

August 22, 2021

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



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Office Hours:

Monday: 8am - 4pm

Tuesday: 8am - 4pm

Wednesday: 8am - 2pm

Thursday: 8am - 4pm

Friday: 8am - Noon

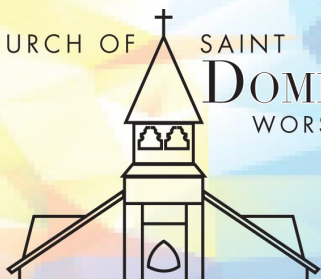
Closed daily Noon - 12:30pm

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

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Deacon Don Crane
Permanent Deacon

CHURCH OF SAINT
DOMINIC
WORSHIP SITE



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STEWARDSHIP

MASS SCHEDULE

Saints Peter and Paul

Monday: Communion Service 7am

Tuesday: 7am

Wednesday: 7am

Thursday: 7am

Friday: 7am

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8am & 10:30 am

Saint Dominic

Saturday: 5:30pm

We Live Stream weekend Mass
on the parish website:
www.sspeterandpaulplains.com
as well as on the parish Facebook page.

SUNDAY STEWARDS

Contributions for August 14/15, 2021:

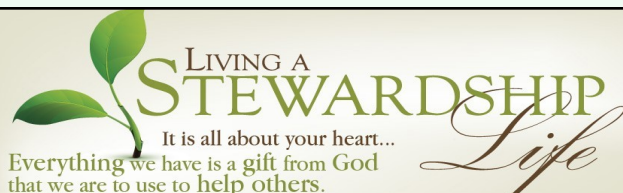
Saturday 4:00pm: 182 in attendance
\$2,183 Offering
82 envelopes

Saturday 5:30pm: 81 in attendance
\$1,058 Offering
43 envelopes

Sunday 8:00am: 104 in attendance
\$2,074 Offering
67 envelopes

Sunday 10:30am: 159 in attendance
\$1,735 Offering
60 envelopes

Thank you for your generosity!



HISTORICAL PHOTOS

We are currently looking for any historical photos and/or documents about any of the churches that have come together to create our vibrant parish.

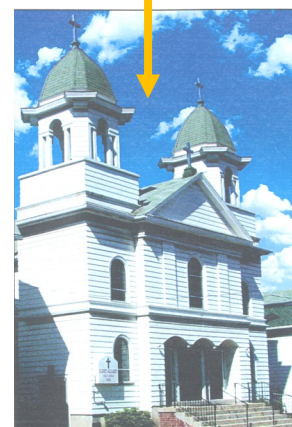
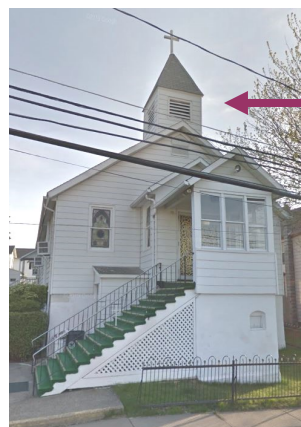
The churches we would like pictures of right now are:



St. Dominic

St. John the Baptist

Blessed Sacrament



We are looking for pictures of the exteriors and interiors of the churches, as well as any special events that occurred within each one.

There are only one or two historical pictures and information that we have of those three churches.

If you have any photos you'd like to share, please stop by the Parish Office during office hours, or scan and email the photos to parishoffice@sspeterandpaulplains.com

WORSHIP

WE REMEMBER

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

At Saints Peter and Paul:

Saturday 8-21 4pm

Parishioners Living and Deceased

Sunday 8-22 8am
10:30am

Mary Stuppino by Michael & Carol Rushton
Robert & Ellen Heck by Family

At Saint Dominic:

Saturday 8-21 5:30 pm

Frank Lewicki by Dolores Yesvida

MASSES AT SAINTS PETER & PAUL

Monday 8-23

NO COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesday 8-24 7am

Matthew Shimshock by the Pape Family

Wednesday 8-25 7am

Michael & Frances Wanek by Family

Thursday 8-26 7am

Parishioners Living and Deceased

Friday 8-27 7am

Marijo Paciga (A) by Ann, Tom, & Michael Paciga

NEXT WEEKEND MASSES AT SAINTS PETER & PAUL

Saturday 8-28 4pm

Patrick & Lavon Evans by Family

Sunday 8-29 8am
10:30am

Marianne Lynch by John Lynch
Edward Suchoski, Sr by Wife, Annabelle

NEXT WEEKEND MASSES AT SAINT DOMINIC

Saturday 8-28 5:30 pm

Joseph Popple by M/M Michael Quinn

MEMORIAL CANDLES

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Edward Johnson

HOLY FAMILY VOTIVE

Josephine & Gelso Gubbiotti

LADY OF LOURDES

Ron & Ceil Phillips - In Thanksgiving

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.

Faith Formation

Our Faith Formation (CCD/Sunday School) is a comprehensive program for students who do not attend a Catholic school. Pre-K through Confirmation classes are held from September through May, every Sunday morning (except major Holidays)

The teaching staff is composed of volunteer parents and parish members who are willing to donate their time, love of the faith and energy to guide these children through their formation journey. We have Catechists and teacher's aides and are always looking for volunteers interested in this ministry.

Contact: Nina Cinti
faithformation@sspeterandpaulplains.com



WEEKLY READINGS

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b;
Eph 5:21-32 or
5:2a, 25-32;
Jn 6:60-69

Monday

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10;
Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday

Rv 21:9b-14;
Jn 1:45-51

Wednesday

1 Thes 2:9-13;
Mt 23:27-32

Thursday

1 Thes 3:7-13;
Mt 24:42-51

Friday

1 Thes 4:1-8;
Mt 25:1-13

Saturday

1 Thes 4:9-11;
Mt 25:14-30

The Sunday Good News

CHURCH OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL

AUGUST 22, 2021



*King of kings,
I am on knees
seeking your help
in how to
bring unity
to my family.
Everybody is busy
with their lives.
We've grown distant
from each other.
I desire the
family bond
we once had.
Lord, step in
and bring us
together.
Let us share
our laughter
in joyful times
and cry together
in sad times.
Help us
to be there
for one another,
Lord.

Amen.*

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel and told them if it did not please them to serve God, then they must decide who they would serve. The people claimed that God had brought them out of slavery and protected them on their journey. Therefore, they would serve, the Lord their God, and no one else.

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32

Husbands and wives should love one another as Christ loved the Church. They should nourish and care for each other as Christ cared for the church. Through the union between the two, they become one.

Gospel: John 6:60-69

Many of Jesus' followers were still disturbed by his teaching of the living bread, which they could not yet fully understand. Jesus explained that the Spirit gives life, and flesh is unimportant. Some of the disciples decided to leave. Jesus asked if the Twelve also wanted to leave. Although they do not completely understand yet, they have enough faith in Jesus to stay because they believe he is God's holy one.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time August 22, 2021

“When they stood in ranks before God, Joshua addressed all the people. ‘If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today who you will serve, the gods your fathers served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose country you are now dwelling. As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.’ ...Many of the disciples who were listening said, ‘This is a hard saying, who can accept it?’”

Joshua, the successor of Moses, challenged the people. How often in the scriptures we come to moments of great decision. Mary was asked to be the Mother of God. She said yes. Peter and the apostles were summoned to leave the fishing industry and tax collectors booth. Saints and Martyrs throughout the ages, made their heroic decisions. Missionaries traveled to bring the gospel to others. Now it is my turn.

Surely, as the hymn says, ‘We have decided to follow Jesus.’ But do we only when it is convenient? In moments of stress, or at the time to make a moral decision, what wins, convenience and ease or witness and commitment? Maybe we should begin by realizing that the Christian life is a challenge, supported by God’s gift of grace, allowing us to make a firm decision to improve.

The Christian life is not to be a life of comfort, but it is comforting to know that Jesus Christ supports my decision to follow.

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 **August** will be collecting **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 **Spring/Summer clothes** for men, women, and children. Donations may be dropped off during business hours only.
Mondays 5pm-7pm & 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 Parish 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*
Donna Mansfield, *Hospitality*

Parish Tea

Our parish will be hosting a Formal Tea in the Bernardine Hall on November 7 from 1-4pm. If you or anyone you know is interested in being on the planning board, there will be a meeting in the Rosary Room in the Parish Center on August 23, at 6:30pm.

Faith Formation

Registration for Faith Formation year 2021-2022 is now open! Stop by or call the Parish Office during business hours for more information and to register.

Memorial Donations

The following donations/memorials have recently been given to our parish to support: Food Pantry; Bernardine Hall; Parish Scholarships; and General donations.

\$500 Ann Yevich
\$100 Rasheem

In Memory of Dolores Mocion
\$20 Dave & Sandy Miller
\$20 GERALYN & Ted Kebala
\$30 Diane & Gene Dziedzic

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.

Women's Society

Women's Society will now meet in the Parish Dining Room in the lower level of the parish center .

NEW BIBLES

New Bibles are available. If you missed picking one up this past weekend, you can get one in the sacristy after any of the masses.

We ask that you take just one Bible per family.

SERVICE

AUGUST / SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
22	23 Rosary 6pm Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm	24	25	26	27 Treasures 10am-12pm	28
29	30 Rosary 6pm Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm	31	September 1	2	3 Treasures 10am-12pm	4
5	6 Rosary 6pm Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm	7	8	9 Women's Society (Parish Dining Room)	10 Treasures 10am-12pm	11
12	13 Rosary 6pm Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm	14	15	16	17 Treasures 10am-12pm Food Pantry	18



The Bernardine Hall is now open for reservations! Our newly renovated spacious event hall is perfect for weddings, parties, corporate events, fundraisers, and more. We have plenty of tables, chairs, space, and parking for every event. You can choose from our list of approved caterers

The Parish Dining Room is also available for rentals. This room is perfect for any of the smaller events like Baptism luncheons, Wedding rehearsal dinners, business meetings, and more.

For more information about renting the hall for your events, please contact Jay via email at hallrental@sspeterandpaulplains.com or call the Parish Office at 570-825-6663.

SERVICE

NO FESTIVAL COLLECTION

During the month of August, we are resuming our No Festival Collection. You will be receiving an envelope in the mail. We hope you are able and willing to help our parish community continue to thrive by being generous to our No Festival Collection.

COMMUNITY



American
Red Cross

BLOOD DRIVE

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

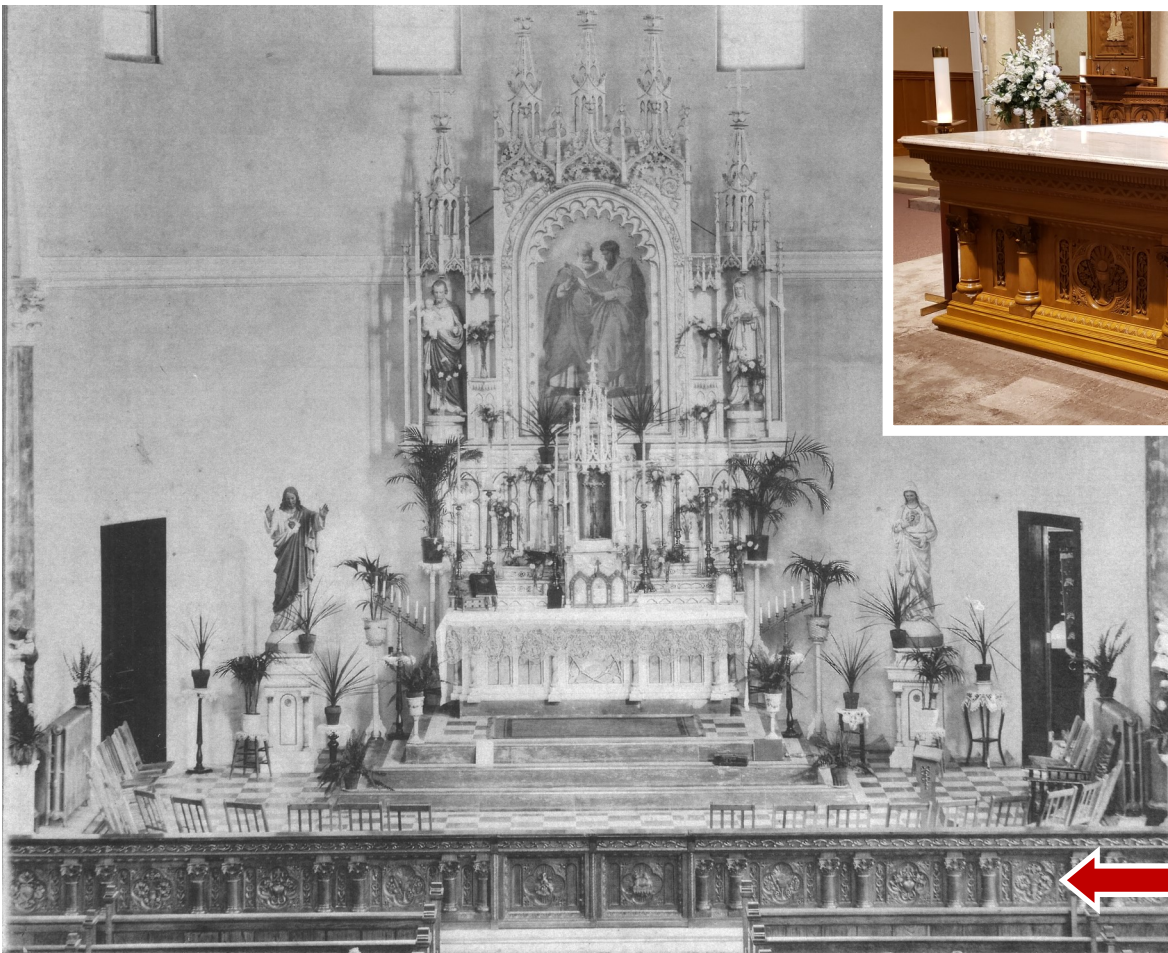
Our parish will be hosting an American Red Cross blood drive on **Tuesday, August 24th from 1:00 to 6:00 PM at Bernardine Hall**. Masks must be worn and temperatures will be taken. All CDC pandemic guidelines will be followed. **Appointments are required.**

Register at [redcross.org](https://www.redcross.org) - find a drive - see times, or call 1-800-733-2767.

Every pint donated benefits three patients.

DID YOU KNOW?

This is the original high altar of our present church of Saints Peter and Paul. Notice the altar/communion rail at the bottom of the photo, which has been converted



SAINTS PETER & PAUL PARISH STAFF

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Deacon Don Crane

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Jason Garcia –Organist

Jill Fiedorczyk– Organist

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Greg Day

Michael Lambert

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Saints Peter & Paul

Sacred Heart

Saint Joseph

Saint Francis

Combined Pastoral Council

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

11.45%

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

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

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Saint Dominic is at

11.07%

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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

