



# ST. PAUL PARISH

*Second Sunday of Easter*

**APRIL 24, 2022**



# LORD



“My Lord and my God!”

JOHN 20:28

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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.

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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

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Paul's Parish for our

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

live-streaming of the

Celebration of Mass.

**Mass Schedule**

8 am Mass ~ Mon.-Sat.

4:30 Mass ~ Sat. (Vigil)

Confessions - Sat.-4pm

8 am & 10:30 am ~ Sun.

**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.

***Please Pray For...***



**The People of Ukraine:**

Please pray that all parties involved, refrain from any action that would cause even more suffering to the people of Ukraine. May the Lord restore peace, protect the people of Ukraine, and guide those providing emergency aid.

**Our Deceased Family & Friends:**

Please remember all of our deceased family, friends, and fellow parishioners. May our faithful departed enjoy eternal rest in heaven.

**Our Sick and Suffering:**

Please remember the sick, suffering and all who have asked for a remembrance in our prayers, May the Lord grant them health and peace in body, mind and spirit!

**Our Military Men and Women:**

Please remember all our men and women in military and government service, especially those who serve in foreign lands. May the Lord preserve them from all harm.

**Persecuted Christians:**

Please remember our fellow Christians around the world who are being persecuted for their religious beliefs.

**Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life:**

Please pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially here in the Diocese of Scranton, that more men and women will respond to the call to serve God in religious vocations.

**The Sanctity of Human Life:**

Please pray that the life of every human person, from conception to natural death may be protected in our laws.

# ST. PAUL MASS INTENTIONS

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Saturday, April 23 Vigil: Second Sunday of Easter**

4:30 p.m. † Eugene P. Grady (Marge & Family)

**Sunday, April 24 Second Sunday of Easter**

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish

† John & Ann Sabatini (Stan & Betty Bednarz)

10:30 a.m. † Jerry Maushart (Kathy & Family)

**Monday, April 25 Saint Mark, Evangelist**

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

**Tuesday, April 26 Easter Weekday**

8:00 a.m. † Marge Darger (Mary Walsh Dempsey)

**Wednesday, April 27 Easter Weekday**

8:00 a.m. † Gene Pidich (Regina & Family)

**Thursday, April 28 Easter Weekday**

8:00 a.m. † James Dempsey  
(Mary Walsh Dempsey & Family)

**Friday, April 29 Saint Catherine of Sienna**

8:00 a.m. † Bob Holtham (Kerry & Jody Maloney)

**Saturday, April 30 Easter Weekday**

8:00 a.m. † Daniel Sullivan (Family)

4:30 p.m. † Mr. & Mrs. Frank McAndrew &  
Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Eshelman (Jim & Paula Eshelman)

**Sunday, May 1 Third Sunday of Easter**

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish  
† Patricia Mellody (Margie McLane)

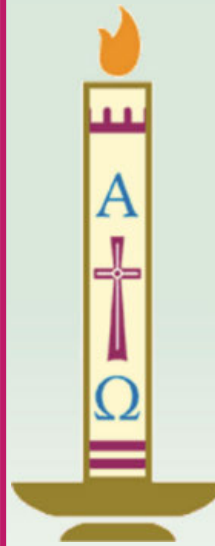
10:30 a.m. † Clair Kenny (Peggy O'Keefe)

## 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 Memory of:

† Joseph "Joe" Benginia

With Love From:  
Wife, Caroline

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

In Loving Memory of:

† Joseph Dougherty

With Love From:  
Dougherty Family

### St. Paul's Marian Candle

In Loving Memory of:

† Ruth Zale

With Love From:  
Family

### St. Paul's Wine and Hosts

In Loving Memory of:

† The Most Reverend

Bishop John M. Dougherty, D.D.

## 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.*



**Regular Pantry Hours: Fridays~ 3—4:30 p.m.**

**Food Pantry Volunteers for Friday April 22**

U of S students, Jody Maloney, Barbara Burkhouse

## Food Pantry Donations:

*In Loving Memory of:*

**Ann Kelleher**

*With Love,*

**Robert & Elizabeth  
Troy**

*In Loving Memory of*

**Gerald Maushart**

*With Love,*

**James & Rita  
Maushart**

*Thank You!*

## RECENTLY DECEASED

*Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have recently departed. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!*



**Palm Sunday**

**Offertory: \$ 7,899.00**

**Online: \$2,403.50**



**Easter Sunday**

**Offertory: \$ 3,930.00**

**Online: \$ 4,145.00**

**Easter Offering: \$11,559.00**

***EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS***

*(Late/Missed Entries & Corrections)*

***Additional Memorials:***

**In Loving Memory of: Clarence J., Mary Catherine, and Michael P. Duffy**

*With Love, From: Ann Marie Gallagher*

**In Loving Memory of: John Boswell**

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**In Loving Memory of: Parents, Jacob & Julia**

*With Love, From: Sister Mary Cecilia Draru*

**In Loving Memory of: Edward Palski**

*With Love, From: Mrs. Mary Ann Palski*

***Corrected Memorials:***

**In Loving Memory of: Thomas M. Holmes**

*With Love, From: Kathryn Foley*

**In Loving Memory of: John "Jay" Yeager**

*With Love, From: Yeager Family*

**In Loving Memory of: Victoria Fontana**

*With Love, From: Mr. & Mrs. John Esolen*

**In Loving Memory of: Delores Kissolavege**

*With Love, From: Mr. & Mrs. John Esolen*



**Saint Joseph's Center  
Sidewalk Sale  
Saturday, May 21, 2022  
8 am - 1 pm**

**320 S. Blakely Street, Dunmore**



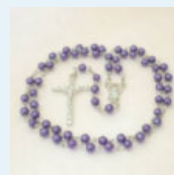
**ADORATION AND  
ROSARY**

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 war, violence, public, private and in the womb
- † Any other intentions



**2022 Wedding Anniversary Mass**

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2022 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 26. The event includes a 2:30 PM Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception.

**The registration deadline is May 29, 2022.**

To register, go to [www.dioceseofscranton.org](http://www.dioceseofscranton.org) or contact Jen Housel (570-207-2213 x 1104 or [jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org)).



# GreenRidge Neighborhood Association

## Little Islands Spring Clean-Up Day

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## Catholic Choral Society *Spring Generations Concerts*

The annual spring concerts of the Catholic Choral Society of Scranton will be presented on Friday evening, May 20 at 7:00 PM at St. Ignatius Church at 339 North Maple Avenue in Kingston and on Sunday evening, May 22 at 7:00 PM at Mary Mother of God Parish at Holy Rosary Church at 316 William Street in Scranton.

On Friday evening, May 20, at St Ignatius Church in Kingston, the Choral Society will host the Wyoming Valley West Middle School Spartans directed by Scott Coates. On Sunday evening, May 22 at Holy Rosary Church the Choral Society will host the Western Wayne Middle School Select Chorus under the direction of Mrs. Joyce Covaleski with Marty Ort as accompanist.

The Catholic Choral Society, marking its 73rd season, is comprised of members from Luzerne, Lackawanna, Wayne, Susquehanna and Wyoming counties. The director of the Catholic Choral Society is Ann Manganiello and the accompanist is Kim Gnall.

There is no admittance fee, however, a free will offering will be taken.

Board members assisting president Brenda Grunza in arranging the concert include Nancy Flannery, Sheila O'Brien, Lois Ostrowski, Kate Conaboy, Chris Koster and Rich Gibbons.

Marissa McHale, a recent graduate from Geisinger School of Medicine with a master's in biomedical sciences, and current St. Paul's food pantry volunteer holds an annual fundraising campaign entitled "**Man and Woman of the Year**" for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. This is a 10-week campaign that allows her to gather as many donations as possible to raise money for groundbreaking blood cancer research, new treatments, fee assistance, patient copays, etc. for those suffering against the horrors of blood cancer.



This cause is close to her heart for many reasons and if you have time, I invite you to read her fundraising page down below with the link to donate if you are willing to give to this cause. This year, this campaign is not only honoring two children who are blood cancer survivors from Ohio, but also allowed her the privilege to be on Maja Murphy's team this year who is a current 8-year-old fighter against Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia.

<https://pages.lls.org/mwoy/noh/cle22/mmchale>

***By donating to our team, all proceeds will contribute to the growth of blood cancer research along with therapies and treatments. This has helped survival rates of patients to double, triple, and even quadruple!***

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS: The World Is Watching

If you're a parent, you know this to be true: the world is watching. All it takes is one slip-up — one bad word, one selfish action, one uncharitable commentary, and that's the thing your child seems to notice.

When he or she calls you on it, the only thing you can do is come clean. "Yep, I did that," you have to say. "I'm a work in progress, but luckily, God never stops working."

I think it's fair to say that we don't think enough about the wounds of Christ. It's a little understandable, of course. Our human bodies flinch at the sight of such pain and mortification. It's a lot to handle, the physical trauma of a crucifixion. It carries an R rating in a PG world.

But the wounds of Christ are the only thing that could make Thomas believe. Literally nothing else was so powerful, not even the testimony of his most trusted friends. Only by looking at and feeling the torn flesh — by beholding that messy reality — did this Apostle, this actual companion of Christ, come to believe in the Resurrection.

"Christ has no body now but yours," goes the famous quote attributed to St. Teresa of Avila. What she's saying is that we have become the means through which God chooses to accomplish His will in the world. Us, the broken. Us, the weary. Us, the imperfect. Yes, miraculous events and apparitions still occur from time to time, but by and large, if a person is going to come to believe in Jesus Christ in this day and age, it will be because of something we Christians do or say.

Christ has no wounds now but ours. Our brokenness, our weariness, our imperfection — our reality. It all belongs to him, and the world is watching. - Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

### CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE "BE A CATHOLIC MAN" 2022 EVENT

The 7th annual Catholic Men's Conference, sponsored by "Be A Catholic Man", is planned for Saturday, October 08, 2022, at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Blvd., Wilkes-Barre. The theme, "Be Not Afraid" is under the patronage of Saint Joseph. This event (from 8 am to 3 pm) will be blessed with nationally known Catholic Speakers to be announced. Men are challenged to live virtuous lives in this secular world, --- whether single, married, or clergy, --- all are encouraged to set this date aside and attend. There will be Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, Sacramental Confession, and lunch break. Mass will be offered by the Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera. Questions, please contact Michael Kilmer, Conference Chairman, at 570-746-0100 or [michaelkilmer71@gmail.com](mailto:michaelkilmer71@gmail.com).



**We Are Listening!**  
**The Church wants to hear from you.**

Online Survey Available Until Friday, April 29, 2022  
Visit [dioceseofscranton.org](http://dioceseofscranton.org) and click "Synod on Synodality"

(Available in both English and Spanish)

The Diocese of Scranton continues to listen to your thoughts and opinions as we answer the call of Pope Francis to participate in the local listening phase of the 2023 Synod on Synodality. It is our hope that you will prayerfully consider each question and offer feedback about your experience as a member of the Diocese of Scranton.

The Synod survey is available on the "Synod on Synodality" page of the Diocese of Scranton website ([dioceseofscranton.org](http://dioceseofscranton.org)) through April 29, 2022. Since last October, thousands of people in all 11 counties of the Diocese of Scranton have participated in the online synod survey or individual parish listening sessions. If you have already taken the survey, please spread the word – including to family and friends that may no longer attend Mass. A key component is listening to those voices who are easily ignored or marginalized.

**PASTA DINNER: Saturday, April 23rd 2-5PM**  
**THE LACE WORKS, 524 COURT STREET SCRANTON, PA**

**Tickets: \$12.00 at the door- TAKE-OUT ONLY**

**Dinner includes: Spaghetti, Meatballs, Salad & Dessert**

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