Mass Schedule

Saturday:

4:00pm - Saints Peter & Paul 5:30pm - Saint Dominic

Sunday:

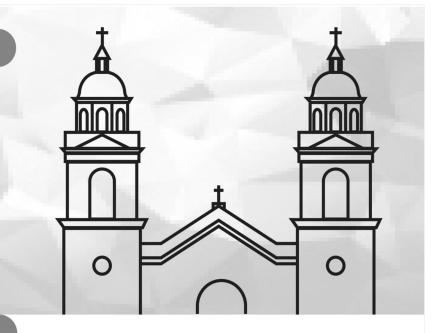
8:00am - Saints Peter & Paul 10:30am - Saints Peter & Paul

Eucharistic Adoration:

(at Saints Peter & Paul)

First Friday of every month Noon - 3:30pm Confession:

Saturday 3:00pm - 3:30pm



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Monday: 8am - 4pm

Tuesday: 8am - 4pm

Wednesday: 8am -2pm

Thursday: 8am - 4pm

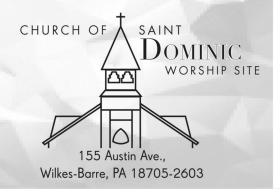
Friday: 8am - Noon

Closed daily Noon - 12:30pm

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Deacon Don Crane
Permanent Deacon



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STEWARDSHIP

SUNDAY STEWARDS

Contributions for week ending

March 7, 2021

Saints Peter and Paul

\$15,685

Mass Schedule

Saints Peter and Paul

Monday - Communion Service 7am
Tuesday thru Friday 7am
Wednesday & Friday 12:15pm
Saturday-4:00pm
Sunday-8:00am & 10:30 am

Saint Dominic

Saturday-5:30pm

We will continue to Live Stream Mass on the parish website www.sspeterandpaulplains.com as well as on the parish facebook page.

God has entrusted us with many gifts: Time, Talent & Treasure. We hope and pray that all members will share their gifts, and continue to share the Good News of Jesus with all people.

SAINTS PETER & PAUL LOTTERY

Mar. 1 #568 Saints Peter & Paul Mar. 2 #665 J Kelly Mar. 3 #105 Nicole Bonn

Mar. 4 #102 Kathy Grinaway Mar. 5 #400 Keeley/Brague

Mar. 6 #598 Saints Peter & Paul

Mar. 7 #317 Alisia Kosmach



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (Vigil) - Saturday 4 PM Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - 8 AM and 10:30 AM Blessing of Easter Baskets - Holy Saturday - Noon

Holy Week

Holy Thursday - The Mass of the Supper of the Lord - $7~\rm PM$ Good Friday - The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord - $1~\rm PM$ Holy Saturday - The Easter Vigil - $8~\rm PM$

Easter Sunday - Masses of the Resurrection of the Lord - 8AM & 10:30AM

At St Dominic's

Palm Sunday Vigil - Saturday at St Dominic's - 5:30PM Easter Sunday - 10:30AM

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WORSHIP

WE REMEMBER

MASSES AT SAINTS PETER & PAUL

Monday	3-15 7am	Communion Service
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Tuesday 3-16 7am Living & Deceased Parishioners

Wednesday 3-17 7am **Ceil Toloczko** by Cheryl Fahey

12:15 pm

Thursday 3-18 7am **Deceased Members of Tomasetti Family** by Family

Friday 3-19 7am **Harold Golomb** by Paul & Kristen Krulack

12:15 pm

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE SAINTS PETER & PAUL

Saturday 3-20 4pm Helen Wolcyzk by Husband, John

Sunday 3-21 8am **Harold Golomb** by Joan Williams

10:30am **Dorothy Luchetti** by M/M Kevin Gryboski

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE SAINT DOMINIC

Saturday 3-20 5:30 pm William Kowalski, Sr by Gurdock Family

SAINTS PETER &PAUL PARISH & ST. DOMINIC

Sanctuary Candle

Edward & Elizabeth Glazenski

Holy Family Votive
Anna Yatko



Lady of Lourdes
Lavon Evans

WORD

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH-MARCH

Each month, a Ministry of the parishes will be highlighted. You are asked to prayerfully consider each ministry, and to participate in whatever capacity that suits your availability, interest, and needs.

The parish Food Pantry is a regional pantry serving the residents of Plains Township and the Miners Mills, Parsons section of Wilkes-Barre.

The Food Pantry is celebrating 27 years of service to the community, through its volunteers and the generosity of the parishioners, local service organizations, students and mail carriers.

Volunteers are always needed and appreciated!

Contact: Pauline Makowski redart34@yahoo.com

WEEKLY READINGS

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sunday

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

Monday

Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday

Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday

Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday

Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

Friday

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Saturday

Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53



Faith Formation



The Sunday Good News

CHURCH OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL

MARCH 14, 2021



God of Heaven, today I choose to not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, I will present my requests to You. I know that Your peace not only transcends all understanding, but it will also guard You children's hearts and minds in You. I pray that You bless and uplift Your people who are faithful to You, keep them and guide them as they go through difficulty, Amen.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

First Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

The people of Judah practiced many abominations, even polluting God's temple in Jerusalem. They mocked the messengers he sent among them, until he grew so angry he delivered them to the King of the Chaldeans. Those who weren't killed were exiled and became servants for seventy years. Cyrus, King of Persia, was ordered to build a temple to God in Jerusalem, and he freed the servants as God had inspired him to do.

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10

Paul declares that God brought us to life in Jesus, though we had been dead from our sins. He reminds us that it was not a reward for our good service so no one should take credit. Instead, we must remember that it was not our doing, but a sign of God's mercy and love for us.

Gospel: John 3:14-21

God so loved the world, he sent us his only Son so that all who believed would have eternal life in him. The light came into the world, but those who were wicked avoided it, for fear that their evil deeds would be exposed. But those who believed were unafraid of the light, where it would be clear that their deeds were done in God.

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

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 14, 2021

"God who is rich in mercy because of his great love for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ – by grace you have been saved... For by grace you have been saved through faith and this is not from you, it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one can boast. For we are his handiwork created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them."

St. Paul was quite clear and insisted that God is the gift giver and we are the beneficiaries. We use the word grace, but what is it?

Grace is the very life of God, offered to us as a gift, and accepted by us. We yearn to have the Lord live in us. The sacraments in our church are channels of God's grace. Just as we can change channels on our TV going from news, to sports to religious programming, so each of the sacraments offers us strength through the gift of grace. Paul says it simply: 'I live, not I, but Christ lives in me.'

SERVICE

We are Caffed to Gerve...

"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 *March* will be collecting canned vegetables.

Food Pantry

Anyone in the Plains, Miners Mills, and Parsons area in need of food can contact Pauline at 570-592-6798 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 clothes** for men, women, and children. Donations may be dropped off during business hours only. **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 at 570-825-6663 or call Mary Jo at 570-825-6969.

Saints Peter & Paul and Saint Dominic Ministries

Pauline Makowski, Food Pantry
Janet Soller, Quilting
Mary Jo Marek, Prayer Shawl
Laura Rudloff, Treasures
Irene Martin, Women's Society of Saints Peter & Paul
Barbara Zirnhelt, Council of Catholic Women
Kathy Grinaway, Hospitality
Donna Mansfield, Hospitality



Stations of the Cross

Stations will be held every Friday during Lent after the 12:15 mass, and 7:00pm at Saints Peter and Paul Church.

The Light is On For You

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will begin Monday, February 22 of the first week of Lent, and continue through March 22 of the Fifth week of Lent, from 5:30pm to 7:00pm.

Memorial Donations The following donations/memorials have recently been given to our parish **Food Pantry**

\$100 Camilla Finnan \$50 June Olszewski

\$50 Patrick & Donna Malys

In Memory of Genevieve Figel

\$25 Barbara & Carmen Oliveri

\$25 Patrick & Donna Malys

In Memory of Romaine Shubzda

\$50 Thomas & Marie Salvaggio

\$50 Robert, Dawn, & Jenna Vincenti

\$25 Steve & Carolyn Salvaggio

\$25 Frank & Ann Marie Parente

\$50 Carl & Judy Swoboda

\$25 Robert & Victoria Butcher

\$50 Theresa Mikelski

\$25 Sam & Mary Ann Polit

In Memory of Joseph Shubzda

\$100 Bill & Donna Fromel

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.

Love One Another

SERVICE

MARCH / APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
14	15 The Light is On For You (Confessions) 5:30-7pm Rosary 6pm Prayer Shawl 5pm	16	17	18 Food Pantry Prep	19 Food Pantry Treasures 10am-12pm Stations after 12:15 Mass & 7pm	20	
21	22 The Light is On For You (Confessions) 5:30-7pm Rosary 6pm Prayer Shawl 5pm	23	24	25	26 Treasures 10am-12pm Stations after 12:15 Mass & 7pm	27	
HOLY WEEK							
28 Palm Sunday	29 Rosary 6pm Prayer Shawl 5pm	30	31	1 Holy Thursday 7pm	2 Good Friday 1pm	3 Blessing of Easter Baskets 12 noon Easter Vigil 8pm	
4 Easter Sunday	5 Rosary 6pm Prayer Shawl 5pm	6	7	8	9 Treasures 10am-12pm	10	



We understand some of the parishioners have not received some of the envelopes that they want and need.

We are currently working to fix this issue. If you do not have an Easter envelope, etc, please just put your donation in a regular envelope with your name and what it is for.

For example: "Easter Donation"

COMMUNITY

Lenten Food Sale St. Barbara Parish will once again be holding our Lenten Food Sale this year. The sale will be held in our Parish Center, Rear 212 Memorial St., Exeter, PA. Please take note of some changes due to the Covid-19 & CDC regulations. The sale will be TAKE OUT ONLY & held on:

Every Friday in Lent

From 3:00PM - 6:00PM

Full Menu

MENU

Potato Pancakes - \$1.00 each Pierogi - 1/2 dozen (6) - \$5.00

Halushki - Quart: \$6.00

Orders are CASH only; No pre-orders. Order at the door.

There will not be any raffles or tickets sold this year. We have rearranged the hall for seating (while you wait for your order). In case of a snow storm we will be closed. Please keep in mind that face masks must be worn and 6 foot distance between others must be maintained at all times.

A St. Joseph Day Potato Pancake Sale will be held on Friday, March 19 from 12-6 p.m. in the garage behind the rectory at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 215 Lackawanna Ave, Dupont. The potato pancakes will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis for \$10 a dozen and \$5 for a half dozen.

Gorzkie zale, the traditional Polish-language Lenten devotion known as the "Bitter Lamentations," will be held at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 215 Lackawanna Ave., Dupont, on Sunday, March 21, at 3 pm. The devotion is a sung reflection on the Passion of Christ and his Sorrowful Mother. Fr. Michael Wurtz, C.S.C., will be the guest homilist.

Our parish will be hosting an American Red Cross blood drive on Tuesday, March 23rd from 1:00 to 6:00 PM at Bernardine Hall. Masks must be worn and temperatures will be taken. All CDC pandemic guidelines will be followed. Appointments are required. Register at redcross.org - find a drive - see times, or call 1-800-733-2767. Every pint donated benefits three patients.

The audio CD entitled "LENT & EASTER: Polish Hymns from Dupont" is now available for sale at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 215 Lackawanna Ave., Dupont. This professionally recorded CD beautifully records the hymns cherished by our immigrant Polish ancestors and sung for the seasons of Lent and Easter. Parish organist, Anthony George, can be heard on the CD singing these hymns in Sacred Heart of Jesus Church while playing the church organ. CDs can be purchased at the Parish Office for \$15 each. If you are unable to purchase a CD in person, then we will mail one to you for \$15, plus \$4 for shipping and handling. Please contact the Parish Office at 570-654-3713 or by email at shojesuschurch@gmail.com and a CD will be mailed to you after we have received your payment.

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Saints Peter & Paul Mission Statement

As members of Saints Peter and Paul, we have as our mission the sharing of our faith and our talents.

We proclaim the Word of God through compassion for our community and sharing of our treasures as Disciples of Christ. Every donation counts !!!

If you have not yet pledged, please....

Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish Goal!

Saints Peter & Paul is at 23.22%

We are grateful to the parishioners who supported the 2020 Annual Appeal to date. If you have not yet given your support, please:

- Call the Development Office at 570-207-2250 to make a pledge or give a gift by credit card
- Mail a check to the Diocesan Appeal Office at 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, Pa 18503 or
- Give online at www.DioceseofScranton.org

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Saint Dominic is at 22.11%

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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

VISION 2020

Seeing a Future Full of Hope

SHAPING A BLUEPRINT FOR THE FUTURE OF THE DIOCESE

In Today's homily for the Second Sunday of Advent, Bishop Bambera explained to us that it is time for the whole Church of Scranton to take a good look at the life of our parishes and to project a future vision in response to God's call today.

Your Pastors have taken first steps in this conversation in recent deanery meetings, and now it is essential to broaden this conversation to include all of the faithful. Bishop Bambera Pointed out to us the reality of change in our world and in our local communities, and so we know that we will continue to face and respond to change within the church. "I'm inviting all of the faithful," he said, "to simply focus on how we best engage the mission of the gospel in these changing times." Some of these changes include shifting demographics, differing attitudes about formal church participation, and diminishment in numbers of ordained priests available to serve as full-time pastors.

In the coming year, then, Bishop Bambera is asking us to continue working together to fashion a "blueprint" if you will— a pathway for our ocal Church, tailored to each deanery and to each parish—for how we will meet both the challenges and opportunities we will face in the next ten year period.

In his Homily he stressed that, "while every parish is similar in what is being asked to do and to be, each parish will respond to this process in ways that are unique to its situation and circumstances.

PLANNING GUIDANCE FOR EACH DEANERY

Guiding the overall process are these planning assumptions as common elements across the Diocese:

- The benchmarks for vibrant parishes are in accord with the vision expressed in Bishop Bambera's Pastoral letter, especially pages 7-13
- In every local circumstances, efforts are made to best utilize the particular ministry gifts of the clergy and, at the same time, to mobilize the gifts of all the baptized.
- Each deanery blueprint implementation is unique, and may consider such questions as: number of worship sites, Mass schedules and wise investment of resources.
- No deanery is planning in isolation—the circumstances in one may occasion change in another.
- Parish pastoral plans are respected and help to inform deanery level plans.
- Recommendations from deaneries or parishes are brought to Diocesan review.
- Parishes in linked relationship, sharing a Pastor, will be given additional planning support to evaluate and craft the best path forward.
- Every parish calls forth those individuals whose capacity for pastoral leadership could be developed through vocational discernment for priesthood, religious life, lay ministry or permanent diaconate.

The Wilkes-Barre Deanery, which consists of the following parishes:

Sts. Peter & Paul (Plains), St. Dominic (Wilkes-Barre), Our Lady of Fatima at St. Mary's (Wilkes-Barre), St. Nicholas (Wilkes-Barre), Our Lady of Hope at St. Mary's Maternity (Wilkes-Barre), St. Andrew at St. Patrick's (Wilkes-Barre), St. Andre Bessette (Wilkes-Barre), St. Robert Bellarmine at St. Aloysius (Wilkes-Barre), Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Hanover), St. Leo/Holy Rosary (Ashley), Holy Family (Sugar Notch), Our Lady Help of Christians - St. Mary's (Dorrance), St. Jude (Mountaintop)