

The Ministry Brochure of Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace & Saint Veronica's Parish

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Call for Faith Formation Hours.

***For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to
serve,
and to give his life as the ransom for many.***

Mass Schedule

Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace:

Daily (M-F) 9:00 AM

Saturday Evening: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 11:30 AM

[during the months of April
through December]

First Fridays: 9:00 AM Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
during the day.

5:30 PM closing service

Confessions:

Saturday: 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

First Friday - Before 9.00 AM Mass

Holy Day & Vigil—Obligations

Vigil

Queen of Peace -5.30 PM

Feast Day

Queen of Peace - 9:00 AM

Saint Veronica -5.30 PM

St. Veronica's

Saturday Evening: 4:30 PM

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Confessions:

Saturday 4:00 PM to 4:15 PM

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Community Outreach

The Sermon on the Mount

When he saw the crowds,* he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. **He began to teach them, saying:**

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you [falsely] because of me.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.

Matthew 5

The Outreach Ministry

The Outreach Ministry is a ministry of people who are here to help those of our parish who are elderly or disabled; that are homebound. They bring the Most Holy Sacrament to them, spend some time and talk; see how their day is going. It is a wonderful and fulfilling ministry that helps both the homebound and yourself.

Please contact Connie Hawkins at 570 955-7503 or email conhawk6@gmail.com if you are interested in this ministry.

"For I was ill and you cared for me."

Matthew 25:36

BAM- Bag A Month Food Collection program

The BAM program supports three local food pantries that serve the parish. They were selected using the following criteria: 1. They must operate under county/state/or local governmental control; 2. They are non-denominational; and 3. They serve the area of this parish. Therefore, all donations stay within the parish limits and assist local families. The three qualified pantries are: Lakeville, Honesdale, and Loaves and Fishes.

Bags and money are distributed on a regular ongoing schedule. Money collected is allocated equitably based upon number of families served. Monetary donations to the pantries are used to purchase fresh food, vegetables, meats, eggs, and dairy products. ALL money collected goes to the pantries: BAM has no administrative deductions.

Since the first food distribution 9/1/12, BAM has provided more than \$200,000 and TONS of food to its participating pantries.

We collect bags of specified food items before each of the Masses on the first full weekend of each month. We also accept cash donations.

Our collection site is located next to the garages behind Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace Rectory and at the entrance to St. Veronica's. We are always looking for volunteers to help accept the donated bags one half an hour before Saturday **or** Sunday's Masses. You can close the site 5 minutes before Mass begins.

Please contact us if you are able to 'work' a collection site one half an hour before one of the weekend Mass every now and then. [No long term commitments needed].

Rev. William B. Healey Knights of Columbus Council #797 has overall responsibility for operating the BAM program. If you have any suggestions or wish to help out, please contact Connie Conrad at 570 226-8170 or email connieconrad1@verizon.net .

***Whatever you do for the least among you,
you do it for me!***

Matthew 25:40

Knights of Columbus

Imagine being part of an organization that fills your heart and mind with the joy of giving to others and the feeling that comes with making a difference.

Knights are practicing Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church. Being a Knight is more than camaraderie; it is being involved with your community; it is supporting your local parish, while enhancing your own faith; it is about protecting and enhancing your family life.

All the good works we do are formed around our four core principles:

† Charity † Unity † Fraternity † Patriotism †

- Annual Football Pool Fund Raiser
- Maintain the AED at church
- Maintain a CPR course
- Maintain the Parish BAM program
- Participate in the Wayne County Food Distribution Program
- Maintain the "Keep Christ in Christmas" billboards.
- Annual scholarship for vocational student at Wallenpaupack High School.
- Provide funds for ultrasound prob for local woman's clinic.
- Provide funds to St. Joseph's Baby Pantry along with Altar & Rosary Society.
- Maintain cemetery clean up in the spring.
- Participate in annual bus ride to "Right to Life" campaign.

For any information or questions please contact

Ken Parlatore 917-327-5178 , or email kparlatore@aol.com

Fred Liebhaber 516-2464528 or email—liebhaberf@gmail.com

We meet the third Wednesday of every month.

***IN SERVICE TO ONE,
IN SERVICE TO ALL.***

Bereavement Ministry

One of the most difficult times in the life of any family is the death of a loved one. This is not forgotten after the funeral. We, as a community of faith, know that our loved ones are in their eternal rest, though we mourn for our loved one and ourselves. The process of family healing may take a long time.

Our ministers visit the family to explain the Funeral Rite and welcome their help to participate in the Rite in whatever way they are able. After the Funeral, ministers stay in contact with the family over the course of the first year through notes, phone calls, and/or visits. It is a ministry that fills a great need to the grieving members of our parish.

Won't you become part of this important ministry?! On the road to Emmaus, Jesus (as bereavement minister) "walked with" and "listened to" the mourners. All that is needed are two ears that can listen, a heart that is open to others, and you Qualify!!!

Please email Maralyn Nalesnick at mnalesnik@gmail.com for more information or to join this beautiful ministry.

***He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.***

Psalm 147:3

The Gardening Ministry

The Queen of Peace Gardening Committee cares for the flower beds around the Church and Rectory. We weed, water, plant, spread mulch, fertilizers, lime and a lot more.

If you have time to spare, we would love the help. A little watering goes a long way.

We would like it if you would be able to fill in when someone is away or not able to perform their duties.

Please call Linda Highhouse at 570 229-0534 or email parishsecretary@queenofpeacehawley.com . Thank you.

Our plants help support bees and butterflies. Many of our plants are deer resistant.

As plants multiply, we separate and share with those who like to garden. During the growing season, you can come by the Rectory and if there are paper bags by the door, please take one, there are seeds in them or small plants.

I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth.

1 Corinthians 3:6

Helping Hands Ministry

The same weekends as B.A.M [first full weekend of each month.] This collection will be for children in need, everything from diapers, food, everyday essentials including new and gently used clothing all to be donated to St. Joseph's Pantry , Because sometimes we all could use a "Helping Hand".

The list below is what is needed now.

Please drop off in the entrance of the Church.

All donation go to the St Joseph's Center in Dunmore.

There are different forms of service but the same Lord;

There are different workings but the same God

who produces all of them in everyone.

To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit..

To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom, to another the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit.

To another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit.

..1 Corinthians 12:5-9'

TLC Ministry

Do you knit, crochet, sew or quilt, then this ministry is for you. TLC, Tender Loving Care, is an expanded version of the baby blanket ministry. The gifts of your labor will benefit Wayne Memorial Hospital in so many ways; blankets for all ages, adult clothing protectors, walker bags, and boo-boo bears for our young ones, and ouch pillows. All of these items will bring some extra special TLC and love to our neighbors and friends at WMH. Any other ideas always welcome!

God bless the work of your hands, the love of your heart and the gift of your time as we let someone know we're thinking of them and wishing them God's tender loving care.

For all the details, please contact Sally Petrusa at 570 253-3604 or email the rectory at parishsecretary@queenofpeacehawley.com.

God bless the work of your hands, the love of your heart and the gift of your time as you create new handmade baby blankets for local newborn babies. May God bless you richly for your generosity. Amen.

And now these three remain: Faith, Hope and Love.

But the greatest of these is Love.

1 Corinthians 13:13

'My Brothers Keeper' Quilting Group

Our Quilter's group is a gathering of men and women of faith and fellowship. Each Tuesday either at 9.00 am or after the Morning Mass, the team assembles in the Parish Hall, to layout the fabrics that will be used for the day. We are looking for volunteers to join us – no sewing experience is necessary – we are happy to teach those that are willing to help. We sew blankets and fabric pieces to create sleeping bags which are then donated to a shelter in Scranton. Inside each sleeping bag we include a shirt and pants; a quart size Ziploc bag with travel sized toiletries to include a toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, lotion and a comb. Our ministry was started over 20 years ago and we have produced over 4,967 sleeping bags since!

We usually start at 9.00 am – but all are welcome to start at any time they can. We normally leave around 11:00am. You are flexible to help out as little or as much as your schedule allows.

We also knit and crochet hats and scarves that are included in the sleeping bags during the winter.

We are always seeking donations of items to go into the toiletry bags, quart sized Ziploc bags, sheets, comforters, towels, wash clothes, pieces of fabric to make the bags; men's ties to create the straps for the sleeping bag; either new or gently used mens socks, tee shirts, sweatpants to include with the bag. Please leave items in the Parish Hall coat closet. As soon as you enter the basement, our storage room door is on the left, you may leave items there for us to use on Tuesday mornings.

We look forward to having you join us for fellowship and helping others. If you have questions you are welcome to contact Linda Highhouse at 570 229-0534 for more information.

***A time to tear apart and a time to sew together;
A time to be silent and a time to speak.***

Corporal Works of Mercy

1- Feed the hungry.
2- Give drink to the
thirsty.

3- Clothe the naked. 6- Visit the imprisoned.
4- Shelter the homeless. 7- Bury the dead.
5- Visit the sick.

The Beatitudes

The Beatitudes depict the countenance of Jesus Christ and portray his charity. They express the vocation of the faithful associated with the glory of his Passion and Resurrection; they shed light on the actions and attitudes characteristic of the Christian life; they are the paradoxical promises that sustain hope in the midst of tribulations; they proclaim the blessings and rewards already secured, however dimly, for Christ's disciples; they have begun in the lives of the Virgin Mary and all the saints.

CCC 1717

Prayer and *Christian life* are *inseparable*, for they concern the same love and the same renunciation, proceeding from love; the same filial and loving conformity with the Father's plan of love; the same transforming union in the Holy Spirit who conforms us more and more to Christ Jesus; the same love for all men, the love with which Jesus has loved us. "Whatever you ask the Father in my name, he [will] give it to you. This I command you, to love one another."

He "prays without ceasing" who unites prayer to works and good works to prayer. Only in this way can we consider as realizable the principle of praying without ceasing.
CCC 2745

Devotions/ Prayer

Faith involves both the head and the heart. Catholic devotions and traditions enliven and nurture our Catholic faith, touching our hearts and allowing us to express our love of God.

Prayer is a vital necessity. Proof from the contrary is no less convincing: if we do not allow the Spirit to lead us, we fall back into the slavery of sin. How can the Holy Spirit be our life if our heart is far from him?

Nothing is equal to prayer; for what is impossible it makes possible, what is difficult, easy. . . . For it is impossible, utterly impossible, for the man who prays eagerly and invokes God ceaselessly ever to sin.

Those who pray are certainly saved; those who do not pray are certainly damned.
CCC 2744

Daily Rosary

We come together every weekday morning before Mass to pray the Rosary for an increase in vocations, the end to abortion and personal intentions. Please join us when you can.

The repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery. The gentle repetition of the words helps us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells.

USCCB

***“For where two or three are gathered in my name,
there am I in the midst of them.”***

Matthew 18:20

The Altar & Rosary Society

The Rosary Altar Society was founded in the fifteenth century by Alan del la Roche, a Dominican Friar. On October 2, 1898, Pope Leo XIII issued the apostolic constitution on the Most Holy Rosary (Ubi primum) containing the laws, rights, and privileges of the Confraternity. It states that the Confraternity was instituted so that the faithful, united in fraternal charity by the prayer of the Rosary, may praise and honor the Blessed Virgin and secure her patronage. Since the time of Alan del la Roche, the Confraternity has been the primary means of propagating devotion to the Rosary, and has raised the Rosary from a form of private prayer to that of shared or common prayer. “For whenever a person fulfills the obligation of reciting the rosary according to the rule of the Confraternity, he includes in his intentions all its members, and they in turn render him the same service many times over” (Ubi primum)

The primary purpose of the society is to praise and honor the Blessed Virgin Mary and to secure her patronage by the recitation of the Rosary for the mutual spiritual benefit of all its members throughout the world, and to promote and aid the parish spiritually by performing activities for the care and well being of the Church, as well as cultivating camaraderie within our Parish Family and Community. At Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace and St. Veronica's Parish every registered active member of our parish is eligible for membership by returning the Altar & Rosary Society annual dues envelope .

We look forward to seeing you and planning activities and “fun” fundraisers for the coming year. Regular monthly meetings are scheduled on the second Sunday of each month after the last Mass in the morning in the Parish Hall.

Please call Theresa Fonalledas at 570 899-8264 or email theresa.fo45@gmail.com for more information, to answer any questions or to become a member.

***.....and she exclaimed with a loud cry, “Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb!”***

Luke 1:42

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is the act of worshiping God as He is present in the consecrated Eucharist. Since the Last Supper, when Jesus broke the bread and distributed the wine saying 'This is my Body' and "This is my Blood" we know that the bread and wine are no longer merely baked wheat and fermented grape juice but the actual living Presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

"Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the sacraments, the one dearest to God and the one most helpful us," [St. Alphonsus Ligouri, and Italian Bishop and Doctor of the Church]. "adoration of the blessed Sacrament is important and becomes an inexhaustible source of holiness. It is pleasant to spend time with Christ, to lie close to His breast like the beloved Disciple and to feel the infinite love present in His heart." [St. John Paul II]. You can speak to Jesus, aware that you are in His Presence and tell Him what is in your mind. Listen for His Response. St. Louis de Montfort used to stop into Church often, sometimes before and after school, and say a prayer before the Blessed Sacrament [he was a French Roman Catholic Priest and Confessor]. It is good to spend time, an hour, in the Lord's Presence. He waits for us patiently to visit Him. Jesus says: "Come to Me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest." There have been many Eucharistic Miracles over the years, as proof of Jesus' Real Presence in the Blessed Sacrament.

Please join us for an hour to make Reparation to our Lord, for the Sins of the world.

If you have any questions please call Laura Lankford at 860 680-1296 or email llnrj5@gmail.com

Could you not spend one hour with Me?

Matthew 26:40

Perhaps even a few minutes to start this spiritual devotion.
Think about it.

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Veronica

Second Saturday of the month

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place on the second Saturday of each month from 3.00pm- 4.00 pm, starting in September. Eucharistic Adoration is the act of worshiping God as He is present in the consecrated Eucharist. Since the Last Supper, when Jesus broke the bread and distributed the wine saying 'This is my Body' and "This is my Blood" we know that the bread and wine are no longer merely baked wheat and fermented grape juice but the actual living Presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

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***You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all
your soul and with all your might.***

Deuteronomy 6:5

Liturgy /Worship

All People

The Worshipping Assembly at Mass

In the celebration of Mass the faithful are a holy people, a chosen people, a royal priesthood: they give thanks to God and offer the Victim not only through the hands of the priest but also together with him and learn to offer themselves. They should endeavor to make this clear by their deep sense of reverence for God and their charity toward brothers and sisters who share with them in the celebration (no. 95). They should become one body, whether by hearing the word of God, or joining in prayers and liturgical song, or above all by offering the sacrifice together and sharing together in the Lord's table (no. 96).

Because the whole liturgy is a corporate act of the gathered assembly (GIRM no. 34; Catechism of the Catholic Church no. 1144), there are certain parts of the Mass that are to be done by the whole assembly, the congregation of the faithful and all the ministers, in order to express the corporate nature of this act. Through these actions, the entire congregation of the faithful joins itself to Christ in acknowledging the great things that God has done and in offering the sacrifice (no. 78).

Based upon Roman Missal Formational Materials provided by the Secretariat for the Liturgy of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2010

For the purpose of assisting the work of the common priesthood of the faithful, other *particular ministries* also exist, not consecrated by the sacrament of Holy Orders; their functions are determined by the bishops, in accord with liturgical traditions and pastoral needs. "Servers, readers, commentators, and members of the choir also exercise a genuine liturgical function.

CCC 1143

Ministers of the Altar

Altar Servers

There is always a need for Altar Servers. Since you are coming to Church every Sunday anyway, wouldn't it be wonderful to see your children (from 3rd grade up) serving the Lord. It is a wonderful ministry for children, that does not take up much of their time. We can work with your scheduling difficulties if that is what is holding you back.

Adult Altar Servers

Adult Altar Servers are needed to assist Father Beck and guest priests with Funeral Masses, usually following the 9:00 am Mass or Saturday Liturgy of the Word, also when we do not have an Altar Server for weekend Mass.

Eucharistic Ministers

We always welcome new Ministers and at this time we would like to ask parishioners to think and pray about becoming a Eucharistic Minister. They are at Mass to help the priest distribute the Holy Eucharist. They are ordinary people who are willing to serve God's people in this very special way.

Lectors

They proclaim the Word of the Lord in a way that makes the Lord's day more meaningful to the parishioners. There are workbooks to practice with, that are given to you at the beginning of the liturgical year, and you will be properly trained.

Please call the Rectory Office or email

parishsecretary@queenofpeacehawley.com if you are interested.

***'For even the Son of Man
did not come to be served
but to serve.....'***

Ministry of Ushers

Ushers (ministers of hospitality) play a crucial role in the Church because they are so visible. The attitude, conduct and appearance of an usher could directly affect, either positively or negatively, the experience of the faithful at Mass.

These are some of the basic duties of an usher:

- Ensure that collection baskets, bulletins and any other handouts are in the proper place before Mass
- Greet people as they enter the church
- Attend to newcomers and the disabled if needed
- Assist the people with seating when necessary
- Take up the collection(s)
- Select people to present the gifts
- Help maintain order at Communion
- Open the church doors at the end of Mass

If you are interested in this ministry, please let one of the ushers know or contact to Rectory office at 570 226-3183.

***For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than
dwell in the tents of wickedness.***

The Music Ministry

The young David played and sang psalms for Saul. The music soothed the King's spirit and helped drive away evil spirits. Jesus and the disciples sang a hymn to God at the last supper. Jesus was about to begin the most difficult time in his short life. Imagine the relief this singing gave him as it helped calm his troubled thoughts.

When the Israelites were captive in Babylon, they were asked to sing the songs of praise to the one God. Their beauty and power must have been legendary.

Singing with one another; with your friends and family gives strength. God's word, when sung brings peace and gives inspiration. Singing today in church serves this same pure purpose. Congregational singing combines the power of all those who participate and makes an exceptionally strong statement to God. Occasionally, the congregation might sit in silence and find inspiration in soft playing or the listening to an unfamiliar but uplifting melody. But in all cases, music should elevate us.

This is the job of the music ministry here at Queen of Peace and St Veronica's. Whether through a cantor leading all in song or a choir blending their voices to uplift the congregation, there are opportunities to serve in this ministry. If you can sing in front of people, cantoring might be for you. If you like to sing but prefer to blend in and not stand out, the choir would like you to join us in our weekly celebration. If being at the 8:00 am or 9.45 am every week is difficult for you, but you can make the regular rehearsals, the important events such as Christmas, Holy Week, and Confirmation which take more preparation can use extra voices to make the occasions inspirational and memorable.

Please contact Fran at the Rectory at 226-3183 or Kevin at 352-6512 and let us know you're interested. Our rehearsals are Wednesday evening from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at Queen of Peace, and our weekly Mass is the 8.00 am. At St. Veronica's the Mass is at 9.45 am Sunday with rehearsals to be determined. There are choir and cantor opportunities at both churches.

Spiritual Development

Becoming a disciple of Jesus means accepting the invitation to belong to God's family, to live in conformity with His way of life: "For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother, and sister, and mother."
CCC 2233

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

- If you have never been baptized, but wish too. You are welcome.
- If you have been Baptized, but in a different faith. You are welcome.
- If you have been Baptized Catholic but never received the sacraments of the Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. You are welcome.

The RCIA program begins in September and continues until Easter. It entails regular classroom sessions in which the participants are instructed about our faith. The program also requires them to gather following Mass in order to discuss the readings or address questions about the Mass itself. It's quite a commitment but such a decision to fully embrace our faith should require such. Please call the Rectory Office for more information.

I have called you by name: you are Mine.

Isaiah 43:1

***Show me Your ways, LORD, teach me Your paths.
Guide me in Your truth and teach me,
for You are God my Savior,
and my hope is in You all day long.***

Adult Faith Formation Bible study classes

Please keep checking our bulletin and the website under Faith Formation for upcoming Bible study opportunities.

The seven *gifts* of the Holy Spirit are wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. They belong in their fullness to Christ, Son of David.¹⁰⁹ They complete and perfect the virtues of those who receive them. They make the faithful docile in readily obeying divine inspirations.
CCC 1831

RCIC

Our parish offers an RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children) program to help get individuals, or even entire families, "caught up" to the level they should be at to enter regular Youth Faith Formation classes. Please call the Youth Faith Formation Office for more information.

**Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace
and St. Veronica's Youth Religious Education Program**

We are here to help you teach the catholic faith to our parish children and encourage them to develop a loving relationship with Christ as essential to their emotional, physical and spiritual life.

Please call us if you would like to enroll your child/ children into our Faith Formation Program.

We would like you to encourage families to take an active role in parish life and ministries to model community as fundamental to their faith.

Please call Ivet Bandirma at 570 226-2955 or email at ffdirector@queenofpeacehawley.com.

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me and do not stop them, because the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these."

Matthew 19:14

***: Train the young in the way they should go, even when old,
they will not swerve from it.***

Proverbs 22:6



"Take to heart these word which I command you today. Keep repeating them to your children. Recite them when you are at home and when your are away, when you lie down and when you get up.

Deuteronomy 6:6-7

JC Crew Youth Group

We are a team of youth inspired by the Holy Spirit to leave a legacy of joy.

We meet once a month for fellowship, service, and worship! If you are in grades 8-12 and are searching for friends who share your faith and will encourage you on your journey, feel free to join us on the first Sunday of the month at 11.30 am in the Parish Center. And feel free to call or email us with any questions at 570 226-295 or email

Ivet Bandirma at ffdirector@queenofpeacehawley.com

or Karola Urgiles at

youthministry@queenofpeacehawley.com

"Do not let anyone look down on you because you are young, but be an example for the believers in your speech, your conduct, your love, faith and purity."

1 Timothy 12

Business & Administration

Church Councils & Committees

As with any organization, the leaders of the group, in this situation is the Pastor, appoints particular parishioners for certain councils for their expertise in their field of work to help with the some guidance over certain matters.

When a need occurs a council might be formed, or certain members might be called in for council to the pastor. A council might dissolve if it is no longer needed or might become a long term commitment if it works for both parties

Annual Golf Outing and Dinner

Fundraising is a fact of life for the Catholic Church. Without donations and fundraising many ministries and improvements would never get done. Without the volunteers to help with these fundraiser, the Church does not get the improvements that are greatly needed.

The Golf Outing has been going on for over 6 years and is in need of volunteers to help assist with coordination, preparation, mailings etc.

This is the parish's only fundraiser. Remember, we are the Church. Without us.....

For questions or to help please call Judy at 570 226-3183
or email events@queenofpeacehawley.com.

Finance Council

The Finance Council offers advice and suggestions regarding the financial condition of the parish to the Pastor.

They look over the yearly budget and advise when necessary.

Building & Restoration Council

The Council was created to assess, inspect and make recommendations to the Pastor as to the care and upkeep of the physical buildings and grounds in the Parish.

We are called in when any major repairs or restorations are needed.

Pastoral Council

We are a group of diverse parishioners who gather to try to create more involved fellowship within the parish. We are always looking for active parishioners who want to get involved with events.

“The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully”.

Compliance guidelines for all adult Volunteers

For the safety of our children and vulnerable adults, the Parish of Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace and St. Veronica requires that all adult volunteers are to have background checks and take the required training sessions. The State of Pennsylvania and the Diocese of Scranton have made it mandatory for anyone who, in the course of their responsibilities, comes in contact with children be mandated for all background checks and sessions. Father Beck has decided that every adult volunteer be mandated to do this because **'Aren't we all morally mandated to be reporters?'** We offer Virtus sessions on a regular basis, for your convenience. Please call the Rectory Office at 570 226-3183 or email parishsecretary@queenofpeacehawley.com to register, any questions or concerns

Our love for our children is infinite, so should our diligence be.

Rectory Information

Please come to the Rectory if you wish to:

- Register with the Parish
- Get a Mass Card (for Special Intentions, Healing or Deceased)
- Plan to have a candle in someone's name
- If you are planning on Baptizing your child,
- Would like to become a Catholic,
- Are planning on getting married,
- Would like to be a volunteer
- Have a question about the cemetery or
- Wish to purchase a plot.

Family Envelope Usage

Since our parish family is growing so rapidly, it is difficult to recognize each individual as attending Mass and receiving the Sacraments regularly. We remind everyone that your use of your envelopes allows the Rectory staff to create a record of verifiable practice of the Catholic faith (attending Sunday Mass regularly), should you be asked to be a godparent, sponsor, or matrimonial witness and require an Eligibility Certificate. If you believe that you should have received envelopes and did not, please contact the Rectory. It also keeps track of your giving when tax season comes around.

Important Sponsor Information

To be eligible to become a Sponsor or Godparent there are requirements to follow:

- Being a registered parishioner and faithfully attending Sunday Mass. Using your envelopes allows the Rectory to keep verifiable record of Mass attendance.
- Having received the Three Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation. If married, was witnessed by a Catholic Priest in a Catholic Church.
- Support the child you are to sponsor by your example of Christian life.

***And some seed fell on good soil, and when it grew,
it produced fruit a hundredfold.' After saying this, he called out,
"Whoever has ears to hear ought to hear".***