

April 28, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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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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, Apr. 20 - 4:00pm:

257 people attended

148 envelopes received

Offering: \$2,639.00

Sunday, Apr. 21 - 7:30am:

131 people attended

74 envelopes received

Offering \$1,605.00

Sunday, Apr. 21 - 10:30am:

231 people attended

112 envelopes received

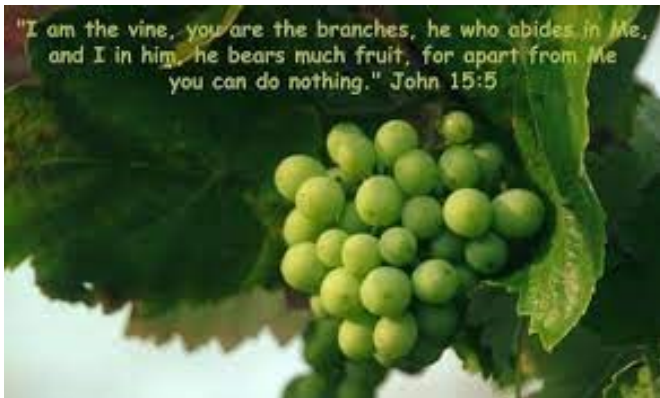
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Thank You for your Generosity.



**Fifth Sunday
of
Easter**

***The Second Collection
this weekend will be for
Catholic Home Missions Appeal***



"I am the vine, you are the branches, he who abides in Me,
and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me
you can do nothing." John 15:5

Mass Schedule for The Ascension of The Lord

Wednesday, May 8th– 4:00pm

Thursday, May 9th– 12:15 & 5:30

WORSHIP

WE REMEMBER

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Saturday	Apr. 27	4:00pm	Paulinette & Douglas Tippins (50th Wedding Anniversary)
Sunday	Apr. 28	7:30am	Evelyn Adamczyk (A) by Daughters, Roslyn Rowan, Renee Hincapie, & Families
		10:30am	Margraet Stachurski by Daughter, GERALYN & Son-in-Law, Ted

DAILY MASSES

Tuesday	Apr. 30	12:15pm	Michael & Frances Wanek by Family
Wednesday	May 01	12:15pm	Zajackowski Family and Polachek Family by Stella
Thursday	May 02	12:15pm	Bernie Mullen by Cooney Family
Friday	May 03	12:15pm	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Giza & Son by Charlene & Lawrence Giza

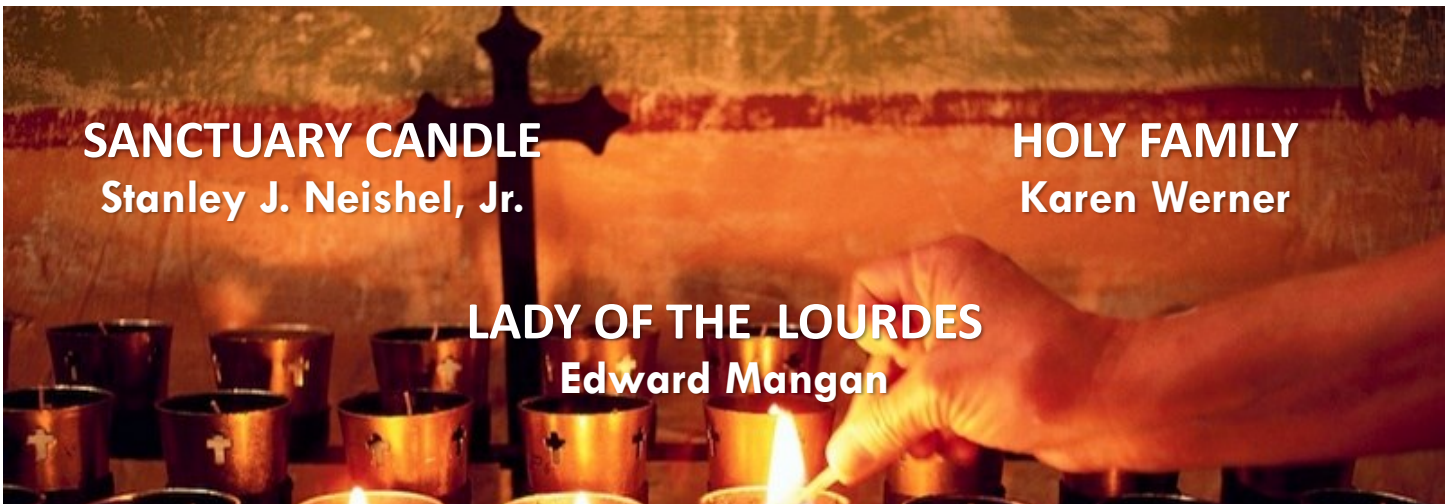
NEXT WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	May 04	4:00pm	Stanley Stanski, Jr. by Family
Sunday	May 05	7:30am	Gloria Antosh by Bernard Antosh Family
		10:30am	Karen Werner by Tara Yamelski & Samantha Javier Edward Rygelski by Daughters

SANCTUARY CANDLE
Stanley J. Neishel, Jr.

HOLY FAMILY
Karen Werner

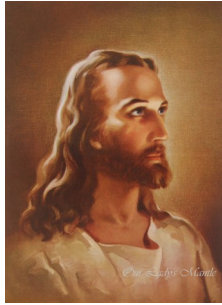
LADY OF THE LOURDES
Edward Mangan



The Sunday Good News

Church of Saints Peter & Paul

April 28, 2024



*Mighty God,
in whom we
know the power
of redemption,
you stand among
us in the shadows
of our time.
As we move
through every
sorrow and trial
of this life,
uphold us with
knowledge of the
final morning
when, in the
glorious presence
of your risen Son,
we will share in
his resurrection,
redeemed and
restored to the
fullness of life
and forever freed
to be your people.*

Amen.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 9:26-31

Paul the Apostle came to Jerusalem, where the other disciples were afraid of him. Then they learned that the Lord had spoken to Paul and he had preached openly in Damascus. When they learned that someone wanted to kill him, they protected him because they fully believed he had converted.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

John clearly states that we must love one another. All people who believe in Jesus Christ can show their faith only through their actions. If people believe in Jesus and love one another as he commanded us, they prove that they are true believers in Christ.

Gospel: John 15:1-8

Jesus compares himself to a vine, and compares his father to the vine-grower. He explains how God prunes the barren branches so that the rest might yield more fruit. He reminds them that apart from himself, his followers could not bear fruit.

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter April 28, 2024

“The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers... ‘If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you.’”

Am I able to recognize the description of the early church reflected in our life today? We struggle to be a viable presence of the Lord in our world, yet it is the same Holy Spirit calling and motivating us to make the gospel real.

The mission and mandate of Jesus is the task of all who claim discipleship. As we draw our life from the vine, God's grace, we ask the power to bring the peace, joy and love of Christ to others. As the warmth of spring allows the buds to sprout, so may we waken ourselves and live our calling.

WORD

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH - APRIL

*Each month, a Ministry of the parish is highlighted.
For April our focus will be Using our talents in the
Easter Season*

April is a beautiful month! It is a time of new beginnings. We begin to see flowers, trees blossoming, and the days getting longer. With Easter on March 31st this year, April is also the time to celebrate that Jesus Christ has risen. We remember that He has come to save us and, after being brutally crucified, we are given hope in His Resurrection. "In the church there is diversity of ministry," says the Catechism of the Catholic Church, "but unity of mission" (No. 873). We all have the mission to build the Body of Christ on earth, now that He has risen. There is a diversity of talent among all of us. It is our responsibility to use our talents to build our parish. Working together, we can do it! We all lead busy lives, but we can do our part to make our parish the way Jesus would want it. Don't have time to volunteer? Then donate food or clothing to our Food Pantry and Treasures. Spend your days with patience, showing family, friends, co-workers and everyone you meet the goodness you can live through your faith. Building the Body of Christ is as simple as being a positive role model for others. Or, if you are able, participate in one of the many ministries our parish has available. Whatever your talent, whatever time you have, please try to spend this month to use it to make the world a better place in Christ. You may not think you make a difference, but each individual is special, and through example, you are more important than you realize.

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.



Love. Grow. Serve.

WEEKLY READINGS

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday

Acts 9:26-31;
1 Jn 3:18-24;
Jn 15:1-8

Monday

Acts 14:5-18;
Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday

Acts 14:19-28;
Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday

Acts 15:1-6;
Jn 15:1-8 or, for the Memorial,
Gn 1:26—2:3 or
Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24;
Mt 13:54-58

Thursday

Acts 15:7-21;
Jn 15:9-11

First Friday

1 Cor 15:1-8;
Jn 14:6-14

First Saturday

Acts 16:1-10;
Jn 15:18-21

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 soups 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 **Spring & Summer clothing** for men, women, and children. Donations may be dropped off at 155 Austin Ave in Parsons during business hours only. **Mondays 5pm-7pm & 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

\$200 Anonymous

\$500 Luzerne Bank

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.



April/May

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Faith Formation 9-10am	29 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	30	1 May	2 May Crowning 6:30pm-Church First Communion Practice-5:30pm	3 Treasures 10am-12pm	4 First Holy Communion- 12:00pm
5	6 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	7	8	9	10 Treasures 10am-12pm	11
12	13 Confirmation Practice 6:00 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	14	15 Confirmation- 5:00pm	16 Food Pantry Prep Parish Council 6:30pm- Parish Center Dining Hall	17 Food Pantry Treasures 10am-12pm	18
19	20 Prayer Shawl 5pm Treasures 5-7pm Rosary 6pm	21	22	23	24 Treasures 10am-12pm	25

Save the Dates

May Crowning– May 2nd

First Holy Communion– May 4th

Confirmation-May 15th

Red Robin Fundraiser-May 30th

Purse Bingo - September 8th



The Women's Society invites all parishioners to join with them to honor our mother, Mary, during her special month of May.

On **Thursday, May 2nd at 6:30pm**, members will recite the rosary and crown the Blessed Mother, in the Church.

Light refreshments will be served in the parish center following the ceremony.

Faith Formation



First Holy Communion— May 4th – 12:00PM
(Communion practice— May 2nd– 5:30pm)



Confirmation— May 15th – 5:00pm
(Confirmation practice— May 13th– 6:00)



2024 Wedding Anniversary Mass

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2024 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 23rd**. The event includes a **2:30 PM mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter followed by a reception**.

The registration **deadline for this event is May 26, 2024**. To register, please go to <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org> or contact Bridget Guarnieri (570-207-2213 x 1133 or familylife@dioceseofscranton.org).



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SAINTS PETER & PAUL PLAINS

Show this flyer or simply mention the fundraiser to
your server to have your sales counted.

FUNDRAISER DETAILS

2020 Wilkes-Barre Marketplace | Wilkes-Barre, PA
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Thursday, May 30th, 4:00PM – 8:00PM

If ordering online, please follow these instructions:

- 1 Start your order at order.redrobin.com and select the restaurant above.
- 2 In the menu, go to the category labeled "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)" and click on that item.
- 3 Click the "add" button, and then "add to bag."
- 4 Add your meal items and check out.
- 5 Arrive at Red Robin, pull into a pick-up spot and call the phone number on the sign for a Team Member to bring your order to your car. Or, come in, say hi, grab your food and be on your way!

*Donation based on all eligible net dine-in and to-go food sales only. Excludes sales from catering (at select locations), 3rd party ordering and delivery sites, alcohol, gift cards, retail, tax and gratuity. Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near the restaurant during fundraiser day & hours.

Red Robin



NEXT MEETING FOR FLEA MARKET- MAY 16th

I would first like to thank all of the people that attended the April meeting. It was so heart-warming to see that so many want to be involved! Everyone had great ideas, and no one's ideas were ignored. It was the perfect example of a parish family in action! Please consider being part of this and attending the next meeting, scheduled for Thursday, May 16th. Sign up sheets to work both the drop-off times and the Flea Market will be available and there will be discussions as needed. The meeting was less than an hour, so please don't think it will take too much of your time. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office.

We had so many positive comments last year from both parishioners and those outside of our parish. So consider being part of this amazing event. If you are unable to attend, then please think about donating items as you do your spring cleaning. Drop-off schedules and more details will be announced the beginning of June.

Meetings are held in the Parish Center Dining room (lower level) and begin at 630 PM. Hope to see you there!!!



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! SAINTS PETER AND PAUL FLEA MARKET



Once again, Saints Peter and Paul Parish will be hosting a Flea Market on August 10th and 11th. So now is the time to save those gently used or new items you no longer need. More information will be coming soon!

Some examples of acceptable items include jewelry, dishes, glasses, silverware, children's toys, lamps, pictures, pet items, floral arrangements, tablecloths, and seasonal items.

We **will not accept** books, records, stuffed animals, textbooks, encyclopedias, clothing or large items such as appliances, fitness equipment, computer equipment, electronics, large furniture, or televisions. Any questions call Mary Ann at the Parish Office at 570-825-6663.

Please consider donating both your items and your time to this very worthy cause. Last year was a great success, and we want to make it even better!!!

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