



ST. PAUL PARISH

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 3, 2023



FOLLOW



“Whoever wishes to
come after me must
deny himself, take
up his cross, and
follow me.”

MATTHEW 16:24b

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001-1998-1970 CCD

ST. PAUL CHURCH

Mon.-Fri. 8:00am

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



After many weeks of your patience in waiting,
St. Paul Church has reopened and is celebrating
Holy Mass, sacraments,
and prayer & worship once again!

Because of your generous donations to the parish
wishlist fund, St. Paul Church was able to receive
this much needed restoration.

Thank you for your continuous support and
service. It is through your acts of faith, generosity
and love that St. Paul Parish is kept alive for
future generations to grow in their faith.

*Lord we thank you for this church, built through the sacrifices of
our ancestors in faith. May our worship be genuine and sincere;
may the ministries that flow out of this place lift up people
in the name of Christ. Amen.*

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

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

FRIDAYS: 12pm ~ 1:30 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

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, September 2 Vigil: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. † Lillian Cottone (Family)

Sunday, September 3 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish

† Jerry Walsh (Paul & Mary Theresa Paterson)

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

Monday, September 4 St. Augustine

8:00 a.m. † Nori King Cognetti (Family)

Tuesday, September 5 The Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:00 a.m. † James Volz (Family)

Wednesday, September 6 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Ruth & Agnes Sirgany (Karin Mille)

Thursday, September 7 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Harry McGrath (Wife, Joell & Family)

Friday, September 8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. † James P. Kennedy (Family)

Saturday, September 9 Vigil: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Patrick Zwanch (Danielle Kennedy)

4:30 p.m. † Frank Fontinell (Richard Fontinell)

Sunday, September 10 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Gene Pidich & The Intentions of Regina Pidich

(Wife, Regina)

10:30 a.m. † Robert McAndrew (Family)

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Mary Hendricks, Arthur Moran, Nancy Butler & John Hart. May their souls and all of the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace!



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 daily Masses & weekly candles still available throughout the remainder of the 2023 year and our 2024 book remains open with many dates available as well!



REMEMBERED AT THE ALTAR:

St. Paul's Sanctuary Candle

In Memory of

† David Martin

With Love From:

St. Paul's Daily Mass Group

St. Paul's St. Joseph Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Harry McGrath

With Love From:

Wife, Joell & Family

St. Paul's Marian Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Rose Loos

With Love From:

Bartlebaugh Family

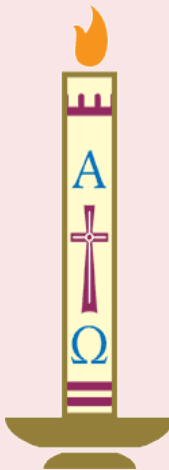
St. Paul's Wine & Host

In Loving Memory of

† Henry C. Walsh

With Love From:

Family



Food Pantry Hours: Fridays 3-4:30pm

Food Pantry Volunteers for Friday September 8

U of S Volunteers, Jody Maloney & Barbara Burkhouse

Summer hours have come to an end!

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE BACK TO REGULAR FOOD PANTRY HOURS:

FRIDAYS from 3pm-4:30pm

St. Paul Food Pantry Donations

In Loving Memory of:

† Art & Connie

Moran

With Love,

Ellen & Barbara

Burkhouse



In Loving Memory of:

† Ellen Casey

With Love,

Joanne

Cantafio

& Family

DONATIONS NEEDED

Can you help??

Increasing pantry need...

We need your help!

In August 2022, we provided groceries for 47 visits;

in August 2023 that total escalated to 93!

What does the pantry need?

In-date, shelf-stable groceries and toiletries, as well as monetary contributions.

Thank you for helping us to be able to serve everyone who comes to the pantry in need!



St. Paul's Food Pantry

☐ In Honor of

☐ In Loving Memory of

☐ Acknowledge in Bulletin

☐ Please Keep Donation Anonymous

From

St. Paul Food Pantry

Envelopes are placed

throughout the

Church. Please

consider making a

monetary donation in

your loved one's honor

or memory. Thank you so much for your generosity which allows us to continue serving those in need.



August 27th Collection

Offertory Total: \$ 5,039.00

Online Total: \$2,504.00



If anyone would like to register for CCD and has not received a registration yet, Please call 570-961-1549 to do so.

Registration Deadline: September 1st



FROM THE CATECHISM *The Big Bad Guy of the Universe*

Who is the big bad guy of the universe?

(Para 391-395)

“Behind the disobedient choices of our first parents,” reveals the *Catechism*,

“lurks a seductive voice, opposed to God, which makes them fall into death out of envy.”

Church tradition and Scripture identify this evil as Satan or the “devil.”

Satan and his minions, all created spirits—angels—were originally designed as good by God, but became evil by their own doing, making a free and radical choice to reject God and His reign. “It is the *irrevocable* character of their choice,” says the *Catechism*, “and not a defect in the infinite divine mercy, that makes the angels’ sin unforgivable. There is no repentance for the angels after they fall, just as there is no repentance for men after death.”

Jesus labeled Satan a “murderer from the beginning.” The reason Jesus appeared in human history was to destroy the works of the devil. As powerful as the devil is, his power is finite. He is only a creature up against the Creator, whose power is infinite.

-Peggy Stanton, DM

"AS A COMMUNITY OF FAITH, WE ARE CALLED TO COME TOGETHER AND PROVIDE UNWAVERING SUPPORT TO THOSE WHO ARE SUFFERING. IT IS IN TIMES LIKE THESE THAT OUR COLLECTIVE LOVE, FAITH, AND COMPASSION CAN MAKE A TREMENDOUS DIFFERENCE."

-HONOLULU BISHOP LARRY SILVA

**PLEASE GIVE TO OUR PARISH
EMERGENCY SPECIAL
COLLECTION FOR MAUI**



Eucharistic Adoration & Holy Rosary Hour **Mon-Fri 4-5pm St. Clare Church**

2251 N. Washington Ave. Scranton, PA 18509
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Rosary is recited at 4:30 p.m.

Special intentions for our country and world:

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



"We should consider those moments spent before the Blessed Sacrament as the happiest of our lives" - St. John Vianney

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SAVE THE DATE:
1st Day of CCD: September 12th
Grade 6, 7 & 8:

Google classroom by September 13th
Registration due September 1st



**ENROLL
NOW**



St. Paul Parish CCD Open Registration

NOW OPEN FOR REGISTRATION FOR YEAR
2023-2024

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.

DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

Mass for Suicide Healing & Remembrance

*To remember loved ones lost to suicide
and healing for those who still grieve their passing*

Sunday, September 17, 2023
at 12:15 p.m.

Cathedral of Saint Peter
315 Wyoming Ave., Scranton

Principal Celebrant

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

The Mass is open to the public.

The Mass will also be broadcast live on CTV:
Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton
and livestream on the Diocese of Scranton
website, YouTube channel and Facebook.



UP&OVER MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

**SEPTEMBER
22 - 24**

@ CAMP ORCHARD HILL
DALLAS, PA

- Develop Teamwork & Problem Solving Skills
- Meet New Friends
- Outdoor Obstacle Course

Arrival:

7:00pm - Friday

Departure:

11:00am - Sunday

Registration Fee: \$170
includes 5 meals, lodging,
retreat materials, and a t-shirt

Register Online at
www.dioceseofscranton.org

The October 7th, 2023 Catholic Men's Conference, from 8 am to 3pm, will be held at Holy Redeemer High School, Wilkes-Barre, To attend, please register either online at www.BeACatholicMan.com, or by mail to: "Be a Catholic Man, Inc", P.O Box # 669, Wyalusing, Pa. 18853. Include your name, address, email & parish with your check payable to "Be a Catholic Man, Inc" with "Men's Conference" on the memo line of the check. Cost is \$40 (Early Bird \$30 until 9-8-23), Students \$15, Priests/Deacons are FREE.

For more information contact: Your Men's Conference Parish Contact Mike Kilmer at 570-721-0872 or mkilmer@thekilmergroup.com.



STAND FIRM IN THE FAITH

8th 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. 7, 2023



IHM Silver Circle is back

Purchase your tickets before the FIRST Drawing in October!

Silver Circle

A membership program to benefit the retired Sisters of IHM

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, 2023 through June, 2024 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 supporting the I.H.M. Sisters!