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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

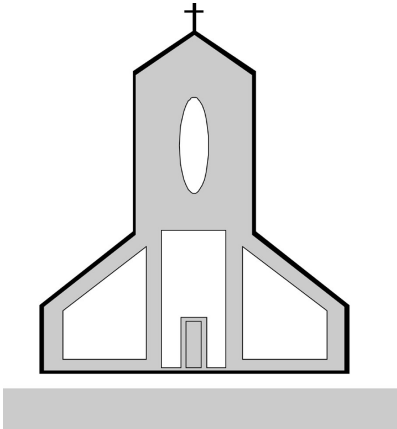
Eucharist Adoration at Saints Peter and Paul - First Friday of every month—Noon till 3pm

First Saturday Rosary at Saint Benedict—First Saturday of every month at 4:45pm

Working Together to Build the Kingdom of God

Sunday Stewards

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



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.

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY

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

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Monday

Jgs 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday

Jgs 6:11-24a; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday

Jgs 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday

Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51

Friday

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12

Saints Peter and Paul & Saint Benedict

Registration for Faith Formation will take place on 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

Saint Benedict & Saints Peter & Paul

August 20, 2017

Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

The Lord wants all people to love and honor his name. He says that those who honor him by obeying all of his laws will be "made joyful in my house of prayer."

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Paul describes his hopes that his fellow Jews will follow the example of the Gentiles he has been preaching to. He claims that just as God has mercy for their disobedience, he wishes to show mercy to the Jews as well.

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

A Canaanite woman begged Jesus to help her daughter, who was being plagued by a demon. Jesus at first refused her and said that "My mission is only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." The woman was so persistent that Jesus said she had great faith and then he healed her daughter.

His Word Today by Rev. William J. Reilly

"The foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, ministering to him, loving the name of the Lord and becoming his servants, all who keep the Sabbath free from profanation and hold to my covenant, them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer... for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples."

In this age of xenophobia, anti-Semitism and racial tensions in the world in which we live, Isaiah summons us to think, ask for forgiveness and discover the Christ in the vulnerable, the hurting, the poor. Pope Francis calls us to discover the Christ and also reflect the love and compassion of the Lord for others.

The words of scripture and the teaching of the Holy Father, are directed to every catholic, every catholic community of faith. The rich history of Catholicism in the United States reflects growth through the gifts brought by every immigrant group. The gospel of Jesus Christ accompanied those who migrated, bringing rich traditions, deep faith and a desire to build the kingdom of God. May we be the welcoming community of faith, learning from others, supporting them in their need and celebrating our unity in diversity.

*Father in heaven,
we stand amazed at the great
mercy and grace that You have
shown towards a fallen race of
sinners. By rights we should be
eternally separated from Your
holiness and goodness - for we
have rebelled against You in
thought, word and deed.. and
yet in loving-kindness and
tender-pity, You reached down
to fallen humanity and lifted us
up and seated us together with
Your dearly beloved Son, our
Saviour - Jesus Christ, Who died
that we might live. Thank You
for Your incredible forgiveness
and Your amazing grace
towards us.*

*Father I pray that You would
light a spark of true forgiveness
and mercy in my heart.. towards
all those that have harmed or
hurt us, whether deliberately or
unintentionally, knowing that it
is not only Your will for us to
show godly mercy towards
others but also that we become
equal beneficiaries.. when our
heart is flooded with mercy and
forgiveness. Root out I pray any
lingering bitterness or malice
that is lurking within my heart
and may the godly fruit of
mercy and love bud and
blossom into the true fruit of
righteousness - to Your honour
and glory. This I ask in the name
of Jesus Christ, our Lord,*

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."
(John 12:2-15)

Saint Benedict's Loaves and Fishes Program

For 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, 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. 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

3rd time

Victor Zulkoski & Kathleen Andreone

We Remember

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

Masses at Saint Benedict this week

T	8-22	8am	Stanley Janis by Bruce & Janice Havera Barr Gartley Sr. by Family
W	8-23	8am	Levio Grilli by Gildo Pascucci Mary Loomis by Richard Loomis
Th	8-24	8am	Walter Darling by Betty Novakowski Carmel Gammaitoni by Mrs. Inez Sabatino
F	8-25	8am	Rose Lasiewicki by Patricia Brown Margaret Cunningham by Mary Jane Nolan

Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

S	8-26	4pm	Frances Wanek by Nadine Killino & Family
S	8-27	10am	Joseph Oley by Daughters, Joanne & Maryann & Family

Living and Deceased Parishioners

Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

S	8-26	5:30pm	Jean Mrykalo by Daniel Mrykalo
S	8-27	8am	Anthony Rogish by Children

Saints Peter and Paul Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Paul Binker

Lady of Lourdes Votive

Ted Wysocki

Holy Family Votive

Larry Swetz

Floral Arrangement
Saints Peter and Paul
Victor Nardone

Saint Benedict Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Special Intention

Parish Weekly Activities

August 21—August 25

Day	Date	Time	Activity	Building	Location
Mon.	8-21	5pm	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
		6pm	Treasures	Parish Center	Back Porch
		6:30pm	Rosary	Parish Center	Prayer Room
		7pm	Faith Sharing	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
Tues	8-22	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
Wed.	8-23	9am	Jonah Trip	Faith Formation	Back Parking Lot
Thurs.	8-24	9am	Quilting	Parish Center	2 nd Floor
Fri.	8-25	9am	Treasures	Parish Center	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!!!!

Lottery Tickets

Tickets for Fall Lottery are in the printing process and will soon be available. Awards will begin October 1st through December 31st – a winner daily number. Prizes are \$25 Monday through Saturday, \$100 on Sunday and \$300 on November 1st, All Saints Day; November 23rd Thanksgiving and December 25th, Christmas. 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. Reserve your numbers using the form below. We honor on first come first serve basis, so get your request in soon. Together we can make it another great fundraiser. Tickets will be sold the weekend of Sept. 2nd & 3rd.

Fall Lottery

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Numbers requesting:

Bulletin Briefs

“The effectiveness of our commitment to peace depends on our understanding of human life. If we want peace, let us defend life!”

Pope Benedict XVI, Morning Address
September 15, 2012, Apostolic Journey to Lebanon
2012 Libreria Editrice Vaticana.

	<p>MaineSource's Give Back Program.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Proceeds from this project have benefited the Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry.</p>

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

VIRTUS at King's College on Tuesday, August 29th beginning at 8am. Seating is very limited. Information—www.dioceseofscranton.org.

Annual Musician's Mass will be held on Tuesday, September 12 at 7pm at the Cathedral of St. Peter. Bishop Bambara will be the celebrant.

Convocation for Catechists will be held on Saturday, October 14 at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, in Scranton. The Convocation will include Mass, the Keynote Speakers, Lunch and Workshops. Mark your Calendars!!!!

“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-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