

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:

4:00pm - Saints Peter & Paul

5:30pm - Saint Dominic

Sunday:

8:00am - Saints Peter & Paul

10:30am - Saints Peter & Paul

Eucharistic Adoration:

(at Saints Peter & Paul)

First Friday of every month Noon - 3:30pm

Confession:

Saturday 3:00pm - 3:30pm



CONTACT US

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Office Hours:

Monday: 8am - 4pm

Tuesday: 8am - 4pm

Wednesday: 8am - 2pm

Thursday: 8am - 4pm

Friday: 8am - Noon

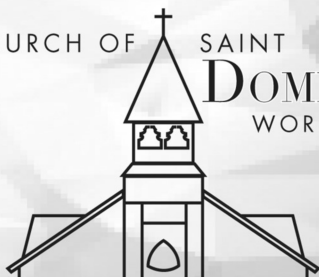
Closed daily Noon - 12:30pm

Reverend John C. Lambert M.S.W.
Pastor

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Deacon Don Crane
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CHURCH OF SAINT
DOMINIC
WORSHIP SITE



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STEWARDSHIP

SUNDAY STEWARDS

Contributions for week ending

February 7, 2021

Saints Peter and Paul

\$5,941

Mass Schedule

Effective Until Further Notice

Saints Peter and Paul

Monday - Communion Service 7am

Tuesday thru Friday 7am

Wednesday & Friday 12:15pm

Saturday-4:00pm

Sunday-8:00am & 10:30 am

Saint Dominic

Saturday-5:30pm

We will continue to Live Stream Mass on the parish website www.sspeterandpaulplains.com as well as on the parish facebook page.

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

SAINTS PETER & PAUL LOTTERY

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|--------|------|----------------|
| Feb. 1 | #868 | Mary Jones |
| Feb. 2 | #127 | M. Mattei |
| Feb. 3 | #536 | Emily Kenney |
| Feb. 4 | #080 | Kelly Herbst |
| Feb. 5 | #215 | Mary Drew |
| Feb. 6 | #732 | Sharon McGowan |
| Feb. 7 | #703 | Abby Loftus |

For the safety of all our parishioners...

1. If you are not feeling well please stay home.
2. Please practice proper social distancing.
3. Everyone must wear a mask.
If you do not have one, we can provide you with one.
4. Sanitize appropriately.

ASH WEDNESDAY

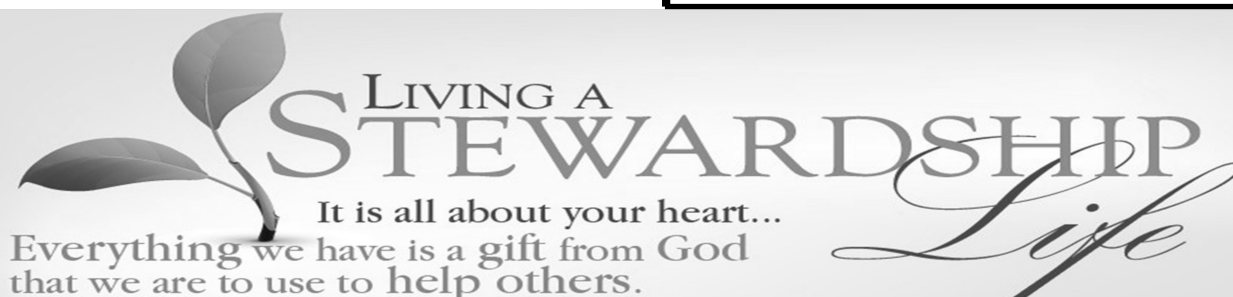
All masses are at Saints Peter & Paul Church

Mass with Ashes:

7:00am & 12:15pm

Prayer Service with Ashes:

5:30pm



WORSHIP

WE REMEMBER

MASSES AT SAINTS PETER & PAUL

| | | |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| Monday | 2-15 7am | Communion Service |
| Tuesday | 2-16 7am | Peggy Doyle by Anne M. Horn |
| Wednesday | 2-17 7am | Mass & Ashes |
| | 12:15 pm | Mass & Ashes |
| | 5:30 pm | Prayer Service with Ashes |
| Thursday | 2-18 7am | Living & Deceased |
| Friday | 2-19 7am | Jean Griffith by Daniel Shepko |
| | 12:15 pm | |

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE SAINTS PETER & PAUL

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|----------|----------|--|
| Saturday | 2-20 4pm | Ron Milgate & Joe Flynn by Family |
| Sunday | 2-21 8am | Peter Jastremski by Daughters Phyllis and Karen |
| | 10:30am | Bridget O'Connor by Louis & Mary Ellen Dominick |

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE SAINT DOMINIC

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|----------|--------------|--|
| Saturday | 2-20 5:30 pm | Edward Ciprich by Michael Check |
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SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH & ST. DOMINIC

Sanctuary Candle

Paul Binker, Sr.



Lady of Lourdes

Dorothy Nestorick

WORD

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH-FEBRUARY

Each month, a Ministry of the parishes will be highlighted. You are asked to prayerfully consider each ministry, and to participate in whatever capacity that suits your availability, interest, and needs.

The parish Food Pantry is a regional pantry serving the residents of Plains Township and the Miners Mills, Parsons section of Wilkes-Barre.

The Food Pantry is celebrating 27 years of service to the community, through its volunteers and the generosity of the parishioners, local service organizations, students and mail carriers.

Volunteers are always needed and appreciated!

Contact: *Pauline Makowski*
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WEEKLY READINGS

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46;
1 Cor 10:31-11:1;
Mk 1:40-45

Monday

Gn 4:1-15, 25;
Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday

Gn 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10;
Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18;
2 Cor 5:20-6:2;
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

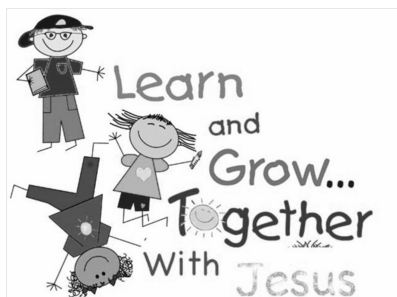
Dt 30:15-20;
Lk 9:22-25

Friday

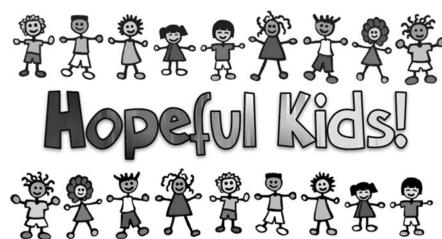
Is 58:1-9a;
Mt 9:14-15

Saturday

Is 58:9b-14;
Lk 5:27-32



Faith Formation



The Sunday Good News

CHURCH OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL

FEBRUARY 14, 2021



*Sovereign Lord,
You have commanded
us to love our
neighbors as ourselves.
Help me to do that
in my community and
throughout my city.
Help me understand
the problems
my fellow people
are going through
and find ways
to help them in ways
they need it most.
Help me to love others
no matter what
their race
or other differences.
Help me to receive
their love as well.
Help me
not permit grievances
to block giving
or receiving love.*

Amen.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

The Lord tells Moses and Aaron that anyone bearing the sore of leprosy must first be seen by Aaron or one of the other priests, and that as long as the sore is upon him, "He shall dwell apart, making his abode outside the camp."

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1

Paul instructs the Corinthians to do everything for the glory of God, to avoid offending others, and to be imitators of Christ.

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

Jesus takes pity on a leper and cures him of his disease with a warning not to say but to show himself to the priest and make an offering. Instead of remaining silent, the leper greatly publicized the healing, making it impossible for Jesus to enter the town openly.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 14, 2021

"A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said: 'If you wish you can make me clean.' Moved with pity he stretched out his hand, touched him and said to him, 'I do will it. Be made clean...' The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean... The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly."

This week we will begin the Season of Lent. To prepare myself well, may I find that I too am a leper, needing cleansing, healing and new spiritual strength.

Consider for a moment the pandemic, now one year old, affecting millions, taking countless lives. The search for a cure, vaccines, the use of masks, distancing and hand washing became a new practice for all. Yet the scars remain.

Our spiritual lives are suffering too. Have I looked at the health of my soul and see the need for cleansing and renewal? Am I ready to tell the Lord today: 'Here I am, how do you find me?' This is my opportunity to be honest with myself and the Lord, to act, ask for forgiveness, to begin a time of prayer, to say thanks to the Lord for a good confession, to admit to my need to learn the mercy of Jesus.

The miracle for the leper, 'If you wish', is mine today, and Jesus, with the same pity as He looks at our corona virus affected world, wishes to help us.

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)

Loaves and Fishes

For the month of **February** will be collecting
tuna and canned meats.

Food Pantry

Anyone in the Plains, Miners Mills, and Parsons
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. Please place them in the basket in the
vestibule of the Church.

Treasures

We are now accepting clean, gently used **Fall/
Winter clothing** for men, women, and children.
Donations may be dropped off during business
hours only.
Fridays 10am-12 pm.

Prayer Shawls

can be given to anyone for many reasons! Comfort,
illness, occasions, friendship & joy. If there is
anyone that would like to receive a shawl or request
one for someone, please contact the Parish Office
at 570-825-6663 or call Mary Jo at 570-825-6969.

Saints Peter & Paul and Saint Dominic Ministries

Pauline Makowski, Food Pantry

Janet Soller, Quilting

Mary Jo Marek, Prayer Shawl

Laura Rudloff, Treasures

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

Barbara Zimhelt, Council of Catholic Women

Kathy Grinaway, Hospitality

Donna Mansfield, Hospitality

Stations of the Cross

Stations will be held every Friday during Lent after the 12:15
mass, and 7:00pm at Saints Peter and Paul Church.

The Light is On For You

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will begin Monday,
February 22 of the first week of Lent, and continue through
March 22 of the Fifth week of Lent, from 5:30pm to 7:00pm.

Memorial Donations The following donations/memorials have
recently been given to our parish **Scholarship Fund**

\$1,850 Kim Skiro Scholarship Fund

In Memory of Ruth Clark

\$400 Joseph Insalaco

The following donations/memorials have recently been given to
our parish **Food Pantry**

\$50 June Olszewski

In Memory of Norma Yackoski

\$50 John & Bonnie Mascioli

In Memory of Ronald Rygielski

\$20 Nancy Hrab

In Memory of James Haggerty

\$50 Rebecca & Stephen Reedy

\$50 Amy Switzer

\$25 Garth & Mary Ann Corbett

\$10 Marsha Hopping

In Memory of Anna Mattei

\$100 The Jump & Calzaretta Families

We thank all who have made memorial and free-will donations.

May God bless you for your generosity.

We will keep your intentions and loved ones in our prayers.

Marriage Moments

What do Valentine's Day, Presidents Day, and Ash
Wednesday have in common? We are all called to love; but no
one, even a president, is perfect. Being human, we each have
our faults. Ash Wednesday calls us to purify our love through
self-sacrifice.

Susan Vogt

SERVICE

FEBRUARY / MARCH

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|---|---------|---------------------|---------------------------|--|----------|
| 14 | 15 Rosary 6pm | 16 | 17 Ash Wednesday | 18 Food Pantry Prep | 19 Food Pantry Treasures 10am-12pm Stations after 12:15 Mass & 7pm | 20 |
| 21 | 22 <i>The Light is On For You (Confessions) 5:30-7pm</i> Rosary 6pm | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 Treasures 10am-12pm Stations after 12:15 Mass & 7pm | 27 |
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February is Black History Month - Featured: St. Josephine Bakhita

St Josephine Bakhita, the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking, is celebrated on February 8th. She was kidnapped at the age of 9 and sold into slavery. The trauma she experienced caused her to forget her birth name, and her kidnappers gave her the name Bakhita meaning 'fortunate'. It was only in 1882 that her suffering was alleviated after she was bought for the Italian Consul. This event was to transform her life. In this family and, subsequently in a second Italian home, she received from her masters, kindness, respect, peace and joy. A change in her owner's circumstances meant that she was entrusted to the Canossian Sisters and her next fifty years were spent witnessing God's love through cooking, and sewing. She was a source of encouragement and her constant smile won people's hearts, as did her humility and simplicity.

COMMUNITY

Lenten Food Sale St. Barbara Parish will once again be holding our Lenten Food Sale this year. The sale will be held in our Parish Center, Rear 212 Memorial St., Exeter, PA. Please take note of some changes due to the Covid-19 & CDC regulations. The sale will be TAKE OUT ONLY & held on:

Ash Wednesday (2/17/21)

from Noon - 6:00 PM.

Potato Pancakes ONLY

Every Friday in Lent

From 3:00PM - 6:00PM

Full Menu

MENU

Potato Pancakes - \$1.00 each

Pierogi - 1/2 dozen (6) - \$5.00

Halushki - Quart: \$6.00

Orders are CASH only; No pre-orders. Order at the door.

There will not be any raffles or tickets sold this year. We have rearranged the hall for seating (while you wait for your order). In case of a snow storm we will be closed. Please keep in mind that face masks must be worn and 6 foot distance between others must be maintained at all times.

A Take and Heat Lenten Soup and Pagach Sale will be held at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 215 Lackawanna Ave, Dupont.

Traditional lentil soup and red borscht will be sold for \$10 per quart as well as potato and cheese pagach for \$20 per tray. All food will be made fresh, ready to heat and eat.

Pagach will be par-baked and will include heating instructions.

This is a pre-order sale only. Order forms can be found on the homepage of www.sacredheartdupont.com. Payment must accompany all orders and should be submitted to the Parish Office no later than February 28.

All orders will be distributed on Friday, March 5, from the church hall between noon & 6 p.m.

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Jill Fiedorczyk– Organist

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Saints Peter & Paul

Sacred Heart

Saint Joseph

Saint Francis

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Kathy Grinaway, *Chairperson*

Donna Mansfield, *Vice Chairperson*

JoAnn Chukinas, *Secretary*

Barbara Gubbiotti

Debby Zuzelski

Harold Golomb

Jack Keeley

Joanne Bague

Lou Zuzelski

Steven McGough

Saints Peter & Paul Finance Committee

Don Prescavage, *Chairman*

Ben Berrini, *Vice Chairman*

Charlotte Dominick, *Secretary*

Gerald Cross

Tony Dente

Tracy Schooley

Saints Peter & Paul 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.

Every donation counts !!!

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

Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish Goal!

Saints Peter & Paul is at

21.69%

We are grateful to the parishioners who supported the 2020 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

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Saint Dominic is at

20.93%

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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. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective 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 at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. 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 B Pacuska at 570-862-7551

VISION 2020

Seeing a Future Full of Hope

SHAPING A BLUEPRINT FOR THE FUTURE OF THE DIOCESE

In Today's homily for the Second Sunday of Advent, Bishop Bambera explained to us that it is time for the whole Church of Scranton to take a good look at the life of our parishes and to project a future vision in response to God's call today.

Your Pastors have taken first steps in this conversation in recent deanery meetings, and now it is essential to broaden this conversation to include all of the faithful. Bishop Bambera Pointed out to us the reality of change in our world and in our local communities, and so we know that we will continue to face and respond to change within the church. "I'm inviting all of the faithful," he said, "to simply focus on how we best engage the mission of the gospel in these changing times." Some of these changes include shifting demographics, differing attitudes about formal church participation, and diminishment in numbers of ordained priests available to serve as full-time pastors.

In the coming year, then, Bishop Bambera is asking us to continue working together to fashion a "blueprint" if you will— a pathway for our local Church, tailored to each deanery and to each parish—for how we will meet both the challenges and opportunities we will face in the next ten year period.

In his Homily he stressed that, "while every parish is similar in what is being asked to do and to be, each parish will respond to this process in ways that are unique to its situation and circumstances.

PLANNING GUIDANCE FOR EACH DEANERY

Guiding the overall process are these planning assumptions as common elements across the Diocese:

- The benchmarks for vibrant parishes are in accord with the vision expressed in Bishop Bambera's Pastoral letter, especially pages 7-13
- In every local circumstances, efforts are made to best utilize the particular ministry gifts of the clergy and, at the same time, to mobilize the gifts of all the baptized.
- Each deanery blueprint implementation is unique, and may consider such questions as: number of worship sites, Mass schedules and wise investment of resources.
- No deanery is planning in isolation—the circumstances in one may occasion change in another.
- Parish pastoral plans are respected and help to inform deanery level plans.
- Recommendations from deaneries or parishes are brought to Diocesan review.
- Parishes in linked relationship, sharing a Pastor, will be given additional planning support to evaluate and craft the best path forward.
- Every parish calls forth those individuals whose capacity for pastoral leadership could be developed through vocational discernment for priesthood, religious life, lay ministry or permanent diaconate.

The Wilkes-Barre Deanery, which consists of the following parishes:

Sts. Peter & Paul (Plains), St. Dominic (Wilkes-Barre), Our Lady of Fatima at St. Mary's (Wilkes-Barre), St. Nicholas (Wilkes-Barre), Our Lady of Hope at St. Mary's Maternity (Wilkes-Barre), St. Andrew at St. Patrick's (Wilkes-Barre), St. Andre Bessette (Wilkes-Barre), St. Robert Bellarmine at St. Aloysius (Wilkes-Barre), Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Hanover), St. Leo/Holy Rosary (Ashley), Holy Family (Sugar Notch), Our Lady Help of Christians - St. Mary's (Dorrance), St. Jude (Mountaintop)