

September 4, 2022
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:

4:00pm - Saints Peter & Paul

Sunday:

7:30am - Saints Peter & Paul

10:30am - Saints Peter & Paul

Eucharistic Adoration:

First Friday of Every Month 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Confession:

Saturday 3:00pm - 3:30pm

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Tuesday: 8am—4pm

Wednesday: 8am—2pm

Thursday: 8am—4pm

Friday: 8am—Noon

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STEWARDSHIP

Mass Schedule

Saints Peter and Paul

Tuesday: 12:15pm

Wednesday: 12:15pm

Thursday: 12:15pm

Friday: 12:15pm

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am & 10:30 am

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

Sunday Stewards

Saturday, Aug 27 - 4:00pm:

232 people attended

144 envelopes received

Offering: \$2,019.00

Sunday, Aug 28 - 7:30am:

101 people attended

67 envelopes received

Offering \$1,042.00

Sunday, Aug 28 - 10:30am:

215 people attended

104 envelopes received

Offering: \$1,747.00

Thank You for your Generosity.



WORSHIP

WE REMEMBER

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Saturday	Sep 03	4:00pm	Geraldine Hirko by Carla Alles
Sunday	Sep 04	7:30am	Bernadine Bohn by Judy & Dave Nat & Family
		10:30am	Jessie Sarti by Elissa Galli

MASSES AT SAINTS PETER & PAUL

Tuesday	Sep 06	12:15pm	Mary Ann Bonita by Cindy Myerski
Wednesday	Sep 07	12:15pm	John Woloski, Sr. by Woloski Family
Thursday	Sep 08	12:15pm	Ronald Serafin by Julie & John Helinski
Friday	Sep 09	12:15pm	William & Eleanor Gall by Family

NEXT WEEKEND MASSES AT SAINTS PETER & PAUL

Saturday	Sep 10	4pm	Stanley Miskiewicz by Frank & Camille Glazenski William J. Everett by Wife & Children
Sunday	Sep 11	7:30am	Stanley J. Neishel, Jr. by Wife, Patricia
		10:30am	Claire Macarelli by Lucille Parri & Family



The Sunday Good News

Church of Saints Peter & Paul

September 4, 2022

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18b

This reading acknowledges that people have had a difficult time attempting to know God's wishes. At times we have difficulty understanding the things that happen on earth. Therefore, learning of things in heaven would have been impossible, except that God sent us wisdom and the Holy Spirit to help us understand him.

Second Reading: Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Paul writes to Philemon regarding Onesimus, a slave who ran away and encountered Paul. Although Paul wished Onesimus could remain with him, he did not want to violate Philemon's wishes. Paul asks that Philemon receives his friend Onesimus as a beloved brother, not as a slave. He closes by saying, "Welcome him as you would me."

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Jesus warns people who wish to follow him that they must abandon everyone else first. A person calculates the amount of money needed to complete a project before they begin it. In the same way, Jesus warns these people to consider exactly what is involved before they make a commitment to follow him.

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

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"If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost, to see if there is enough for its completion? ...In the same way, anyone who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

A surprising challenge. A famous Lutheran martyr, Bonhoeffer, wrote a telling book, 'The Cost of Discipleship.' The title itself echoes the challenge Jesus put to the crowds who were seeking and following Him. The gospel cost Jesus His life, for us. As we claim discipleship, we learn not to hate, but to make sure our relationship with others does not interfere with or block our relationship with God. Nothing should get in the way of that basic requirement.

We might summarize the first commandment God gave to Moses and the first part of the great commandment of Jesus simply by stating: 'God comes first in my life.' The Spanish speaking people use this expression continually, 'Dios primero.' Does He?

*Dear Heavenly
Father,*

*For all the children
returning to school,
send your Holy
Spirit as their guide
and protector.*

*Keep them free from
danger and
unnecessary harm.*

*Put our sons and
daughters in the
right place, at the
right time, to
receive your grace.
Let them learn and
grow strong.*

*May the presence of
your Spirit fill their
hearts.*

*Help us to mature
as parents and
caregivers.*

*Bless every family,
oh Lord.*

*We entrust our
children to you,
dear God.*

*Since from the
beginning, they are
yours to keep.*

*In the name of the
greatest Son of all,
Jesus Christ.*

Amen.

WORD

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH - SEPTEMBER

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH – September

Each month, a Ministry of the parish is highlighted. For September we will reflect on the Lector Ministry

The Lector Ministry is far more than public speaking. This Ministry calls us to not only reflect on our journey with God through His word, but also to proclaim the Word of God at Eucharistic celebrations to the congregation. Their goal is to provide inspiration to those listening to the readings. This brief verse from Romans summarizes it perfectly. “Thus faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the Word of Christ” Romans 10:17. Please spend some time this month in reflection of these words to discern if you feel you are called to the Lector Ministry.

Lectors may serve at weekend liturgies, Holy Days, and, if available, at daily Masses. Any parishioner who is in high school or older is available to participate in this Ministry.

Lectors are scheduled in advance for dates and Masses of preference. The scheduling program allows for individuals to submit substitute and volunteer requests.

This cannot be said too many times – a Parish needs a vibrant community to survive. So take the opportunity in reflective silence and seriously consider being an active Lay Ministry participant. This will lead you to a life of deeper and strengthening faith.



Love. Grow. Serve.

Contact:
Kathy Grinaway 570-498-2093 or
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WEEKLY READINGS

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Wis 9:13-18b;
Phlm 9-10, 12-17;
Lk 14:25-33

Monday

1 Cor 5:1-8;
Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday

1 Cor 6:1-11;
Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday

1 Cor 7:25-31;
Lk 6:20-26

Thursday

Mi 5:1-4a or
Rom 8:28-30;
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Friday

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27;
Lk 6:39-42

Saturday

1 Cor 10:14-22;
Lk 6:43-49

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 **September** we will collect **pasta sauce and any non perishable** food items.

Food Pantry

Anyone in the Plains, Miners Mills, and Parsons area in need of food can **contact Pauline at 570-472-1646 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.
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 570-333-5041.

Saints Peter & Paul Parish Ministries

Pauline Makowski, *Food Pantry*
Mary Jo Marek, *Prayer Shawl*
Laura Rudloff, *Treasures*
Kathy Grinaway, *Hospitality*
Irene Martin, *Women's Society of Saints Peter & Paul*
Barbara Zimhelt, *Council of Catholic Women*

Members of the **Women's Society** will be selling "**Friends Helping Friends**" Shopping Passes in the vestibule of the church through October 9th. This **fundraising event** is an opportunity for our non-profit organization to raise funds to benefit our parish. The passes are available for a \$5.00 donation, which entitles you to a 25% discount shopping pass, valid during a one-day event - Wednesday, October 19th. Registered shoppers will also have the opportunity to win a \$100 Boscov gift card - one winner in each store. What better time to begin Christmas gift shopping?

Additional passes will be available at the parish office during business hours. The passes may be sold anywhere, so if you have family, neighbors or co-workers who would like to benefit from this opportunity, please contact
Irene Martin at 570-574-4519.

HELP SUPPORT Saints Peter and Paul Church
(Non-Profit Organization)



ONE DAY ONLY - OCTOBER 19, 2022
SHOP 8AM - 11PM

DONATE \$5 AND ENJOY:

- **25% OFF** DISCOUNT SHOPPING PASS*
- **REGISTER TO WIN A \$100 BOSCOV'S GIFT CARD**
At every Boscov's store

100% OF YOUR DONATION GOES TO OUR ORGANIZATION

For Shopping Passes or information, contact:

Irene Martin 570-574-4519
Women's Society

For more details visit boscovs.com/friendshelpingfriends
*Exclusions Apply

September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5 Office Closed	6	7	8	9 Treasures 10am-12pm	10
11	12 Rosary 6pm Treasures 5-7pm Prayer Shawl 5pm	13	14	15 <i>Parish Council 6:30pm- Bernardine Hall Food Pantry Prep</i>	16 <i>Food Pantry</i> Treasures 10am-12pm	17
18	19 Rosary 6pm Treasures 5-7pm Prayer Shawl 5pm	20	21	22	23 Treasures 10am-12pm	24
25	26 Rosary 6pm Treasures 5-7pm Prayer Shawl 5pm	27	28	29	30 Treasures 10am-12pm	1 October



The Bernardine Hall is 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 email Amy Vissotski hallrental@sspeterandpaulplains.com

or call the Parish Office at 570-825-6663.

Communion Breakfast

The Women's Society annual Communion Breakfast will be held on **October 16th after the 7:30am Mass in the Parish Center Dining Hall.**

Cost is \$16.

If interested please call Betty Jean Hession at 570-822-9448 or
Kathy Savitsky at 570-824-6846.

Please make your reservation by October 10th.

Ministry Schedule for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, and Cantors

The September Ministry schedule has been printed and is available to be viewed in the sacristy. This is in addition to also viewing the schedule on the Ministry Scheduler Pro App or on a PC at www.rotundasoftware.com/ministry/stpetes. The printed schedule will be available monthly in the sacristy to be viewed for those unable to access the app or the program. Please remember this is printed the week prior to the month, so as schedules are changed or swap requests are made, the printed copy will not be updated. You are highly encouraged to use the app or a PC. If you have any questions or are having difficulties with access, please call or text Kathy Grinaway at 570-498-2093.

TREASURES @ BENEDICT HOUSE

We Moved! Come visit us at our new location.

We are located in the upper level of Benedict House- 155 Austin Ave. Wilkes- Barre (St. Benedict's Church).

Clothing donations are accepted at the rear of the building; Mondays 5PM-7PM and Fridays 10 AM-noon. Please come to the door at the top of the ramp for service.

We are requesting donations of TJ Max bags for shoppers. Thank you for your continued support.

Faith Formation

Registration for Faith Formation is now being held in the Parish Office during business hours.

Monday– 8am-4pm

Tuesday– 8am-4pm

Wednesday– 8am-2pm

Thursday– 8am-4pm

Friday– 8am-12pm

Classes begin September 11, 2022, 9-10am.

\$25 per child

\$40 for 2 or more

\$65 for 3 or more

COMMUNITY

CASH BINGO TO BENEFIT

PRINCE OF PEACE PARISH, OLD FORGE, PA

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022 at

The Eagle McClure Fire Dept.,

375 Milwaukee Ave., Old forge, Pa. 18518

Doors open at 11:00 AM, Bingo starts at 1:00 PM

20 games \$100 each, plus 4 specials.

In advance ticket cost: \$20

At the Door \$25

CALL the Rectory 570-457-5900 to purchase Advance Tickets

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Gospel Today

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time | Luke 14:25-33

Jesus said God should be #1 in the center of our lives. Followed by ourselves, family and friends.

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Jesus knows life is
not always easy.

He will help us carry
our cross. Just ask!

MY CROSS

MY LIFE

GOD

Decorate this cross with words or pictures which best describe your life each day. Remember everyone has challenges, but they are not all the same.

Cut on the dotted line and keep it as a reminder to pray and give thanks each day.



Examples of daily struggles... personal or family illness or disability, problems with family, school or neighbors... add your own.

Thank you, God, for... good times, loving and healthy family members, fun with family, school & neighbors, good friends and favorite pets... add your own.

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