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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 28 285 Attended the 4pm Mass
201 Families used their envelopes and offered \$3,045

October 29 332 attended the 10am Mass
239 Families used their envelopes and offered \$3,951

Tithe from

440 Families was \$6,996

Saints Peter and Paul No Festival Collection

279 Families Contributed \$16,110 to date.

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal \$70,000 Raised to Date \$32,627

Saint Benedict Parish

585 Families receive envelopes

October 28 138 Attended the 5:30pm Mass
82 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,705

October 29 182 Attended the 8am Mass
62 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,562

Tithe from

144 Families was \$3,267

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal \$22,000 Raised to Date \$8,182

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

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY

10-23	#402	Marie Fender
10-24	#958	Linda Ceccoli
10-25	#552	Tom Pellegrini
10-26	#213	Saints Peter and Paul
10-27	#459	Bob Kaleta
10-28	#813	Joe Splendido
10-29	#482	Lynn Bolinski

Congratulations to all !!!

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10; 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12

Monday

Rom 11:29-36; Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday

Rom 12:5-16b; Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday

Rom 13:8-10; Lk 14:25-33

Thursday

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Friday

Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8

Saturday

Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk 16:9-15

Saints Peter and Paul & Saint Benedict

Class 9am-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

November 5, 2017

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Malachi 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10

This passage from Malachi denounces the laxity and unfaithfulness of the people and especially of the priests, who failed in their duties to God and their neighbors.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13

Paul reminisces about his extremely happy and successful visit with the Thessalonians. He praises them once again for their immediate and open acceptance of his message as truly the word of God.

Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12

In a strongly worded message, Jesus again rebukes the Pharisees for the hypocritical ostentation and love of honor and position. He reminds the people and the disciples that the truly greatest one is the one who serves others. He ends with the words, "Whoever exalts himself shall be humbled, but whoever humbles himself shall be exalted."

A Prayer for the Dead

*In your hands,
O Lord,
we humbly entrust
our brothers and sisters.
In this life
you embraced them
with your tender love;
deliver them now
from every evil
and bid them
eternal rest.
The old order
has passed away:
welcome them
into paradise,
where there will be
no sorrow,
no weeping or pain,
but fullness
of peace and joy
with your Son
and the Holy Spirit
forever and ever.
Amen.*

His Word Today by Rev. William J. Reilly

"We were gentle among you, as a nursing mother cares for her children. With such affection for you, we were determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but our very selves as well, so dearly beloved had you become to us... And for this reason we too give thanks to God unceasingly, that, in receiving the Word of God hearing from us, you received it not as a human word but, as it truly is, the Word of God which is now at work in you who believe."

Imagine the great persecutor, whipped, chained, jailed and shipwrecked, comparing himself to a nursing mother. The rough edges seemed worn down, and his love and affection burst forth. Paul was gentle, but also stern.

The great saints, and our recent popes, have exhibited these same characteristics and virtues. Look at the World Youth travels of Saint John Paul II. Remember the sound teaching and leadership of Pope Benedict. Look at the humble presence of Pope Francis.

We are asked by all of them to take not only God's Word but also their example, for that same Spirit is at work in each one of us. When we are ready to criticize what is going on, remember that God's Spirit is truly at work, especially when we find the teaching challenging and difficult.

Surely the popes we have cited along with Saint John 23rd were gentle in guiding the church through tumultuous times. We give thanks to God for giving us them.

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 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.

Save the Date

Pierogi Making

Sat December 2nd

Starting at 9am in Bernardine Hall

Many hands make light work!!!!

We Remember

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

Masses at Saints Peter and Paul this week

M	11-6	7am	Communion Service
		5pm	Sacrament of Confirmation
T	11-7	7am	All Soul's Novena
W	11-8	7am	Ursula Parise by Daughters John L. Holthaus by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Belles
Th	11-9	7am	All Soul's Novena Katherine Duffy by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Kayden
F	11-10	7am	Ted Toloczko (A) by Laboratory Friends at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital Andrew Ulichney by Family

Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

S	11-11	4pm	All Soul's Novena
	11-12	10am	Frank & Anna Tressa by Ernest & Dolores Tressa

Living and Deceased Parishioners

Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

S	11-11	5:30pm	Mary McCallick by Bill, Dee & Doreen Korecki
S	11-12	8am	Joseph & Margaret Giza & Son by Lawrence & Charlene

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

Council of Catholic Women

of Saints Benedict

will meet on Monday, November 6th
at 6:30pm in Saint Benedict Church Hall.

All women are welcome to attend!!!

Saints Peter and Paul Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Samuel & Katherine Skillinge

Lady of Lourdes Votive

Donna Keil

Holy Family Votive

Bill Koneski

Saint Benedict Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Larry Wills

Grotto Candle

Florence Rogish

Parish Weekly Activities
November 5—November 11

Day	Date	Time	Activity	Building	Location
Sun	10-29	9:00am 5pm	Faith Formation Practice-Confirmation	Faith Formation Center Church	Classrooms Church
Mon.	10-30	5pm	Confirmation	Church	Church
Please note Parish Center will be closed Monday due to Confirmation					
Tues	10-31	9am 6:30pm	Quilting Chess	Parish Center Parish Center	2 nd Floor Prayer Room
Thurs.	11-2	9am 6:30pm 6:30pm	Quilting Plains Carolers Parish Council	Parish Center Parish Center Parish Center	2 nd Floor Dining Room Prayer Room
Fri.	11-3	9am	Treasures	Parish Center	Back Porch

*These Young Men and Women will received the Holy Spirit
in the Sacrament of Confirmation Monday, November 6th at 5pm*

Victoria Nicole Flora Berbano

Jacqueline Madison Anastasia Burd

Tyler Thomas Engleman

Rylee Elle Catherine Giomboni

Enrique Leonardo Leo Golda

Suzanne Elizabeth Maria Hannigan

Christopher Lawrence Andrew Hine

Michael James Horan

Olivia Cecilia Edith Kaluzny



Laci Anne Elizabeth Kostelnick

Damien Edward McCarthy

Brandon M. Peter Minet

Jordyn Marie Theresa Ruane

Vaughn Alfred Maximilian Kolbe Rudloff

Brandon James Michaelangelo Spagnola

John Ambrose Syms

Matthew Michael Syms

Nicholas John Wartella

Christmas Cookie Sale

Plans are being made to hold a Cookie Sale on December 16 & 17 after Masses at Saints Peter and Paul Church. If you enjoy baking and wish to help, please fill out this coupon and return it to the Parish Office as soon as possible. If you enjoy eating homemade cookies, keep your eyes open for further information as the date draws closer. Have any questions call Nina at 570-817-1700. Proceeds will benefit Bernardine Hall.

Christmas Cookie Sale

I am willing to bake

Name: _____

I can be reached at _____.

The Council of Catholic Women (CCW) of Saint Benedict 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.

"Next Weekend is "Text to Give" Weekend

Don't leave your cell phone at home or in the car. Bring it with you to Mass. Next Sunday is "Text to Give" Weekend throughout the Diocese. Parishioners who haven't made a pledge or a gift—or who wish to increase their gift—will be able to do so by texting Appeal on their cell phones.

Community Happenings

A Meeting to discuss the Current needs of Veterans in our area will be held in Conlan Hall, St. Ignatius Church, Kingston on Wednesday, November 8th at 7pm. They will describe services designed to assist veterans in developing social and economic independence. No sign up just join us.

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.

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.

The Catholic Choral Society will present the 16th Generations Sing Concert on Sunday evening, Nov. 12th at 7:30pm at Saints Peter's Cathedral in Scranton. Concert strives to celebrate both ecumenical diversity and multigenerational singers. Free will offering will be available. For information call 570-575-1040.

VIRTUS: Protecting God's Children for Adults Program will take place on Monday, November 13, at Misericordia University, Dallas at 4pm. Register by contacting Dr. Steve Broskoske at 570-674-6761 or sbroskos@misericordia.edu.

The Holy Name of St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Parish, 33 Manhattan St., Ashley will hold its Turkey Bingo on Sunday, November 19 in the Church Hall. Doors open at noon, games start at 1pm. Admission is \$3 and includes 2 baby cards. Specials and door prizes will be offered. The kitchen will be open and available for takeout starting at 11am. Soups, haluski, hot dogs and more!

The Wyoming Valley Chapter of Pennsylvanians for Human Life will host the 33rd annual Respect Life Banquet on Monday, November 13. The principal Speaker for the Event will be Mr. Steven Ertelt, founder and Editor of LifeNews.com, an internet pro-life news service since 1993. The Banquet begins at 6pm and will be held at Genetti Conference Center in downtown Wilkes-Barre. Tickets must be purchased in advance by mailing \$35 (include a phone number) to PHL, 31 Hanover Street, W-B, Pa 18702. No tickets at door.

Christmas Registration for Food and Toys will be held on Monday, November 20th 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.

The Wyoming Valley Barbershop Harmony Chorus will be presenting its 2017 Christmas Program, "A Joyful Christmas", Sunday, Dec. 3rd at **Saints Peter and Paul Church at 7pm**. "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.

“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