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**Parish Office and Church Hours**

**Mass Schedule**
- **Saturday Vigil:** 5:30 PM  
- **Sunday:** 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 AM  
- **Weekdays:** 8:30 AM  
- **Holydays:** 8:30 AM & 5:30 PM  
- **Holidays:** 9:30 AM

**Confessions**  
4:00 PM Saturday

**Church Hours**
- **Mon-Wed-Thursday:** 8:00 AM-5:00 PM  
- **Tuesday:** 8:00 AM-5:00 PM  
- **Friday:** 8:00 AM-Noon  
- **Saturday:** 4:00 PM-6:30 PM  
- **Sunday:** 7:00 AM-1:00 PM

**Parish Office Hours**
- **Monday-Thursday:** 9:00 AM-5:00 PM  
- **Friday:** 9:00 AM-Noon  
- **Wedgesdays:** The office will close from 3:00-4:00 PM to allow the staff to pray with the parish.

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***If you have a meeting scheduled in the evening in the Parish Center, you will need to obtain a key prior to 5:00 PM on the day of your meeting. We no longer have evening volunteers in the office. Thank you!***

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November 15, 2015  
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sick List and Prayer Intentions

Please pray for the parishioners listed below who are in need of our healing prayers. Due to space restrictions in the bulletin, names will remain on the list for 1 month only, unless we hear from you. Thank you.


Please keep the following family members in your prayers as military and first responders in dangerous places throughout the world.

Thomas Burns; Marc Doucette; Mr. & Mrs. Josh & Megan Elliott; Bill Fletcher; Joe Gable; Tom Gutherman, Riley Harsh, Mike Henderson, Jr. Marc Nielson, Eric Reigner; Timothy & Mary Alice Riemann; John Strasser III, and Christian Troutner.

Baptisms

We welcome our newest parishioners and congratulate their parents and families.

Heidi Elizabeth
William Olsen
Cameron Elyse
November: the Month of All Souls

It is not too late to send in your photos. Submissions for the first 2 weeks of November are closed, but we will continue to accept photos for the other weekends, digitally only. Please send to: mdivecha@sspeterandpaulrc.org. Please be sure to include the name of your family member, date of birth and date of death. Hard copies of pictures already submitted are in the Parish Office, ready to be picked up at your earliest convenience.

Are you going away for the Winter??

For those of you who travel to Florida or other warm and cozy destinations for the winter, we would be grateful if you would please let us know. We will miss you, but can discontinue mail and envelopes while you are out of town. Thank you for contacting the office.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Each year on Thanksgiving day at our daily 8:30AM Mass we collect food around the altar that is then donated to Mission Santa Maria in Chester, PA. Please bring food only on Thanksgiving day and thank you in advance for your generosity!

Family Ministries

7th and 8th Grade Youth Group dates

- Sunday, December 6, at 6:30 PM
- Sunday, January 3, at 6:30 PM
- Friday, February 5, at 5:00PM to 9:00 PM Penn State Mini-thon
- Sunday, March 13, at 6:30 PM
- Sunday, April 3, at 6:30 PM

Email Michele to register your child: mdalessandro@sspeterandpaulrc.org

Family Ministries Dates to Know

- Ongoing Babysitting and Liturgy of the Word at the 9:30 Mass & Children’s Choir Practice on Wednesdays
- November 20 and 21: Unbound Conference
- November 20 and 21: Confirmation parent meeting following the 5:30 PM and 11:30 AM Masses
- November 29: Advent begins
- December 5: First Penance 10:00 AM
- December 19: Nativity Blessing following the 5:30 PM Mass

Finances/Facilities

Sunday Collection Totals

Due to the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday, the bulletin had to be transmitted early. We will publish all contributions from November 8 through the end of the month as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

WeShare Totals for September

This, the 3rd weekend of the month, we want to share with you the total WeShare contributions for the previous month.

October 1 through October 31, 2015

Recurring transactions: $ 24,437.00
Average user contribution: $115.82
Average transaction contrib.: $71.00
Number of users: 211

Thank you to all who take advantage of We Share!!

Pastoral Ministries

Prayer Chain

Anyone in need of prayers is encouraged to contact the members of the parish Prayer Chain Team. Please feel free to reach out and call Mary Brown at 610.696.0806 or Shirley Prilutski at 610.692.4965. There is no need to give your name. All requests can be anonymous.
Unbound Seminar at SSPP: Do You Want To Be Free?

We all have some form of brokenness in our lives. From past abuse, neglect, pain, betrayal, disappointment, or sin. Jesus proclaims that His mission is to “…proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free” (Luke 4:28). Jesus LOVES to free us from our wounds, our trauma, our fears, and our sins. All people have something they’re oppressed by: Maybe we have resentment towards others, body image issues, maybe we fear being lonely, are addicted to pornography, have crippling fear or anxiety, are stubborn, or maybe something really unfortunate happened to us in our lives and we have struggled to ever move past it. Whatever it is, we all have something from which we need to be freed.

The thing that Christians often don’t realize, is that Jesus wants to set us free and He has the power to do so.

An amazingly effective model of prayer to receive freedom through Christ is the “Unbound” model, written about and practiced by Neil and Janet Lozano. To pray with their team you must first read their book Unbound. We have copies of their book Unbound ($12) and new book Abba’s Heart ($15) in the parish center for sale (all checks should be made out to Heart of the Father Ministries). We will also have them for sale after the Masses on Hospitality weekend (October 31, November 1). We then will be hosting an Unbound seminar for people from all over the country on November 20 from 6:30PM to 9:30PM in the School gym and November 21 from 9:00AM to 8:00PM also in the school gym.

Women’s Evening Café

The beautiful season of Advent will soon be upon us. Do you desire a more prayerful, peaceful experience of Advent? Do you want to do a better job at avoiding the typical consumer trap of the Christmas season? Our next Women’s Evening Cafe is scheduled for Monday, November 30, 6:30- 8:30 PM in the Parish Center Room 11.

Join us as we learn more about deepening our daily prayer life and relationship with God and discuss ways we can have the best Advent ever! All the ladies of SSPP are welcome, and feel free to bring a friend. If you would like to offer your help or contribute to the refreshment table, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact jimagee@sspeterandpaulrc.org if you have any questions.

Young Adults: Come Learn about NFP

Join CYACC this Wednesday, November 18, 2015 at 7:30 PM at Saints Peter and Paul in West Chester for a talk about Natural Family Planning (NFP) by Lisa Goddard. The discussion will include the whys behind its teaching, the way it can be applied now, and its beauty and fruitfulness which the Church promotes. For more info, check us out on Facebook or email us at cyacc1@gmail.com

Memorial Crosses for the Unborn

Starting on November 18, 57 white crosses will be displayed on the lawn behind our church sign. Each cross represents one million surgical abortions that have occurred in the United States since 1973, that’s over 57 million babies nationally, of which 17,000 abortions were performed right here in Chester County. The crosses will be displayed until December 3 and is intended to build awareness in our community about the tragic reality of abortion.

Spiritual Adoption Month 7

Thank you for praying for me. I am 7 months old now and growing every day. I’m between 14 and 17 inches long and weigh about 41/2 pounds. I move around a lot but it’s getting crowded in here! Sometimes I even get the hiccups!
11 Cents: Jesus — The Source of All Joy

We might not realize it, but no one can experience anything good without God's allowance and providence. God is the source of all goodness and there is nothing good that exists that did not ultimately find its origin in God. From the comfort of waking up in a warm bed, to hearing the otherworldly sound of a great orchestra, all good things come from God.

Even if an atheist looks at their sleeping child and is filled with love they’re actually experiencing God, because God is love. Those moved by love are truly moved by God, and those who seek goodness will find it, and in finding it, they will find God whether they realize it or not. God does not hide from us but makes His goodness abundantly available even to the ungrateful and the proud (which we all are at one time or another).

The positive way of saying this is that Jesus is the Source of All Joy. How wonderful to proclaim and believe! Jesus, You, are the Source of All Joy!

This is the reason we can be evangelists, and why we can ache for people to return to church, because we can humbly and honestly believe it is what is best for them. Those who are far from God suffer because of the distance whether they realize it or not. So let us be unashamed in our desire to expand the presence of the Church and of Christ into our world. We do this, I hope, never out of self-righteousness, but with a conviction that a life lived with Jesus is the only life that is lived fully alive.

Daniel Hoover
Director of Pastoral Ministries

Small Group Bible Study

Coming soon, we will have two information meetings about a small group Bible study that will eventually be used in the parish during certain liturgical seasons, (e.g. Lent or Easter) to strengthen our faith and our community. These information sessions are the same, so it is only necessary to attend one. They will be led by Fr. Jim on Monday, November 23 and Wednesday, December 9, both at 7:00PM-9:00PM and both in the Parish Center. Please join us!

Casseroles Sunday: November 29

Saints Peter and Paul has been supporting Bethesda Project’s shelters and homeless programs for over two decades through Casserole Sunday donations to Our Brothers House. Bethesda Project serves the most vulnerable among us, the chronically homeless in Philadelphia. Last month, 24 casseroles and several bags of toiletries, clothes, dry goods and canned foods were donated and delivered by our parish. Due to renovations in the Freezer Room (next to the Narthex), the cabinet containing empty casserole tins has been moved across the room to the opposite back corner, next to the freezer. Recipes, instructions and wish lists are now on the freezer. Thank you for your generosity!

Worship Ministries

Book of the Dead

Please feel free to add the names of your deceased loved ones in the Book of the Dead located on the stand in the lobby of Church. All those written in the book will be remembered in daily prayers for the month of November.

Eucharistic Adoration

Weekly Adoration takes place on Wednesdays following the 8:30 AM Mass. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for the day and ends with a Holy Hour. At 3:00 PM the Divine Mercy Chaplet is sung. At 3:30 PM, Evening Prayer will take place, which concludes with Benediction at 4:00 PM.
Like to Sing?

If you enjoy singing and would like to be involved in a Parish ministry, we have a new way for folks who lack formal experience to get involved at SSPP. Starting this Fall a new singing group, the Chorale, will enrich our liturgies at the 5:30 PM Saturday Vigil Mass twice a month. If you have any interest or questions, please contact Bruce Carlson in the Parish Office at 610.692.2216 ext. 265 or email to bcarlson@ss peterandpaulrc.org, or feel free to drop by one of our general music rehearsals on Tuesday’s at 6:30 PM in the church. These sessions are low pressure, “judgement free” zones, and are a good opportunity for people to dip their toes into the waters of our Music Ministry. Folks that are familiar with the material from rehearsing with other groups are also free to join us at Mass.

Funeral Server Ministry

Saints Peter and Paul is inviting parishioners to consider participating in a new ministry which is open to adults who are available in the morning during the week. Funeral Servers set up for the liturgy and assist the priest during the funeral mass. Interested adults may contact Bruce Carlson in the Parish Office.

Local News

Game-Changing Approaches to Dementia Care

Join ComForCare for a free workshop for family caregivers! November 17 at 3:00 PM Immaculata University, Loyola Hall, Room 127

Learn how to create better days for you and your loved ones.

St.Pio Prayer Group

The Padre Pio Prayer Group, of Chester County meets the 3rd Saturday of every month, at SS. Philip and James Church, Exton, beginning at 8:00 AM. All Chester County Parishes are welcome to attend. Our next meeting is November 21. For more information call 484.433.9401.

Office for the New Evangelization

NFP Instructors Training

Calling All Married Couples! Alliance Natural Family Planning (NFP) Network is hosting an NFP Instructor Certification Program on Friday night 11/20 &Saturday 11/21. To learn more or to register for this FREE course, please visit www.2015NFPinstructorcert.eventbrite.com. Contact Alliance at info@AllianceNFP.com or 267.800.8514.

2015-2016 Archbishop's Lecture Series

Join Archbishop Chaput as he welcomes distinguished scholars on the theme “Living as a Christian in a Culture of Unbelief.” The next lecture is Monday, Dec 7 at 7pm at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Vianney Auditorium, Wynnewood, PA. Speaker: Prof. Michael Hanby of the John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and the Family on the topic The Truth Will Set You Free: Liberal Order and the Future of Christian Freedom. Full lineup and more information, including registration, can be found at: PhillyEvang.org/lectures.

Jubilee Year of Mercy Solemn Opening Mass

Pope Francis has declared an Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy. Join Archbishop Chaput and the faithful of the Archdiocese as he opens the Jubilee Holy Door and celebrates the Solemn Opening Mass on Sunday, December 13 at 6:30pm at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in Philadelphia. To learn more about how to live the Jubilee and encounter the infinite mercy of God, visit archphila.org/mercy.