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Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 2, 2016

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 Saints Peter and Paul opens wide its doors
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!*

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.

Office Hours

Monday 10AM – 4PM
Tuesday through Friday 8AM – 4PM
Office closed daily Noon – 12:30PM
Saturday by appointment

Mass Schedule

Monday – Communion Service – 7AM
Tuesday through Friday – 7AM
Saturday 4PM
Sunday 8AM & 11AM

Confession

Daily 6:30AM – 6:45AM
Saturday 3PM – 3:30PM
By appointment anytime

Working Together to Build the Kingdom of God

- M** 10-3 7AM **Communion Service**
T 10-4 7AM **Joseph Lavix (A)**
 by Leonard & Joan Benzi
W 10-5 7AM **Mike McGrady**
 by Sheri & David Pisack
Th 10-6 7AM **Alice Benzi** by Francis & Irene Kelly
F 10-7 7AM **Joseph Gill**
 by Mr. & Mrs. Denny Whitcomb
S 10-8 4PM **Marianne Lynch (A)**
 by Luann & Gary Grochowski
S 10-9 8AM **Jesse Jude Joyce**
 by mother, brother & sister
 11AM **Living and Deceased Parishioners**

LET GO AND LET GOD

Many twelve-step programs use the phrase "Let go and let God." In all their simplicity, these five words are the heart of today's readings. For people who struggle with addictive behavior, these words plainly remind us that we can't manage, control, or manipulate certain areas of our lives. How many times can we look back in our lives and find evidence of some plan at work other than our own? These are the moments when, for whatever reasons, we let someone greater than ourselves work the plan. We probably didn't even recognize at the time that we were letting go of anything, but in retrospect, we see God's hand and loving presence. It is our awareness of these moments that gives us the courage and initiative to let go again later on. It is this courage and initiative that are highlighted in today's readings. We come to call it "faith."

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — In spite of violence, destruction, and ruin, the just person, because of faith, will live (Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — Bear hardship with the strength that comes from God (2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14).

Gospel — Lord, increase our faith! (Luke 17:5-10).

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Our Lady of Lourdes Votive Candle
Ann Giovannini

September 25, 2016

Contribution	\$6,967
Dues	\$769
Holy Day	\$27
Maintenance	\$117
Church in Eastern Europe	\$27
Care and Education of Priests	\$96
St. Vincent de Paul	\$1,136

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time;
 Respect Life Sunday; Rosh Hashanah
 (Jewish New Year 5777) begins at sunset

Tuesday: St. Francis of Assisi

Thursday: St. Bruno; Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher

Friday: Our Lady of the Rosary; First Friday

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

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

Memorial Donations

The following donations and memorials have recently been given to our Parish:

Saints Peter and Paul Church

In Memory of Mary Jo Paciga

\$100 Susan Paciga
\$50 Inter Metro
\$35 Brenda and Dainiel Potsko
\$25 Sarah Ann Harris

Bernardine Hall

\$1000 In Memory of Stephen Janis
by Dolores & Stanley Janis

Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry

\$510 Anonymous
\$196 Maines Source
\$25 Lottery Winnings
\$75 Norman & Ann Marie Hicks
\$25 Charles Obeid
\$50 Joseph & Deborah Bronack Jr.
\$150 In Memory of John Coleman Jr.
by McGough Family
\$100 In Memory of Albert Guzanski
by Family
\$25 In Memory of Theresa Egan
by Mary Doran
\$20 In Memory of Thomas Stanski
by Rosemary Parise
\$20 In Memory of Angeline Parise
by Rosemary Parise
\$25 In Memory of Rudy Georgetti
by Barb & Joe Salus
\$20 In Memory of Eleanor Uzups
by Elizabeth Segeda

In Memory of Henrietta Fagula

\$100 James Lamp
\$25 Joann Chukinas
In Memory of Bridget O'Connor
\$50 James Gavin
\$25 Joe & Patti Ledorette
\$25 Lia Vannucchi
\$20 Ann Marie Swetz

In Memory of Anoinette Stec

\$100 A. Coffee
\$25 Barb & Joe Salus
\$25 Elizabeth Segeda
\$25 Jane Biniek
\$25 Angela Trentowski
\$25 Mary Drew
\$20 William & Marie Fender

We thank all who have made memorial and free-will donations. May God bless you for your generosity. We will keep your intentions and love ones in our prayers.

Parish Activities

October 2 through October 9

Sun.	9:30 – 10:30AM	Faith Formation	
Mon.	5PM	Quilting	Parish Center 2 nd Floor
	5PM	Prayer Shawl	Parish Center Dining Room
	6:30PM	Rosary	Parish Garden
	7PM	Faith Sharing	Parish Center 2 nd Floor
Tues.	9AM	Quilting	Parish Center 2 nd Floor
	6:30PM	Liturgical Workshop	Church
Wed.		Planning Meeting-Switzerland	Bernardine Hall
	7PM	Choir	Choir Loft
Thurs.	9AM	Quilting	Parish Center 2 nd Fl
	7PM	Youth Group	Parish Center Dining Room
Sun.	8AM	Women's Communion Breakfast	
	1PM	Quilt Bingo	Bernardine Hall

After many long years of service to the Church, Geri Langdon has resigned her position as "Church Cleaner". Her last day will be October 10, 2016. Thank you Geri for all you have done. God Bless!

No Festival Collection

This year I would really appreciate your support in designating this collection for the up-grade of our kitchen in Bernardine Hall. We are in need of some new kitchen equipment and your help will provide the much needed up-grade. In the event that our collection is sufficient, we will be able to up-grade the bathrooms and the hall lighting and maybe even air-condition the hall – Praise God! \$21,017 has been collected from 351 parishioners. The breakdown is as follows: 1 - \$500; 1 - \$400; 1 - \$300; 11 - \$200; 3 - \$150; 59 - \$100; 2 - \$85; 8 - \$75; 1 - \$65; 3 - \$60; 168 - \$50; 93 - \$49 and under. Thanks to all for the generous contributions

Women Society Communion Breakfast being held on Sunday, October 9 after the 8AM Mass. All who are attending are asked to bring a personal care item to be donated to Ruth's Place. The women will gather in the church at 7:30AM to recite the rosary before Mass.

A Planning Meeting will be held here at Saints Peter and Paul to plan a trip to Switzerland in September 2017. If you are interested in finding out about this trip please join us on Wednesday, October 5th at 6:30PM in the Bernardine Hall

Liturgy Corner: Did You Know?

Music

Music, especially sung music, is the preeminent liturgical enhancement.

Music allows text to speak on a deeper level, adds joy and festivity to celebration, and creates unity in an assembly by bringing all voices together in song.

Writings from the earliest church indicates that hymns were sung by Christians when they gathered, and written material dating from the second century can actually be identified as hymns.

For a long time in the more recent church, choirs and soloists provided the music while the rest of the assembly remained mute. Fortunately, the reforms of Vatican II have restored a singing voice to all.

Marriage Moments

Trading places with your partner can increase your ability to understand and connect with each other. The next time you have a disagreement, physically trade places with your partner to remind yourself that there is more than one way to see and understand an issue. (adapted from www.CoupleTalk.com) - Susan Vogt

The Women's Society of Saints Peter and Paul Annual Retreat "A Day of Recollection" will be held on Saturday, November 12th in the Parish Center, Lower Level. This year leader will be Fr. Paul C. P. Missionary of St. Ann's Basilica. The Program begins with a continental breakfast followed by the first sermon of the day. The day includes a hot lunch, snacks and beverages. The day will include sessions by the Missionary, meditation, rosary, stations of the cross and end with the celebration of Mass. All women, guests and visitors are invited to attend. For more information contact Marie Fender at 570-825-4356 or Joan Pisack at 570-822-3815.

A Living Through 5 Stages of Grief Gathering will be held in the basement of the Parish Rectory starting on October 11 at 6PM. It will run for 5 weeks; ending November 9. For more information or to register call Gloria Dixon at 570-466-1715.

Parenting Pointers

October is Respect Life month. Are there people in our world that you find difficult to respect? (criminals, people who are lazy or mean, people of a different political persuasion...) Yes, even these are worthy of human respect. Talk to your children about giving respect – even to people they don't like. - Susan Vogt

Our Annual "Choose Your Own Hand Stitched Quilt Bingo" will be held *next Sunday, October 9, 2016*. With admission you will receive 6 Bingo card to play each of the regular games. The cost of admission will be \$25. Each additional 6 cards will cost \$10. There will be 5 Specials and a 50/50. Door prizes will also be awarded. Raffle Books can be purchased for \$2 each or the book of 6 for \$10. Admission tickets can be purchased at the Parish Office or at the door. Plan to attend and support our parish.

Do you know someone who is interested in Joining the Catholic Church? Sometimes a relative or a co-worker asks you questions about the Catholic Church with an eye toward exploring what it would take to be a catholic? IF you know of anyone who is seeking information please call the Parish Office.

SUMMER LOTTERY WINNERS

9-19	#384	Flo Paciga
9-20	#015	K. Lambert
9-21	#228	Mike Radzvilla
9-22	#181	D. Gregonis
9-23	#064	Ann Marie Merlie
9-24	#640	Joe Shea
9-25	#076	Sue Miller

Congratulations to all!!!

20th Anniversary of Wyoming Valley Knights of Columbus Tomb of Unborn on Sunday, October 9 at 2PM at top of hill of Mt. Olivet Cemetery. Fr. Jim McGahagan will lead us in praying 5 decades of the rosary. All Wyoming Valley Knights of Columbus & faithful are invited to attend. For more information please contact Patrick Umbra at mbra4326@msn.com.

Experience Year of Mercy with Dan Schutte, hosted by Cathedral of St. Peter, 315 Wyoming Ave, Scranton on Friday, October 7 at 7:30 – 9PM. Register at www.dioceseofscranton.org. Cost is \$15.

Night at the Races will be held at Holy Redeemer High School on Saturday, November 5. Doors open at 5:45PM and post time at 7PM. All guest must be 21 of age. Contact Holy Redeemer at jgkosik@comcast.net or 570-829-2424 to sponsor a race (\$100), buy a horse (\$10) or make a reservation (\$10). We look forward to seeing you!

Holy Redeemer High School will hold an Open House on Sunday, October 23rd from 1-3PM. Mark your calendar: Placement/Scholarship Test is December 10th. Call now to register.

By Royal Works We Show Our Faith!

Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church will hold a Pastie Sale on Saturday, October 8th. Our Pasties are made with seasoned ground beef and potatoes wrapped in a pie crust pastry and are available with or without onions. Pasties are \$6 each and gravy is available for \$1 for an 8oz cup. Call 570-829-3051 to place your order. Pick-up from 1:30 to 3:30PM in our School Hall, corner of N River and W Chestnut Streets, W-B.

St. Andre Bessette Parish will hold a USO Dinner Dance on Sat. October 8th, 6:30-10:30PM. The event will be JD'd by Rockin' Father Mike Kloton & held in St. Mary's Byzantine Social Hall (9522 Madison St). Donation to attend is \$20 per person, which includes a homemade dinner & dessert buffet, & coffee/soda/water. BYOB ok. Chances will be sold for 32 raffle baskets and prizes. For tickets, call 570-9814-9227. Doors will open at 6:15 & no tickets will be sold at the door.

St. Ignatius, Kingston will hold a Piggie Fest on Saturday, Oct. 15 from 4 – 7PM. Our moist delicious breaded pork chop was such a big hit, they are making them again, along with St. Hedwig's famous stuffed cabbage. You may choose a pork chop or piggies or add a piggy or a pork chop platter for an additional charge. Dinner includes entrée, roasted garlic mashed potato, vegetable, apple sauce, rye bread and butter, homemade dessert and beverages. Tickets are \$12. For additional information call Nancy at 570-899-1867.

VIRTUS: Protecting God's Children for Adults Program

Saint Nicholas, Wilkes-Barre on Sun, Oct. 9th at 2PM.

To register - <http://virtusonline.org/virtus> or call Heather at 570-207-2216 ext 1089.

Saint Andre Bessette, Wilkes-Barre on Sun. Oct 12th at 6PM. To register - <http://virtusonline.org/virtus> or call Heather at 570-207-2216.

Holy Family Parish, Sugar Notch on Sun, Oct. 16 at 6PM. To register or for further details call the parish at 570-822-8983.

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

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).