 16 from 6:30pm-7:30pm.; Aug. 18 from 10am-4-pm; Aug 31 from 10am-2pm, registration will be held in the Faith Formation Center.

Back Pack Blessing will take place during the 10am Mass on August 27.

Back to School Night and Meet the Teachers will be held in the Faith Formation Center on September 5 from 5:30pm—8:30pm.

The Sunday Good News

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint Benedict & Saints Peter & Paul

August 13, 2017

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

After fleeing from the revenge of the King of Israel, Elijah hid in a cave, but at the command of God, he went outside and stood on a mountain. There the Lord came to him, not in the wind nor in the earthquake, but in a "tiny whispering sound."

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

Paul is deeply pained because the Jews - in spite of everything that has been given to them - have rejected Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

Matthew vividly recounts the event of Jesus walking on the water. When the disciples see this, they are terrified, and Jesus chastises them for their fear. Peter begs Christ to let him walk on the water; he is at first brave but begins to sink and loses faith, crying out, "Lord save me!" Christ rescues him for his faltering faith. **HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 13, 2017

"Then the Lord said to him. 'Go outside and stand on the mountain before the Lord, the Lord will be passing by.' A strong heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the Lord — but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake — but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was fire — but the Lord was not in the fire. After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak...' 'Lord, if it is you command me to come to you on the water'. He said 'Come."

Last week we were Peter, James and John for the Transfiguration. We return to the mountain today with Elijah. The Lord wishes to reveal himself to us again. Where shall we find Him. The natural disasters of hurricane's, earthquakes and wild fires show power and cause great devastation. Perhaps such events force us to call out to the Lord in desperation.

God's presence was revealed in the tiny whispering sound, teaching us to listen closely, sense His presence and like Peter ask – if it is you bid me to come. The call of the Lord is constant and consistent. We need to seek a quiet silence to hear him. The noises of blasting car radios, or construction equipment become a hindrance for us to hear Him speak. The psalmist urges us 'Be still and know that I am God.' Do you hear Him speaking?

Lord,
In every need let me come to You
with humble trust saying,
"Jesus, help me."
In all my doubts, perplexities,
and temptations,
Jesus, help me.
In hours of loneliness,
weariness, and trials,,
Jesus, help me.
In the failure of my plans and
hopes; in disappointments,

troubles, and sorrows,

Jesus, help me.

When others fail me and

When others fail me and Your grace alone can assist me, help me,

When I throw myself on
Your tender love as
a father and savior,
Jesus help me.
When my heart is cast down
by failure at seeing
no good come from my efforts,
Jesus help me.
When I fell impatient and
my cross irritates me,
Jesus, help me.

When I am ill and my head and hands cannot work and I am lonely, Jesus help me.

Always, always, in spite of weakness, falls, and shortcomings of every kind, Jesus help me and never forsake me. Amen

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."

Saint Benedict's Loaves and Fishes ProgramFor the month of August will be collecting sugar and sweeteners. This program benefits St. Vincent de Paul in Wilkes-Barre.

Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry

Anyone in the Plains, Miner 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. Food donation are always accepted, place in the basket in the Vestibule of the Church.

Through God's grace, we pray that these items perhaps seeming insignificant in and of themselves will feed the hungry who gather at the kitchen each and every day.

Saints Peter and Paul's Treasure is accepting clean gently used or new clothing. Our biggest need is men's and women's casual clothing. All children's and teen clothing – casual and dressy! Clothes can be dropped off at the Parish Center during business hours. Receipts available on the bulletin board, please take one.

Banns of Marriage

2nd time

Victor Zulkoski & Kathleen Andreone

We Remember...

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

A Mass on Tuesday, Aug 15 celebrating the Feast of the Assumption will take place at St. Benedict at 5:30pm

T 8-1 5:30pm Thomas Nahill

by Mr. & Mrs. Charles Dancheck

Masses at Saints Peter and Paul this week

M	8-14 5 :	7am 30<i>pm</i>	Communion Service Alvida Eustice by Marie Mattei & Family
Т	8-15	7am	Rose Lasiewicki by Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Walkowiak
12:15pm		:15pm	Joseph Drake Sr. by Raymond Kasaba
W	8-16	7am	Ann Marie Chirco by Dr Lucy Sciandra & Marie
			Eugene A. Burke by Family
Th	8-17	7am	Agnes Dombroski by Rose Marie Timek
			Rudolph F. Ciprich by Kathy Timek
F	8-18	7am	Robert Podmanski by Florentine Weigel
			Josephine & Michael Menzak by Family

Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

			by Rose Ruzilliliski			
S	8-20	10am	Dr. Joseph Matticks by Colleen & Bill Sweeney			
	Living	g and De	ceased Parishioners			
Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict						
S	8-19	5:30pm	Frank Krokos Jr. by Mother			
S	8-20	8am	John & Mary Yencha by Ed & Bernice			

Saints Peter and Paul Parish

Sanctuary Candle

John & Eleanor Binker

Holy Family Votive

Ted & Ceil Toloczko

Floral Arrangement Saints Peter and Paul

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8-19

4pm

50th Anniversary Maryann & Walter Krokos Saint Benedict Parish
Sanctuary Candle

John & Mary Ann Krulack

by Rose Kuzminski

Joseph Penksa

Parish Weekly Activities

August 14—August 20

<i>Day</i> Mon.	Date 8-14	Time 5pm 6pm 6:30pm 7pm	Activity Quilting Treasures Rosary Faith Sharing	Building Parish Center Parish Center Parish Center Parish Center	Location 2 nd Floor Back Porch Prayer Room 2 nd Floor
Tues	8-15	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
Wed	8-16	Noon 2:15pm	Plains Seniors Mass	Faith Formation Center	Bernardine Hall Riverstreet Manor
Thurs.	8-17	9am 9am 6pm 6:30pm	Quilting Food Pantry Prep Family Choir Women's Meeting	Parish Center Faith Formation Center Church Nixon Household	2 nd Floor Bernardine Hall Choir Loft 12 Grace Drive
Fri.	8-18	9am 9am	Food Pantry Treasures	Faith Formation Center Parish Center	Bernardine Hall Back Porch

Save the Date!!!

Annual Quilt Bingo
at Saints Peter and Paul
Columbus Day Weekend
Sunday, October 8

Doors will open at 11:30am
Games begin at 1pm!!!

Anyone willing to lend a hand
contact the Parish Office

Many hands make light work
See you there!!!!

Bulletin Briefs

"God loves us, treats us with respect, and asks us to do the same with others... No one should ever be treated callously or carelessly—everyone should be cherished and protected!"

Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan , Chairman USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities

Father Kearney's Jubilee Celebration

On behalf Nancy Swiger Photography and team, please enjoy all the captured moments from Father Kearney's Jubilee Celebration. They are free to download, but if you would like professional services, photos may be purchased directly from the website. For questions, email studio1314@gmail.com To access the gallery nancyswiger.com/clientaccess type in Kearney.

The Assumption of Mary

The Catholic Church teaches as dogma that the Virgin Mary "having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory". The Assumption is a major feast day, celebrated on the 15th day of August. The feast is a Holy Day of Obligation. Our Mass schedule is as follows: The Vigil on Monday Evening will be held at Saints Peter and Paul at 5:30pm. Saints Peter and Paul will also hold a 7am and 12:15pm Mass on the Feast Day. Saint Benedict will hold a 5:30pm on the Feast Day.

MaineSource's Give Back Program.

This program allows our parish to earn 5% of all purchase made by our participating members. To participate in this program just fill out a sheet located in the vestibule and give it to a cashier next time you shop at MaineSource. If you are not familiar with MaineSource which is located in Forty Fort, they are a large size grocery store/party warehouse that offers small and large quantity items at affordable prices. When shopping at MaineSource you will find savings on your items while helping the parish by our receiving a percentage of the purchase amount back. There are no membership cards or fees required to shop.

Proceeds from this project have benefited the Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry.

Do You Want to Know More About the Annulment Process?

In the Diocese of Scranton, the annulment process is now more "user friendly" than you might expect, and there is no longer a processing fee. Please contact your pastor or the Diocesan Tribunal Office 570-207-2246 to begin a conversation. It is possible to get clear answers to these questions and to renew your connection with the Church.

Bold Choices Retreat

Join us for a young adult (18 and over) retreat at Saint Gabriel's Retreat Center, Clarks Summit, August 18-19. The 24 hour retreat will include presentations—and interactive sessions on prayer, making choices based in faith, finding your passions, the art of discernment, small group discussion & more. Cost is \$65.00 For more information and/or to register, visit www.scrantonvocations.org.

Calling all Singers If you like to sing and praise God, then the Family Choir is the place for you. The Family Choir is just that, a choir where the whole family can get involved. We are accepting members of all ages and encourage Mother's, Father's Sister's and Brother's to join us every Sunday for the 10am Mass. Rehearsals are held Thursday nights in the choir loft; 6pm to 7:30pm. Come join us!!!!



Community Happenings

The American Legion Al You Can Eat Breakfast Buffet will be held August 13 from 9am-12 noon at the Plains Legion. Price Adults \$8 Children \$4. Menu Eggs to order, Omelets, Ham, Sausage, Home Fries, French Toast, Sticks, SOS, Toast, Danish, Fruit, Juice, Coffee, Tea and Milk.

Plains Lions Outback Steakhouse Dinner will be held on Tuesday, August 15th from 5-7pm will be held at the Plains Lions Pavillion. Cost \$15 Adult; children under 12—\$10.

Little Sisters of the Poor Night at PNC Field on Tuesday, Aug. 15th at 6:45pm the ceremonial first pitch by one of the Sisters. Tickets are \$13 for seats in the stadium's field reserved section 28. The Sisters of the Poor serve the elderly poor throughout the world.

Annual Festival for Intellectually Disabled on Sunday, August 20th at 11:30am-2:30pm at Plains Polish American Veterans. Hot dogs, hamburgers, sweetcorn, soda and ice cream. Free of charge.

SPCA of Luzerne Count Designer Purse Bingo on Aug. 20th at Genetti Downtown, doors open at 1pm games @2pm.



"By our Baptism, I firmly believe that we are called to servant leadership here in the Diocese of Scranton. We are called to a servant leadership that helps us to transform our hurting world through compassion, solidarity, justice, and love."

From Bishop Bambera's pastoral letter, Wounded and Loved: Regathering the Scattered

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