



# SS. Peter and Paul Parish

## A Roman Catholic Faith Community

*Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*October 18, 2015*

*Through his suffering, my servant shall justify many.*

*Isaiah 53:11b*

### *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; o  
and to all who sin and need a Savior;  
and to whomsoever will,  
the Parish of SS. Peter and Paul opens wide its doors  
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!*

### **Mission Statement**

As members of SS. 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.

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#### **Office Hours**

Monday 10am – 3pm  
Tuesday through Friday 8am – 3pm  
Saturday by appointment

#### **Mass Schedule**

Monday – Communion Service – 7am  
Tuesday through Friday – 7am  
Saturday 4pm  
Sunday 8am & 11am

#### **Confessions**

Daily 6:30am – 6:45am  
Saturday 3:00pm - 3:30pm  
And by appointment anytime

#### **Parish Center**

(570)822-8761

*Working Together to Build the Kingdom of God*



**October 19 through October 25**

Mon. 7am *Communion Service*

Tues. 7am *Steve, Violet & Stephen Polachek*  
by Tony & Stella

Wed. 7am *Dominick & Mary Caparoli* by Family

Thurs. 7am *Zigmund Koshinski*

Fri. 7am *Julio Ozgo*  
by Francis Gavin

Sat. 4pm *Ronald Milgate (A)*  
by Fran & Jim Rollo

Sun. 8am *Parishioners*

11am *Al Soboleski (A)* by Wife & Family

**Message of the Week** *Mark 10:35-45*

In the wake of James and John’s vanity, Jesus upset the status quo, as was typical of so many of his teachings. He put forward this clear image of the servant leader: “Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all.” As followers of Christ, this instruction applies to us as well. We are called to the humility of service that seeks neither personal glory nor gain. We are called to use what authority we may have in the world for the benefit of our brothers and sisters. At the same time, today’s Gospel gives us cause to meditate upon our association with Jesus and what we hope to get out of it. Why are we Christian? Are we only after the glory of heaven? Are we afraid to publicly profess our faith when it might hurt our reputation? Or are we in this for the love of the Lord, who came into this world “to serve and to give his life as a ransom” for us?

**Achieving Sanctity**

*Let us throw ourselves into the ocean of God’s goodness, where every failing will be cancelled and anxiety turned into love.*

*St. Paul of the Cross*

*In Memory of  
The Sanctuary Lamp  
George & Mary Magda & Sons*

**Votive by the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
*Ronald Milgate*

**October 11, 2015**

<b>Contribution</b>	<b>\$6,721</b>
<b>Care for the Priest</b>	<b>\$115</b>
<b>Charity</b>	<b>\$14</b>
<b>Dues</b>	<b>\$560</b>
<b>Maintenance</b>	<b>\$2,141</b>
<b>Holy Day</b>	<b>\$5</b>
<b>World Mission</b>	<b>\$16</b>
<b>Mother’s Day</b>	<b>\$5</b>

**Questions of the Week?**

**Mark 10:35-45**

What conditions do you place on following the Lord?

**Isaiah 53:10-11:**

When have you suffered for a higher good?

**Hebrews 4:14-16:**

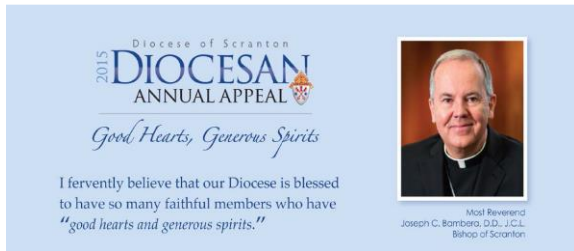
How are you able to sympathize with other people?

<b>Pastor</b> Rev. John C. Lambert	<b>Pastor Emeritus</b> Rev. Joseph Greskiewicz
<b>Faith Formation</b> Sande Holena	<b>Music</b> Christine Katsock
<b>Eucharistic Minister/Lectors</b> David Loiacono	<b>Ushers</b> Paul Muczynski
<b>Youth Group</b> Maryann and Michael Quinn	<b>Altar Servers</b> Gloria Flynn
<b>Food Pantry</b> Pauline Makowski	
<b>Buildings/Maintenance/Properties</b> Michael Levandowski	



## World Mission Sunday

Today is World Mission Sunday! In Scripture, we read that St. Paul asked the Gentile Churches to take up a collection to support the Church in Jerusalem. Now we are asked to reach out and support the young churches throughout our world. Your prayers and generous gifts to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in the collection today will help missionaries offer the poor of these areas practical help as they share the mercy of God. It will ensure the development of local dioceses, and support the work of priest, religious and lay leaders who serve those on the margins and in most need. Go out to the whole world through your gift in today's collection!



Next weekend is In-Pew Commitment Weekend Diocesan Appeal materials and pledge cards will be distributed to all parishioners during Masses celebrated next weekend. If you have not already done so, please make your pledge to help the thousands of people who will directly benefit from your caring support. This year, to allow us to update our records, everyone at Mass will be asked to complete the pledge form, whether or not they have made a pledge or intend to pledge. You are also invited to list your personal prayer intentions on the inside pledge form and to attend a special Mass of Thanksgiving to be held at St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, on Sunday, November 22, at 10:00am. Your intention will be remembered at this Mass celebrated by Bishop Joseph C. Bambera. Prayer intentions are welcome whether or not you make a gift to the Diocesan Annual Appeal. Thank you.

**Father Jack's** pilgrimage to the Holy Land, April 11<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Extension to Jordan available. Please contact Karen at Sea the World Travel at 570-714-5566.

## Parish Activities

October 18 through October 25

<b>Sun.</b>	<b>Women's Breakfast &amp; Blessing of Shawls</b>	<b>8am</b>
	<b>Faith Formation</b>	<b>3:45pm</b>
	<b>Confirmation</b>	<b>4pm</b>
<b>Mon.</b>	Quilting	5pm
	<b>Prayer Shawl</b>	<b>5pm</b>
	Rosary	6:30pm
	<b>Women's Meeting</b>	<b>7pm</b>
<b>Tues.</b>	Quilting	9am
	<b>Liturgy</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>
<b>Thurs</b>	Quilting	9am
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Faith Formation</b>	<b>9:30am</b>

## Marriage Moments

The Golden Rule with a new twist. Do unto others as they would have you do unto them. See [A New Twist on an Old Rule](#) for ideas. (www.SusanVogt.net click on spiritually) - Susan Vogt

**The Women Society of SS Peter and Paul Parish** will hold their annual retreat on Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Center. New members and quest are always welcome. Father Thomas Looney, CSC, King's College will be the retreat master. The theme will be announced at a later date.

The day will begin at 9am with a continental breakfast, and continue with conference, prayers, a hot lunch, private prayer time and confession at 3:30pm. The retreat will conclude with attendance at the 4pm Mass.

For reservations, contact Marie Fender at 570-825-4356. Checks in the amount of \$25 should be made payable to Joanne Melman and sent to 22 Garden Drive, Plains, Pa 18705. Final date for reservation is November 7<sup>th</sup>.

**SS Peter and Paul's Food Pantry  
Shopping List**

Cans: Carrots  
Fruit  
Mixed Veggies  
Beets

Others -  
Coffee            Tea  
Cereal            Tuna  
Jelly  
Hamburger Helper

Brown Grocery Bags are also needed

*Thanks for all your support!!!*

**Liturgy Corner: DID YOU KNOW?**

***Baptismal Font***

*Large baptismal fonts – evident in early churches – have come back to us in recent years.*

*These fonts allow for immersion, the pouring of water over the body of a person who steps into the font and then comes back out again – renewed.*

*Many of these fonts are of an octagon shape. This shape is not only pleasing to the eye but is symbolic as well. Eight sides symbolize the eighth day, the day of resurrection, and remind us that in baptism we die to sin and rise to new life in Christ and believe that we, like him, will rise from death.*

*Flowing water, or water that moves in some way is also a feature of these newer fonts. This water gives new life, and so it is living water – flowing, springing, bubbling- somehow alive.*

**The Food Pantry Volunteers** are getting ready for the busy Holiday Season. We are in need of items for Thanksgiving: Cans of yams, potatoes, stuffing, pie crust mix, evaporated milk, canned vegetables.

**Frozen turkeys can be accepted, but must be brought to the Rectory during Office Hours for proper storage.** Thawed items must be discarded to avoid food spoilage. Please do not leave any items on the porches. Regular items are also needed: soups, sides, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, canned meats, stews, skillet dinners, baking supplies, crackers and cookies. Thank you for your generosity, providing monetary donations and food items to the pantry. All is greatly appreciated.

**St. Andrew Parish**, 318 Parrish St., Wilkes-Barre is holding a “Designer Bingo” on Sunday, October 25 in the church hall. Bingo starts at 1pm. Doors open at noon. Tickets are \$20 and includes 20 games. Some prizes include purses by Coach, Dooney & Bourke and Vera Bradley. Also jewelry and gift cards. There will be a Theme Basket Raffle and 50/50 drawing. Food, refreshments and homemade baked goods will be available for sale. For tickets or more information, please call St. Andrew Parish Rectory at 570-823-1948 or 570-822-8330.

**Parenting Pointers**

October is Respect Life Month. In addition to respecting the human lives that are too often dismissed as unworthy or inconvenient (the unborn, the poor, the imprisoned, the handicapped...) this year add respect for mother earth, who is also suffering.

- Susan Vogt

**Imposing Values**

“Religious faith has long been a cornerstone of the American experience. From the Mayflower Compact, which begins “In the name of God. Amen” to our Declaration of Independence we hear loud echoes of our faith in God. It finds expression in our deep-seated conviction that we have unalienable rights from “Nature and Nature’s God.”... To speak out against racial discrimination, social justice or threats to the dignity of life is not to force values upon society, but rather to call our society to its own, long-accepted, moral principles and commitment to defend basic human right, which is function of law.” *Most Rev. Donald Wueri, Archbishop of Washington, in homily at Red Mass, Oct. 1, 06*

**The University of Scranton** will host an Open House for prospective students and their families on Sunday, October 25 and November 8. At the Open House, participants can learn about the Jesuit University's 66 undergraduate majors, meet with faculty, students, admissions counselors and financial aid representatives. Registration and campus tours begin at 9am. Open house includes a complimentary brunch for prospective students and their families. Student led tours will be conducted throughout the day and will include residence halls, dining halls, computer labs, science labs and academic facilities.

In addition, members of student organizations, athletic teams and the University's programs of excellence, such as the Honors Programs, Faculty-Student Research Program, Special Jesuit Liberal Arts Honors Program and Business Leadership Honors Programs, will also be available. For additional information, contact The University of Scranton Admission Office at 1-888-SCRANTON or visit [www.scranton.edu/admissions](http://www.scranton.edu/admissions).

**Homemade Pasta and Sausage Dinner** will be held at St. Maria Goretti, Laflin Road, on Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 5pm. Dinner includes salad, Roll/Butter, Beverage, Dessert. Take outs will be from Noon to 4pm. (containers provided) Tickets are available at the Door. Cost is \$11. Children 5 years old and under are free for "Eat in Only". Facilities are handicapped accessible and ample and free parking is available.

Holiday Craft and Gift Fair will be held at St. Maria Goretti, Laflin Road, Laflin on Saturday, Nov. 21 from 10am – 4pm and Sunday, November 22 from 9am to 3pm. 30 + Vendors in the Upstairs Hall (both days) and Downstairs in classroom (Saturday only) A Specialty Basket & Gift Raffle valued at over \$200 including a 32 inch TV, a Boy's Bike, An American Girl Doll, Penguin's Hockey Game Tickets, \$150 Gift Certificate to Giant Floor and Wall Covering, over \$600 in Gift Cards & Certificates & More. Tickets will be sold for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Food stand also available featuring Meatball, Chili, Haluski, Clam Chowder, Chicken Soup, Hoagies, Porketta Sandwiches, Whimpies, and Grilled All Beef Hot Dogs!

Hope to see you there!

**Holy Redeemer High School**, 159 S. Penn. Ave, will hold an Open House on Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 1pm-3pm.

*Love is Our Mission...Faith is Our Guide.*

**Holy Redeemer High School Musical** *Once Upon a Mattress* will be held on Friday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, Nov. 14 at 7pm. Reserved Seating.

Adults - \$7 - Seniors - \$6, Students - \$5 \

*All are welcome!*

*Call to pick up presale tickets 570-829-2424*

### **Undergraduate Discernment Retreat**

Have you ever felt that you might be called to be a priest or a brother? If you are a college student, and would like to learn more about how to discern whether God might be calling you, we would like to invite you to join us at Moreau Seminary on October 30 – Nov.1. Come stay with us for the weekend, and set aside some time for Mass, Prayer, and presentations from Holy Cross Priests focused specifically on discernment. Contact the Office of Vocations at 574-631-6385 or email us at [vocation@holycrossusa.com](mailto:vocation@holycrossusa.com) for more information or to register.

**Students of Luzerne County** are again invited to submit entries to the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians 2015-2016 Irish History Contest. The contest is open to any students of grades 6 through 12. This year's topic is *The Involvement of Women in the 1916 Easter Rising*. For complete contest rules and list of cash prizes, please visit [www.ladiesaoh.com](http://www.ladiesaoh.com) or call Mary Ellen Dooley at (570)735-1711. Deadline for entries is November 15, 2015. The LAOH is a charitable organization of Catholic Irish-American women founded in 1894, and aims to promote Irish history and culture.

### **Bulletin Briefs**

"Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. As someone who has been there, I encourage you to support your friend in her new journey of being a mother. Not sure how to help or what to say? Learn more at [www.goo.gl/e60H2Z](http://www.goo.gl/e60H2Z)."

USCCB 2015-16 Respect Life Program  
"10 Ways to Support Her  
When She's Unexpectedly Expecting"  
[www.goo.gl/e60H2Z](http://www.goo.gl/e60H2Z)