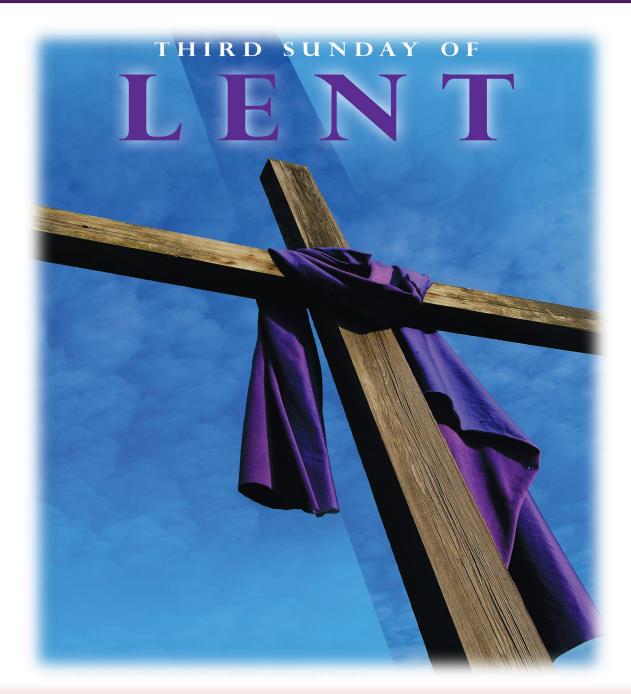


# ST. PAUL PARISH

Third Sunday of Lent March 12, 2023



## ST. PAUL CHURCH

Mon.-Fri. 8:00am & 12:10pm (Lent) Saturday 8:00am 4:30 p.m.– Vigil Mass Sunday 8a.m. & 10:30a.m.

### ST. CLARE CHURCH

Eucharistic Adoration & Rosary Monday-Friday 4p.m.-5p.m. Rosary begins at 4:30 p.m. Rev. Mon. Neil J. Van Loon, V.F., Pastor

St. Paul Staff

Rita Cicco - Director of Religious Education Robert Fitzsimmons - Sacristan Eugene Mentz - Director of Liturgical Music Marci Stevens-Scanlon - Administrative Assistant Phoebe Wilson - Operations Manager





# St. Paul Parish

# WEEKDAY LENTEN MASS SCHEDULE MONDAY—FRIDAY

8:00 a.m. -Daily Mass 12:10 p.m. -Daily Mass



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 5:30 p.m. at St. Paul Church

## **THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU**

Confessions

Mondays at 5:30-6:30p.m. at St. Paul Church

#### St. Paul Church

Corner of Penn Avenue and Marion Street, Scranton, PA 18509

#### St. Paul Rectory

1510 Penn Ave., Scranton, PA 18509 Phone: 570-961-1549 Fax: 570-961-0335 Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

8 am Mass ~ Mon.-Sat. 4:30 Mass ~ Sat. (Vigil) 8 am & 10:30 am ~ Sun

#### St. Clare Church

2235 N. Washington Ave.
Adoration and Rosary
Monday ~ Friday
4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Rosary at 4:30 p.m.

#### FOOD PANTRY

FRIDAYS: 3pm ~ 4:30 pm St. Clare Church Basement

#### **JOIN US FOR MASS**

Join us on Facebook at St.
Paul's Parish for our
live-streaming of the
Celebration of Mass.
info@stpaulscranton.org
Facebook ~ Saint Paul's
Parish Scranton
www.stpaulscranton.org

# Sacrament of Baptism

All first time parents are asked to attend a baptismal preparation meeting prior to the Baptism. Please call the parish office to schedule dates.

# Sacrament of Matrimony

A meeting with the parish priest should precede all other wedding plans. Contact the parish office at least six months before date of the intended marriage.

# Sacrament of Holy Anointing

All who are seriously sick, hospitalized, or having surgery can receive this sacrament. Please call the rectory if you wish to be anointed.

#### **Sponsor Cards**

Sponsor cards for
Baptism or Confirmation
will be issued to
parishioners who attend
Mass regularly;
are Baptized and
Confirmed Catholics;
are married in
conformity with the
laws of the Church.

# St. Paul Mass Intentions

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday, March 11

Vigil: Third Sunday of Lent

4:30 p.m. † James Pappas Jr.

(Washo & McGinnis Families)

Sunday, March 12

Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. †Members of the Parish

†Peggy Boland (Bill & Lisa Gaynord & Family)

10:30 a.m. † Clare & David Granville

(Family)

#### Monday, March 13

#### Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Alice McCormick 12:10 p.m. † Jack Williams

(Cantafio Family) (Kieran & Family)

#### Tuesday, March 14

#### Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Ellen Mesko (Love, Mom & Dad) 12:10 p.m. † Marge Sochovka & Joan Keppick (Anne McCormack)

#### Wednesday, March 15

#### Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Bruce T. Brown 12:10 p.m. † Sal Cottone

(Children) (Family)

#### Thursday, March 16

#### Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Ann Lapinksi (Stan & Betty Bednarz) 12:10 p.m. † Thomasina Mascelli

(Mike & Donna Barbetti & Family)

#### Friday, March 17

#### Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. † John D. Carroll

(Family)

12:10 p.m. † Hugh O'Brien

(Helen, Robbie & Noel)

# Saturday, March 18

### Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. † John Dougherty 4:30 p.m. † Alex Labrosky

(Bobby & Amy Walker) (LaTorre Family)

#### Sunday, March 19

#### Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. † Lindsay Doherty

(Family)

10:30a.m. † Robert McAndrew

(Family)



If you would like to have a Mass said or a candle lit for someone please contact the parish office at 570-961-1549. There are many weekday Masses & candles

available throughout Lent and the remainder of the year.



#### RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Deacon John Hanni and Thomas Woronko. May their souls and all of the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace!

#### An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, And I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.





In Loving Memory of: † Deacon John Hanni

With Love From:

Green Ridge Senior Apts. Communion Group

St. Paul's St. Joseph Candle Happy Birthday in Heaven:

† Dale Detrick

With Love: Wife Bev, Daughter Dawn, Michael, Candace & Cullen

> St. Paul's Marian Candle In Loving Honor of

**♥** Charlotte Hanni With Love From: St. Paul Parish

St. Paul's Wine & Host In Loving Memory of: † Deacon John Hanni With Love From:

St. Paul Parish Staff

### Food Pantry Hours: Fridays 3-4:30pm

Food Pantry Volunteers for Friday March 17

Caroline Benginia, Kathy Manley, Ellie Pyles, Mary Lou Riley, Emma Renard, Barbara Burkhouse

### St. Paul Food Pantry Donations

In Loving Memory of: Eugene P. Grady & Judge & Mrs. S. John Cottone With Love.

Joe, Anne & Christian

*In Loving Memory of:* Deacon John Hanni With Love. Joanne Cantafio

*In Loving Memory of:* Rita Donatelli With Love. Sister, Mary Louise Zavada

*In Loving Memory of:* **Thomas Woronko** With Love, Mr. & Mrs. Harry J. Jadick



#### ST. PAUL'S HELPING HANDS

Please remember that our *Helping Hands* **Lenten Food Drive** is a tradition of Almsgiving at a local level. We ask you to take a bag and make your donations throughout Lent. Food Drive bags can be found at the entrance of the Church. Suggested Items much needed for the Food Pantry are listed on each bag.

Food can be placed in the returned bag in the vestibule of St. Paul Church or brought to the rectory. Gift Cards to a grocery store are also a great way of giving back. You are the *Hands of Christ* in our community.

Thank you so much for your continued support!

March 5th
OFFERTORY:
\$6,681.00
ONLINE:
\$1,701.35



# Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish Goal! OUR PARISH IS AT

68% OF OUR \$66,000 goal

Our parish is reimbursed 75% for any gifts made to the Appeal in excess of our Appeal goal.

Donate now at:
annualappeal.org
or click the QR code below





# EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS

If you would like to memorialize flowers for Easter, simply fill out this form, place it in an envelope marked **Easter Flowers**,

and

return in the collection basket or to the rectory.
Flower envelopes can also be found in your
monthly envelope packet. Our churches will be
decorated for Easter with flowers.

Requests must be received by March 27th.

Suggested Donation: \$20.00

In Loving Memory/Honor

Of:	
Donated	
By:	
Enclosed Donation:	



Mondays throughout Lent Feb. 27th – April 3rd at St. Paul Church 5:30–6:30 pm



St. Paul's is once again participating in the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl program. Rice Bowls are available in the back of the church. Drop off your Rice Bowls to

the rectory or in our Sunday collections.



#### **SAVE THE DATE**

Confirmation: *April 18th–5pm* 

First Holy Communion: *May 6th–10am* 

We invite you to dive deeper into the mystery of Christ's passion this Lent in praying the Way of the Cross

# St. Paul Parish

The Stations of the Cross is a reminder of the struggle and humiliation that our Lord Jesus Christ went through on His way to crucifixion and His ultimate resurrection.

Join us each Friday evening at 5:30 p.m. during this holy season of Lent (February 24th-April 7th) at

St. Paul Church 1510 Penn Ave., Scranton PA 18509



# BISHOP BAMBERA TO HOLD A LENTEN HOLY HOUR IN YOUR COMMUNITY

All of the faithful in the Diocese of Scranton are invited to a Lenten Holy Hour with the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, to commemorate the diocesan phase of the National Eucharistic Revival.

The Scranton Deanery's Holy Hour will be held on Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at Holy Rosary Church in the parish of Mary, Mother of God at 7:00 PM.

These gatherings will take place in each of the twelve deaneries of the Diocese of Scranton so there is a Holy Hour in your community in which you can join the bishop in praying for a renewal of our devotion to Jesus Christ present in the Eucharist! The goal of the National Eucharistic Revival is to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

#### What is a Holy Hour?

A Holy Hour is a period of time (usually around an hour) spent in prayer before our Lord Jesus Christ present to us sacramentally in the Eucharist. This involves silent personal prayer, meditation, readings from Sacred Scripture, hymns, spoken prayers and litanies, and can even involve popular devotions such as recitation of the Rosary or the Divine Mercy Chaplet. As Catholic Christians, there are many different ways to pray, and a Holy Hour is a great time to be in the very presence of Jesus and to pray in whatever manner is most fruitful for our spirituality.

#### What is Eucharistic Adoration and Exposition?

Eucharistic adoration is praying before the Lord Jesus who is truly present to us in the Eucharist. This usually takes place during a period of Eucharistic exposition when a consecrated host, the Blessed Sacrament, is placed in a monstrance (from the Latin word meaning "to show"). This tradition in the Catholic Church began in the Middle Ages when the faithful did not feel worthy enough to consume Holy Communion at Mass. Instead, they would faithfully gaze upon the consecrated host as the great mystery of God's love revealed to us in Christ and offer their prayers. While the frequent reception of Holy Communion at Mass is encouraged today, the Church still considers this tradition of Eucharistic Adoration an indispensable part of Catholic faith and spirituality.

#### What will happen during each Holy Hour?

This Lenten Holy Hour with Bishop Bambera commemorates the diocesan phase of the National Eucharistic Revival in which the bishops of the United States hope to rekindle in Catholics a living relationship with the Lord Jesus in the sacrament of the Eucharist. The evening begins with Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by a period of silent, personal prayer and contemplation. Vespers, or Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours, will then be offered with hymns, psalms and readings pertaining to the Eucharist. Bishop Bambera will give a homily on the Eucharist during Vespers, and the Holy Hour concludes with Benediction, or the Blessing of the Faithful with the Eucharist.

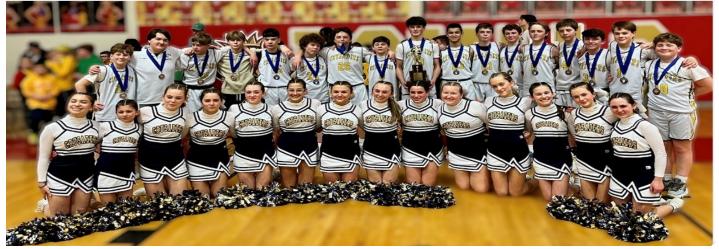
#### Why should I go to this Holy Hour?

The word "Eucharist" comes from the Greek word meaning "to give thanks" and this season of Lent is the perfect time for each of us to recognize our own brokenness and to express our gratitude for God's grace manifested in the death and resurrection of Jesus. We are not alone on this Lenten journey: we join our prayers during these Holy Hours with the faithful all over the Diocese of Scranton, united with our Bishop, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, as well as Catholic all over the United States in praying for a renewal in our devotion to the Holy Eucharist.

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 Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-HourChild Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at <a href="https://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis">www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis</a>. 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 Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

Congratulations to our SCSP boys basketball team!
Their hard work, dedication, teamwork, and determination made them the 2023 Diocesan Champions and we couldn't be prouder of them all.
Prayers for a successful championship game in Philadelphia.







### Looking for the best school for your student?

Explore the benefits of choosing a faith-based education for your child.

Join us at our Open House on Sunday March 12th from 11am-1pm

Primary Campus (Grades PK-2) 2215 N. Washington Ave. Scranton, PA 18509

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Faith. Excellence. Service.

or

Main Campus (Gr. 3-8) 1527 Penn Ave. Scranton, PA 18509