

Aug 18, 2024

Twentieth 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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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 10 - 4:00pm:

202 people attended

136 envelopes received

Offering: \$2,639.00

Sunday, Aug 11 - 7:30am:

125 people attended

82 envelopes received

Offering \$1,424.00

Sunday, Aug 11 - 10:30am:

202 people attended

90 envelopes received

Offering: \$2,009.00

Thank You for your Generosity.



WORSHIP

WE REMEMBER

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

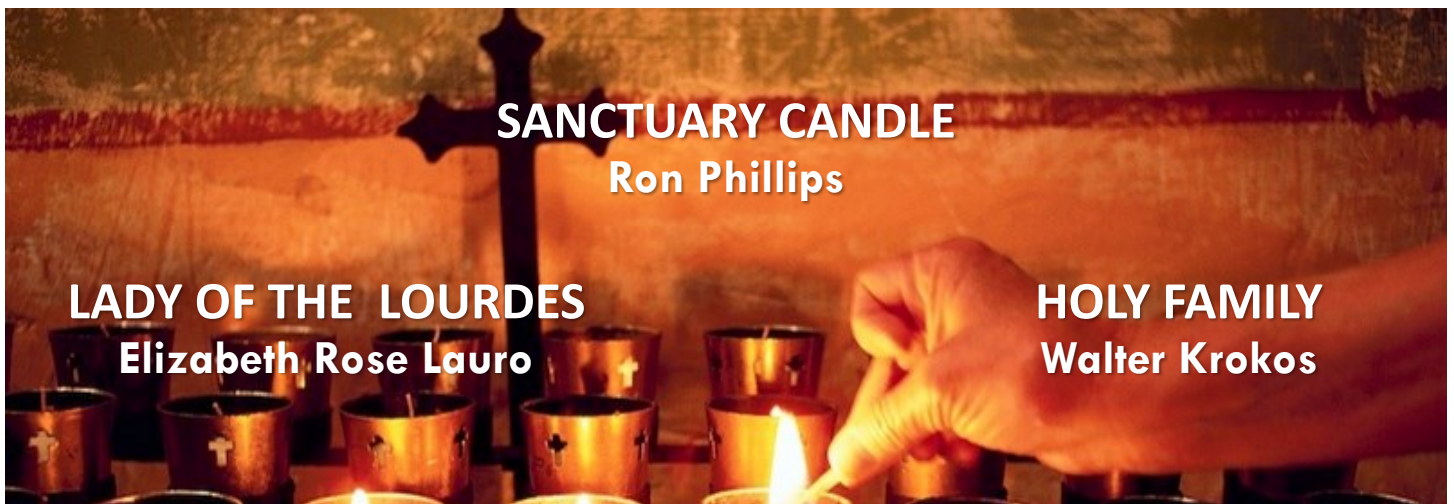
Saturday	Aug 17	4:00pm	Tony Szymanski & Szymanski Family by Stella
Sunday	Aug 18	7:30am 10:30am	Donna Zimmerman by Bernardine Polak Rachel George by Family

DAILY MASSES

Tuesday	Aug 20	12:15pm	Bernard & Mary Orzechowski by Daughter, Ann
Wednesday	Aug 21	12:15pm	Francis Krokos, Jr. by Mother
Thursday	Aug 22	12:15pm	Michael & Frances Wanek by Family
Friday	Aug 23	12:15pm	Stewart Emery by Wife, Molly

NEXT WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	Aug 24	4:00pm	Walter Krokos by Ed & Maureen Katarsky
Sunday	Aug 25	7:30am 10:30am	Deceased Members of Swartz & Ulichney Families by Geri Ulichney Walter Chronowski by Wiife & Children



SANCTUARY CANDLE

Ron Phillips

LADY OF THE LOURDES

Elizabeth Rose Lauro

HOLY FAMILY

Walter Krokos

The Sunday Good News

Church of Saints Peter & Paul

August 18, 2024

*Lord,
help me to
understand the
people around
me.
Give me empathy
and compassion
to see things from
their perspective.
Help me to listen
with an open
heart and
respond with
kindness and
love.
May Your love
flow through me,
bridging gaps
and fostering
deeper
connections.
Thank You for
the gift of
understanding
and the ways it
strengthens my
relationships.
In Jesus' name,

Amen.*

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6

A rich woman invites many guests to her home to eat and drink. She appeals to those who lack understanding to forsake foolishness and “advance in the way of understanding.”

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20

Paul advises the Ephesians to abandon foolish ways and evil deeds. All Christians should concentrate on doing God's will before all other things. He reminds them to always give thanks to God in the name of Jesus Christ.

Gospel: John 6:51-58

Jesus had just told the crowd that anyone who ate of the bread he planned to give would live forever, and that this bread was his flesh, which he would give up for the sake of the world. The people do not understand, but Jesus reassures them that his flesh is real food and that “those who feed on this bread shall live forever.”

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

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“Amen, amen I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food and my blood remains in me and I in him.”

The teaching of Jesus then, speaks of His wish for us to feed on Him. The teaching of Jesus today is no different. Take time now to remember the Eucharistic Revival taking place in our country. The Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist sadly is something taken for granted. When we feed on Him we have eternal life, not something when we close our lives in death but His life in me today.

May we approach Holy Communion, with reverence and deep respect. May the devotion we experienced when we received the Eucharist for the first time, stir us today to seek and find this rich gift, the Son of God, in the sacrament of His Body and Blood.

WORD

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH - AUGUST

*Each month, a Ministry of the parish is highlighted.
For August we will discuss **Missionary Work***

When we hear the word Missionary, what usually comes to our minds is someone who travels to other countries to spread the Word of God. But we could all be Missionaries without leaving our homes or moving anywhere. We could be Missionaries right here in our homes, communities and living our everyday lives. This month, try to be mindful of God before you react. Be kind. Be understanding. At times when you would lose your patience, remember the patience Jesus has with us. If you get angry, or want to argue or gossip, think of the words of the Our Father- "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us". Now you may be asking what does any of this have to do with being a home Missionary? People notice kindness and patience, and it has a way of being contagious. Doing the work of God by just being the best person you can be shows those around you the value and rewards of Catholicism. And even though we have many distractions in our lives, always find some time to pray. The Missionaries we think of in other countries find ways to be a beacon of hope, and through this hope they learn of God. If you become that person of hope for those around you, they too will see God in you. "And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices" (Mark12:33). Try this for a month. You may find the true meaning of happiness and inner peace and the satisfaction of being a Missionary in your home.



Love. Grow. Serve.

WEEKLY READINGS

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Prv 9:1-6;
Eph 5:15-20;
Jn 6:51-58

Monday

Ez 24:15-23;
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

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

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** we will collect **canned vegetables**.

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 at 155 Austin Ave in Parsons 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

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.

Food Pantry

\$120 Anonymous

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.



August/September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
18 <i>Ice Cream Social after 10:30 Mass- Parish Center Yard</i>	19 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	20	21	22	23 Treasures 10am-12pm	24
25	26 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	27	28	29	30 Treasures 10am-12pm	31
1 September	2 Office Closed	3	4	5 <i>Women's Society 6:30pm- Parish Center Dining Hall</i>	6 Treasures 10am-12pm	7
8 <i>Faith Formation- 9-10am Purse Bingo- Doors open 12pm Bingo starts 1pm</i>	9 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	10	11	12	13 Treasures 10am-12pm	14

Save the Dates

Ice Cream Social-August 17th & 18th

Purse Bingo - September 8th



The Women's Society will sponsor an Ice Cream Sundae Sunday (and Saturday) after the 4:00 PM Mass on Saturday, August 17th and after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, August 18th.

Assorted flavors of ice cream and toppings will tempt your sweet tooth.

Please join your fellow parishioners, and meet some who may be new.

There is no charge; just come, mingle, and enjoy!

Faith Formation

Registrations

The next dates for Faith Formation registration will be on **August 17th & 18th during the Ice Cream Social after the 4:00 and 10:30 masses.**

If you cannot make it during these registration times, please e-mail faithformation@sspeterandpaulplains.com



THANK YOU FOR OUR FLEA MARKET SUCCESS

A profound thank you to all who came together and created a successful Flea Market event this past weekend. First and foremost, thank you to all the volunteers who worked countless hours to make, as a few people commented, “the most organized and beautiful flea market they had ever seen”. All of your hours opening boxes, pricing, and displaying were essential to our success. Thank you to those who baked delicious treats that sold out quickly, in addition to those who helped with the hoagie sale and Golomb’s farm for selling their fresh corn. Of course, thanks to all of you who donated your treasured items. Last, but certainly not least, an enormous thank you to all who shopped and supported this event. This is proof of us as a close-knit parish family. The achievement of this event was due to everyone coming together to do their share. Remarks such as “what a wonderful parish community”, and “great commitment to your parish” were not uncommon. This is proof that success isn’t always measured by money. True success is when we live and work together in God’s name. That was what was on display.

The Counting Group would also like to extend a huge Thank You to all who bought hoagies.

226 hoagies were sold which resulted in a profit of \$1,356.00.



Purse Bingo

Date: September 8th

Tickets are now available
\$25 in Advance- \$30 at Door



If anyone would like to volunteer and be on the Purse Bingo Committee, please call the office and we will add your name to the list. We will call you if needed.

We would also greatly appreciate any monetary or basket donations.

In The Bread of Life Discourse Jesus continues to tell the people He is the living bread sent from Heaven. The people are upset and confused about what Jesus is telling them. Remember, this all took place before the Last Supper and creation of the Eucharist.

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I am the Bread of Life.

JOHN 6:48

Write the letters not found within the Eucharist in the space below.

J I X S
K C V P F
L G M T H Y
Z W Q U N O

Unscramble the letters and write the word in the spaces below to complete what Jesus is telling us.

Whoever eats this

will live forever.

JOHN 6:58

Do you think Jesus is talking about sandwich bread?
What bread is Jesus telling us to eat?

COMMUNITY

Saints Peter & Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church will hold the 3rd and last of their **Why Cook Wednesday Dinners** for the Summer with an a La Carte, Ukrainian Festival Food, **Take-Out Dinner on Wednesday, August 21st**. Order from a menu of festival foods including; holubtsi (piggies)...\$3/each, pyrohy (pierogies)...3 for \$3.00, kovbasa & kapusta (kielbasa & sauerkraut)...\$6.00, halushki (cabbage & noodles)...\$4.00/pint and Pagash (potato pizza)...\$2.00/cut. Pick-Ups from 4:00 to 7:00pm in their school hall on the corner of North River and West Chestnut Streets, near the General Hospital Parkade in Wilkes-Barre. Take-Out Only and Pre-Orders are strongly encouraged. Place your order by calling the School Hall Kitchen (570) 829-3051.

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