

October 15, 2023

28th 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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Monday: 8am—4pm

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Wednesday: 8am—2pm

Thursday: 8am—4pm

Friday: 8am—Noon

Closed daily Noon—12:30pm

Reverend John C. Lambert M.S.W.

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Deacon Don Crane

Permanent Deacon



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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, Oct.07 - 4:00pm:

227 people attended

121 envelopes received

Offering: \$2,949.00

Sunday, Oct 08 - 7:30am:

124 people attended

91 envelopes received

Offering \$1,883.00

Sunday, Oct 08 - 10:30am:

197 people attended

96 envelopes received

Offering: \$2,427.00

Thank You for your Generosity.

***The Second Collection
next weekend will be for
World Mission Sunday***



WORSHIP

WE REMEMBER

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

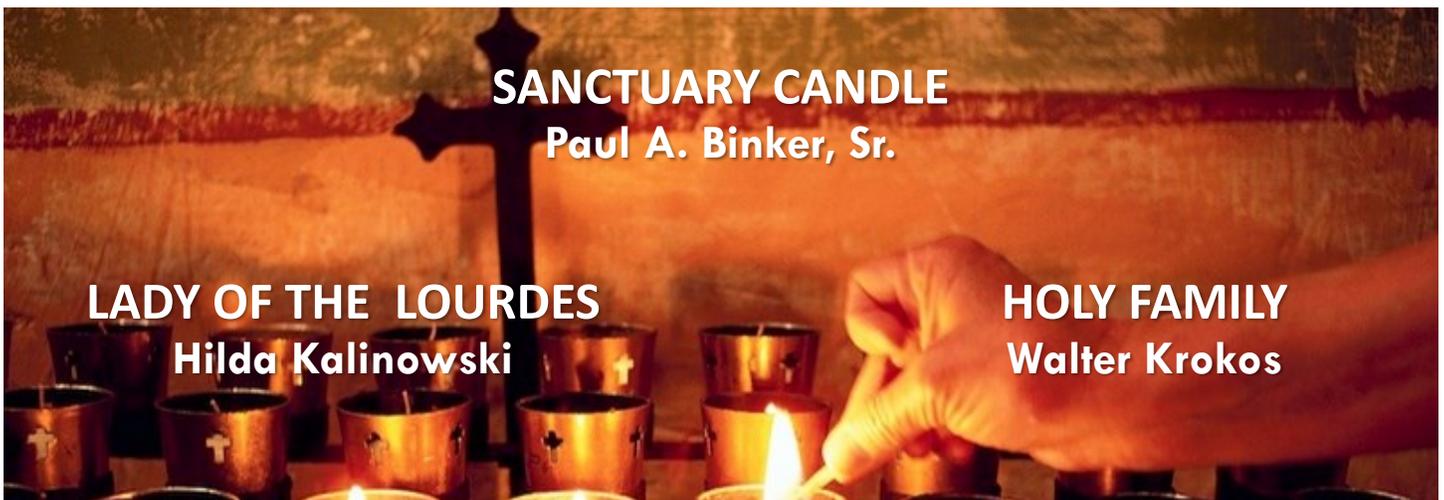
Saturday	Oct. 14	4:00pm	Andrew & Angela Katsock by Family
Sunday	Oct. 15	7:30am 10:30am	Julia & Joseph Oley & Son by MaryAnn & Michael Quinn Shirley Cook by Gottlieb Family

DAILY MASSES

Tuesday	Oct. 17	12:15pm	Walter Krokos by Lyn Klapat
Wednesday	Oct. 18	12:15pm	Veronica Davis by Son
Thursday	Oct. 19	12:15pm	Charles Dieso by Wife
Friday	Oct. 20	12:15pm	David Loiacono by Mary Ann Gottlieb

NEXT WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	Oct. 21	4:00pm	Geraldine Hirko by Ben & Helen Nutaitis
Sunday	Oct. 22	7:30am 10:30am	Patrick Bonomo, Sr. & Patrick Bonomo, Jr. by Bonomo Family Susan Zbierski by Murphy & Zbierski Families



The Sunday Good News

Church of Saints Peter & Paul

October 15, 2023

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

God,

*Help me love the
life I live right
now.*

*Show me the good
things I often
overlook and help
me be content
with what I have.*

*Forgive me when
I compare myself
to others,*

*forgive me for
longing for things
outside of You
and Your
kingdom.*

*Thank You for
loving me right
where I am,
right as I am.*

*Help me keep my
eyes on You.*

In Jesus' name,

Amen.

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 15, 2023

"I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things 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...My God will fully supply whatever you need....Go out, therefore into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find."

We live as a truly blessed people. Whatever we have is a gift from God. As Paul speaks to us today, it is a special moment to ask what do I really need, but also what do I have that I can do without. In our area many storage facilities have opened to provide space for the many possession we do not readily use. For some there is need for temporary storage, but for so many, the storage will go on permanently.

Besides observing these facilities, please note there are so many struggling and in need. It allows us to consider what do I have that I can share with someone else? We are assured that God will supply with necessities. What shall I do with my excess? The gospel tells us to go out and invite someone else to the feast. There are countless opportunities to provide clothing, furniture, and groceries to less fortunate who are our neighbors.

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-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

Rom 1:1-7;
Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday

Rom 1:16-25;
Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday

2 Tm 4:10-17b;
Lk 10:1-9

Thursday

Rom 3:21-30;
Lk 11:47-54

Friday

Rom 4:1-8;
Lk 12:1-7

Saturday

Rom 4:13, 16-18;
Lk 12:8-12

October/November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
15 <i>Faith Formation</i> 9-10am	16 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	17	18 <i>Choir Practice</i> 6:30pm	19 <i>Food Pantry Prep</i>	20 <i>Food Pantry</i> Treasures 10am-12pm	21
22 <i>Faith Formation</i> 9-10am	23 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	24	25 <i>Choir Practice</i> 6:30pm	26	27 Treasures 10am-12pm Donations due for Toy Bingo	28
29 <i>Faith Formation</i> 9-10am	30 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	31	1 November <i>Choir Practice</i> 6:30pm	2 <i>Women's Society</i> 6:30pm- <i>Parish Dining Hall</i>	3 Treasures 10am-12pm	4
5 <i>Faith Formation</i> 9-10am	6 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	7	8 <i>Choir Practice</i> 6:30pm	9	10 Treasures 10am-12pm	11

Save the Dates

Toy Bingo- November 12th

The Purse Bingo will be held on April 21, 2024.

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.

Food Pantry

\$110 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.



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!

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!

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!

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.

COMMUNITY

The ROYAL family is opening its doors!

Visit OPEN HOUSE Sunday, November 5th 1:00-3:00 pm. Discover an enriching, supportive, faith-filled environment where academic excellence and servant leadership are pursued daily. Talk to parents, students, faculty, and coaches to learn why you belong in the Holy Redeemer family.

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