October 6, 2024

Twenty-seventh 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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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, Sept. 28 - 4:00pm: 242 people attended 147 envelopes received Offering: \$2,701.00

Sunday, Sep 29 - 7:30am: 107 people attended 77 envelopes received Offering \$1,197.00

Sunday, Sep 29 - 10:30am: 223 people attended 105 envelopes received Offering: \$2,100.00

Thank You for your Generosity.



The Second Collection this weekend is for Care & Education of Priests

WORSHIP

WE REMEMBER MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Saturday	Oct 05	4:00pm	Joseph Zak by	Wife, Irene	& Children	, Jerome, Beth, &	Donna
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Sunday Oct 06 7:30am Lillian Wilk by Joann, Michael, & Linda

10:30am William Fender by Mr. & Mrs. George Sterbinsky

DAILY MASSES

Tuesday	Oct 08	12:15pm	Marianne Lynch by Lynch Family
Wednesday	Oct 09	12:15pm	Louis Walkowiak by Betty Matchko
Thursday	Oct 10	12:15pm	Helen Lavinia by Stella Szymanski
Friday	Oct 11	12:15pm	Stewart Emery by Wife, Molly

NEXT WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	Oct 12	4:00pm	Mary Suchocki by Tony & Pat Koschak
Sunday	Oct 13	7:30am 10:30am	Francis McCabe, Sr. by Wife, Mary Therese Ron Phillips by Wife



The Sunday Good News

Church of Saints Peter & Paul

October 6, 2024



Lord,

Thank you for my daily bread.
You are more than enough.

Today I'm
thankful for
shelter, family,
friends, work,
food, health—
even my current
struggles—as
divine
opportunities.

Help me choose well in my work, finances, family, and friendships today.

Amen

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Genesis 2:18-24

God created many different animals in an attempt to make a suitable partner for the first man. Then he took a rib from the man as he slept and built it up into a woman. At last God had created someone who equaled the man, as she was "bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh" and they proved to be suitable partners for each other.

Second Reading: Hebrews 2:9-11

This passage describes how Jesus will become perfect through his suffering. It also reminds us that Jesus' Father is our Father as well, making him unashamed to call us his brothers and sisters.

Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

The people began to ask Jesus if it was acceptable for a man to divorce his wife. Jesus tells them that two people who have been joined together by God should not be separated. People began bringing their children to Jesus, but the disciples tried to send them away. Jesus grew angry and told his disciples to allow the children to come to him.

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

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"But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this reason, a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, no human being must separate."

The question posed, Mark tells us, was offered to 'test Jesus.' He responded clearly and explicitly referring to the Old Testament teaching of Moses. Have we read and reflected? Testing continues today, as we have distanced ourselves from the word of God and His teaching, with legalization of same sex unions, gender transformation. Where are committed Christians who accept such societal change, as all right. We assume we must stop for a red light. We know we are obliged to pay taxes. We should not remain silent when immoral legislation to accommodate the wishes of a particular group are catered to.

What others now call marriage is quite distinct from we who profess our faith in 'holy matrimony', a sacred sacrament of the Catholic church, a gift instituted by Jesus Christ. May the word of God today be the nudge to renew our marriage vows and have our marriage blessed in the church. The Lord is waiting for you.

WORD

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH - OCTOBER

Each month, a Ministry of the parish is highlighted. For October we will highlight Kindness

At first glance, one may not think of kindness as a ministry. But if you begin thinking of being a Catholic involved in ministry work, kindness is a necessity. Any ministry directly involves kindness- an usher, for example, opening a door and greeting people with a smile. A religious education volunteer teaching children certainly needs kindness. What, then, is kindness?

Kindness can be simply stated as the act of being sympathetic, helpful, or gentle. This is especially welcome in a society that has become increasingly intolerant of others' views. This isn't to say you need to agree or give up believing in your values. Rather, kindness is a way to listen and maybe gently disagree. Disagreements don't have to be arguments! Within the Church, kindness can be performed by helping someone to their seat, by smiling, and by saying a few nice words. Or it can be a simple wave of greeting! Kindness is actually a Gift of the Holy Spirit "...the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness" (GAL 5:22).

So, kindness can be considered as a way of putting yourself in someone else's shoes. Make it a point this month to use that Gift that the Holy Spirit has given to you in Baptism. Think before reacting poorly and, instead, show some kindness. It will make you a better person, become a habit, make God happy, and, possibly, change others. What can be better than that?

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.



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 we will collect pasta, spaghetti sauce, and 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 4pm-6pm & 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

\$25 Cecelia Phillips

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.



Beginning October 4, 2024,

Treasures will have new Monday evening hours for the Fall/Winter.

Business hours will be

Mondays- 4pm-6pm, and Fridays- 10am-12pm.

October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6 Faith Formation- 9-10am Children's Mass	7 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 4-6pm Rosary 6pm	8	9	10 Parish Council 6:30pm- Parish Center Dining Hall	11 Treasures 10am-12pm	12
13 No Class	14 Columbus Day– Office Closed	15	16	17 Food Pantry Prep	18 Food Pantry Treasures 10am-12pm	19
20 Faith Formation- 9-10am	21 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 4-6pm Rosary 6pm	22	23	24	25 Treasures- 10am-12pm	26
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Save the Dates

Toy Bingo- November 17th

Communion Breakfast

The Women's Society annual Communion Breakfast will be held on October 13th after the 7:30am Mass in the Parish Center Dining Hall.

Cost is \$15.

If interested please call Betty Jean Hession at 570-262-7912 or Claire Koshinski at 570-826-0313.

Please make your reservation by October 9th.

Rosary will be said prior to Mass

Rosary Rally

On Saturday, October 12, 2024 at 12:00 noon, a rosary rally will be held on the lawn of the Parish Center. It is one of 22,500 rallies being held across the United States. Please join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and to fervently pray for the conversion of the United States, peace in the world, and the end of the war. Please come to pray for these important issues.

Members of the **Women's Society** will be selling **Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" Shopping Passes** in the vestibule of the church before and after all Masses through October 13th.

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 - **Tuesday, October 22nd**.

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, or contact any member of the Women's Society.

Toyland Bingo

Come one come all!

Please join us on November 17, 2024 for Toyland Bingo

Tickets are \$15

Each ticket includes 10 Regular games and 2 Specials
You can purchase tickets at the Parish Office during business hours

Doors open 12:00pm, first special begins at 1:00pm sharp!

Prizes would make great Christmas gifts!!!

Please Consider Supporting our Upcoming Bingo!

Please consider making a donation for our **Toyland Bingo** being held on **Sunday, November 17, 2024.**

We will be accepting amazon gift cards and/or cash (no toys please) to use towards purchasing the prizes.

Please drop off your donations at the office by Friday, November 1, 2024.

Thank you in advance for your support!

October Parish Council meeting is open to all

There is a Parish Council meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 10th, at 6:30 PM in the lower level of the Parish Center. This meeting is open to any who want to attend. One of our Parish Council members will present a new social justice ministry. It is a beautiful ministry that gets to the heart of who we are as Catholics. If you go, there is no obligation to join. Please just consider attending to listen and ask questions concerning this ministry and what it's goals are. We hope to see you there!

Our Parish is on Instagram

Did you know that our parish is now on Instagram? Our Instagram page is saintspeterandpaulplains. Here you will find pictures of recent events, reminders of Holy Days and upcoming events, and various pictures and quotes throughout the year. Please consider following us! We would be happy to have you join us!

COMMUNITY

ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT ROSARY NOVENA will take place at Divine Mercy Parish, 312 Davis St., Scranton (Minooka) beginning on Saturday, October 5th and continuing every evening until Sunday, October 13th. Devotions begin at 7:00 p.m. which include Eucharistic adoration, the praying of the holy rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet, inspirational talk by a priest or deacon of our diocese, and solemn benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. This year's theme: *In God We Trust*. All are invited to this wonderful spiritual event seeking God's graces and blessings. For more information, contact the Divine Mercy parish office at (570) 344-1724 or email: nkatchur@divinemercyparish.us

On Saturday, October 19 at 7:00 PM, Saint John the Evangelist R.C. Church, 35 William Street in Pittston, will host "An Evening of Song" with the St. Thomas Gospel Choir of Philadelphia and Cantores Christi Regis of King's College in Wilkes-Barre. The St. Thomas Gospel Choir is under the direction of Walt Blocker, is accompanied by keyboards and drums, and shares its music at over fifty services, programs, concerts, and celebrations every year. Joining the STGC this year are the members of Cantores Christi Regis of King's College under the direction of Rob Yenkowski. Both choirs will perform together for a number of selections. A suggested offering of \$10 per person will be accepted at the door. The concert is being co-sponsored by the parishes of St. John the Evangelist and St. Joseph Marello in Pittston.

On **Sunday, October 27 at 2:00 PM,** all are invited to an Organ Concert for All Hallows Eve at St. John the Evangelist R.C. Church, 35 William Street in Pittston. Parish organist and music director Michael Sowa will present this program featuring organ music that is both powerful and peaceful for the upcoming celebrations of All Saints Day and All Souls Day, with a little bit of Halloween mischief, just for fun! During the concert, we will hear readings about death and life and the celebrations of these days. A free-will offering will be accepted.

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