# Parish of Saints Peter and Paul

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# Parish of Saint Benedict

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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 21 295 Attended the 4pm Mass 191 Families used their envelopes and offered \$2,816 October 22 303 attended the 10am Mass

248 Families used their envelopes and offered \$3,641

#### Tithe from

*439 Families was \$6,457* 

#### Saints Peter and Paul No Festival Collection

271 Families Contributed \$15,505 to date.

#### **Diocesan Annual Appeal**

Goal \$70,000 Raised to Date \$29,562

### Saint Benedict Parish

### 585 Families receive envelopes

October 21 143 Attended the 5:30pm Mass 90 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,344

**October 22** 145 Attended the 8am Mass 80 Families used their envelopes and offered \$2,720

> Tithe from 170 Families was \$4,064

#### **Diocesan Annual Appeal**

Goal \$22,000 Raised to Date \$7,207

Thank you for your continued generous Support of our parishes!

# 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

10-16		Theresa Rudloff
10-17		Paul Binker
10-18	#518	Bernard Golomb
10-19	#756	William Katsak
10-20	#600	Buddy Golomb
10-21	#742	Saints Peter and Paul
10-22	#296	Rose Ann Jones

Congratulations to all !!!

#### **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

#### Sunday

Ex 22:20-26; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

#### Monday

Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17

#### Tuesday

Rom 8:18-25; Lk 13:18-21

#### Wednesday

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

#### **Thursday**

Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

#### First Friday

Rom 9:1-5; Lk 14:1-6

#### First Saturday

Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Lk 14:1, 7-11

Saints Peter and Paul & Saint Benedict

class gam-9:50am

Monday, November 5—18 Young men and women from our Parish along with 72 other young men and women from All Saints, Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Saint John's, and Saint Robert Bellarmine will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation here at Saints Peter and Paul's Church. Please keep these young men and women in your prayers. Confirmation will take place at 5pm.

# The Sunday Good News

Saint Benedict & Saints Peter & Paul

October 29, 2017

#### **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

First Reading: Exodus 22:20-26

This passage from the book of Exodus enjoins all to adhere to specific religious and social laws. It urges all to act with justice and compassion towards others.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

Paul praises the Thessalonians for receiving the word of God so eagerly and totally. Word of their faithfulness has spread throughout Macedonia and Greece; they have become a model for all Christians.

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

Matthew recounts the incident in which a lawyer, seeking to entrap Jesus, asks, "Teacher, which commandment of the law is the greatest?" With simplicity and authority, Jesus responds that the first commandment is to love God with one's entire being; the second is to love one's neighbor as oneself.

#### His Word Today by Rev. William J. Reilly

"Thus says the Lord: 'You shall not molest or oppress the alien, for you were once alien yourselves in the land of Egypt. You shall not wrong any widow or orphan. If ever you wrong them and they cry out to me, I will surely hear their cry... If he cries out to me, I will hear him, for I am compassionate."

From the earliest pages of the bible, concern for aliens, widows and orphans were a priority. In the Acts of the Apostles, the life of the first Christians, the same vulnerable persons were addressed, leading to the vocation of the first deacons.

Today we seem to overlook the helplessness of refugees, those fleeing war, poverty and famine. How many persons have been forced to leave home, family in search of freedom and humane conditions. Unfortunately they seem only to be a statistic. People do not want to leave their land and their family to live in camps with oppressive heat, little food and unhealthy conditions. They are forced to do so fleeing cartels and gangs. In the United States years ago, they were called DP's, and displaced persons were looking for a welcome and harbor was given to them. As we read the book of Moses today, take a moment to consider the plight of those who are calling out to us. They are the very ones the Lord will listen to, and we are the ones called by Him to answer.

Everlasting God, strengthen and sustain all those who volunteer in our churches: that with patience and understanding they may love and care for your people; and grant that together they may follow Jesus Christ, offering to you their gifts and talents; through hím who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. 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 *November* will be collecting *Peanut Butter*. 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.

Council of Catholic Women of Saints Benedict Parish will meet on Monday, November 6th at 6:30pm in Saint Benedict Church Hall. All women are welcome to attend!!!

### The Wyoming Valley Barbershop Harmony

Chorus will be presenting its 2017 Christmas Program, "A Joyful Christmas", Sunday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 Saints Peter and Paul at 7am Monday—Friday

T 10-31 8am Saint Benedict
Christine Madison
by Mary Beth Scott & Family
Marie Podrasky by Jennie Brennan

10-31 5:30pm Saints Peter and Paul Josephine Krakoski

by Jean & Stanley Novak

W 11-1 7am Saints Peter and Paul Robert Podmonski by Mrs. Kline Agnes Zuber by Jack Keeley

> 12:15pm Saints Peter and Paul John Torony by Margaret Uporsky

5:30pm Saints Benedict
Bernard Prevuznak
by Suz & Jim Chernavage

Th 11-2 8am **Saint Benedict**All Souls Day Novena
All Souls Day Intentions

7pm Saints Peter and Paul All Souls Day Mass— Remembrance of all Deceased Parishioners who passed away this year

F 11-3 8am Saint Benedict
All Souls Day Novena
Stanley George Oko
by Dave & Judy Weidner

#### Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

S 11-4 4pm All Souls Day Novena S 11-5 10am All Souls Day Novena

**Living and Deceased Parishioners** 

**Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict** 

11-4 5:30pm Mary Kelly by Bill & Maureen Roughsedge

11-5 8am Florence Rogish by Children



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Don't forget to turn the clocks back next weekend Nov. 5

### Saints Peter and Paul Parish

**Sanctuary Candle** 

Richard Smith

**Lady of Lourdes Votive** 

Thomas C. Phillips

**Holy Family Votive** 

Louis & Marion Bocci

Saint Benedict Parish

**Sanctuary Candle** 

Special Intention

# Parish Weekly Activities October 29—November 3

Day	Date	Time	Activity	Building	Location
Sun	10-29	9:00am 11:30am 5pm	Faith Formation Music Concert Practice-Confirmation	Faith Formation Center Faith Formation Center Church	Classrooms Bernardine Hall Church
Mon.	10-30	5pm 6pm 6:30pm 7pm <b>7pm</b>	Quilting Treasures Rosary Faith Sharing <b>Festival Choir</b>	Parish Center Parish Center Parish Center Parish Center Church	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Back Porch Prayer Room 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor <b>Church</b>
Tues	10-31	9am 6:30pm	Quilting Chess	Parish Center Parish Center	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Prayer Room
Wed	11-1	Noon 2:15pm	Plains Seniors Mass	Faith Formation Center Riverstreet Manor	Bernardine Hall
Thurs.	11-2	9am <b>6:30pm</b> <b>7pm</b>	Quilting Plains Carolers All Souls Day Mass	Parish Center Parish Center Church	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor <b>Dinning Room</b>
Fri.	11-3	9am	Treasures	Parish Center	Back Porch

# Save the Date—Pierogi Making for the Christmas Season

Sat 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.



Leaveamark17, a gathering of the young church with Bishop Joseph C. Bambera to kickoff National Vocational Awareness Week in the Diocese of Scranton, will be

held on Sunday, November 5 with Mass in the Cathedral of Saint Perer, 315 Wyoming Ave. at 5pm and a reception following in the Diocesan Pastoral Center. Praise and worship music will begin at 4:45pm. For more information, please call the Vocation Office at 570-207-1452 or visit facebook.com/scrantonvoc.

"Giving everyone the opportunity to read, see and hear the Good News"

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Office of the Diocese of Scranton. This is why we provide a wide-ranging media program that offers print, online and broadcasting services throughout our 11-county Diocese. The message is delivered through *The Catholic Light*, the official newspaper of the Diocese which is delivered to 46,000 households; Catholic Television (CTV), the Diocesan television station; and the Diocesan website. CTV reaches more than 235,000 homes, hospitals and nursing facilities broadcasting the daily Mass and many other faith-based programs. The Diocesan website is an excellent online resource for information about life and events in the Diocesan, including videos of the daily Mass and the special liturgies celebrate at St. Peter's Cathedral and Bishop Bambera's homilies.

# Community Happenings

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).

**Holy Family Parish,** 828 Main Street, will hold their annual Fall Night at the Races on Saturday, November 4. Doors open at 5pm, dinner is at 5:30pm and post time is 6:30pm. A four-star buffet is free with horse donation of only \$10. (dessert and beverages included). To sponsor a horse please call the rectory at 570-822-8983.

Nite at the Races at Saint Aloysius Church, corner of Barney & Division Streets. Saturday, November 4th, doors open at 5:30pm, post time 7pm in church auditorium. Admission is \$5.

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.

**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.

**Saint Faustina Kowalska Parish** will hold their monthly Bingo on November 5 in the Alternate Site Hall (the basement of St. Mary's School), 1030 S. Hanover St., Nanticoke, Pa parking and entrance are at the REAR of the Building. Doors open at 12:30, games begin at 1:45. Beverage and snacks available.

St. Joseph Marello Annual Harvest Festival Dinner on Sun., Nov. 12 from 11-4pm. Take out begin at 11 am 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.

Homemade Pasta & Sausage Dinner at St. Maria Goretti Banquet Center, on Sunday, November 12 from noon to 5pm. Take outs from noon to 4pm. Tickets available at the door for \$10. Children 5 and younger free for eat in only.

Christmas Registration for Food and Toys will be held on Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm & 4pm-7pm at Our Lady of Hope Church, 40 Park Ave., Wilkes-Barre. Birth Certificate for children required, proof of Current Address. Access cards will not be accepted as ID.

# "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