



ST. PAUL PARISH

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 28, 2022



22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

- Lk 14:13-14

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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

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

MASS SCHEDULE

CONFESSIONS- Sat.-4pm
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

12 p.m. ~ 1:30 p.m.
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

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, August 27 Vigil: Twenty-Second Sunday
In Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. † Eugene P. Grady (Marge & Family)

Sunday, August 28 Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish
† Frank, Veronica & Lucille Shimkus (Family)

10:30 a.m. † Robert Kerrigan (Family)

Monday, August 29 The Passion of
St. John the Baptist

8:00 a.m. † Sal Cottone (Family)

Tuesday, August 30 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Sr. Mary William Philbin, IHM

Wednesday, August 31 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Paul McCrone (Family)

Thursday, September 1 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Michael & Gladys Gursky
(Karen & Walt Bullett)

Friday, September 2 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Crane Holmes (McAndrew Family)

Saturday, September 3 Vigil: Twenty-Third Sunday
St. Gregory The Great In Ordinary Time

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

4:30 p.m. † Robert McAndrew (Family)

Sunday, September 4 Twenty-Third Sunday
In Ordinary Time

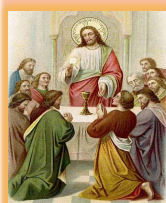
8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish
† Nori Cagnetti-King (Family)

10:30a.m. † Anthony & Marianne Maro (Maro Family)



RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Joan Phillips who was recently buried
from our church. May her soul 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 Loving Memory of:

† Joan Phillips

With Love From:

Joanne Cantafio

St. Paul's St. Joseph Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Bob Holtham

With Love From:

Jim & Nancy Wilson

St. Paul's Marian Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Maria Catena Keating

With Love From:

Family



If you would like to make a Wine and
Host donation to St. Paul Parish for the
week, in memory of a loved one, please
call the rectory for more information.

Please Note Return of Regular Pantry Hours:

Fridays 3pm-4:30pm

Food Pantry Volunteers for Friday Sept. 2

Lynetts, Renee Fontana, Jody Maloney
& Barbara Burkhouse

Food Pantry Donations:

In Loving Memory of:

Joan R. Phillips

With Love,

Liz Connery & Brian Finnerty

Sanctuary, Marian, & St. Joseph Candles still
available for this year, August-December
2022

These candles burn for one week in
memory or in honor of a loved one.
Intentions will be published in the weekly
bulletin. The customary donation is \$10.00
per intention.

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule
a Memorial: 570-961-1549



Thank you

August 21, 2022

Offertory: \$4,836.00

Online: \$2,631.00

SAVE THE DATE:

1st Day of CCD: September 13th

First Penance: December 11th–2pm

Confirmation: April 18th–5pm

First Holy Communion: May 6th–10am

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

August 28, 2022: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

People who are concerned with their own advancement and agenda have little room for anyone else. With an almost addictive pursuit of esteem and acknowledgment from others, they become little more than entitled embodiments of the vice of pride. Public humiliation or embarrassment can hit them hard. While avoiding humiliation and embarrassment may be advantageous to obtaining worldly success, they are much less desirable motivations for entering the Kingdom of God. Avoiding embarrassment is a self-serving motivation. Pride and all of its manifestations have no place on God's agenda, neither do worldly success and fulfillment. In fact, we have been clearly told that if we love our lives, we will lose them.

Therefore, if you really want to find your true station in life, learn to give yourself away.

While this may sound foolish to secular ears, it actually makes perfect sense. God, who is love, makes each of us in His image. Love, and therefore God, is in our DNA. That being the case, love is never love if it is kept to oneself or hoarded. Love needs to be shared and given away. Therefore, it is the only proper motivation for entering the Kingdom of God. The door to happiness is only opened when we realize that all we are and all we have is due only to God's grace. Without God we are nothing. Love is the remedy for pride and protects us from ourselves. God asks us to be humble. Only when we are free from the traps of pride and arrogance that we can begin to follow the path to true humility. Only one who is humble can rightly love and be of service to God. "God makes use only of the humble as his instruments (Jean-Pierre de Caussade)." The humble one does not need others to give them worth and value. Their self-esteem comes from the much more secure foundation of God. Only those who are entirely free can give themselves freely to others. Love must always be our motivation for doing all things. Be content that God has invited you to the banquet of life. Concern yourself with accepting the invitation, and don't worry about where you will sit.

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HELPING THE IHM SISTERS

Silver Circle is a membership program that benefits retired I.H.M. Sisters.

For only \$25.00 per membership, your name is entered in more than 324 drawings from October, 2022 through June, 2023 with cash prizes of \$50.00 to \$1,000.00!

You will also be remembered in a monthly Mass for benefactors and in the prayers of the I.H.M. Sisters. Please contact Sister M. Rosella: 570-346-3359 for a Silver Circle Membership form. Thank you for your support of the I.H.M. Sisters!

The Up & Over Retreat is a weekend of fun, friendship, and faith for 6th – 8th grade students at the beautiful wooded Camp Orchard Hill in Dallas on Sept 23-25th. You will spend time outdoors, meet new friends and learn how your God-given gifts can be used when you work with

others as a team! There will also be a number of fun activities and events, including a movie, free time and an outdoor obstacle course. Students are guaranteed to have a great time, meet new friends and grow closer to their faith! The registration fee is \$180, and includes all meals, lodging, a t-shirt, and other retreat materials. Register at: dioceseofscranton.org. We hope to see our students there!



DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

∞ Mass for ∞ Suicide Healing & Remembrance

Sunday, September 18, 2022 at 12:15 p.m.
Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton

Principal Celebrant
Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.
Bishop of Scranton

In observance of Suicide Awareness Month in September, the Diocese of Scranton will offer a Mass to remember loved ones lost to suicide and healing for those who still grieve their passing. All are welcome.

The Mass will be broadcast on CTV: Catholic Television and livestream on the Diocese of Scranton website, www.dioceseofscranton.org, YouTube channel, and social media.

Suicide is a leading cause of death in the United States. It was responsible for nearly 46,000 deaths in 2020.

This is about one death every 11 minutes.

Suicide rates in 2020 were 30% higher than in 2000.

In observance of Suicide Awareness Month, Bishop Bambera will celebrate a Mass for Suicide Healing and Remembrance on Sunday, September 18, 2022 at 12:15PM at the Cathedral of St. Peter, Scranton. The Mass will serve to remember loved ones lost to suicide, and to promote healing for those who grieve their passing. During the Mass, those attending will be invited to bring forward to the altar a flower, in remembrance of those lost. All are welcome.

Registration is requested, but not required. To register, go to www.dioceseofscranton.org or call 570-207-2213.

BE NOT AFRAID

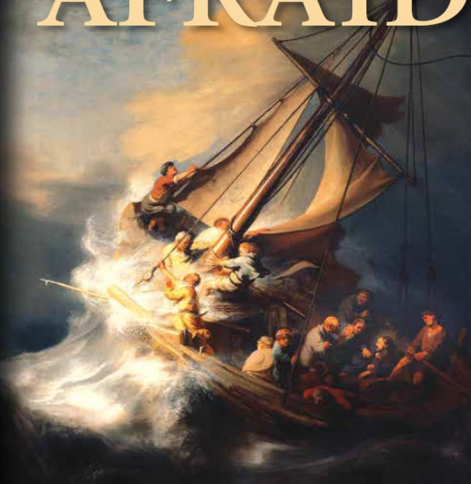
7th Annual Diocese of Scranton

Be a Catholic Man Conference

Holy Redeemer High School
159 South Pennsylvania Ave.
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

Sat., 8 AM - 3:00 PM

Oct. 8, 2022



Christ in the Storm on the Sea of Galilee by Rembrandt

Tentative Schedule

- 7:00 AM Registration / coffee
- 7:15 AM Rosary begins
- 8:00 AM Opening Ceremonies begin.
- 8:30 AM Speaker
- 9:30 AM Speaker
- 10:30 AM Lunch / Exhibitors / Confessions
- 11:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration / Benediction
- 12:40 PM Speaker
- 1:45 PM Mass: Bishop Joseph C. Bambera
- 3:00 PM Dismissal

Check the website for updates

www.BeACatholicMan.com

Fear works and the devil knows it. Today we face storms like the one on the Sea of Galilee. We ask the Lord, as the Apostles did, "Do you not care if we perish?" Christ's reply to them is the same He would give to us: "Why are you afraid? [i.e., cowardly] Have you no faith?" So, in times of crisis, Jesus challenges us not to be cowards but instead to face our fears with confidence, knowing that He has already won the victory over evil.



Bishop Joseph Bambera, a native son, has served the diocese of Scranton in numerous capacities as a priest since 1983, and as bishop since 2010. Bishop Bambera's service to the national Church has

included numerous roles in the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.



Dr. Ralph Martin is world renowned for his evangelization. He is the President of Renewal Ministries, an organization devoted to Catholic renewal and evangelization. Ralph was appointed by Pope Benedict XVI as a consultant to the Pontifical Council for the New Evangelization, a role that he continues to this day.

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Fr. Stan Fortuna

C.F.R., was a professional jazz musician. Now, preaching full-time, Fr. Stan travels around the world celebrating Mass, giving talks, and performing concerts with proceeds going directly towards work with poor families in his neighborhood of the South Bronx.



Kevin Wells is a former award-winning sports reporter and best-selling author of "The Priests We Need to Save the Church". Currently, Kevin is president of the Monsignor Thomas

Wells Society for Vocations and a public relations director for world Villages of Children having won acclaim for that work.

Be a Catholic Man

Who we are: We are ordinary Catholic men, passionate about our Christian Faith. Be A Catholic Man is organized as a 501c3 non-profit corporation. We are entirely funded by our sponsors and registrants. We do not receive financial assistance from the Diocese.

Our Mission: We are on a mission to encourage and empower men to deepen their relationship with Christ, to be spiritual leaders in their families, their church, and their community and to live their faith in everyday life.

Our Vision: We seek to be faithful disciples of the risen Jesus Christ, loyal sons of his Church, loving and faithful husbands, wise and kind fathers and a band of brothers to one another. We desire that all Catholic men in the Diocese of Scranton will be linked as brothers in Christ, witnessing the Gospel in all aspects of their life, through a process of conversion, transformation, and mobilization.

Additional information and registration materials located in the back of the church.



Information & Online Registration: **BeACatholicMan.com**

Contact: Mike Kilmer 570-746-0100 michaelkilmer71@gmail.com

\$40 (Early Bird \$30 until 9/9/22), Student \$15, Priest/Deacon FREE Morning coffee & box lunch included



**ENROLL
NOW**



St. Paul Parish CCD Open Registration

NOW OPEN FOR REGISTRATION FOR YEAR
2022-2023

Note to parents & guardians:

Registration & Information forms were mailed out to students enrolled last year. Please contact us if you did not receive a registration form or would like to enroll your child this year!

To register call:
570-961-1549 or email:
rcicco@stpaulscranton.org

Every effort is made each year to provide a program of religious education that is true to the teachings of the Catholic faith and is presented to the students according to their needs and abilities. Our weekly efforts can only strengthen what your child experiences under your care and supervision at home. Our program is meant to be at your service, to assist you in being your child's first educators in the ways of Faith. As we proclaimed so clearly at their Baptism, ours is a true partnership. We need each other if our children are to learn about and experience the abundant life that Jesus Christ offers us through His Church.

NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ABORTED CHILDREN

The 10th annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children will be held on Saturday, Sept. 10 when pro-life Americans will honor the memory of the nearly 65 million unborn victims of abortion since its legalization in 1973. The event on 9/10 will include a Memorial Service for Victims of Abortion to be held at 11 a.m. at Mount Olivet Cemetery, 612 Mount Olivet Road, Carverton.

It will take place at Mount Olivet's Wyoming Valley Knights of Columbus "Tomb for the Unborn," located on the top of the hill on the cemetery grounds. During the memorial observance, the Rosary will be recited in remembrance of all aborted babies. All faithful are invited.

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. 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.

The Catholic Choral Society will begin its 74th year on Tuesday, September 13th with rehearsals on Tuesday evenings from 6:15 PM to 8:30 PM at the IHM center at Marywood University.

New members are welcome; no auditions required.

The Choral Society is non-denominational and composed of members from Luzerne, Lackawanna, Wayne, Suquehanna, Pike and

Wyoming counties. The chorus performs sacred, classical, and secular music at performances in NEPA.

The Catholic Choral Society's first concert is the annual November

Generations Concert on

Sunday, November 13 at 3 PM

at Holy Rosary Church in Scranton where the chorus will host regional choral groups from elementary school through college. Additional choral presentations are set for Advent, Christmas, Lenten & Spring Season.

The director of the Choral society is Ann Manganiello, Exeter and the accompanist is Kim Gnall, Scranton.

Board members and officers assisting president, Brenda Grunza, Nicholson and president emeritus, Dr. Thomas Rittenhouse include Lois Ostrowski, Pittston; Nancy Flannery, Kingston; Sheila O'Brien, Dunmore; Kate Conaboy, Archbald; Rich Gibbons, Hunlock Creek; and Chris Koster, Greentown.

For further information, please see www.catholicchoralsociety.org, call 570-575-1040, and like us on Facebook.



ANNUAL FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2022 - 5PM - 10PM
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2022 - NOON - 6PM

FREE PARKING! Church of
OUR LADY
of the
ABINGTONS
(Dalton, PA - Seminary Road)
FREE PARKING!

SAT. SEPT 10

**PORK
BAR-B-CUE**

5 PM - 10 PM
(or 'til sold out)

~ MUSIC ~
featuring

DJ Eric Petersen

SUN. SEPT 11

Chicken BBO

Noon 'til 6 PM

Children's Games
~ LIVE MUSIC ~



HANDICAP PARKING AVAILABLE

Enjoy delicious food, pizza, homemade clam chowder, homemade baked goods, dozens of bountiful baskets, silent auction, white elephant and our Beautiful Church.

Saturday, September 10th 5-10pm
& Sunday, September 11th 12pm-6pm
207 Seminary Road in Dalton, PA.

Free parking and no admission.

BBQ, Live Music, food, pizza, homemade baked goods, bountiful baskets, silent auction, white elephant, children's games, antique cars by Car Cruisers, and more!