



ST. PAUL PARISH

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022



6th Sunday OF EASTER



"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I will come back to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I." - Jn 14:27-28

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ST. PAUL CHURCH

Mon-Sat 8a.m.- Daily Mass
Saturday 4:30 p.m.- Vigil Mass
Sunday 8a.m. & 10:30a.m.

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

(Weekday Masses)

Wednesday 5/25- 5:30pm- Vigil
Thursday 5/26: 12:10pm

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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8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

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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 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.



**50/50 Cash Prize
Total is now up to:
\$6,950 dollars!!!**



Everyone should have received their letter regarding this year's Spring fundraiser for St. Paul Parish. If for some reason you have not received this letter or if you would like to purchase additional tickets, please call the rectory and we would be happy to supply you with them.

Purchasing these raffle tickets is an easy way that you can virtually support our parish!

For the big raffle, the 50/50, tickets will be \$20.00 a piece or three for \$50.00.

Our lucky winner will win half of all 50/50 tickets proceeds.

Three 50/50 tickets are enclosed in the letter being mailed to each parishioner.

If you would like to purchase more, please contact the rectory, 570-961-1549.

We also have our cash raffle. This great raffle has a grand prize of \$2,000.00 and \$1,000.00!

Each chance is \$5.00 or you can purchase a book of six for \$25.00

(Enclosed with the letter are two books of raffle tickets.)

Just fill out your information on the return stubs, enclose a check made payable to St. Paul Parish and return them in the enclosed envelope.

Drawing to be held on Saturday May 28th after 4:30pm Mass at St. Paul Church.

You may mail them, drop them in the collection basket, or bring them to the rectory.

Your financial assistance is truly a great gift to our parish community!

ST. PAUL MASS INTENTIONS

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday, May 21 Vigil: Sixth Sunday of Easter

4:30 p.m. † Robert McAndrew (McAndrew Family)

Sunday, May 22 Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish
† Lindsay Doherty (Family)

10:30 a.m. † Paul Dougherty (Alicia Dougherty)

Monday, May 23 Easter Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Maryclaire Jordan (Marita Kearney)

Tuesday, May 24 Easter Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Robert Gibbons (Jadick Family)

Wednesday, May 25 Easter Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Thomassina Mascelli (Family)

5:30 p.m. † Stephen Dougherty
*Vigil Mass (Bob & Midge Cooney & Family)

Thursday, May 26 The Ascension of the Lord

8:00 a.m. † John Barrett (Sandi & Caroline Cadden)

12:10 p.m. † Theresa Mulderig (Carol Warner)

Friday, May 27 Easter Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Gene Pidich (Regina & Family)

Saturday, May 28 Easter Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Wayne Randolph (Cousin, Tony Nicosia)

4:30 p.m. † Martha Voinski (Carlomis Family)

Sunday, May 29 Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish
† Meg Cullen Brown (Mike & Family)

10:30a.m. † Jerry Maushart (Kathy & Family)

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those recently departed, especially, **Evelyn Costa, Jack Egan, & Katharine O'Donnell**. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

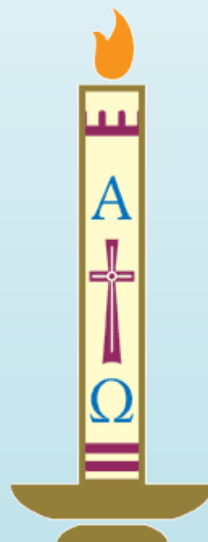


An Act of Spiritual Communion

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.



REMEMBERED AT THE ALTAR



St. Paul's Sanctuary Candle

In Memory of:
† **Kathleen Keating**
With Love From:
Family

St. Paul's St. Joseph Candle

In Loving Memory of:
† **Robert McAndrew**
With Love From:
The Bartlebaugh Family

St. Paul's Marian Candle

In Loving Memory of:
† **Thomassina Mascelli**
With Love From:
Family

St. Paul's Wine and Hosts

In Loving Memory of:
† **Karen Evans**

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 the rectory for more information. 570-961-1549

Regular Pantry Hours: Fridays~ 3-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry Volunteers for Friday May 27

Noreen Rowland, Jen Clark, Jean Weinschenk,
Jody Maloney, & Barbara Burkhouse

St. Paul Parish Food Pantry is in need of Volunteers throughout the Summer. If anyone has 1.5 hours on various Fridays from 12-1:30pm throughout the Summer please contact us with your availability. Your time and service is much appreciated!

Food Pantry Donations:

In Loving Memory of:
The Most Reverend John M. Dougherty
With Love,
Patricia Walker Powell

RECENTLY BAPTIZED

Tiernan Barrett, child of **Scott & Stephanie Barrett & Madeline Wagner**, child of **Marc & Meghan Wagner**, has recently received the sacrament of baptism at St. Paul Church. We welcome **Tiernan & Madeline** to our parish community!



I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Ascension Day: Ascension of Our Lord

The Ascension is the event, where Jesus arose into heaven, at the end of his time on earth.

Jesus' time on earth began with his birth. It was interrupted for three days by His death on the Cross. During that time, He descended into the realm of the dead and preached the Gospel to the good people who died before Him. This allowed those good and holy souls- the righteous dead, as we call them- who accepted Christ as their Savior to proceed to heaven.

On the third day after his death and burial, Jesus Christ was raised from the dead, an event we call the Resurrection. He spent the next 40 days preaching and preparing His disciples to perform the work of preaching and baptizing all people. At the end of this 40 day period, Jesus ascended into heaven.

We call this the Ascension.



The Bible tells us what happened on that day:

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven.

He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. While at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is', he had said, 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptized with water but, not many days from now, you are going to be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come for you to restore the kingdom to Israel?'

He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive the power of the Holy Spirit which will come on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to earth's remotest end.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight.

They were still staring into the sky as he went, when suddenly two men in white were standing beside them, and they said, 'Why are you Galileans standing here looking into the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will come back in the same way as you have seen him go to heaven.' (Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11)

It is said that by His death and Resurrection, Jesus opened the gates of heaven for all humanity. This is true, and His Ascension demonstrates this to us. It is His proof that those of us who believe in Him in faith and follow Him will also be raised on the last day, and enter into heaven.

From heaven, Jesus hears our prayers and intercedes for us with His Father.

We celebrate this on Ascension Sunday, celebrated forty days after Easter- traditionally celebrated on a Thursday as a Holy Day of Obligation.

The Church presently observes it on a Sunday to allow more of the faithful to attend Mass. It remains a Holy Day of Obligation, and the faithful are reminded that all Sundays are obligatory by default.

The Ascension should not be confused with Pentecost, which is celebrated 50 days after Easter. Pentecost commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples of Christ, after His Ascension.



May 15, 2022

Offertory: \$3,599.00

Online: \$2,262.50



**FIRST TIME PARENTS
BAPTISMAL CLASS**

All first time parents are asked to request instruction before having your child baptized.
Call the rectory to register!

SCSP's Crusader Players Presents:



May 20th, 21st at 7PM, & 22nd at 2PM in our St. Paul's School Auditorium

**Come join the *St. Paul's School Crusader Players* as they present their sweet spring musical, "Willy Wonka Jr." on May 20th and 21st at 7PM & Sunday May 22nd at 2PM in the St. Paul's School auditorium.
Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$2 for students**

Are you a young man in High School & looking to deepen your faith?

Quo Vadis Days 2022 will be held June 19-21 at Marywood University, Scranton.

This camp is for young Catholic men in High School (who were in 9-12th grade during the 2020/2021 school year) to deepen their faith, learn more about all vocations, and better discern God's call in their lives. The camp will feature dynamic talks, prayer, games, sports, activities, music and more. Participants will have the opportunity to meet Bishop Bambera, priests, seminarians, and young adults of the Diocese of Scranton. Online registration is now open at vocations.dioceseofscranton.org. For more information, call 570-207-1452.





BE A CATHOLIC MAN: 2022 RETREAT

The Spirit of Fatherhood

This Men's Retreat is being planned by Mark Houck
The Kings Men, Co-Founder & President, Father Brian Van Fossen,
Father Pio Mandato FMHJ, And Be A Catholic Man Inc.

Come join with men from the Diocese of Scranton and surrounding area for an overnight of prayer, Holy Mass, Reconciliation, Adoration, food and fraternity.

St. Gabriel's Retreat Center 631 Griffin Pond Rd., Clarks Summit, PA

June 3, into June 4, 6 pm for arrivals and the Regina Caeli.

Retreat closes at 3 pm with Divine Mercy Chaplet

Cost: \$75 (cost subsidized by Be A Catholic Man Inc.) - Includes overnight single room lodging & all meals
(Limited space availability/ first come first serve)

Make check payable to: Be A Catholic Man Inc. mail to William Leandri Treasure
239 Hayfield Rd., Shavertown, PA 18708

jadcroft@kknepa.com or text/call 570-351-6256 Or mkilmer@thekilmergroup.com or text/call 570-721-0872



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

Early-bird registrations are now available at \$45 per person (the price increases to \$50 after May 29). Student tickets are \$20, and women religious are welcome free of charge.

Volunteers are always needed and those who sign up for four hours at the conference will receive a free ticket.
For more information and to register, visit cwcnepa.com.

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



MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES

We are in the process of replacing the Solemn Set of Vestments and Pall used at Funerals here at St. Paul Parish. The present set has been in use for nearly thirty years and are no longer serviceable. Each item will be memorialized with an embroidery tag.

If interested, please call Marci at: 570-961-1549

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

St. Paul Parish Confirmation May 29th - 1p.m.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE: Required Announcement
Banns of Marriage are announced for the Third Time
between: Leah Althazal of the Maronite Rite and Sean Welenc of this Parish.

The Oblate Fathers will be honoring their Founder, St. Joseph Marelllo, with the annual triduum and feast day celebrations.

The three-day spiritual preparation ("triduum") will be held May 25-26-27 with Masses at 12 Noon & 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel of St. Joseph, 1880 Route 315, Laflin. Devotions will follow each Mass. The Feast Day, Saturday, May 28th, Masses will be at 8:00 a.m. & 12 Noon. All Noon Masses will be broadcast on JMJ Radio 98.9 FM and live streamed on Facebook.

St. Joseph Marelllo (1844-1895) lived and ministered in the Piedmont region of Italy, founding the Congregation of the Oblates of St. Joseph in 1878. The Order serves in over 15 countries around the world and has been present in the Diocese of Scranton since 1929.

Monsignor John Anthony Esseff 69th Ordination Celebration

Ordained May 30th 1953, Monsignor Esseff will celebrate Mass at his home parish again on **Sunday May 29th: 1pm**
St. Anthony Parish 311 Park Ave. Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

We wish him all the best and we give thanks to God for the gift of this wonderful priest and friend!