



# ST. PAUL PARISH

*Third Sunday of Easter*

May 1, 2022



## 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. - Jn 21:12

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### ST. PAUL CHURCH

Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m.- Daily Mass

Saturday 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**

**Deacon John A. Hanni**

**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**

**St. Paul Church**

Corner of Penn Avenue  
and Marion Street,  
Scranton

**St. Paul Rectory**

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Scranton, PA

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**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**

3:00 p.m. ~ 4:30 p.m.

St. Clare Church Basement

**JOIN US FOR MASS**

Join us on Facebook at St.

Paul's Parish for our

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

live-streaming of the

Celebration of Mass.

**Mass Schedule**

8 am Mass ~ Mon.-Sat.

4:30 Mass ~ Sat. (Vigil)

Confessions - Sat.-4pm

8 am & 10:30 am ~ Sun.

**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 parish office  
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.

***Please Pray For...***



**The People of Ukraine:**

Please pray that all parties involved, refrain from any action that would cause even  
more suffering to the people of Ukraine. May the Lord restore peace,  
protect the people of Ukraine, and guide those providing emergency aid.

**Our Deceased Family & Friends:**

Please remember all of our deceased family, friends, and fellow  
parishioners. May our faithful departed enjoy eternal rest in heaven.

**Our Sick and Suffering:**

Please remember the sick, suffering and all who have asked for a remembrance in our prayers, May the Lord grant them  
health and peace in body, mind and spirit!

**Our Military Men and Women:**

Please remember all our men and women in military and government service, especially those who serve in  
foreign lands. May the Lord preserve them from all harm.

**Persecuted Christians:**

Please remember our fellow Christians around the world who are being persecuted for their religious beliefs.

**Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life:**

Please pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially here in the Diocese of Scranton, that  
more men and women will respond to the call to serve God in religious vocations.

**The Sanctity of Human Life:**

Please pray that the life of every human person, from conception to natural death may be protected in our laws.



## ST. PAUL MASS INTENTIONS

### SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Saturday, April 30 Vigil: Third Sunday of Easter**

4:30 p.m. † Mr. & Mrs. Frank McAndrew &  
Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Eshelman (*Jim & Paula Eshelman*)

**Sunday, May 1 Third Sunday of Easter**

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish  
† Patricia Mellody (*Margie McLane*)

10:30 a.m. † Clair Kenny (*Peggy O'Keefe*)

**Monday, May 2 Saint Athanasius, Bishop**

8:00 a.m. † Dr. & Mrs. James Pappas  
(*Washo & McGinnis Family*)

**Tuesday, May 3 Sts. Philip & James, Apostles**

8:00 a.m. † In Honor of Dr. Arthur Jordan  
(*Marie & Regina*)

**Wednesday, May 4 Easter Weekday**

8:00 a.m. † Maryclaire Jordan (*Husband, Arthur*)

**Thursday, May 5 Easter Weekday**

8:00 a.m. † Dr. Olga Preismer (*Kim Lovell*)

**Friday, May 6 Saint Catherine of Sienna**

8:00 a.m. † James P. Kennedy (*Family*)

**Saturday, May 7 Easter Weekday**

8:00 a.m. † Joseph Dougherty (*LaTorre Family*)

4:30 p.m. † David Yeager (*Family*)

**Sunday, May 8 Third Sunday of Easter**

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish  
† Bill Boccicchio (*Dee, Brett & Liz*)

10:30a.m. † Betty Gibbons & (*Faith & Joe Foley*)  
† Margaret Rosenella (*Mary Answini*)

### MEMORIALIZING A LOVED ONE

You may memorialize a loved one by having the candles lit at St. Paul's Church for the week. This beautiful tribute will be noted in our bulletin. Please call Marci at the rectory for more information.



### RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the souls of The Most Reverend John M. Dougherty, Karen DeLuccie, & Ruth Zale. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!



## REMEMBERED AT THE ALTAR



### St. Paul's Sanctuary Candle

In Memory of:

† Joseph "Joe" Benginia

With Love From:  
Wife, Caroline

### St. Paul's St. Joseph Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Joseph Dougherty

With Love From:  
Dougherty Family

### St. Paul's Marian Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Ruth Zale

With Love From:  
Family

### St. Paul's Wine and Hosts

In Loving Memory of:

† The Most Reverend

Bishop John M. Dougherty, D.D.

**Regular Pantry Hours: Fridays~ 3—4:30 p.m.**

### Food Pantry Volunteers for Friday May 6

U of S students, Jody Maloney, Barbara Burkhouse

### Sincerest Gratitude For Pantry Support!

The parish response to the Helping Hands donation collection during lent was extraordinary.

Volunteer clients are unfailing in expressing gratitude.

So, in tribute to your generosity, we dare ask for more.....new volunteers to distribute groceries!

Please check your calendar to see when you can spare 1.5 hours a few Fridays at noon this summer.

Please call 570.961.1549 to sign up.

Smile, knowing you will do good work!

## Food Pantry Donations:

*In Loving Memory of:*

Audrey Hales

With Love,  
Nancy Longo

*In Loving Memory of:*

Ann Wendolowski

With Love,  
John & Roseanne  
Skaluba

*In Loving Memory of:*

Most Reverend John M. Dougherty

With Love,  
The Cottone, Grady & Hawley Families

*Thank You!*



**April 24, 2022**

**Offertory: \$ 4,082.00**

**Online: \$2,426.00**

### **RECENTLY BAPTIZED**

**Henry Ryan Williamson**, child of **Anthony & Katherine Williamson**, has recently received the sacrament of baptism at St. Paul Church.

***We welcome Henry to our parish community!***



### **Third Sunday of Easter: Gospel Reflection**

Today's Gospel tells the story of how Peter, in affirming his commitment of love to Jesus, is called to nurture Jesus' flock. St. Francis de Sales urges us to be disciples like the apostles and bring God's Word to others: Three times Jesus asked Peter if he loved Him. Peter's heart was completely filled with love for His Master. Peter was lifted up again by God's providence. Love is the universal means of our salvation. God's love must always hold first place in our hearts. Let us waste no time and place ourselves entirely in the arms of Divine Providence.

So loving is God's hand as it handles our hearts!

What does God expect from you if not what was asked of the Apostles. It was nothing else than what Our Lord himself came to do in this world: to give life to all so that they may live a more abundant life. He did it by giving them His grace. Grace has the power, not to overpower, but to entice our hearts to consent to the movements of God's love in us.

As much as possible, we must touch the hearts of others like the angels do, delicately and without coercion. While we ought to help and express our love to all equally, we must do it to more so for those who have a greater need of us. They will find fullness of life by believing in Jesus' word that you explain to them. They will live a more abundant life through the example you are.

Go confidently and courageously, doing what you are entrusted to do. Do not say: "I am not up to the task." Go ahead without worrying and turning back, for God will give you what you have to say and to do at the proper time. Have only one concern: to grow in your love and fidelity to God's divine goodness and everything will turn out well for you.

*\*Adapted from the writings of St. Francis de Sales / Salesian Sunday Reflection*



### **ADORATION AND ROSARY**

Monday thru Friday 4-5pm at St. Clare Church with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

The Rosary is recited at 4:30 p.m. Special intentions for our country and our world include:

- † A return to God and the Ten Commandments
- † An end to war, violence, public, private and in the womb
- † Any other intentions



### **MOTHER'S DAY MASS INTENTION ENVELOPES**

Special Mother's Day

Mass Intention envelopes can be found in your March/April monthly packet to remember both living and deceased Mothers. Please write the names of your loved ones on the back of the envelope. The envelopes will be placed on the altar during all of the Mother's Day Masses to remember your intentions. Please place the envelopes in the collection basket. If you would like a Mother's Day envelope please contact the rectory for one at: 570-961-1549

### **2022 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 2022 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 26. The event includes a 2:30 PM Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception.

**The registration deadline is May 29, 2022.**

To register, go to [www.dioceseofscranton.org](http://www.dioceseofscranton.org) or contact Jen Housel (570-207-2213 x 1104 or [jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org)).





A great Mother's Day  
gift is a ticket to the  
conference that  
Mother Mary  
is the theme.

*Full of Grace!*

Get your Mom a ticket!

[www.cwcnepa.com](http://www.cwcnepa.com)

### 4th Annual Catholic Women's Conference 2022 The "Refresh Your Faith - Full of Grace" June 11, 2022 will be held at Marywood University.

It promises to be a beautiful day for women. Over 800 attended the first conference and we want more! Don't miss hearing the inspiring talks by: Colleen Carroll Campbell - Author, Journalist and former Presidential Speechwriter.

Fr. Jeffrey Kirby- a devoted Marian priest. Debra Hadley - Determined to find hope through tragic circumstances in her life, Debra has taken her story on the road to help others to once again find hope and regain their faith through the graces the Lord has given her.

Molly McManus- her voice is that of an angel from heaven! Breakfast and lunch included. Also, great finds at the Catholic Marketplace. Tickets are \$45 at: [www.cwcnepa.com](http://www.cwcnepa.com)

#### 8:00am-OPENING REMARKS Registration

Marketplace Open

8:30am- **MASS:** Bishop Bambera will preside over Mass and his homily will teach us to be "Full of Grace"

#### 9:45am- BREAK

#### 10:00am- FATHER JEFFREY KIRBY

A Marion priest who is on fire and will tell you how Mary can help you too.

11:00am- **COLLEEN CARROLL** Author, journalist & former speech writer for George W. Bush. The lives of saints changed Colleen's life. Hear her poignant and powerful spiritual journey.

#### 12:00pm- LUNCH with Music Concert

12:45pm- **DEB HADLEY**- Hear Deb's heart wrenching story but by the gifts of her faith, she is a woman full of grace!

1:45pm- **Megan Murphy** *Mary Cause of our Joy*  
Inspired meditation on the Joyful Mysteries

#### 3:00pm-BREAK

3:15pm- **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** with Father Jeffrey Kirby and Music

4:00pm- **CLOSING**-Announcing Raffle Winners and the 5th Annual Conference in 2023,  
Musical Finale- Marketplace Open til 5:00pm

### Catholic Women's Conference: Marywood University- June 11th

#### GOOD SAMARITAN TICKETS AVAILABLE

If you or someone you know would like to attend the conference but can't afford the price of the ticket, call the number below or E-mail to reserve a **GOOD SAMARITAN TICKET**.

Tickets are limited and are first come first serve.

**Come, Refresh your Faith on June 11 at Marywood University!!!**

Cecilia Carr, CWC Committee Member: (570) 430-2735 or [ccarr18414@yahoo.com](mailto:ccarr18414@yahoo.com)



## Ordination to the Diaconate

On Saturday, May 28, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in the Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton, Mr. Michael Joseph Boris will be ordained into the Order of the Diaconate for service in the Diocese of Scranton.

The Ordination Mass will be live on CTV: Catholic Television. It will also be live-streamed on the Diocese of Scranton website and made available through links on all Diocesan social media accounts, including Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, and Instagram for anyone unable to attend in person.

### *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.*



### *Additional Easter Memorial:*

**In Loving Memory of: Mille & Sirgany Families**  
*With Love, From: Karin Mille*

## *Mark Your* **CALENDAR**

### **First Holy Communion**

*May 7, 2022 at 10a.m.*

### **Confirmation**

*May 29, 2022 at 1p.m.*

## GreenRidge Neighborhood Association

### Little Islands Spring Clean-Up Day

**MAY 7 | 9 AM-12PM**

TRASH & DEBRIS PICKUP &  
REMOVAL-RAKING-BEAUTIFYING

*Volunteers needed: Rakes needed- gloves and bags will be supplied!*



FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:  
[greenridgeneighborhoodassoc@gmail.com](mailto:greenridgeneighborhoodassoc@gmail.com)

## **Catholic Choral Society** *Spring Generations Concerts*

The annual spring concerts of the Catholic Choral Society of Scranton will be presented on Friday evening, May 20 at 7:00 PM at St. Ignatius Church at 339 North Maple Avenue in Kingston and on Sunday evening, May 22 at 7PM at Mary Mother of God Parish at Holy Rosary Church at 316 William St., Scranton.

On Friday evening, May 20, at St Ignatius Church in Kingston, the Choral Society will host the Wyoming Valley West Middle School Spartans directed by Scott Coates. On Sunday evening, May 22 at Holy Rosary Church the Choral Society will host the Western Wayne Middle School Select Chorus under the direction of Mrs. Joyce Covaleski with Marty Ort as accompanist.

The Catholic Choral Society, marking its 73rd season, is comprised of members from Luzerne, Lackawanna, Wayne, Susquehanna and Wyoming counties. The director of the Catholic Choral Society is Ann Manganiello and the accompanist is Kim Gnall.

There is no admittance fee, however, a free will offering will be taken.

Board members assisting president Brenda Grunza in arranging the concert include Nancy Flannery, Sheila O'Brien, Lois Ostrowski, Kate Conaboy, Chris Koster and Rich Gibbons.