



ST. PAUL PARISH

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 25, 2022



26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad.” - Lk 16:25

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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



Lord God, you appointed Paul your apostle to preach the good news of salvation to the nations. May his example and prayers inspire the faithful of our parish to be more fully Alive in Christ.

Fill our hearts with the spirit of your charity so that we may please you in our thoughts, words and deeds and be witnesses to hope that does not disappoint.

May the prayers of St. Paul and all the saints be our constant encouragement so that we may walk worthily as disciples of Your Son.

Amen



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

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
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-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, September 24 Vigil: Twenty-Sixth Sunday
In Ordinary Time

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

Sunday, September 25 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish
† Martin A. King (Family)

10:30 a.m. † Joseph Foley (Faith & Joe Foley)

Monday, September 26 Weekday

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

Tuesday, September 27 St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

8:00 a.m. † Bill Bochicchio (Dee, Brett & Liz)

Wednesday, September 28 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Joseph "Joe" Benginia
(Wife, Caroline, Natalie & Luciano)

Thursday, September 29 Sts. Michael, Gabriel
& Raphael, Archangels

8:00 a.m. † Mary Arnone (Family)

Friday, September 30 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † James P. Kennedy (Family)

Saturday, October 1 Vigil: Twenty-Seventh
Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Chris C. Gardier, Jr. (Family)

4:30 p.m. † Mary Pappas (Washo & McGinnis Families)

Sunday, October 2 Twenty-Seventh Sunday
In Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish

† James Volz (Family)

10:30 a.m. † Bob Holtham (Peggy O'Keeffe)



RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those recently deceased. 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 Loving Memory of:

† Joseph Benginia

With Love From:

Maryjule & Digger Kapacs

St. Paul's St. Joseph Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Pat Kearney

With Love From:

Dee, Brett & Liz Bochicchio

St. Paul's Marian Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Sheila Flaherty

With Love From:

The Bartlebaugh Family

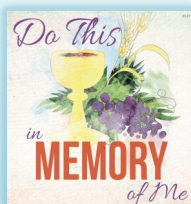
St. Paul's Wine and Host

In Loving Memory of:

† Joe Benginia

With Love From:

Wife, Caroline



What is the Wine & Host Donation & what is it used for?

The Wine & Host donation is used to purchase all of the host we use at St. Paul Parish. The dedication or memorial (living or dead) lasts the entire week in which the person is remembered at the Altar. Please reach out to us if you would like to dedicate or memorialize your donation in your loved one's name for this year or next.

Our Food Pantry is back to our regular hours!

Food Pantry Hours: Fridays 3-4:30pm

Food Pantry Volunteers for Friday Sept. 30

U of S students, Jen Clark & Barbara Burkhouse

We encourage parishioners to get the word to individuals and families needing groceries that our pantry is ready to serve them once they complete the "Self-Declaration of Need" form, indicating that income does not exceed the limits set by USDA. Once that is done, (on site, in very few minutes), they are welcome to choose food and other supplies on

Fridays, from 3- 4:30, in the lower level of St. Clare Church.



September 18th

OFFERTORY: \$4,216.00

ONLINE GIVING: \$2,291.50

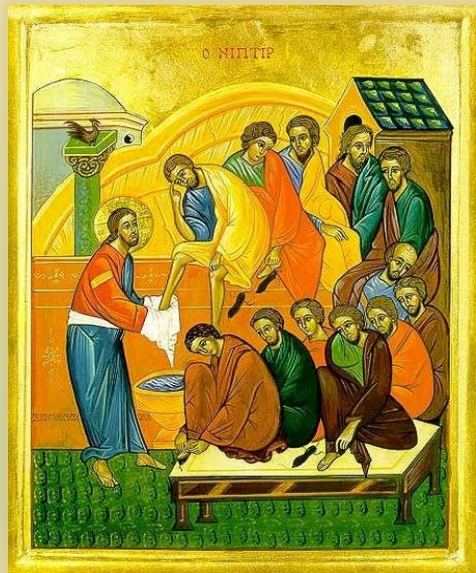


RECENTLY BAPTIZED

Grace Kayleigh White, child of Keith & Gretchen White, has recently received the sacrament of baptism at St. Paul Church.



We welcome Grace to our parish community!



We ask your prayers for Christian Saunders, our parishioner who has undertaken studies for the Permanent Diaconate in our Diocese. Christian has completed his first of five years of preparation and will be formally welcomed into the formation program through the Rite of Candidacy, celebrated by Bishop Bambera at the Noon Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral on Saturday October 1st. All are welcome to attend.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

September 25, 2022: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead." Regardless of how the message of faith is received, a total conversion of mind and heart is needed for it to take root and have meaning. It is easy to become complacent and comfortable with all that life can afford us. Life can become "all about me," preserving my livelihood and protecting my securities. Often, this drive can become so strong that we eagerly strive to protect our self-interests at the expense of others. Other people are necessary only to the extent that they are "useful" to us and profitable.

Merriam-Webster defines entitlement as "the belief that one is deserving of or entitled to certain privileges." In a world that pretends to offer us so many necessities, this is perhaps the greatest contemporary sin. When we feel "entitled" to something, even if it is perceived necessary, our relationships can get skewed. Unless we adopt a global vision of entitlement wherein everyone is entitled to the same things, we risk becoming extremely self-focused and selfish. All we care about is defending our rights and protecting our turf. This impulse can be so strong that we pursue it even at the expense of another. Is this what God intends for his children?

Holding on to this myopic vision, the plight and station of others are off our radar and of no real concern to us. Relying on our own merits and becoming resilient to life's challenges, we replace the true and real God with the one we created ourselves. Jesus and the prophets before him have consistently reminded us of the dangers of wealth, ignoring the poor and the needy, and becoming too fiercely independent and arrogant. Yet, we conduct our lives as if that message has never been preached. We give our faith a nod and never consider for a moment that we may be wrong in terms of what we see as important. "The things that we love tell us what we are (attributed to St. Thomas Aquinas)." Ponder those words a bit and remember that when we leave this world and go to the next one, what we loved here is what we will look for there. What we sought here may not be there. ©LPi

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

The 7th Annual Be A Catholic Man Conference will be held on Saturday, October 8, 2022 at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 South Pennsylvania Ave. Wilkes Barre, PA 18701.

This year's theme is "**Be Not Afraid**".

The conference will also have opportunities for confession, adoration, and will close with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Joseph Bambera.

For information about how to register, please refer to brochures and posters in the church, scan the QR code or reach out via contact information below!



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



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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Order of Alhambra

The Order of Alhambra, a Catholic organization of Catholic men and women dedicated to providing assistance and support to intellectually disabled individuals is seeking donations.

The local caravan Alhambra Caravan #4, a 501(c)10 non-profit organization hosts a summer picnic for the developmentally disabled, provides Christmas donations to local group homes, Special Olympics bowlers and Alhambra houses. Businesses and individuals are most welcome to donate.

Make check payable to: Alhambra Caravan #4 and mail to: Donna Magni, Vice Grand Commander, 17 English St. West Wyoming, PA 18644.

New members are invited to join.

For more information please contact

Donna at 570-357-0507.

Your generosity benefits God's Special people and they thank you.

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-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. 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 Feast of St. Francis of Assisi is celebrated each year on October 4th. This year we will have a **Pet Blessing** in his honor on **Sunday, October 2nd** at **12:00 p.m.** in the field next to St. Clare/St. Paul School, Main Campus.



All are welcome to bring their pets for a special treat and blessing!

Grief Support Ministry

Jesus said, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted" (Mt. 5:4).



The Cathedral of Saint Peter Parish will once again hold a Grief Support group program for people in our community who are grieving the loss of a loved one. In our community we are frequently reminded of the reality of Death, and of our Christian responsibility to offer some degree of comfort to those who mourn. Our Ministry is **not confined to Parish members only and is available to anyone in the community** who feels the need to participate in a Grief Ministry Program that offers spiritual as well as emotional support during the weeks, months or years following the death of a close family member or friend. The next Grief Support Group **will meet on Wednesday, September 28, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM** in the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Ave. (across the street from the Cathedral). If you feel that you may benefit from this program and would like to attend, please contact the Cathedral Parish Office at 570-344-7231.

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PETER INAUGURAL

CASH BINGO

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

Diocese of Scranton Pastoral Center | 330 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton

Doors Open at 1 PM  First Game at 2 PM

20 Games | 4 Specials | \$100 prize per game

PURCHASE TICKETS TODAY

\$25 in advance
\$30 at the door



www.stpeterscathedral.org
570.344.7231

FOOD | BASKET RAFFLE | 50/50 RAFFLE

Free Parking | Handicap Parking

The Cathedral of Saint Peter Parish will sponsor its inaugural Cathedral Cash Bingo on Sunday, October 2 at the Diocese of Scranton Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton. Doors open at 1 p.m. and the first game will be played at 2 p.m. (20 games, 4 specials, \$100 prize per game). Free parking and handicap parking will be available. Purchase your tickets today for \$25 by calling the Parish Office at 570.344.7231 or online at www.stpeterscathedral.org. The event will also feature food, a variety basket raffle, and a 50/50 raffle. Join us for an afternoon of food, fun, and fellowship!

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 supporting the I.H.M. Sisters!