## **April 2, 2023**

**Palm Sunday** 

#### 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 <u>Confession:</u>

Saturday 3:00pm - 3:30pm

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Wednesday: 8am—2pm
Thursday: 8am—4pm
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\*Closed daily Noon—12:30pm\*

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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, March 25 - 4:00pm:
240 people attended
152 envelopes received
Offering: \$2,677.00
Sunday, March 26 - 7:30am:
110 people attended
76 envelopes received
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Sunday, March 26 - 10:30am:
218 people attended
109 envelopes received
Offering: \$2,553.00

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# WORSHIP

#### **WE REMEMBER**

#### MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Helen Mullen by Brother, Paul Muczynski

Sunday	Apr 02	7:30am	Sean Kane by Kevin & Mickey Kane
		10.30am	Ann Marie Wysocki Hicks by Ray & Mary Io Marek

#### **DAILY MASSES**

Friday	Apr 07	12:00pm	Good Friday Services
Thursday	Apr 06	7:00 pm	Holy Thursday Mass
Wednesday	Apr 05	12:15pm	Marty O'Malia by Sherry, Cindy & Amie
Tuesday	Apr 04	12:15pm	Dorothy Nestorick by Daughter, Mary Ann & Family

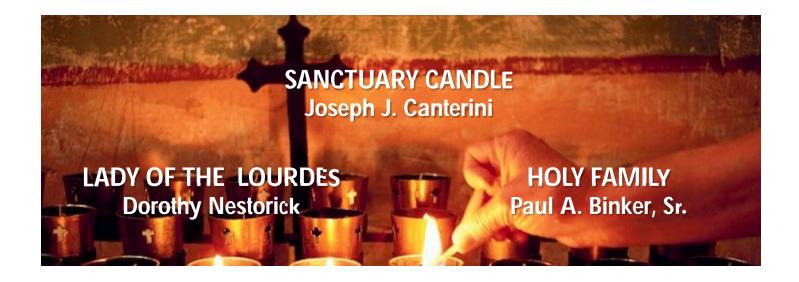
#### NEXT WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	April 08	8:00pm	Holy Saturday Mas
Sunday	April 09	7:30am 10:30am	Easter Sunday Easter Sunday

Saturday

Apr 01

4:00pm



# The Sunday Good News

**Church of Saints Peter & Paul** 

April 2, 2023



Father. your Son Jesus entered Jerusalem, as the people waved palms in his honor. May we bless Him as Our King, and give Him all glory and praise, for he has shown us mighty works, and is the Prince of Peace, who has come to set his people free; We pray in his name.

Amen

#### PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

In a tone of quiet sadness, Isaiah describes the buffets and insults given to the Suffering Servant. The passage ends on a note of hope.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

In exultant tones, Paul tells the Philippians to rejoice because Christ became man, died on the cross, rose from the dead, and sits triumphantly at the right hand of the Father.

Gospel: Matthew 26:14—27:66

This is the solemn narrative of the passion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. Matthew recounts the treachery and betrayal of Judas and then describes the events of the Last Supper, culminating in the institution of the Eucharist. Jesus endures the Agony in the Garden; he is then brought before Caiaphas and Pilate and condemned to death. After His resurrection, the centurions shouted, "Clearly this was the Son of God!"

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

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord April 2, 2023

"And if anyone should say anything to you, reply, 'the Master has need of them.'...Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not deem equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross."

Interesting the statement 'the Master has need of them.' There is a reversal of roles, for God does not need us, but we have a never ending need of Him. That is why we begin the solemn week, not for His sake, but for ours.

We embark on a week we call holy, but through our prayer, sacrifice and action, we make these days truly holy. As I reflect upon the words of Paul, a hymn of the early church, I am forced to consider how great was the Father's love in sending Jesus as our needed Savior and as He poured out His blood for us, He gave it all, because we needed it. He became one of us, except for sin, to rescue us and bring us back to the Father, who was and is waiting for us to respond. The reversal of roles also includes the fact the 'Master has need of us' to continue His mission. Are you ready?

# WORD

#### MINISTRY OF THE MONTH -APRIL

Each month, a Ministry of the parish is highlighted. For April we will reflect on the Easter season and the Ministry of God's love

April begins with Palm Sunday, followed by Holy Week and Easter. During this time, we witness the meaning of love, when Jesus gave up His life for us. What better time to return that love and follow these words of Jesus, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it. You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Matthew 22:37-39).

Let us spend this month giving back the love to God that He gave to us. There are a number of liturgical ministries that give you the opportunity to serve God. Prayerfully consider being a part of one or more of them. Or show your love for your neighbor by donating or helping distribute clothing or food, or maybe crocheting prayer shawls. Loving your neighbor can be living the ministry of hospitality with something as simple as a smile, or hello, or holding a door open for someone who needs help. Whether through prayer, the works of a ministry, or being kind to others, we can demonstrate to Jesus that we love Him and each other. Jesus loves us. Let us spend time this month in acknowledgment by living the way He would want us to live.

If you are interested or need information on any of our ministries, please see the contact page in the bulletin for all ministry leaders or the contacts listed below.

#### Happy Easter!

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: Kathy Grinaway -

ministries@sspeterandpaulplains.com or

Parish Office 570-825-6663



Rom 6:3-11: Mt 28:1-10

# Saints Peter & Paul Parish Triduum Schedule

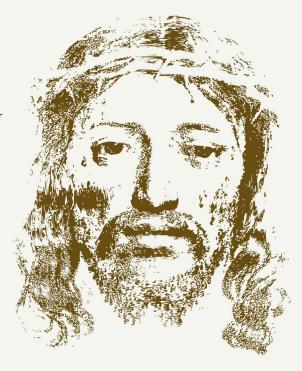
#### HOLY THURSDAY 7PM

church will be open until 10PM for private prayer

**GOOD FRIDAY 12PM** 

HOLY SATURDAY - 8PM EASTER VIGIL

EASTER SUNDAY 7:30AM 10:30AM



13 Hudson Road Plains, PA 18705

Come and celebrate with us!



## **Blessing of Baskets**

Father Jack will be blessing baskets in the **Church** at **12pm** on **Holy Saturday** 

#### **April**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	4	5 Choir Practice 6:30pm	6	7 Office Closed	8
9	10 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	11	12 Choir Practice 6:30pm	13 Pastoral Council 6:30– Parish Dining Hall	14 Treasures 10am-12pm	15
16	17 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	18	19 Choir Practice 6:30pm	20 Food Pantry Prep	21 Food Pantry Treasures 10am-12pm	22
23	<b>24</b> Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	25	26 Choir Practice 6:30pm	27	28 Treasures 10am-12pm	29







**The Bernardine 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 **April** we will collect **canned fruit and cereal.** 

#### **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 **Spring/Summer 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
Irene Martin, 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.

#### In Memory of Rita Augustine

\$250 Wilkes-Barre General Hospital I.T. Department

#### **Food Pantry**

\$250 Jason Woloski\$20 Joe & Monica Chulvick

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.

Plains Sr. Citizens will hold their bi-monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 5th, in Bernardine Hall at Saints Peter & Paul Church.

A lite luncheon will be served starting at 12:00.

The meeting will begin promptly at 1:00. Reservations with deposits for the Christmas Show in December will be accepted at this time. The cost will be \$65.

After the meeting refreshments will be served followed by Bingo.

New members are always welcome! You do not have to be a resident of Plains or member of Saints Peter and Paul to belong.

For information or directions please contact Mike Boncheck (President) at 570-817-7532 or E-mail seabeemjb@yahoo.com

# 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!

# Save the Dates

Night at the Races- TBA

Church's 100th Anniversary Celebration- June 25

Flea Market- August 5&6

Purse Bingo- October 8

Toy Bingo- November 12

# COMMUNITY

The Diocese of Scranton Vocations Office invites you to join us for **Get Up and Pray: A Holy Thursday Prayer Challenge!** 

'Why are you sleeping?' he asked them. 'Get up and pray so that you will not fall into temptation." Luke 22:46.

On Holy Thursday, Catholics are asked to pray in a special way for priests and seminarians to commemorate the night Christ instituted the Eucharist and gave the 12 Apostles the authority to administer the Sacrament. We ask that you pray for our priests and seminarians in the Diocese of Scranton during your visits!

Please share photos of your groups with us on social media!

If you need assistance finding a group, please contact the Vocations Office.

#### ANNUAL CHRISM MASS

All the faithful of the Diocese of Scranton are invited to attend the annual Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter, 315 Wyoming Ave. Scranton, on **Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.** At this Mass, priests from throughout the Diocese will renew their priestly promises before the Bishop, and the oils to be used for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Orders will be blessed and consecrated. Participation in the Chrism Mass is a beautiful way to pray for and support our priests and to express our unity as the Diocese of Scranton.

For reserved seating, please contact the Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213 or email oplgeneral@dioceseofscranton.org.

#### **Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor**

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24 hour Child Abuse hotline (Childline) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary B Pacuska at 570-862-7551

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