

# 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

# Parish of Saint Benedict

155 Austin Ave  
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18705  
Parish Web: [www.stbenedictwb.org](http://www.stbenedictwb.org)



**Father Jack Lambert—Pastor**

Cell Phone: 570-656-2031  
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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

## **Confession**

By appointment anytime

## **Saints Peter and Paul**

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

## **Saint Benedict**

after the 5:30pm Mass

## *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*

**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. 17** 281 attended the 4pm Mass  
163 Families used their envelopes and offered \$4,057

**Nov. 18** 133 attended the 7:30am Mass  
72 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,957

274 attended the 10am Mass  
123 Families used their envelopes and offered \$2,950  
Tithe from

358 Families was \$8,965

Catholic Campaign for Human Development \$599

**Nov. 24** 256 attended the 4pm Mass  
174 Families used their envelopes and offered \$3,016

**Nov. 25** 132 attended the 7:30am Mass  
70 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,181  
260 attended the 10am Mass

142 Families used their envelopes and offered \$2,613  
Tithe from

386 Families was \$6,810

Bernardine Bucks \$605

### Saint Benedict Parish

429 Families receive envelopes

**Nov. 17** 94 attended the 5:30pm Mass  
109 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,444

**Nov. 18** 92 attended the 11:30am Mass  
57 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,173  
Tithe from

166 Families was \$2,617

Catholic Campaign for Human Development \$144

**Nov. 24** 95 attended the 5:30pm Mass  
103 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,494

**Nov. 25** 92 attended the 11:30am Mass  
62 Families used their envelopes and offered \$1,085  
Tithe from

165 Families was \$2,579

*Thank you for your continued generous support!*

### 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 **180** families in the amount of **\$30,027**

## 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

Nov. 15	#533	Brenda Wolynicz
Nov. 16	#430	Michelle Gagateg
Nov. 17	#909	Monica Chulvick
Nov. 18	#632	John Peleppo
Nov. 19	#465	Jackie Jones
Nov. 20	#480	Joseph Urban
Nov. 21	#415	Saints Peter & Paul
Nov. 22	#424	Stella Szymanski
Nov. 23	#083	Saints Peter and Paul
Nov. 24	#131	John Corcoran
Nov. 25	#406	Sande Holena

*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, Ministers Scheduler

Paul Muczynski, Ushers

Nathan Smith, Altar Servers

## What is the liturgical color for Advent?

The official color for Advent is violet. In recent years, some communities have begun to use blue for Advent to distinguish the season from the more penitential Lenten period. Taking this trend into account, the Bishop's Committee on the Liturgy reiterated several years ago that the official color for the season remains violet.

However, there are shades of violet. A community might use deeper, bluer shades of violet for Advent, and warmer, redder shades of purple for Lent. Also note that the designation of liturgical color officially applies only to the vestment worn by the priest. A bluish-violet vestment might fit in well with blue and gray banners. Also note that no official color is designated for the candles on the Advent wreath.

### *Christmas Schedule*



*4pm Saints Peter and Paul & Saint Benedict*

*9pm Saints Peter and Paul*



*Christmas Day*

*10am Saints Peter and Paul & Saint Benedict*

*New Years Eve*

*4pm Saints Peter and Paul*

*5:30pm Saint Benedict*

*Solemnity of Mary (New Years Day)*

*10am Saints Peter and Paul & Saint Benedict*

## Word

### **First Sunday of Advent**

#### **Sunday**

Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12—4:2;  
Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

#### **Monday**

Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11

#### **Tuesday**

Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24

#### **Wednesday**

Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37

#### **Thursday**

Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27

#### **First Friday**

Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

#### **Saturday**

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12;  
Lk 1:26-38

### **Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict**

First Reconciliation will be held on December 15 at Noon.  
Class for Reconciliation will begin this week during Faith Formation.  
Please keep these children and their families in your prayers

# The Sunday Good News

Saint Benedict & Saints Peter & Paul

December 2, 2018



*Lord God,  
I pray  
that thou  
will provide me  
with  
thy indwelling peace.  
May it keep me  
reconciled  
to the decline of years,  
and enable me  
to bear  
the earthly separation  
from  
those whom I love.  
May  
I always have  
hope and trust  
in thee.  
Amen*

## **First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16**

The Lord tells of fulfilling the promise he had made to Israel. He will send a replacement for David, someone who "shall do what is right and just in the land," believed by most to mean Jesus.

## **Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2**

Paul encourages the Thessalonians to be ready for the coming of the Lord. He explains that although they are conducting themselves in a way that would please God, they should always strive to do even better.

## **Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36**

Jesus warns his followers to be prepared for the end of the world. He reminds them not to be preoccupied with unimportant events, or they will be caught unaware rather than being on watch as they should.

## **First Sunday of Advent December 2, 2018**

*"The days are coming, says the Lord, when I fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and Judah. In those days, at that time, I will raise up for David, a just shoot, he shall do what is right and just in the land....May the Lord increase you and make you overflow with love for one another and for all, even as our love for you."*

The Holy Season of Advent has begun. A time of yearning, of expectation, of longing that things can be better. As the prophet told of God fulfilling His promise, may we participate in allowing that to happen today.

The advent time is brief, but offers a great opportunity to do two things. Consider what it was like before the coming of the Messiah, the chaos, the desire, the need for the Father to send someone.

Consider our time, when the same disturbing chaos dominates our thinking with wars, poverty, hate expressed in so many ways. The expected Messiah, would bring that injustice to an end, and will if we but seriously live these special days in prayer, reflection and signs of love and support of others. In this time of commercialism, may we pause to consider those who are hurting in any way, those who are poor, those who do not know our Savior.

# Worship

## We Remember

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

### Masses at Saints Peter and Paul this week

Monday	12-3	7am	Communion Service
Tuesday	12-4	7am	<b>Henry Cierniakoski</b> by Vincent Domborski <b>Joanna Shemo</b> by Neil Shemo
Wednesday	12-5	7am	<b>John Paul Shea</b> by Parents, Joe & Kathleen <b>Martha Gable</b> by Maureen & Billy Roughsedge
Thursday	12-6	7am	<b>Raymond Deiter</b> by Loretta Hines <b>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Tito Ligi &amp; Angelo Ligi</b> by Family
Friday	12-7	7am	<b>Alvira &amp; John Panatieri</b> by Frances Mattiucci <b>Richard Lussi</b> by Gill Family

### *Immaculate Conception Vigil*

Friday	12-7	5:30pm	<b>Zigmund Roebuck</b> by Latinski Family— <b>Saint Benedict</b>
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### *Immaculate Conception—Holy Day of Obligation*

Saturday	12-8	12:15pm	<b>Allen Depew</b> by Katie & Gary Lambert
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### Weekend Mass Schedule Saints Peter & Paul

Saturday	12-8	4pm	<b>Living and Deceased Parishioners</b>
Sunday	12-9	7:30am	<b>Stella Susek</b> by Harry Panek
		10am	<b>Thomas Stanski</b> by Parents

### Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Benedict

Saturday	12-8	5:30pm	<b>Mark McGinney</b> by Betsy McGinney
Sunday	12-9	11:30am	<b>Leo &amp; Della Mikelski</b> by Daughter, Mary Ann

## *The Light is On for You*

*Father Jack will be available Monday Evenings to December 17<sup>th</sup>  
from 5:30—7pm in Saints Peter and Paul Church  
for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.  
He will also be available on Saturday, December 22 from 1-3:30pm.*

### Saints Peter and Paul Parish

#### Sanctuary Candle

*Mary & Robert Rymar*

#### Lady of Lourdes

*Mary & Robert Rymar*

### Saint Benedict Parish

#### Sanctuary Candle

*Special Intention*

#### Holy Family Votive

*Richard Smith*



# 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 **December** will be collecting **Canned Soups**.

### 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.



The Gifts from the Giving Tree are due back by December 16<sup>th</sup>. The gifts will be distributed through our Food Pantry on December 21<sup>st</sup>. Anyone wishing to donate gloves, socks, scarves, hats etc... (for children infant to 12) may drop them off at the Parish Center.

### 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 Zirnheldt, Council of Catholic Women

Kathy Grinaway, Hospitality

Donna Mansfield, Hospitality

*Some Works of Mercy  
for this Advent Season ....*

### St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen....

Here is your opportunity to do God's will by sharing your gifts; *while serving the less fortunate during the season of Advent*. The Parishes of Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict are on the schedule to serve at the soup kitchen Sunday, December 9 and Sunday, December 16, 2018 from 9am to 1pm (10 volunteers each Sunday; minimum age 14). Some duties include minor food prep, dining room set up, serving guests and clean up. Please contact Deacon Don at 570-762-7542 or [sgtdjc@ptd.net](mailto:sgtdjc@ptd.net).

**No Sew Fleece Blanket Party** will be held on December 16 at 1pm in Bernardine Hall. Cost is \$20 per person. This gets a blanket for you and one to donate to someone in need. *The donated blankets will be given to nursing homes, food pantry and homeless shelters*. Must register to take part in this worthy event! A) Snowman with the red/black buffalo check or B) White snowflakes with red check flannel. Send your payment in an envelope to the office to register include which blanket you would like along with your name and number. Hope to see you there !!!!!



### Saints Peter and Paul Homemade Christmas Cookies Sale

December 22<sup>nd</sup>

2pm—6pm in Bernardine Hall or while supplies last  
**\$10 a pound**

**Will have pre-packaged, decorated options**

**Ethnic Cookies Available**


Kolachky, Biscotti, Pizzelles, Thumbprints,

Russian Tea Balls and more

**Makes a great gift**

If you are interested in baking (8-10 doz needed) call the office. Containers are available starting Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>

## November/December Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 <b>Available in Church Lottery &amp; Pierogi</b>	3 Quilting 5pm <b>Prayer Shawl 5pm</b> <b>Light is On 5:30-7pm</b> Treasures 6pm <b>Council of Catholic Women 6:30pm</b> Rosary 6:30pm Faith Sharing 7pm	4 Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	5 <b>Festival Choir 6:30pm</b>	6 Quilting 9am	7 Treasures 9am	8 <b>New York Bus Trip 7am</b> <b>Available in Church Lottery, Pierogi &amp; Christmas Wafer</b>
9 <b>Available in Church Lottery, Pierogi &amp; Christmas Wafer</b>  <b>Love at Christmas 2pm</b>	10 Quilting 5pm <b>Light is On 5:30-7pm</b> Treasures 6pm Rosary 6:30pm Faith Sharing 7pm	11 Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	12 <b>Festival Choir 6:30pm</b>	13 Quilting 9am	14 Treasures 9am	15 <b>First Reconciliation at Noon</b> <b>Lottery &amp; Christmas Wafer available</b> <b>Gifts for Giving Tree Due Back This Week</b>
16 <b>Lottery &amp; Christmas Wafer available</b> <b>Gifts for Giving Tree Due Back This Week</b>	17 <b>Light is On 5:30-7pm</b> Quilting 5pm Treasures 6pm Rosary 6:30pm Faith Sharing 7pm	18 Quilting 9am Chess Club 6:30pm	19 <b>Festival Choir 6:30pm</b>	20 Quilting 9am <b>Food Prep Women's Meeting 6:30pm</b>	21 Treasures 9am <b>Food Pantry 9am</b>	22 <b>Light is on 1-3:30pm</b> <b>Cookie Sale</b>
23	24 <b>Christmas Eve</b> <i>Offices Closed</i>	25 <b>Merry Christmas</b> <i>Office Closed</i> 	26 <i>Parish Office will open at 1:30pm</i>	27 Quilting 9am	28 Treasures 9am	29

**Oplatek (Christmas Wafer)** will be available in both Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Benedict before all Masses next weekend or at the Parish Office during Office Hours.

A free will offering is accepted.

**Saint Benedict Envelopes for 2019** are available in the church basement.

**Saints Peter and Paul Children's Envelopes** are in the Vestibule of the church. If you would like your child to receive envelopes call the office during office hours.

### 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

Charlotte Dominick, Secretary

Gerald Cross, Capital Budget Chairman

Maryann Kropiewnicki, Revenue Coordinator

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

### Saints Peter & Paul Fall Lottery Tickets

Awards will begin January 1<sup>st</sup> thru March 30<sup>th</sup> 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



### 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.



*Remember... Keep Christ in Christmas!!!!!!*

Every donation counts !!!

*If you have not yet pledged, please....*

**Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish Goal!**

**Saints Peter and Paul is at**

**10.55%**

We are grateful to the 124 parishioners who supported the 2018 Annual Appeal to date. If you have not yet given your support, please:

- Call the Development Office at 570-207-2250 to make a pledge or give a gift by credit card
- Mail a check to the Diocesan Appeal Office at 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, Pa 18503 or
- Give online at [www.DioceseofScranton.org](http://www.DioceseofScranton.org)

***Our parish is reimbursed 75% for any gifts made to the Appeal in excess of our Appeal goal.***

Every donation counts !!!

*If you have not yet pledged, please....*

**Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish Goal!**

**Saint Benedict is at**

**9.96%**

We are grateful to the 52 parishioners who supported the 2018 Annual Appeal to date. If you have not yet given your support, please:

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### 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



## Health Tip.....

1 Million people are suffering from Shingles this year alone, with the number of diagnosed cases on the rise. Shingles is caused by the reactivated chickenpox virus resulting in a painful rash. Your risk increases as you age, so talk to your physician about a new vaccine on the market, Shingrix. The CDC recommends adults 50 and over receive the shot. Please call with any questions that you may have.

Parish Nurse, Maggie Klem



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



## Community Happenings

**The Slovak Heritage Society of N.E. Pa** cordially invites you to celebrate The Feast of Saint Nicholas on Sunday, December 2 at 2pm at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Center, St. Mary's Church of the Immaculate Conception, 134 South Washington Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

**Holy Redeemer High School Placement /Scholarship Test** for all interested Public and Private School 8th graders will take place on Saturday, December 8 at 8:30am. Call the Guidance Office to register for the test at 570-829-2424

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Cookie Walk** will be held on Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup> from 10am—1pm. The event is sponsored by the youth ministry of Exaltation of the Holy Cross Parish, 420 Main Road, Buttonwood. Cookie containers may be purchased for \$9 and filled with the Christmas cookies of one's choice. Orders for platters must be placed by Dec. 8. Cookie platters will be available for \$35. For tickets, orders or for more information call 570-814-6444.



OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

**DIOCESE OF SCRANTON**

300 WYOMING AVENUE  
SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA 18503-1279

November 8, 2018

Dear Friends,

I wrote to you in August and pledged that I would do all that I can to restore your trust in the Church and to provide a safe environment for your children. This continues to be my priority.

This week, we announced our Independent Survivors Compensation Program, which I believe is another step along the path towards healing for survivors. I believe wholeheartedly that survivors deserve to have their voice heard. They deserve recognition of their pain and suffering. It is our responsibility to offer a solution of our own.

Several weeks ago, Pennsylvania's Bishops announced support of such a program, which was recently discussed but not enacted by the Pennsylvania Grand Assembly. We are therefore moving forward and offering this Program for survivors. Participation in the Program by survivors is entirely voluntary.

The Program will be administered by Kenneth Feinberg and Camille Biros, two leading experts in mediation and alternative dispute resolution. They will oversee the claim process and will have absolute autonomy in determining compensation for survivors. This firm has managed a number of high-profile compensation programs nationwide, including similar programs started by five Catholic Dioceses in New York. This Program will review cases quickly and efficiently to provide compensation to survivors, so they can continue along the path towards healing.

There will also be an Independent Oversight Committee to oversee the implementation and administration of the Program. To be clear, the Diocese will have no authority over this committee.

It is important for you to know that parish and school assets, as well as contributions and bequests from parishioners and donations to the Diocesan Annual Appeal, will not be used to fund the Program. Rather, we will use available reserves and will sell assets and borrow money as needed. We will strive to maintain our core mission to serve the local community. Our commitment to the people of the Diocese of Scranton remains true.

The Diocese continues to refine the Program so that it better serves survivors. Further details concerning the Program will be made available in the near future, including a website for survivors to obtain information and claim forms.

Thank you for your attention. Please continue to pray for survivors, their families and the community at large.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

† *Joseph C. Bambera*

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.  
Bishop of Scranton

**“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**

Kathy Grinaway, Chairperson  
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JoAnn Chukinas, Secretary  
Gerald Cross  
Barbara Gubbiotti  
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James Susek

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