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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

1229 Families receive envelopes

October 14 323 Attended the 4pm Mass
253 Families used their envelopes and offered \$2,988

October 15 320 Attended the 10am Mass
255 Families used their envelopes and offered \$4,317

Tithe from

508 Families was \$7,30

Saints Peter and Paul No Festival Collection

264 Families Contributed \$14,835 to date.

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal \$70,000 Raised to Date \$22,781

Saint Benedict Parish

585 Families receive envelopes

October 14 145 Attended the 5:30pm Mass
115 Families used their envelopes and offered \$2,171

October 15 175 Attended the 8am Mass
69 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,330

Tithe from

184 Families was \$3,501

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal \$22,000 Raised to Date \$5,712

*Thank you for your continued generous
Support of our parishes!*

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY

10-9	#956	Alan Baranski
10-10	#317	Tom Zurla
10-11	#381	Isabel Elick
10-12	#224	Joseph Zawatski
10-13	#603	Theresa Rudloff
10-14	#365	Carmella Slocum
10-15	#663	Kyra Kosmach

Congratulations to all !!!

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

Monday

Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday

Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48

Thursday

Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53

Friday

Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59

Saturday

Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16

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 & Saint Benedict

Class 9am-9:50am

*Halloween Spooktacular will take place on
October 29th at noon. It is Disney Themed,
Come dressed. Candy will be distributed*

The Sunday Good News

Saint Benedict & Saints Peter & Paul

October 22, 2017

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

Cyrus, King of Persia and friend to the Jewish people, becomes the Lord's anointed one, and through God's intervention, returns the Jews to their own country.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b

Paul rejoices that the Thessalonians, newly converted to Christianity, are displaying remarkable constancy in their new-found faith.

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

Seeking to entrap Jesus in his speech, the hostile and hypocritical Pharisees ask him this dangerous question, "Is it lawful to pay tax to the emperor or not?" Realizing their treacherous motives, Jesus asks for a Roman coin, and pointing to the inscription of Caesar's, he answers, "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, but give to God what is God's."

His Word Today by Rev. William J. Reilly

"We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love, and enduring hope in our Lord Jesus Christ before our God and Father, knowing brothers and sisters loved by God how you were chosen. For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction."

Paul with his companions wrote this letter to give praise to God and encouragement to the disciples at Thessalonica. As I reread this inspired message, I can put a name and face of people of our time to whom a similar writing could be addressed.

I consider persons of great faith who have walked among us, as St. Teresa of Calcutta. I hear the words calling for justice spoken by the martyred Oscar Romero in his labor of love. I reflect on the word of hope generated by the exhortation of Pope Francis in the 'Joy of the Gospel.'

Their example reminds me that I too have been chosen. More than just the written word, these models remind me that I have been chosen and the power of the gospel and Spirit lives within me. The fruit of the reflection calls me to live the same message with deeper conviction for 'I am the Lord, there is no other.'

*Almighty God,
our heavenly Father,
the privilege is ours
to share in the loving,
healing,
reconciling mission
of your Son
Jesus Christ, our Lord,
in this age
and wherever we are.
Since without you
we can do no good thing,
may your Spirit
make us wise;
may your Spirit guide us;
may your Spirit renew us;
may your Spirit
strengthen us;
so that we will
be
:strong in faith,
discerning in proclamation,
courageous in witness,
persistent in good deeds.
This we ask
through the name
of the Father.
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 **October** will be collecting **Hot Chocolate Mix**. This program benefits St. Vincent de Paul in Wilkes-Barre.

Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry

Thank you for your continued support to the Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry.

With **Thanksgiving** approaching we are in need of

Can Vegetables	Chicken Broth
Cranberries	Stuffing Mix
Pie Crust Mix	Evaporated Milk
Canned Yams	Pumpkin
Turkey Gravy	Boxes/Mashed Potatoes

Please place in the collection basket in the Church.

Saints Peter and Paul's Treasure *is in need of freshly laundered children's fall/winter clothing, men's jeans and men's casual fall/winter shirts.*

Please drop off at the Parish Center during Office Hours.

The Wyoming Valley Barbershop Harmony

Chorus will be presenting its 2017 Christmas Program, **"A Joyful Christmas"**, Sunday, December 3rd at **Saints Peter and Paul Church**.

"Santa" is expected to visit the performance and to wish everyone a "Merry Christmas!"

Tickets cost is \$5 each and can be purchased at the Parish Office or at the door or by calling Jim Morpeth at 570-822-9756.

We Remember

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

Masses at Saints Peter and Paul this week

M	10-23	7am	Communion Service
T	10-24	7am	Stella Kielert by Gardgulis Family Mary Loomis by Husband
W	10-25	7am	Genevieve Stella by Suda Family Jean A. Trevethan by Hall & B.J. Williams
Th	10-26	7am	Catherine Neishell by Mr. & Mrs. Ron Phillips Joseph Ulitchney by Thomas McGeehan
F	10-27	7am	Edward Suchoski by Wife & Family Jule Novakoski by Ed & Debbie Pesotski

Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

S	10-28	4pm	Stella Susek by Louise & John Rogish
	10-29	10am	Evelyn Krzywicki (A) by Mr. & Mrs. James Felia

Living and Deceased Parishioners

Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

S	10-28	5:30pm	Anthony & Elsie Sincavage by Danielle Saxinger
S	10-29	8am	Violet T. Mond by Daughters

All Masses and Communion Services in Saint Benedict will be held in the Church Proper

Banns of Marriage

Michelle Phillips & Joel DeSanto

Saints Peter and Paul Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Magda Family

Lady of Lourdes Votive

Paul Binker

Holy Family Votive

Paul Binker

Saint Benedict Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Genevieve Burke

Parish Weekly Activities
October 22—October 28

Day	Date	Time	Activity	Building	Location
Sun	10-22	9:00am	Faith Formation	Faith Formation Center	Classrooms
Mon.	10-16	5pm 6pm 6:30pm 7pm	Quilting Treasures Rosary Faith Sharing	Parish Center Parish Center Parish Center Parish Center	2 nd Floor Back Porch Prayer Room 2 nd Floor
Tues	10-17	9am 6:30pm	Quilting Chess	Parish Center Parish Center	2 nd Floor Prayer Room
Wed	10-18	6:30pm 7pm	Grief Support Festival Choir	Parish Center Church	Prayer Room Choir Loft
Thurs.	10-19	9am 6pm 6:30pm	Quilting Family Choir Plains Carolers	Parish Center Church Parish Center	2 nd Floor Choir Loft Dinning Room
Fri.	10-13	9am	Treasures	Parish Center	Back Porch

Save the Date—Pierogi Making for the Christmas Season

Saturday, December 2nd

Starting at 9am in Bernardine Hall Many hands make light work!!!!



Save the Date—It's Trunk or Treat Time!!!!!! Yes, it's that time of year again when children wear costumes and take to the streets in search of treats. What is Trunk or Treats you ask? It is a family friendly event where people distribute "treats" from the decorated trunks of their car. Please join us here at **Saint Benedict Parish** in providing a safe and fun filled evening of treats for our local children. Our Council of Catholic Women will again be providing hot chocolate and cookies for all the children attending. This year, our Trunk or Treat event will take place on **Tuesday, October 31st from 5:30pm to 7:30pm in the church parking lot**. Anyone interested in participating should park their car in the church parking lot by 5:15pm open their decorated trunk (be creative) and be ready to distribute their treats by 5:30pm. Thank you!!!

The Council of Catholic Women (CCW) of Saint Benedict Parish will be hosting a **Toyland Bingo** on Sunday, November 12th in the Church Hall. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Doors open at noon and games begin at 1pm. There will be 15 games, 3 specials, door prizes and a 50/50 raffle. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase. For tickets please contact Mary Ann at 570-825-7606 or Barbara at 570-823-1491. The CCW are requesting Monetary donations, door prizes, and consolation prizes. Monetary donations can be placed in an envelope and placed in the collection or dropped at the Office.

Giving Tuesday is a movement which celebrates and supports giving back to charities and non-profits. This year Diocesan Catholic Schools will participate with a campaign beginning in October and ending on Nov. 28. At each one of our 20 schools, there is a gift opportunity for a unique project the school would like to have funded. For more information, or to make a gift to a specific school, please visit <https://www.crowdrise.com/DOSCatholicSchoolsGvingTuesday2017>.

"Educating the future generations of the faithful."

Shaping the next generation of the faithful through a Catholic education in our schools and parishes is an essential mission of the Diocese of Scranton. Last year, nearly 5,000 elementary, middle and high school students benefitted from the academic programs and spiritual guidance offered by our Catholic Schools. More than 17,000 children received religious education in parish-based programs, instilling in them an intimate knowledge of the faith and the love of God, and fostering a desire to serve one another.

Community Happenings

Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner at St. Andrew's Parish, on Sunday, October 22 in the church hall, 318 Parrish St. W-B. Serving is from noon to 4pm. Menu includes Pasta, homemade sauce, meatballs, salad, bread, beverage and dessert. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children under 12. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

A Common Prayer Service will be held at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 190 South Main Street, Wilkes-Barre, 18701 on Thursday, October 26 at 7pm. From Conflict to Communion, a Lutheran-Catholic Commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation in 2017.

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal will sponsor a Formation Day Video Conference on Saturday, Oct 28 at Holy Family Spiritual Renewal Center in Nanticoke. Cost is \$25 which includes 3 meals. To register or info call 570-344-2214.

Worship Convocation for Liturgical Ministers will be held on Sat. October 28 from 8:30-3pm at the Swartz Center for Spiritual Life at Marywood University, Scranton. The fee is \$35 and includes lunch.

Students of Luzerne County are invited to submit entries to 2017-18 Irish History Writing Contest. The contest is open to student 6 through 12. For complete contest rules and list of cash awards, please visit www.ladiesaoh.com or call Mary Ellen Dooley at 570-735-1711. Deadline is Nov 15th

Night at the Races held at Holy Redeemer High School on Sat., Nov. 4. Doors open at 5:45pm and post time is 7pm. All guest must be 21. Call 570-829-2424 to sponsor a race (\$100) or buy a horse(\$10) or to make reservations (\$10).

Our Lady of Czestochowa Society of the Exaltation of Holy Cross Church, is sponsoring a Winter Bingo on Sun, Nov. 5. Doors open at noon, bingo begins at 1pm. There will be door prizes, toys, turkeys, ham, gift certificates, Christmas gifts. Cost is \$3. Refreshments will be available Any questions please call 570-823-6242.

St. Joseph Marello Annual Harvest Festival Dinner on Sun., Nov. 12 from 11-4pm. Take out begin at 11am and the sit-down meal at 11:30am. Menu will be Italian Roasted Pork, mixed vegetables, mash potatoes and gravy, and apple pie. A cash bar will be available. Adults \$12, students (6-12) \$6 and children 5 and under are free. Limited tickets at the door.

"Big Prize" Bingo at Corpus Christi Parish Immaculate Conception Church Hall, 605 Luzerne Ave, West Pittston will be held on Sunday, Nov. 12. Doors open at noon. Bingo starts at 1pm. Flat screen TV, designer handbag, a Fitbit, various electronics, gift cards and much more. Homemade food available for sale including: Italian Wedding Soup, Pulled Pork, Chicken Salad, hamburgers, hot dogs, turkey burgers, and desserts. Tickets \$25 at the door. For tickets call Jayce 570-654+-2753.

Autumn Fling Bingo will be held at St. Ignatius Parish on Sunday, Nov. 5 in Conlan Hall. Doors open at 11:45am and games begin at 1:15pm. Prizes include assorted gift items for all age groups—perfect for holiday giving. Tickets are \$25. Extra cards, specials, raffle, 50/50, food and beverages may be purchased. Call 570-288-6446 for assistance.

“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.”



Over the past few weeks, the discussion here has centered on Servant Leadership, where true leadership is accomplished by serving others. An excellent representation of Servant Leadership and how it relates to our Pastoral Plan is the symbol above. Servant Leadership is at the core of our Pastoral Plan. The heart of Servant Leadership is Sunday Eucharist. Every objective in **Word, Worship, Community, and Service** is linked to Servant Leadership. Finally, evangelization is what springs forth from accomplishing our goals. This is a beautiful representation of the model of a Pastoral Plan. Please consider supporting our plan by being a part of the many volunteer opportunities that will be created in the coming year. The satisfaction you will receive by being a Servant Leader will be incredible.

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