

Parish of Saints Peter and Paul

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Office Hours
Saturday and Sunday
by appointment

Saints Peter and Paul/Saint Benedict

Monday through Friday 8am-4pm
Office closed daily Noon—12:30pm

Father Jack Lambert—Pastor

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Deacon Don Crane

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday

4pm—Saints Peter and Paul
5:30pm—Saint Benedict

Sunday

7:30am—Saints Peter & Paul
10am—Saints Peter and Paul
11:30am—Saint Benedict

Parish of Saint Benedict

155 Austin Ave
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18705
Parish Web: www.stbenedictwb.org



Confession

By appointment anytime

Saints Peter and Paul

Daily 6:30am-6:45am
Saturday 3pm-3:30pm

Saint 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

1192 Families receive envelopes

Nov. 3 284 attended the 4pm Mass
195 Families used their envelopes and offered \$2,769

Nov. 4 149 attended the 7:30am Mass
98 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,589

288 attended the 10am Mass
146 Families used their envelopes and offered \$2,061

Tithe from
439 Families was \$6,419
Care and Education of Priest \$1,551

Saint Benedict Parish

429 Families receive envelopes

Nov. 3 97 attended the 5:30pm Mass
76 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,519

Nov. 4 87 attended the 11:30am Mass
80 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,696

Tithe from
156 Families was \$3,215
Care and Education of Priest \$149

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

*The Second Collection this weekend will be for
the **Bernardine Bucks***

*Next week's Collection will be for
Catholic Campaign for Human Development
Please be generous!!!*

Stewardship

God has entrusted us with many gifts; Time, Talent & Treasure. We hope and pray that all members will share their gifts, to continue to share the Good News of Jesus with all people.

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL LOTTERY

Oct. 29	#987	Kathleen Sabetta
Oct. 30	#189	Beth Shillabeer
Oct. 31	#835	Baldino Vinciarelli
Nov. 1	#090	Ann Jones
Nov. 2	#265	Eleanor Hallas
Nov. 3	#882	Saints Peter & Paul
Nov. 4	#493	Donna Mansfield

Congratulations to all!!!!

Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict Staff

Diana Pehala, Parish Secretary & Cemeteries
Mary Ann Gottlieb, Parish Secretary
Nina Cinti, Faith Formation Coordinator
Michael Lambert, Maintenance
Greg Day, Maintenance
Chuck Unice, Festival Choir Director, Organist
Tom Zurla, Organist
Jill Fiedorczyk, Organist
Gina Macaravage, Organist
Ben Berrini, Sacristan
Dave Loiacono, Eucharist Ministers
Paul Muczynski, Ushers
Nathan Smith, Altar Servers

Bernardine Hall Renovation Fund

The Bernardine Sisters gave 104 years of service as teachers to the children of Saints Peter and Paul Parish. In 2015 the former cafeteria was renamed **Bernardine Hall** in their honor. It has been many years since any work has been done. For the next 3 years we will be focusing on sprucing it up and making the necessary repairs. (Lighting, heating, electrical, air and a cosmetic face lift) Please consider joining together to make this possible. Money can be sent in at any time throughout the next three years to fund this project.

To date we have received contributions from 175 families in the amount of \$29,622.

What Is The Role of The Assembly in The Liturgy?

The shift in our understanding of the role of the assembly in the liturgy is one of the most dramatic changes brought about by the Second Vatican Council. It is still difficult for those of us born before Vatican II to grasp the reality that we are the liturgical assembly, and, as the body of Christ, make up the royal priesthood that offers the sacrificial memorial of the Eucharist.

The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* puts it this way:

In the celebration of the Mass the faithful are a holy people, a people God made his own, a royal priesthood: they give thanks to the Father and offer the victim not only through the hands of the priest but also together with him and learn to offer themselves.

The magnitude of this priestly responsibility led the U.S. bishops to say in their document *Environment and Art in Catholic Worship*, “Among the symbols with which liturgy deals, none is more important than this assembly of believers... The most powerful experience of the sacred is found in the action of the assembly...” (28, 29).

The role of the assembly, then, is to do the liturgy. But doing the liturgy does not mean simply paying attention, singing the songs, responding to the prayers, and receiving communion. To do our job correctly, we celebrate the liturgy in such a way that it permeates our souls and changes our hearts. We then carry the liturgy in our hearts out into the world and continue doing the liturgy beyond the walls of the church. In that way, we sacrifice ourselves for the sake of the world. That is our role as a royal priesthood.

Christmas Food and Toy Registration for 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 Toy Drive. Registration will take place on Mon, Nov. 19th at Our Lady of Hope Parish, 40 Park Ave., W-B, from 10am—1pm and 3-7pm. Parents should bring photo ID, Social Security for each child and proof of address. Food distribution will take place at St. Vincent on Mon., Dec. 17th and Toy distribution will take place at Our Lady of Hope on Monday, Dec. 17th from 9am– noon and 3-7pm. To donate toys or new outerwear for children, contact Dianne at 570-406-9843 or drop off at St. Vincent de Paul.

Word

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

1 Kgs 17:10-16;
Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44
or 12:41-44

Monday

Ti 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday

Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday

Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19

Thursday

Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25

Friday

2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday

3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8

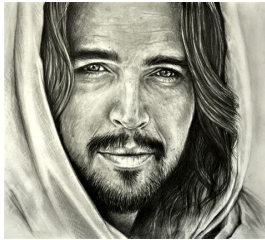
Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict

A meeting will be held November 15 at 6pm in the Church for this year’s Christmas Pageant. Children from the Faith Formation are asked to bring in Brownie Mix to share with families in need.

The Sunday Good News

Saint Benedict & Saints Peter & Paul

November 11, 2018



*Dear God,
Thank you
for your amazing power
and work in our lives,
thank you
for your goodness
and for your blessings
over us.
Thank you
for your great love
and care.
Thank you
for your sacrifice
so that we might
have freedom and life.
Forgive us
for when we don't
thank you enough,
for who you are,
for all that you do,
for all that you've given.
Help us
to set our eyes and our
hearts on you a fresh.
Renew our spirits,
fill us with your
peace and joy.
We love you
and we need you,
this day and every day.
We give you praise
and thanks,
for you alone are worthy!
In Jesus' Name, Amen.*

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16

Elijah asked a widow for a cup of water and a piece of bread. She told him she was almost out of flour, and that she and her son would soon starve. Elijah told her not to be afraid, as God had told him the jar of flour would not go empty. So she did as he had asked and prepared bread from the last of her flour. As God had said, her jar did not go empty, and she and her son had plenty to eat.

Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

The high priests entered the sanctuary each year and offered a sacrifice, but not a sacrifice of their own blood. Just as people die once and are judged, Christ was offered up once for the sins of many.

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

Jesus expressed disgust over the hypocrisy of some of the scribes for wanting special treatment from the people. He watched the wealthy put large contributions into the collection box, but explained that what they gave was surplus wealth, and not a real sacrifice. He told them the biggest donation was a small amount from a widow, because she had given up the only money that she had to live on.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 11, 2018

"Jesus sat down opposite the treasury and observed how the crowd put money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling His disciples to Himself, He said to them, 'Amen I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributions to the treasury. For they have contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood.'"

The scriptures feature widows and their gifts. A few drops of oil and a little flour, or two cents. What could these simple elements teach us? Don't be too quick to judge. Consider the state of life, without husbands, with their own felt needs. Yet these simple gifts represented them, their life, perhaps their family too. But the Lord recognized their willingness to give of themselves.

How often when we are asked to support our church do we calculate, complain, and even feel insulted that we are asked to give? Whose church is it? It is mine and the Lord's. What do I have that was not a gift for me? Nothing. Many times when a parent is carrying his shoeless baby when leaving church I ask another person if they have a dollar. Readily they reach to answer my request. We then joke that the people did have shoes. They respond as we should, like today's widows.

Worship

We Remember

A Communion Service will be held at Saints Peter and Paul at 7am Monday—Friday

Masses at Saint Benedict this week

Tuesday	11-13	8am	All Souls Day All Souls Day
Wednesday	11-14	8am	All Souls Day Rosalie Splendido by Family
Thursday	11-15	8am	All Souls Day All Souls Day
Friday	11-16	8am	Ed & Isabelle Neishell by Grandchildren Jack & Teresa Keeley by Son

Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

Saturday	11-17	4pm	Anso & Marie Dominick by Charlotte Dominick & Linda
Sunday	11-18	7:30am 10am	Joseph Biniek Sr. (A) by Bernard Kazmeroski Genevieve Klepadlo by Family

Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

Saturday	11-17	5:30pm	Hedwig Elaine Rinaldi by Mr. & Mrs. Charles J. Rinaldi
Sunday	11-18	11:30am	All Deceased and Living Parishioners

Thanksgiving Day Mass



Thursday, November 22, 2018



*Non Perishable Food
for Saints Peter & Paul Food Pantry
will be taken up during the Offertory.*

Saints Peter and Paul Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Ted Toloczko

Lady of Lourdes

Nello & Orella Caparoni

Holy Family Votive

Paul Binker

Saint Benedict Parish

Sanctuary Candle

John Lendacky

Service

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 **Cookie Mixes**.

Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry

Anyone in the Plains, Miners Mills area in need of food can contact Pauline at 570-592-6798 to register. Food is distributed to the community on the third Friday of every month. **Non perishable** food donations are always accepted, place in the basket in the Vestibule of the Church.

Saints Peter and Paul's Treasures is accepting new or gently used fall and winter clothing for men, women and children. Shoes and purses in excellent condition as well. Treasures strives to maintain current style trends and clean quality clothing. Thank you for your continued support.

Saints Peter & Paul Fall Lottery Tickets

Awards will begin January 1st thru March 30th
Prizes are \$25 Monday through Sat. \$100 on Sun.

\$300 January 1 - Solemnity of Mary

March 6 - Ash Wednesday

March 19 - Feast of St. Joseph

Cost \$10. Anyone selling 25 or more will be entered into the \$50 Sellers drawing and 10 or more into the \$10 Sellers drawing. If you wish to have a specific number, please call the office. Tickets will be sold in Church starting December 1 and December 2.

Winners match the PA Lottery Pick 3 Evening Drawing

Please note, with the change of the Mass Schedule we are looking for someone who attends the 7:30am Mass to volunteer to sell the Lottery Tickets. Please contact Diana at the Parish Office if you are able to lend a hand!



We Are In Need of Your Help!!!!

It is that time of year again, when our Food Pantry is getting ready to provide over 100 Families with the means to prepare a Thanksgiving Dinner. We can use several items or if you are able, a monetary donation to provide the Turkeys for the giveaway. Monetary donation made payable to Saints Peter and Paul Food Pantry can be placed in the collection basket. The items needed are Large can Yams (we currently have enough small cans) Stuffing Mix Pie Crust Mix Evaporated Milk Turkey Gravy Chicken Broth Canned Beans Canned Corn Canned Carrots Please bring in by Nov. 11th Thanks to all who will donate to provide others with a Thanksgiving Feast!!!!



The Giving Trees at Saints Peter and Paul

will be in place on Thanksgiving weekend decorated with gift tags. Anyone wishing to participate in this Christmas project is asked to take a tag, purchase a gift for the person, wrap the present, placing the tag on the gift and return it to the Church by December 16th. The gifts will be distributed through our Food Pantry on Dec. 21st. Anyone wishing to donate gloves, socks, scarves, hats etc.. (for children infant to 12) may drop them off at the Parish Office. Any items not needed here at Saints Peter and Paul will be donated to St. Vincent de Paul's.

Changing Habits (an outreach ministry from Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas Pa) will be held on Saturday, Dec 1st at 7pm in Saint Benedict's Church Hall. A free will donation is requested. The proceeds from the donations will be used to help the needy. Refreshments will be served after the performance. Don't miss this very entertaining group!!!!

Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict Ministries

Pauline Makowski, Food Pantry

Janet Soller, Quilting

Mary Jo Marek, Prayer Shawl

Laura Rudloff, Treasures

Irene Martin, Women's Society of Saints Peter and Paul

Barbara Zirnhelt, Council of Catholic Women

Kathy Grinaway, Hospitality

Donna Mansfield, Hospitality

November Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11 Fall Dinner Social 4pm	12 Office Closed in observance of Veterans Day	13 Pierogi 8am Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	14 Pierogi 8am Festival Choir 6pm	15 Quilting 9am Food Prep 9am Christmas Pageant 6pm Women Society 6:30pm	16 Treasures 9am Food Pantry 9am Thanksgiving giveaway	17
18 Wreath Orders Due	19 Quilting 5pm Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 6pm Rosary 6:30pm Faith Sharing 7pm	20 Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	21 Festival Choir 6pm	22 Happy Thanksgiving Office Closed	23 Office Closed	24 Giving Tree up in Church
25 Giving Tree up in Church Toy Bingo 1pm	26 Quilting 5pm Treasures 6pm Rosary 6:30pm Faith Sharing 7pm	27 Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	28 Festival Choir 6pm	29 Quilting 9am	30 Treasures 9am Pick up wreaths St. Benedict 3-5pm	1 Lottery on Sale St. Benedict Pick up wreath 3-6:30pm Changing Habits 7pm
2 Lottery on Sale	3. Quilting 5pm Prayer Shawl 5pm Light is On 5:30-7pm Treasures 6pm Council of Catholic Women 6:30pm Rosary 6:30pm Faith Sharing 7pm	4 Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	5 Festival Choir 6pm	6 Quilting 9am	7 Treasures 9am	8 New York Bus Trip 7am Lottery on Sale Christmas Wafer on Sale



Veteran's Day

We honor all who served

20" Christmas Wreath Cost is \$20. Pickup on Fri., November 30 from 3-5pm or Sat., December 1 from 3-6:30pm at Saint Benedict Church basement. Orders are due by November 18. Orders can be sent to the parish office. Payment should be made payable to Council of Catholic Women. Any question call Barb at 570-823-1491 or Debby at 570-825-4486.

Parish Cemeteries

Available plots in each of our Parish Cemeteries (Saints Peter and Paul, Sacred Heart, Saint Joseph and St. Francis) for purchase. For information contact the Parish Office.

Saints Peter and Paul Finance Committee

Don Prescavage, Chairman
Ben Berrini, Vice Chairman
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Gerald Cross, Capital Budget Chairman
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Tony Dente, On-Line Giving Coordinator
Cheryl Woloski, Internal Audit and Compliance
Tracy Schooley, Human Resources

Saint Benedict Finance Committee

Steve Yenchak, Chairman
Tom Kozerski
Jodi Gunari
Ed Yenchak

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Gospel Today

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 12:38-44

Jesus was very pleased with the poor woman in the gospel. She only put a few small coins in the box, but that was a big sacrifice to her. The little money she had was offered with a loving, open heart.

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A poor box or Alms-box is a collection box found in churches from the earliest day of Christianity, where donations are used to help the poor.



DONATE



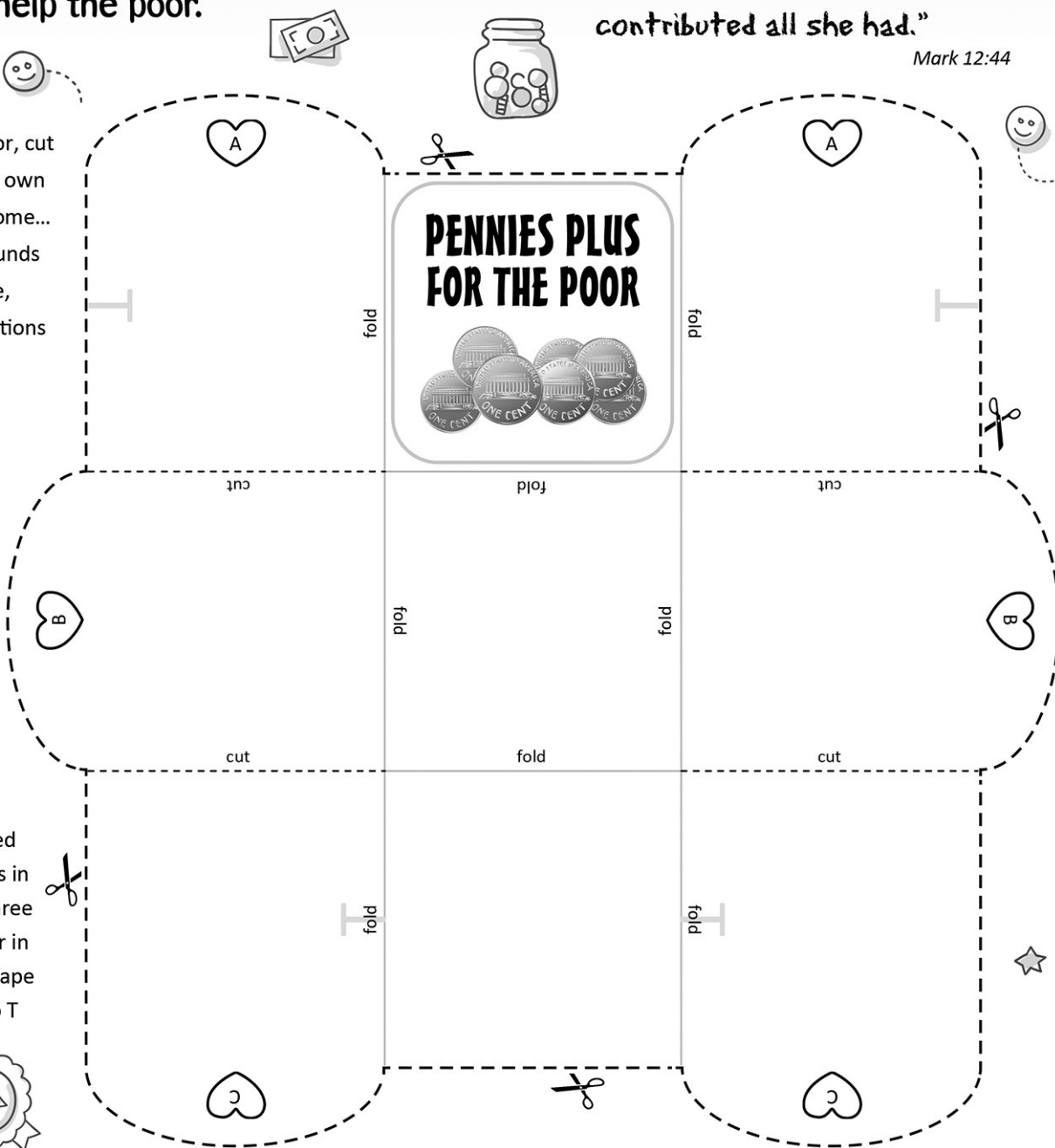
"But she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had."

Mark 12:44

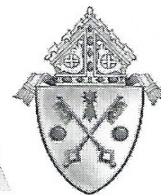
ACTIVITY - Color, cut and make your own poor box for home... use collected funds from allowance, chores or donations from family to help others.

Example - food drives, church poor box, charities and don't forget our veterans and service men & women.

Cut on all dotted lines. Fold sides in & match the three hearts together in A, B, C order. Tape on matched up T lines.



Many in our community need help. You can help by donating a food item to the local food bank collection or Thanksgiving basket drive. Offer to do a chore in payment of a nonperishable food item, to donate with love!



As you may already know from media reports, the Diocese of Scranton has been the subject of a statewide Grand Jury investigating child sexual abuse in six of the eight dioceses in Pennsylvania.

I want to take this opportunity to offer my deepest apologies to the victims of such abuse, to their families, to the faithful of our Church and to everyone impacted by the behaviors described in this report. While difficult to face this is the only way for us to move forward in a more positive way as we learn from the past. You will be kept apprised of new developments through various channels of communication as more information is released. Once again, I am deeply sorry for these past actions and the pain caused by the behaviors described in the report, and I will continue to do all that I can to ensure the safety and well-being of our children.

Catholic Social Services

516 Fig Street,
Scranton, Pa (570) 207-2283

The Diocese of Scranton offers compassionate counseling in a safe, comfortable environment where your privacy is always respected. Counseling is about self-discovery and can be used for personal growth or when distressing conditions exist and you need a bit of extra support. Help is available. Anyone who struggles with anxiety, depression, grief and loss, life transitions or a variety of emotional or psychological conditions is welcome. Catholic Social Services accepts Medicaid plans and some insurance plans. Counseling is made affordable for everyone. For more information or to make an appointment, call 570-207-2283.



Calendar of Events

Nov. 22

Feast of Christ
the King

Dec. 10

**Catholic Light:
150th Year Anniversary
Concluding Mass**

Cathedral of Saint Peter
Most Reverend Christopher Pierre
Main Celebrant
Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera,
Homilist

CTV Special "Our Faith Our Diocese"
Bishop Bambera's Reflection

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, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, 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 child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement.

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 victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well being. As such, information 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



Feeling Creative or Want to Try Something New? Join us on this Friday, Nov. 16th in the Parish Center Dining Room at 6:30pm. The *Art Party Place* will demonstrate a designated painting or (with little guidance) you can choose any holiday painting to create. Go to their website to see the painting chosen and to get registered. Cost is \$35 Snacks and spirits can be brought to be enjoyed by all. Hope to see you there!!!!

Saints Peter & Paul Women's Society is having a "Holiday Luncheon" for all women from both Parishes on Saturday, January 5 at the Woodlands Inn from 1pm—4pm. Choose from Chicken Scampi, Stir Fry Over Browned Rice and Seafood Encrusted Fillet of Sole. Cost for each is \$27 or London Broil for \$28. Make reservations by calling Claire Koshinski at 570-826-0313 or Sandy Toloczko at 570-823-5918. Make checks payable to Saints Peter and Paul Church Women's Society. Deadline for reservation and payment is Dec. 21.

Community Happenings

The Catholic Choral Society will present the 17th Generations Sing Concert on Sunday evening, November 11th at 7:30pm at St. Peter's Cathedral in Scranton, PA. All are invited to attend; there is no admission charge, however, the opportunity for supporting the concert through a free will offering will be available. For information about concerts and membership please call 570-575-1040 and see www.catholicchoralsociety.org.

Designer Purse Bingo, sponsored by Ladies of Mary of Exaltation of the Holy Cross Church, will take place on Sunday, November 11. Doors open at 11am with the first game at 1pm. Admission is \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Admission includes 20 games with 4 specials. Basket Raffle, food, 50/50 and door prizes are available. For tickets contact Bonnie at 570-762-7342, Donna at 570-466-4077 or Susan at 570-371-3490.

St. Leo/Holy Rosary Holy Name Society Turkey Bingo will be held on Sunday, November 18 in the Church Hall, 33 Manhattan St., Ashley. Win 1 of 15 turkeys. Doors open at noon, games start at 1pm. Admission is \$5. The kitchen will also be open. Come and win a Thanksgiving Dinner!!!!!!

Wyoming Valley Barbershop Harmony Chorus will present Love at Christmas at Saints Peter and Paul Church on Sunday, December 9 at 2pm. Santa is expected to pay a visit. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the Parish Office or at the door the day of the event.

Come, relax and get into the Christmas Spirit!!!!

“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.

Pastoral Council Members

Saints Peter and Paul

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