



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

SAINTS PETER & PAUL

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Monday: 8am - 7pm

Tuesday: 8am - 4pm

Wednesday: 8am - 7pm

Thursday: 8am - 4pm

Friday: 8am - Noon

Closed daily Noon - 12:30pm

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

SUNDAY STEWARDS

Contributions for week ending
October 4, 2020
Saints Peter and Paul
\$7,518

Saint Benedict
\$1,612

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

Sep. 28	#211	Jane Biniek
Sep. 29	#380	John Corcoran, Jr.
Sep. 30	#499	Anna & Nora Lambert
Oct. 1	#196	Saints Peter and Paul
Oct. 2	#337	Kathy Vinciarelli
Oct. 3	#217	Ryan Januszko
Oct. 4	#385	Saints Peter and Paul

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.



LIVING A
STEWARDSHIP
Life

It is all about your heart...
Everything we have is a gift from God
that we are to use to help others.

WORSHIP

WE REMEMBER

MASSES AT SAINTS PETER & PAUL

Monday	10-12	7am	Communion Service
Tuesday	10-13	7am	Clara Lucas by Family Robert Meehan by Family
Wednesday	10-14	7am	Sadie Guerra by Gina Dominick Dorothy Stucker by Allen and Joanne Austin
Thursday	10-15	7am	Frank Kondracki by Family Mary Ann Dechman by Bob and Peggy Cole
Friday	10-16	7am	Frank Lewicki by Leo and Genie Pavelco Frank Krokus Sr. by Rosemary Sheridan

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE SAINTS PETER & PAUL

Saturday	10-17	4pm	Helen Wolczyk by Husband John
Sunday	10-18	8am 10:30am	Eleanor Blazejewski by Ann Marie Columbo Viola Rubbico by Children

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE SAINT BENEDICT

Saturday	10-17	5:30pm	Living & Deceased Parishioners
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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 Zius

Lady of Lourdes

Paul Binker, Jr.



Holy Family Votive

Florence Sierko

WORD

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH—OCTOBER

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.

Youth Ministry

The Youth Ministry seeks to nurture spiritual life of those from Confirmation through 12th grade by giving them an avenue to relate to their faith on a personal level. They do this through involvement in the community through service activities. They also connect with each other by participating in social events just to have an enjoyable time. The Youth Ministry will begin meeting upon resumption of regular activities. Please watch the bulletin for updates.

**Contact- Jay Garcia—
youthministry@sspeterandpaulplains.com**

WEEKLY READINGS

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Is 25:6-10a;
Phil 4:12-14, 19-20;
Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Monday

Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1;
Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday

Gal 5:1-6;
Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday

Gal 5:18-25;
Lk 11:42-46

Thursday

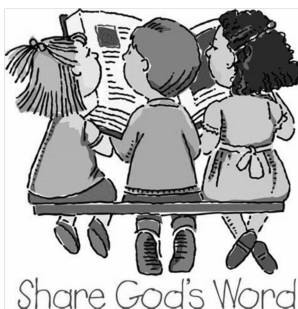
Eph 1:1-10;
Lk 11:47-54

Friday

Eph 1:11-14;
Lk 12:1-7

Saturday

Eph 1:15-23;
Lk 12:8-12



Faith Formation



The Sunday Good News

CHURCH OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL / SAINT BENEDICT

OCTOBER 11, 2020



*Healer Of All,
Make Us
Healers In Your
Service.
Stop Us From
Counting The
Cost Of Healing.
Give Us Courage
To Love The
Broken,
Give Us The
Humility To Ask
For And Receive
Your Healing,
In Whatever
Unlikely Places
It Might Show
Up.
Amen*

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10a

This passage describes the new Jerusalem as a heavenly banquet on the mountain with the Lord God wiping away all tears.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

In simple, direct words, Paul thanks the Philippians for alleviating his hardships. He stresses, though, that he is as accustomed to poverty as to abundance and finds all his strength in Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Once more speaking to the chief priests and the elders, Jesus relates the parable of the wedding banquet. A King, preparing a wedding banquet for his son, summons all the invited guests. When, after several invitations, no guests arrive, the King commands his servants to "go out into the byroads and invite anyone you come upon." Again, Jesus warns the elders, "the invited are many, the elect are few."

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

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 11, 2020

"I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance... I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me. Still, it was kind of you to share in my distress. My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus."

Paul's description of himself and his life is quite clear. His journeys, imprisonments, shipwrecks and encounters with Christ are well known. May we fast forward and look at the church of today.

The face of Christ is painted in so many ways. We share a close relationship with Christ Jesus. We are blessed, some with abundance, who find Christ in the poor. We find people living in fear of sickness, homelessness, legal status, who are the same brothers and sisters for whom Paul dedicated his life. What can I do to reflect the face of Christ to others? What do I ask for to recognize the face of Christ in those most in need?

My mantra this week: 'I can do all things in Him who strengthens me.'

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 **October** will be collecting
canned vegetables

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.
Mondays from 6-8pm and 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 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 Zirmhelt, Council of Catholic Women

Kathy Grinaway, Hospitality

Donna Mansfield, Hospitality

Fall Lottery Tickets

Awards will begin Oct.1 - Dec.31

Prizes are \$25 Mon. through Sat., \$100 on Sun.

\$300 on Special Days

All Saints Day-Nov. 1

Thanksgiving- Nov. 26

Christmas-December 25

Cost is \$10

Winners match the PA Lottery Pick 3 Evening Drawing

**Tickets will be sold in the Parish Office
during business hours.**



Plains Lions Club will hold an Outback

Steakhouse Dinner dining out event on

Tuesday, October 27th, from 5-7 pm, at

the Plains Lions Club Pavilion, Plains

Twp. Municipal Park, Clarks Lane, Plains. A complete

chicken & Steak dinner with all the fixin's. Take -out

only. Adults \$15 & children under 12 -\$10. Tickets

available through any Plains Lions member or by calling

570-954-6914 or 570-606-9944.

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

\$100 Ailene & Michael Solovey

In Memory of Pauline Evans

\$50 Michael & Dianne Sierko

May God bless you all for your generosity.

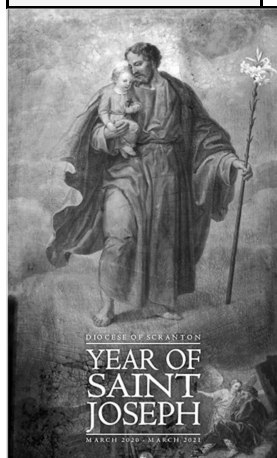
Parenting Pointers... There are only two lasting
bequests we can hope to give our children. One of these
is roots, the other is wings. If your life is rooted in faith,
let your children see it. If your child takes a different
path, believe that the Spirit will take care of him or her.
As a parent of adult children your job is to let go but not
give up.

Susan Vogt

SERVICE

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11	12	13	14	15 Food Pantry Prep	16 Food Pantry	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
1	2	3	4	5	6	7



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

Advent Pierogi Sale at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 215 Lackawanna Ave., Dupont: the Confraternity of Christian Mothers' Advent Pierogi Sale orders will be taken the weekends of October 17/18 and 24/25 in the church hall before and after all Masses. **Phone orders will not be taken this year.** Potato and cabbage pierogi will be available for \$9 per dozen. Pierogi distribution will take place November 16-18 in the church hall. Payment is made at the time of pick-up.

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Saint John the Evangelist Parish in Pittston will be holding a Gift Card Giveaway for the month of November -- a chance to win gift cards for stores, restaurants, and online shopping valued at \$50 per day from November 1-25, along with a special prize to be awarded on Thanksgiving Day, November 26. A \$10 donation will enter your name in the fundraiser! Drawings will be shown daily during videos that will be posted on the parish Facebook page, and winners will be notified by phone. If you would like to enter the drawings and receive a calendar showing the prizes, please e-mail msowa@stjohnspittston.com or call the parish office at 570-654-0053. All returns must be made by Friday, October 30 to Saint John's parish office at 35 William Street, Pittston, PA 18640

St. Maria Goretti Church to hold Fall Take-Out Pasta Supper and Basket Raffle at 42 Laflin Road, Laflin, on Sunday, November 8th, from 12-4pm. Take-out includes salad, dinner roll & dessert. Donation \$12. Face masks required. Contact information-Church office 570-655-8956.

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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Greg Day

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Sacristan

Ben Berrini

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Nathan Smith

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Barbara Gubbiotti

Debby Zuzelski

Harold Golomb

Jack Keeley

Joanne Brague

Lou Zuzelski

Steven McGough

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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 Yenchak

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

%

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.DiocesefofScranton.org

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PARISH LIFE

The staff is a great resource. When the pandemic began, they held weekly sessions online so we could share our concerns... Their two-day virtual Catechist Camp with national speakers gave me a new perspective... Our hope is to instruct our children to continue the faith and the work of the Church. We're grateful to Appeal donors for their support.



**Karen Balestino, Director of Religious Education,
St. Boniface and St. Lawrence Parishes, Williamsport**

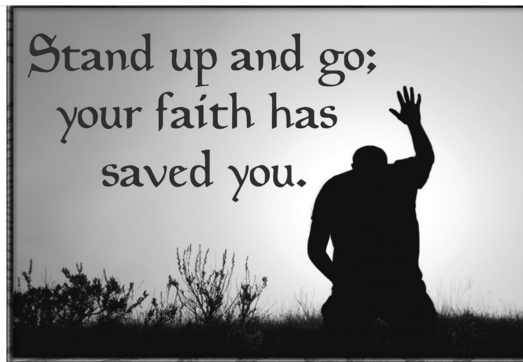
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Catechist Camp, Youth Retreats, Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation, Faith Formation Programs, Lay Ministry and Parish Planning are among the services provided by the Office of Parish Life to foster discipleship in our parishes and help us fully live our faith.

To learn more and to make a gift visit AnnualAppeal.org

**Stand up and go;
your faith has
saved you.**



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 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.

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)