

June 25, 2023

12th 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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Thursday: 8am—4pm

Friday: 8am—Noon

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Deacon Don Crane

Permanent Deacon



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& **PAUL**
PARISH

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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, June 17 - 4:00pm:

250 people attended
154 envelopes received
Offering: \$2,945.00

Sunday, June 18 - 7:30am:

110 people attended
97 envelopes received
Offering \$2,043.00

Sunday, June 18 - 10:30am:

221 people attended
101 envelopes received
Offering: \$2,514.00

Thank You for your Generosity.



***The Second Collection
this weekend is for
The Holy Father–
Peter's Pence***

WORSHIP

WE REMEMBER

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

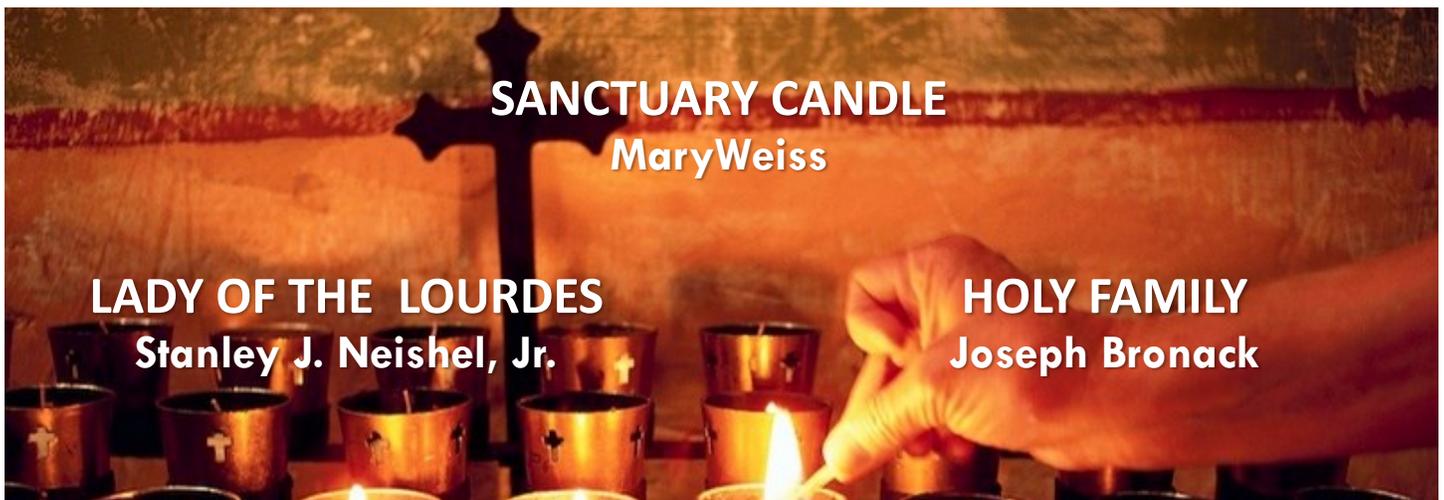
Saturday	June 24	4:00pm	Father's Day
Sunday	June 25	7:30am 10:30am	Father's Day Father's Day

DAILY MASSES

Tuesday	June 27	12:15pm	Father's Day
Wednesday	June 28	12:15pm	Father's Day
Thursday	June 29	12:15pm	Eleanor Janerich by Family
Friday	June 30	12:15pm	Paul Hession by Wife

NEXT WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	July 01	4:00pm	Frank Krokos by Wife
Sunday	July 02	7:30am 10:30am	Zajackowski Family by Stella Raymond Deiter by Keith Russin



SANCTUARY CANDLE
MaryWeiss

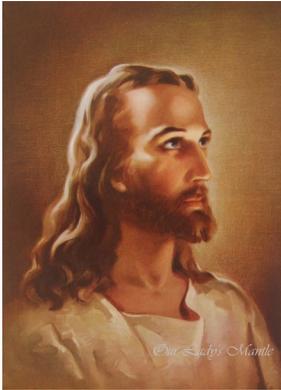
LADY OF THE LOURDES
Stanley J. Neishel, Jr.

HOLY FAMILY
Joseph Bronack

The Sunday Good News

Church of Saints Peter & Paul

June 25, 2023



*God,
help our church
body to walk in a
manner worthy
of the calling You
have given us.
Help us in all our
interactions with
one another to
have humble and
gentle hearts.
Grant us patience
for one another,
bearing with one
another in love.
Grant the Body
of Christ unity.
May we walk
humbly with
You, God,
allowing You to
show us our
wrongs.
Amen*

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:10□13

Because the prophet Jeremiah foretold disaster for Jerusalem, he was denounced. But Jeremiah trusted in the Lord and overcame his persecutors.

Second Reading: Romans 5:12□15

Paul explains to the Romans that Adam's sin brought death to all, but Christ's gift of himself brought grace and life.

Gospel: Matthew 10:26□33

In authoritative and encouraging words, Jesus urges the apostles to fear nothing only him who can destroy the soul. Telling them "every hair of your head has been counted," he promises that "Whoever acknowledges me before men I will acknowledge before my Father in heaven."

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

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 25, 2023

"But the gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one the many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one-man Jesus Christ overflow for the many... 'Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.'"

How well, or how rarely, do we recognize and acknowledge gifts? Our next breath we just take. Someone on a ventilator depends totally on it. The gift of work can be laboring or fulfilling. An unemployed or disabled person wishes to change the situation. We can multiply examples.

St. Paul reminds us of the greatest gift which we often just presume or take for granted. Our predecessors rejected the Lord, wandered away from Him. But God in His goodness sent the Savior to restore us to His friendship, wipe out the fault, and allow us to live in communion with Him. This is the gift of grace, 'amazing grace.'

As the Father saw our need He took action. Today may we acknowledge His generosity, treasure that gift, remembering that grace is an unmerited gift offered to us, and accepted with deep gratitude. 'How precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed.'

WORD

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH –JUNE

Each month, a Ministry of the parish is highlighted. For June, we will continue to reflect on Ministry using our time and talents

In May, we defined Ministry as simply the act of serving. Following the celebration of Pentecost, we have been enlightened by the Holy Spirit. We are reminded of the Gifts the Holy Spirit has given, Gifts that will last us throughout our lifetime. Unlike the physical gifts we receive on holidays and special occasions, these Gifts do not go away. However, everyone must be willing to look deep within themselves, discern their Gifts, and use them in service to God. Hopefully, many of you have done just that. There have been organizational meetings for some of our upcoming events, and there has been an increase in those interested in serving in some way. Seeing you make the effort, use your Gifts, and give of your time is what makes God so happy!

So, with the power of the Holy Spirit, please continue to look at events under “Save the Date” and consider giving of yourself. Reading through this bulletin, you may also see one of the many Ministries offered and, reflecting on your Gifts, find one that is perfect for you! Every Ministry would love to welcome new members. All are welcome!

Jesus is the leader of our faith. But it has grown throughout the centuries because we have continued to follow and profess His word, not only through speech, but also in our actions. Ministry, the act of serving, is a large part of those actions.

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.



Contact: Parish Office 570-825-6663 or email ministries@sspeterandpaulplains.com

WEEKLY READINGS

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Jer 20:10-13;
Rom 5:12-15;
Mt 10:26-33

Monday

Gn 12:1-9;
Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday

Gn 13:2, 5-18;
Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday

Gn 15:1-12, 17-18;
Mt 7:15-20

Thursday

Saints Peter and Paul,
Apostles

Vigil: Acts 3:1-10;
Gal 1:11-20;
Jn 21:15-19

Day: Acts 12:1-11;
2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18;
Mt 16:13-19

Friday

Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22;
Mt 8:1-4

First Saturday

Gn 18:1-15;
Mt 8:5-17

June/July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 Church's 100th Anniversary Celebration	26 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	27 Flea Market Meeting 6:30pm-Parish Dining Hall	28 <i>Choir Practice 6:30pm</i>	29	30 Treasures 10am-12pm	1 July
2	3 Prayer Shawl 5pm Rosary 6pm	4 Office Closed	5 <i>Choir Practice 6:30pm</i>	6 Women's Society 6:30pm - Parish Dining Hall	7 Treasures 10am-12pm	8
9	10 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	11	12 <i>Choir Practice 6:30pm</i>	13 Parish Council 6:30pm-Parish Dining Hall	14 Treasures 10am-12pm	15
16	17 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	18	19 <i>Choir Practice 6:30pm</i>	20 Food Pantry Prep	21 Food Pantry Treasures 10am-12pm	22



The Bernadine 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.

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 **June** we will collect **cereal and canned fruits**.

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 **Summer 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*

Claire Koshinski, *Women’s Society of Saints Peter & Paul*

Sister Madonna, *Outreach to Homebound*

Memorial Donations

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

General Donations

In Memory of Robert Kropiewnicki

\$100 Maryann Kropiewnicki

\$100 Joseph Kropiewnicki

\$50 Virginia Lippi

\$25 Loriann O’Malia

\$25 Friends from AC Fitness

\$10 Rosemary LaFratte

\$10 Mrs. Joan Kaye

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.





Rope Crosses For Sale

A variety of “**Rope Crosses**” made by the Counting Group, Kim Pokrifka, Jeanne Peters, and Sharyn Williams, will be sold at the **Flea Market on August 5th and 6th**. The cost is **\$20 each**. **All proceeds go directly to the Church**. There are a variety of designs. A few are shown above. They can hang on a door or wall. **Please make sure to check them out!**

Flea Market Meeting

Anyone interested in being involved with and helping out with the Flea Market please join us on Tuesday, June 27th, at 6:30pm in Bernardine Hall.
Hope to see you there!

Please note the correction: Meeting will be held at Bernardine Hall.

Save the Dates

Flea Market- August 5th & 6th

Harvest Tea– September 10th

Purse Bingo- October 8th

Toy Bingo- November 12th

Flea Market

ATTENTION SPRING CLEANERS

Do you have household items, holiday decorations, toys (no stuffed animals please), tools, in good working condition, jewelry, vinyl records, antiques & vintage items, handmade crafts, or collectables that you no longer can use and need a new home?

We ask that you consider saving them for the Saints Peter and Paul Flea Market coming this summer. Dates and times for drop off will be announced in the near future.

Please **NO** broken items, large furniture, (small items like lamps are accepted), gym equipment, clothing, computers, TV's, encyclopedias, or trophies.

Thank you in advance for helping to make our flea market a huge success!

< KID'S KORNER >

Gospel Today
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 10:26-33

God created everything on earth, and He knows us right down to the hair on our heads. He wants us to listen to the word of Jesus, and believe. Whoever accepts Jesus on earth, will be accepted by His Father in heaven. The works of the Apostles continues.

Cycle A

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SUMMER IS HERE!

Look around at God's world. What is your favorite summer activity?

Draw a picture of **you and Jesus** together. What are you doing?

Eating ice cream? Skating in the park?

Swimming at the lake, beach or pool?

Is your hair pulled up, or under a hat?

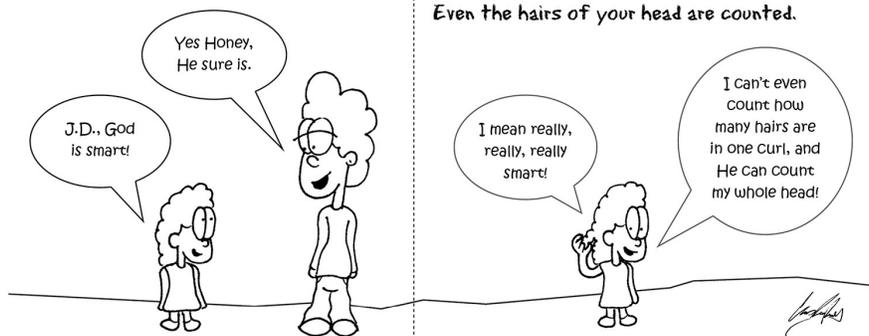
Don't forget to put sunscreen on!



SWEET as HONEY

Matthew 10:30

Even the hairs of your head are counted.



COMMUNITY

CONCERT FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

On **Tuesday, June 27 at 7:00 p.m.**, the music ministries of Saint John the Evangelist and Saint Joseph Mareello Parishes in Pittston, joined by musicians from the community, will present a concert for Independence Day at **Saint John the Evangelist Church, 35 William Street in Pittston**. Members and friends of the parish choirs will sing, with some opportunities for all in attendance to sing along. Instrumentalists will be Dale Chase and Chuck Smith (brass), Cindy Thomas (flute and piccolo), and Monica Spishock (percussion). Vocal soloist will be Erin Johnson. The program will be under the direction of Michael Sowa and Brandon Jopling, directors of music at St. John the Evangelist and St. Joseph Mareello Parishes, respectively. A free-will offering will be accepted.

St. Nicholas Church Summer Bazaar, 226 S. Washington Street, Wilkes-Barre, will be held on **July 13, 14, 15, on the parish grounds**. This year's 50-50 Raffle Drawing will feature a Cash Grand Prize, plus 49 additional prizes. The Bazaar will feature American, Ethnic, Mexican & Caribbean foods, Giant **Flea Market opens Thursday 1:00 PM - 10:00 PM, Friday & Saturday 3:00 PM - 10:00 PM**, Bountiful Baskets, games, a variety of booths, (something for all ages). Live music from 7:00 PM - 10:30 PM on Thursday by "Flaxy Morgan", Friday by "Kartune" and Saturday by "Strawberry Jam". **Bazaar times: Thursday & Friday 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM and Saturday opens after the 5:00 PM Mass until 11:00 PM**. For more information, please call the Parish Office (570-823-7736).

The L.J. Ferdinand Malvern Retreat Group will hold their annual **retreat on July 14th-16th at the Malvern Retreat House**. The group has been hosting retreats for over 80 years and includes men from our parish. New retreatants are always welcome and are encouraged to join. Contact Captain John M. Nonnemacher for more details (570-788-1012).

Plains Lions Club

17th Annual Golf Outing

Sunday July 16, 2023

Sand Springs Country Club

Drums, PA

11 AM Registration

12 Noon Shotgun Start

\$90.00 per Golfer

Captain and Crew Format

All teams must be paid by July 10, 2023



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