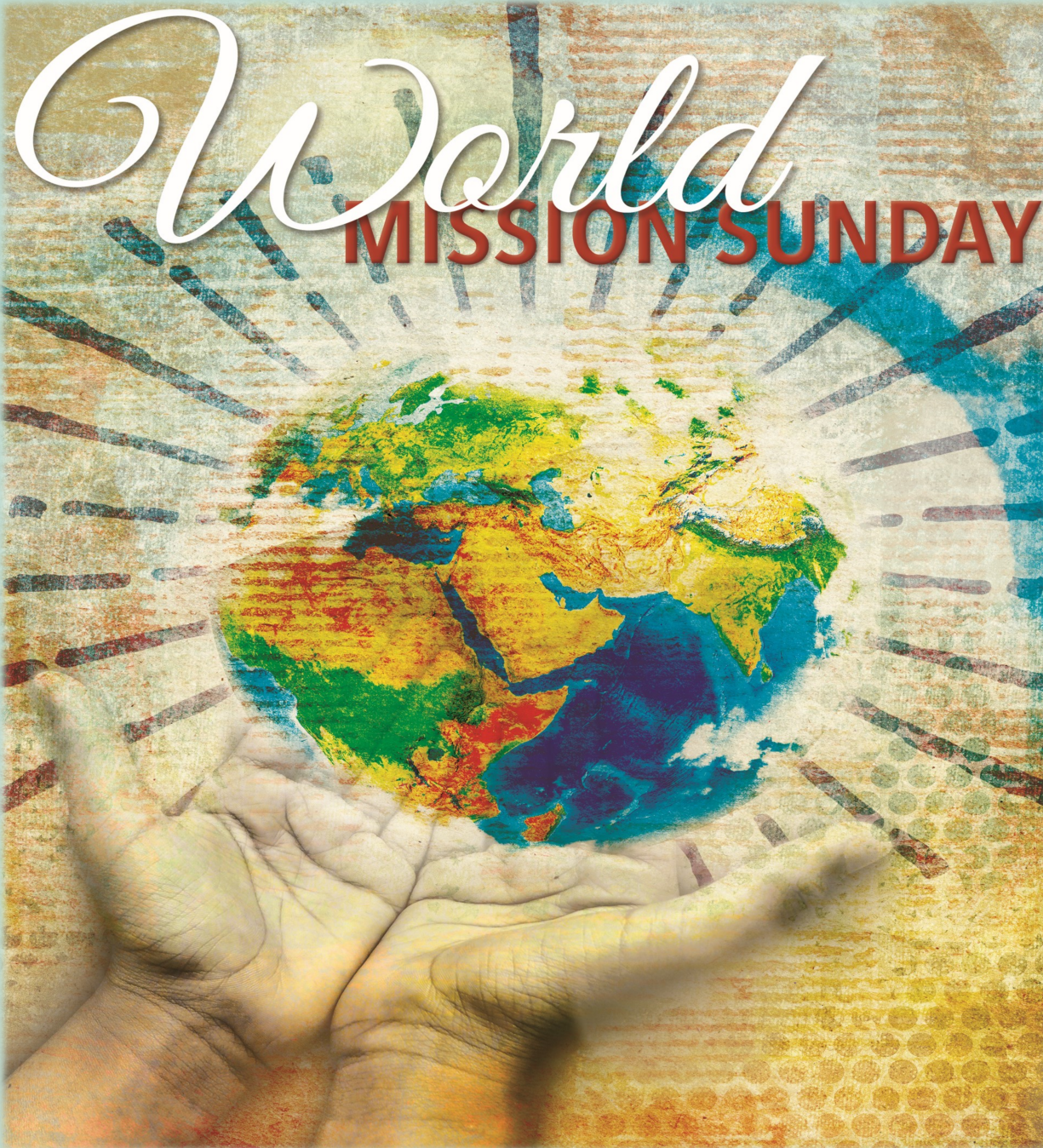




ST. PAUL PARISH

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 23rd 2022



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-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, October 22 Vigil: Thirtieth Sunday
In Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. † Judge and Mrs. S. John Cottone (Family)

Sunday, October 23 Thirtieth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish
† Monsignor George Demuth (Family)

10:30 a.m. † Edward Karabin (Ed Jr., Ann, Kevin & Courtney)

Monday, October 24 Weekday

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

Tuesday, October 25 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Eugenia Barbetti (Family)

Wednesday, October 26 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Ryan Steppacher (Family)

Thursday, October 27 Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Gene Pidich (Wife, Regina)

Friday, October 28 Sts. Simon & Jude

8:00 a.m. † James P. Kennedy (Family)

Saturday, October 29 Vigil: Thirty-First
Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Ruth C. Zale (Maryjule & Michael Kapacs)

4:30 p.m. † Robert McAndrew (Family)

Sunday, October 31 Thirty-First Sunday
In Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish
† Mary Doherty (Helen, Robbie & Noel)

10:30 a.m. † Daniel Finnerty (Bob & Sally Dench)

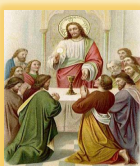


RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul
of Sr. Margaret Gannon, IHM. 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:

† Larry Trischetta

With Love From:

Frank & Eleanor Cimino

St. Paul's St. Joseph Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Bill Bochicchio

With Love From:

Frank & Eleanor Cimino

St. Paul's Marian Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Lois McHale

With Love From:

Family



St. Paul's Wine and Host

In Loving Memory of:

† Sr. Margaret Gannon, IHM

With Love From:

Students of Marywood University

Food Pantry Hours: Fridays 3-4:30pm

Food Pantry Volunteers for Friday October 28
U of S Students, Jody Maloney & Barbara Burkhouse

St. Paul Food Pantry Donations

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

† Kay O'Donnell

With Love,

**Todd & Elizabeth
O'Malley**

† Msgr. George

Demuth

With Love,
Family



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. 570-961-1549*



ALTER SERVERS

We would like to restore the practice
of having altar servers at the weekend
Masses at 4:30 Saturday and 10:30
Sunday. If you are a former server
or wish to train as a new server, please
call the rectory at (570) 961-1549.

October 16, 2022

OFFERTORY: \$3,273.00

ONLINE GIVING: \$2,215.00



Temporary Inconvenience, Permanent Improvement



Please bear with us as replace the front steps to the Rectory. The rectory may be entered using the church side ramp accessed At the back of the rectory.

St. Paul Parish Financial Report

The Parish Finance Committee has reviewed and approved the filing of our annual financial report due to the diocese, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022.

We are pleased to report that the collections have stabilized over the past year, although still significantly less than pandemic levels.

The Wishlist contributions are up due to generous anonymous gift from a parishioner. We now have enough money to pay for a sound system and look forward to seeing an installation later this year. The contractor has had problems with obtaining parts like so many others dealing with the supply chain issues.

The parish staff continues to do an excellent job in controlling normal ongoing expenses. Total operating expenses increased \$52,000, or 8% from last year.

Most of this increase was plant maintenance and administration cost. The plant administration is primarily due to a timing difference created by a Diocesan change in handling payroll.

We also were fortunate to not have capital expenditures in the past two years. Unfortunately, we will have significant capital expenditures next fiscal year.

We hope that more of our parishioners will consider using electronic giving, so that their contributions will continue to be received even if they are unable to attend Mass.

We are thankful that once again, our Parish received several bequests. We ask everyone to consider make a bequest to St. Paul Parish, as a part of their estate planning.

Dollars in 000s	Year Ended June 30	Year Ended June 30	Change
	2022	2021	
Operating Income			
Collections			
Offertory	\$409	\$407	\$2
Loose	33	14	19
Holy Days	71	55	16
Wish List	33	13	20
Fund Raising	14	17	(3)
Other	80	91	(11)
Diocesan Collections	28	15	13
Total	\$668	\$612	\$56
Operating Expenses			
Administration	\$300	\$251	\$49
Rectory	21	33	(12)
Liturgy	58	62	(4)
Religious Education	33	40	(7)
Social Justice	12	10	2
Plant Maintenance	106	70	36
Insurance	25	26	1
Diocesan Collections	28	15	13
School Subsidy	98	122	(24)
Total	\$681	\$629	\$52
Operating Surplus	(\$13)	(\$17)	\$4
Capital Expenditures	-	-	-
Excess after capital expenditures	(\$13)	(\$17)	\$4

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

October 23, 2022: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is a thing called “false piety.” It is when we wear a religious disguise of devotion, attend to our obligations, and outwardly abide by rules while being inwardly unkind, uncharitable, and exclusive.

Wearing the right clothes, saying the proper prayers, being in sacred places, and reading devotional books, those exhibiting false piety craftily try to control others using the pretense of love. The Pharisees, consistently criticized by Jesus, are prime examples. Thinking they are superior to others, they foolishly believe they are better positioned with God and more worthy of God’s attention. Forming an exclusive “club,” they divide things between “mine” and “yours” and “us” and “them.” They quickly criticize and point out flaws and errors in rituals and thinking.

Conformity becomes the first commandment and control is the game’s name.

The requirements for “club membership” are clear: do what we do, think what we think, and believe what we believe. Attempting to control others using the lure of “status” or “salvation,” they seduce others into thinking that conformity is the only way to holiness. Clinging to “my beliefs,” “my parish,” “my way of thinking,” they fail to see the more significant relationship with God that is veiled in all of these superficial rules and practices. Shallow, hollow, and empty vessels, they gloss over the more important virtues of justice, mercy, faithfulness, and forgiveness. Sparkling clean on the outside, but dirty on the inside.

Spiritual arrogance is a grave sin. It alienates and hurts the little ones, those considered “least” in the kingdom.

God knows no favorites. Everyone belongs regardless of whether you are an official, bona fide member.

Sometimes membership may be a detriment to actually living the Gospel if you’re joining the team for the wrong reasons. The genuinely humble ones may not appear to be overly “pious.” They may not know all of the proper prayers or abide by all of the correct rituals, but they know that they are broken and need mercy. There is no shame in being broken. In fact, many things need to be broken in order to be what they truly are! There is a reason Jesus told us to pray in private. It’s only between you and God.

It is nobody else’s business. ©LPi



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 to schedule your tour
and find more information.

Holy Cross High School
501 East Drinker Street Dunmore, PA 18512

GALLERIA
at Scranton Prep

Saturday, November 13

10:00AM-5:00PM

Sunday, November 14

11:00AM-3:00PM

Get a jump start on your holiday gift list and support local businesses when you shop over 65 local vendors-
ALL UNDER ONE ROOF at Scranton Prep Galleria
at the Xavier Center on **November 12th and 13th.**

Saturday and Sunday the first 250 patrons will receive
a swag bag and a chance to win a door prize.

Take your chance and enter the basket raffle.

***Shop, eat and enjoy the holiday atmosphere at
the best family-friendly event this season!***

"Sometimes it is the **only meal** that they have for the day"

- Susan Lingg

Parishioner of St. Boniface, Williamsport



Gifts to the Diocesan Annual Appeal go to support **Social Justice Grants** given to dozens of parishes each year to fund much-needed local projects.

Saint Boniface and Saint Lawrence Parishes in Lycoming County received a Social Justice Grant this year to help provide weekly meals at Sojourner Truth Ministries in Williamsport. Parish volunteers help cook and serve the meals each Friday.



GIFTS OF ALL SIZES ARE NEEDED AND APPRECIATED!

The Diocese of Scranton's agencies and ministries are lifelines of hope to so many people in our communities. The Diocesan Annual Appeal provides critical funding for these services. You may have already received a letter at your home from Bishop Bambera in regard to the 2022 appeal. If you have, I humbly ask you to respond as soon as possible. Your pledge or one time gift is a tangible way to support your brothers and sisters in Christ. And you, in turn, share in the joy of bringing hope into the lives of those we serve.

Our parish goal is \$66,000.

Visit www.annualappeal.org to make your gift and view the Diocesan Annual Appeal videos, which highlight the wonderful work your gifts support.

Thank you for your continued support!

-We couldn't do it without you-



Knights of Columbus Council 12572

Presents



October 22, 2022

Greenwood Hose Company
3727 Birney Avenue
Moosic PA 18507

**50/50
Raffle**

**Win
Prizes!**



6pm Doors Open 6:30 Dinner 7:00 Races Start

Admission **\$8 Per Person**

Must be 21 or Older

Food Included with Admission Ticket
(Hot Dogs, Whimpies, and Pizza)
Beer and Wine Available

Be a Horse Owner for \$10 - Horse BETS \$2



Ticket available at ScrantonKnights.com

or

By calling (570) 885-9389



If you would like to donate a basket for our basket raffle or sponsor our Night at the Races. Please contact Chris Esposito (570) 885-9389



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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