

**October 8, 2023**

27th 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

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# SAINTS PETER & 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](http://www.sspeterandpaulplains.com)  
as well as on the parish Facebook page.

## Sunday Stewards

Saturday, Sept 30 - 4:00pm:

225 people attended

134 envelopes received

Offering: \$2,334.00

Sunday, Oct 01 - 7:30am:

133 people attended

85 envelopes received

Offering \$1,486.00

Sunday, Oct 01 - 10:30am:

207 people attended

106 envelopes received

Offering: \$1,887.00

*Thank You for your Generosity.*



***The Second Collection  
last weekend for  
Care and Education of Priests  
\$1,447.00***

# WORSHIP

## WE REMEMBER

### MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Saturday	Oct. 07	4:00pm	<b>Anthony Wilk</b> by Wife Margaret & Children
Sunday	Oct. 08	7:30am 10:30am	<b>Living &amp; Deceased Members of the Women's Society</b> <b>Marianne Lynch</b> by Lynch Family

### DAILY MASSES

Tuesday	Oct. 10	12:15pm	<b>Marie Pisack</b> by Christopher & Jason Welch
Wednesday	Oct. 11	12:15pm	<b>Matthew Flannery</b> by Janet Straub <b>Frank Tencza</b> by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Yurish
Thursday	Oct. 12	12:15pm	<b>Mary Suchocki</b> by Marie Suchocki
Friday	Oct. 13	12:15pm	<b>Ronald Phillips</b> by Wife & Family

### NEXT WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	Oct. 14	4:00pm	<b>Andrew &amp; Angela Katsock</b> by Family
Sunday	Oct. 15	7:30am 10:30am	<b>Julia &amp; Joseph Oley &amp; Son</b> by MaryAnn & Michael Quinn <b>Shirley Cook</b> by Gottlieb Family

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

**Paul O. Binker, Jr.**

**LADY OF THE LOURDES**

**Marianne Lynch**

**FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS**

**Marianne Lynch**

**HOLY FAMILY**

**Ed Blazejewski**



# The Sunday Good News

Church of Saints Peter & Paul

October 08, 2023

*God,  
grant me the  
serenity to accept  
the things I cannot  
change,  
the courage to  
change the things I  
can,  
and the wisdom to  
know the difference.  
Living one day at a  
time,  
enjoying one  
moment at a time;  
accepting hardship  
as a pathway to  
peace;  
taking, as Jesus did,  
this sinful world as  
it is, not as I would  
have it;  
trusting that You  
will make all things  
right if I surrender  
to Your will;  
so that I may be  
reasonably happy in  
this life and  
supremely happy  
with You forever in  
the next.*

*Amen.*

## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7

This passage about the failure of the Lord's vineyard is a metaphor for the ingratitude of the people of Israel and Judah. In tones of sadness and rebuke, the Lord asks, "What more was there to do for my vineyard?"

### Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9

In a moving appeal to the Philippians, Paul exhorts them to embrace all that is pure, decent, and admirable; then God's peace will be theirs.

### Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

In another rebuke to the chief priests and the elders, Jesus recounts a parable in which the owner of a vineyard leases his vineyard to tenant farmers. When the owner sends his servants and even his son to claim his rightful share of the crops, the tenants kill all of them. With some bitterness, Jesus warns the chief priests that "the Kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to people that will yield a rich harvest.

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

### Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 8, 2023

**"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with Thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus...keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me. Then the God of peace will be with you."**

When we receive a greeting card, we often hastily read the message, but respond with silent gratitude for the sender, their thoughtfulness in sharing their message with us. Consider this as you reread the message of St. Paul.

In offering encouragement to the Philippians, he exhorts them in their prayer to include, as all prayer should, both requests, gratitude and need. The fruit of prayer is the peace of God. As he completes this teaching he offers himself as a model as teacher and witness. The church asks us to accept Paul as a pattern and write our own message mirrored in the words he included in his card.

# WORD

## MINISTRY OF THE MONTH –OCTOBER

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*Each month, a Ministry of the parish is highlighted.  
For October we will focus on Youth and Young Adults*

As we all know, everyone's time is extremely important. Many times we have so much to do and little time to do it. For our youth and young adults, this issue of time constraints is even more pronounced. There is school and all the work associated with it, in addition to outside activities and family chores. Young adults may be in school, getting married, beginning a new job, starting a family, and dealing with all of the stress associated with this. While we have some great youth and young adults who participate in our parish through the Mass or activities, there are still so many of you that our parish desperately need. Jesus, along with His disciples, put themselves on the side to grow our faith into what it is today. They were young adults as they walked from city to city, proclaiming the Word. Today, our Parish would greatly benefit by just giving a small portion of your time. The Church cannot grow without you.

One way of being involved is through liturgical ministries. We could use more altar servers (youth), cantors, lectors and Ministers of the Eucharist (young adults). There are activities in the next 6 months that can always use help. Come to the toy and/or purse bingo and lend a hand. Any of our cemeteries can be cleaned up, even for an hour. What great exercise! Our parish now has an Instagram account (saintspeterandpaulplains) in addition to Facebook. Something as simple as liking a post spreads the message to your friends and family.

Finally, as was mentioned at the beginning, everyone is stressed for time. If you are reading this, you probably attend Mass, and that is wonderful! But please consider giving a little bit of yourself so that our parish may grow. You are the future of the Catholic Church.

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.

If you have any questions, please contact the  
Parish Office at 570-825-6663

## WEEKLY READINGS

### Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Sunday

Is 5:1-7;  
Phil 4:6-9;  
Mt 21:33-43

#### Monday

Jon 1:1—2:2, 11;  
Lk 10:25-37

#### Tuesday

Jon 3:1-10;  
Lk 10:38-42

#### Wednesday

Jon 4:1-11;  
Lk 11:1-4

#### Thursday

Mal 3:13-20b;  
Lk 11:5-13

#### Friday

Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2;  
Lk 11:15-26

#### Saturday

Jl 4:12-21;  
Lk 11:27-28

# October/November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8 <i>No Class</i>	9 <b>Office Closed</b>	10	11 <i>Choir Practice</i> 6:30pm	12	13 Treasures 10am-12pm	14
15 <b>Faith Formation</b> 9-10am	16 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	17	18 <i>Choir Practice</i> 6:30pm	19 <b>Food Pantry Prep</b>	20 <b>Food Pantry</b> Treasures 10am-12pm	21
22 <b>Faith Formation</b> 9-10am	23 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	24	25 <i>Choir Practice</i> 6:30pm	26	27 Treasures 10am-12pm <b>Donations due for Toy Bingo</b>	28
29 <b>Faith Formation</b> 9-10am	30 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	31	1 <b>November</b> <i>Choir Practice</i> 6:30pm	2 <b>Women's Society</b> 6:30pm- <b>Parish Dining Hall</b>	3 Treasures 10am-12pm	4

## Save the Dates

Toy Bingo- November 12th

**The Purse Bingo that was scheduled for October 8th will now be rescheduled to a later date in April. The exact date will be announced soon.**

# 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 **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 during business hours only.

### 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 Donation

**In Memory of Robert Kropiewnicki**

\$250 Michael Bedrin

### Food Pantry

\$30 Deborah Bronack

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.



Don't know what to do with your **Halloween Costume** from last year? Give it a good wash, pack it up and bring it to

### Treasures



## *Food Pantry*

With Thanksgiving approaching, these are the items the Food Pantry can use for distribution.

Boxed Mashed Potatoes

Corn Muffin Mix

Turkey Gravy

Stuffing Mix

Pie Crust Mix

Evaporated Milk

*Thank you in advance for your generosity!*

## *Rosary Rally*

On Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 12:00 noon, a rosary rally will be held on the lawn of the Parish Center. It is one of 20,000 rallies being held across the United States to pray and ask God and our Lady to save America from today's chaos, immorality, and social upheaval. This rosary is a public act of reparation for these sins hurled against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and The Sacred Heart of Jesus. Please come and pray. Our country needs conversion.

## *Toyland Bingo*

Come one come all!

Please join us on **November 12, 2023** for Toyland Bingo

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

## *Communion Breakfast*

The Women's Society annual Communion Breakfast will be held on **October 15th after the 7:30am Mass in the Parish Center Dining Hall.**

**Cost is \$17.**

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

Please make your reservation by October 12th.

**Rosary will be said prior to Mass**

## *Please Consider Supporting our Upcoming Bingo!*

Please consider making a donation for our **Toyland Bingo** being held on **Sunday, November 12, 2023.**

We will be **accepting amazon gift cards and/or cash** to use towards purchasing the prizes.

**Please drop off your donations at the office by Friday, October 27, 2023.**

There will also be sign up sheets in the vestibule of the church if you would like to volunteer for the event.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Members of the **Women's Society** will be selling "**Friends Helping Friends**" Shopping Passes in the vestibule of the church through October 15<sup>th</sup>. 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 18th**. 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?

### **Saints Peter and Paul Parish updates regarding Communion visits to the Homebound and Persons with Disabilities**

You may recall hearing a year ago last September of our desire to connect our Ministers of the Eucharist with Elders and Persons with Disabilities who are no longer able to attend Mass. The invitation has been well received. Currently there are eighteen Ministers of the Eucharist who have graciously offered to make Communion visits to over seventy-five homebound parishioners. Ordinarily a Minister of the Eucharist will make an appointment with the Elders according to their needs. Generally, the parishioner is visited at least once a month at a day and time convenient to them. Visits are made throughout all seven days of the week. In addition to homebound parishioners, Ministers of the Eucharist also visit local nursing homes with the same desire to bring Communion to the residents. These Communion Services are offered to any Catholic person who is a resident at the Home. Our Ministers serve Riverstreet Manor, North Penn, Wesley Village, Highland Park and Timber Ridge. Our Ministers also bring Communion to our parishioners who are hospitalized. If you or your Loved One would desire Communion brought to your home regularly, please contact Sister Madonna, sscm. You may call the parish office at 570-825-6663 and press 5 to be connected with her voicemail. Leave your name and phone number and Sister will return your call without delay. GOD longs to be with us as much as we long to be with GOD. This is an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist when you are no longer able to attend Mass.

# Donate Blood In Memory Of **Irene Martin**



Celebrate life and make a difference by giving blood. Blood is needed for many different kinds of patients. It could be a young child with a rare blood disorder, a family member fighting cancer, or a friend involved in a car accident. Please schedule an appointment to donate at this special blood drive. You'll feel good knowing you've helped change the lives of patients in need.

## **Community Blood Drive** **St. Peter and Paul Parish**

Bernardine Hall  
13 Hudson Road  
Plains, PA 18705

**Tuesday, October 10, 2023**  
**1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter: Plains to schedule an appointment.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting [RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass](http://RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass) to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

**Fall into giving blood Oct 1 thru 20 get \$15 Amazon.com Gift Card by email. See [rcblood.org/together](http://rcblood.org/together)**



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