

Mass Schedule

Saturday:

4:00pm - Saints Peter & Paul 5:30pm - Saint Benedict

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

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Tuesday: 8am - 4pm

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Friday: 8am - Noon

Closed daily Noon - 12:30pm

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STEWARDSHIP

SUNDAY STEWARDS

Contributions for week ending
August 9, 2020
Saints Peter and Paul
\$7,542

Saint Benedict \$2,923

Mass Schedule – Effective August 24,2020

Saints Peter and Paul

Monday - Communion Service 7am

Tuesday - Friday 7am

Wednesday/Friday 12:15pm

Saturday-4:00pm

Sunday-8:00am & 10:30 am

Saint Benedict

Saturday-5:30pm

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

Aug. 3	#996	Michelle Newdeck
Aug. 4	#243	Saints Peter and Paul
Aug. 5	#996	Michelle Newdeck
Aug. 6	#481	Saints Peter and Paul
Aug. 7	#372	Jackie Everhart
Aug. 8	#366	Kay Lambert
Aug. 9	#014	Saints Peter and Paul

Congratulations to All!!!

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.





WORSHIP

WE REMEMBER

MASSES AT SAINTS PETER & PAUL

Monday	8-17	7am	Communion Service
Tuesday	8-18	7am	Anthony Szymanski by Wife, Stella
			William Kowalski, Sr by McCloskey Family
Wednesday	8-19	7am	Stella Kenzakoski (A) by Ted & Fro Papadoplos
			Bill McDermott by Mr. & Mrs. Jody Gurnari
Thursday	8-20	7am	Nancy Bronack by Marion Koneski
			John J. McGowan by Joe & Pattie Paciotti
Friday	8-21	7am	Bruno Brunetti by Jim & Cynthia Liberski
			James O'Donnell by Miners Mills Triangle Club

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE SAINTS PETER & PAUL

Saturday	8-22	4pm	Walter & Jean Waznik by Children
Sunday	8-23 10	8am :30am	Living & Deceased Parishioners Francis Teresinski (A) by Wife, Dorothy & Children

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE SAINT BENEDICT

Saturday 8-22 5:30pm Romayne Gernhart by Victor & Susan Zulkoski & Family

Bulletins are not allowed to be distributed in Church. The bulletin will continue to be on our website.

Saints Peter & Paul Parish Sanctuary Candle

John & Eleanor Binker

Lady of Lourdes
Ron & Ceil Phillips



Holy Family Votive
Ceil & Ted Toloczko

WORD

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH- AUGUST

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.

Women's Societies

The Women's Society's ministry of St. Peter and Paul fulfills the ideals of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy-feed the hungry, visit the sick, bury the dead, comfort the afflicted and pray for the living and the dead. Additionally, the women conduct a variety of activities throughout the year, working together both prayerfully and socially to enrich themselves and our parish. Meetings are held throughout the year on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30PM in the Parish Center Dining Hall. All women are invited to attend a meeting to become acquainted with the society and its mission. New ideas are always welcome.

The Council of Catholic Women is the women's group at St. Benedict's. They spearhead the annual Mother Teresa's Haven mission at the parish, including all meals and entertainment. They support the Faith Formation program by donating monetarily to the program, specifically benefiting those receiving their sacraments. At Easter they coordinate baskets, and the 6 and under egg hunt festivities. They are also actively involved in the annual Trunk or Treat activity in St. Benedict's parking lot for Halloween.

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Contact: Barb Zirnhelt 570-823-1491

WEEKLY READINGS

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Monday

Ez 24:15-24; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday

Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday

Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday

Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14

Friday

Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday

Ez 43:1-7ab; Mt 23:1-12

Faith Formation

Sunday, August 16th- 10:30am Scholarship Mass
We will honor four recent High School Graduates with College Scholarships
Wednesday, August 19th- 5:30pm Confirmation

The Sunday Good News

CHURCH OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL / SAINT BENEDICT

AUGUST 16, 2020



Father in heaven, all creation rightly gives you praise, for all life and all holiness come from уои. *In the plan of your* wisdom she who bore the Christ in her womb was raised body and soul in glory to be with him in heaven. May we follow her example in reflecting your holiness and join in her hymn of endless love and praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

The Lord wants all people to love and honor his name. He says that those who honor him by obeying all of his laws will be "made joyful in my house of prayer."

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Paul describes his hopes that his fellow Jews will follow the example of the Gentiles he has been preaching to. He claims that just as God has mercy for their disobedience, he wishes to show mercy to the Jews as well.

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

A Canaanite woman begged Jesus to help her daughter, who was being plagued by a demon. Jesus at first refused her and said that "My mission is only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." The woman was so persistent that Jesus said she had great faith and then he healed her daughter.

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

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 16, 2020

"Thus says the Lord: Observe what is right, do what is just, for my salvation is about to come, my justice is about to be revealed. The foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, ministering to him, loving the name of the Lord and becoming his servants - them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer... for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all people."

Rather than quickly pass over the passage of Isaiah, may we reread it, and see, this is what is happening in our church today.

The growth of the church in the United States has been built on two pillars – the Holy Spirit and immigration.

How many people, like immigrants of old, have come to our parishes, bringing their faith, customs and traditions. They come with faith and wish to live and share their experience with us. Do we welcome them? Do we go out to meet them?

Pope Francis tells us the church grows by attraction, not by proselytizing. As missionary disciples he calls us to evangelize, to welcome all as part of our faith communities. Our Lady of Guadalupe is the mother of Jesus. Saint John Paul II was a Polish pope. Saint Oscar Romero was martyred in our time for the same faith. How blessed we are to be living and learning today.

SERVICE

We are Called to Gerve...

"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 *August* will be collecting pasta & spaghetti sauce

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

Thank you for your generous donations but we are no longer accepting clothing at this time.

We look forward to fall/winter donations in the late summer. We will post an update as to when donations will be open again.

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 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 & Paul
Barbara Zirnhelt, Council of Catholic Women
Kathy Grinaway, Hospitality
Donna Mansfield, Hospitality

Thank you to **Carpet Clearance Outlet** for donating a beautiful carpet for our choir loft.

The following donations were made toward the upkeep of our parish cemeteries.

\$260 Marianne Stranch

\$100 David & Marie Brennan

Memorial Donations The following donations/memorials have recently been given to our parishes **Food Pantry**

\$100 Dennis & Molly Bieryla

\$100 Kathy Savitsky

\$50 June Olszewski

\$25 Patrick Malys

In Memory of Catherine Cavanaugh

\$100 Mocion Family

\$100 John & Lorene Carr

\$50 Mr. & Mrs. Donald Houseknect

\$50 Mr. ,& Mrs. Emil Aritz

\$50 Eleanore Pientka

In Memory of Albert Janerich & Paul Hession

\$500 Family

In Memory of Christine Menendez

\$20 Bernadine Yencha

In Memory of Lia Vannucchi

\$25 Ann Yevich

\$25 Joseph & Barb Salus

In Memory of Jean Kocher

\$50 Dennis & Catherine Bogusky

In Memory of Joseph Zawatski

\$50 Dan Savitsky

\$40 Nancy Rossi & Family

In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Paciga

\$40 Ann Paciga

In Memory of Tomasetti & Pagnotti Families

\$40 Marianne Pagnotti

In Memory of Anthony Wilk

\$100 Margaret Wilk

In Memory of Helen Georgetti

\$50 Frank & Lisa Ferenchick

May God bless you all for your generosity.

Memorial Donations in honor of Anna Mattei

Robert & Lisa Arning - \$100

Matthew & Dorina Kramer - \$100

Jennifer Cantrell - \$50

Catherine & Joseph Taranto - \$25

Noel & Joseph Bane - \$25

Anthony Bevelaqua (Partners & Managing directors at the Pennsylvania

Business Unit) - \$2,000

Mark & Betsy Vergnano - \$500

Ann and Thomas Pellegrini - \$25

Franca Loreti - \$100

John and Cheryl Woloski - \$20

Maria Bowman - \$25

Jane Biniek - \$25

Baldina & Joseph Grilli - \$25

Norma Nardone - \$50

Friends - \$290

John & Jennifer Strong - \$100

Vincent Bowes - \$200

James Keefe - \$100

Michael Ernst - \$250

Susan Rogers & Robert Knox - \$100

Jeffrey McLaughlin - \$200

Antoinette Lopatka - \$100

Dr. Dom and Sandie Castrignano - \$100

O'Malia Family, Larry, Gary, Rita & Loriann - \$25

Danielle Gulla & Anthony - \$200

Memorial Donations in honor of Anna Mattei

Ruth Digiampietro - \$100

Jason King - \$50

Ernest Gillian - \$50

Jennifer & C Stewart Duffield - \$200

Mark Twerdok - \$100

Wilkes-Barre General Hospital - \$200

Lisa Young - \$25

Michael Shannon III - \$250

Drozd Family - \$100

Diana & Jack Selepak - \$25

Atty. Joseph & Amy Del Rasso - \$100

M/M Donald Totino - \$20

Bruno Ferretti Jr. - \$50

Cinti Family - \$100

Priscilla Scovell - \$25

Mary Jane Raymond - \$250

Manny Fernandez - \$100

Patricia Rogers - \$25

Kurt & Lynn Malick - \$100

Jay & Erin Borden - \$100

Bernadetta Ledoretti & Family - \$25

Andy & Laurie Krebs - \$100

Denise & Jeff Manto - \$25

Joe & Joyce Gelli - \$50

SERVICE

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
16 Scholarship Mass 10:30am	17	18	19 Confirmation 5:30pm	20 Food Pantry Prep	21 Food Pantry	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12



Year of Saint Joseph This year marks the 150th Anniversary of Pope Pius IX's decree naming Saint Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary and foster-father of Jesus, as the Patron of the Universal Church. In commemoration of this anniversary and recognizing the fitting time for the Church to invoke the intercession of this guardian, His Excellency, Bishop Joseph C. Bambera has declared this year as a "Year of Saint Joseph" to be observed in the Diocese of Scranton from March 19, 2020 to March 19, 2021. Bishop Bambera states, "Just as Saint Joseph watched over and protected the Lord Jesus while he was on earth, we need Saint Joseph to watch over and provide for the Church today. His intercession on behalf of the Universal Church is vital as the world faces so much upheaval and pain, and particularly as it confronts the uncertainty and pain of the coronavirus epidemic."

COMMUNITY

Part-time position available - church sexton - at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 215 Lackawanna Ave., Dupont. Job description: grounds keeping, building cleaning, and light maintenance. Interested parties are asked to submit their resume to the attention of Fr. Petro by Monday, August 24. Job hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Holy Family Parish, Sugar Notch will be sponsoring a Chicken BBQ & Chinese Auction (held under tents) on Sunday, August 23, 2020 from 12-3pm on the parish picnic grounds (828 Main Street, Sugar Notch). The cost of the BBQ is \$12 and includes half a chicken, baked potato, baked beans, cole slaw, roll & butter, beverage and dessert. Chinese Auction information-\$10 for 20 tickets w/advanced ticket sales & preview in our Parish Hall on August 15th after 4pm Mass & August 16th after the 9:30am Mass.

The Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser sponsored by Breathe Deep NEPA/LUNGevity has been postponed due to Covid-19. It has been rescheduled for Sunday, September 27, 12-4pm. Previously purchased tickets will be honored, and tickets will be sold in the back of the Church before and after Mass in September. There will be raffles available also.

SAINTS PETER & PAUL AND SAINT BENEDICT STAFF

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Deacon Don Crane

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Jay Garcia –Organist
Jill Fiedorczyk –Organist
Steve Chronowski –Organist
Tom Zurla –Organist

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Sacristan

Ben Berrini

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Nathan Smith

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JoAnn Chukinas, Secretary
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Harold Golomb
Jack Keeley
Joanne Brague
Lou Zuzelski
Steven McGough

<u>Saints Peter & Paul Finance Committee</u>

Don Prescavage, Chairman
Ben Berrini, Vice Chairman
Charlotte Dominick, Secretary
Gerald Cross, Capital Budget Chairman
Tony Dente, Online Giving Coordinator
Tracy Schooley, Human Resources

Saint Benedict Finance Committee

Steve Yenchak, Chairman Ed Yencha Jodi Gunari

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.

Saint Benedict Mission Statement

Building a Catholic Community where all are welcome, respected, needed & appreciated; where we incorporate and share the word of God in our daily lives and the lives of others.

Every donation counts !!! If you have not yet pledged, please....

Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish Goal!

Saints Peter & Paul is at 26.37%

We are grateful to the 275 parishioners who supported the 2019 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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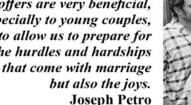
Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish Goal!

Saint Benedict is at 23.45%

We are grateful to the 91 parishioners who supported the 2019 Annual Appeal to date. If you have not yet given your support, please:

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PARISH C The classes the Diocese offers are very beneficial, especially to young couples, to allow us to prepare for the hurdles and hardships





Joseph and Kimberly Petro with their pastor, Father Richard Fox, St. Patrick Parish, Scranton.

From Youth retreats to Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation,
Men's and Women's Conversi Men's and Women's Convocations to Catechesis Camp and Lay Ministry certifications, the actual cost to participants for programs offered by the Office for Parish Life is offset with funds from the Annual Appeal. For a complete list of offerings visit DioceseofScranton. org/parish-life.





Help provide opportunities for our faithful to grow as Disciples of Christ...Give to the Annual Appeal

Annual Appeal.org



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 Beth 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 ocal 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.

We are located in the Wilkes-Barre Deanery, which consists of the following parishes:

Sts. Peter & Paul (Plains), St. Benedict (Wilkes-Barre), Our Lady of Fatima at St. Mary's (Wilkes-Barre), St. Nicholas (Wilkes-Barre), Our Lady of Hope at St. Mary's (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), St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (Swoyersville), Our Lady Help of Christians - St. Mary's (Dorrance), St. Jude (Mountaintop)