



ST. PAUL PARISH

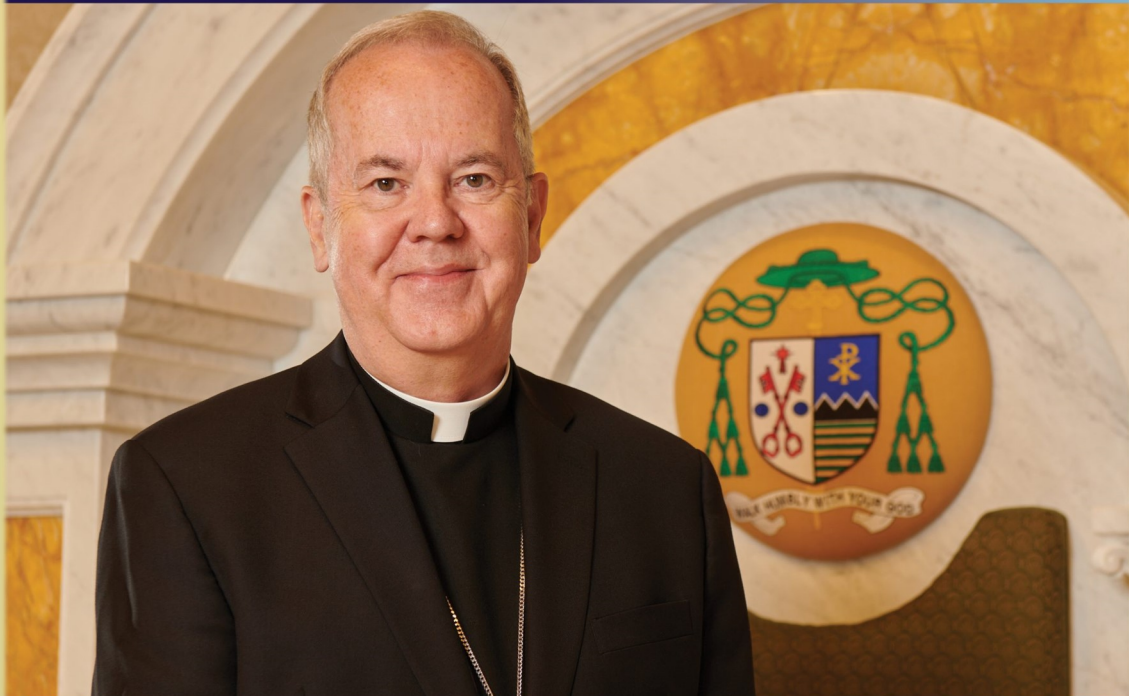
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 2, 2022



*"The Diocesan Annual Appeal helps us come together as **one community of faith** to provide the **essential ministries** that no one parish can do on its own."*

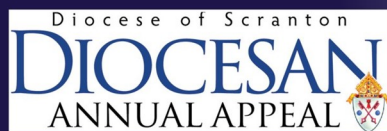
- Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.
Bishop of Scranton



Thank You for Changing Lives!

Your **generosity** to the 2022 Diocesan Annual Appeal reaches tens of thousands of our friends and neighbors throughout the 11 counties of the Diocese of Scranton.

We are called to share our gifts with others to build the Kingdom of God. Your support of the Appeal provides support that fulfills **basic needs** and **builds the future of our church**.



GIFTS OF ALL SIZES ARE NEEDED AND APPRECIATED!

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-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

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

Sunday, October 2 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish
† James Volz (Family)

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

Monday, October 3 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Donal O'Keeffe (Peggy)

Tuesday, October 4 St. Francis of Assisi

8:00 a.m. † Jerry Maushart (Family)

Wednesday, October 5 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † John Heelan (Peggy O'Keeffe)

Thursday, October 6 Sts. Michael, Gabriel
& Raphael, Archangels

8:00 a.m. † Jean McHale (MaryAnn McHale)

Friday, October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary

8:00 a.m. † Ryan O'Malley (Mom, Dad & Family)

Saturday, October 8 Vigil: Twenty-Eighth
Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Mary Gardier (Family)

4:30 p.m. † John Dougherty (Family)

Sunday, October 9 Twenty-Eighth Sunday
In Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish

† Maryanne Donohue (Joe & Family)
10:30a.m. † Anthony Cantafio (Joanne & Family)



RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Dougherty. May his 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:

† Bob Holtham

With Love From:

Emilia & Gene Ogozalek

St. Paul's St. Joseph Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† John "Sonny" Lenko

With Love From:

Stan & Betty Bednarz

St. Paul's Marian Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Anthony Cantafio

With Love From:

Eshelman Family



St. Paul's Wine and Host

In Loving Memory of:

† John Dougherty

With Love From:

Family

Food Pantry Hours: Fridays 3-4:30pm
Food Pantry Volunteers for Friday October 7
Sandi Cadden, Ellie Pyles, Jody Maloney,
& Barbara Burkhouse

St. Paul Food Pantry Donations

In Loving Memory of: † Bob Holtham
With Love ,
A Friend

In Loving Memory of: † Mari Acculto
With Love ,
Acculto Family



Many clients use SNAP cards (formerly known as food stamps) to purchase groceries. However, SNAP cannot be used for cleaning supplies, paper products, and hygiene items. Consequently, donations of such are always most welcome!



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.

September 18th

OFFERTORY: \$4,434.00

ONLINE GIVING: \$2,382.00



RECENTLY BAPTIZED

Lucie Joyce, child of Kevin & Alessandra Joyce, has recently received the sacrament of baptism at St. Paul Church.



We welcome Lucie to our parish community!

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Be Careful What You Wish For

You've probably heard the phrase "Be careful what you wish for." In my experience, it's not often utilized with a lot of charity. You usually hear it said as a warning. The unspoken sentiment behind it is this: You're not as strong as you think you are.

As Christians we shouldn't be surprised to look ourselves in the mirror and own that reality. We are not as strong as we may think. We are time and time again shocked and dismayed by our own weaknesses, our own fears, our own shortcomings.

Should we be careful what we wish for? The apostles asked Jesus to increase their faith, and He told them it would take work. It would take suffering. It would take patience.

But He didn't say it was impossible.

As everyday stewards, we need to continue wishing recklessly. Ask God for anything and everything, come to Him with all your needs. Beg Him for grace without limit.

When we hear God's voice, it does not always say what we want to hear. But it always speaks the perfect truth. If it tells us of a hardship that we think we cannot bear, let us take solace in the knowledge that we are the stewards — not the landlord.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS©LPi

Q & A: Violent Conflicts

Question:

What is the Christian attitude towards violent conflicts?

Answer:

In the Beatitudes, Jesus teaches us "Blessed are the peacemakers" and to "love your enemies." All human beings are made in God's image and likeness. We are one human family — brothers and sisters despite what divides us. Christians have the obligation to prioritize peaceful means to resolve conflicts. War wreaks a toll on a nation. Civilians bear a disproportionate burden of this cost during the war itself and as the nation rebuilds. However, those in authority have the obligation to protect the innocent.

During the gradual fall of the Roman Empire, theologians began to theorize that war could be just if it was a defensive measure of last resort. The "Just War Theory" was later expanded by St. Thomas Aquinas, who also included moral obligations during the war itself, including the protection of civilians. Those in public authority have the obligation to carefully examine their motives, agendas, and rationale for violent force. Should a cause be just, those who fight and defend under such circumstances must be valued and honored. They deserve our support both during and after the war. ©LPi

October is Respect Life Month

*"Without this place, I have no idea what I would have done. . .
I am so grateful that I found Shepherd's Maternity House,
the staff here is wonderful."*

- Jessica

New Mom staying at Shepherd's Maternity House



By supporting **Catholic Social Services**, Shepherd's Maternity House in East Stroudsburg is able to offer love and support to mothers and infants in their time of need.

The agency also serves as a lifeline to tens of thousands of other families and seniors by providing food, clothing, shelter and other necessary assistance.



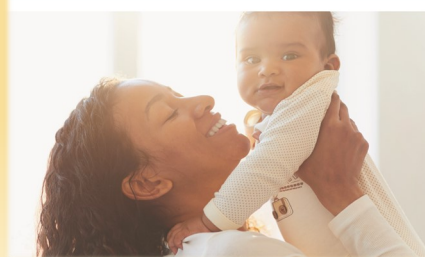
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As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from conception to its natural end.

During October, the Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month, **a time in which we're invited to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.**

The Diocesan Annual Appeal donations support Catholic Social Services which offers programs to help support mothers and infants in their time of need. Please consider donating whatever you can to this year's appeal. Gifts of all size are needed and appreciated!

respect life



*called
to serve
moms
in need*



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.

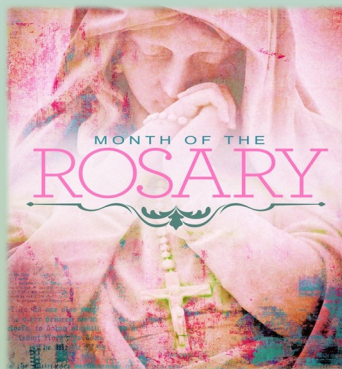
Special intentions for our country and world:

- 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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October is the Month of the Rosary!

Join us at St. Clare Church Monday-Friday for Adoration

from 4-5pm and pray the Rosary beginning at 4:30 each day.

Rosaries and Cards on how to say the Rosary are free to anyone wishing to join in prayer!

*There is no problem I tell you no matter how difficult it is that we cannot solve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary -
Sister Lucia of Fatima.*

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!**

SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH HALLOWEEN FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, OCT. 15TH—SUNDAY, OCT. 16TH

ST. CYRIL'S CHURCH PARKING LOT

207 RIVER ST., OLYPHANT

11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. each day

****WEAR A COSTUME—GET A TREAT****

TRUCKS: BellaRose, 2 Wayz/One Passion, Roseanna's Pizza, Hog Farm BBQ, Polish Connection, All Belgium, Pop-Pop's Grille, Lou's Funnel Cakes, Ginger's Pies, Udder Delights, Capra Collina, Udder InsaniTea, Susquehanna Brewing, St. Cyril's Bake Sale.

CRAFTS: Madalyn's Hats, Cheryl's Wreaths, Beads of Life, Friends w/Paws, Jill's Biscotti, Betty's Crafts, Hoodies & T-Shirts, Brock's Fresh Breads, Butterflies & Jewelry, My Vintage Porch, Brass Mountain Instruction.

PLUS: Big 6 Wheel, Basket Raffle, Halloween Games for Kids, Free Balloons, Take a Picture at our Halloween Photo Backdrop.

ENTERTAINMENT: Saturday 2 to 5: "Travelin Lite"

Sunday 2 to 4: "Pat's Musical Marauders"

Both Days: (by popular demand) "DJ PAUL"

43RD ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT

Rosary Novena

**Saturday, Oct. 1st through
Sunday, Oct. 9th at 7:00 P.M.**

ST. LUCY'S CHURCH

949 Scranton Street – Scranton, PA



- The Rosary will be said by candlelight in the Church.
- The crowning of Our Blessed Mother takes place each night.
- The Novena will close each evening with Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.



Everyone is invited to attend. Handicap accessible.

Rev. Sam Ferretti, Pastor – Deacon Carmine Mendicino, Director- Christopher Mendicino, Choir Director

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. Purchase your tickets before the FIRST Drawing on October 19th !

*Thank you for supporting the
I.H.M. Sisters!*