



# ST. PAUL PARISH

*Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
October 9, 2022



## 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**"Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."**  
- Lk 17:19

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. ©LPI

### 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](http://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-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

4:30 p.m. † Anthony Cantafio (Eshelman Family)

**Sunday, October 9** Twenty-Eighth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish  
† Maryanne Donohue (Joe & Family)

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

**Monday, October 10** Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Robert Holtham (Helen, Robbie & Noel)

**Tuesday, October 11** Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Jean O'Hara Lynett  
(Lynett Haggerty Family)

**Wednesday, October 12** Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Jack Stranieri & (Bob & Midge Cooney)

8:00 a.m. † Nicolena Miraglia (AnnMarie & Robert Bergman)

**Thursday, October 13** Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Mary Ellen Haggerty (Regina & Family)

**Friday, October 14** Weekday

8:00 a.m. † William Pappas (Washo & McGinnis Families)

**Saturday, October 15** Vigil: Twenty-Ninth  
Sunday In Ordinary Time  
\*St. Teresa of Jesus

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

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

**Sunday, October 16** Twenty-Ninth Sunday  
In Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish  
† Patricia J. Mellody (Angie & Pat McDonough)

10:30a.m. † Ann Sullivan Kennedy  
(Kenneth & Jerry Kennedy)



### RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul  
of **Brian Benginia**. 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:

† Ann Chermak

With Love From:

**Loving Daughter, Joan**

### St. Paul's St. Joseph Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Anthony Cantafio

With Love From:

**Mom & Family**

### St. Paul's Marian Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Christine Martin

With Love From:

**Shaffern & Martin Families**

### St. Paul's Wine and Host

In Loving Memory of:

† Brian Benginia

With Love From:

**Family**



### Food Pantry Hours: Fridays 3-4:30pm

Food Pantry Volunteers for Friday October 7  
**U of S Students & Barbara Burkhouse**

## St. Paul Food Pantry Donations

**In Loving Memory of:** **In Loving Memory of:**

† Bob Holtham

With Love ,  
**A Friend**

† 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.**

**October 2, 2022**

**OFFERTORY: \$5,021.00**

**ONLINE GIVING: \$3,326.35**



## RECENTLY BAPTIZED

*Thomas Anthony Moraski*, child of Robert & Victoria, has recently received the sacrament of baptism at St. Paul Church.



*We welcome Thomas to our parish community!*

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

*October 9, 2022—28th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Ten lepers were cured. Only one returned to give thanks. When we fall victim to entitlement, we diminish our capacity to love. Never satisfied, we walk around with outstretched arms, eagerly searching for the next thing we want so that we can acquire it ourselves. Very rarely do entitled hands hold anything to freely give away to others. Entitled hands also find it challenging to reach toward heaven in a gesture of gratitude and praise. We are often more obsessed with celebrating our victories, securing our assets, safeguarding our futures, and stacking the deck of life in our favor rather than relishing and absorbing the gift of the moment and blessings received.

Entitled people find it difficult to pray properly. When the subject of our prayer is mostly about our needs and wants, we are falling into the trap of deception. We foolishly try to convince God that our tiny worlds are of greater importance than His. In ancient times, people would offer sacrifices to “the gods” to secure protection and favors. Our God desires mercy, not sacrifice, because He is about love and justice, not simply meeting our agendas. Every breath is a gift. Prayer, which is a celebration of that gift, acknowledges the Giver. Prayer strengthens the bond between Giver and receiver, creating a deepening awareness that nothing I am or anything I have can exist apart from His Divine Will. It also reminds us that we have done nothing to merit the unconditional love and mercy God showers upon us.

Prayer is not just about getting what I need but celebrating who I am.

For St. Therese of Lisieux prayer is “a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy.” When our hearts “surge” toward God, we rush to the Source of our restoration and wholeness, knowing our longing for God’s Divine embrace.

Prayer is a response to God’s graciousness with an act of gratitude returned by us.

In prayer, we gaze upon each other in that sacred space where I give myself to God as He is, and God gives Himself to me as I am. We cannot take another step without saying thank you. ©LPi

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

**Silver Circle**

A membership program to benefit the retired Sisters of I.H.M.



## 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!*





Diocese of Scranton  
**DIOCESAN**  
ANNUAL APPEAL

**Celebration Weekend is next weekend!**

**OCTOBER 15 & 16, 2022**



Next weekend, our parish will join with all other churches in the Diocese of Scranton to celebrate the good work taking place locally thanks to gifts made to the Diocesan Annual Appeal.

This coming week, please consider how you are able to open your hands and hearts to embrace the poor, just as Jesus did.

Join us next weekend to see how your past support has helped to change lives in our community.

**You can make a gift right now online!**



Everything we have, everything we are, and everything we will become is a gift from God. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to pray, serve and share our blessings in gratitude for God's great bounty.

Thank you for exploring ways you can share in the Mission of the Diocese of Scranton by sharing your blessings. Our Diocesan ministries support more than 250,000 Catholics in our Diocese and countless individuals of all faiths.

The Ministries of the Diocese:

The Diocese offers many giving opportunities that directly benefit those in need and help build up the Kingdom of God. Gifts to the Diocesan Annual Appeal provide essential funding for five ministries which serve every Catholic parish, school and family and many community individuals and families in 11 counties. Ministries supported by the Appeal include Catholic Social Services and Parish Social Justice Grants, Catholic education in schools and parishes, seminarian education and care of our retired and ill clergy, Parish Life programs and services and Catholic Media and communications.



**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

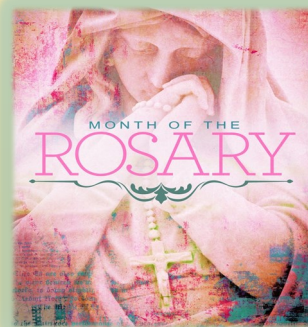


Made with PosterMyWall.com

**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 Administration, Faculty, Parents, and  
Students  
of Holy Cross High School  
Invite You to our annual  
Open House  
Sunday, October 30, 2022  
Our Tours will run from 11am through  
3pm  
Visit [hchspa.org](http://hchspa.org) to schedule your tour  
and find more information Holy Cross  
High School  
501 East Drinker Street Dunmore, PA  
18512

## SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH HALLOWEEN FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, OCT. 15<sup>TH</sup>—SUNDAY, OCT. 16<sup>TH</sup>

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"

The 1962 class of St. Paul High School will celebrate their 60th reunion  
Saturday October 15, 2022 - Many Blessings to all!



## Mass with Rite of Admission to Candidacy for Holy Orders

Eight faith-filled men took a step toward ordination as permanent deacons for the Diocese of Scranton during a Mass on Oct. 1, 2022, at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton. The Mass, which was celebrated at 12:10 p.m. by the Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, included the Rite of Candidacy for Holy Orders. During the Rite of Candidacy, Bishop Bambera accepted the men to formally enter the diaconate formation process as Candidates. Over the next four years, these men will receive spiritual, theological and pastoral formation, and upon completion, will be called

to ordination as permanent deacons. The Rite of Candidacy is the first official recognition of the positive signs of a man's vocation to the permanent diaconate. The men who participated in the Rite of Admission to Candidacy for Holy Orders on Oct. 1 are: Fernando B. Alves – Saint Luke Parish, Stroudsburg Ernesto A. Capo, Jr. – Saint Ann Parish, Shohola Michaelangelo J. Colaneri – Cathedral of Saint Peter Parish, Scranton Frank A. Fanelli – Saint Ann Parish, Shohola Joel Marte – Saint Matthew Parish, East Stroudsburg Jorge A. Roca – Saint Matthew Parish, East Stroudsburg Rafael Sánchez Velásquez – Saint Matthew Parish, East Stroudsburg Christian D. Saunders – Saint Paul Parish, Scranton A ninth man, Francisco Castelan, has been accepted this year into this formation class, but he has already received the Rite of Candidacy in 2013 in the Diocese of Brooklyn.

*We congratulate our parishioner, Christian Saunders, with sincere gratitude and many blessings to him as he moves forward in his diaconate formation!*