



SS. Peter and Paul Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 8, 2015

*The Lord keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed,
gives food to the hungry.*

Psalm 146:7

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



November 9 through November 15

- Mon. 7AM *All Souls Novena*
- Tues. 7AM *All Souls Novena*
- Wed. 7AM *All Souls Novena*
- Thurs. 7AM *Evelyn Krzywicki*
by Cas Zomerfeld
& Mr. & Mrs. Ron Wincek
- Fri. 7AM *Julia Ozgo*
by Ben, Francine & Candice Berrini
- Sat. 4PM *Frank Kaminski* by Joseph Yudichak
- Sun. 8AM *Parishioners*
- 11AM *Josephine Jagodinski (A)* by Daughters

Message of the Week *Mark 12:38-44*

Jesus explains that the widow's tiny sum was generous in a way that the larger amounts people gave were not. The poor widow "contributed all she had, her whole livelihood." She was truly generous, giving what cost her dearly. Her contribution was made out of love, not just out of obligation or for the sake of show.

God has given us all different "livelihoods." Some of us have more money, more talents, more resources. Some of us have less. But of course we know that God's love for us is not based on this external data. He loves the rich and the poor alike. The question is whether this external data affects *our* love for God? Jesus' message challenges us *all* today to gratefully give back to God in thanks for whatever he has given us, be it small or great. We are called not to give from our surplus but to share from our very livelihood. That is to say, we are called to acknowledge that our livelihood itself, no matter the details, is a gift from God.

It Takes More

Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than going to a garage makes you an automobile.
- Billy Sunday

*In Memory of
The Sanctuary Lamp
Louis & Marion Bocci*

Votive by the Blessed Virgin Mary
Special Intention

November 1, 2015

Contribution	\$10,059
Care for the Priest	\$1,402
Charity	\$151
Dues	\$745
Maintenance	\$62
Holy Day	\$1,748
All Souls Day	\$1,243
Utilities	\$120
Christmas	\$30
Christmas Flowers	\$10
World Mission	\$37

Questions of the Week?

Mark 12:38-44

How does this Gospel reading challenge Christians today?

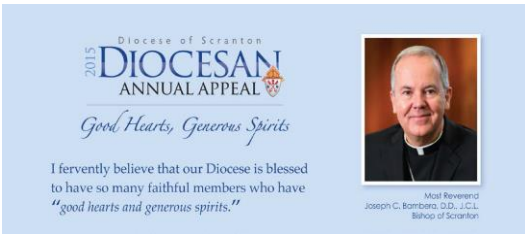
1 Kings 17:10-16:

What do you find admirable about the widow in this story?

Hebrews 9:24-28:

Do you agree with the philosophy behind today's reading? Why or why not?

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



Most Reverend
Joseph C. Bonomo, O.S.A., J.C.L.
Bishop of Scranton

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 on their cell phones to support:

- Catholic Social Services and Parish Outreach
- Catholic Education in Schools and Parishes
- Clergy Formation, Education and Support
- Parish Life and Ministry Formation
- Catholic Media and Communication

Text to Give Text Yes to support the ministries and service made possible by the Annual Appeal. This year's goal is \$70,000. Total pledged thus far is \$33,440.

Christmas Eve Liturgy

We are beginning to plan the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass. Any child pre-K thru 8th grade interested in participating during this Mass is asked to contact Sande Holena at 570-822-8761 by November 16th.

A Grief Support Meeting will be held in the lower level of the Parish Center on Monday, November 23rd at 6pm. This meeting is for all who are grieving the death of a loved one. Methods of coping, dismissing false assumptions, giving support and sharing experiences are all part of the process of recovery. Sessions are open to all who wish to attend.

Sight and Sound Theatre Bus Trip sponsored by the Women's Group to see "The Miracle of Christmas" will leave from SS Peter and Paul Bank Street Parking on Nov. 18th at 8:15AM. The play starts at 11am with shopping at Rockville Mall and dinner at Shady Maple afterwards.

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

Parish Activities

November 8 through November 15

Sun. Faith Formation	9:30AM
Mon. Quilting	5PM
Rosary	6:30PM
Tues. Quilting	9AM
Finance	6:30PM
Wed Choir	7PM
Thurs Quilting	9AM
Parish Council	6:30PM
Sat. Women's Retreat	9AM
Sun Faith Formation	9:30AM



The Food Pantry Volunteers

are getting ready for the busy Holiday Season. We are in need of these 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.



A Christmas Choir is being formed to sing at the 9pm Mass on Christmas Eve. There will be six Wednesday rehearsals prior to the Mass. Everyone is welcomed to join!!!!

Marriage Moments

Trip down Memory Lane – With Thanksgiving and Christmas approaching, remember the first time you met your beloved’s family. Our family of origin greatly influences our behavior – for good or for ill. Honor the good in your beloved’s family of origin and let go of harping on the bad. - *Susan Vogt*

Flu Shots are available

Flu Season is the worst. Beat that forecast. For 2014-2015, ACIP (Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices- United States) recommends: All persons, > 6 months should receive influenza vaccines annually who do not have contraindications. Influenza vaccinations should not be delayed to procure a specific vaccine preparation if an appropriate one is already available. Vaccination optimally should occur before onset of influenza activity in the community. Vaccination should be offer as long as influenza viruses are circulating. Who should get the flu shot? Anyone who wants protection for the flu. Anyone in contact with small children. Anyone with chronic health conditions. All person 6 months and older. Women who are or will be pregnant during the flu season.

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!

Liturgy Corner: DID YOU KNOW?

Liturgical Books

There are many liturgical books in our church’s sacristies, but the ones we see must frequently are the Lectionary, the Roman Missal, and the Book of the Gospels.

The Lectionary contains al the scripture texts including the first and second readings, the gospel readings, the responsorial psalm, and the gospel acclamation verse.

The Roman Missal contains all of the prayers offered by the presiding celebrant and all of the instructions (rubrics) he needs to celebrate correctly.

The Book of the Gospels or Evangelary contains only the gospel readings and is usually a large and beautiful volume. Most revered of all the books, it may be carried in procession, enthroned upon the altar, kissed and incensed.

The Lectionary and Missal are used in every community at every Mass. The Book of the Gospels is used in some parishes every Sunday, while some save it for use only on special occasions or during the festival seasons of Christmas Time and Easter Time.

Looking for people that are CPR and AED certified or anyone willing to get certified. Call Maggie Klem at 570-825-5964. We need people certified in case of emergencies at Mass.

Parenting Pointers

“This poor widow put in more than all the other contributors...” (Marl 12:43) Our faith (and common decency) calls us to share our resources with those who have less. BUT, how much is a fair amount to give? A 10% tithe is easier for a person of wealth than a person who is poor. Review with you kids how your family donates money and time. Between now and Thanksgiving, how will you be generous?
- *Susan Vogt*

Ruth's Place a Program of Volunteer of America of Pennsylvania would like to graciously thank you for your contribution of personal care items, and paper products. Ruth's Place helps women change their lives. As a commitment to you, Ruth's Place will continue to provide emergency shelter, case management, group services, and resources to women experiencing homelessness within Luzerne County. The ultimate goal is to help women regain stability and start life on a new path. Together we can give every women the dignity, supportive community, and services she needs to overcome homelessness. Thank you to everyone who contributed to, and attended, the 2015 Walk for Hope on October 4th. Without your contributions and attendance, this event would not be possible every year,

The University of Scranton will host an Open House for prospective students and their families on Sunday, 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.

Holy Redeemer High School Musical *Once Upon a Mattress* will be held on Friday, Nov. 13th 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

Pre-Thanksgiving Bake Sale will be held before and after all Masses Saturday, November 21st and Sunday November 22nd at both St Mary's (enter from Lawrence Street) to rear of parking lot and St. Lawrence's will be in the church vestibule.

Concert will take place at the Church of St. Gregory, 330 North Abington road, Clarks Green, on Sunday, November 15th at 7PM. General admission is \$10 and a light reception will follow the concert. John Angotti has been writing Christian music since his teen years. His collection of experiences as Director of Children's, Young Adults, Adults, and Contemporary Music Choirs, as well as his experiences in the secular world, have prepared him for his full time music ministry: a ministry which sends him around the world as a speaker and presenter for conference and events. John spreads the Gospel message through word and song, taking a special interest in reaching today's youth and stressing the importance of finding God in the everyday lived experiences. "...the awakening of God I every waking, breathing moment leads to better choice-making, and understanding worship is a response to this awakening..."

St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen, a program of Catholic Social Services is once again teaming up with local parishes and the United States Marines "Toys for Tots" for this year's Christmas Drive. Registration will be held at Our Lady of Hope Parish, 40 Park Avenue in Wilkes-Barre on Monday, November 23rd from 9AM to 1PM and 4PM to 6PM. Parents should bring Photo ID, verification of income, a Social Security card for everyone in the household and proof of address with a recent date.

Food Distribution will take place at St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen, Wilkes-Barre on Thursday, December 17th from 10AM to 2PM and 4pm-6:30PM.

Toy Distribution will take place at Our Lady of Hope Parish, Wilkes-Barre on Thursday, December 17th from 9AM-2PM and 4PM-6PM.

We need donations of toys. They can be taken to St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen, 7 days a week from 8AM to 1PM. Drop-offs should be made through the Kitchen's rear entrance on Bennett Street. If you would like to volunteer to help with the distribution please contact Dianne Colleran at 570-406-9843.