ST. PAUL PARISH

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 13, 2022





6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied.
Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh."

- Lk 6:21

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JOIN US FOR MASS

Join us on Facebook at St. Paul's Parish for our Saturday 4:30 p.m. live-streaming of the Celebration of Mass. We encourage you to tune in live and pray in solidarity with us. St. Paul Church is now open for masses with limited social distancing seating.

Mass Schedule

8 am Mass ~ Monday Thru Saturday Vigil Mass ~ 4:30 pm Saturday ~ Livestreamed Mass ~ Sunday 8 am ~ 10:30 am Confessions - Saturday 4:00 pm

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 ~ Monday thru Friday
8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
E-Mail ~ info@stpaulscranton.org
Facebook ~ Saint Paul's Parish
Website ~ www.stpaulscranton.org

St. Clare Church

2235 North Washington Avenue 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 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 - Administrative Assistant Phoebe Wilson - Operations Manager

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 parish office 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.

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.

St. Paul Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 12

Vigil: Sixth Sunday in **Ordinary Time**

4:30 p.m. † Joseph P. McCormack

(Wife, Anne & Family)

Sunday, February 13

Sixth Sunday in **Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish

† Clair Kenny (Mary McAndrew)

10:30 a.m. † Margaret Rosenella (MaryAnn Answini)

Monday, February 14 **Sts. Cyril and Methodius**

8:00 a.m. † Jack Scanlon

(Family)

Tuesday, February 15

Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Mr. & Mrs. Michael Washo (Washo Family)

Wednesday, February 16

Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Michael Stephen Hanni

(Grandparents, Deacon John & Charlotte Hanni)

Thursday, February 17

Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Harold Marion (Barbara & Joe McCarthy)

Friday, February 18

Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Jimmy Coughlin

(Thomas Kelly)

Saturday, February 19

Weekday

8:00 a.m. † James Volz (Craig & Mary Grace Washo)

4:30 p.m. † Shane Matthew Connolly (Family)

Sunday, February 20

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish

Carol Pappas

(Family)

10:30a.m. † Catherine Mulderig

(Auriemma Family)

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those recently departed.



May all the souls of the faithful departed. through the Mercy of God, rest in peace!

REMEMBERED AT THE ALTAR



St. Paul's Sanctuary Candle In Memory of:

† Robert McAndrew With Love From:

Mary McAndrew & Family

St. Paul's St. Joseph Candle In Loving Memory of: † Tom Walsh With Love From:

Walsh-Dempsey Family

St. Paul's Marian Candle In Loving Memory of: **Johnine Cummings** † With Love From: Alicia Dougherty





U of S Students. Barbara Burkhouse

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS:

In Loving Memory of: Frank Brozzetti

With Love. Tom & Lenore McGowan



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IN CHRIST

We are collecting old palm to burn for use on Ash Wednesday. If you have any old palm, kindly leave them in the back of the church. Thank you!

FIRST TIME PARENTS BAPTISMAL CLASS

All first time parents are asked to request instruction before having your child baptized.

Call 570-961-1549 to register!



EVERY DONATION COUNTS!

If you have not yet pledged, please help us reach

our Annual Appeal Parish Goal! Our Parish is at 67% of our \$66,000 goal. Our parish is reimbursed 75% for any gifts made to the Appeal in excess of our

Appeal goal. Thank you!

MEMORIALIZING A LOVED ONE

You may memorialize a loved one by having the candles lit at St. Paul's Church for the week & noted in our bulletin.



Please call Marci at the rectory for more information.

THANKS GIVÍNG February 6th
Offertory: \$5,091
Online: \$2,973.35
IS ONLINE GIVING RISKY?

It's less risky than writing checks or bringing cash to church.
Electronic contributions can't be lost, stolen, or destroyed.

If you don't like it simply cancel your authorization for future gifts. Please go to our website at www.stpaulscranton.org and click the link for information on Online Giving on the bottom of the page!



ADORATION AND ROSARY

Monday thru Friday 4-5pm at St. Clare Church with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The Rosary is recited at 4:30 p.m.

Special intentions for our country and our world include:

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



MASS OF THANKSGIVING

AND Sending Forth



FOR

BISHOP-ELECT JEFFREY J. WALSH

Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 12:10 p.m. Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton

Prayer for the Synod

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. *Amen.*

ST. CYRIL'S CHURCH- LENTEN FOOD SALE FRIDAYS DURING LENT: MARCH 4TH to April 8TH FEATURING: PIZZA by ROSEANNA'S, PIEROGI by LITTLE SPUDS, BELLAROSE FOOD TRUCK, SOUPS by BISTRO ON THE HUDSON ORDER BY 6:00 p.m. MONDAY EACH WEEK PICK-UP ON FRIDAY 3:00 p.m. TO 6:00 p.m. PICK-UP: ST. CYRIL'S HALL, 207 RIVER ST, OLYPHANT Orders: Call Jule (570) 357-6171 or Michaelene (570) 209-2026

PIZZA by Roseanna's

RED: \$12- WHITE: \$13 PIEROGI (hand-made, double sized) Potato/cheese \$14 doz. Potato/cheese/onion \$14.50 doz. Potato/cheese/jalapeno \$14.50 doz.

BELLAROSE FOOD TRUCK

(also accepting walk-in orders)
Hand-breaded Shrimp & Fries \$10
Fish & Chips \$14
Buffalo Shrimp & Cheese Fries \$12
Halushki \$10
Mango Habanero Shrimp & Garlic

Parm Fries\$12

Crab Macaroni & Cheese \$15

SOUPS by Bistro on the Hudson

March 4: Crab Bisque \$15 Spinach Tortellini Soup \$10 March 11: Shrimp Bisque \$15 Vegetable Soup \$10 March 18: Lobster Bisque \$15

Broccoli Cheese Soup \$12 March 25:New England Clam\$12 Tomato Basil Soup \$10

April 1: Shrimp Corn Chowder \$15 Cream of Potato Soup \$12

April 8: Manhattan Clam \$12 Cauliflower Cheese Soup \$12

What is my role in this Synod?

By calling for the 2021-2023 Synod on Synodality, Pope Francis is inviting the Church to gather and to listen to each and every Catholic to find the Church's path forward a this time in our history.

This is a moment for the voice of God's people to be heard to give voice to the



direction of the Church. Pope Francis is providing the opportunity for this ancient and tested model to find relevance in light of today's challenges and opportunities.

The Holy Father seeks to hear every voice. Visit: www.dioceseofscranton.org/synod-on-synodality or call the Synod Phone Line at 570-591-5024

One of the foundations of the Catholic Faith is a belief that God is alive in each and every human person.

World Marriage Day: Sunday February 13th

This Sunday we celebrate World Marriage Day in tribute to husbands and wives as the foundation of the family, the basic unit of society. When we think of marriage, words like love, faithfulness, trust, sacrifice, forgiveness and perseverance and many other values come to mind. For us in the Church, the idea of sacrament and covenant embraces all those expressions as we consider the loving and graced relationship of one man and one woman in a union that is faithful, fruitful and forever. No other partnership equals this blessed gift of our Creator, present from the beginning of the world. World Marriage Day, the second Sunday of February, and National Marriage Week USA (February 7 – 14) are observed annually in dioceses and parishes throughout our country as an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. The theme selected by the U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops for National Marriage Week 2022, inspired by the national Pastoral Framework, is "Called to the Joy of Love."



The Sacrament of Marriage is not a one-time ceremony, but a lifelong collaboration with God to bring life and grace to the world through the powerful witness of married love. Witness to Love invites parishes and couples to take advantage of the free resources they're offering in celebration of National Marriage Week 2022. Visit witnesstolove.org/marriageweek for digital and print resources including a novena for couples, date nights, and other tools to promote sacramental marriage. Check out marriageuniqueforareason.org— an initiative of US Conference of Catholic Bishops, where you can find many resources including podcasts of real marriade couples living out the call to love. And visit nationalmarriageweekusa.org which lists marriage-building events throughout the country along with many other great resources.

Prayer for Married Couples

Almighty and eternal God, You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with his Church: look with kindness on them.

Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may

always rejoice in the gift of your blessing.



We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Love

Is there anything more beautiful in life than a young couple clasping hands and pure hearts in the path to marriage? Can there be anything more beautiful than young love?

Yes, there is a more beautiful thing. It is the spectacle of an old man and an old woman finishing their journey together on that path. Their hands may be gnarled, but still clasped; their faces wrinkled but still

radiant; their hearts may be tired and slow as well as their brain, but still strong and wise with love and devotion to each other. Yes, there is a more beautiful thing than young love: Old love.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT TYPES OF CHANGES COULD OCCUR IN PARISHES AS A PART OF VISION 2030?

While change to parish life and structure will be necessary during this process, Vision 2030 will allow for the unique needs of each deanery and even special circumstances within each deanery, to be brought forward. While any change prompted by this process may be difficult, Vision 2030 aims to help all of the faithful grow more deeply in the faith.

Some of the possible areas for discussion and pastoral planning that may occur in parishes over the next decade include:

1. Partnership with Neighboring Parishes

Parishes retain their own pastors but begin partnering with others to share ministries and resources such as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, youth groups and religious education with the goal to avoid duplication as much as possible.

2. Linked Parishes

Linking two or more parishes would involve the parishes sharing the same pastor. Such parishes, while independent, will by necessity cooperate more closely than parishes in partnerships. Linked parishes do many things cooperatively, such as programs, and are encouraged to work toward combining Pastoral Council meetings and establishing common committees where possible.

3. Alternative Types of Parish Leadership

The Diocese of Scranton currently has several Parish Life Coordinators who are entrusted with the responsibility of leading a parish community in the absence of a priest serving as pastor. The Parish Life Coordinator provides pastoral and organizational leadership for a parish community and works with a Sacramental Minister, who is a priest authorized to provide for the liturgical and sacramental needs of the parish community.

4. Merger/Closure

In a parish merger, two or more parishes are united as one parish. Parishes may be considered for a merger when one or more of the parishes involved appears to lack the resources for long-term sustainability. This lack of resources might be financial in nature but might also apply to the number of active parishioners or the ability to maintain a safe and secure facility/property. This option is most generally considered when the membership of a parish has so diminished that the community is unable to sustain the pillars of parish life in Word, Worship, Community and Service and/or financial and infrastructure needs cannot be met.